





**Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church!** Please sign the red Worship Witness booklet to record your attendance with us this day. 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 and large print bulletins are available from an usher.

## about today's service

The psalm sets the tone this day: "Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away!" Happy are those who have "become the righteousness of God" in the merits of Christ Jesus. Happy are those for whom the forgiveness of God has "rolled away... the disgrace" of former times. Happy is the father at the return of his prodigal son. Happy are we that our sins are forgiven for Jesus' sake. Rejoice!

In Lent we focus our attention on the mystery of the cross, that is God's willingness to offer his Son for the salvation of the world through his passion and death. We signify his holy mystery by veiling our crosses with light fabric, either completely covering or draping over the beams. The fullness of God's purposes is revealed when on Easter the veils are removed or changed to white, the color of Easter. We also omit the use of "alleluia" and postludes as the solemnity of this Lenten season is observed.

## P: Presiding Minister A: Assisting Minister L: Lector C: Congregation

# $\pm$ Gathering $\pm$

Prelude: "The Hour Has Come" (with Our Father, We Have Wandered) Bill Ingram (11:00) "How Can I Keep From Singing" arr. Jane McFadden Adult Bells

Welcome

[Stand]

Confession and Forgiveness

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who gathers us in the wilderness to redeem us, anoint us, and make us new.
- C: Amen.
- P: In these forty days, let us be honest, confess our sin, and receive God's promise of mercy.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P: God at the margins,
- C: We have wandered far from your home; again and again, we lose our way. We turn inward, afraid of the world around us. We forget that you have saved your people before and promise to do so again. Do not remember the deeds of our past, but turn our faces toward the future, where your forgiveness is sure, your welcome is clear, and your love overflows. Amen.
- P: Like a hen who gathers her chicks, God embraces you in tender care. Like manna in the desert, God feeds you with surprising mercy. Like a loving parent, God runs to meet you again this day, forgiving your sins for the sake of + Christ, leading you from death into life.
- C: Amen.

(11:00) Please turn and face the processional cross as it enters our midst.

Gathering Song No. 606: Our Father, We Have Wandered PASSION CHORALE

Greeting

Kyrie

- P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: And also with you.

1 Have mer-cy and hear our sol-emn Lord, prayer. on us, 2 Have mer-cy Christ. and wash a - way our sin. on us, 3 Have mer-cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de part. We come to hear your liv-ing word; it saves us from de - spair. Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin. Re - new us with your sav-ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts! Prayer of the Day

- P: God of compassion, you welcome the wayward, and you embrace us all with your mercy. By our baptism clothe us with garments of your grace, and feed us at the table of your love, 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 +

First Reading:

Joshua 5:9-12

By celebrating the Passover and eating the produce of the promised land instead of the miraculous manna that had sustained them in the desert, the Israelites symbolically bring their forty years of wilderness wandering to an end at Gilgal.

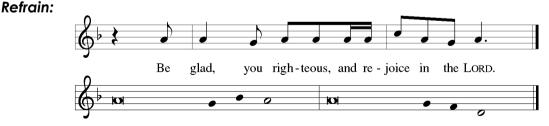
<sup>9</sup>The Lord said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day. <sup>10</sup>While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. <sup>11</sup>On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. <sup>12</sup>The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

- L: The word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm for the Day

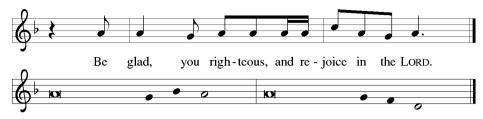
Psalm 32

The assisting minister will sing the refrain, then the congregation will sing it.



- A: <sup>1</sup>Happy are they whose transgressions | are forgiven, and whose sin is | put away!
- C: <sup>2</sup>Happy are they to whom the Lord im- | putes no guilt, and in whose spirit there | is no guile!

## **Refrain:**



- A: <sup>3</sup>While I held my tongue, my bones with- | ered away, because of my groaning | all day long.
- C: <sup>4</sup>For your hand was heavy upon me | day and night; my moisture was dried up as in the | heat of summer.
- A: <sup>5</sup>Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not con- | ceal my guilt. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." Then you forgave me the guilt | of my sin.
- C: <sup>6</sup>Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in | time of trouble; when the great waters overflow, they | shall not reach them.

## **Refrain:**

- A: <sup>7</sup>You are my hiding-place; you preserve | me from trouble; you surround me with shouts | of deliverance.
- C: <sup>8</sup>"I will instruct you and teach you in the way that | you should go; I will guide you | with my eye.
- A: "Do not be like horse or mule, which have no | understanding; who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will | not stay near you."
- C: <sup>10</sup>Great are the tribulations | of the wicked; but mercy embraces those who trust | in the Lord.
- A: <sup>11</sup>Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice | in the Lord; shout for joy, all who are | true of heart.

## **Refrain:**

## Second Reading:

One way to describe the gospel is the promise that in Christ everything is transformed into newness. All mistakes, all deliberate sins, all old history is reconciled with Christ's resurrection. This is Paul's strong message to the congregation in the city of Corinth.

<sup>16</sup>From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. <sup>17</sup>So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! <sup>18</sup>All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; <sup>19</sup>that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. <sup>20</sup>So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. <sup>21</sup>For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

- L: The word of the Lord.
- **C**: Thanks be to God.

Anthem: (8:30) "How Can I Keep From Singing" arr. Jane McFadden Adult Bells

(11:00) "How Can I Keep From Singing" arr. Taylor Davis My life flows on in endless song above earth's lamentation, I hear the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new creation; Thro' all the tumult and the strife I hear the music ringing; It finds an echo in my soul—How can I keep from singing? What though my joys and comforts die? The Lord my Savior liveth; What though the darkness gather round? Songs in the night he giveth. No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging; Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing? When tyrants tremble, sick with fear, and hear their death-knell ringing, When friends rejoice both far and near, how can I keep from singing? In prison cell and dungeon vile, our thoughts to them are winging; When friends by shame are undefiled, how can I keep from singing? Chancel Choir; Sara Lobaugh, flute; Kierra Heinly, violin; Sara Schmehl, piano

Children's Message

[Stand] Lenten Acclamation We are turn - ing, Lord, to hear you; you are mer - ci - ful and kind slow to an - ger, rich in bless - ing, and with love to us in-clined.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

P: The holy gospel according to Luke, the 13<sup>th</sup> chapter.

#### C: Glory to you, O Lord.

#### Gospel Reading

## Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Jesus tells a parable about a son who ponders his father's love only after he has spurned it. The grace he receives is beyond his hopes. That same grace is a crisis for an older brother who believed it was his obedience that earned his place in the father's home.

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to [Jesus.] <sup>2</sup>And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." 3So he told them this parable: <sup>11b</sup> "There was a man who had two sons. <sup>12</sup>The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, aive me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. <sup>13</sup>A few days later the vounger son aathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. <sup>14</sup>When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. <sup>15</sup>So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. <sup>16</sup>He would aladly have filled himself with the pods that the pias were eating: and no one gave him anything. <sup>17</sup>But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! <sup>18</sup>I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; <sup>19</sup>I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands." <sup>20</sup>So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. <sup>21</sup>Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' <sup>22</sup>But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. <sup>23</sup>And aet the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; <sup>24</sup>for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate. <sup>25</sup>"Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancina. <sup>26</sup>He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. <sup>27</sup>He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.'<sup>28</sup>Then he became anary and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. <sup>29</sup>But he answered

his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. <sup>30</sup>But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' <sup>31</sup>Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. <sup>32</sup>But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"

- P: The gospel of the Lord.
- C: Praise to you, O Christ.

[Sit]

Sermon: "Come Meet Jesus – Who Welcomes Us Home"

Pastor John 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 Intercession Each portion of the prayer ends: A: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.



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Peace

- P: The peace of Christ be with you always.
- C: And also with you.

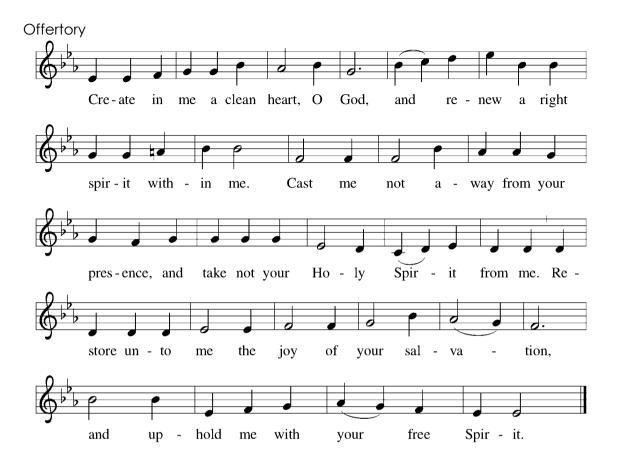
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## Offering

Optional giving methods: Use the Give+ app on your mobile device • Use the Giving Station in the Gathering Space • Text an amount to 717-963-2281 (be sure to use a "\$") • Use the "DONATE" button on our website and e-blasts

Worship Witness: (Please sign booklet and return to center aisle.)

[Stand]



Offering Prayer

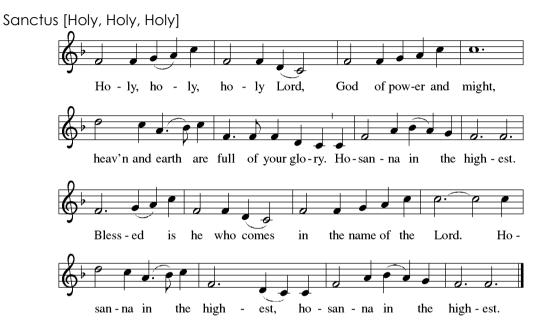
- A: Let us pray. Gracious Father,
- C: by these offerings we confess that you alone are God. Receive them as our prayer for your vision of this world that we may take our proper place among your creatures. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them to the Lord.
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## Preface

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



P: Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting, and your faithfulness endures from age to age. Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth. Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood. Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea. Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey. Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one. Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ. Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

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.

- Ρ: With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:
- Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. **C**:
- P: O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.
- Come, Holy Spirit. **C**:
- Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body P: of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us, Send us forth, burning with iustice, peace, and love.
- Come, Holy Spirit. C:
- P: With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.
- Amen. C:

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, C: 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.

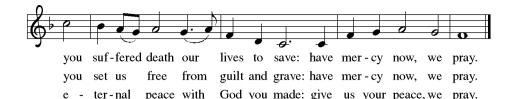
Invitation to Communion

- Christ has prepared the feast. Come to the table where all are welcomed P: home.
- Thanks be to God. C:

(Sit)



Agnus Dei [Lamb of God]



#### Distribution of Holy Communion

We invite all Christians to the Lord's Table to celebrate the real presence of Christ in the Sacrament. Communion is by intinction. You will receive a wafer. Dip it in the chalice of wine before consuming. You may then return to your seat or come to the altar rail for prayer. Children and adults who are not communing may come forward to receive 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 at the time of communion.

Communion: (11:00) "You Are Mine"

by Mark Burrows

I will come to you in the silence, I will lift you from all your fear. You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice. Be still and know I am here. I am hope for all who are hopeless, I am eyes for all who long to see. In the shadows of the night, I will be your light. Come and rest in me.

Do not be afraid, I am with you. I have called you each by name. Come and follow me, I will bring you home; I love you and you are mine.

I am the strength for all the despairing, healing for the ones who dwell in shame. All the blind will see, the lame will all run free, And all will know my name.

I am the Word the leads all to freedom, I am the peace the world cannot give. I will call your name, embracing all your pain. Stand up, now walk, and live! Junior choir

Communion Hymn No. 460, 773

## [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.
- A: 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 Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C: Amen.

# + Sending +

Blessing

P: 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.

Sending Hymn No. 666: What Wondrous Love is This

WONDROUS LOVE

Dismissal

- P: Go in peace. Remember the poor.
- C: Thanks be to God.

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# Join us next week

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Pastor Liz Frey "Come Meet Jesus - Who Receives Our Gifts" (11:00) Chancel Choir



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## Worship notes

**Attendance at our worship services** last week was 800. 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 (www.trinitycamphill.org).

Attendance at Wednesday Connect (mid-week Lenten Dinner Devotion & Study) last week was 95.

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.

# United and empowered to worship, connect, serve.

# Worship leaders

Presiding Minister: The Rev. Elizabeth E. Frey

Preacher: The Rev. John H. Brock

Assisting Minister: (8:30) Jeff Weaver, (11:00) Meredith Askey

Lector: (8:30) Dale Hochmiller; (11:00) Phil Groff

Communion Assistants: (8:30) John Powell, Michele Addams, Kathy Smeal;

(11:00) Grace Hoyt, Gregory Woods, Nancy Martin, Rick Sten.

Acolyte: (8:30) Xavier Karlsen

Book Bearer: (11:00) Ali Koch

Crucifer: (11:00) Tyler Koch

Soundboard: (8:30) Jay Killian; (11:00) Rob Hoyt

**Greeters:** (8:30) Mary Snyder, Gerry Gamber and Kathy Powers; (11:00) Serena Fedor (head greeter), Pat and Shaun Eisenhauer, Bob Foster

**Ushers:** H. L. Bishop, Jr. and Scott Wenrich (head ushers), David Addams, Alan Bowman, James Bowman, L. Kinch Bowman, Cindy Kuentzler, Frank Lentz, Kathy Long, Harry Prowell, Kevin Shivers, John Slike, Linda Waechter, Tom Lehmer

Altar Care: Holly Frymoyer, Grace Wallet, Grace Hoyt, Jan Lafaver, Mary Ellen Hettinger

Carillonneur: Charlie Suhr

Flower Delivery: John and Loma Slike

Garden of Eatin': (GOE I) Mary Ellen Hettinger, Vicki Wilken; (GOE II) Zandra & Bill Bishop Family.

Bulletin Artwork: Patty Marshall

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