

Sunday
March 18, 2018

8am

Fifth Sunday
in Lent

Welcome

Opening Hymn

“Come to Calvary’s Holy Mountain”

LSB 435



Come to Cal - v'ry's ho - ly moun - tain, Sin - ners, ru - ined
Come in pov - er - ty and mean - ness, Come de - filed, with -
Come in sor - row and con - tri - tion, Wound - ed, im - po -
They that drink shall live for - ev - er; 'Tis a soul - re -



by the fall; Here a pure and heal - ing foun - tain
out, with - in; From in - fec - tion and un - clean - ness,
tent, and blind; Here the guilt - y, free re - mis - sion,
new - ing flood. God is faith - ful; God will nev - er



Flows for you, for me, for all, In a full, per -
From the lep - ro - sy of sin, Wash your robes and
Here the trou - bled, peace may find. Health this foun - tain
Break His cov - e - nant of blood, Signed when our Re -



pet - ual tide, O - pened when our Sav - ior died.
make them white; Ye shall walk with God in light.
will re - store; They that drink shall thirst no more.
deem - er died, Sealed when He was glo - ri - fied.

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Invocation

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

People: Amen.

Confession

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

People: **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

(Silence for reflection of God's Word and for self-examination)

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Absolution

Pastor: Almighty God in his mercy has given his Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

(Please be seated)

Kyrie

“Lord, Have Mercy”

(The Hymn of Praise is omitted during the season of Lent)

The Epistle Lesson

Galatians 4:4-7

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

(Please Stand)

The Gospel Lesson

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 15th chapter.

People: Glory to You O Lord *(sung response)*

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You O Christ *(sung response)*

Hymn of the Day

“Today Your Mercy Calls Us”

LSB 915



To - day Your mer - cy calls us To wash a - way our sin.
To - day Your gate is o - pen, And all who en - ter in
To - day our Fa - ther calls us; His Ho - ly Spir - it waits;
O all - em - brac - ing Mer - cy, O ev - er - o - pen Door,



How - ev - er great our tres - pass, What - ev - er we have been,
Shall find a Fa - ther's wel - come And par - don for their sin.
His bless - ed an - gels gath - er A - round the heav'n - ly gates.
What should we do with - out You When heart and eye run o'er?



How - ev - er long from mer - cy Our hearts have turned a - way,
The past shall be for - got - ten, A pres - ent joy be giv'n,
No ques - tion will be asked us How of - ten we have come;
When all things seem a - gainst us, To drive us to de - spair,



Your pre - cious blood can wash us And make us clean to - day.
A fu - ture grace be prom - ised, A glo - rious crown in heav'n.
Al - though we oft have wan - dered, It is our Fa - ther's home.
We know one gate is o - pen, One ear will hear our prayer.

The Sermon

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To think about this week:

The Story of Jesus in the Stories of Jesus
"The Prodigal Son"

The Nicene Creed

Tithes & Offerings/ Friendship Roster

"Freely you have received, freely give." Matthew 10:8b

Recognition of Stephen Ministers

Prayer of the Church *(You may sit or kneel)*

(After each petition)

Pastor: Lord, in your mercy;

People: **Hear our prayer.**

The Lord's Prayer

† The Celebration of Holy Communion †

Preface

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere, to give thanks to You, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. You formed us in Your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, Your love remained steadfast. You delivered us from captivity, made a covenant to be our sovereign God, and spoke to us through your prophets. And so with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

Sanctus

Matthew 21:9

Words of Institution

26 & 1 Cor. 11

The Sharing of Peace

Agnus Dei

John 1:29

The Distribution of the Sacrament

Today we celebrate the sacrament of Holy Communion. **Baptized Christians** who can answer **YES** to the following questions are welcome to join us at the Lord's Table.

- ✝ Do you admit you have sinned against God and do you **repent** (admit and turn away from) of those sins?
- ✝ Do you trust in **Jesus Christ** and Him alone as your **Savior** from sin and death?
- ✝ Do you believe that the **Body and Blood of Jesus Christ** is actually received in and with the bread and wine (the bread and wine are not merely symbols or signs) for the **forgiveness** of your sins and to **strengthen** your faith?
- ✝ Do you believe that in Holy Communion we personally receive the **gift of God's forgiving love and grace** and we experience **oneness** with Christ and with one another?
- ✝ Do you intend and desire, by God's power, to turn away from your sin, and to grow in love for God and for others?

If this is your faith we invite you to join us at the Lord's Table. If you have questions, concerns, doubts, etc. please speak with a pastor, or an Elder, before receiving Holy Communion. **We ask that children receive formal instruction in the meaning and purpose of Holy Communion through our 1st Communion Class or Confirmation program before participating in this sacrament.** Non-Alcoholic Wine is available for those unable to receive the blood of Christ through regular wine. It is in the center of the communion tray and is light in color. Gluten Free "Hosts" are also available for those who are unable to receive the "Body of Christ" through the usual Communion Host. *To receive the Sacrament with the Gluten Free Host stand at the very "back" of the communion rail (near the lectern or pulpit and wait for the Communion assistant to come to you. If you have questions please, ask a pastor or Elder.*



Distribution Hymns

“Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness”

LSB 563



Je - sus, Thy blood and righ - teous - ness My beau - ty
Bold shall I stand in that great day, Cleansed and re -
Lord, I be - lieve Thy pre - cious blood, Which at the
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.

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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O Sav - ior, pre - cious Sav - ior, Whom yet un - seen we love;
 O bring - er of sal - va - tion, Who won - drous - ly hast wrought
 In Thee all full - ness dwell - eth, All grace and pow'r di - vine;
 O grant the con - sum - ma - tion Of this our song a - bove



O name of might and fa - vor, All oth - er names a - bove,
 Thy - self the rev - e - la - tion Of love be - yond our thought,
 The glo - ry that ex - cel - leth, O Son of God, is Thine.
 In end - less ad - o - ra - tion And ev - er - last - ing love;



We wor - ship Thee, we bless Thee, To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
 We wor - ship Thee, we bless Thee, To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
 We wor - ship Thee, we bless Thee, To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
 Then shall we praise and bless Thee Where per - fect prais - es ring,



We praise Thee and con - fess Thee, Our ho - ly Lord and King.
 We praise Thee and con - fess Thee, Our gra - cious Lord and King.
 We praise Thee and con - fess Thee, Our glo - rious Lord and King.
 And ev - er - more con - fess Thee, Our Sav - ior and our King!

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Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen

Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

People: Amen.



Christ, the life of all the liv - ing, Christ, the death of
 Thou, ah! Thou, hast tak - en on Thee Bonds and stripes, a
 Thou hast borne the smit - ing on - ly That my wounds might



death, our foe, Who, Thy - self for me once giv - ing
 cru - el rod; Pain and scorn were heaped up - on Thee,
 all be whole; Thou hast suf - fered, sad and lone - ly,



To the dark - est depths of woe: Through Thy suf - f'rings,
 O Thou sin - less Son of God! Thus didst Thou my
 Rest to give my wea - ry soul; Yea, the curse of



death, and mer - it I e - ter - nal life in - her - it.
 soul de - liv - er From the bonds of sin for - ev - er.
 God en - dur - ing, Bless - ing un - to me se - cur - ing.



Thou - sand, thou - sand thanks shall be, Dear - est Je - sus, un - to Thee.
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Then, for all that wrought my pardon,
 For Thy sorrows deep and sore,
 For Thine anguish in the Garden,
 I will thank Thee evermore,
 Thank Thee for Thy groaning, sighing,
 For Thy bleeding and Thy dying,
 For that last triumphant cry,
 And shall praise Thee, Lord, on high.

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†† Immediately following worship members of our Praying Hands Prayer Team will be available to pray with you or for you. They will be located behind the altar near the cross and candles. ††

About Today's Service. . .

Invocation

The invocation reminds us that Triune God (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit) is here with us and has claimed us as His own.

Confession

1 John 1:9

Confessing our sins keeps us honest - honest with ourselves and honest before God. The act of "confessing our sins" is the act of owning and admitting that we have fallen short of God's demands and expectations and we are in desperate need of a Savior.

Absolution

Jesus has secured forgiveness with God through His life, death and resurrection. The pastor speaks words of forgiveness as though they were from Christ himself. In Christ our sins have been removed "as far as the east is from the west." Christians know this, but we need to hear it often!

The Nicene Creed

When we confess the faith of the Church in the creed, our confession speaks about God – who He is and what He has done. We are answering the question of Jesus: "Who do you say that I am?"

Words of Institution

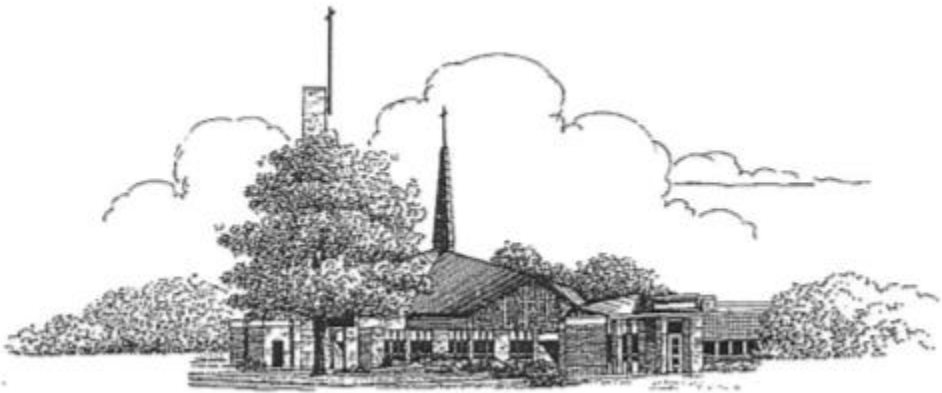
Matt 26 & 1 Cor. 11

At each celebration of the Lord's Supper the pastor speaks the very words of Jesus. These words promise us that along with the simple elements of bread and wine we are receiving the body and blood of Christ that was broken and shed for us and for our salvation.

Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

This is God having the last word; bestowing a blessing on His people. God sends His people into the world with the promise of His favor and His peace.



PRAYER LIST Trinity seeks to be a “praying church.” This means far more than the pastor praying during worship. We encourage you to pray daily for the various people and needs listed below as well as the many needs of our community and our world. To add someone to the prayer list (or to remove someone) please contact church@trinityct.org or 586-463-2921 x 143.

Members Who Are Ill/Recovering

Helen Luft, Caroline Gallagher, Caritza Alvarez, Carol Jobse, Tim Crosby, Roy Jackson, John Gehm, Onalee Young, Josephine Young, Patti Kennedy, Carol Matthews, Frank and Kathy Carpenter, Jerry Smigielski, Tom Gastmeier Jr., Kris Pauli, Dexter Sieger, Barbara Sink, Sue Hefling, Kathie Anderson, Dale Batkins, John Cress, Patti Braga, Elaine Liss, Ethel Cook, Mark Heymoss, Donna Lockhart, Arlene Bennett, Karen Alwardt, Rob Garvin, Lynda Ringstad, Robert Bandlow, Emelia Evola, Adrienne Agar, Pat Stolzenfeld

Others Who Are Ill/Recovering

Chip Arbanas, Kathy Kotas, Renee and Victor Hecker, Bob Cain, Rich Hawick, Marilyn Krula, Flo Wagner, Nicole Avery, Regina Ostaszewska, Baby Frankie, Tim Devore, Brandon Haschig, Cindy Snay, Greg Ohly, Don Klestin, Erika Quinn, Brad Newer, Donald Westen, Tomika Pratt, Beth Dankert, John Aiken, Doug Zmijeski, Tammy, Ariana Furguson, Lori Leman, Susan B., Sandy Haymes, Kenton Stacy, Christie Johnson, Gregg Glen, Ann Wadsworth, Elena Krygier, Ken Verhamme, Dante Aguanno, Mary Lou Weber, Michael Kluk, Carole Scharnweber, Steve Kanne, Stanley Bishop, Laurie Greiner, Donald Leal, Dana Test

If you have submitted a prayer request for a non-member, please update the church office on the status so that this list remains current.

This Week's Special Prayer Requests

- † For the sick and the suffering
- † For our Next Generation ministries
- † For those who serve, defend, and protect us (Military/Police/Fire, etc.)
- † For those who work in full-time Christian ministry
- † For the new Stephen Ministers being commissioned today

In Memoriam Christopher Martens, son of Sylvia Martens; Kelly Bowman, daughter of Jim and Marley Nazarko; Doris Strek, mother of Deborah Madeleine and Victor Strek

Those Serving in the Armed Forces

Art Baker, Daniel Bergstresser, Jeremy Bridgeman, Louis Cage, Shelby Clippard, Joe Cognitore, Chad Czischke, Richard Dembowski, Jorge Dimmer, Don Ehrke, John Fill, Melissa Flood, Anthony Gaiera, Sam Genna, Isaac Gibson, Matthew Hudson, Joseph Jedenasty, Michael Kayser, Daniel Klein, Kory Kramer, Brenden Kronner, Tyler Konwinski, Garret LaBudde, Thomas LeClair, Ethan LeClair, Jason Lipka, Logan McFarland, David A. MacArthur, Sally Maize, Anthony Marsack, Mario Marval, M. Scott McCormick, Matthew Moeser, Michael Niemczyk, Renae Niemczyk, Christine Olivares, Derek Olivares, Brandon Pirrone, Graham Puranen, John Renard, Zachary Rice, Michael Rich, Tyler Rakowski, Sean Schess, Troy Sears, Joshua Schumaker, Christopher Stanifer, Adam Taber, Jeremy Webber, Thomas Woloszyk, Zachary Woomer

**SERVING AS LEADERS IN
TODAY'S WORSHIP
8am**

Preacher: Pastor Brian West
Assisting: Pastor Ken Wise
Pastor Gary Richard

Minister of Worship/Music: Paul Finazzo

Elders: Greg Gellert
Praying Hands: Don Hartop
Reader: Tim Hardy

*Flowers Placed
In Loving Memory of Ray Matheson
By the Baarck Family*

