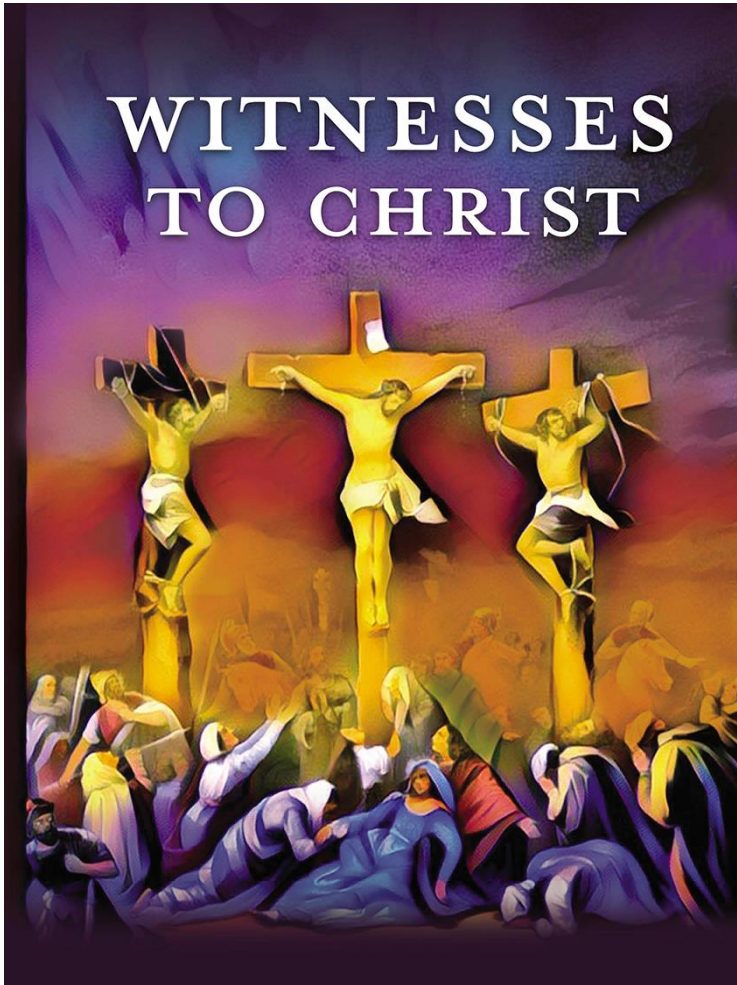


Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

"A family where Christ is Head and the entire congregation are ministers."

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AS WE GATHER

Barabbas was a heartless, brutal criminal with anger in his heart and blood on his hands. Custom dictated that Pontius Pilate should release one prisoner at the feast of Passover. Pilate knows Jesus is innocent and tries to get the crowd to ask for Jesus' release, but the crowd calls instead for Barabbas. The crowd condemns the innocent Jesus and demands that the guilty Barabbas receive a pardon. We are Barabbas. We are guilty and sinful and deserving of death. But we are also Barabbas in that Jesus takes our place, takes our punishment, and sets us free.



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Order of Worship will appear on your screen.

WiFi Password – HelloFriend

A Special Welcome to all who are worshipping with us today. Trinity is a liturgical Lutheran church using the Divine Service as written in the Lutheran Service Book. Today's Divine Service is printed for you in this bulletin. Today's service is being live streamed to YouTube and will be available later in the day on Trinity's Facebook page and Website. The receiving of communion will not be recorded to preserve the sanctity of the sacrament. During this time, the recording will be directed to the stained-glass window above the altar so communion hymns can still be shared. By entering the service, you consent to the video recording to be used for live streaming, inclusion on our web site and Facebook, and/or any other purpose by Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church. We hope that your experience here is meaningful and will be lasting.



Our last Lenten Service is Wednesday, March 20th, at 7:00 pm. It will be preceded by a “Soup Supper” Lenten meal, from 5:30 to 6:30pm. **Please come and share in the fellowship of this holy season.**

ALL LOOSE COINS placed in the offering plate directly assist our future pastors with their education through Concordia Seminary's *"COINS FOR CHRIST"* program.



EASTER LILY SIGN-UP - A sign-up sheet is on the LWML bulletin board in the office hallway. Cost per lily will be \$10.00. Order deadline is March 17th. The lilies beautify our sanctuary on Easter Sunday and may be taken home following the Worship Service.

Participants in Worship This Evening

Vacancy Pastor
Music Director
Greeter
Video Stream

Pastor Timothy Utton
Jana Kuenzli
Gerry Harger
Kevin Heckman

Prelude

Give Me Jesus

Fleming

Welcome and Announcements

Congregation sits in silence

Stand

Opening Hymn

My Song Is Love Unknown

LSB 430



1 My song is love un - known, My Sav - ior's love to
2 He came from His blest throne Sal - va - tion to be -
3 Some - times they strew His way And His sweet prais - es
4 Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and



me, Love to the love - less shown That they might love - ly
stow; But men made strange, and none The longed - for Christ would
sing; Re - sound - ing all the day Ho - san - nas to their
spite? He made the lame to run, He gave the blind their



be. Oh, who am I That for my sake
know. But, oh, my friend, My friend in - deed,
King. Then "Cru - ci - fy!" Is all their breath,
sight. Sweet in - ju - ries! Yet they at these



My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?
Who at my need His life did spend!
And for His death They thirst and cry.
Them - selves dis - please And 'gainst Him rise.

5 They rise and needs will have
My dear Lord made away;
A murderer they save,
The Prince of Life they slay.
Yet cheerful He
To suffer goes
That He His foes
From thence might free.

6 In life no house, no home
My Lord on earth might have;
In death no friendly tomb
But what a stranger gave.
What may I say?
Heav'n was His home
But mine the tomb
Wherein He lay.

7 Here might I stay and sing,
 No story so divine!
 Never was love, dear King,
 Never was grief like Thine.
 This is my friend,
 In whose sweet praise
 I all my days
 Could gladly spend!

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Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Opening Sentences

- P** As we continue our Lenten journey, we watch as Jesus stands trial before the Roman governor, Pontius Pilate.
C Pilate knows that Jesus is innocent.
P Pilate tries to set Jesus free,
C but the people call for a thief and murderer named Barabbas.
P Though Barabbas is guilty, he is set free.
C Though Jesus is innocent, He is condemned to die.

Confession and Absolution

- P** We are like Barabbas. We are guilty. We all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. The wages of sin is death. Still, our heavenly Father invites us to return to Him and seek His forgiveness.
C Heavenly Father, we have sinned against You and against our neighbors in our thoughts, words, and actions. We have rebelled against Your rule and reign. We know our guilt. We know we deserve the punishment of death. But we seek Your abundant mercy on account of Jesus.
P Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for you. Jesus stands in your place and takes the punishment for your sin. He endures death for you. Therefore, as a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen. We are pardoned. We are set free because of Jesus.

Psalm

Psalm 102:18–22

- P** Let this be recorded for a generation to come,
so that a people yet to be created may praise the LORD:
- C** **that He looked down from His holy height;
from heaven the LORD looked at the earth,**
- P** to hear the groans of the prisoners,
to set free those who were doomed to die,
- C** **that they may declare in Zion the name of the LORD,
and in Jerusalem His praise,**
- P** when peoples gather together,
and kingdoms, to worship the LORD.
- C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Zechariah 9:11–12

- P** The Old Testament Reading is from Zechariah, the ninth chapter.

¹¹As for you also, because of the blood of My covenant with you,
I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

¹²Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;
today I declare that I will restore to you double.

- P** O Lord, have mercy on us.

- C** **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

2 Corinthians 3:15–18

- P** The Epistle is from Second Corinthians, the third chapter.

¹⁵Yes, to this day whenever Moses is read a veil lies over their hearts. ¹⁶But when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. ¹⁷Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. ¹⁸And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.

- P** O Lord, have mercy on us.

- C** **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel

John 18:33–40

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighteenth chapter.
C Glory to You, O Lord.

³³So Pilate entered his headquarters again and called Jesus and said to Him, “Are You the King of the Jews?” ³⁴Jesus answered, “Do you say this of your own accord, or did others say it to you about Me?” ³⁵Pilate answered, “Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have delivered You over to me. What have You done?” ³⁶Jesus answered, “My kingdom is not of this world. If My kingdom were of this world, My servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But My kingdom is not from the world.” ³⁷Then Pilate said to Him, “So You are a king?” Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to My voice.” ³⁸Pilate said to Him, “What is truth?”

After he had said this, he went back outside to the Jews and told them, “I find no guilt in Him. ³⁹But you have a custom that I should release one man for you at the Passover. So do you want me to release to you the King of the Jews?” ⁴⁰They cried out again, “Not this man, but Barabbas!” Now Barabbas was a robber.

- P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C Praise to You, O Christ.

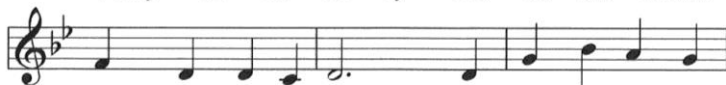


Series Hymn

'Behold! The Lamb of God,' John Said



1 "Be - hold! The Lamb of God," John said, "Who
 2 The Way— of jus - tice was de - priv'd; The
 3 Christ's glo - ry is not seen by those Who
 4 May we this ho - ly Len - ten - tide Christ's



takes all sin a - way." This Lamb is Christ, who
 Truth— was o - ver - run; The Life— was all from
 view God's Word as dross, For world - ly wis - dom
 Pas - sion clear - ly see; This som - ber vi - sion



in our stead For sin would mute - ly pay.
 Christ de - riv'd; God glo - ri - fies His Son!
 nev - er knows How gain could come from loss.
 will pro - vide The truth that sets us free.



"Be - hold your King!" by Pi - late scourged; Sin's
 "I am the Bread of Life," Christ said; "My
 Yet, this the glo - ry of the Christ: His
 Hear John, who speaks of what he knows; Come,



hell - ish sum on Him con - verged,
 sa - cred blood for all, I shed;
 per - fect life He sac - ri - ficed,
 fol - low on the path Christ chose:



While "Cru - ci - fy!" the hate - ful urg'd, Their
 Who eats and drinks of Me is fed." All
 His fin - ished work for all suf - ficed— Debt
 The cross, the tomb from which He rose In



Sav - ior to be - tray.
 death by Christ un - done.
 can - celed on the cross.
 joy - ous vic - to - ry!

Sermon

Stand

Magnificat *(spoken responsively)*

- P** My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God, my Savior;
C **for He has regarded the lowliness of His handmaiden.**
P For behold, from this day all generations will call me blessed.
C **For the Mighty One has done great things to me, and holy is His name;**
P and His mercy is on those who fear Him from generation to generation.
C **He has shown strength with His arm; He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.**
P He has cast down the mighty from their thrones and has exalted the lowly.
C **He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent empty away.**
P He has helped His servant Israel in remembrance of His mercy as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his seed forever.
C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;**
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Sit

Offering *Please take this time to sign in the Welcome Book at the end of your pew.*

(Loose coins directly support LCMS families studying for the ministry through Coins for Christ.)

Voluntary

Jesus Paid It All

arr. Mayo

Stand

Kyrie

- P** Lord, have mercy.
C **Christ, have mercy.**
P Lord, have mercy.

Lord's Prayer

- 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.

Prayers

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

For all those who are incarcerated, that they might know the power of Your love that liberates them from enslavement to sin, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For all those who are on the margins of society and often overlooked, for the homeless, the orphaned, the poor, and the friendless, that we might follow Your example and show compassion to those most in need, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For all who are lonely, shut-in, separated from family, or struggling to make friends, that You might be present with them and surround them with a loving community, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For those who struggle to accept Your grace and mercy, that You might soften their hearts to know that Your word of forgiveness and freedom is sure and certain, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For all those who have rejected You, wandering off on their own, that You might draw them to Yourself and show them Your love that the world cannot give, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For all those who are ill, injured, recovering, or preparing for surgery, to strengthen them with Your healing and patience through their afflictions, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For all those who grieve the loss of loved ones, to comfort them in the sure and certain hope that death does not have the final word, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; 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

- P** Let us bless the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

- P** The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ☩ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.
C Amen.

Closing Hymn

Hark the Glad Sound

LSB 349, sts. 2–4

2 He comes the pris - 'ners to re - lease, In Sa - tan's
3 He comes the bro - ken heart to bind, The bleed - ing
4 Our glad ho - san - nas, Prince of Peace, Thy wel - come

bond - age held. The gates of brass be - fore Him
soul to cure, And with the trea - sures of His
shall pro - claim, And heav'n's e - ter - nal arch - es

burst, The i - ron fet - ters yield.
grace To en - rich the hum - ble poor.
ring With Thy be - lov - ed name.

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Postlude

Go, My Children, With My Blessing

Williams

Trinity will be hosting an a cappella concert of historic choral works on Monday, March 18th at 6:30pm. Cantabile presents “Lift Thine Eyes”. We invite you to join us for this amazing musical performance. The concert is free.

We invite you to join us for these Lenten/Easter Activities:

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| ✝ | Last Lenten Midweek Soup and Bread Supper | Wednesday, 3/20/2024 |
| | 5:30 pm | |
| | Lenten Midweek Worship Services | Wednesday, 3/20/2024 |
| | 7:00 pm | |
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| ✝ | Palm Sunday Worship Service | 3/24/2024 |
| | 10:00 am | |
| | with Palm March and Confirmation | |
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| ✝ | Maundy Thursday Communion Service | 3/28/2024 |
| | 7:00 pm | |
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| ✝ | Good Friday Tenebrae Worship | 3/29/2024 |
| | 7:00 pm | |
| | | |
| ✝ | Easter Sunday Breakfast | |
| | 8:30 am | |
| | Easter Sunday Festival Service | 3/31/2024 |
| | 10:00 am | |