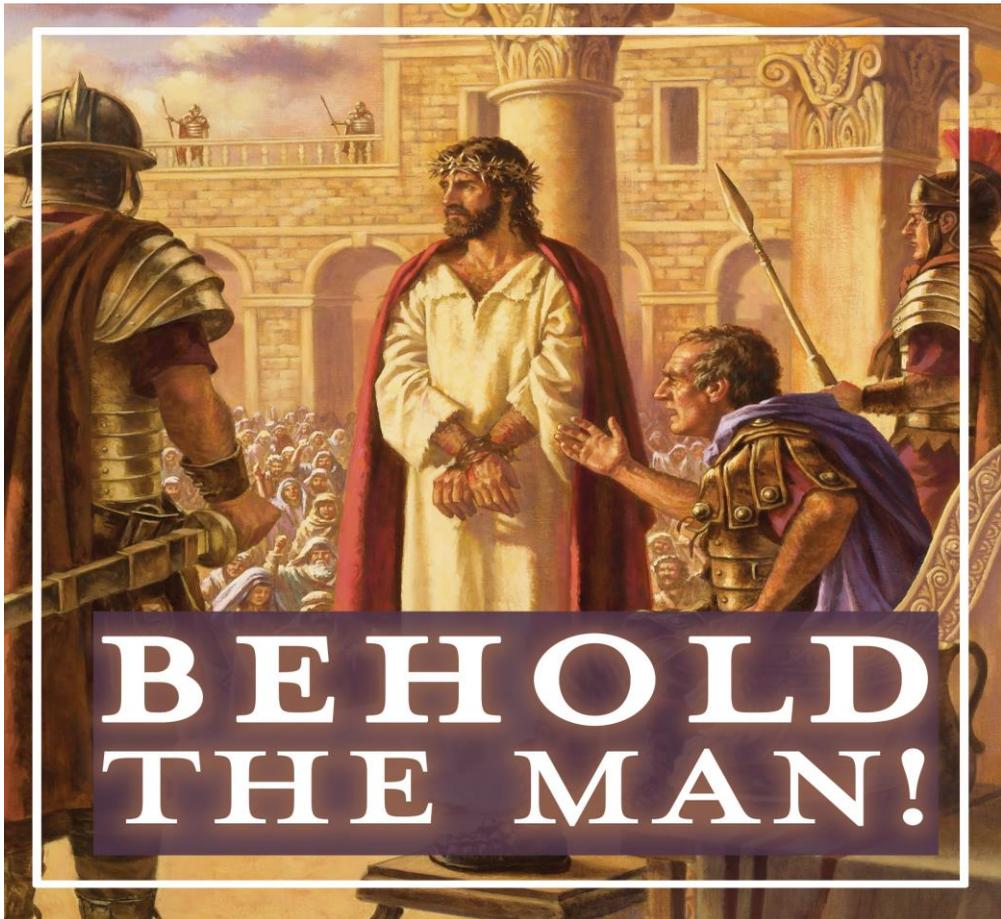


# Trinity Lutheran Church Cortez, Colorado

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Midweek of Lent 3**

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# TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church, and to the blessings, comfort and peace of Christ.

**“Behold the man!”** was Pontius Pilate’s short, yet most profound, sermon. Our endeavor this Lententide and Easter Sunday is to behold the man, God in human flesh, Jesus. Each time together, we are meditating on and proclaiming His real, bodily suffering and death as well as His physical resurrection. He knew all that real bodies experience; He suffered, wept, bled, ate, and hoped.

Before their sin, Adam and his wife were both naked and unashamed. Shame requires self-awareness that only sinners possess. Without sin, their eyes and thoughts didn’t descend to idolatrous navel-gazing. But as soon as they doubted God’s Word and disobeyed His commandment, as soon as they ate, their eyes were opened, and they saw their nakedness. And they were ashamed.

Fig leaves sewn together to make clothes could not cover their sin. So after doling out the consequences of their sins, God proceeded to cover their sin and shame with clothing wrought from the skin of an animal. But animals don’t doff their skins willingly or easily. An animal stripped of its skin, exposed to a nakedness deeper than mere skin, is not long for this world.

In the same way, the Lamb of God, the enfleshed God, was first mockingly clothed at the hands of men intent on abusing and shaming Him. They first pressed a crown of thorns into His head and draped a purple garment around Him, intending to mock His claim to be the King. Then, when they took Him to crucify Him, they stripped Him naked and hung Him shamefully on the cross, exposed and soon to die. But He has no shame because He has no sin. He has no shame because He has no self-care, no thoughts of self-preservation. His nakedness is for mankind who, even while clothed, are covered in shame. He was clothed in our nakedness and shame, our sin and guilt, so that He might clothe us with the robe of His own righteousness.

**To join us** on your phone or online you just need to connect to the **6 pm** Teleconference.

- Phone: (425) 436-6358; Access code: 367780#
- Online: <https://join.freeconferencecall.com/trinitylccortez>

## TITHES AND OFFERING:

The offering plates are in the Narthex to allow you to put your offering in the plate as you enter or exit the building without having to “pass the plate” across social distancing guides. If you are worshiping from home, please mail your check or work with Carol Sperling, to setup electronic transfers.

## Vespers

## Opening Hymn: Behold the Man before You



1 Be - hold the man be - fore you: The One who would re -  
2 Hands, feet, and shoul - ders bleed - ing, To God the Fa - ther  
3 Ex - posed and bare, He cov - ers Your shame with grace that  
4 Be - hold your God, here bur - ied: Your sin and sor - rows  
5 Christ, God and man, is liv - ing! His ris - en bod - y



store you Stands si - lent in your stead. He waits for  
plead - ing For your own heart and soul. Come, sin - ner,  
hov - ers Up - on you night and day. His fi - nal  
car - ried In - to the earth - en tomb. But wait with  
giv - ing Proof that our Sav - ior won. Your hands will



His con - vic - tion— Your right - ful cru - ci -  
watch in won - der: His bod - y lad - en  
breath ex - pend - ed— The reign of death up -  
ex - pec - ta - tion: The Lord of your sal -  
raise to bless Him, Your lips will e'er con -



fix - ion. He bows His ho - ly, wea - ry head.  
un - der The ran - som of your sin in whole.  
end - ed. His ver - dict kills the dev - il's sway.  
va - tion Will res - cue you from grav - en doom.  
fess Him: The born and dead and ris - en One!

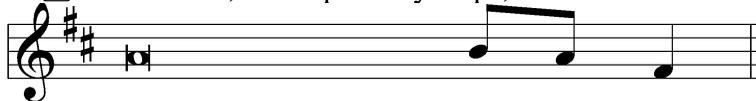
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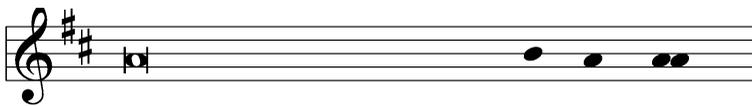
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**L** O Lord, o - pen my lips,



**G** and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



**L** Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



**C** make haste to help me, O Lord.



**C** Glo - ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.



Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our sal - va - tion.

## Psalmody

*Psalm 30:8–12; antiphon: Psalm 22:18*

- P** <sup>18</sup>They divide my garments among them,  
and for my clothing they cast lots.
- C** <sup>8</sup>To you, O LORD, I cry,  
and to the Lord I plead for mercy:
- P** <sup>9</sup>“What profit is there in my death,  
if I go down to the pit?
- C** Will the dust praise you?  
Will it tell of your faithfulness?
- P** <sup>10</sup>Hear, O LORD, and be merciful to me!  
O LORD, be my helper!”
- C** <sup>11</sup>You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;  
you have loosed my sackcloth  
and clothed me with gladness,
- P** <sup>12</sup>that my glory may sing your praise and not be silent.
- C** O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever!

## Office Hymn: 569 In Adam We Have All Been One



1 In Ad - am we have all been one, One huge re - bel - lious man;  
2 We fled Thee, and in los - ing Thee We lost our broth - er too;  
3 But Thy strong love, it sought us still And sent Thine on - ly Son  
4 O Thou who, when we loved Thee not, Didst love and save us all,



We all have fled that eve - ning voice That sought us as we ran.  
Each sin - gly sought and claimed his own; Each man his broth - er slew.  
That we might hear His Shep - herd's voice And, hear - ing Him, be one.  
Thou great Good Shep - herd of man - kind, O hear us when we call.

5 Send us Thy Spirit, teach us truth;  
Thou Son, O set us free  
From fancied wisdom, self-sought ways,  
To make us one in Thee.

△ 6 Then shall our song united rise  
To Thine eternal throne,  
Where with the Father evermore  
And Spirit Thou art one.

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## Readings

### Old Testament Reading

*Genesis 3:7–21*

<sup>7</sup>Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

<sup>8</sup>And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. <sup>9</sup>But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, “Where are you?” <sup>10</sup>And he said, “I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself.” <sup>11</sup>He said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?” <sup>12</sup>The man said, “The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate.” <sup>13</sup>Then the LORD God said to the woman, “What is this that you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.”

<sup>14</sup>The LORD God said to the serpent,

“Because you have done this,  
cursed are you above all livestock  
and above all beasts of the field;  
on your belly you shall go,  
and dust you shall eat  
all the days of your life.

<sup>15</sup>I will put enmity between you and the woman,  
and between your offspring and her offspring;  
he shall bruise your head,  
and you shall bruise his heel.”

<sup>16</sup>To the woman he said,

“I will surely multiply your pain in childbearing;  
in pain you shall bring forth children.  
Your desire shall be for your husband,  
and he shall rule over you.”

<sup>17</sup>And to Adam he said,

“Because you have listened to the voice of your wife  
and have eaten of the tree  
of which I commanded you,  
‘You shall not eat of it,’  
cursed is the ground because of you;  
in pain you shall eat of it all the days of your life;  
<sup>18</sup>thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you;  
and you shall eat the plants of the field.

<sup>19</sup>By the sweat of your face  
you shall eat bread,  
till you return to the ground,  
for out of it you were taken;  
for you are dust,  
and to dust you shall return.”

<sup>20</sup>The man called his wife’s name Eve, because she was the mother of all living. <sup>21</sup>And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them.

**L** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle Reading

*Galatians 3:23–29*

<sup>23</sup>Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. <sup>24</sup>So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in



## Offering &amp; Canticle: 935 Tell Out, My Soul, the Greatness of the Lord



1 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of the Lord!  
 2 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of His name!  
 3 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of His might!  
 4 Tell out, my soul, the glo-ries of His Word!



Un - num - bered bless - ings, give my spir - it voice;  
 Make known His might, the deeds His arm has done;  
 Pow'rs and do - min - ions lay their glo - ry by.  
 Firm is His prom - ise, and His mer - cy sure.



Ten - der to me the prom - ise of His Word;  
 His mer - cy sure, from age to age the same;  
 Proud hearts and stub - born wills are put to flight,  
 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of the Lord



In God my Sav - ior shall my heart re - joice.  
 His ho - ly name, the Lord, the Might - y One.  
 The hun - gry fed, the hum - ble lift - ed high.  
 To chil - dren's chil - dren and for - ev - er - more!

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## Prayer

*Kneel/Stand*

## Kyrie

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**C** Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

## 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.

## Collects

### Introduction to Collects

LSB 233



**L** O Lord, hear my prayer.



**C** And let my cry come to You.

## Collect of the Day

- P** Heavenly Father, when Adam sinned, he tried to cover his guilt and shame with fig leaves, which You replaced with animal skins to foreshadow the Lamb of God, whose innocent death would cover the sin of the world. Grant that we who have been baptized may rejoice in the Lamb of God, whose righteousness covers all of our sins to make us holy and blameless in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

## Prayer of the Church

- P** Let us use the experiences of the man Jesus as we pray for ourselves, the Church around the world, and all people in their various circumstances.

*The man Jesus experienced severe hunger.*

- P** For all who are denied basic food, clothing, or shelter, that God would provide whatever they need to support this body and life, let us pray to the Lord.
- C** Lord, have mercy.

*The man Jesus was beaten, abused, and ridiculed.*

**P** For all who are unjustly imprisoned, persecuted, and denied human rights, that God would support them to remain strong under their circumstances until they find freedom, justice, and dignity, let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

*The man Jesus was physically exposed on the cross.*

**P** For all who try to hide their sins and failings, fearing God's wrath and people's scorn, that the Holy Spirit would grant them faith to know and trust the forgiveness Christ won for them, let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

*The man Jesus loved His followers to the end by serving them.*

**P** For all who serve in homes and hospitals; or in cases of emergency or fires; and for all who serve in public offices, that God would protect, strengthen, and guide them for the good of the whole society and also for all those whose lives are affected by pain, suffering, or illness [including . . .], that according to His gracious plans God would bring about healing, relief, and health to body, soul, and mind, let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

*The man Jesus bled, died, and was buried..*

**P** For all people to see that Jesus' death is the reason He became man and to trust that in dying He did everything necessary for our salvation, for all who fear death and all who are in mourning, that the Holy Spirit grant them faith to see the death of all who trust in Christ as a sleep from which they shall awaken, let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

*The man Jesus physically rose triumphant over death.*

**P** For all whose hope is in Christ and the resurrection that we may be encouraged in joy and anticipation for the day when faith gives way to sight, let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

### **Collect for Peace**

**L** 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

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**L** Let us bless the Lord.



**C** Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

LSB 234



**P** The grace of our Lord † Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the communion of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



**C** A - men.

## Hymn to Depart: 563 Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness



1 Je - sus, Thy blood and righ - teous - ness My beau - ty  
2 Bold shall I stand in that great day, Cleansed and re -  
3 Lord, I be - lieve Thy pre - cious blood, Which at the  
4 Lord, I be - lieve, were sin - ners more Than sands up -



are, my glo - rious dress; Midst flam - ing worlds, in  
deemed, no debt to pay; Ful - ly ab - solved through  
mer - cy seat of God Pleads for the cap - tives'  
on the o - cean shore, Thou hast for all a



these ar - rayed, With joy shall I lift up my head.  
these I am From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.  
lib - er - ty, Was al - so shed in love for me.  
ran - som paid, For all a full a - tone - ment made.

5 When from the dust of death I rise  
To claim my mansion in the skies,  
This then shall be my only plea:  
Jesus hath lived and died for me.

6 Jesus, be endless praise to Thee,  
Whose boundless mercy hath for me,  
For me, and all Thy hands have made,  
An everlasting ransom paid.

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**SPECIAL PRAYERS:** Please keep the following in your prayers: **Lolita Aulston, Terri Blackwell** (Lowell & Mary Lou Volk's daughter), **Ed Bonds, Gary Brodhagen, Chuck & Corky Dorsey** (Jennifer Lard's Mom and step Dad), **David Hedrington** (Jerry Henneman's Cousin), **Jerry Henneman, Trudy Hooyman, Sheila Jobman** (Lynelle Brumley's Cousin), **Mary Mahaffey, Paul McCall** (Renee Johnson's Dad), **Brooke Picray** (Roland and Connie Walter's granddaughter), **Michael & Priscilla Merritt, Tate Schaefer** (Hope Scheele's cousin's son), **Shirlie Schlotfelt, Tim Sokol, Clark Spalsbury** (Bruce Schulz's Friend), **Bill Witthans, Koltan Woodard** (Sharon Woodard's grandson), and the family and friends of **Katie Quimby** (Shar Short's friend) who died March 5<sup>th</sup>.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**Lenten Midweek Worship** 6 pm on Mar 17<sup>th</sup>, and 24<sup>th</sup>

**Donate Bibles** for Jail Ministry by putting them on the table near the church office.

**Sympathy Cards** for the family and friends of Bob Williams who died Feb 24<sup>th</sup> (Bob was a former church member of our church who moved away) may be mailed to Kathy Williams's winter address, 511 E. Loop 374. Space 21, Palmview, TX 78572. Kathy has asked that Memorials be given to Trinity Lutheran Church here in Cortez.

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Lutheran Service Book (LSB) Vespers

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