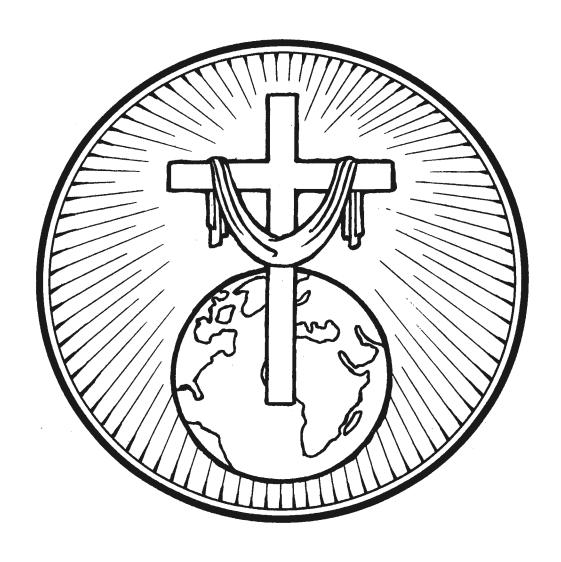
## The Fourth Sunday in Lent Sunday, March 10, 2024



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) and YouTube (TrinityCoMo).

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#### Serving in God's House Today:

Liturgist: Rev. Brian Thieme
Preacher: Rev. Joseph McCalley

Elders: (8:00) David Attebery | (10:30) Mike Brame

Ushers: (8:00) Hunter Kevil & Kyle Dickes

(10:30) Kevin & Ethan Mott

Organist: Bonnie Lawler

Altar Guild: Donna Weber & Phyllis White

#### **Acknowledgments**

Divine Service, Setting Four from Lutheran Service Book

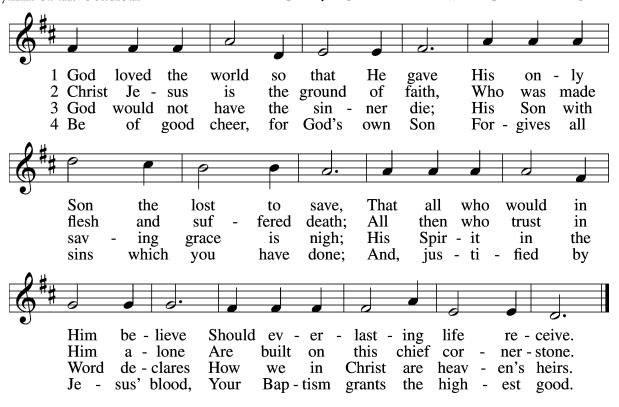
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### Order of Service: Divine Service III - LSB 184

Bells' Call to Worship Word of Welcome Organ Prelude Hymn of Invocation

LSB 571 God Loved the World So That He Gave



5 If you are sick, if death is near, This truth your troubled heart can cheer:

> Christ Jesus saves your soul from death; That is the firmest ground of faith.

Glory to God the Father, Son, And Holy Spirit, Three in One! To You, O blessèd Trinity, Be praise now and eternally!

#### Confession and Absolution

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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 

  → 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,
- 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,
- 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.

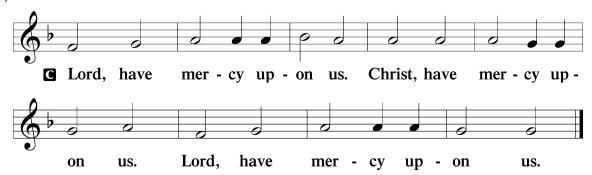
#### Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 27:3-5; antiphon: v. 1

- The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?
  The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?
- Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.
- One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his temple.
- For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock.
- 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.
- The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?
  The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

Kyrie Mark 10:47



Salutation and Collect of the Day



Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

Old Testament Numbers 21:4–9

<sup>4</sup>From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. <sup>5</sup>And the people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food." <sup>6</sup>Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. <sup>7</sup>And the people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned, for we have

spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. <sup>8</sup>And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live." <sup>9</sup>So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

- **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,
- the founder and perfecter of our faith,
- P 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.

Epistle Ephesians 2:1–10

¹And you were dead in the trespasses and sins ²in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience—³among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. ⁴But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁶and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, 7so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup>For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, <sup>9</sup>not a result of works, so that no one may boast. <sup>10</sup>For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Holy Gospel John 3:14–21

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the third chapter.

Glo-ry be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>14</sup>[Jesus said:] "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup>"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup>For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. <sup>18</sup>Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. <sup>19</sup>And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their deeds were evil. <sup>20</sup>For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. <sup>21</sup>But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his deeds have been carried out in God."



#### Nicene Creed

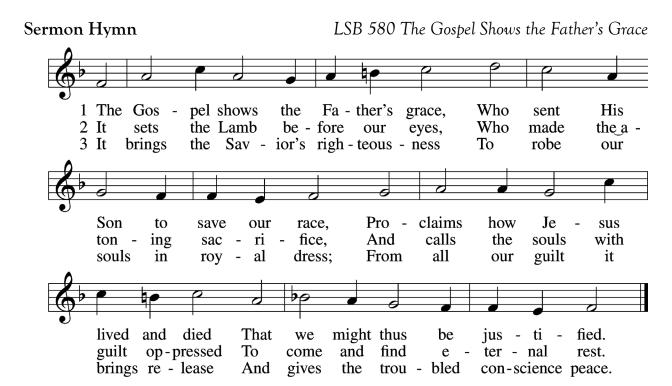
I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

> 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.

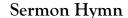
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission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

and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

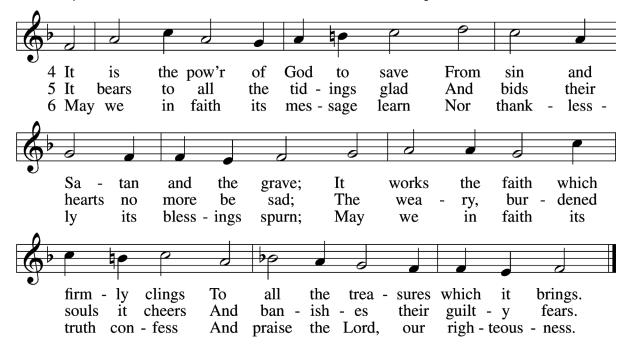
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#### Children's Message

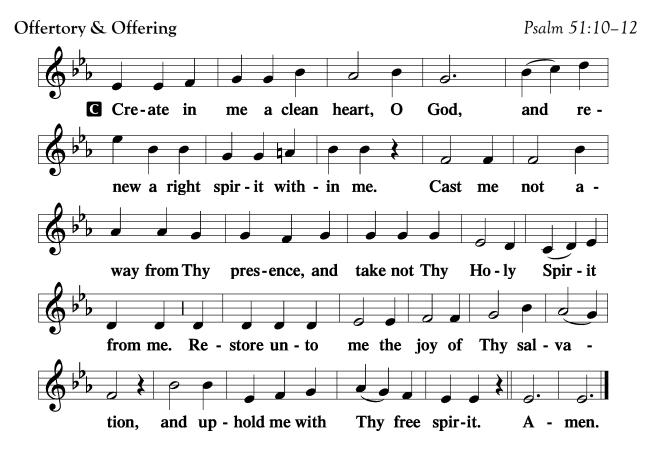


#### LSB 580 The Gospel Shows the Father's Grace



#### Sermon

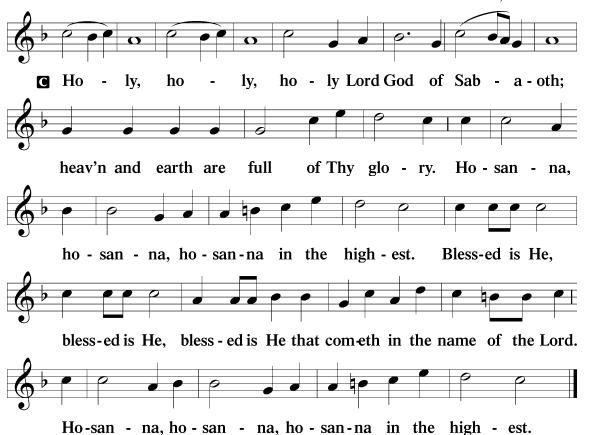
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## Service of the Sacrament



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:



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.

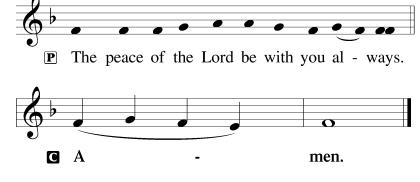
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

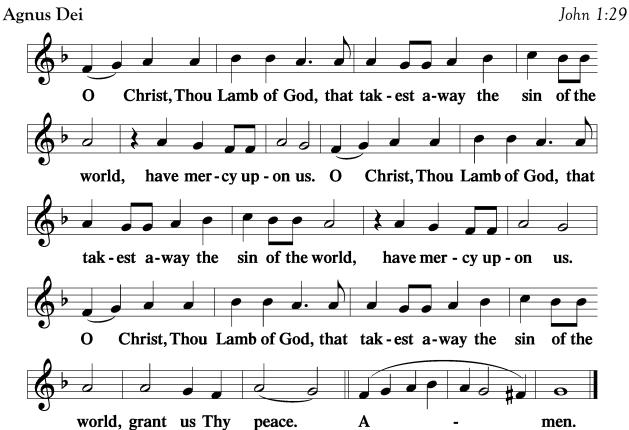
#### The Words of Our Lord Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

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





Sit

#### Distribution



- 1 My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Cal va ry,
- 2 May Thy rich grace im part Strength to my faint ing heart;
- 3 While life's dark maze I tread And griefs a round me spread, 4 When ends life's tran sient dream, When death's cold, sul len stream



Sav - ior di - vine. My zeal in - spire! Be Thou my guide; Shall o'er me roll, Now hear me while I pray; Take all my As Thou hast died for me, may my Oh, Bid dark-ness turn day, Wipe sor-row's to Blest Sav - ior, then, in love, Fear and dis -



guilt a - way; O let me from this day Be whol - ly Thine! love to Thee Pure, warm, and change-less be, A liv - ing fire! ev - er stray From Thee a tears a - way, Nor let me side. trust re-move; O bear me safe a-bove, A ran-somed soul!



- Let me praise God's boundless favor,
   Whose own feast of love I savor,
   Bidden by His gracious call.
   Wedding garments He provides me,
   With a robe of white He hides me,
   Fits me for the royal hall.
- 6 Now have I found consolation,
  Comfort in my tribulation,
  Balm to heal the troubled soul.
  God, my shield from ev'ry terror,
  Cleanses me from sin and error,
  Makes my wounded spirit whole

Stand

#### **Dismissal**

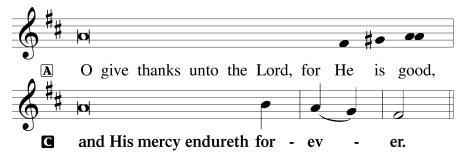
- The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart \( \frac{1}{2} \) in peace.
- C Amen.

Nunc Dimittis

Luke 2:29–32



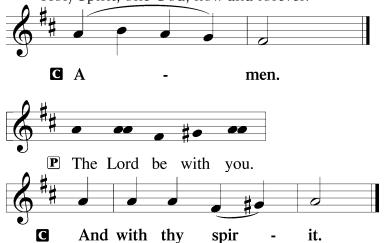
Thanksgiving Psalm 107:1



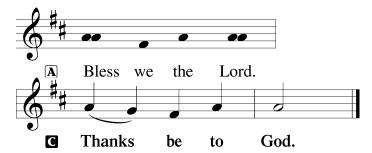
#### **P** Let us pray.

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;

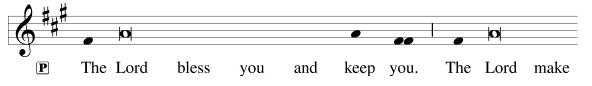
through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Benedicamus Psalm 103:1



Benediction Numbers 6:24–26

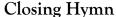


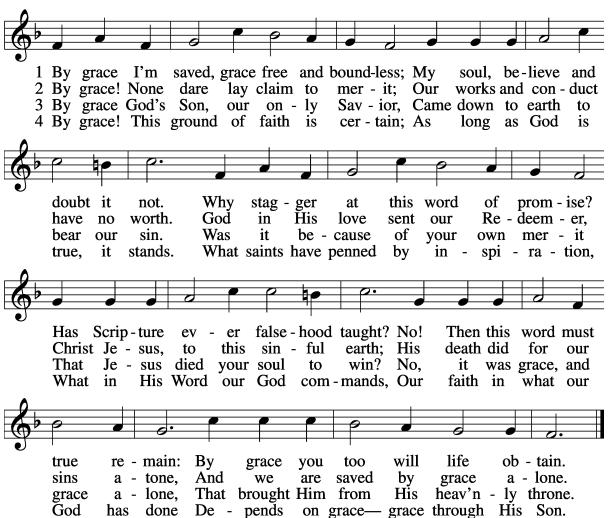


His face shine upon you and be gra-cious un - to you.









- 5 By grace to timid hearts that tremble,
  In tribulation's furnace tried,
  By grace, in spite of fear and trouble,
  The Father's heart is open wide.
  Where could I help and strength secure
  If grace were not my anchor sure?
  - Organ Postlude

6 By grace! On this I'll rest when dying;
In Jesus' promise I rejoice;
For though I know my heart's condition,
I also know my Savior's voice.
My heart is glad, all grief has flown
Since I am saved by grace alone.

# Trinity Weekly News

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#### Trinity Lutheran Church — Columbia, MO

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#### March 10 & 11, 2024

The chancel flowers this week are sponsored in honor of Margaret Parker's 85th birthday from her friends at Lenoir



#### This Week at Trinity:

#### **Sunday 3/10**

#### Lent 4

8:00 a.m.—Divine Service +Comm

9:30 a.m.—Bible Study & Sun. School

10:30 a.m.—Divine Service +Comm

3:00 p.m.—Mid Mo Hospital Ministry

5:00 p.m.—Handbells

5:30 p.m.—Men's Chorus

6:00 p.m.—Choir Practice

6:00 p.m.—JCC

#### **Monday 3/11**

9:00 a.m.—Bible Study

4:30 p.m.—100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Comm.

6:00 p.m.—Divine Service +Comm

#### Tuesday 3/12

5:30 p.m.—Pickleball

4:30 p.m.—Historical Committee

5:30 p.m.—Board Christian Ed.

6:30 p.m.—Board of Directors

#### Wednesday 3/13

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 3/14

7:00 a.m.—Men's Bible Study

9:00 a.m.—TLCLC Chapel

5:30 p.m.—Pickleball

5:30 p.m.—Life Team

7:00 p.m.—Grief Share

#### **Friday 3/15**

Pastors' day off

#### <u>Sunday 3/17</u>

#### Lent 5

8:00 a.m.—Divine Service +Comm

9:30 a.m.—Bible Study & Sun. School

10:30 a.m.—Divine Service +Comm

12:30 p.m.—Youth Ice Skating

5:30 p.m.—Men's Chorus

6:00 p.m.—Choir Practice

6:00 p.m.—JCC





Trinity Garden Club is Gearing up for Spring!

Garden Club Meeting Thursday, March 21 @ 6:30 pm Overflow Room New Members Welcome!

Contact: Chris Cott at 573-864-6315 or cccott@centurylink.net



#### **Palm Sunday**

(3/24/24): Children ages preK -6th are invited to process behind the cross with palm branches for the 8 am and 10:30 am services.



#### Wednesday March 13:

12 & 7 pm—Midweek Lenten Service 5:45 pm—Lenten Light Supper: Evangelism, Stewardship & Finance

#### Wednesday March 20:

12 & 7 pm—Midweek Lenten Service 5:45 pm—Lenten Light Supper: Elders

#### Maundy Thursday, March 28:

12 & 7 pm—Maundy Thursday Service

#### Good Friday, March 29:

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

#### **Easter Sunday**

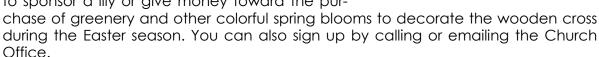
(3/31/24): Between morning services and during Sunday school time there will be an Easter egg hunt for preK-6th. Weather permitting, the hunt will be outside but if not we will hunt for chocolate in the gym classrooms.



#### Sponsor a Lily!

You can sign up to sponsor a lily or help us purchase greenery and flowers to decorate the church for Easter.

A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board across from the church office —you can sign up to sponsor a lily or give money toward the pur-



The cost of the lilies is \$13 each. Please make checks payable to Trinity Lutheran Church with "Altar Guild" on the memo line. Checks may be mailed to the church or dropped in the offering box.

The Altar Guild thanks you!

#### Mary Martha Guild

Mary Martha Guild meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month in the Fellowship Hall from 9:30-11:30 am. Come at 9 am for coffee! All ladies of Trinity are invited to attend. Come join us on **March 13**!

This month's ingathering will benefit **Love Columbia**. They are in need of house-cleaning and hygiene supplies such as laundry detergent, dish and hand soap, diapers, shampoo, body wash, etc. They also welcome donated gift cards to stores like Walmart, Aldi, and HyVee.



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.

#### Volunteers Needed!



Help Needed!

The Board of Trustees is looking for 15 volunteers to help put mulch the west playground. The workday is planned for **Saturday**, **March 23 from 9-11** 

**am**. Mulch, wheelbarrows, and pitchforks will be provided. Additional rakes would be welcome.

A sign up sheet is available on the bulletin board across from the church office. Thanks for your help!

#### Vesper Guild

This month the Vesper Guild will meet on **Tuesday, March 19 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.



Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the Lord.

Psalm 32:10

## Youth Fellowship: Ice Skating & Ice Cream Sunday, March 17, 2024

WHO: The invitation is open to 5th graders and above.

PLACE: Church & Jeff City Ice Arena

TIME: 12:30pm - 4:00pm

COMMITMENT: 3.5 Hours / NO COST

CONTACT: Pastor McCalley

Meet at church at 12:30pm and we'll carpool to Washington Park Ice Arena in Jeff City. After skating we will get ice cream before heading back to Columbia. Please RSVP to Pastor McCalley.



March 17, 2024

Ice Skating & Ice Cream

March 30, 2024

Prep Easter Breakfast

March 31, 2024

Serve Easter Breakfast

April 14, 2024

Birthday Box Service Project

**April 27, 2024** 

St. Louis Symphony

May 2024 (Date TBD)

Finals Dinner @ El Maguey



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 Biscuit Bar Menu this year!

Come for food and fellowship!

Freewill donations will be accepted.



# SOS SAUSAGE DINNER



Sunday, March 17th

Join us for the annual SOS Sausage Dinner from

11:00am - 1:00pm

Sausage | Sauerkraut | Potatoes & Gravy | Green Beans | Applesauce | Cheesecake | Drinks

> Saint Paul Lutheran High School 205 S. Main Street Concordia, MO

> > Free-will offering

Dine-in and drive-thru options available
(Dine-in inside Krueger Dining Hall;
Drive-thru pick up in front of Krueger Dining Hall)

SOS (Servants of the Saints) helps provide funding for projects at Saint Paul Lutheran High School to help promote and assist its ministry.







## **Enroll now for Summer Music Camps!**

Choir Camp
June 3-7

For ages K-8th grade

Orchestra Camp June 10-14

For ages 4th-12th grade

## Register online at cmc-music. org

REGISTER BY MARCH 31 FOR THE EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT!

Early enrollment is \$135 per child.

Regular enrollment April 1-May 15 is \$160 per child.

After May 15 late enrollment is \$225 per child

\*Camps are daily from 9am to 4pm on the campus of SPLHS in Concordia, MO \*Lunch & Snacks are provided \*Closing concert on the Friday of each camp at 2pm

Have you started thinking about your summer and how to engage your children in meaningful activities? Find a variety of camps for your children and their specific interests at Saint Paul Lutheran High School.

JOIN US

Register with link below tinyurl.com/2024SummerCampsSPLHS



Scan me to open the registration page

#### Dear Church Family,

Please contact the Church Office when:

- a member of your family is admitted to the hospital so visits can be made
- someone you know is very ill or has passed away
- you would like to be assigned a Stephen Caregiver to help you through a difficult time
- your class, board, or group would like to use the church for a meeting or event so it can be scheduled on the church calendar
- your contact information or address changes
- a new baby arrives in your family
- a member of your family leaves home for college, joins the military, or is getting married
- you would like to have a member call you to visit or assist you in some way
- you have a prayer request
- you would like to share your time and talents
- you feel the church can assist you in any way

#### Life Thoughts

March 10 – Lent IV – Surprise pregnancy and terminal diagnosis come with risks and costs. But as with the ancient Israelite serpent infestation, the real enemy is neither one's neighbor nor the Maker (Numbers 21:8). Only impaling the snake (not terminating each other) brought deliverance, and the antidote called for faith instead of death. Christians insist God has sent us His Son for extending lives and not ending them (John 3:17).

#### Stewardship & Scripture

#### March 10 – Lent 4

Ephesians 2:10 – "For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them." Even the good we do in this world is a gift from God, prepared beforehand for us to do. And this too is a gift! For isn't doing good also a good thing for the one who does it? So from first to last, from the Lord's free salvation given to us to the good works He's prepared for us, everything is a gift of God's grace.

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#### The Fourth Sunday in Lent

#### CHURCH YEAR CALENDAR

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

#### THEME OF THE WEEK

Jesus Is Lifted Up on the Cross so that We May Look to Him and Live | The people sinned by speaking "against God and against Moses," and the Lord called them to repentance by sending fiery serpents, which "bit the people, so that many people of Israel died" (Num. 21:4–6). When the people confessed their sin, the Lord provided a means of rescue from death. He instructed Moses to "make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole," so that "if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live" (Num. 21:8–9). Thus, God sent His Son into the world, in the likeness of our sin and death, and lifted Him up on the pole of the cross, that whoever looks to Him in faith "may have eternal life" (John 3:14–16). By His cross, "the light has come into the world," not for condemnation, but "that the world might be saved through him" (John 3:17–19). While we "were dead in the trespasses and sins" in which we once lived (Eph. 2:1), God loved us, calling us to repentance and raising us up with Christ to live "with him in the heavenly places" (Eph. 2:4–6).

#### PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; 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

MorningPsalm 27 EveningPsalm 28

#### DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

#### Morning **Evening** Monday Genesis 44 Matthew 20:1-16 Genesis 45:1-15 Matthew 10:32-52 Tuesday Wednesday Genesis 45:16-46:7 Luke 19:1-10 *Thursday* Genesis 46:28-47:12 Luke 19:11-27 Friday Genesis 48 Luke 19:28-44 Saturday Genesis 50:14-26 Mark 11:12-33

#### HYMN OF THE WEEK

571 God Loved the World So That He Gave

#### READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

#### The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Old Testament Jeremiah 31:31-34 **Epistle** Hebrews 5:1-10

> Psalm 119:9-16 Holy Gospel St. Mark 10:32-45

Introit Ps. 27:3-5; ant. v. 1

#### DAILY CATECHISM

Lesson of the Week: The Apostle's Creed – The First Article I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

Genesis 1:26-27 | In what way is God revealed in this passage to be triune? In what way are multiple Monday

persons revealed? Does the passage reveal the persons doing any work? How does this passage teach

us the doctrine of the Holy Trinity?

Tuesday Matthew 28:18-20 Wednesday Matthew 3: 13-17 John 14:25-26 **Thursday** 

**Ephesians 1:16-17** Friday

#### Summary

This week's summary is Article I (God) of the Augsburg Confession | Our churches teach with common consent that the decree of the Council of Nicaea about the unity of the divine essence and the three persons is true. It is to be believed without any doubt. God is one divine essence who is eternal, without a body, without parts, of infinite wisdom, and goodness. He is the maker and preserver of all things, visible and invisible [Nehemiah 9:6]. Yet there are three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit [Matthew 28:19]. These three persons are of the same essence and power (1-3).

#### Learn By Heart Verse. Matthew 3:16-17

And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

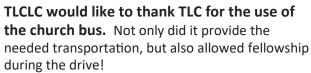


## TLCLC-The Mission Down the Hall

## Early Childhood Conference

Fourteen TLCLC staff
members attended the LCMS Missouri
District Early Childhood Conference on
March 2. We received 4.75 professional
development clock hours for
participating in the keynote
training STEAM: Play, Tinkering and
Assessment and two of the breakout
sessions about Math & Science
Learning, MO Dept of Conservation
resources, Speech & Language
Development or LEA Spiritual Nurture
Series. Check out the birdhouse that
we were challenged to build with the
recycled materials.









#### **CPR CLASS**

The Learning Center is hosting a CPR class on Saturday, April 6 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Church members can also attend. If you would like to sign up or need more information, contact Heather in the church office at 573-445-2112 or by email at church@Trinity-LCMS.org.



#### 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** 9:00 a.m. on **KMCR 103.9FM**  8:00 a.m. on **KLTE 107.9FM** 10:00 a.m. on **KMMO 1300AM** 

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CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org: Study Isaiah 43-46 on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), study Deuteronomy 22-26 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), enjoy a Lenten Organ Recital and Worship Service on 3/13 at 11:00 a.m. CT., and continue studying Good Works in the Apology of the Augsburg Confession on Concord Matters (3/16 at 10:00 a.m. CT). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or the KFUO Radio app!





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