Ash Wednesday with Holy Trinity and Imanuel Indonesian Lutheran Congregations February 26, 2020 1:00pm & 6:30pm



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A Warm Welcome as you worship with us today! Whether you are here for the first time or a long time member, know that you are welcomed in Christ's Name, joined to be with us, Christ's Body the Church, as we worship God.

Children: We love having children worship with us! We invite parents or caregivers to sit with their child(ren) around one of our children's worship tables where they can be a part of our service and engaging in quiet activities. If your child gets restless, an usher can show you and your children to our fully staffed Wiggle Room (Nursery) where your children can play until they are able to return. One of the attendants will give you a pager in case your child needs you.

Prayer Requests: Prayer Request Cards are available at the usher's stand, from an usher, or can be filled out using our website under the Need Help page. Simply hand your prayer request to the Pastor or an Usher.

Personal Hearing Systems are available from an usher for anyone who has difficulty hearing and understanding the service.

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Lenten Meals will be served every Wednesday evening during Lent, beginning at 5:30pm, followed by Holden Evening Prayer at 6:00pm. Soup will be available for adults, and Mac & Cheese will be served for young children. We will be using offerings from our Lenten meals to fund our commitment to provide scholarships to several students from Isimani to continue their education, as we have done in the past. There will be a display for those who wish to donate or pledge support for a student once the Lenten season begins.

Worship Assistants		
	1:00 PM service	6:30 PM service
Musician	Judy Evans	Jonathan Bock
Liturgical Deacon	N/A	Russ Hilliard
Lector		Shirley Jackson
Acolyte		TBD
Ushers		Jill & Jerry Schock
Counters		Dave Smith & Anngrin Sihombing
Greeters		Russ Hilliard & Jo Whiting
Chalice Bearer	TBD	Jo Whiting
Sound System	Mark Donahue	Franklyn Vosburg
Altar Guild	Julie Moore	Julie Moore

Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

The congregation is invited to prepare for the worship with silent prayer and reflection as we prepare to join in our Journey beneath the Cross of Jesus.

Invitation to Lent

P: Friends in Christ, today with the whole church we enter the time of remembering Jesus' passover from death to life, and our life in Christ is renewed.

We begin this holy season by acknowledging our need for repentance and for God's mercy. We are created to experience joy in communion with God, to love one another, and to live in harmony with creation. But our sinful rebellion separates us from God, our neighbors, and creation, so that we do not enjoy the life our creator intended.

As disciples of Jesus, we are called to a discipline that contends against evil and resists whatever leads us away from the love of God and neighbor. I invite you, therefore, to the discipline of Lent--selfexamination and repentance, prayer and fasting, sacrificial giving and works of love--strengthened by the gifts of word and sacrament. Let us continue our journey through these forty days to the great Three Days of Jesus' death and resurrection.

Confession and Forgiveness

- C: Amen.
- P: If you were to keep watch over sins, O Lord, who could stand? Yet with you is forgiveness, and so we confess.

—A brief silence—

- P: Gracious God,
- C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned away from you, knowingly and unknowingly. We have wandered from your resurrection life. We have strayed from your love for all people. Turn us back to you, O God. Give us new hearts and right spirits, that we may find what is pleasing to you and dwell in your house forever. Amen.
- C: Amen.

Imposition of Ashes

The assembly is invited to come forward to receive the imposition of ashes while hearing the words, "Remember you are dust, and to dust you shall return." The imposition of ashes reminds Christians of two central truths of the human condition. We are mortal and that we are sinners. Ancient Israelite practices reveal the putting of dust and ashes on their head as a visible action and sign of repentance.

Gathering Hymn

ELW 715

Christ, Be Our Light



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The Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, you hate nothing you have made, and you forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create in us new and honest hearts, so that, truly repenting of our sins, we may receive from you, the God of all mercy, full pardon and forgiveness through 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.

The Hearing of the Word

-Please be seated-

The First Reading

- L: A reading from Psalm 51:1-17:
 ¹Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
- C: ²Wash me through and through from my wickedness, and cleanse me from my sin.
- L: ³For I know my offenses, and my sin is ever before me.
- C: ⁴Against 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.
- L: ⁵Indeed, I was born steeped in wickedness, a sinner from my mother's womb.

C: ⁶Indeed, you delight in truth deep within me,

and would have me know wisdom deep within.

L: ⁷Remove my sins with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be purer than snow.

C: ⁸Let me hear joy and gladness; that the body you have broken may rejoice.

L: ⁹Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my wickedness.

C: ¹⁰Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

L: ¹¹Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

C: ¹²Restore to me the joy of your salvation and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.

L: ¹³Let me teach your ways to offenders, and sinners shall be restored to you.

C: ¹⁴Rescue me from bloodshed, O God of my salvation, and my tongue shall sing of your righteousness.

L: ¹⁵O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

C: ¹⁶For you take no delight in sacrifice, or I would give it. You are not pleased with burnt offering.

 L: ¹⁷The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit; a troubled and broken heart, O God, you will not despise.
 Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel

- Please stand as able for the receiving of the Gospel-
- P: The Holy Gospel According to Matthew, the 6th Chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹'Beware of practicing your piety before others in order to be seen by them; for then you have no reward from your Father in heaven. ² 'So whenever you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be praised by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. ³But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, ⁴so that your alms may be done in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. ⁵ 'And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. ⁶But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

- ¹⁶ 'And whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. ¹⁷But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, ¹⁸so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.
- ¹⁹ 'Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; ²⁰but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.
- P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

-Please be seated-

Hymn of the Day

Sermon

ELW 773

Please stand as able

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"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn. Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light. Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home. When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger pear

When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near, when my life is almost gone,

hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall.

Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When the darkness appears and the night draws near,

and the day is past and gone,

at the river I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand.

Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

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Prayers of Intercession

LD: Turning our hearts to God who is gracious and merciful, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

—A brief silence—

P: Merciful God, refresh the hearts of your faithful people across all lands and generations. Rescue your church from affliction, hardship, or persecution. Remove all obstacles standing in the way of our witness to your grace, mercy, and everlasting love. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

LD: Renewing God, bless all wilderness places and all inhabitants of the land. Protect untouched ecosystems, satisfy parched places, and strengthen roots and seeds beneath the soil that await their time to flourish. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: Restoring God, rebuild and repair nations ravaged by war or famine.
 Humble the hearts of governments and authorities, that they loose the bonds of injustice and liberate the oppressed. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

LD: Generous God, provide bread for the hungry, shelter for the homeless, and protection for the vulnerable. Listen to the cries of all who are abused, imprisoned, and who suffer due to pain, anxiety, or illness. We pray especially for those whose names we say out loud or silently.
 —A brief silence— Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: Faithful God, renew our practices of devotion and discipleship. Make us generous in giving, steadfast in prayer, and attentive to your grace amid

many distractions. Be with those who prepare for baptism and affirmation of baptism. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

LD: Redeeming God, you raise us from the dust of death and mark us with the cross of salvation. Strengthen us by the faithfulness of the saints. Restore our joy and lead us by your bountiful grace. Hear us, O God.

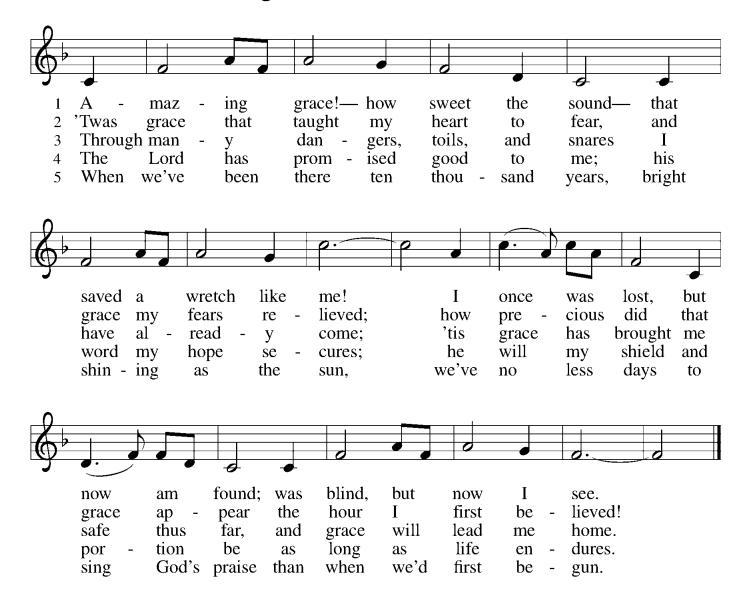
C: Your mercy is great.

- P: According to your steadfast love, O God, hear these and all our prayers as we commend them to you; through Christ our Lord.
- C: Amen.

Offering "Create in me a Clean Heart, O God" Sung by choir

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. During this time, the table is set. After the offering is gathered, the assembly stands. Bread, wine, money, and other gifts may be brought forward.

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound



Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt., sts. 1–4; anonymous, st. 5 Music: NEW BRITAIN, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

Offertory Prayer

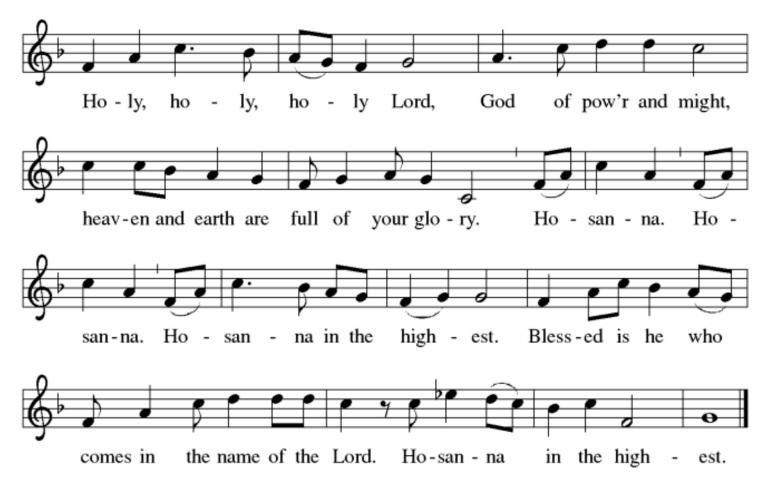
P: Holy and generous host, you set a table where we feast as friends.
 Prepare us to witness to your goodness with every gift you have given us to share, that all people may know your peace through Jesus Christ, now and forever.

C: Amen.

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 call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. 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:

Holy, Holy, Holy



Thanksgiving at the Table

 P: Blessed are you, O God of the universe.
 Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth. Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood. Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea. Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey.

Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

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 all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup, we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. P: O God of resurrection and new life:
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Bless this feast.
Grace our table with your presence.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

P: Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.
Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.
Breathe new life into us.
Send us forth,
Burning with justice, peace, and love.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

- P: With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, 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.

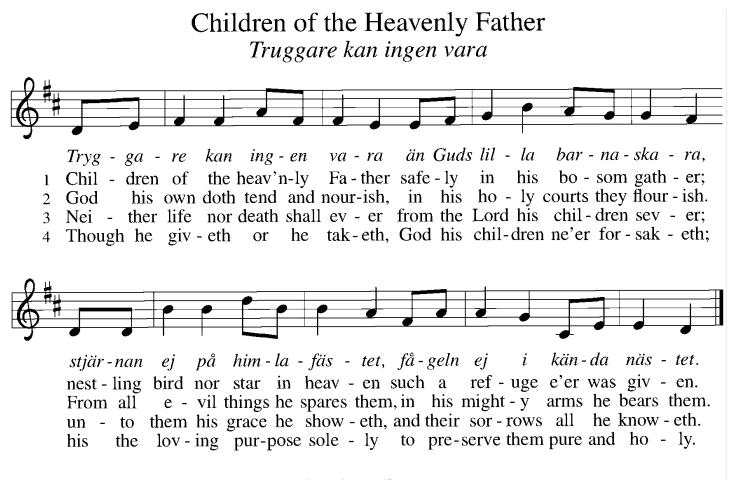
Invitation to Communion

P: God's love is poured out in Christ for you. Open yourselves to receive it.

The assembly may be seated. The bread may be broken for communion

Communion Hymns

While others are communing, you are invited to sing a communion hymn or to meditate on the readings and prayers for the day. **Communion Hymn #1: ELW 781**



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Communion Hymn #2: ELW 807 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless-ing, tune my heart to 1 sing thy grace; raise my Eb - en - e - zer: "Hith-er by thy help I've come"; Here 2 Ĩ 3 Oh, grace how great a debt-or dai - ly I'm con-strained to to be: streams of mer - cy, nev-er ceas-ing, call for songs of loud-est praise. hope, by thy good plea-sure, safe-ly to and I ar - rive at home. grace now like a fet - ter bind my wan-d'ring heart to let that thee. hope of end-less glo - ry fills my heart with joy and love, While the sought me when a strang-er, wan-d'ring from the fold of God; Je sus wan - der, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I Prone to love. teach me ev - er to a - dore thee; may I still thy good-ness prove. to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre-cious blood. he. Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Text: Robert Robinson, 1735–1790, alt. Music: NETTLETON, J. Wyeth, *Repository of Sacred Music*, Part II, 1813



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Post Communion Blessing

P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

When Peace, like a River

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn

ELW 785



Text: Horatio G. Spafford, 1828–1888 Music: VILLA DU HAVRE, Philip P. Bliss, 1838–1876

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Benediction

Please move across the aisle to join hands

P: May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you. May the Lord look upon you with favor, and give you peace.

Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God

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