

Second Sunday
in Lent

Streaming Worship 9:00 am February 25, 2024



# **Trinity Camp Hill news & events**

This Lent, 10% of your offering will be split between Harrisburg Area Food Pantry and Lutheran World Relief to benefit Israel and Gaza. Thank you for your generosity! All are welcome at the 6 pm Wednesday Vespers in the Chapel during Lent. Childcare provided.

# "The Via Dolorosa": Feb. 27, 12-2 pm, Fellowship Hall. Lunch provided.

The PowerPoint presentation is the work & thesis of Dr. William Stotler, which relives the traditional route Jesus took from his place of scourging to Golgotha and revisits the established Fourteen Stations of the Cross. Viewers will see & view Jerusalem as it was in the 30 C.E., with documentation from archaeologists who have verified the topological & geographical setting for Jesus' route to Golgotha.

# Pastors' Bible Study: Thursdays at 9:30 am

During Lent, discussion will be on biblical images of the cross. Meet in Room 122.

# Trinity Tutors book drive: We are on our way to collecting 500 books!

Books for children in grades K & 2nd are being collected in the Gathering Space for our tutoring team to distribute at end of year parties. Thank you to those who have donated!



# Saturday Men's Breakfast: March 2 at 8 am

Come to Room 126 for breakfast at 8 am and stay for conversation. RSVP to Bob Foster by 2/29.

# VBS is coming! June 17-21, 9 am - noon

Dive into adventure this year at VBS! For kids ages 3.5- 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Registration opens in May. We need lots of volunteers, in 6<sup>th</sup> grade & older, to help make this year a success. Sign-up today on our website! Contact Amy Koch with questions.

# Senior Connect: Game Day! Wed., March 6, 1:30 pm. Room 126.

Enjoy games? Come have fun with others, make new friends and learn a new game.

**Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church!** We're so glad you're here. 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 in for today's worship service. Or go to the following link: https://www.trinitycamphill.org/checkin/.



#### about today's service

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

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

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

#### + Gathering +

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

Welcome Pastor Jack Horner

\*Song: "My Lighthouse"

FaithX

Announcements

(Please stand as you are able)

Confession and Forgiveness

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who writes the law on our hearts, who draws all people together through Jesus.
- C: Amen.
- P: Held in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
- C: Amen.

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: Here is a flood of grace: Out of love for the whole world, God draws near to us, breaks every snare of sin, washes away our wrongs, and restores the promise of life through & Jesus Christ.

#### C: Amen.

\* Opening Hymn: How Firm a Foundation **FOUNDATION** How firm foun - da saints tion. of Lord, "Fear 2 with not dis not. I am vou. oh. be mayed. "When through fi - 'rv tri als your path way shall lie. "Through - out all their life - time my ple shall peo prove laid your is for faith in Christ Je sus, the Word! for still am vour God and will give vou aid: my grace, all - suf fi - cient, shall be your sup - ply. my reign. e ter nal, un - change - a - ble love; What has said more can he than you he say to I'll strength - en help vou. you, and cause vou to stand. The flames shall I ly de sign not hurt you; on and then. when gray hairs shall their tem ples dorn, a who Sav uge have fled? the ior for ref un to by up held my righ teous, om nip o - tent hand." fine." your dross to con sume and your gold to re they shall like lambs still in my bo be borne." som

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#### Greetina

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.

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.

(Please be seated)

## + Word +

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

Children's Message

Pastor John Brock

"First Praise"

Bill Ingram

Youth Bells

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.

<sup>1</sup>When 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. <sup>2</sup>And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." <sup>3</sup>Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, <sup>4</sup>"As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. <sup>5</sup>No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. <sup>6</sup>I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. <sup>7</sup>I 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." <sup>15</sup>God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. <sup>16</sup>I 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.

(Please stand as you are able)

Gospel Acclamation

P: The holy gospel according to Mark, the 8th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

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.

<sup>31</sup>[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.<sup>32</sup>He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. <sup>33</sup>But 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." <sup>34</sup>He 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. <sup>35</sup>For 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. <sup>36</sup>For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? <sup>37</sup>Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? <sup>38</sup>Those 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.

(Please be seated)

Sermon: "I Am Worth Dying For"

Pastor Liz Frey

(Please stand as you are able)

\*Song: "Promises"

FaithX

# **Apostles' Creed**

P: Let us profess our common faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

C: 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  $\pm$  resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### Prayers of the Church

A brief silence.

Each petition ends:

P: Hear us, O God.

C: 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.

#### Offering

Optional giving methods: Use the 'Vanco Mobile' app on your device • Text an amount to 717-963-2281 (be sure to use a "\$") • Use the "DONATE" button on our website and e-blasts or scan the QR to the right • Mail into the church office • Your offerings may also be placed in the white offering boxes at the entrance to the worship space as you exit.



## Offering Prayer

P: Let us pray, Jesus,

C: you are the bread of life and the host of this meal. Bless these gifts that we have gathered that all people may know your goodness. Feed us not only with this holy food but with hunger for justice and peace. We pray this in your name. Amen.

# **Eucharistic Prayer**

P: Renewing God, through the cross of Christ you redeem our failures by welcoming us to the feast of the forgiven. As there is nothing, we can give you in return for our life, send your Holy Spirit to meet us in the grace of this meal. Send your Spirit upon this bread and wine that they may be for us the body and blood of Christ;

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: Great is the mystery of faith.

C: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

P Saving God, show your church the path of life. Give each one of your children courage and wisdom to take up their cross and follow you. Stretch every heart with compassion for the heavy burdens their neighbors carry and transform all who are weighed down to become carriers of one another's burdens. Come alongside any who shoulder heavy cares alone and give them companions in walking each step. Take upon yourself the suffering of all who bear impossible weights at the demand of another, are forced to labor, or given no rest, until all that is bowed low in sin or weighed down by struggle is lifted up and carried by your grace and transcended in your glory, ever-reigning God, forever one, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

The 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: 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.

(Please be seated)

# Sharing our Lord's Supper

All Christians are welcome to celebrate the real presence of Jesus Christ in our Lord's Supper. If you'd like to receive communion via intinction, 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. In addition, we offer gluten-free wafers available upon request--please ask the pastor at the time of communion. Additionally, you may receive communion by prepackaged communion elements, which you can get from the baskets as you entered the worship space. Just 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. 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.

The presiding minister will now invite those receiving communion, by prepackaged communion elements, to commune at your seat.

Open the bread:

P: The Body of Christ given for you.

Open the wine:

P: The Blood of Christ shed for you.

Those who wish to receive communion by intinction, please come forward at the direction of the usher.

"Lovely Comes the Falling Snow"

Dale Peterson

Lovely comes the falling snow and covers all around.
Gently now it settles low upon the ground.
Lovely come God's blessings rich; his Love for us abounds.
Gently now our souls enriches with joy profound.
Refreshing rain and golden grain, the sunset in the west;
The race well run and friendships gained are numbered with rest.
But greatest yet of gifts we own is freedom from our woe;
God does forget, our sins atone, He washes white as snow.
Lovely comes God's falling grace to cover all around.
Gently now he fills this place with joy profound!
Trinity Trebles: Georaia Clements, piano

(Please stand as you are able)

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. God, our Father, in the Eucharist you give us the Spirit of love and lead us to share in your life. Strengthen us through this food from heaven that we may live by the Gospel and follow your Son in the Way of the Cross. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

# + Sending +

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

## 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.

#### Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

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#### Worship notes

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

**The flowers in the Nave and Fellowship Hall** are presented to the glory of God and by Lou and Sue Grammes in honor of Robin and Jon Grammes and their children Haley and Payton,

**The sanctuary lamp candle** that burns day and night as a symbol of God's abiding presence is presented to the glory of God and by Lou and Sue Grammes in loving memory of our parents, Vivian and Herbert Cox, and Louise Grammes.

Join us next Sunday!

Third Sunday in Lent

Sermon Series Theme:
"Six Things Jesus Wants to Tell You"

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Sermon Theme: "Rules Matter" Preaching:



#### Pastor Jack Horner

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