

The Way Home

A Lenten journey

Second Sunday
in Lent

Contemporary Worship
11:00 am
February 28, 2021



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LUTHERAN CHURCH

==Weekly News & Announcements==

Welcome back! Sunday in-building worship is now at 11 am...

...with concurrent traditional and contemporary services, masks and social distancing, and no congregational singing. **We are currently NOT broadcasting the service to your FM radio in the parking lot (exception: Easter Sunday).**

Keep the letter you received about Lent and Easter

Or check out our website. Included with the letter were two offering envelopes, one marked "Lent" and the other "Easter." **No Lenten boxes this year:** instead, 10% of your Lenten offering will be divided between Christ Lutheran Medical Mission and Hope Academy.



Check out our website to see the status of our Strategic Plan...

...reflecting on how we are doing on our goals/action steps. You will notice the delays we've had because of Covid but, even so, our ministries in general (and as identified in the plan) have continued!

Also check out our website to see the status of our capital project

We are happy to report steady progress, and we look forward to project completion. Go to www.trinitycamphill.org/planourfuture to see a report on all the improvements, an updated financial plan, and construction pics.

New podcast episode premieres every other Wednesday

Good Things Come In Threes! Next episode premieres on Mar. 3. Go to our website or wherever you get your favorite podcasts.

You can still register for our weekly Lenten study (Feb. 21 start)

Go to www.trinitycamphill.org/theway to get details and sign up for this life-relatable study based on Adam Hamilton's book, "The Way."

Help needed for spring clean-up and more

Can you rake? Mow? Garden? Email Bruce Bigelow at nbbigs@comcast.net for details about spring clean-up on Sat., Mar. 27, at 9 am, or about weekly mowing and gardening. Please help to keep our grounds looking great!

Help also needed for Property Committee

Are you handy? A fixer-upper? Will you help maintain Trinity's building and property? Email Dave Rupnik at pahandyman@aol.com for details about serving as a working member of our Property Committee.

Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church! We're so glad you're here.

Use a QR reader or camera on your mobile device to scan this QR code to check you and your family into today's worship service. Or go to the following link: trinitycamphill.org/checkin.



About today's service

The second covenant in this year's Lenten readings is the one made with Abraham and Sarah: God's promise to make them the ancestors of many, with whom God will remain in everlasting covenant. Paul says this promise comes to all who share Abraham's faith in the God who brings life into being where there was no life. We receive this baptismal promise of resurrection life in faith. Sarah and Abraham receive new names as a sign of the covenant, and we too get new identities in baptism, as we put on Christ.

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", altar flowers and postludes as the solemnity of this Lenten season is observed.

P: Presiding Minister L: Lector C: Congregation

As part of our COVID-19 response, the congregation is reminded to refrain from singing during this worship service.

✝ Gathering ✝

We gather together to praise God and receive God's love.

Gathering Music: "Your Grace Is Enough"

FaithX Band (pre-recorded)

Matt Mahar and Chris Tomlin © 2003, 2004, 2005, Matt Mahar CCLI #1283514.

Welcome

Song: "Take My Life"

FaithX Band

By Frances Havergal, Chris Tomlin & Louie Giglio. © 2003 worshiptogether.com Song/sixsteps music. CCLI #1283514.

(Stand)

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, the keeper of the covenant, the source of steadfast love, our rock and our redeemer.

C: Amen.

P: God hears us when we cry and draws us close in Jesus Christ. Let us return to the one who is full of compassion.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.

P: Beloved, God's word never fails. The promise rests on grace: by the saving love of Jesus Christ, the wisdom and power of God, your sins are † forgiven, and God remembers them no more. Journey in the way of Jesus.

C: Amen.

Greeting

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray. O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life. Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake of your Son, 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 God's people.

Reading:

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

As with Noah, God makes an everlasting covenant with Abraham and Sarah. God promises this old couple that they will be the ancestors of nations, though they have no child together. God will miraculously bring forth new life from Sarah's womb. The name changes emphasize the firmness of God's promise.

¹When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. ²And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." ³Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, ⁴"As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁵No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of

a multitude of nations. ⁶I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. ⁷I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you." ¹⁵God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. ¹⁶I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Stand)

Gospel Reading

Mark 8:31-38

After Peter confesses his belief that Jesus is the Messiah, Jesus tells his disciples for the first time what is to come. Peter's response indicates that he does not yet understand the way of the cross that Jesus will travel.

³¹[Jesus] began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." ³⁴He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

(Sit)

Sermon: "*The Way: Follow the Directions*"

Pastor Liz Frey

Children's Message

Pastor John Brock

Song: "My Lighthouse"

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Order of Baptism for Warren James Marrs, child of Allan and Emily Marrs.

The Baptismal Hymn

*See this wonder in the making, God himself this child is taking,
As a lamb safe in His keeping, His to be, awake or sleeping.*

*Here we bring a child of nature, Home we take a newborn creature,
Now God's precious son or daughter, Born again by Word and Water.*

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(Stand)

Prayers of the Church

Following each petition are the words: "Hear us, O God."

*Please respond with: ". . . **Your mercy is great.**"*

† 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)

Announcements

Offering

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

Your offerings may also be placed in the white offering boxes at the back of the worship space as you exit.

(Stand)

Offering Prayer

P: Faithful God, you walk beside us in desert places, and you meet us in our hunger with bread from heaven. Accompany us in this meal, that we may pass over from death to life with Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

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.

Eucharistic Prayer

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.

P: 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 Communion

P: Jesus draws the whole world to himself.
Come to this meal and be fed.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Sit)

Sharing our Lord's Supper

All Christians are welcome to celebrate the real presence of Jesus Christ in our Lord's Supper. You will remain at your seat and at the direction of the pastor, you will be invited to commune. At which time, you will open the individual wrapped, prepackage communion elements, you received when you arrived. The bread is in the bottom and wine in the top. If you did not receive communion when you arrived, please see an usher.

Open the bread:

P: The Body of Christ given for you

Open the wine:

P: The Blood of Christ shed for you.

(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: God of steadfast love, at this table you gather your people into one body for the sake of the world. Send us in the power of your Spirit, that our lives bear witness to the love that has made us new in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

✠ Sending ✠

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

Blessing

P: You are what God made you to be: created in Christ Jesus for good works, chosen as holy and beloved, freed to serve your neighbor. God bless you ✠ that you may be a blessing, in the name of the holy and life-giving Trinity.

C: Amen.

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Share the good news.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Sit)

Please have a seat and wait for the ushers to dismiss your row.

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United and empowered to worship, connect, serve.



Join us next week!

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Second Sunday in Lent

Sermon Series Theme:

"The Way Home"

Sermon theme:

"Watch for the signs."

Preaching: Pastor Jack Horner



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Worship notes

Videos of last week's sermons are available on our website (www.trinitycamphill.org). If you would like a printed copy, please call the church office and we can mail one to you.

The worship elements 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 Elaine Way by her family.

If you would like to support this ministry with a one-time or regular contribution, please go to <https://www.trinitycamphill.org/donate/> or send a check (\$40) to the church office marked "flowers/worship elements."

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