

# The Way Home

A Lenten journey

Fifth Sunday  
in Lent

Traditional Worship  
11:00 am  
March 21, 2021



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## ==Weekly News & Announcements==

### **Updated Easter Sunday (Apr. 4) service options for you!**

Theme for all services is "Welcome Home"

**8:00 am** – Parking lot service

**9:30 am** – Livestream service (watch live or anytime after)

**9:30 & 11:00 am** – In-building traditional & contemporary, with 11 am services also livestreamed. Register for in-building services starting Mon., Mar. 22, by going to our website or calling the church office.

### **Beautiful Wednesday evening prayer service**

Seeking meaningful Lent messaging? This service combines prayers, readings, and music. Online at 7 pm or anytime after on our website, YouTube, or Facebook.

### **Give generously as part of your Lenten discipline**

10 percent of Lenten offering will be divided between Christ Lutheran Medical Mission and Hope Academy in Guatemala. Use envelopes or give via our website.

### **Good Things Come In Threes! Check out our newest podcast!**

Pastoral wisdom with humor. Listen on our website or wherever you get your podcasts.

### **Can you paint? Do property work? Help with spring clean-up?**

- Can you paint interior building spaces where needed? Call the office and we'll put you in touch with Dan Reed or Joe Hunter.
- Can you do other church property work? Call the office and we'll connect you with Dave Rupnik, Property Committee Chair.
- Will you help with outside spring clean-up on Sat., Mar. 27, at 9 am? Or mow during the growing season? Email Bruce Bigelow at [nbbigs@comcast.net](mailto:nbbigs@comcast.net).

### **Easter flowers! Beautiful flowers!**

- ✓ \$10 each. Take them home Easter Sunday after noon OR donate them to church gardens. Pick up an order form on Sunday where you get your bulletin or in the kitchen hallway on the serving window ledge. Or call Kathy Powers at 717-761-2907.
- ✓ Also buy flowers from our Trinity-sponsored Boy Scout Troop in our parking lot: Thurs., Apr. 1, noon to 8 pm • Fri., Apr. 2, 8 am-8 pm • Sat., Apr. 3, 8 am-noon.

### **Let's shower member Grace Morgan with birthday cards**

She'll be 101 on March 25! Mail cards to 15 Marshall Drive, Camp Hill, PA 17011.

### **Welcome to Our Newest Members!**

"Meet" them via the video that will be shown during services.

Moses Abraham • Rose Cramer • Greg Gromicko and Shannon Shoff • Steve, Christine, Daniella, and Alaina Higgins • Joshua Horner • Michael, Emily, and Silas Merritt • Marion Morris • Bonnie Phillips

**Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church!** We're so glad you're here. Hearing assistance devices and large print bulletins are available from an usher. Hearing assistance devices and large print bulletins are available from an usher.

We would like to know you were here worshiping with us. Using a QR reader or camera on your mobile device, please scan this QR code to check you and your family into today's worship service. Or go to the following link: [trinitycamphill.org/checkin](http://trinitycamphill.org/checkin)



## about today's service

God promises Jeremiah that a "new covenant" will be made in the future: a covenant that will allow all the people to know God by heart. The church sees this promise fulfilled in Christ, who draws all people to himself when he is lifted up on the cross. Our baptismal covenant draws us to God's heart through Christ and draws God's love and truth into our hearts. We join together in worship, sharing in word, song, and meal, and leave strengthened to share God's love with all the world.

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.*

Prelude: "My Song is Love Unknown"

Ralph Vaughan Williams

Welcome and Announcements

[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.**

[Sit]

Hymn: Lift High the Cross

CRUCIFER

*Pre-recorded (congregation may follow and hum along with the text)*

Refrain

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim  
till all the world adore his sacred name.

1. Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod,  
our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God.

*Refrain*

2. All newborn servants of the Crucified  
bear on their brows the seal of him who died.

*Refrain*

3. Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,  
as thou hast promised, draw us all to thee.

*Refrain*

4. So shall our song of triumph ever be:  
praise to the Crucified for victory!

*Refrain*

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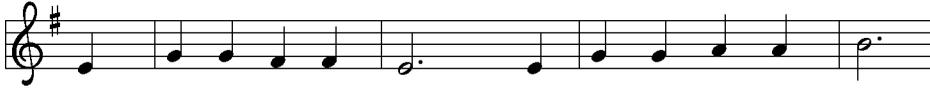
Greeting

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.**

Kyrie

*Sung by Cantor (congregation may follow and hum along with the text)*



1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.  
 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.  
 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: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. O God, with steadfast love you draw us to yourself, and in mercy you receive our prayers. Strengthen us to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, that through life and death we may live in 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.**

**✝ Word ✝**

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

First Reading:

Jeremiah 31:31-34

*The Judeans in Babylon blamed their exile on their ancestors, who had broken the covenant established at Sinai. Here the prophet looks to a day when God will make a new covenant with the people. There will be no need to teach the law, because God will write it on their hearts.*

<sup>31</sup>The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>32</sup>It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. <sup>33</sup>But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. <sup>34</sup>No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

L: The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*Sung responsively by Cantors (congregation may follow and hum along with the text)*



<sup>1</sup>Have mercy on me, O God, according to your | steadfast love;  
in your great compassion blot out | my offenses.

<sup>2</sup>**Wash me through and through | from my wickedness,  
and cleanse me | from my sin.**

<sup>3</sup>For I know | my offenses,  
and my sin is ev- | er before me.

<sup>4</sup>**Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil | in your sight;  
so you are justified when you speak and right | in your judgment.**

<sup>5</sup>Indeed, I was born | steeped in wickedness,  
a sinner from my | mother's womb.

<sup>6</sup>**Indeed, you delight in truth | deep within me,  
and would have me know wisdom | deep within.**

<sup>7</sup>Remove my sins with hyssop, and I | shall be clean;  
wash me, and I shall be pur- | er than snow.

<sup>8</sup>**Let me hear | joy and gladness;  
that the body you have broken | may rejoice.**

<sup>9</sup>Hide your face | from my sins,  
and blot out | all my wickedness.

<sup>10</sup>**Create in me a clean | heart, O God,  
and renew a right spir- | it within me.**

<sup>11</sup>Cast me not away | from your presence,  
and take not your Holy Spir- | it from me.

<sup>12</sup>**Restore to me the joy of | your salvation  
and sustain me with your boun- | tiful Spirit.**

## Second Reading:

Hebrews 5:5-10

*Using priestly imagery and references to the Old Testament, the author explains how Christ lived in trusting obedience to God, and so God has made Christ the source of our eternal salvation.*

<sup>5</sup>Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; <sup>6</sup>as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek." <sup>7</sup>In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. <sup>8</sup>Although he was a Son, he learned

obedience through what he suffered; <sup>9</sup>and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, <sup>10</sup>having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

L: The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Children's Message

Pastor Brock

Solo: "My Savior and My God"

arr. Jay Althouse

Ron Livingston, soloist

[Stand]

Apostles' Creed

P: Let us profess our faith in the words of the 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.**

New Member Reception and Video

Prayers of the Church

*A brief silence.*

*Each petition ends:*

P: Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

Prayer Response:

*Sung by Cantor (congregation may follow and hum along with the text)*

*Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.*

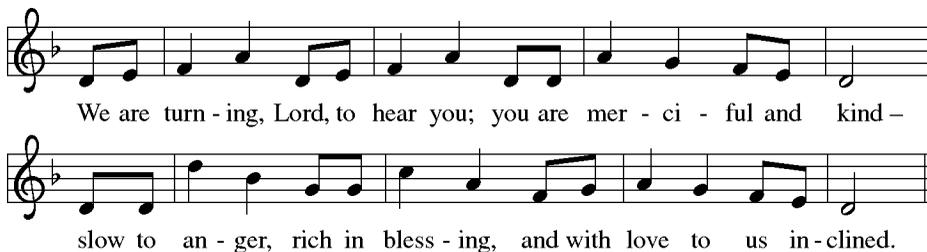
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## Lenten Acclamation

*Sung by Cantor (congregation may follow and hum along with the text)*



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 John, the 12<sup>th</sup> chapter.

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

## Gospel Reading

John 12:20-33

*Jesus entered Jerusalem for the last time to celebrate the Passover festival. Here Jesus' words about seeds planted in the ground turn the disaster of his death into the promise of a harvest in which everyone will be gathered.*

<sup>20</sup>Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. <sup>21</sup>They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." <sup>22</sup>Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. <sup>23</sup>Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. <sup>24</sup>Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. <sup>25</sup>Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. <sup>26</sup>Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor. <sup>27</sup>"Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say— 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. <sup>28</sup>Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." <sup>29</sup>The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." <sup>30</sup>Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. <sup>31</sup>Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. <sup>32</sup>And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." <sup>33</sup>He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

P: The gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

[Sit]

Sermon: "The Way: Almost Home"

Pastor Jack Horner

## ✝ 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.**

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: 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, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom you will also make all things new in the day when he comes to judge the world in righteousness. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy)

**C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

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

**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.**

Invitation to Communion

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

**C: Thanks be to God.**

[Sit]

Agnus Dei [Lamb of God]

*Sung by Cantor (congregation may follow and hum along with the text)*



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

## 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 individually wrapped, prepackaged communion elements you received when you arrived. The bread is in the bottom and wine in the top. If you did not receive communion elements 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 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: 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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**Presiding Minister:** The Rev. John H. Brock

**Preacher:** The Rev. Jack M. Horner

**Children's Message:** The Rev. Elizabeth E. Frey

**Musician:** H. Timothy Koch

**Soloist/Cantor:** Ron Livingston

**Lector:** Barbara Park

**Soundboard:** Rick Sten

**Ushers:** John Lingenfelter (head usher)

**Greeters:** Jane Killian

**Altar Care:** Barbara Kriebel

**Bulletin Artwork:** Trinity Staff



**Join us next week!**

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Passion / Palm Sunday

**Sermon Series Theme:**

"The Way Home"

**Dramatic Reading:**

"The Passion According Mark"

read by Pastor John Brock

## **Worship notes**

Videos of last week's sermons are available on our website ([www.trinitycamphill.org](http://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 our Lord Jesus Christ and in loving memory of Vally Durr, mother, Raymond Seaman, husband, by Barbara Seaman; John Long Jr. in remembrance of his birthday by his wife Ginny & family.

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