



# TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## THE DIVINE SERVICE

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The Third Sunday in Lent  
March 8, 2026



## A WORD OF CHRISTIAN WELCOME

*I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD!" Psalm 122:1*

GRACE, MERCY, AND PEACE be yours in the Name of our Crucified and Risen Lord Jesus Christ and a word of Christian welcome:

We are delighted the Holy Spirit has brought you to hear and receive the blessings of the Word of God with us in the Divine Service, our Lord's gracious serving of us in grace as we gather in worship. We hope to make you comfortable and know you might have a few questions. Trinity welcomes many guests who may not be familiar with Lutheran worship or our congregation. This service folder contains the order of worship for the Divine Service.

The Lord's Supper, that is, Holy Communion is administered at this altar according to the Lord's institution. Out of love for our Lord's Word and His instruction, we take seriously the spiritual care and welfare of those who commune at our altar. Please take a moment to read about worthy reception of the Lord's true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins on page 19.

### A SPECIAL WELCOME TO PARENTS WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

WE ARE BLESSED YOU ARE HERE. Children are a heritage from the Lord and full members of Christ's kingdom. Parents and their children are welcome to sit toward the front of the sanctuary so that the children can see and hear the service clearly. Don't worry, they won't bother the pastors. Here your children may watch the pastors, note the colors, and smell the candles. They'll be learning all we do revolves around the altar. Jesus promises to engage them with His Word and Spirit (St. Mark 10:13-16).

Engage your children through the Divine Service by teaching them the liturgy and the importance of hearing. Encourage them to speak the responses with you, "And with thy spirit!" and sing, Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy!" The children will follow your lead and they are very capable of learning challenging words. If you need help, look around: your brothers and sisters in Christ are delighted to assist.

The Family Room in the Narthex may be used if you need to step out, but please hurry back! Jesus desires children hear His Word in the Divine Service. To find this room, turn right after exiting the Nave and it is the first door on your right. A nursery is available with chairs, a single person restroom, a changing station, and busy bags with sensory toys. You'll be able to see and hear everything in the service from here.

Children's bulletins are available in the Narthex. These contain a simple presentation of the Sunday's themes and readings and serve as a teaching resource for the home.

## ✠ A PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP ✠

O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ, as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His Name. Amen.

*Prayers for worship preparation may be found inside the front cover of the hymnal.*

**Organ Prelude**

**Bells' Call to Worship**

**Word of Welcome**

**Opening Hymn**

**LSB 902 Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now**

**Confession and Absolution**

*1 John 1:8-9; John 20:19-23*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** who made heaven and earth.

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

# SERVICE OF THE WORD

## Introit

*Psalm 84:1-4; antiphon: v. 5*

- P** Blessèd are those whose strength is in you,  
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.
- C** How lovely is your dwelling place,  
O LORD of hosts!
- P** My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD;  
my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.
- C** Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she  
may lay her young,  
at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.
- P** Blessèd are those who dwell in your house,  
ever singing your praise!
- C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- P** Blessèd are those whose strength is in you,  
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

## Kyrie (*spoken Monday*)

*Mark 10:47*



**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

2 Timothy 4:22

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

*The Congregation is seated for the Readings.*

## Old Testament Reading

Exodus 17:1-7

<sup>1</sup>All the congregation of the people of Israel moved on from the wilderness of Sin by stages, according to the commandment of the LORD, and camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. <sup>2</sup>Therefore the people quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink." And Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" <sup>3</sup>But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?" <sup>4</sup>So Moses cried to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." <sup>5</sup>And the LORD said to Moses, "Pass on before the people, taking with you some of the elders of Israel, and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. <sup>6</sup>Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb, and you shall strike the rock, and water shall come out of it, and the people will drink." And Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. <sup>7</sup>And he called the name of the place Massah and Meribah, because of the quarreling of the people of Israel, and because they tested the LORD by saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.



will be thirsty again, <sup>14</sup>but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty forever. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.” <sup>15</sup>The woman said to him, “Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water.”

<sup>16</sup>Jesus said to her, “Go, call your husband, and come here.” <sup>17</sup>The woman answered him, “I have no husband.” Jesus said to her, “You are right in saying, ‘I have no husband’; <sup>18</sup>for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true.” <sup>19</sup>The woman said to him, “Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. <sup>20</sup>Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship.” <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. <sup>22</sup>You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. <sup>23</sup>But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. <sup>24</sup>God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.” <sup>25</sup>The woman said to him, “I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things.” <sup>26</sup>Jesus said to her, “I who speak to you am he.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

## Nicene Creed

**C** I believe in one God, *Romans 10:10; Deuteronomy 6:4*  
the Father Almighty, *Matthew 6:9; Exodus 6:3*  
maker of heaven and earth *Genesis 1:1; John 1:1*  
and of all things visible and invisible. *Colossians 1:16*

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, *Romans 10:9*  
the only-begotten Son of God, *John 3:16; Matthew 16:16*  
begotten of His Father before all worlds, *John 1:2*  
God of God, Light of Light, *John 17:22; John 8:12; John 1:1*  
very God of very God, *Colossians 2:9*  
begotten, not made, *John 1:2*  
being of one substance with the Father, *John 10:30*  
by Whom all things were made; *Hebrews 1:2; John 1:3*  
Who for us men and for our salvation *1 Timothy 2:4; Romans 3:23*  
came down from heaven *John 6:41; Luke 15:20*  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary *Luke 1:34-35*  
and was made man; *John 1:14*  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. *Mark 15:25; John 19:16-18*  
He suffered and was buried. *John 19:1-3; Luke 23:5*  
And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures *1 Corinthians 15:4; Luke 24:6*  
and ascended into heaven *Acts 1:9*  
and sits at the right hand of the Father. *Acts 7:55*  
And He will come again with glory *Matthew 26:64*  
to judge both the living and the dead, *Acts 10:42; Matthew 3:12*  
Whose kingdom will have no end. *2 Peter 1:11*

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, *John 14:26; Genesis 1:2; Acts 2:38*  
the Lord and giver of life, *Genesis 1:2; John 3:6*  
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, *John 15:26*  
Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, *Mt 3:16-17; Lk 2:14*  
Who spoke by the prophets. *Ezekiel 11:5; 2 Peter 1:20-21*  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, *1 Peter 2:5; Ephesians 2:19-22*  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, *Ephesians 4:5; Acts 2:38*  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead *1 Corinthians 15:35-49; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18*  
and the life ✠ of the world to come. *Mark 10:29-30; Matthew 10:40-42*  
Amen. *Psalms 106:48*

*The Congregation is seated for the Hymn of the Day.*

## Children's Message

Hymn of the Day

LSB 855 For All the Faithful Women (1, 10, 3, 4)

Sermon

“From Broken Cisterns to the Fountain of Life”

John 4:5–26

*The Congregation stands for the Offertory.*

Offertory *(omitted Monday)*

Psalm 51:10–12

**C** Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

## Prayer of the Church

*The Congregation stands for The Prayer of the Church.*

*Each petition ends:*

**P** Lord, in your mercy,

**C** Hear our prayer.

### In Our Prayers

*For the wayward.*

*Those who are receiving palliative care:*

**Craig Siegrist**

*Those who are hospitalized:*

**Harley Gebhardt and Manny Harrison**

*Those who are recovering from surgery, illness, or injury:*

**Jenny Brame, Matthew Bultemeier, Norman Gephardt, Larry Lammers, Clara Moser (niece of Phyllis White), and Terry Simmons**

*Those who are contending with health or other issues:*

**Betty Brown, Dennis Elliott, Amanda (Thieme) Livesay, Roberta Mangold, Jessica Murphy, Michael Sadler, Rev. Dave Spotts, Anthony & Christine Warrington, Hope Wetzstein, and Ruthann Wunder**

*Those involved in managing the effects of cancer, including:*

**Wayne Armbrust, Lauren Brown, Jack Crawford, Carol Easterhaus, Nathan Eckhoff, Rochelle Gavin, Sylvia Glenn, Kevin Hughes, Pam Jones, Ali Korenberg (great niece of Ron Eilers), Mary Medlock, Debi Mirly, Rev. David Oberdieck, Rev. Aaron Sterling, Carolyn Trigg, Lee Tubbesing, and Elsa Wiemerslage**

*If you desire to supply a regular intercession for the Prayer of the Church, please complete a Prayer Request Card located in your pew and place it in the offering box in the narthex. You may also contact the Church Office or visit the [Submit a Prayer Request page](#) on our website.*

### Record of Attendance and Offerings

*Your presence is meaningful for us. Please take a moment to record your attendance in the red book at the end of your pew. Offerings may be placed in the collection box in the Narthex or online.*

**The Monday evening service continues with the Communion Hymn, #630.**

## SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

**Preface** (*spoken Monday*)

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



**C** It is meet and right so to do.

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus (spoken Monday)

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13

**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.

The Words of Our Lord

Matthew 26; Mark 14; Luke 22; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✠}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✠}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini *(spoken Monday)*

John 20:19

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.



**C** A - men.

Agnus Dei *(omitted Monday)*

John 1:29



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

*The Congregation is seated for the Distribution.*



Nunc Dimittis (omitted Monday)

Luke 2:29-32

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -  
cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,  
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,  
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy  
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and  
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

Thanksgiving

Psalm 107:1

O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,  
and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

### Benedicamus

*Psalm 103:1*

**P** Bless we the Lord.



**C** Thanks be to God.

### Benediction

*Numbers 6:24-26*

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

### Hymn to Depart

LSB 543 What Wondrous Love Is This

### Postlude

## ✠ A PRAYER AFTER WORSHIP ✠

*Almighty and merciful God, I have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness of my sins and the assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. I thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep me in faith until, with all Your saints, I inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.*

## SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY

**Pastor:** Rev. Brian Thieme

**Elders:** (8:00) Benjamin Asbeck & Ron Barrett | (10:30) Mike Brame & Cary Smith  
(Monday) Benjamin Asbeck

**Ushers:** (8:00) Huter Kevil & Kyle Dickes | (10:30)

**Altar Guild:** Betty Buchheit & Hillari Roberts

**Organist:** Bonnie Lawler

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## OUR TEACHING AND BELIEF CONCERNING THE LORD'S SUPPER

### **What is Holy Communion?**

Holy Communion, the Lord's Supper, or the Sacrament of the Altar is administered at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that along with the bread and the wine we receive the true Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus (Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 22:22-24; Luke 22:14-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26). Our Lord has shed His true blood and instituted His Supper for our benefit, that we might be joined to Him. We therefore take Him at His Word, believing and trusting in His gift and promise, without adding to or taking away from what He has said. This eating and drinking is a true participation, a communion, in the very same body and blood of Christ present on the cross of Calvary, not symbolic or representative (1 Corinthians 10:16). Through the gift of Communion, the Lord bestows on us the forgiveness of sins and strengthens our union with Him and with one another.

### **Who should receive the Lord's Supper?**

Our Lord desires that those who commune should know and believe what they are receiving in Holy Communion unto their benefit and not unto harm (1 Corinthians 11:29). Communicants should be instructed in God's Word so that they can properly examine themselves prior to communing (1 Corinthians 11:28), and should be united as one body in the faith (Acts 2:42; 1 Corinthians 1:10; 10:17). Our pastors and those gathered here desire and pray for your presence at this altar to receive the Lord's gifts. To achieve this unity in confession, our pastors desire a conversation with those who are not yet instructed or believe differently (belong to another church body or denomination) because Holy Communion is a public confession of agreement with all doctrine believed, taught, and confessed here. We also ask guests from other LCMS congregations to speak with the pastors before communing.

All who are communicant members in a congregation of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, those Lutheran churches that are in altar and pulpit fellowship with the LCMS and not under church discipline may commune here. All other guests are invited to come to the communion rail for a blessing from the Pastor. Please cross your arms at the rail to receive the blessing.

### **How do I eat and drink Christ's body and blood?**

Communicants may receive the host by having it placed directly into the mouth or by having it placed in the palm of the hand. If the communicant wishes to take the individual cup, please receive one from the tray as the elder comes to your place at the communion rail. Drink from the individual cup when the pastor comes to your place at the communion rail with the chalice and speaks the words of distribution. If the communicant wishes to receive the chalice wait for the individual cup to pass and the pastor will commune you from the chalice.

If an individual has a sensitivity to gluten, a special host is available. Please request this host from the pastor when he comes to your place. Alcohol-removed wine is also available in the pink glasses of the individual cup should an individual desire.

**The Lord's Supper may be received in the pew if needed. Please notify a Pastor, Elder, or Usher.**



# TRINITY WEEKLY NEWS

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## WEEK AT A GLANCE

### Sunday, March 8 – Lent 3/DST begins

8:00 a.m. Divine Service  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School/Bible Study  
10:30 a.m. Divine Service  
6:00 p.m. JCC  
6:00 p.m. Choir Practice

### Monday, March 9

9:00 a.m. Bible Study  
6:00 p.m. Divine Service

### Tuesday, March 10

5:30 p.m. Vesper Guild  
5:45 p.m. Pickleball  
6:30 p.m. Board of Directors

### Wednesday, March 11

9:00 a.m. TLCLC Chapel  
9:30 a.m. Mary Martha Guild  
12:00 p.m. Midweek Lent Service  
5:00 p.m. Lenten Supper  
6:00 p.m. Midweek Lent Service  
*Heather out of office*

### Thursday, March 12

9:00 a.m. TLCLC Chapel  
5:45 p.m. Pickleball  
6:00 p.m. Board of Christian Education  
6:30 p.m. Handbell Practice  
7:00 p.m. Grief Share

### Friday, March 13

*Pastor's day off & Heather out of office*

### Saturday, March 14

9:00 a.m. Young Adult Bible Study  
1:00 p.m. Beltz Shower

### Sunday, March 15 – Lent 4

8:00 a.m. Divine Service  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School/Bible Study  
10:30 a.m. Divine Service

## UPCOMING EVENTS

March 26 Lutheran Ladies Having Fun  
April 5 Easter Breakfast  
April 12 Life Team Lunch & Learn

## FLOWER ANNOUNCEMENT

The Altar flowers are given by Jim & Bonnie Lawler

## LEARNING THE FAITH

### Sunday Bible Study with Pastor Thieme

- Sundays at 9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall  
Studying: Habakkuk – Patience in the Midst of Evil

### Monday Bible Study with Pastor Thieme

- Mondays at 9:00 am in Room 106  
Studying: 1 Corinthians

### Men's Bible Study

- Thursdays at 7:00 am in the Fellowship Hall  
Studying: 1 & 2 Samuel

### Junior Confirmation Classes

- Sundays at 6:00 pm

## JUST A REMINDER

When making a donation or fulfilling your promise to the **NARTHEX EXPANSION PROJECT** please indicate on your check or envelope **ACCOUNT 269**. We thank you for your ongoing support.

## ALTAR GUILD

### Help Wanted!

The Altar Guild is looking for volunteers! If interested or for more information, please reach out to Betty Buchheit at [dbuchheit305@aol.com](mailto:dbuchheit305@aol.com) or 573-823-2664

# SERVE AND ENCOURAGE

## Lenten light Suppers

- Wednesdays, March 11, 18 & 25 at 5:00 pm  
Join us for Lenten Light Suppers at 5 pm on Wednesdays before the 6 pm midweek service.

## Handbell Choir – Ringers Wanted!

- Practices are on Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m.  
The handbell choir is in need of additional ringers. No musical experience is required. If interested in joining, please contact Kimberly Walker at (708) 532-3358.

## Young Adult Bible Study

- Saturday, March 14 at 9 am
- Hakes Residence: 1703 Apple Valley Ct.
- RSVP to Amanda Hakes: 573-864-6757  
The topic will be “a study on vocation and spiritual gifts” led by Pastor Thieme.

## Trinity Garden Club

- Thursday, March 19 at 6:00 pm
- Overflow/Sanctuary
- Contact: Chris Cott 573-864-6315 or [cccott@centurylink.net](mailto:cccott@centurylink.net)  
The Garden Club will meet to walk around and discuss spring plans. All interested members are welcome!

## Lutheran Ladies (and Friends) Having Fun Night

- Thursday, March 26 at 6:30 pm
- Thieme House
- RSVP to Sarah Thieme at 573-999-7746

We will be starting a Bible class called, *Sip, Savor, and Drink Deeply*. It is a scripturally sound but unusually based on coffee Bible study. Jesus loves us. The Lord wants our company. He invites us to meet with Him in His Word. Just imagine what He has in store for us as we meet Him with our “cup” – our self – a vessel created and chosen by God, redeemed in Christ, and ready to be filled for His purpose. Time spent in Bible study will fill you to the brim and beyond with God’s Good News. Sip, savor, and drink deeply from His Word. Receive the outpouring of His grace, His joy, and His peace!

## Sponsor an Easter Lily!

A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board across from the church office – you can sign up to sponsor a lily or give money toward the purchase of greenery and other colorful spring blooms to decorate the wooden cross during the Easter season. You can also sign up by calling or emailing the church office.

Lilies are \$20 each this year. Please make checks payable to Trinity Lutheran Church with “Altar Guild” on the memo line. Checks may be mailed to the church or dropped in the offering box. *The Altar Guild thanks you!*

## Easter Breakfast

- Sunday, April 5, 2026  
Join us for food and fellowship at Easter Breakfast on April 5<sup>th</sup> between the sunrise and second services. The Youth Group and Board of Youth are preparing and serving the meal, and are excited to introduce a German style breakfast this year! Detailed menu to come. Freewill donations will be accepted.

## LIFE TEAM

### Save the Date: Lunch & Learn

- Topic: November vote on Amendment 3
- Speaker: Susan Klein from Missouri Right to Life
- Sunday, April 12, 2026 after the 10:30 service
- Fellowship Hall
- Lunch will be provided by the Life Team.

The Life Team would like to help us all learn, ask questions, and grow in understanding together as a church family. All are welcome!

*“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you.” – Jeremiah 1:5*

## Lutherans For Life: Life Thoughts

**March 8 (Lent 3)** – The world tells us to avoid suffering at all costs, even justifying murder (abortion, suicide, assisted suicide) on the grounds that death can be used to avoid further suffering. However, St. Paul reminds us that instead of trying to avoid suffering through death, we “can rejoice in our sufferings” (Romans 5:3), knowing that God uses our suffering to increase our hope in Him and bring us to everlasting glory. Therefore, when suffering comes, “let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker (Psalm 95:6), entrusting ourselves into the hands of the One who “died for us” (Romans 5:8).

# FOR US

## *Lent*

### **Ash Wednesday, February 18**

12 & 6 pm—Midweek Lenten Service  
5:00 pm—Lenten Light Supper: Elders

### **Wednesday, February 25**

12 & 6 pm—Midweek Lenten Service  
5:00 pm—Lenten Light Supper: Social Ministry

### **Wednesday, March 4**

12 & 6 pm—Midweek Lenten Service  
5:00 pm—Lenten Light Supper: Stewardship & Finance

### **Wednesday, March 11**

12 & 6 pm—Midweek Lenten Service  
5:00 pm—Lenten Light Supper: Evangelism

### **Wednesday, March 18**

12 & 6 pm—Midweek Lenten Service  
5:00 pm—Lenten Light Supper: Christian Education

### **Wednesday, March 25**

12 & 6 pm—Midweek Lenten Service  
5:00 pm—Lenten Light Supper: Mary Martha Guild

## *Holy Week*

### **Maundy Thursday, April 2**

12 & 7 pm—Maundy Thursday Service

### **Good Friday, April 3**

12 & 7 pm—Good Friday Service

## *The Resurrection of Our Lord*

### **Easter Sunday, April 5**

7 am—Sunrise Service  
*Breakfast following sunrise service*  
10:30 am—Easter Service  
Monday 6 pm—Easter Service

### Audio and Print Assistance

Hearing-assist and live-captioning devices are available for the hearing-impaired. If either device may assist in your hearing and meditation on the Word of God, the ushers will be able to offer assistance. The large print edition of the hymnal is also available. Please speak with an usher, elder, or pastor.



### Accessibility

For those who may not be able to or comfortable navigating the stairs to the lower level, a lift is located just outside the sanctuary overflow area. Ushers or church members are able to assist with operation of the lift.



### Recording

Trinity publishes a recording of worship services both on our website and on YouTube (TrinityCoMo). Sermons are also available on our website.



### Restrooms

Restrooms are located in the hallway off the sanctuary overflow area (facing forward toward the altar, the open area to the left). Proceed through the door in the overflow area and you will find the restrooms to your right. From the Narthex, proceed past the stairs and turn right once you pass through the wooden double doors.



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