

Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church
March 23, 2025
Third Sunday in Lent



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Worship Service 9:00AM
Sunday School 10:30AM
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Communion Invitation

Dear Guest: If you are not a member of the Lutheran Church- Missouri Synod, please speak to pastor before taking the Lord's Supper.

We love you! We want you to be able to receive the true body and blood of Jesus in, with, and under the bread and the wine for your forgiveness. If you would like to be part of our communion, please set up a time to visit with pastor during the week. You can contact Pastor after the service or call the church office at 532-2717.

You may, however, come up to the altar today to receive a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest while you are kneeling at the communion rail. You may also remain in your pew during Communion if you so desire.

Confession and Absolution

906 0 Day of Rest and Gladness

1 O day of rest and glad - ness, O day of joy and light,
2 This day at earth's cre - a - tion The light first had its birth;
3 This day, God's peo - ple meet - ing, His Ho - ly Scrip - ture hear;
△ 4 That light our hope sus - tain - ing, We walk the pil - grim way,

O balm of care and sad - ness, Most beau - ti - ful, most bright;
This day for our sal - va - tion Christ rose from depths of earth;
His liv - ing pres - ence greet - ing, Through bread and wine made near.
At length our rest at - tain - ing, Our end - less Sab - bath day.

This day the high and low - ly, Through a - ges joined to bless,
This day our Lord vic - to - rious The Spir - it sent from heav'n,
We jour - ney on, be - liev - ing, Re - newed with heav'n - ly might,
We sing to Thee our prais - es, O Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son;



Sing, "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," The tri - une God con - fess.
And thus this day most glo - rious A three - fold light was giv'n.
From grace more grace re - ceiv - ing, On this blest day of light.
The Church her voice up - rais - es To Thee, blest Three in One.

Text (sts. 1-2): Christopher Wordsworth, 1807-85, alt.; (st. 3): Charles P. Price, 1920-99; (st. 4): The Hymnal 1982

Tune: Gesangbuch der Herzogl. Hofkapelle, 1784, Württemberg

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Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silent Confession

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the

stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Kyrie (*Spoken*):

LSB 186

P Lord, have mercy upon us.

C Christ, have mercy upon us.

P Lord, have mercy upon us.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading (NASB95)

Jeremiah 26:1–15

1 In the beginning of the reign of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah, king of Judah, this word came from the Lord, saying, 2 “Thus says the Lord, ‘Stand in the court of the Lord’s house, and speak to all the cities of Judah who have come to worship in the Lord’s house all the words that I have commanded you to speak to them. Do not omit a word! 3 Perhaps they will listen and everyone will turn from his evil way, that I may repent of the calamity which I am planning to do to them because of the evil of their deeds.’ 4 And you will say to them, ‘Thus says the Lord, “If you will not listen to Me, to walk in My law which I have set before you, 5 to listen to the words of My servants the prophets, whom I have been sending to you again and again,

but you have not listened; 6 then I will make this house like Shiloh, and this city I will make a curse to all the nations of the earth.”””

7 The priests and the prophets and all the people heard Jeremiah speaking these words in the house of the Lord. 8 When Jeremiah finished speaking all that the Lord had commanded him to speak to all the people, the priests and the prophets and all the people seized him, saying, “You must die! 9 Why have you prophesied in the name of the Lord saying, ‘This house will be like Shiloh and this city will be desolate, without inhabitant’?” And all the people gathered about Jeremiah in the house of the Lord.

10 When the officials of Judah heard these things, they came up from the king’s house to the house of the Lord and sat in the entrance of the New Gate of the Lord’s house. 11 Then the priests and the prophets spoke to the officials and to all the people, saying, “A death sentence for this man! For he has prophesied against this city as you have heard in your hearing.”

12 Then Jeremiah spoke to all the officials and to all the people, saying, “The Lord sent me to prophesy against this house and against this city all the words that you have heard. 13 Now therefore amend your ways and your deeds and obey the voice of the Lord your God; and the Lord will change His mind about the misfortune which He has pronounced against you. 14 But as for me, behold, I am in your hands; do with me as is good and right in your sight. 15 Only know for certain that if you put me to death, you will bring innocent blood on yourselves, and on this city and on its inhabitants; for truly the Lord has sent me to you to speak all these words in your hearing.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle (NASB95)

Ephesians 5:1–9

1 Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children; 2 and walk in love, just as Christ also loved you and gave Himself up for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God as a fragrant aroma.

3 But immorality or any impurity or greed must not even be named among you, as is proper among saints; 4 and there must be no filthiness and silly talk, or coarse jesting, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks. 5 For this you know with certainty, that no immoral or impure person or covetous man, who is an idolater, has an inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God.

6 Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. 7 Therefore do not be partakers with them; 8 for you were formerly darkness, but now you are Light in the Lord; walk as children of Light 9 (for the fruit of the Light consists in all goodness and righteousness and truth), 10 trying to learn what is pleasing to the Lord.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Lenten Verse

Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra - cious and
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

Holy Gospel (NASB95)

Matthew 5:17-20

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

17 “Do not think that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish but to fulfill. 18 For truly I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or stroke shall pass from the Law until all is accomplished. 19 Whoever then annuls one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever keeps and teaches them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

20 “For I say to you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

432 In Silent Pain the Eternal Son



1 In si - lent pain the e - ter - nal Son Hangs der - e - lict and still;
 2 He died that we might die to sin And live for righ - teous - ness;
 3 For strife He came to bring a sword, The truth to end all lies;



In dark - ened day His work is done, Ful - filled, His Fa - ther's will.
 The earth is stained to make us clean And bring us in - to peace.
 To rule in us, our pa - tient Lord, Un - til all e - vil dies:



Up - lift - ed for the world to see He hangs in strang - est vic - to - ry,
 For peace He came and met its cost; He gave Him - self to save the lost;
 For in His hand He holds the stars, His voice shall speak to end our wars,



For in His bod - y on the tree He car-ries all our ill.
 He loved us to the ut - ter - most And paid for our re - lease.
 And those who love Him see His scars And look in - to His eyes.

Text: Christopher M. Idle, 1938

Tune: John L. Bell, 1949

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Sermon

Stand

The Creed

We All Believe in One True God

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1 We all be-lieve in one true God, Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost,
 2 We all be-lieve in Je - sus Christ, Son of God and Mar - y's son,
 3 We all con-fess the Ho - ly Ghost, Who from both in truth pro-ceeds,



Ev - er - pres - ent help in need, Praised by all the heav'n - ly host;
 Who de-scend-ed from His throne And for us sal - va - tion won;
 Who sus-tains and com-forts us In all tri - als, fears, and needs.



All He made His love en-folds, All cre - a - tion He up-holds.
 By whose cross and death are we Res - cued from all mis - er - y.
 Bless-ed, ho - ly Trin - i - ty, Praise for - ev - er be to Thee!

Text: Tobias Clausnitzer, 1619–84; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.

Tune: Neu-vermehrtes . . . Gesangbuch, 1693, 3rd ed., Meiningen

Sit

Prayer of the Church

Presentation of Offering

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

LSB 194

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them unto the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good and right to give You thanks and praise, O Lord our God, for even before Adam and Eve sinned in the garden you had ordained for us a Savior Jesus Christ and that we should be holy and blameless before Him and through Him.

You redeemed us not with gold or silver but with the precious blood, as of a Lamb, unblemished and spotless, the blood of Christ. We thank you for the gift of the Lord's Supper which is Your Son's pledge to us of our redemption wherein we are fed with the bread of life. Grant that this Sacrament be for us a beneficial meal through faith in Your Son as we receive the body and blood of Christ in, with, and under the bread and the wine.

To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

LSB 196

C **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.**

P In the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, at His command, and with His own words, we receive His testament:

The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My T body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My T blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

960 Isaiah, Mighty Seer in Days of Old



I - sa-iah, might-y seer in days of old, The Lord of all in spir-it



did be-hold High on a loft-y throne, in splen-dor bright, With robes that



filled the tem-ple courts with light. A-bove the throne were flam-ing ser-a-phim;



Six wings had they, these mes-sen-gers of Him. With two they veiled their



fac-es as was right, With two they hum-bly hid their feet from sight,



And with the oth-er two a-loft they soared; One to the oth-er



called and praised the Lord: "Ho-ly is God, the Lord of Sab-a-oth!



Ho-ly is God, the Lord of Sab-a-oth! Ho-ly is God, the Lord of



Sab-a-oth! His glo-ry fills the heav-ens and the earth!" The beams and lin-tels



trem-bled at the cry, And clouds of smoke en-wrapped the throne on high.

Text: tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, alt.

Text and tune: Martin Luther, 1483-1546

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Pax Domini

LSB 197

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, Pure and Holy

434,

st. 1



1 Lamb of God, pure and ho-ly, Who on the cross didst suf-fer,

Ev - er pa - tient and low - ly, Thy - self to scorn didst of - fer.

All sins Thou bor - est for us, Else had de - spair reigned o'er us:

Have mer - cy on us, O Je - sus! O Je - sus!

Text: tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941
Text and tune: Nicolaus Decius, c. 1485–after 1546

Sit

Distribution

540 Christ, the Word of God Incarnate

sts. 1–5

1 Christ, the Word of God in - car - nate, Lord and Son of
2 Christ, the liv - ing bread from heav - en, Food for bod - y,
3 Christ, the shoot that springs tri - um - phant From the stump of
4 Christ, our good and faith - ful shep - herd, Watch - ing all Your
5 Christ, the way that leads un - fail - ing To the Fa - ther's

A - bra - ham; Christ, the ra - diance of the Fa - ther,
food for soul; Christ, the man - na dai - ly giv - en,
Jes - se's tree; Christ, true vine, You nur - ture branch - es
lambs and sheep; Christ, the gate that guards the sheep - fold,
home on high, Christ, the truth that frees the cap - tive,

Per - fect God, the great I AM; Christ, the light, You
Nour - ish, strength - en, make us whole. Feed us with the
To bear fruit a - bun - dant - ly. Graft us in - to
Nev - er - fail - ing vig - il keep. When we stray, Good
Christ, the life that can - not die. Me - di - a - tor



shine un - van-quished, Light and life You bring to all; Light our
 food of heav - en, Fore - taste of the feast to be; Quench our
 You, O Sav - ior; Prune our hearts so we re - main Fruit - ful
 Shep - herd, seek us, Find us, lift us, bear us home; Lamb of
 to the Fa - ther, Sac - ri - fice and great High Priest: Lead us



path with Your own pres - ence, Grant us grace to heed Your call.
 thirst with liv - ing wa - ter Spring-ing up e - ter - nal - ly.
 branch-es in Your vine - yard Till e - ter - nal life we gain.
 God, our shep - herd, keep us; Let us hear Your voice a - lone.
 to Your heav'n - ly man - sions, There to share Your wed-ding feast.

Text: Steven P. Mueller, 1964
 Tune: Columbian Harmony, 1825, Cincinnati
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431 Not All the Blood of Beasts



1 Not all the blood of beasts On Jew - ish al - tars slain
 2 But Christ, the heav'n - ly Lamb, Takes all our sins a - way;
 3 My faith would lay its hand On that dear head of Thine,
 4 My soul looks back to see The bur - den Thou didst bear
 5 Be - liev - ing, we re - joice To see the curse re - move;



Could give the guilt - y con-science peace Or wash a - way the stain.
 A sac - ri - fice of no - bler name And rich - er blood than they.
 While as a pen - i - tent I stand, And there con - fess my sin.
 When hang-ing on the curs - ed tree; I know my guilt was there.
 We bless the Lamb with cheer - ful voice And sing His bleed-ing love.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.
 Tune: William Daman, c. 1540–1591

627 Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior

sts. 1-5



1 Je - sus Christ, our bless - ed Sav - ior, Turned a - way God's
 2 As His pledge of love un - dy - ing, He, this pre - cious
 3 Je - sus here Him - self is shar - ing; Heed then how you
 4 Praise the Fa - ther, who from heav - en To His own this
 5 Firm - ly hold with faith un - shak - en That this food is



wrath for - ev - er; By His bit - ter grief and woe
 food sup - ply - ing, Gives His bod - y with the bread,
 are pre - par - ing, For if you do not be - lieve,
 food has giv - en, Who, to mend what we have done,
 to be tak - en By the sick who are dis - tressed,



He saved us from the e - vil foe.
 And with the wine the blood He shed.
 His judg - ment then you shall re - ceive.
 Gave in - to death His on - ly Son.
 By hearts that long for peace and rest.

Text: John Hus, c. 1369-1415; German version, Martin Luther, 1483-1546; (sts. 1-2, 4-5): tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, alt.; (st. 3): tr. Lutheran Service Book, 2006
 Tune: Geistliche Lieder aufs new gebessert, 1533, Wittenberg, ed. Joseph Klug, alt.
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Stand

Post-Communion Hymn

O Lord, We Praise Thee

617,

st. 1



1 O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and a - dore Thee,



In thanks - giv - ing bow be - fore Thee. Thou with Thy

bod - y and Thy blood didst nour - ish Our weak souls that
they may flour - ish: O Lord, have mer - cy!
May Thy bod - y, Lord, born of Mar - y, That our
sins and sor - rows did car - ry, And Thy blood for us plead
In all tri - al, fear, and need: O Lord, have mer - cy!

Text: German, 14th cent.; tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, alt.
Tune: Geistliche gesangk Buchleyn, 1524, Wittenberg, ed. Johann Walter

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Benedicamus and Benediction

LSB 202

A Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

LSB 202

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.

C **Amen.**

428 Cross of Jesus, Cross of Sorrow



1 Cross of the Je - sus, cross of sor - row,
 2 Here the King of all the a - ges,
 3 O mys - te - rious con - de - scend - ing!
 4 Cross of Je - sus, cross of sor - row,

Where the blood of Christ was shed,
 Throned in light of ere don - worlds could be,
 O a - ban - don - ment sub - lime!
 Where the blood of Christ was shed,

Per - fect man on thee suf - fer,
 Robed in mor - tal flesh is dy - ing,
 Ver - y God Him - self is bear - ing,
 Per - fect man on thee did suf - fer,

Per - fect God on thee has bled!
 Cru - ci - fied by sin for me.
 All the suf - fer - ings of time!
 Per - fect God on thee has bled!

Text: William J. Sparrow Simpson, 1860–1952
 Tune: John Stainer, 1840–1901

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Prayers and Announcements

In Our Prayers: Rick Ewert (hand problems), Lea Lewis (recovering from surgery), Jace Milner, Mark Gray, George Hackbardt (Barb Nutter’s father), Dick Ferkey, Bill McGuire, Cathy Davis, **Shut-In:** Jen Perry, Peggy Avers, Bill Riley, Gaylene Peters, Brian Pendergrass, Jeanette Seeman, Bill & Helen Donald; **In the Military:** Joshua Carlson, Alex Douglas, Roberto Baquerizo (Navy –DeArta’s grandson), Patrick Gardner (Jacobsen’s grandson), Colton Wead, Clay Marlin, James Beall, Zach Sparks, and those we think of privately.

Voters' Meeting will be held next **Sunday, 3-30, at 10:30am**. Everyone is invited. If you are a member of Trinity and 18 years of age or older, you're encouraged to vote!

Mid-week Lenten Services: These brief meditations will be offered **at noon and 7:00pm through April 9th**. Everyone is encouraged to participate in this time of repentance and preparation.

LWML Spring Rally will be held here on **Sunday, April 6 at 3:00PM**. A meal will be served following the rally and Judy Mattli will be our guest speaker! She will speak on the Blessing Babies & Beyond ministry. There will be an in-gathering of new or gently used children's clothing, toys, blankets, bedding, highchairs, accessories, new diapers, formula & toddler foods.

Board of Elders will meet **today** after Sunday School.

T-Shirts & Hoodies sign-up sheets are in the fellowship hall. They are available to order until April 3rd. If you have any questions, please see Lea Lewis.

Issues, Etc. is a podcast centered around an interview format with guests from a wide variety of backgrounds. Topics range from issues that are biblical, liturgical, social, and political from a scriptural perspective. It is a top 100 podcast in the Apple Store and also the app available on other services. Their website includes a search function for discovering past shows on a given topic. This is a program the church had supported in their budget and is a good option for info from a traditional Lutheran viewpoint.

Daily Bible Readings: **Today** – Psalm 121; **Monday** – Psalm 123; **Tuesday** – Psalm 124; **Wednesday** – Psalm 125; **Thursday** – Psalm 127; **Friday** – Psalm 130; **Saturday** – Psalm 131.

Birthdays & Anniversaries for this week: **Wednesday** –Parker Buck; **Friday** – Briana Pierce

Upcoming Events

30 Mar	Voters' Meeting, 10:30am
6 Apr	LWML Spring Rally at Trinity
12 Apr	Spring Fling – Youth Fundraiser Dinner

17 Apr	Open Hands Mission to the Blind, Noon Maundy Thursday Communion Service, 7:00PM
18 Apr	Good Friday Tenebrae Service, 7:00PM
20 Apr	Easter Sunday Worship, TBA
02 May	Garage Sale
03 May	Garage Sale

Our Response to the Lord Last Week

Stewardship of Souls

Worship Attendance
9:00AM - 68
Wed., 27
Pastor's Class - 24

Stewardship of Finances

General Offering Last Week
1,245.00

	Serving Today	Serving Next Week
Organist	Joy Gaines	Joy Gaines
Elder	Nick Grunwaldt Jeff Carlson	Jeff Loges Allen Carothers
Lector	Jeff Carlson	Jeff Loges
Usher	Jacob Swager Joel White	Jacob Swager Joel White
Altar Guild	Lou Gadd	Lou Gadd

Weekly Calendar

Today	9:00AM 10:30AM	Worship/Communion Sunday School & Bible Class Board of Elders' Meeting
Wed.	10:00AM Noon 7:00PM	Ladies' Bible Class Lenten Worship Service Lenten Worship Service

Thurs.	9:30AM	Thursday Girls
	10:00AM	Men's Bible Class
Sun. 3-30	9:00AM	Worship/Communion
	10:30AM	Voters' Meeting