

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

8:30 and 11:00 AM Worship Service and 11:00 Livestream

March 27, 2022 • ELW Setting 1

Fourth Sunday in Lent



The psalm sets the tone this day: “Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away!” Happy are those who have “become the righteousness of God” in the merits of Christ Jesus. Happy are those for whom the forgiveness of God has “rolled away . . . the disgrace” of former times. Happy is the father at the return of his prodigal son. Happy are we that our sins are forgiven for Jesus’ sake. Rejoice!

Welcome members and guests to our worship service today. If you are visiting, we encourage you to sign the guest register located in the narthex or if you are online at the 11:00 a.m. service drop us a line to say hello or that you and your family are attending, so that we know you have joined us for worship. For those who come in person, please include your home address, email address and phone number. In each pew, there is a card that you can fill out if you wish to have a consult with the pastor and/or leave us more information about you.

Worship times on Sunday mornings are 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

A nursery is available for children up to five years of age during the service. The nursery is located off the hallway on the Huntington Avenue side of the church building. At this time, there are **no nursery attendants**. We also have “quiet bags” available for older children to enjoy during the service. Please ask an usher about using one.

Trinity offers an induction loop for the benefit of hearing impaired worshippers. To use, please switch your hearing aid to “T.” If you are unsure if your hearing aid is compatible, please contact your audiologist.



The Reverend Tina Melusky, Pastor

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Pastor Melusky's office hours:

Monday: 9 - 2; Tuesday: 9 -10:30, 11:30 - 12:15

Wednesday 9:30 - 12; Thursday 9 - 12

(Times are occasionally flexible with monthly meetings,
but feel free to call for an appointment or drop in)

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Carillon Call to Worship

Prelude

Reflection on *New Britain*

Charles Callahan

Announcements

Gathering

*The assembly stands.
All may make the sign of the cross,
the sign that is marked at baptism.*

Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of God, who makes a way in the wilderness, walks with us, and guides us in our pilgrimage. **Amen.**

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy One,

we confess that we have wandered far from you:

we have not trusted your promises,

we have ignored your prophets in our own day,

we have squandered our inheritance of grace,

we have failed to recognize you in our midst.

Have mercy on us!

Forgive us and turn us again to you.

Teach us to follow in your ways,

assure us again of your love,

and help us to love our neighbor. Amen.

Beloved in Christ,

the Word draws near to you,

and all who call out to God shall be saved.

In Jesus, God comes to you again and again

and gathers you under wings of love.

In + Jesus' name, your sins are forgiven.

God journeys with you and teaches you how to live in love.

Amen.

Gathering Hymn

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing
(NETTLETON)

ELW 807

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

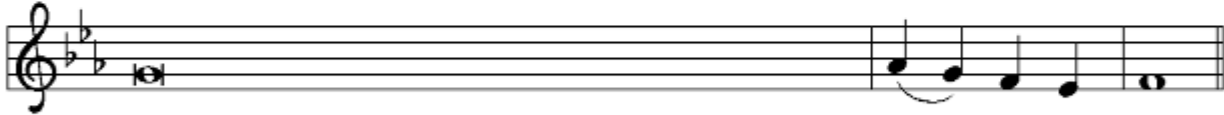
Kyrie (11:00 only)



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



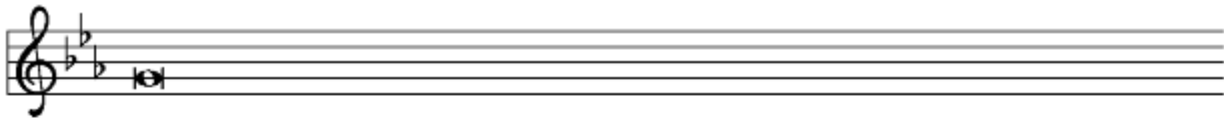
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



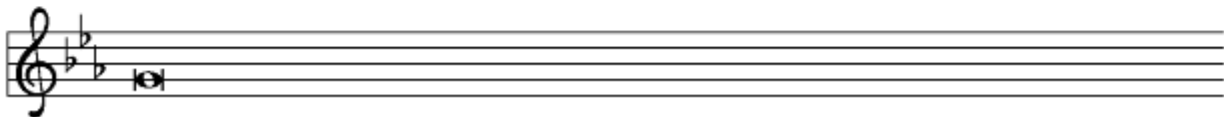
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



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 worship and praise,

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let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



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



A - men, a - men.

Prayer of the Day

God of compassion, you welcome the wayward, and you embrace us all with your mercy. By our baptism clothe us with garments of your grace, and feed us at the table of your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The assembly is seated.

First Reading: Joshua 5:9-12

By celebrating the Passover and eating the produce of the promised land instead of the miraculous manna that had sustained them in the desert, the Israelites symbolically bring their forty years of wilderness wandering to an end at Gilgal.

The Lord said to Joshua, “Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt.” And so that place is called Gilgal to this day.

While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month on the plains of Jericho. On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 32 (*read responsively at both services*)

Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven,
and whose sin is put away!

**Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt,
and in whose spirit there is no guile!**

While I held my tongue, my bones withered away,
because of my groaning all day long.

**For your hand was heavy upon me day and night;
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.**

Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal my guilt.

I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

**Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble;
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.**

You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

**"I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go;
I will guide you with my eye.**

Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding;
who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you."

**Great are the tribulations of the wicked;
but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.**

Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD;
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

One way to describe the gospel is the promise that in Christ everything is transformed into newness. All mistakes, all deliberate sins, all old history is reconciled with Christ's resurrection. This is Paul's strong message to the congregation in the city of Corinth.

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

The assembly stands.

Gospel Acclamation



Let your stead-fast love come to us, O Lord.

Save us as you prom-ised; we will trust your word.

Gospel: Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Asked about current tragic events, Jesus turns a lesson about whether suffering is deserved into a hard call to obedience. He then tells a parable that holds out hope that the timeline for ultimate judgment will be tempered by patience.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 13th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.”

So he told them this parable: “There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.’ So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.”’ So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ But the father said to his slaves, ‘Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!’ And they began to celebrate.

“Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.’ Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, ‘Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!’ Then the father said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.’ ”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The assembly sits.

Children’s Chat

Pastor Tina

Sermon

Pastor Tina

The assembly stands.

Hymn of the Day

Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling
(THOMPSON)

ELW 608

Apostles’ Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,**

**the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Prayers of Intercession

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

The assembly sits.

Offertory Anthem (11:00 only) *Cast Thy Burden Upon the Lord* Felix Mendelssohn

*Cast thy burden upon the Lord; and He shall sustain thee:
He never will suffer the righteous to fall; He is at thy right hand.
Thy mercy, Lord, is great, and far above the heavens.
Let none be made ashamed that wait upon Thee!*

Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

The assembly stands.

Offertory Hymn

Create in Me a Clean Heart

ELW 188

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right

The first line of musical notation consists of a treble and bass staff in G major (one sharp). The treble staff contains a melody of quarter and eighth notes. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your

The second line of musical notation continues the melody and accompaniment from the first line. It features similar rhythmic patterns and harmonic support.

pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -

store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,

and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

Offertory Prayer

Extravagant God,

you have blessed us with the fullness of creation.

Now we gather at your feast

where you offer us the food that satisfies.

Take and use what we offer here, come among us,

and feed us with the body and blood of Christ,

in whose name we pray.

Amen.

Meal

The Great Thanksgiving

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.

Proper Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...

... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus

ELW 190

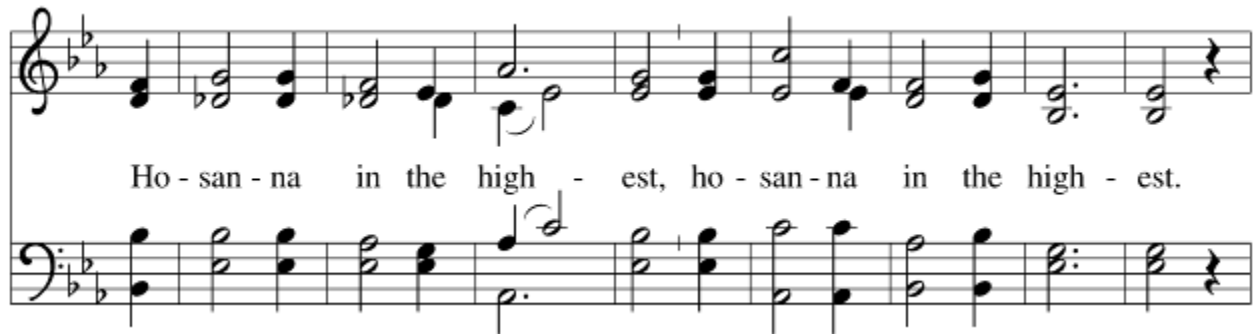
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

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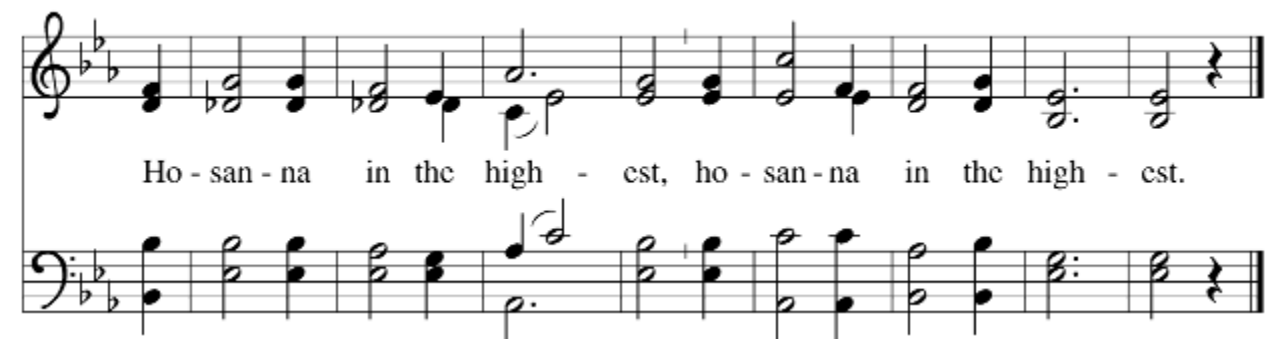
heav-en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est, 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Thanksgiving at the Table

Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age. Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth from the waters of the flood. Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea. Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey. Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one. Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ. Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for

the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

Come, Holy Spirit.

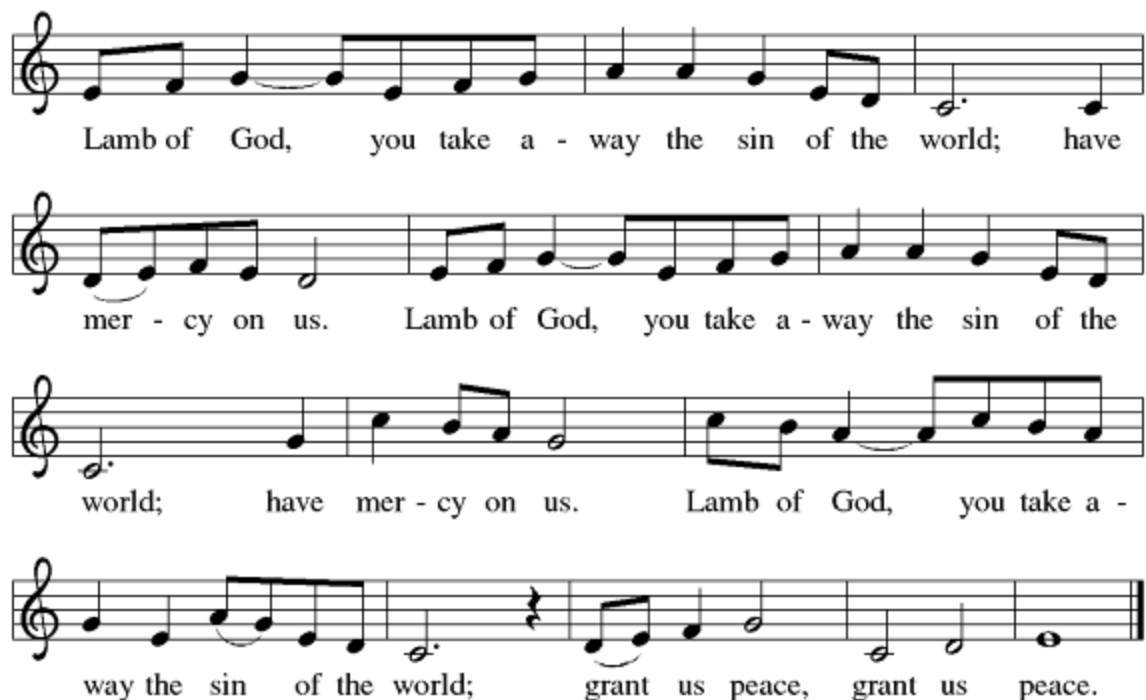
With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

Agnus Dei



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

Communion will be held around the table today. The bread will be handed to you by the pastor. Please take a communion cup with wine from the outside edge of the tray or a grape juice cup from the center of the tray. Trash receptacles are located outside of the sanctuary doors for your plastic cups.

The assembly sits.

Music During the Distribution

*I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say
(KINGSFOLD)*

ELW 611

Sending

The assembly stands.

Table Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

Blessed Jesus, in this rich meal of grace, you have fed us with your body, the bread of life. Now send us forth to bear your life-giving hope to a world in need. **Amen.**

Blessing

You are children of God, anointed with the oil of gladness and strengthened for the journey.
Almighty God, motherly, majestic, and mighty, + bless you this day and always. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound
(NEW BRITAIN)

ELW 779

Dismissal

Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

arr. Clay Christiansen



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church office hours: Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

Children's Sunday School Updates: Happy March! Sunday School is back in session each week from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Help for Eastern Europe: The ELCA is requesting funds to help the Eastern Europe Crisis to include not only Ukraine, but also neighboring countries, such as Hungary, Poland and Slovakia, who have been providing help to the Ukrainian people, Here is the link, if you wish to help fund this response: <https://www.elca.org/Our-Work/Relief-and-Development/Lutheran-Disaster-Response/Our-Impact/Eastern-Europe-Crisis-Response>

Choir Rehearsals: Choir rehearsals are on **Wednesday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.** If you wish to be a part of the choir, no experience necessary, just come on a Wednesday evening to a rehearsal.

Easter Lily Donations: **The deadline date for the lilies has changed.** You may still order through April 3. Each lily is \$13.00. **There are forms in the narthex and online.** If you wish to pay by check, please make it out to Trinity Lutheran Church and write for "Easter Lily (ies)."

Pedestal Flowers for Sunday Morning: The Simple Sunflower group is willing to coordinate taking all floral donations to Riverside Hospital to “re group” any leftover fresh flowers from an arrangement into a fresh new arrangement to give to people (in the hospital) who may need a bit of cheer in their life. If you wish to donate flowers in memory or honor of someone, you may make a note of this on the flower chart. If you do not wish to take your flowers home, you may check the box to have them donated to The Simple Sunflower organization at no charge to you.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR . . .

Tuesday Morning Bible Study: The next Tuesday Morning Bible Study will be on **Tuesday, March 29**, in person and on Zoom.

Lenten Midweek Services (and soup) held on Zoom: Lenten Midweek Evening Services will be on Zoom again this year at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday evenings. The dates to mark on your calendar are: **March 30 and April 6**. Special provisions have been made for the choir members to see the service. The services will be similar to Advent with prayer, creative prayer and reflection. There will be five themes, one for each session. They are as follows: **Faithfulness, Mercy, Compassion, Forgiveness and Love**, respectively. Soup recipes will be provided in the email that will be sent out each week for the service.

VANCO Online giving:

The procedure to use the online offering system, VANCO, is very user-friendly. Just go to Trinity’s website, <http://www.trinitylutheran-nn.com> and click on the green “online giving” link on the homepage. More instructions below.

If you have questions about the donation site or how to make your donation, please don’t hesitate to contact the church office, 245-7861.

Procedure for online giving:

Go to <http://trinitylutheran-nn.com/>

Press the green “online giving” link.

Manna Bags: We are still collecting items and we still need items to complete quite a few more bags. You can now pick up some Manna bags to hand out to those in need, if you so choose. They are located at in the narthex and at the wheelchair ramp door on the River Road side of the church. If you are not able to attend service, but do wish to participate in this project, please let the church office know and we will make necessary arrangements. Here are the items we're still collecting:

Mini Water Bottles	Applesauce	Granola Bars
Individual Boxes of Raisins	Mini Hand Sanitizers	Gallon-Sized Ziploc Bags

Easter Egg Candy: The youth group is collecting Easter candy for our annual Easter egg hunt. Please make sure that the donated candy is **individually wrapped** and **small enough to fit in a little plastic egg**. Please avoid hard candies like jawbreakers, long candy bars, boxed candy, or lollipops. Feel free to **drop off the candy in the youth room**, the **church office**, or to **one of the advisors**. Please have **all candy donated by Palm Sunday**. Thank you in advance for your support of this project.

Easter Egg Hunt: All youth age **birth – 4th grade** are invited to participate in the **annual Easter Egg Hunt** at Trinity on Easter Sunday (**April 17**). Join us at **10 AM in the gym** with your basket ready to collect over 1000 eggs filled with candy and lovingly stuffed by our youth group team.

YOUTH NEWS

Putt Putt: On **March 27**, the youth group will meet to go play **Putt Putt** after the second service. Bring money for a quick fast food lunch and a round of Pirate's Cove Adventure Golf, (**\$20 total**). We will return to the church after our mini golfing, and we will call parents on the way back to come and **pick you up**, probably around **4:00 p.m.**. Sign up on Facebook if you plan to attend.

Easter Egg stuffing: The youth group will meet **between services** on **April 10** in the youth room to stuff all our Easter eggs for the annual egg hunt and make baskets for the homebound members. Please come and join us as many hands make this project go very quickly.

Easter Egg Hunt: On **April 17 (Easter Sunday)**, the youth group will meet at **9:30 AM** to "hide" the eggs for the Easter egg hunt. Youth group members should meet in the youth room to hide the eggs and then be prepared to help our young members hunt for the eggs.

Thrive Vegetable Garden Fundraiser: Congratulations Trinity! Our mighty little garden raised over 800 lbs. of produce this past year, with all produce being donated to Thrive. As we look toward the future of our garden, we know that **we will need some additional funds to continue this hearty little project**. The Garden Committee is teaming with the Youth Group to make Stepping Stones for our garden. The Youth Group will design and decorate a stone to stay permanently in the garden. Stones will measure approximately 8-12 inches and cost the following: **\$25 - Decorative Stone and/or \$50 - Decorative Stone with your Family's Name on it**.

If you are interested in a stone, please fill out the order form in the back of the bulletin, and give it, along with your donation check, to Carol Bessom. **All proceeds from this fundraiser will go to support our beautiful vegetable garden.**

PRAYER LIST

ILLNESS, SURGERY, RECOVERY, SHUT-INS: Nursing Homes/Assisted Living:

Jeanette Cantrell (The Chesapeake, 955 Harpersville Road, AL302, Newport News, VA, 23601); Millie Christensen (Morningside: Rm. 131; Lucille Lebold (Williamsburg Landing, Memory Care Unit); Pat O'Connell - (Warwick Forest—The Gardens): Joan Johnston (The Newport—Rm 33); **Shut-in at Home:** Janet Edwards, Gerda Hudgens, and Doris Moeser.

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS: The Ahlen Family, requested by Kathy Stevens;

Hannelore Voss (Karoline's mother), requested by the Ardis family; **Jack and Sharon (Sherry) Johnston** and Pam Little (Donna's sisters), requested by Grant and Donna Owens; **Bonnie Carlson,** requested by Dave Carlson; **Sandy Nelson,** requested by Pastor Tina Melusky; **Matt Adamo (Brother-in-law of Patricia),** requested by Patricia Fielding; **Bob and Nancy Schappert; Pearl O'Connell; Ben Nelson,** requested by Laura Davis; Pamela Bosserman (**4521 Thorncroft Drive, Glen Allen, VA, 23060**), requested by Bill Solomon; **Donald Hall (son),** requested by Susan Hall; **Peggy Cash,** requested by Dottie Self; **Gisela Nygard,** requested by daughter, **Yvonne Christian; Johannes Hendrik Loots, father of daughter-in-law,** requested by Glen Titus; **Loyd and JoAnne Rawls,** requested by Laura Davis; **Shay Robinson,** requested by Jean Cantrell and for the **mental health of all those who are first responders,** requested by Dinah Balthis; **Flora May (mother),** requested by Jon May; **Lisa Meunier,** requested by Diane Roselius.

Those Who Serve, Military and Civilian Duty: James Fielding, State Dept., Myanmar; Bryan Hunt, State Dept., Washington, D. C.; Eric Lindfors, Deputy Commander US Naval Forces - Korea; Tyler Obara, Virginia Air National Guard, LAFB; Josh and Ellen (Davis) Badgley, State Department, Bangkok, Thailand; Michael Titus, US Navy, Naval Shipyard, Washington, DC and Elisabeth Bruce (Titus's daughter-in-law).

Today, the Chancel greenery is presented for the Glory of God by Trinity Lutheran Church.

Serving the Assembly

	<u>8:30</u>	<u>11:00</u>
Crucifer	Shawn Murphy	
Acolytes	Samantha Harry Karina Stevens	
Lector	Kathy Stevens	Anne Obara
Ushers/Greeters/Presenters	Congregation volunteers	Cliff Obara Dave Roselius
Altar Guild	Karoline Ardis Steve Quist	Karoline Ardis Steve Quist
Building Open/Lock Up	Steve Quist	Obaras
Camera		Ben Melusky



Want to brighten the day of a sick patient in the hospital?

Want to help repurpose fresh flowers
that might otherwise be thrown away after an event?

[Sign up](#) to be a Simple Sunflower Volunteer!

We regift flowers from weddings and events to hospitalized patients
at Riverside Regional Medical Center.

It's a great way to give back to our community.

To volunteer, sign up at simplesunflower.org
or contact church member, Tricia Wessler.

We are also collecting small, clean vases to donate to the organization.
You can leave them in the designated box in the TLC Narthex.

Thrive Stepping Stones Garden Project

THRIVE

Stepping Stones Fundraiser



Name: _____

Phone #: _____

_____(#)_Decorative Stepping Stone \$25

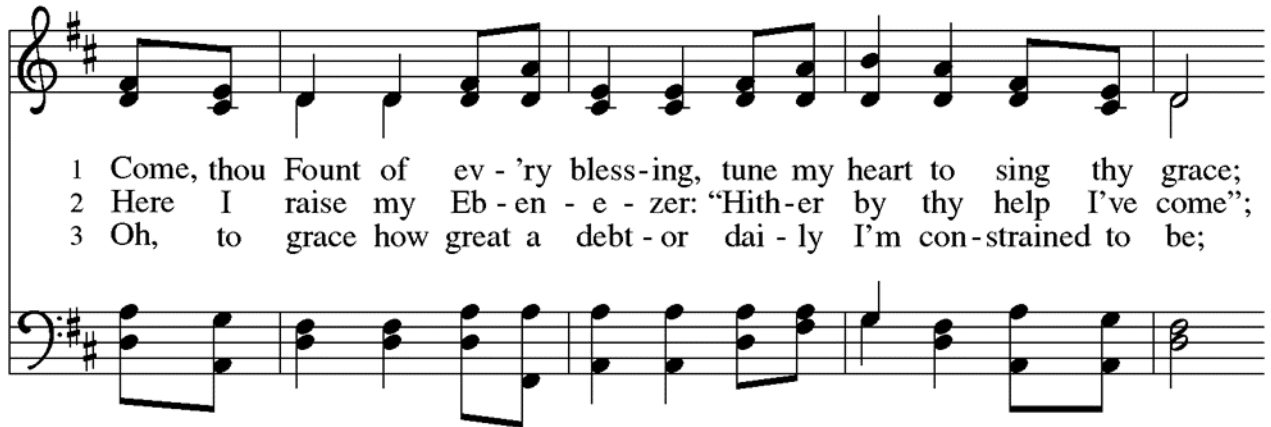
_____(#)_Decorative Stepping Stone with Family Name \$50

Total Enclosed: _____

Name to be Placed on the Stone (if applicable):

GATHERING HYMN

for Sunday, March 27, 2022



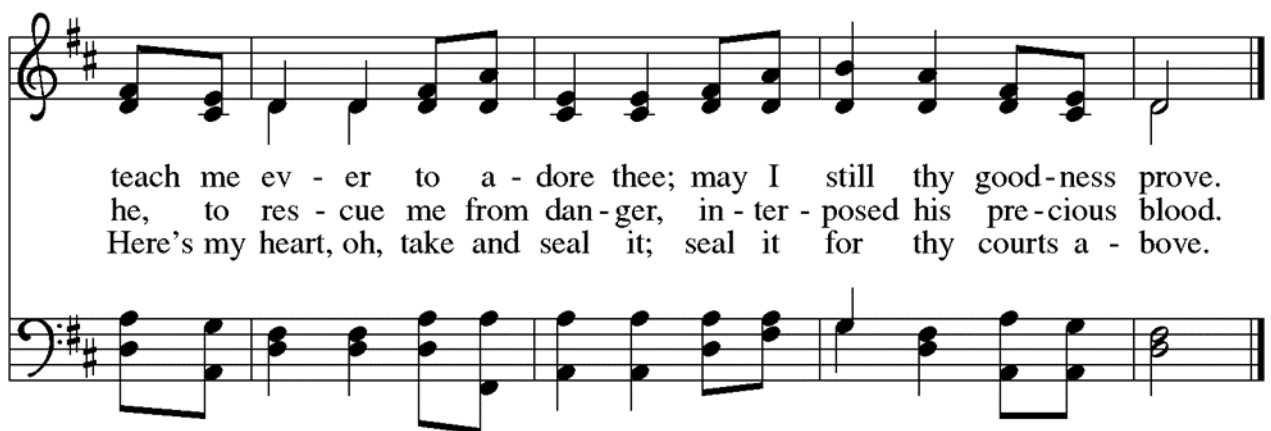
1 Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless-ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer: "Hith-er by thy help I've come";
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to be;



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
let that grace now like a fet - ter bind my wan - d'ring heart to thee.



While the hope of end - less glo - ry fills my heart with joy and love,
Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan - d'ring from the fold of God;
Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.



teach me ev - er to a - dore thee; may I still thy good - ness prove.
he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

HYMN OF THE DAY

1 Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing for
2 Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing, plead - ing for
3 Oh, for the won - der - ful love he has prom - ised, prom - ised for

you and for me. See, on the por - tals he's wait - ing and watch - ing,
you and for me? Why should we lin - ger and heed not his mer - cies,
you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mer - cy and par - don,

Refrain
watch - ing for you and for me.
mer - cies for you and for me? "Come home, come home!
par - don for you and for me. Come home, come home!

You who are wea - ry, come home." Ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly,

Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing, "O sin - ner, come home!"

MUSIC DURING THE DISTRIBUTION



1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and rest;
2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give
3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's light;



lay down, O wea - ry one, lay down your head up - on my breast."
the liv - ing wa - ter, thirst - y one; stoop down and drink and live."
look un - to me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."



I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea - ry, worn, and sad;
I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream;
I looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my star, my sun;

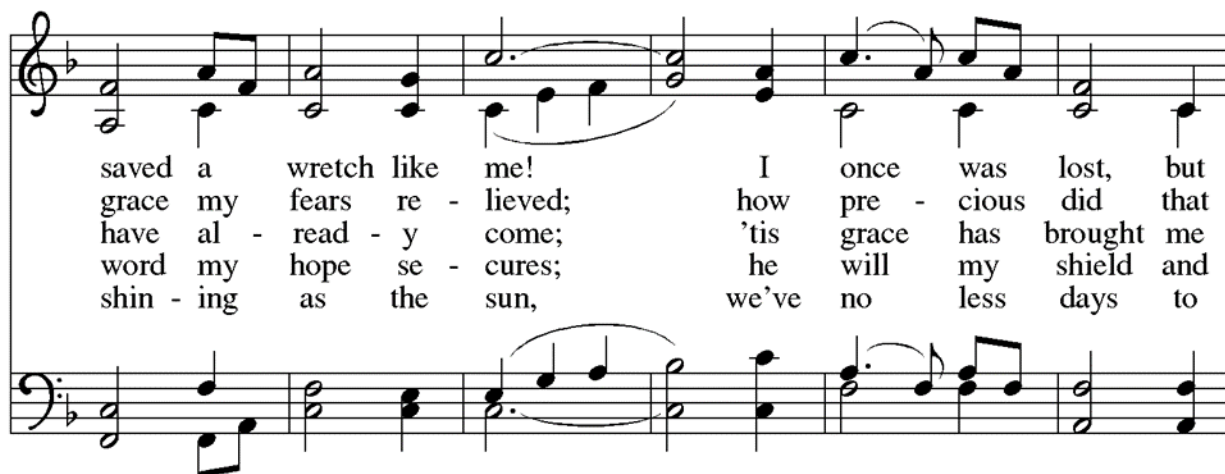


I found in him a rest-ing-place, and he has made me glad.
my thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.
and in that light of life I'll walk till trav-'ling days are done.

SENDING HYMN



1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that
2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me
word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to



now am found; was blind, but now I see.
grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.