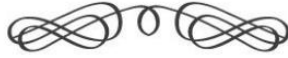




# Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

*Come Together Grow in Faith Serve the Lord*



**March 8, 2020 8:30 a.m.**

**Second Sunday in Lent**

## **WELCOME TO HOLY TRINITY**

Your presence at worship is a gift! Take a moment to introduce yourself to someone near you. To our visitors, we offer a special welcome and invite you to sign the visitor's sheet near the entrance. Please allow us to get to know you by staying for refreshments and fellowship.

**If you are new to Holy Trinity, please turn the next page for more information.**



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# Worship Information

**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.**

**Communion: It is our privilege to welcome you to the Lord's Table!** We welcome all who are baptized and wish to receive the promise offered in the bread and wine, the Body and Blood of Christ, to come and share in receiving Holy Communion. As you come to the Lord's Table, know that it is Christ who invites you to receive the bread and wine, the body and blood. If you do not wish to receive communion but would like to receive a pastoral blessing, please come forward and cross your arms over your chest and the pastor will bless you instead.

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

**Worship Photos & Videos** may be taken for the purpose of posting in the media of our congregation. The photographer's credit will be provided and any image will be removed upon request. Parents are asked to fill out a release form concerning images of minors and no minor's pictures will be used without consent.

**Personal Hearing Systems** are available from an usher for anyone who has difficulty hearing and understanding the service. **Visual Problems?** In addition to the large print bulletins, we can offer you bulletins on your tablet or smartphone. See the Church Office for details.

**Missed Last Week's Service?** Our weekly Sermon is available to listen on our website, **htelc.com**, under Worship, and Recent Sermons. Subscribe to our podcast on iTunes & Stitcher.

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**Cheryl Brigham**, CaringConnections

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**Kurt Kasik & Cristina Dolcino**, International Social Ministry

**David Mercer**, Property Team

# Today at Holy Trinity

**8:30 AM:** Contemporary Worship **9:30 AM:** Fellowship **11:00 AM:** Traditional Worship

Worship Assistants		
	8:30 Contemporary Service	11:00 Traditional Service
<b>Musical Director</b>	Jon Koelker	Ken Galle
<b>Musical Accompanist</b>	Jonathan Bock	Jonathan Bock
<b>Liturgical Deacon</b>	Julie Kath	Ken Galle
<b>Lector</b>	Gisela Wemple	Lara Scammon
<b>Acolyte</b>	Jeremiah Sihotang	Rio Marcus
<b>Ushers</b>	Jim & Kathy McKenna	Franklyn Vosburg & Jerry Schock
<b>Counters</b>	Bill & Julie Kath	Phyllis & Barry Philbrick
<b>Greeters</b>	Mike Gass & TBD	Larry & Bonnie Sanders
<b>Chalice Bearer</b>	Gisela Wemple	TBD
<b>Sound System</b>	Jon Huot & Frank Getchell	Mark Donahue
<b>Altar Guild</b>	TBD	Rani Marcus
<b>Coffee Set Up</b>	Cristina Dolcino	
<b>Coffee Clean Up</b>	TBD	

This Week At Holy Trinity			
Day	Date	Start	Event
Tuesday	3/10	06:00 PM	8:30 Choir Rehearsal
		06:00 PM	Church Council
Wednesday	3/11	09:30 AM	Bible Study
		05:30 PM	Lenten Monastery Meal
Thursday	3/12	<b>06:00 PM</b>	<b>Holden Evening Prayer</b>
		08:30 AM	Property Team
Sunday	3/15	05:30 PM	Bell Choir
		<b>08:30 AM</b>	<b>8:30 Sunday Worship</b>
		10:00 AM	Adult Forum: Reconciling in Christ
		10:00 AM	Blood Pressure Clinic
		10:00 AM	11:00 Choir Rehearsal
		<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>11:00 Sunday Worship</b>

Last Week at Holy Trinity		
<u>Date</u>	<u>Worship Attendance</u>	<u>Offering</u>
Wednesday, February 26	<b>43</b> (1:00) + <b>54</b> (6:30) = <b>97</b>	<b>\$7,055.80</b>
Sunday, March 1	<b>114</b> (8:30) + <b>47</b> (11:00) = <b>161</b>	

**Emergency Contact Information:** Please call the church office at **(603) 436-1704** and wait for the voicemail options. When instructed, press **6**, and you will be immediately transferred to Pastor Krick's cellphone.

## Prayer Concerns

*Please include the following in your daily prayers:*

### Members & Attenders

**Health Issues:** Leah Waldschlagel, Franklyn Vosburg, Jerry Schock, Shirley Jackson, Sue Anderson, Pastor Linn Opderbecke.

**Homebound:** Madeline Brandt, Marie Edin, Carol Saufley, Edith Rowan, Barbara Werdelin.

**Military:** Josh Bretz, Matthew Hanrahan, Brendan Podszus, Jacob Schankis, Jessica Chabot.

### Friends

Lynn Geraci & Judi Thomson (Jill & Jerry Schock's friends), Martha Laperle (Betty King's friend), Pastor John H. Krahn (Dave & Joyce Rivoire's friend), Kathy Germain (Franklyn Vosburg's sister), Megan Zadig (David & Carol Arrington's daughter), Joseph & Julia Spataro (Dave & Joyce Rivoire's friends), Tammy Hickey (Tina Maiorino & Linda Sunderland's friend), Cinda DeWerff & Linda Aten (Rich Wilcox's sisters), Garnet D. Wilcox (Rich Wilcox's brother), Fred Keen (Rich Wilcox's brother-in-law), Bonnie Beatty (Rich Wilcox's niece).

*Prayers will be listed for 6 weeks unless told otherwise. If you would like a prayer concern listed in the bulletin, please fill out a Prayer Request at the Usher's table or contact the Church Office at [office@htelc.com](mailto:office@htelc.com).*

## Lectionary (Readings)

**This week:** Genesis 12:1-4a; Psalm 121;  
Romans 4:1-5, 13-17; John 3:1-17

**Next week:** Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 95;  
Romans 5:1-11; John 4:5-42

## Notes on today's services

During Lent we journey with all those around the world who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil. In today's gospel Jesus tells Nicodemus that he must be born of water and Spirit. At the font we are given a new birth as children of God. As God made a covenant with Abraham, in baptism God promises to raise us up with Christ to new life. From worship we are sent forth to proclaim God's love for all the world.

**(Psalm 121)** I lift up my eyes to the hills; my help comes from the Lord. (Ps. 121:1, 2)

**(John 3:1-17)** A curious Pharisee visits Jesus by night to learn from the teacher his friends reject. Jesus speaks to him about life in the Spirit and the kingdom of God.

## Announcements

**Today is our Traveling Together Sunday.** We are in Lent and so we are going to be making soft pretzels! Want to know why pretzels are associated with Lent? We hope you will gather with us, in between the services today, as we make soft pretzels and how they can guide us in our faith during Lent.

**A memorial service for Len Klein** will be held at Holy Trinity on Thursday, March 19. Visitation with the family will begin at 1:00 PM, and a memorial service at 3:00 PM. There will be refreshments following the service. If you wish to help with providing food, or clean up, please see the sign-up list near the nametags.

**Worship Assistants:** The deadline to sign up for the schedule for April & May 2020 is Sunday, March 15 at noon. Please check your email for the sign up link. See Mark to request a day to serve as a Worship Assistant for April/May.

**No Tax Prep at Holy Trinity this year:** Holy Trinity will unfortunately not be providing tax preparation this year. If you need help filing your taxes this year, the Portsmouth Public Library is providing free tax help for low or moderate income individuals and senior citizens on Sundays 1:30 – 4:30 or Tuesdays 1:30 – 5:30 from now until April 14. Please call (603) 427-1540 to schedule an appointment, or for more information.

**Faith Learning Group** Lessons will be held on the following Sundays at 9:45am: March 15, April 5, April 19, May 3, May 17

**Operation Blessing** is always in need of food to give to clients. Please consider bring some canned goods to Church and place in the green buckets under the mailboxes. Paper goods are also needed as well as cleaning supplies. Thank you all.

**Lenten Meals** will be served every Wednesday evening during Lent (now until April 1), 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.

**End 68 Hours of Hunger** will meet on Thursday, March 19. We pack at the First United Methodist Church, 129 Miller Ave. Portsmouth and we meet at 6 PM. This program provides food for children in need that would sustain them for the weekend when school is not in session. For more info, please contact Kathy McKenna or Lauren Gianino.

**Next RIC Conversation:** On March 15 & 18 we welcome guest panel of people presenting their journey of identifying LGBTQ.

**RIC Hosts LGBTQ History Project Displays:** The Reconciling In Christ Team (RIC) invites all HTELC participants to view selected displays from the Seacoast NH LGBTQ History Project in the Gathering Area during the first half of March. The Seacoast NH LGBTQ History Project is proud to present stories that illustrate the experiences of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer people and highlight their contributions to the rich past and thriving present of the Seacoast. For more information, please pick up a paper copy of The Tidings in our Narthex.

**New Grounds Coffee House**, hosted by Dave Mercer's band, will be here at Holy Trinity on Friday, March 20 at 6:00 PM. Listen to local music and enjoy some light refreshments!

**AED Training** will be held between services on Sunday, April 5 to learn how to use the AED in our Narthex. This training could help you save a life. More information will be provided in the next week or so.

# Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

*Second Sunday in Lent – Sunday, March 8, 2020—8:30 a.m.*

## Gathering

### Confession & Forgiveness

— Please stand as able—

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who is present, who gives life, who calls into existence the things that do not exist.

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.**

P: Receive good news: God turns to you in love. “I will put my spirit in you, and you shall live,” says our God. All your sin is forgiven in the name of † Jesus Christ, who is the free and abounding gift of God’s grace for you.

C: **Amen.**

# Gathering Song

ELW 857

— Please remain standing—

## Lord I Lift Your Name On High

Words and Music by  
Rick Founds

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VERSE

G C/G D/G C/G G C/G

Lord, I lift Your name — on high; Lord, I love to sing — Your

4 D/G C/G G C/G D/G C/G

prais - es. — I'm so glad You're in — my life;

CHORUS

7 G C/G D D<sup>sus</sup> D C G C

I'm so glad You came — to save — us. — You came from heav - en to earth .

10 D C/D G C D C

— to show the way, — from the earth — to the cross — my debt to pay; .

13 G C D Em<sup>7</sup>

— From the cross — to the grave, — from the grave — to the sky; .

15 Am<sup>7</sup> D G

— Lord, I lift Your name — on high.

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## Greeting

P: May 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.

C: **O God, our leader and guide, in the waters of baptism you bring us to new birth to live as your children. Strengthen our faith in your promises, that by your Spirit we may lift up your life to all the world through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

**Amen.**

## WORD

The remaining lessons appointed for use on this Sunday are located in the announcements of this worship booklet. You are invited to read them during the collection of offerings or Communion. You are also invited to take this booklet home with you and read the lessons and prayers as part of family worship or individual devotions.

## First Reading

**—Please be seated—**

L: A responsive reading from Psalm 121

L: <sup>1</sup>I lift up my eyes to the hills;  
from where is my help to come?

C: <sup>2</sup>**My help comes from the Lord,  
the maker of heaven and earth.**

L: <sup>3</sup>The Lord will not let your foot be moved  
nor will the one who watches over you fall asleep.

C: <sup>4</sup>**Behold, the keeper of Israel  
will neither slumber nor sleep;**



L: <sup>5</sup>the Lord watches over you;  
the Lord is your shade at your right hand;

C: <sup>6</sup>**the sun will not strike you by day,  
nor the moon by night.**

L: <sup>7</sup>The Lord will preserve you from all evil  
and will keep your life.

C: <sup>8</sup>**The Lord will watch over your going out and your coming in,  
from this time forth forevermore.**

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

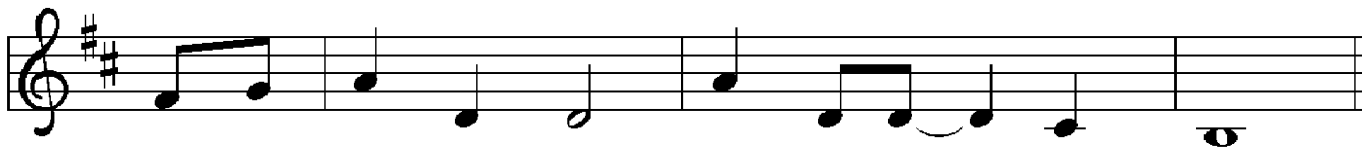
## Children's Message

—Please be seated—

The children are invited to come forward to join the Pastor at the Chancel for a message.

## Gospel Acclamation

— Please stand as able—



Let your stead-fast love come to us, O Lord.



Let your stead-fast love come to us, O Lord.



Save us as you prom-ised; we will trust your word.



Let your stead-fast love come to us, O Lord.

## Gospel

P: The holy gospel according to St. John, Chapter 3 [1-17]

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

<sup>1</sup>Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” <sup>4</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” <sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. <sup>6</sup>What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup>Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ <sup>8</sup>The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” <sup>9</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

<sup>11</sup>“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup>If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? <sup>13</sup>No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup>And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup>“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

<sup>17</sup>“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

**Sermon**

—Please be seated—

**Hymn of the Day**

**ELW 325**

— Please stand as able—

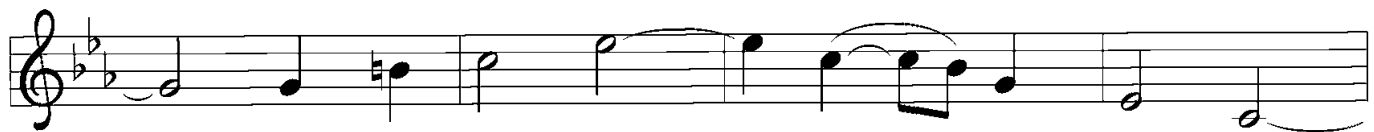
## I Want Jesus to Walk with Me



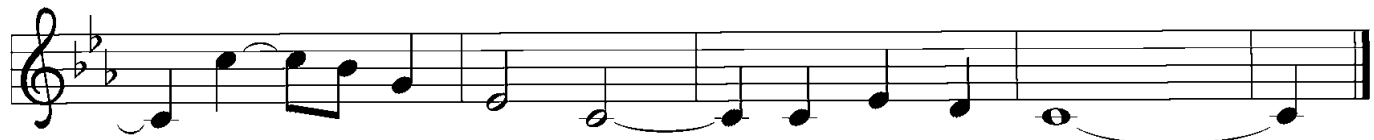
1 I want Je - sus to walk with me;  
2 In my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;  
3 When I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;



I want Je - sus to walk with me;  
in my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;  
when I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;



all a - long my pil - grim jour - ney,  
when my heart is al - most break - ing,  
when my head is bowed in sor - row,



Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.  
Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.  
Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.

Text: African American spiritual

Music: SOJOURNER, African American spiritual

## Prayers of the People

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—

LD: God of rebirth, empower your church throughout the world to be a voice of hope for those who fear judgment or condemnation. Assure us of your faithfulness and give us confidence to proclaim your salvation for all. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

Y: God of rebirth, your Spirit hovered over the waters and you called creation into being. Nurture and bless all signs of rebirth around us: budding trees and new shoots, thawing lakes and warm breezes, and animals awaking from hibernation. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

LD: We lift before you all those whose work puts them in harm's way for the sake of others, especially first responders and servicewomen and men who are stationed around the world. Allow all people to return home safely and keep them close to you. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

LD: We pray for our partners in mission and ministry: Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Bishop James Hazelwood and the New England Synod, Pastor Livingstone Msungu and the Isimani congregation in Tanzania, Fundaninos Orphanage in Guatemala, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land, Imanuel Indonesian Lutheran Congregation, Ascentria Care Alliance and Camp Calumet. 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.**

## **The Sharing of God's Peace**

P: May the peace of God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit – which passes all understanding, be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

The congregation is invited to exchange expressions of peace with those near them. Please remember to greet the children too. You may be seated after the passing of the peace.

## **MEAL**

### **Offering**

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.

# Offertory Song

ELW 692

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our  
lives up to you: we are an offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our  
hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering.  
All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we  
give to you, we give to you. We lift our  
voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you:  
we are an offering, we are an offering.

## Offertory Prayer

LD: 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.**

## The Celebration of Holy Communion

As you come to the Lord's Table, know that it is Christ who invites you to receive the bread and wine, the body and blood. There will be a single communion station. You will receive a wafer (gluten free wafers are available). Next you may drink from the common cup, or you may take a pre-filled glass of non-alcoholic wine. Please put the glass in the basket at the end. If you would like to receive communion, but you are unable to come forward, please ask someone to talk to the ushers and we will bring communion to you.

### Dialogue

**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 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:

ELW pg. 190



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

## Words of Institution

### Lord's Prayer

Feel free to use the version of the Lord's Prayer you are most comfortable with.

**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

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

## Communion

— Please be seated—

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, Lamb of God.

## 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 616**

### Jesus, Remember Me

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

The first system of music consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and a 7/4 time signature. It contains a melody of eighth and quarter notes. The bottom staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature, providing a harmonic accompaniment of chords and single notes.

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

The second system of music is identical in notation to the first system, consisting of two staves with the same melody and accompaniment.

Text: Luke 23:42; Taizé Community

Music: REMEMBER ME, Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994

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# Eat This Bread

## *Jesus Christ, Bread of Life*

*Refrain*

“Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and nev - er be hun - gry.  
 OR *Je - sus Christ, bread of life, those who come to you will not hun - ger.*

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.”  
*Je - sus Christ, ris - en Lord, those who trust in you will not thirst.*

Text: Taizé Community

Music: BERTHIER, Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994

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## Now We Remain

*Refrain*



We hold the death of the Lord deep in our hearts.



Liv-ing, now we re-main with Je-sus the Christ.

1 Once we were peo-ple a - fraid, lost in the night. Then by your



cross we were saved; dead be-came liv-ing, life from your giv-ing. *Refrain*



2 Some-thing that we have known, some-thing we've touched, what we have



seen with our eyes, this we have heard: life-giv-ing Word. *Refrain*



3 He chose to give of him - self, be-came our bread; bro-ken,



that we might live; love be-yond love, pain for our pain. *Refrain*



4 We are the pres-ence of God; this is our call;



now to be - come bread and wine, food for the hun-gry, life for the



wea-ry; for to live with the Lord, we must die with the Lord. *Refrain*



Text: David Haas, b. 1957  
 Music: NOW WE REMAIN, David Haas  
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## **Sending of Communion**

**— Please remain seated—**

**P:** Gracious God, whose mercy endures from generation to generation: Bless those who go forth to carry your Word and sacrament to our sisters and brothers who are homebound. In your love and compassion, nourish and strengthen them with hope through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## **SENDING**

### **Communion Blessing**

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

**C: Amen.**

### **Rites of Passage and Announcements**

**—Please remain seated—**

The congregation is invited to share birthdays, anniversaries, and other significant events in the life of its members. Subsequently, brief announcements may be made, especially those related to the congregation's participation in God's mission in the world.

### **Benediction**

**—Please stand as able—**

Please move across the aisle and join hands.

**P:** May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. May the Lord look upon you with favor and give you ☩ peace.

**C: Amen.**

### **Dismissal**

**LD:** Go in peace, serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

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