

The First Sunday in Lent
Sunday, February 18, 2024



Knowing Christ's Love ... Seeking His Will ... Spreading His Word

Warm greetings to you, dear worshipper, in the name of our Risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. May the blessings of His presence and His peace be with you throughout this week.

Preparation for the Lord's Supper



Holy Communion is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that with the bread and the wine **we also truly receive the Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ**. We call this belief the Doctrine of the Real Presence. Through the gift of Communion, the Lord bestows on us the forgiveness of sins and strengthens our union with Him and with one another.

Our Lord desires that those who commune should know and believe what they are receiving in Holy Communion (1 Corinthians 11:29), should be instructed in God's Word so that they can properly examine themselves prior to communing (1 Corinthians 11:28), and should be united as one body in the faith (Acts 2:42 and 1 Corinthians 10:17).

Out of our heartfelt desire that all who commune at this altar be well prepared for Holy Communion, this congregation practices "close communion." All who are presently communicant members in a congregation of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod and those Lutheran churches that are in altar and pulpit fellowship with the LCMS are warmly invited to join us in Communion. All other guests are warmly invited to come to the communion rail for a blessing from the Pastor. Please cross your arms at the rail to receive the blessing.



We invite guests to visit with the pastor about how we may commune together in the future.



Communicants may receive the wafer by having it placed directly into the mouth or by having it placed in the palm of the hand. If the communicant wishes to take the individual cup, please take one from the tray when the elder comes to your place at the communion rail. Drink from the individual cup only when the pastor/elder comes to your place at the communion rail with the chalice and speaks the words of distribution. If the communicant wishes to receive the chalice, do not take an individual cup from the tray carried by the elder.

The Lord has given His people the gift of His Body and His Blood in, with and under the consecrated bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins (St. Matthew 26:28). However, if an individual is allergic or intolerant to wheat or fermented wine, it is difficult to participate in this great fellowship. Should you be one of these individuals, we gladly provide gluten-free and alcohol-removed wine so that you are able to receive these gifts of God with your brothers and sisters in Christ.

Guests: If you are a guest worshiping with us today, we are honored to have you join us in receiving the rich blessings that our Lord supplies to us through the gift of His holy Word. We invite you to return and worship with us again as the opportunity arises.



Children: Parents and their children are welcome to sit in the front of the church so that the children can see and hear the service clearly. The Family Room in the Narthex may be used by anyone who prefers or needs a more private setting.

Prayer Requests: If you have an intercession to add to our weekly prayers at church or to our daily Prayer Chain, please contact the Church Office or fill out one of the prayer request cards located in your pew and place it in the offering collection box.



Publications: We invite you to read our Trinity Weekly News and visit our bulletin boards for info about church activities. Publications including our monthly newsletter are available from the information stand in the Narthex and at various locations in the hallway.

Accessibility: A lift (slow-moving elevator) is located just outside the sanctuary overflow area for those who prefer not to take the stairs to the lower level. Ushers and many church members can assist with the operation of the lift.



Audio Assistance: We provide hearing-assist and closed captioning devices for the hearing impaired. If you would like to try these devices to see if they will enhance your worship experience, they are located in the Narthex. Digital recordings of the weekly service are available on Facebook ([trinitylutherancomo](https://www.facebook.com/trinitylutherancomo)) and YouTube ([TrinityCoMo](https://www.youtube.com/TrinityCoMo)).



Serving in God's House Today:

Liturgist:	Rev. Brian Thieme
Preacher:	Rev. Joseph McCalley
Elders:	(8:00) Ron Barrett (10:30) Jim Cherrington
Ushers:	(8:00) Hunter Kevil & Kyle Dickes (10:30) Ethan & Ryan Mott
Organist:	Carolyn Holste
Altar Guild:	Hillari Roberts & Kimberly Walker

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Divine Service, Setting Four from Lutheran Service Book

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Order of Service: Divine Service III – LSB 184

Bells' Call to Worship

Word of Welcome

Organ Prelude

Hymn of Invocation

LSB 424 O Christ, You Walked the Road



1 O Christ, You walked the road Our wan-d'ring feet must go.
2 No bread of earth a-lone Can fill our hun-g'ring hearts.
3 No blind-ing sign we ask, No won-der from a-bove.
4 When lures of eas-y gain With prom-ise bright-ly shine,
5 O Christ, You walked the road Our wan-d'ring feet must go.



You faced with us temp-ta-tion's pow'r And fought our an-cient foe.
Lord, help us seek Your liv-ing Word, The food Your grace im-parts.
Lord, help us place our trust a-lone In Your un-swerv-ing love.
Lord, help us seek Your king-dom first; Our wills with Yours a-lign.
Stay with us through temp-ta-tion's hour To fight our an-cient foe.

Confession and Absolution

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 ✠ 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.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

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 ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 91:9–13; antiphon: vv. 15–16

P When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble;
I will rescue him and honor him.
With long life I will satisfy him
and show him my salvation.

C Because you have made the LORD your dwelling place—
the Most High, who is my refuge—

P no evil shall be allowed to befall you,
no plague come near your tent.

C For he will command his angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways.

P On their hands they will bear you up,
lest you strike your foot against a stone.

C You will tread on the lion and the adder;
the young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot.

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.

P When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble;
I will rescue him and honor him.
With long life I will satisfy him
and show him my salvation.

Kyrie

Mark 10:47

C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spir - it.
P Let us pray.

P O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C A - men.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 22:1-18

¹After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I." ²He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." ³So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. ⁴On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar. ⁵Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and

come again to you.” ⁶And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. ⁷And Isaac said to his father Abraham, “My father!” And he said, “Here am I, my son.” He said, “Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?” ⁸Abraham said, “God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son.” So they went both of them together.

⁹When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. ¹⁰Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. ¹¹But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, “Abraham, Abraham!” And he said, “Here am I.” ¹²He said, “Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.” ¹³And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. ¹⁴So Abraham called the name of that place, “The LORD will provide”; as it is said to this day, “On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided.”

¹⁵And the angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven ¹⁶and said, “By myself I have sworn, declares the LORD, because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, ¹⁷I will surely bless you, and I will surely multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of his enemies, ¹⁸and in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you have obeyed my voice.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Hebrews 12:2

P [O come, let us fix our eyes on] Jesus,

C the founder and perfecter of our faith,

P who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame,

C and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Epistle

James 1:12–18

¹²Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him. ¹³Let no one say when he is tempted, “I am being tempted by God,” for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. ¹⁴But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. ¹⁵Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.

¹⁶Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. ¹⁷Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or

shadow due to change. ¹⁸Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Holy Gospel

Mark 1:9–15

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opening and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

¹²The Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³And he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him.

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, ¹⁵and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,

being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

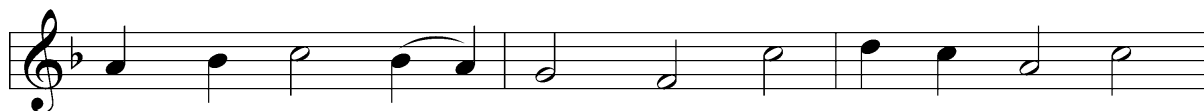
Sit

Sermon Hymn

LSB 438 A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth



1 A Lamb goes un - com - plain - ing forth, The
 2 This Lamb is Christ, the soul's great friend, The
 3 "Yes, Fa - ther, yes, most will - ing - ly I'll
 4 Lord, when Your glo - ry I shall see And



guilt of sin - ners bear - ing And, lad - en with the
 Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, Whom God the Fa - ther
 bear what You com - mand Me. My will con - forms to
 taste Your king - dom's plea - sure, Your blood my roy - al



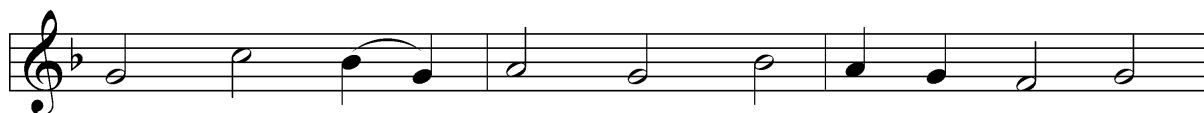
sins of earth, None else the bur - den shar - ing; Goes
 chose to send To gain for us His fa - vor. "Go
 Your de - cree, I'll do what You have asked Me." O
 robe shall be, My joy be - yond all mea - sure! When



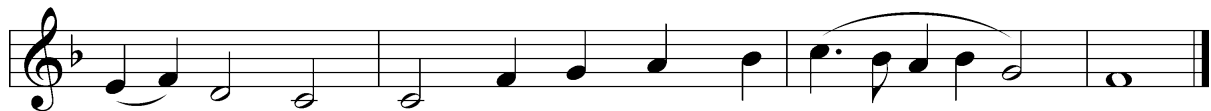
pa - tient on, grows weak and faint, To slaugh - ter led with -
 forth, My Son," the Fa - ther said, "And free My chil - dren
 won - drous Love, what have You done! The Fa - ther of - fers
 I ap - pear be - fore Your throne, Your righ - teous - ness shall



out com - plaint, That spot - less life to of - fer, He bears the
 from their dread Of guilt and con - dem - na - tion. The wrath and
 up His Son, De - sir - ing our sal - va - tion. O Love, how
 be my crown; With these I need not hide me. And there, in



stripes, the wounds, the lies, The mock - er - y, and
 stripes are hard to bear, But by Your pas - sion
 strong You are to save! You lay the One in -
 gar - ments rich - ly wrought, As Your own bride shall



yet re - plies, "All this I glad - ly suf - fer."
 they will share The fruit of Your sal - va - tion."
 to the grave Who built the earth's foun - da - tion.
 we be brought To stand in joy be - side You.

Sermon

Stand

Offering & Offertory

Psalm 51:10-12



C 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.

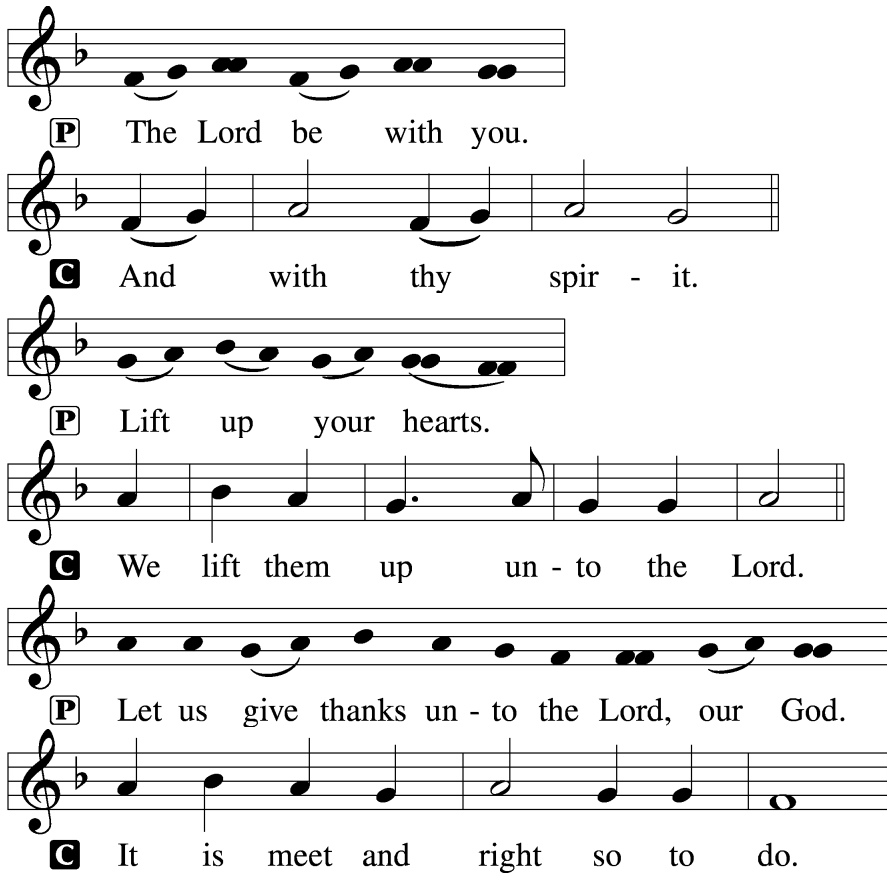
Offering

Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]



P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them up un - to the Lord.

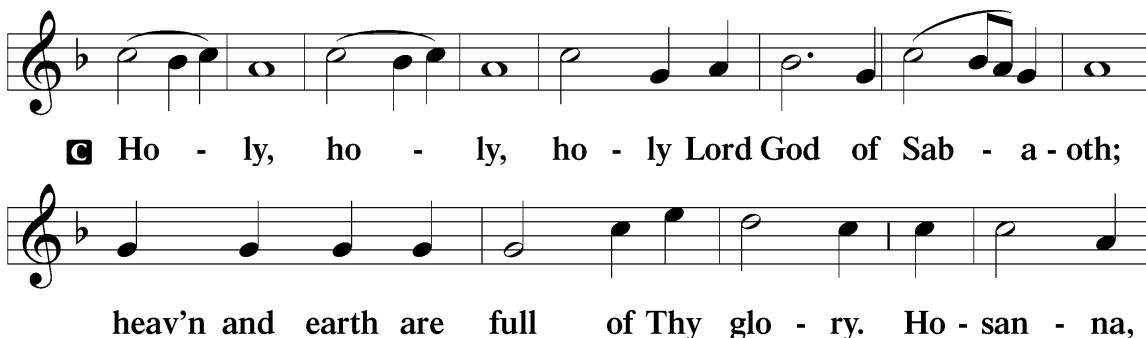
P Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.

C It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

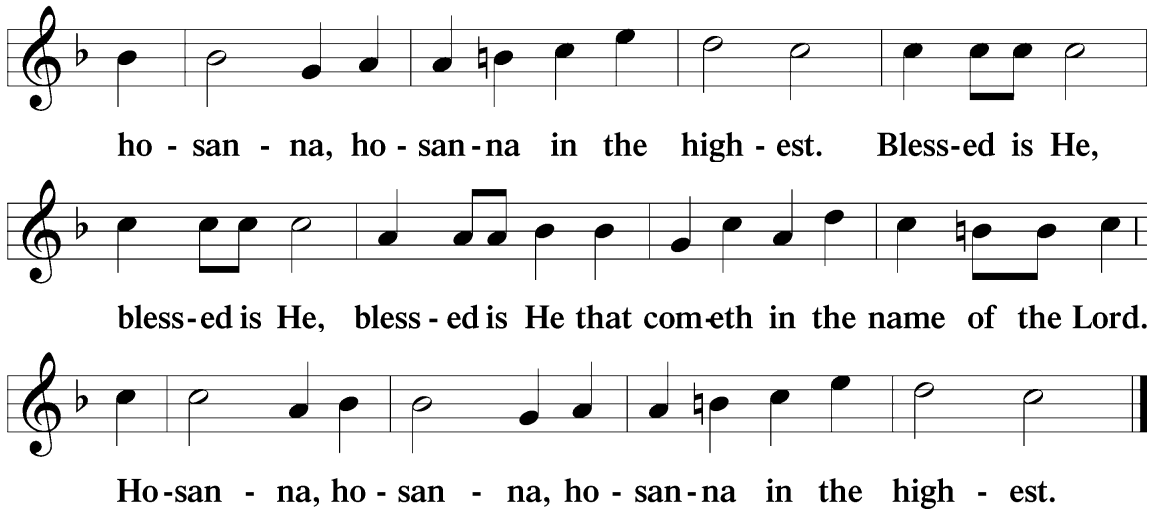
Sanctus

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;

heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,
 bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.
 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13

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.

The Words of Our Lord *Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25*

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 ✝ 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 ✝ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

John 20:19



P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.

C A - men.

John 1:29

world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Distribution

Distribution Hymn

LSB 544 O Love, How Deep

1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high,
 2 He sent no an - gel to our race,
 3 For us bap - tized, for us He bore
 4 For us He prayed; for us He taught;
 Be - yond all thought and fan - ta - sy,
 Of high - er or of low - er place,
 His ho - ly fast and hun - gered sore;
 For us His dai - ly works He wrought,
 That God, the Son of God, should take
 But wore the robe of hu - man frame,
 For us temp - ta - tion sharp He knew;
 By words and signs and ac - tions thus
 Our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake!
 And to this world Him - self He came.
 For us the tempt - er o - ver - threw.
 Still seek - ing not Him - self but us.

5 For us by wickedness betrayed,
 For us, in crown of thorns arrayed,
 He bore the shameful cross and death;
 For us He gave His dying breath.

6 For us He rose from death again;
 For us He went on high to reign;
 For us He sent His Spirit here
 To guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

△ 7 All glory to our Lord and God
 For love so deep, so high, so broad;
 The Trinity whom we adore
 Forever and forevermore.

Distribution Hymn

LSB 621 *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence*



1 Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence And with fear and
2 King of kings yet born of Mar - y, As of old on
3 Rank on rank the host of heav - en Spreads its van - guard
4 At His feet the six - winged ser - aph, Cher - u - bim with



trem - bling stand; Pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed,
earth He stood, Lord of lords in hu - man ves - ture,
on the way As the Light of Light, de - scend - ing
sleep - less eye, Veil their fac - es to the pres - ence



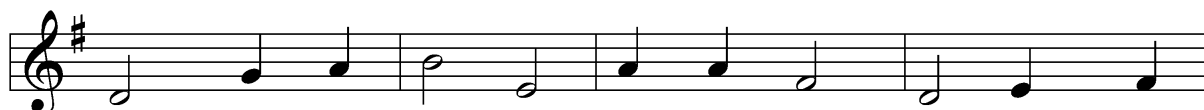
For with bless - ing in His hand Christ our God to earth de -
In the bod - y and the blood, He will give to all the
From the realms of end - less day, Comes the pow'rs of hell to
As with cease-less voice they cry: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -



scend - ing Comes our hom - age to de - mand.
faith - ful His own self for heav'n - ly food.
van - quish As the dark-ness clears a - way.
lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

Distribution Hymn

LSB 622 Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared



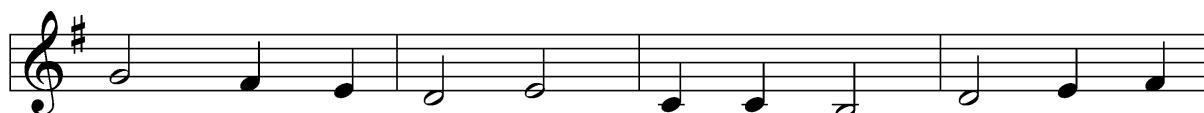
1 Lord Je - sus Christ, You have pre - pared This feast for
 2 Al - though You did to heav'n as - cend, Where an - gel
 3 Yet, Sav - ior, You are not con - fined To an - y
 4 We eat this bread and drink this cup, Your pre - cious



our sal - va - tion; It is Your bod - y
 hosts are dwell - ing, And in Your pres - ence
 hab - i - ta - tion; But You are pres - ent
 Word be - liev - ing That Your true bod - y



and Your blood, And at Your in - vi - ta - tion
 they be - hold Your glo - ry, all ex - cel - ling,
 e - ven now Here with Your con - gre - ga - tion.
 and Your blood Our lips are here re - ceiv - ing.



As wea - ry souls, with sin op - pressed, We come to
 And though Your peo - ple shall not see Your glo - ry
 Firm as a rock this truth shall stand, Un - moved by
 This Word re - mains for - ev - er true, All things are



You for need - ed rest, For com - fort, and for par - don.
 and Your maj - es - ty Till dawns the judg - ment morn - ing,
 an - y dar - ing hand Or sub - tle craft and cun - ning.
 pos - si - ble with You, For You are Lord Al - might - y.

5 Though reason cannot understand,
 Yet faith this truth embraces:
 Your body, Lord, is even now
 At once in many places.
 I leave to You how this can be;
 Your Word alone suffices me;
 I trust its truth unfailing.

6 Lord, I believe what You have said;
 Help me when doubts assail me.
 Remember that I am but dust,
 And let my faith not fail me.
 Your supper in this vale of tears
 Refreshes me and stills my fears
 And is my priceless treasure.

7 Grant that we worthily receive
Your supper, Lord, our Savior,
And, truly grieving for our sins,
May prove by our behavior
That we are thankful for Your grace
And day by day may run our race,
In holiness increasing.

8 For Your consoling supper, Lord,
Be praised throughout all ages!
Preserve it, for in ev'ry place
The world against it rages.
Grant that this sacrament may be
A blessed comfort unto me
When living and when dying.

Stand

Dismissal

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.

C Amen.

Nunc Dimittis

Luke 2:29-32

C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -
cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

Thanksgiving

Psalm 107:1

A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

P 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 A - men.

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.

Benedicamus

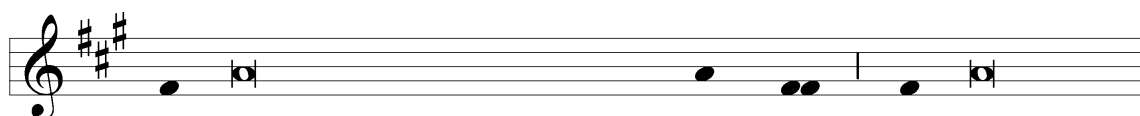
Psalm 103:1

A Bless we the Lord.

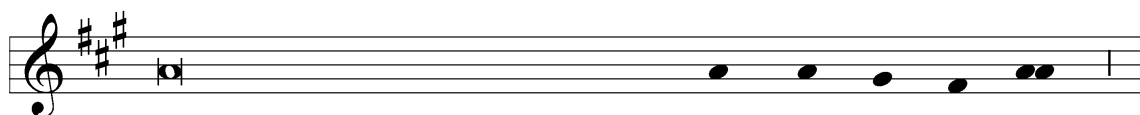
C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

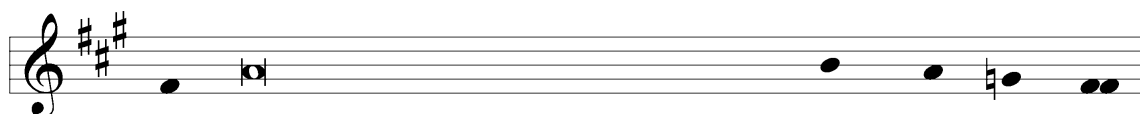
Numbers 6:24-26



P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

Closing Hymn

LSB 656 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God



1 A might - y for - tress is our God,
2 With might of ours can naught be done,
3 Though dev - ils all the world should fill,
4 The Word they still shall let re - main



A trust - y shield and weap - on;
Soon were our loss ef - fect - ed;
All ea - ger to de - vour us,
Nor an - y thanks have for it;



He helps us free from ev - 'ry need
But for us fights the val - iant One,
We trem - ble not, we fear no ill;
He's by our side up - on the plain

That hath us now o'er - tak - en.
 Whom God Him - self e - lect ed.
 They shall not o - ver - pow'r us.
 With His good gifts and Spir - it.

The old e - vil foe Now means
 Ask ye, Who is this? Je - sus
 This world's prince may still Scowl fierce
 And take they our life, Goods, fame,

dead - ly woe; Deep guile and great might
 Christ it is, Of Sab - a - oth Lord,
 as he will, He can harm us none.
 child, and wife, Though these all be gone,

Are his dread arms in fight; On earth
 And there's none oth - er God; He holds
 He's judged; the deed is done; One lit -
 Our vic - t'ry has been won; The King -

is not his e - qual.
 the field for - ev - er.
 tle word can fell him.
 dom ours re - main eth.

Organ Postlude

Trinity Weekly News

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February 18 & 19, 2024

The chancel flowers this week are sponsored by
Mary & Robyn Raisch in thanksgiving for
grandchildren: Braiden, Emma, & Isabella

This Week at Trinity:

Sunday 2/18

Lent 1

8:00 a.m.—Divine Service +Comm
9:30 a.m.—Bible Study & Sun. School
10:30 a.m.—Divine Service +Comm
12:15 p.m.—Assembly of Voters
5:00 p.m.—Handbells
6:00 p.m.—Choir Practice
6:00 p.m.—JCC

Monday 2/19

9:00 a.m.—Bible Study (Acts)
6:00 p.m.—Divine Service +Comm

Tuesday 2/20

5:30 p.m.—Pickleball
5:30 p.m.—Sound Words/Adult Cat
5:30 p.m.—Vesper Guild

Wednesday 2/21

9:00 a.m.—TLCLC Chapel
12:00 p.m.—Midweek Lenten Service
12:45 p.m.—Ind. Confess & Absolut.

5:45 p.m.—Lenten Light Supper

7:00 p.m.—Midweek Lenten Service

7:45 p.m.—Ind. Confess & Absolution

Thursday 2/22

7:00 a.m.—Men's Bible Study
9:00 a.m.—TLCLC Chapel
5:30 p.m.—Pickleball
6:00 p.m.—Board of Elders
7:00 p.m.—Grief Share

Friday 2/23

Pastors' day off

Sunday 2/25

Lent 2

8:00 a.m.—Divine Service +Comm
9:30 a.m.—Bible Study & Sun. School
10:30 a.m.—Divine Service +Comm
5:00 p.m.—Handbells
6:00 p.m.—JCC

MEMORY VERSE

**For we do not have
a high priest who is
unable to sympathize
with our weaknesses,
but one who in every
respect has been
tempted as we are,
yet without sin.**

HEBREWS 4:15



Chris Kespohl (573) 356-1161.



Are you struggling with the loss of a loved one or know someone who is? Please consider joining our Grief Share group.

The GS classes will meet on Thursday evenings from February 22 thru May 23, from 7pm-9pm. To sign up, visit the GS website www.griefshare.org/findagroup.

Any questions, please call/text Kevin Burns (Facilitator) at (573) 424-7514.



Wednesday February 14:

12 & 7 pm—Ash Wednesday Service

Wednesday February 21:

12 & 7 pm—Midweek Lenten Service

Wednesday February 28:

12 & 7 pm—Midweek Lenten Service

Wednesday March 6:

12 & 7 pm—Midweek Lenten Service

Wednesday March 13:

12 & 7 pm—Midweek Lenten Service

Wednesday March 20:

12 & 7 pm—Midweek Lenten Service

Maundy Thursday, March 28:

12 & 7 pm—Maundy Thursday Service

Good Friday, March 28:

12 & 7 pm—Good Friday Service

Easter Sunday, March 31

7 am—Sunrise Service

Breakfast following sunrise service

10:30 am—Easter Service

Monday 6 pm—Easter Service



Men's Thursday Bible Study

The Thursday morning Men's Bible Study is studying *Concordia: The Lutheran Confessions – A Reader's Edition of The Book of Concord (second edition)*. If you have an individual copy of *Concordia*, bring it along but there should be enough copies for each attendee (church copies). We will use the same format as with The Lutheran Study Bible; i.e., we will read each section together and discuss the doctrine using the *Concordia* notes.

Please plan on joining us and remember, we start at **7:00 am each Thursday**.

Vesper Guild

This month the Vesper Guild will meet on **Tuesday, February 20 at 5:30 pm** in the church library. All women of Trinity are welcome! Please join us for a time of devotion and a business meeting.

Any questions, contact Betty Buchheit dbuchheit305@aol.com or 573-823-2664.

Stewardship & Scripture

February 18 – Lent 1

Mark 1:13 – “And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him.”

God the Father cares for Jesus even in the midst of His temptation in the wilderness. God cares for us in every situation as well. Jesus realized this and always acted from the basis of trust in God the Father's provision. This is likewise the basis for our life lived in Christ: God cares for us, so we need not act out of fear or greed.

Brought to you by LCMS Stewardship Ministry and Trinity's Board of Stewardship & Finance

Assembly of Voters Meeting + Potluck Lunch

An Assembly of Voters meeting will be held on **Sunday, February 18, 2024**. A potluck meal will be served beginning at 11:45 a.m., and the meeting will begin at 12:15 p.m. Please plan to join us for the meal and the meeting. You are requested to bring eight servings according to the list below. Everyone is welcome to attend the potluck and the meeting, even if you don't bring a dish to share—you can contribute to the freewill offering!

Last name beginning A-I: Salad or Side Dish

Last name beginning J-R: Dessert

Last name beginning S-Z: Main Dish

All boards and auxiliary organizations, please provide your 2023 annual report for inclusion in the agenda packet for this meeting. The report should summarize your activities for 2023. Email your report(s) to Heather in the church office (church@trinity-lcms.org) before the end of the day Wednesday, February 14. Thank you!

The agenda packet will be available in the church office by the end of the day on Friday, February 16 and at the meeting on February 18. The packet will include officer, board, and committee reports. Items requiring a vote include:

- Proposed revisions to our bylaws (physical and digital copies are available from the church office)
- Special election for two board positions
- Approval of committees and appointments

We look forward to seeing you February 18 and encourage your participation in the fellowship and business of our church.

Concert at Trinity



The *Singing Saints* of Saint Paul Lutheran High School, of Concordia, Missouri, will be performing a concert on **Saturday, March 2, 2024 at 7:00 pm** at Trinity Lutheran Church at 2201 Rollins Rd, Columbia, Missouri.

The choir is on its annual domestic tour, singing this year on a nine-day tour through the Midwest and East Coast parts of the United States. They will be performing in Perryville and Columbia, MO; Maryville and Loudon, TN; Asheville, NC; Richmond and Ashburn, VA; Silver Spring, MD, and Ft. Wayne, IN. The touring choir is made up of 46 students from the 60+ voice concert choir and they will be performing a varied program that includes classic German choral works by Mendelssohn, Bruckner, and Haydn, as well as some hymns, anthems and spirituals. The first half of the program will feature works based exclusively on Psalm texts and it also includes a piece by the women's and the men's choruses. The award-winning choir is under the direction of Dr. Jerrode Marsh. The concert is free, but donations are kindly requested to help cover expenses for their tour. For more information, please contact Trinity Lutheran Church at (573) 445-2112.

Saint Paul Lutheran High School is the only remaining LCMS residential high school in the United States, located in central Missouri, about an hour east of Kansas City. The college-prep school offers college-level courses, STEM, Honors, and AP classes, and numerous opportunities to be involved in sports, music, drama, academic teams, and more. For more information about the school, visit www.splhs.org.



Join us for Easter Breakfast on March 31st between the sunrise and second services! The Board of Youth and Youth Group are looking forward to preparing and serving the meal, and are excited to introduce a NEW MENU THIS YEAR!

Come for food and fellowship!

Freewill donations will be accepted.

Biscuit Bar Menu



Buttermilk Biscuits

Gravy

Bacon

Assorted Butters & Jams

Fruit Cups

Mini Pastries

Juice

Milk

Tea

Coffee



CHURCH YEAR CALENDAR

The First Sunday in Lent

Feasts (F), Festivals (f), & Commemorations (c)

February 18 – Martin Luther (c)

February 23 – Polycarp of Smyrna, Pastor and Confessor (c)

February 24 – St. Matthias, Apostle (f)

THEME OF THE WEEK

Christ Jesus Defeats Our Temptation and Saves Us by His Faithfulness In faith and the fear of God, Abraham prepared to sacrifice his beloved son, Isaac. At the Word of the Lord, he *“took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaachis son.”* And *“when they came to the place of which God had told him,”* Abraham bound Isaac *“and laid him on the altar”* (Gen. 22:6, 9). Then God stayed Abraham’s hand and provided *“for himself the lamb for a burnt offering”* (Gen. 22:8). That Lamb is God’s own beloved Son, Jesus, in whom *“all the nations of the earth”* are blessed (Gen. 22:18). As the Substitute for all the sons of men, Jesus is driven by the Spirit *“into the wilderness”* to be *“tempted by Satan”* (Mark 1:12–13) in order to endure and defeat all temptation. We are tempted by our own desire, which conceives and *“gives birth to sin”* (James 1:14–15). But this blessed Man, Christ Jesus, remained *“steadfast under trial,”* and He has received *“the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him”* (James 1:12). His faithfulness, His victory and His life are now given to us by His grace in the Gospel.

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WEEKLY PSALM

Morning Psalm 91

Evening Psalm 20

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

	<i>Morning</i>	<i>Evening</i>
<i>Monday</i>	Genesis 24:50-67	Luke 10:1-24
<i>Tuesday</i>	Genesis 25:19-34	Luke 10:25-42
<i>Wednesday</i>	Genesis 27:1-29	Luke 11:14-32
<i>Thursday</i>	Genesis 27:30-46	Luke 12:1-21
<i>Friday</i>	Genesis 28	Luke 12:35-59
<i>Saturday</i>	Genesis 29:1-20	Luke 13:1-17

HYMN OF THE WEEK

656 A Mighty Fortress is Our God

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

The Second Sunday in Lent

Old Testament Genesis 17:1-7; 15-16

Epistle

Romans 5:1-11

Psalm 22:23-31

Holy Gospel

St. Mark 8:27-38

Introit

Ps. 91:9-13; ant. vv. 15-16

DAILY CATECHISM

Lesson of the Week: **8th Commandment & Meaning**

Monday **Matthew 18:15-20** | How does this passage teach us to treat our fellow Christian, even if he or she would sin against us? Are we encouraged to go tell everyone about it? How does this protect the reputation of our neighbor? How is this a loving work?

Tuesday **Proverbs 19:5** | What does this passage teach us about speaking falsely? Does this affirm Luther's meaning of the 8th Commandment? When we sin against the 8th Commandment, what do we deserve?

Wednesday **Mark 14:53-65** | What was the goal of the council; what did they intend to do to Jesus? What sort of witnesses were provided to speak against him? Who is the only person to speak the truth in this account?

Thursday **Ephesians 4:15, 25** | How do these passages encourage us to speak to our neighbor? What does it mean to speak the truth "in love"? Do we speak in such a way as to harm our neighbor, or to help him?

Friday **James 3:5-12** | How does James describe the tongue? How is it that the tongue is dangerous? How can the tongue be used for good? How might we learn to control our tongue? What sort of words do we desire to speak to our neighbor?

Summary

With the Eighth Commandment the LORD protects a person's name and reputation. In love and service to our neighbor we are to speak in ways that uphold our neighbor's name, and his reputation. When we fail to defend our neighbor, or worse, when we speak in ways that harm his name and reputation, we sin against this commandment. The greatest violators are false preachers who, by their false doctrine, speak ill of God and His name. But every Christian is tempted to break this commandment by speaking ill of our neighbors even when we're not called to do so. Certain authorities must cast judgment, but the Scriptures teach us to speak the truth in love. We do not ignore sin, but we remember that love covers a multitude of sins, and we make every effort to put the best construction on everything, and to speak of our neighbors in the kindest way. God bless your time in God's Word!

Learn By Heart Verse: **Proverbs 22:1**

A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, and favor is better than silver or gold.



Life Thoughts

February 18 – Lent I – The Lord God forbid father Abraham from sacrificing his boy Isaac (Genesis 22:12). The lesson extends to us, too. Abortion is immoral because it is unnecessary. Jesus alone serves as beast of burden in the solemn rite of righting wrongs (Mark 1:13). Death always hatches from sin (James 1:15), but we belong in the business of redemption. If God's forgiveness forgets even abortion (Psalm 25:7), we ought to forget about it also.

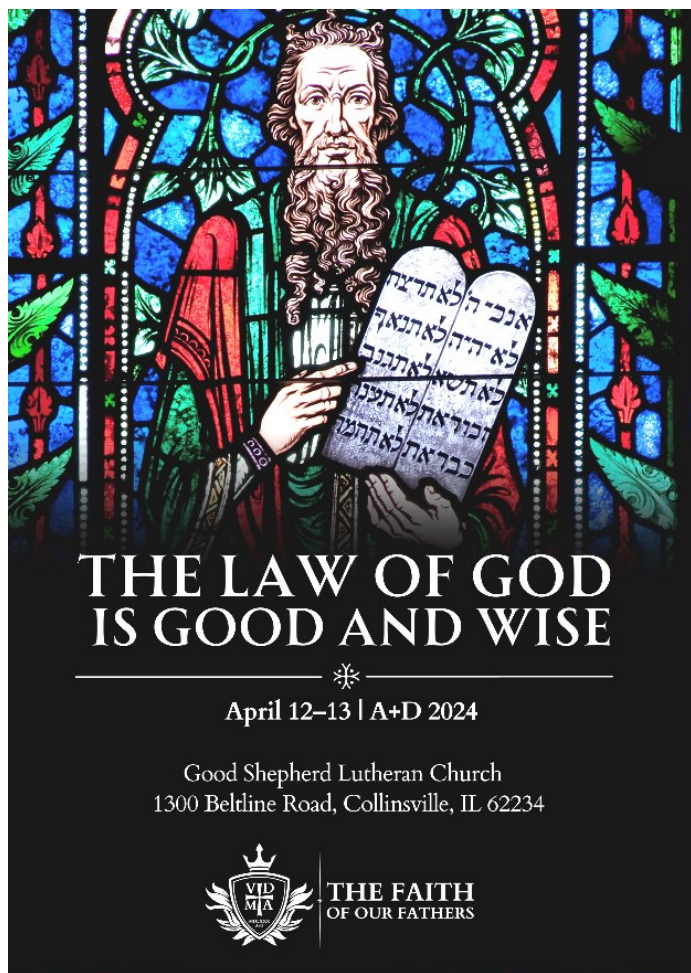
Narthex Expansion and Elevator Fundraising Committee Call for Members

During the Special Meeting of the Assembly of Voters on March 19, 2023, the congregation approved a Building Committee motion to improve our church facilities. Those improvements include expansion of the narthex, installation of a full-size elevator, relocation of the choir loft, replacement of the Fellowship Hall stairs, and improvements to the driveways. Now the time has come to appoint a committee dedicated to raising the funds to pay for those improvements.

I am pleased to announce that Jim and Mindy Cherrington will serve as co-chairs, and Lou Eggerding and Daniel Hakes have agreed to join the committee. Three more people are needed. If you have a passion for our church community and are interested in being part of this vital endeavor, please reach out to me today at 660-247-3026.

The more members we have involved, the greater our chances of achieving our fundraising goal to finally improve some of our church facilities.

Larry McCoig, President



THE FAITH OF OUR FATHERS

The Law of God is Good and Wise

A conference for Confessional
Lutherans (ages 12 and up)

The proper understanding of the Law of God is essential for a Christian. Unfortunately, there has been much disagreement in American Lutheranism concerning the role of the Law in the Church. Are Lutherans truly “weak on sanctification”? Should there be exhortation in preaching? Do real Lutherans believe in a third use of the Law? What is so bad about antinomianism? What does true Law and Gospel preaching look like?

These debates have troubled the Missouri Synod in recent years. Thankfully, we can look to the Scriptures and also remember how our forefathers in the faith dealt with similar challenges. Over two days, April 12-13, we will learn about and discuss the Law of God at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Collinsville, IL. We'll look to our past, confront present challenges, and look toward the future confident in the Gospel of Jesus Christ and thankful for all the treasures with which He has blessed us.

This conference is for both laity and pastors. Come join us for good theology, fellowship, and maybe even a little fun.

Tickets:

- Early Registration—Adult \$50 (before Ash Wednesday)
- Young Adult—\$15 (ages 12-17)
- Registration—Adult \$65

To learn more about the conference visit
<https://yourgrandfatherschurch.org/>.

If you are interested in attending, please speak with Pastor McCalley because space is limited.



TLCLC-The Mission Down the Hall

KidSight Vision Screening

KidSight came to the Learning Center on February 13 and 14 to conduct free vision screenings for all the children. The volunteers in this organization used a simple piece of equipment that can detect early vision problems. If any issues were detected in the screening, KidSight refers the parents to have a follow-up vision check. This is such a great service that can detect vision problems that might otherwise go undetected for years.



Trash to Treasure



Periodically TLCLC has a need for items that you might have sitting at home that you would be happy to part with.

For the LCMS Early Childhood Conference on March 2, the presenter will be discussing STEAM education in preschool. As an example, the teachers will be building a squirrel-proof bird feeder that is stable and as tall as possible. For this lesson, we are needing to collect:

- ⇒ Empty boxes and carton of all shapes (no larger than a shoe box). Could include pringles cans, oatmeal boxes, cereal boxes, egg cartons, etc.
- ⇒ Cardboard tubes (TP, paper towel)

Any extras collected will be used in our classrooms for the teachers to bring this or similar STEAM lessons to our students.



For Easter, we would also like to collect cardboard egg cartons to make these Easter crosses. This is a TLCLC tradition and I still hang up the one my daughter Rachel made in PreK with Mrs. Enfield 24 years ago!

-Annette

Please place any of these items in the TLCLC box in the narthex.

Valentine's Day Parties



The children at the Learning Center celebrated Valentine's Day with classroom parties on February 13 and 14. Parents brought fruit, veggies, crackers, cheese, sweet treats, and Valentine plates and napkins to make it a special celebration.



TLCLC Board Members

We are grateful to the following for serving on the Board of Early Childhood Education:

Dan Watts
Terri Shank
Kylie Sterling
Rachael Marler

If you have any questions about the Learning Center, feel free to contact any of the board members, or Annette Kiehne, our director.



TREE STUMP SEATS



A big thank you to Tom Myers! He supervised the removal of our Bradford pear tree and made sure the workers saved the big portions in 12" pieces. Tom also showed the kids how to sand the edges of the pieces to make sure they were safe and comfortable!



Radio & Podcast Resources

The Lutheran Hour

The Lutheran Hour with Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler proclaims the salvation story of Jesus every week to hundreds of thousands of listeners. The Lutheran Hour weekly half-hour program can be heard on www.lhm.org, on their mobile app, or Sundays on several area radio stations:

8:00 a.m. on **KMCV 89.9FM**

8:00 a.m. on **KLTE 107.9FM**

9:00 a.m. on **KMCR 103.9FM**

10:00 a.m. on **KMMO 1300AM**

KFUO Lutheran Radio

KFUO Radio, a media ministry extension of LCMS congregations, shares Christ for you anytime, anywhere on KFUO.org via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. You can find programs on demand at kfuo.org and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: @KFUORadio on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#).

CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org: Hear stories about mental health, LCMS history, and the history of LCMS Black Ministry on The Coffee Hour (weekdays at 9:00 a.m. CT), continue studying Galatians 3-4 on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), study Deuteronomy 5-8 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), and enjoy Ash Wednesday Organ Recital and Worship Service on 2/14 at 11:00 a.m. CT. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or the KFUO Radio app!



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