

# Six Things Jesus Wants to Tell You

- “Today can be different.”
- “You will face temptation.”
- “I am worth dying for.”
- “Rules matter.”
- “I love you.”
- “I promise life.”



Fifth Sunday  
in Lent

Traditional Worship  
11:00 am  
March 17, 2024



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LUTHERAN CHURCH

## What's Happening

### **Congratulations on receiving First Communion!**

Please congratulate these youth and keep their families in your prayers: Lily Barrette, Sophie Barrette, Liam Brown, Tiernan Brown, Finley Burnell, Hudson Burnell, Luke Fedor, Samantha MacConnell, Sophia Merchant, Danica Pautz, Kaiden Pautz, Monroe Sheaffer, Adele Shedlock, Rosalie Weaver, and Andrew Zingone.

### **Purchase Easter flowers or balloons!**

Help decorate the worship spaces with balloons and flowers on Easter Sunday. One plant or bunch of balloons costs \$15. Scan the QR code or sign up in the Gathering Space.



### **Support our Boy Scout Troop from March 28-30**

The Boy Scouts are selling flowers in our parking lot. Thurs., 9:00 AM – 8:00 PM, Fri., 9:00 AM – 8:00 PM and Sat., 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM. Come early for the best selection!

### **The Time is Now: Help others during Lent**

10% of your Lenten offering will be split between the Harrisburg Area Food Pantry and Lutheran World Relief for Israel and Gaza. Thank you for your generous donations.

### **Easter Egg Hunt: March 30 at 3 pm**

For children ages 0-9. Come out to the lawn for eggs, prizes, & a special visit from the Easter bunny! Bring canned goods to help the Harrisburg Area Food Pantry and to be entered into a raffle to win a gift card to Skyzone in Mechanicsburg!



***Look for a special bulletin insert detailing the services and times during Holy Week and Easter.***

**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.

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.

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

### ✙ Gathering ✙

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

Prelude: "The Prayer"

arr. Dino Kartsonakis

"What Wondrous Love Is This"

arr. Kevin McChesney

Children's Bells

Welcome and Announcements

Mission Moment: Camping Sunday

Paul Askey

*(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.

*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.**

*Turn to face the cross as it moves to the midst of God's people.*

Processional Hymn No. 324: In the Cross of Christ I Glory

RATHBUN

(Please be seated)

Order of Baptism for Maxwell Prescott Leiter, child of Amanda & Meghon Leiter

*The congregation follows along in hymnal page 227.*

The Baptismal Hymn

- 1 **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.**
- 2 **Miracle each time it happens, As the door to heaven opens,  
And the Father beams: "Beloved Heir of gifts a king would covet!"**
- 3 **Far more tender than a mother, Far more caring than a father,  
God, into your arms we place them, With your love and peace embrace them.**
- 4 **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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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.**

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.**

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.**

Anthem: "I Will Obey You"

Cindy Rethmeier

*Here are my hands, let them serve, let my mouth speak your word.  
Cause my ears to hear your voice, and my feet to follow your path.  
Cause my eyes to see all that you want me to be, and I will obey you with all my heart.*  
Children's Choir

(Please stand as you are able)

Prayers of the Church

*A brief silence.*

*Each petition ends:*

**A:** Hear us, O God.

**C:** **Your mercy is great.**

Gospel Acclamation



Noth-ing in all cre - a - tion can sep - a - rate us from the love of God.



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**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.**

(Please be seated)

Sermon: "I Promise Life"

Pastor Jack Horner

(Please stand as you are able)

Hymn of the Day No. 379: Now the Green Blade Rises

NOEL NOUVELET

### ✝ 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

A: 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.**

## 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.**

## Proper Preface

P: Glorious God, you created the heavens as the place for your glory to dwell and the earth as the theater for your glory to come among us. You called your people to be a kingdom of priests and your church to be a priestly kingdom. In Melchizedek you show us your people's vocation to be a righteous king, and in Jesus, you show us true righteousness and true majesty. You lift up your Son Jesus in cross and resurrection to draw all people to yourself. And so, we gladly thank you, with angels and archangels, and all the company of heaven, singing the hymn of your unending praise:

## Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and  
God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the  
Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



## Eucharistic Prayer

P: Righteous God, when the hour came for your Son to be glorified, he sat down with his disciples and reenacted the story of your liberating purpose for your people. We gather as your disciples to reenact your liberating purpose in the death and resurrection of your Son. Come among us now, that others may see you in us, and we may behold your glory, as these gifts of bread and wine become for us the body and blood of your Son Jesus 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 Heavenly God, you have glorified your name, glorify it again today, that those who stand before you with prayers and supplications made with loud cries and tears may find in you the solace for their aching, the joy of their desiring, and the goal of their yearning. As you lifted up your Son through suffering to resurrected glory, lift up the wretched of the earth to find peace and rest at your side and in your heart. Bring all who would see you face to face with your Son in the power of your Holy Spirit, until all injustice is transformed by your mercy, all deceit healed by your truth, and all oppression dismantled by your grace, until your kingdom is known on earth, 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: 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)

## Agnus Dei [Lamb of God]

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on  
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

## 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.*

*We invite the children receiving their first communion, and their parents, to come forward first.*

Anthem: "Praise to Thee, Lord Jesus" (17<sup>th</sup> cent.) Heinrich Schutz  
*Praise to Thee, Lord Jesus, who in bitter pain, on the cross did suffer and for our sake was slain.  
Thou reign'st with God the Father in eternity.  
Lead us, erring sinners, unto heaven and Thee. Kyrie Eleison.*  
Chancel Choir

(Please stand as you are able)

#### Post-communion Blessing

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

#### Post-communion Prayer

A: 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, 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: 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 ([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 flowers in the Nave and Fellowship Hall** are presented to the glory of God and by Barbara Seaman in loving memory of Vally Durr, mother, Raymond Seaman, husband; also, by his wife Ginny & family in loving memory of John Long Jr. in remembrance of his birthday; also, by Anne Greenlund in loving memory of Eleanor S. Mashburn, mother.

**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 John Crowe in loving memory of Ella Benjamin Crowe.

Join us next Sunday!

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Palm Passion Sunday

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Sermon Theme:

A dramatic presentation of

"The Passion of Christ"

Chris Gibson

