



Power & Wisdom

Third Sunday in Lent

Contemporary Worship
9:00 and 10:45 am
March 4, 2018



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Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church! Please sign the red Worship Witness booklet to record your attendance with us this day, and indicate how many are communing. Then pass the booklet to the worshipers beside you in your row. If you are a guest, name tags are available for you to wear--we would be delighted to greet you by name. Hearing assistance devices are available at the Gathering Space desk.

about today's service

The third covenant in this year's Lenten readings is the central one of Israel's history: the gift of the law to those God freed from slavery. The ten commandments are one of the chief parts of Luther's catechism, a core piece of baptismal instruction. They begin with the statement that because God alone has freed us from the powers that oppressed us, we are to let nothing else claim first place in our lives. When Jesus throws the merchants out of the temple, he is defending the worship of God alone and rejecting the ways commerce and profit-making can become our gods.

P: Pastor

L: Lector

C: Congregation

✝ Gathering ✝

We gather together to praise God and receive His love.

Song: "Firm Foundation"

Chorus (2X)

Jesus, You're my firm foundation, I know I can stand secure.

Jesus, You're my firm foundation, I put my hope in Your holy Word,

I put my hope in Your holy Word.

Verse 1

I have a living hope (I have a living hope), I have a future (I have a future),
God has a plan for me (God has a plan for me), of this I'm sure, of this I'm sure.

Chorus**Verse 2**

Your Word is faithful (Your word is faithful),
Mighty with power (Mighty with power),
God will deliver me (God will deliver me), of this I'm sure, of this I'm sure.

Chorus (2X)

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Song: "More Precious Than Silver"**Chorus (2X)**

Lord, You are more precious than silver.
Lord, You are more costly than gold.
Lord, You are more beautiful than diamonds;
and nothing I desire compares with You.

Verse

And who can weigh the value of knowing You?
Who can judge the worth of who You are?
Who can count the blessings of loving You?
Who can say just how great You are?

Chorus (2X)

Tag: And nothing I desire compares with you.

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Song: "Salvation Belongs To Our God"**Verse 1**

Salvation belongs to our God who sits upon the throne. And unto the Lamb
Praise and glory, wisdom and thanks, honor and power and strength.

Chorus

Be to our God forever and ever.
Be to our God forever and ever.
Be to our God forever and ever. Amen.

Verse 2

And we the redeemed shall be strong in purpose and unity.
Declaring aloud praise and glory, wisdom and thanks,
Honor and power and strength.

Chorus

Bridge: Praise and glory, wisdom and thanks, honor and power and strength.

Chorus

Be to our God forever and ever.

Be to our God forever and ever.

Be to our God forever and ever. Amen.

Tag (2X): Amen.

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Welcome and Announcements

(Stand)

Confession and Forgiveness

P: During the season of Lent we are called to return to the Lord with all our heart. Let us confess our sin and seek reconciliation with God and neighbor.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Merciful God,

C: you sent Jesus Christ to save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We fail in love, neglect justice, and ignore your truth. Have mercy on us and wash away our sin. Create in us clean hearts for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

P: Behold, now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation. Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

C: Amen.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray. Holy God, through your Son you have called us to live faithfully and act courageously. Keep us steadfast in your covenant of grace, and teach us the wisdom that comes only through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

(Sit)

✝ Word ✝

We listen to the story of God's mighty acts for the sake of His people.

First Reading

1 Corinthians 1:18-25

The word of the cross is pure foolishness and nonsense to the world because it claims that God is mostly revealed in weakness, humiliation, and death. But through such divine foolishness and weakness, God is working to save us. The center of Paul's preaching is Christ crucified.

¹⁸The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." ²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, ²³but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Story

(Stand)

Gospel Acclamation: **"Let Your Steadfast Love"**



Let your stead-fast love come to us, O Lord.



Let your stead-fast love come to us, O Lord.



Gospel

John 2:13-22

Jesus attacks the commercialization of religion by driving merchants out of the temple. When challenged, he responds mysteriously, with the first prediction of his own death and resurrection. In the midst of a seemingly stable religious center, Jesus suggests that the center itself has changed.

¹³The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ¹⁴In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. ¹⁵Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. ¹⁶He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" ¹⁷His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." ¹⁸The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" ¹⁹Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." ²⁰The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" ²¹But he was speaking of the temple of his body. ²²After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

(Sit)

Sermon: "God Bond: Power and Wisdom"

Pastor John H. Brock

(Stand)

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the †resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the Church

Following each petition are the words: "Lord, in your mercy,"

Please respond with: "hear our prayer."

† Meal †

When we celebrate communion we remember that Jesus died for us and we experience His love and forgiveness. As we eat the bread and wine Christ is present with us.

Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

(Sit)

Offering:

Optional methods of giving: text an amount to 717-963-2281 (be sure to use a "\$"); use the Giving Station in the Gathering Space to donate by credit card.

Special Music: Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)

Verse 1

One day when heaven was filled with His praises,
One day when sin was as black as could be,
Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin,
Dwelt among men my example is He.
The Word became flesh and the light shined among us,
His glory revealed.

Chorus 1

Living, He loved me,
Dying, He saved me.
Buried, He carried my sins far away.
Rising, He justified
Freely forever.
One day He's coming,
O glorious day, o glorious day.

Verse 2

One day they led Him up Calv'ry's mountain.
One day they nailed Him to die on a tree.
Suffering anguish, despised and rejected,
Bearing our sins my Redeemer is He.
The hand that healed nations stretched out on a tree
And took the nails for me.

Chorus 1**Verse 3**

One day the grave could conceal Him no longer,
One day the stone rolled away from the door.
Then He arose over death He had conquered.
Now is ascended my Lord evermore.
Death could not hold Him, the grave could not keep Him
From rising again.

Chorus 2

Living, He loved me,
Dying, He saved me.
Buried, He carried my sins far away.
Rising, He justified
Freely forever.
One day He's coming,
O glorious day, o glorious day, glorious day.

Bridge

One day the trumpet will sound for His coming,
One day the skies with His glories will shine.
Wonderful day my beloved ones bringing.
My Savior Jesus is mine.

Chorus 2

Tag: O glorious day.

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(Stand)

Offering Prayer

P: Let us pray. Merciful God,

C: receive the sacrifice of our praise and thanksgiving and the offering of our lives, that following in the way of the cross, we may know the joy of the resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Communion Milestone Blessing

P: Among us here today are those who participated in yesterday's Communion Milestone class. We rejoice with these brothers and sisters who join us today in sharing the meal of Holy Communion. In the sacrament of Holy Baptism, we are welcomed into the body of Christ and sent to share in the mission of God. In the sacrament of Holy Communion, God unites us in Jesus Christ and nourishes us for that mission. Living among God's faithful people, we are strengthened by God's word and this holy supper to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth.

Let us welcome these sisters and brothers in Christ to Holy Communion.

C: Welcome to the Lord's table! We thank God for you. We pray that you will find joy and strength in this meal, until we feast forever at God's heavenly banquet.

P: Heavenly Father, for those who join in sharing the meal of Holy Communion this day we thank you. As you made them your own in baptism, feed and nourish them always with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

C: Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

P: Christ is here.

C: The Spirit is with us.

P: With joy, we lift up our hearts.

C: And give thanks to the Lord of Life.

P: Holy God, our living Water and our merciful Guide, together with rivers and seas, wells and springs we bless and magnify you.

You led your people Israel through the desert, and provided them water from the rock. We praise you for Christ, our Rock and our Water, who joined

us in our desert, pouring out his life for the world.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his life, death, and resurrection, we await your salvation for all this thirsty world. Pour out your Spirit on this holy food and on all the baptized gathered for this feast: wash away our sin, that we may be revived for our journey by the love of Christ. Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

C: Amen

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Invitation to Holy Communion

P: This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

C: Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

(Sit)

Sharing our Lord's Supper

All baptized Christians are welcome to celebrate the real presence of Jesus Christ in our Lord's Supper. Please come forward by the middle aisle, receive the bread, dip it into the wine, and return by the side aisles. Communion may be received in bread only, if desired. Non-communing children and adults are invited to come forward for a blessing. As a gesture of hospitality we use dealcoholized wine (less than .5% alcohol). In addition, we offer gluten-free wafers available upon request-- please ask the pastor at the time of communion.

(Stand)

Post-Communion Blessing and Prayer

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

P: Let us pray. Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice, our alms, a making of peace, and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts; through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

✠ Sending ✠

*We have heard the Word of God, offered our gifts, and been fed at the table.
Now we are sent out, strengthened by the Holy Spirit to be God's people in the world.*

Blessing

P: May God who has called us forth from the dust of the earth, and claimed us as children of the light, strengthen you on your journey into life renewed. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C: Amen.

Song: "Hope of the Nations"

Verse

Jesus, hope of the nations,
Jesus, comfort for all who mourn;
You are the source of heaven's hope on earth;
Jesus, light in the darkness;
Jesus, truth in each circumstance;
You are the source of heaven's light on earth;
In history You lived and died;
You broke the chains,
You rose to life.

Chorus

You are the hope living in us;
You are the Rock in whom we trust;
You are the light, shining for all the world to see;
You rose from the dead, conquering fear,
Our Prince of Peace drawing us near;
Jesus our hope living for all who will receive; Lord, we believe.

Verse

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Chorus (2x)

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Tag (2x): Lord we believe.

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Dismissal

P: Marked with the cross of Christ, go forth to love and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

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worship notes

Attendance at our services last week was 718. Copies of last week's sermons are available on the tables in Fellowship Hall, in the narthex, the tract rack in the Gathering Space, and on our website. Our web address is: www.trinitycamphill.org.

The flowers in the Nave and Fellowship Hall, the communion elements for all services, and the sanctuary lamp candle, the symbol of God's abiding presence, are presented to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mrs. Rut Nyman by Ben, Lennie, and Eric; Hal Mowery by Phyllis Mowery and family.

leaders

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Preacher: The Rev. John H. Brock

Storyteller: Becky Enney

Lector: (9:00) Jane Killian; (10:45) Bruce Bigelow

Greeters: (9:00) Charlie Suhr (head greeter); (10:45) Steve Kauffman (head greeter), Pat Eby, Jayne Coover

Communion Assistants: (9:00) Jane Killian, Jack and Martha Nagle; (10:45) Laurie Kessler, Amy Hempt, Bruce Bigelow

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Altar Care: (9:00) Kelly Rice; (10:45) Karen Rupnik

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Sound Technician: (9:00) James Roberts; (10:45) Reed Bertram

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