



Trinity Lutheran Church
Sunday, March 23, 2025
Third Week of Lent

*Indicates please stand as you are able

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

"Meditation on Beautiful Savior"
Bells of Trinity

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CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us return to God, confessing our sin in the assurance of God's abiding love.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Compassionate One,

C: **you are slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, but our lives do not always reflect you and your love for the world. We do not show others the tender compassion you have shown to us. We do not welcome others with the radical hospitality you grant to all people. We oppress others, even though you have set us free again and again.**


We squander the abundant gifts of the earth. Transform our lives and guide us again in the way of the cross. Amen.

P: Beloved in Christ, God's arms are always stretched open wide to welcome the wandering ones home. In † Christ your sins are forgiven. You have a place in God's house forever.

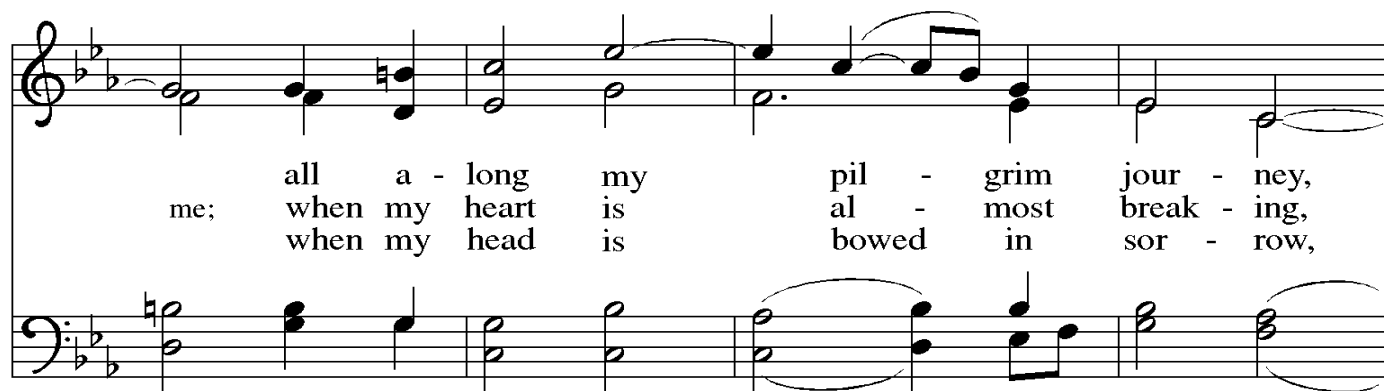
C: **Amen.**



1 I want Je - sus to walk with me;
2 In my tri - als, Lord, walk with me; walk with
3 When I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;



me; I want Je - sus to walk with me;
in my tri - als, Lord, walk with me; walk with
when I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;



me; all a - long my pil - grim jour - ney,
when my heart is al - most break - ing,
when my head is bowed in sor - row,



Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.
Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me. walk with me.
Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.

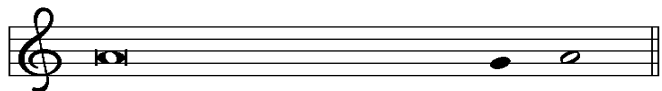
INVOCATION

P: May the grace of Jesus Christ, the love, mercy, and justice of God, and wisdom of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

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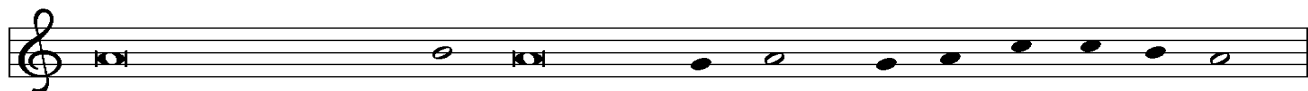
ELW pgs. 147-148



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



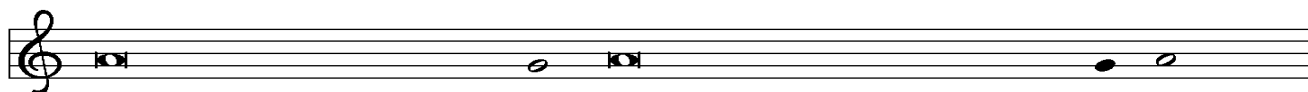
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



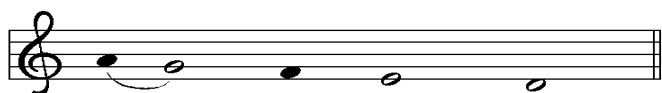
Lord, have mer - cy.



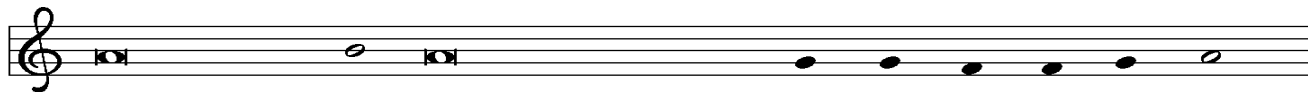
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord.

A - men.



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Eternal God, your kingdom has broken into our troubled world through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son. Help us to hear your word and obey it, and bring your saving love to fruition in our lives, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

KID'S SERMON & OFFERING

Deacon Katie

MUSICAL OFFERING

"Give Me Jesus"
Bells of Trinity

Anna Laura Page
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READING

ISAIAH 55:1-9

L: A reading from Isaiah 55

¹Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. ²Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. ³Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. ⁴See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. ⁵See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you. ⁶Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; ⁷let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. ⁸For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. ⁹For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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GOSPEL READING**LUKE 13:1-9**

L: The Gospel according to Luke chapter 13

¹At that very time there were some present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. ²He asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans?" ³No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. ⁴Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them — do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem?" ⁵No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did." ⁶Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. ⁷So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' ⁸He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. ⁹If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON**Deacon Katie*****HYMN OF DAY****"Before the Waters Nourished the Earth"***ACS #1049**

Jeannette M. Lindholm

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1 Be - fore the wa - ters nour - ished earth or night im -
2 This Love re - mained as time re - vealed the loss of
3 De - spair, so deep it bears no name, or sor - rows
4 The Love that called cre - a - tion good all good - ness

ag - ined morn - ing, a Love con - ceived the
E - den's glo - ry and, griev - ing, holds in
par - a - lyz - ing can - not re - voke Love's
still is bring - ing. This Love turns death a -



LUKES'S CREED

We believe in God, creator, God the Spirit, God revealed in Jesus Christ, who calls us by grace to be renewed in the image of God, that we may be one in divine love for the world, today.

Today is the day God cares for the integrity of creation, wills the healing and wholeness of all life, weeps at the plunder of earth's goodness.

And so shall we.

Today is the day God embraces all hues of humanity, delights in diversity and difference, favors solidarity transforming strangers into friends.

And so shall we.

Today is the day God cries with the masses of starving people, despises the growing disparity between rich and poor, and demands justice for workers in the marketplace.

And so shall we.

Today is the day God deplores violence in our homes and streets, rebukes the world's warring madness, humbles the powerful and lifts up the lowly.

And so shall we.

Today is the day God calls for nations and peoples to live in peace, celebrates where justice and mercy embrace, exults when the wolf grazes with the lamb.

And so shall we.

Today is the day God brings good news to the poor, proclaims release to the captives, gives sight to the blind, and sets the oppressed free.

And so shall we.

Today, and everyday this is the God in whom we believe. Amen.

PRAYERS

P: God, in your mercy,
C: **receive our prayer.**

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you all.
C: **And also with you.**

OFFERING

MISSION MOMENT

In 2025 Trinity plans to give \$900 to Lutheran Family Services. You can continue to make an even greater impact by adding your personal donation directly to this benevolent partner.
Thank you for making a difference.

*If you have a monetary offering, please place in the plate as you leave worship today,
or use this code to give electronically.*



OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Gracious Provider, you set your immense treasures among us, opening your heart to the world. As we prepare to feast on your bountiful love, deepen our commitment to sharing those treasures with others, through our Savior, Jesus Christ.
C: **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

ELW pg. 152

Musical notation for the Great Thanksgiving, featuring four staves of music in G major (one sharp). The lyrics are written below the notes.

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

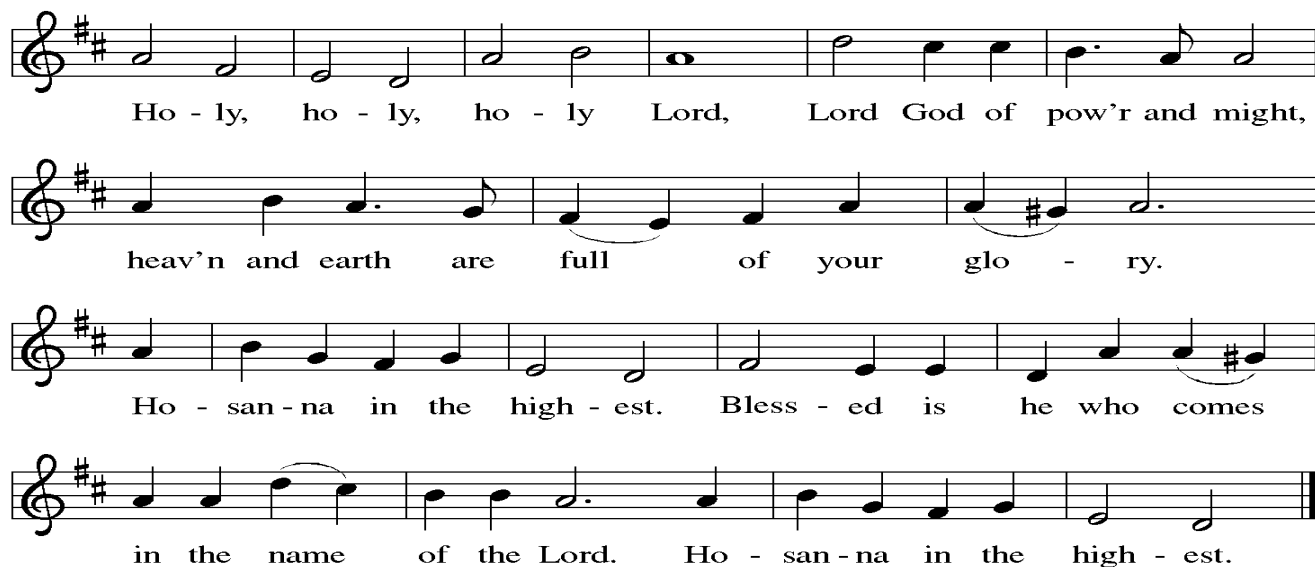
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: In the night...

...gave it to the disciples, saying:

C: Take and eat, this is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

P: ...gave it for all to drink, saying:

C: This cup is the new promise in my blood, shed for you and for all people, for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

ELW pg. 112

Our Father in heaven, holy be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on

us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have

mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the

sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION

"Abide in Me/Sweet Hour"

Beethoven
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COMMUNION BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Generous Host, you have shared your feast with us and made us new. Send us now to set tables of love and grace in our communities, that your liberating love might nourish the world into freedom, in the name of the crucified one, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BENEDICTION

"The Lord Bless You and Keep You"
Trinity Chancel Choir

Peter Lutkin
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SENDING

P: Go in peace. Care for others as God cares for you.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"Concerto in A Minor"

JS Bach/Vivaldi
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To watch a recorded service, go to <https://www.youtube.com/@trinitylutheranFC>
Or visit our website and click on "To view recorded services click HERE!"

Prayer List

Members

Jim Frye
Mourning for Eileen Ackerson
Steve Cobb
Patty Telleen
LouAnn DeLozier
Carol Arnold
Polly Sersen
Kent Garvin
Shirley Garvin
Howard Smith
Cooper Hopkins
Mary Ann Armstrong
Madyson Hopkins

Friends & Family

Mourning for Seth Burrough, son of Rebecca Roland's cousin
Susie Kragmeier, daughter of Kate Stieben
Mourning for Anthony Healey, friend of Ronda Simmons
Valerie Dorr, mother of Deana Andrist
Catherine & Ailis McVearyy, daughter & grand-daughter of
Carol Hemken
Carlos Alers, friend of Sara & Peter Mullarkey
Teresita Neilsen, family of Pat Wiedower
Amy Goodhart, owner of Magpies Boutique & friend of
Ronda Simmons
Greta, sister of Ronda Simmons
Joe, cousin of Scott Simmons
Mort Larsen, uncle of Cheryl Dolan
Beth Barnett, daughter of Carolyn & Eric Biedermann
Erin Slocum, daughter of Patty & Don Heyse

To all who gather: We are Reconciling in Christ, which means we strive to ensure the welcome, inclusion, celebration, and advocacy for people of all sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions; and to work for racial equity and to commit to anti-racist work.

We welcome believers, seekers, and the curious, regardless of religious background. God makes no distinction based on race; ethnicity; immigration status; economic status; physical, mental, or developmental circumstances; or other life circumstances. God loves and welcomes all people. Therefore, we welcome all people to the life of Christ at Trinity.

From Pastor Rick: This community affirms its welcome by accepting me in this place. Diagnosed with Huntington's (HD), my progressing symptoms and neurodiversity are displayed publicly. The uncontrolled movements (chorea) may limit my functionality, or appear in other ways; yet, it is an opportunity to learn and love alongside one another. HD is part of me, but I am not defined by the diagnosis. As for all of us, I am defined as child of God.

Guests and Visitors: All are invited to receive the bread and wine of Holy Communion (gluten free wafers and juice are available). Your offering is your presence in worship. Please fill out a welcome card and place it in the offering plate as you leave. Don't forget your 'Sweet Treat' plate from the welcome desk!

Worship Note: The red hymnal *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* (ELW) page numbers are found in the front while song numbers are in the back. If you have any questions about worship or Trinity, our clergy or welcome table hosts are happy to help.

Parents and Caregivers: God's children of all ages are welcome in worship. If helpful, please use the Family Break Room outside the worship space or a "Worship Activity Bag" - available near the welcome table. On Sunday, if needed, we offer a fully trained Nursery; staffed by Tiffany K. and Zoe K.

Special needs: Hearing-assistance devices are available during our services. Holy Communion can also be brought to the seats of those who are unable to come forward. Our Welcome Table Hosts can help with any of these special needs.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR:

Monday (March 24)
12 pm Sermon Discussion

Tuesday (March 25)
5:30 pm JET Eco Justice

Wednesday (March 26)
Volunteer @ Irish Elementary
5 pm Bells of Trinity-Room 1
6 pm Taize Servie
6:30 pm Lenten Soup Supper
7pm TLC Chancel Choir

Thursday (March 27)
9:30 am Bible Study-Room 2
5:30 pm TLC Preschool Board Mtg-Room 2
6 pm Chapter 2 Readers-Fireside
7 pm Immigration Social Justice-Zoom

Friday (March 28)
10 am Quilting Group-Room 2
6 pm JVP Community Shabbat

Saturday (March 29) **Lent 4**
5 pm Worship

Sunday (March 30)
9 am Adult Forum-Room 2
9 am Confirmation-Room 8
9 am Sunday School-Room 3
10:30 am Worship
11:30 am Fellowship
11:45 am Worship & Music

In Ministry Today

Worship Assistant: Don Garman
Prayer Writer: Ronda Simmons
Welcome Table Host: Linda Cavazos
Fellowship Host: Ron & Cheryl Smith
Bread Baker: Dan Merz
Communion Team: Rick & Shelley Aust
Flower Arrangement: Volunteers of
St Paul's Episcopal

Trinity's Clergy Leaders:

Pastor Rick Reiten & Deacon Katie Kline

Trinity's Staff:

Carrie Hansen	Music Coord. & Organist
Tessa Espinosa	Chancel Choir Director
Clinton Ellerbe	Saturday Worship Leader
Jill Hunt	Bells of Trinity Director
Brenda Harju	TLC Preschool Director
Brenda Moore	Financial Manager
Deana Andrist	Office Administrator
Amanda Backsen	Director of Communications/ Volunteer Coord.
Claire Pickerel	AV Technician
Jennifer Reeve	Shared Children's Minister
Tiffany Klijewski	Nursery Coord.
Zoe Klamann	Nursery Attendant

Staff Emails are available on our website

Coming Up:

Wednesdays in Lent
Taize Service @ 6pm
Soup Supper @ 6:30 pm

Trinity is a welcoming faith community living together in God's love to share the joy of Jesus Christ.

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