



Lutheran Church & Christian School



3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent

**March 3, 2024**

***Redeemed, Restored, & Rejoicing in Jesus!***

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## Mission Statement

[Who We Are]

Leading with the Gospel, we at Trinity Lutheran Church and School strive to:

**HUMBLY AND KNOWINGLY FOLLOW JESUS,  
SEEKING JOY THROUGH HIM IN WORSHIP,  
TEACHING, AND PRAYER.**



## Vision Statement

[Who We Endeavor to Be]

Leading with the Gospel, we at Trinity Lutheran Church and School endeavor to:

**LIVE [up] BY FAITH, BE KNOWN [out] BY  
CHRIST'S LOVE, and REJOICE [in] HIS  
FORGIVENESS.**

*"Redeemed and restored, we are rejoicing in Jesus!"*

## AS WE GATHER

Welcome to Lent, the forty day season (excluding Sundays) that calls the world to repentance and faith so that salvation in Christ may come. It is a season that is full of life, calling us to confession and forgiveness, prayer, celebration, hospitality, the study of God's Word, and service. Duly equipped for life in this world, we gladly make the journey. Our destination is clear – the Cross and empty Tomb. Though the season is long, remember where we are going. It is a destination that is worth the journey.

## PRELUDE

**PRE-SERVICE SONG** “You Are So Good to Me” (*Words & Music Ben Pasley, Don Chaffer and Robin Pasley © 1999 Blue Renaissance Music | Hey Ruth Music | Squint Songs*)

*Refrain:            You are beautiful my sweet, sweet Song.  
                          You are beautiful my sweet, sweet Song.  
                          You are beautiful my sweet, sweet Song. I will sing again!*

1. You are so good to me. You heal my broken heart. You are my Father in heaven. *(Repeat) (Refrain)*
2. You ride upon the clouds. You lead me to the truth. You are the Spirit inside me. *(Repeat) (Refrain)*

*Bridge:            You are my strong Melody. You are my dancing Rhythm.  
                          You are my perfect Rhyme. I will sing of You, Lord, forever.*

3. You poured out all Your blood. You died upon the cross. You are my Jesus who loves me. *(Repeat) (Refrain and Repeat)*

You are my Father in heaven. You are the Spirit inside me. You are my Jesus who loves me.

## THE BELLS CALL GOD'S PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ✠ PREPARATION ✠

### OPENING PRAYER

### INVOCATION

*The sign of the cross ✠ may be made in remembrance of our Baptism.*

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: **Amen.**

### CONFESSION AND GOD'S WORD OF FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

Congregation: **who made heaven and earth.**

Pastor: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

Congregation: **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

*Time for silent reflection and meditation.*

Pastor: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, and call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Congregation: **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Congregation: **Amen.**

**✠ WORD ✠**

**ENTRANCE PSALM**     *Psalm 19:7–11*

Pastor: The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul;  
 Congregation: **the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple;**

Pastor: the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart;  
 Congregation: **the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes;**

Pastor: the fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever;  
**Congregation: the just decrees of the LORD are true, and righteous altogether.**

Pastor: More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold;  
**Congregation: sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb.**

Pastor: Moreover, by them is Your servant warned;  
**Congregation: in keeping them there is great reward.**

**OPENING HYMN**      “Blessed Jesus, at Your Word”      *LSB 904, Sts. 1, 3-4*

*For this, and all subsequent hymns, please see PowerPoint slides or the hymnal.*

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.  
**Congregation: And also with you.**

**Pastor:** Lord God, through Your servant Moses long ago, You gave us Your commandments to reveal Your will for our way of life, providing us a way to honor You and others. By the power of the cross, drive out from our hearts, minds, and lives whatever would draw us away from You, leading us to our own joyous resurrection; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Congregation:** **Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** Exodus 20:1–17 (*The Ten Commandments*)

Lector: And God spoke all these words, saying, “I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

**Congregation:** **“You shall have no other gods before Me.**

Lector: “You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate Me, but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love Me and keep My commandments.

**Congregation:** **“You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain,**

Lector: For the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes His name in vain.

**Congregation:** **“Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.**

Lector: Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore, the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

**Congregation:** **“Honor your father and your mother,**

Lector: That your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

**Congregation:** **“You shall not murder.**

Lector: “You shall not commit adultery.

**Congregation:** **“You shall not steal.**

Lector: "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.  
Congregation: **"You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's."**

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.  
Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE** 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 (*"We preach Christ crucified."*)

<sup>18</sup>For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. <sup>19</sup>For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." <sup>20</sup>Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? <sup>21</sup>For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. <sup>22</sup>For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, <sup>23</sup>but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, <sup>24</sup>but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. <sup>25</sup>For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.  
Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

**VERSE** *Hebrews 12:2*

Pastor: O come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the founder and perfector of our faith,  
Congregation: **who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.**



**HOLY GOSPEL**

John 2:13–22 (*God's house is a house of prayer.*)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the second chapter.

**Congregation:** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>13</sup>The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>In the temple He found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. <sup>15</sup>And making a whip of cords, He drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and oxen. And He poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. <sup>16</sup>And He told those who sold the pigeons, "Take these things away; do not make My Father's house a house of trade." <sup>17</sup>His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume Me."

<sup>18</sup>So the Jews said to Him, "What sign do You show us for doing these things?" <sup>19</sup>Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." <sup>20</sup>The Jews then said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will You raise it up in three days?" <sup>21</sup>But He was speaking about the temple of His body. <sup>22</sup>When therefore He was raised from the dead, His disciples remembered that He had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Congregation:** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**CREED****Apostles' Creed**

*Please see PowerPoint slides or the back of the hymnal.*

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE & BLESSING**

**HYMN** "May God Bestow on Us His Grace"

*LSB 824, St. 1-2*

**SERMON** "*I Just Want to Celebrate*"

**Notes:**

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

Pastor:                    As God’s chosen ones, beloved sons and daughters of God, hearts cleansed by Jesus’ blood, let us pray for the Church, for the world, and for all people according to their needs.

For the Church throughout the world, that all sin and causes of offense may be cast out of our lives by the power of the cross, so that our hearts may be set joyfully to obey Your commandments. Let us pray to the Lord, **LORD, HAVE MERCY.**

Pastor:                    For people of every language and nation in the world, that all may be delivered from warfare, oppression, and violence, and live in the peace and safety God intends for His creatures. Let us pray to the Lord, **LORD, HAVE MERCY.**

Pastor:                    For those who serve to protect and defend the innocent, maintain justice, and establish peace. Comfort and guide the families of those who are deployed far away. By the death and resurrection of Your Son, reconcile us all with our enemies that all may bear witness to Your power and peace. Let us pray to the Lord, **LORD, HAVE MERCY.**

Pastor:                    For those of this congregation, that this Lenten season may lead us ever closer to know more fully the mercy of Jesus for us and for the world. Let us pray to the Lord, **LORD, HAVE MERCY.**

*Additional Petitions and Praises are offered.*

Pastor:                    Known by God even from our mothers’ wombs and redeemed by the blood of Jesus, we entrust our prayers to the triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **AMEN.**

**SHARING OF THE PEACE**

Pastor:                    The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**Congregation:        And also with you.**

*We share that peace with our brothers and sisters in Christ.*

## OFFERTORY



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

## ✠ SACRAMENT ✠

### PREFACE

Pastor:	The Lord be with you.	<i>2 Timothy 4:22</i>
Congregation:	And also with you.	
Pastor:	Lift up your hearts.	<i>[Colossians 3:1]</i>
Congregation:	We lift them to the Lord.	
Pastor:	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.	<i>[Psalm 136]</i>
Congregation:	It is right to give Him thanks and praise.	

## EXHORTATION TO COMMUNION

Pastor: "I exhort you in Christ that you give attention to the Testament of Christ in true faith, and above all take to heart the words with which Christ presents his body and blood to us for forgiveness; that you take note of and give thanks for the boundless love that he showed us when he saved us from the wrath of God, sin, death and hell by his blood; and that you then externally receive the bread and wine, that is, his body and blood, as a guarantee and pledge. Let us then in his name, according to his command, and with his own words administer and receive the Testament."  
[LW 197-198]

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Please see PowerPoint slides or the back of the hymnal.*

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

*Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

## PEACE OF THE LORD

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Congregation: **Amen.**

**HYMN OF PREPARATION** "How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds" LSB 524, St. 1-2, 4

## DISTRIBUTION

*For those desiring to receive the LORD'S SUPPER today, please refer to the laminated card in the pew racks. Those not receiving Communion are still invited to come forward for a blessing. At the Communion rail, simply bow your head to receive a blessing.*

*At the time of Communion, please follow the direction of the ushers. For those receiving the individual cups, a non-alcoholic wine is offered in the center of each tray. Following the passing of the individual cups, the common cup is offered for those who wish to commune in that manner.*

**All who are communing** are encouraged to review the Sacrament of the Altar on pp. 326-327, and the Questions on pp. 329-330, in the front of the hymnal.

## POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good.

**Congregation: His mercy endures forever.**

Pastor: 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.

**Congregation: Amen.**

CLOSING SENTENCES *LSB 418:4 (Spoken)*

Pastor: Be with us through this season, Lord, and all our earthly days,

**Congregation: that when the final Easter dawns, we join in heaven’s praise.**

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24–26*

Pastor: 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 ✠ give you peace.

**Congregation: Amen.**

## CLOSING HYMN “In the Cross of Christ I Glory”

*LSB 427, St. 1, 3-4*

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### Trinity Calendar for Mar 3-Mar 10, 2024

<b>Sunday</b>	9:00 am	Adult Bible Study and Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship Service w/Holy Communion
<b>Monday</b>	6:00 am	Community Breakfast Cooking
<b>Tuesday</b>	5-6:30 pm	Men's Wings Bible Study and meal: "The Book of Proverbs: Learning to Live Wisely"
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:00 pm	Soup & Salad
	7:00 pm	<b>Lenten Worship</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	10:00 am	Bible Study: "Character Studies in the Old Testament"
	6:00 pm	<i>School Board Meeting</i> (Media Center)
<b>Friday</b>	6-8:00 pm	Meadowview Knolls Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
<b>Saturday</b>	9:00 am	Breakfast Buffet/Meet and Greet with Missionaries Ben and Scarlett Tino
<b>Sunday</b>	9:00 am	Adult Bible Study and Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship Service w/Holy Communion



The altar flowers this morning are given  
By Chris Klauck  
To the Glory of God

## **ATTENDANCE 2-25: 89**

**Families of the week:** *The Boulton, Brown and Brusco families*

### **Birthdays:**

- 3 Mar—Rocko LaQuerre
- 5 Mar—Marina Schneider
- 6 Mar—Larry Miller
- 8 Mar—Norma Howe
- 8 Mar—Rex Lightfoot
- 10 Mar—Sarah Dresser
- 10 Mar—Karrie Kosakowski
- 10 Mar—John Morrissey

### **Anniversaries:**

- 6 Mar—Danielle and Mitch Piper
  - 10 Mar—Karen and Gregg Denzler
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TLC is always looking for anyone who would enjoy serving the LORD in the service of the Congregation. We have many opportunities to serve:

- ✓ Scripture Readers
- ✓ Ushers
- ✓ AV/Sound Room Techs
- ✓ Sunday School Teachers
- ✓ Nursery Care Providers

For those interested in serving please contact Miriam Harkey at [meharkey79@gmail.com](mailto:meharkey79@gmail.com), or call or text 508-813-8212. Training/review is available for those who may be prayerfully contemplating one of these opportunities to serve.

You are greatly appreciated. The gifts you bring to the service of the Lord are a blessing and a treasure.

Thank you always.



In February and March the LWML will be collecting empty prescription bottles with the labels and glue removed (preferably but not mandatory). Matthew 25 Ministries located in Ohio will be using them on medical mission trips for medication distribution. They must be plastic with plastic lids, childproof or not. There is a box on the purple LWML table to place them in.

Thank you to all who donated to the collection of Widow's Mites in February. \$114.80 was sent to LWML.

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Save the Date: Saturday March 9, 9:00 am



Come meet Missionaries Ben and Scarlett Tino and new baby Jaakko. The LWML along with the Saturday morning Men's Bible Study will be hosting a Meet and Greet. We invite you to a breakfast buffet and a chance to meet this young missionary family whom we support. Find out more about his Music Mission in Guatemala and what new things are happening in their lives. Everyone is invited. There will be a sign-up sheet on the Narthex Table to help us plan. Looking forward to seeing you there. Thank you.

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