

Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

Come Together Grow in Faith Serve the Lord

March 6, 2022 9:30 AM - First Sunday in Lent



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WELCOME

to Holy Trinity

Reconciling in Christ

At Holy Trinity, we welcome and affirm everyone—because God welcomes and affirms everyone—



regardless of age, race, ability, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, or other life circumstance.

You are welcome. Your family, children, friends, spouses, and partners are welcome.

You are welcome, whether you are a believer, a doubter, or a seeker.

Your diversity and uniqueness are welcomed and affirmed into the full life of Holy Trinity.

You are wanted here.

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.

Your presence at worship is a gift!

We love having children worship with us! At this moment, our Nursery is not staffed. You may find Children's bulletins and activities on tables inside the sanctuary.

Prayer Requests: Prayer Request Cards are available indoors on the Usher's Table. Simply fill one out and hand it to the Pastor, or place it in the Offering Basket.

Emergency Pastoral Contact: If you need a Pastoral Visit, or you're experiencing a Pastoral Emergency, pastoral care is available for home or hospital visits, emotional support, and church ceremonies. Please contact Mark in the Church office and he will provide you with the Contact Pastor information during daytime and after work (emergencies) hours. Email office@htelc.com or call (603)436-1704.

Donate to Holy Trinity: You can place your offering in the offering plate by the entrance of the sanctuary. We appreciate what you are able to give to help support our church and our ministries. Thank you. To give online, visit www.elexiogiving.com/App/Giving/htelc OR scan this QR code with the camera app on your phone.



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All Worship Services are livestreamed and available to watch on YouTube after the service ends.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Health Issues: Franklyn Vosburg, Jerry Schock, Pastor Linn Opderbecke, Alice Peterson, George Parseghian,

Sarah Meier, Judy Hollister, Byrl Short, Judy Hollister, Marilee Clark.

Homebound: Carol Saufley, Edith Rowan, Barbara Werdelin.

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

Friends

Stephanie & Chuck Pelesky (Jill & Jerry Schock's friend), Casey Lavoie (Stephanie Goupil's friend), Estelle Lewis (Paulette Sirois' sister), Tony Marques (Paulette Sirois' friend), Sue Fischer (Lois Kfoury's cousin), Sherry & Lauren (Shirley Jackson's sister and daughter), Bill Casale (Jessica Feeley's friend), Stephanie Vocell (Jeremy & Krystal Small's friend), Martha LaPerle (Betty King's friend), Cinda DeWerff (Rich Wilcox's sister), Evertt Thorne (Rich Wilcox's friend), Sage Pirnie (Jessica Feeley's friend's grandchild).

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.

NOTES ON TODAY'S SERVICE

These forty days called Lent are like no other. It is our opportune time to return to the God who rescues, to receive the gifts of God's grace, to believe with the heart and confess with the mouth the wonder of God's love in Jesus, and to resist temptation at every turn. It is a struggle Jesus shares. The nearness of the Lord, in bread and wine, water and word, will uphold and sustain us.

LECTIONARY (Readings)

This Week: Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16; Romans 10:8b-13; Luke 4:1-13

Next Week: Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18; Psalm 27;

Philippians 3:17--4:1; Luke 13:31-35

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Musician(s): Jon Bock Lector: Bill Kath

Counters: Bill & Julie Kath

Sound System: Mark Donahue & Rey Bororing

Altar Guild: Julie Moore

THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

WEDNESDAY, March 9

9:30 AM: Bible Study

7:00 PM: Holden Evening Prayer

THURSDAY, March 10 8:00 AM: Property Team

SUNDAY, March 13

9:30 AM: Sunday Worship

LAST WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

Attendance for Sunday, February 27: 75 (In-Person) + 25 (Online) = 100

Offering: \$4,673.40

Announcements

Holden Evening Prayer: Please join us on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm during Lent (beginning Wednesday, March 9) for our beautiful Holden Vespers worship, with hymns written by Marty Haugen. This service will be led by Franklyn Vosburg. These services will be livestreamed on htelc.com every Wednesday night.

Midday Lenten Devotional Worship: Every Wednesday at 12:30 PM, (beginning Wednesday, March 16) Pastor Luther will hold a special 20-minute Lenten service in the chapel. These services will be recorded and available on htelc.com.

Dover Friendly Kitchen: Last month, we made 100 meals on Tuesday at Dover Friendly Kitchen and gave out all but 13. Those and the leftover undressed tossed salad went to Crossroads in Portsmouth as did the rest of our cookies. They are always so happy to receive whatever we have after our Dover needs are met. I also want to mention that we had 12 volunteers come to cook and assemble the meals. We also had eight bakers, and in addition, had decorated cookies from Lara Scammon's middle school students. We did very well and enjoyed a productive time together. Our next meal is Tuesday, March 22nd. Anyone wishing to help in any way is invited to contact Jill Schock, Bonnie Sanders or Mark Donahue at church.

Isimani Scholarships: During Lent, we will be collecting donations to help fulfill our commitment to the Isimani students who receive our scholarships to help them complete their education beyond primary school.

Pop-Up Pantry: For the month of March, the Pop-Up Pantry will be collecting Pancake Mix, either a small box or a soft packaging. Thank you so much for your donations keeping this ministry going. — *Paulette Sirois*

Reconciling in Christ celebration has been officially rescheduled for Sunday, April 3 at 9:30 AM. The Sunday morning service will feature special liturgy and the dedication of an RIC pastoral stole. Stay following the service for a free concert by the New Hampshire Gay Men's Chorus. A special offering will be split between Seacoast Outright (supporting LGBTQ+ youth) and Ascentria Care Alliance's Afghan Evacuee Resettlement Program (helping to support Afghan families we are welcoming to New Hampshire).

Graduation Sunday will be celebrated in June. If you know someone from Holy Trinity who will graduate from High School, College, Grad School, or another school this year and would like to be recognized, please speak with the Church Office or Helen Goransson. Any graduating Seniors who wish to apply for our annual Faith and Service Award, please contact Helen Goransson at heleng@Bondgarden.net.

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Welcome

Confession & Forgiveness

Please stand as able

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who gathers us in the wilderness to redeem us, anoint us, and make us new.

C: Amen.

P: In these forty days, let us be honest, confess our sin, and receive God's promise of forgiveness.

—A brief silence—

P: God of mercy,

C: We have wandered far from your home; again and again, we lose our way. We turn inward, afraid of the world around us. We forget that you have saved your people before and promise to do so again. Do not remember the deeds of our past, but turn our faces toward the future, where your forgiveness is sure, your welcome is clear, and your love overflows.

Amen.

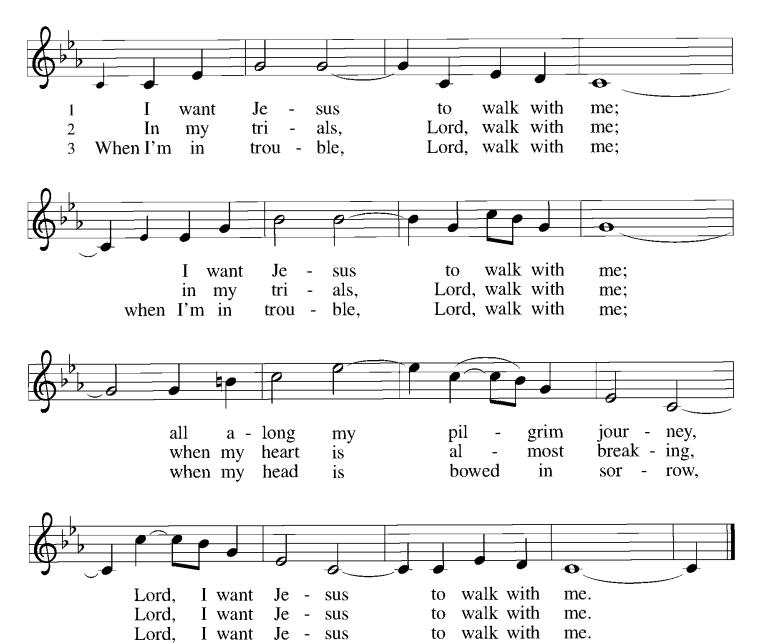
P: Like a hen who gathers her chicks, God embraces you in tender care. Like manna in the desert, God feeds you with surprising mercy. Like a loving parent, God runs to meet you again this day, forgiving your sins for the sake of + Christ, leading you from death into life.

C: Amen.

Gathering Song

ELW 325 — Please remain standing—

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me



Text: African American spiritual

Music: SOJOURNER, African American spiritual

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.

Kyrie:



Prayer of the Day

- P: Let us pray.
- C: O Lord God, you led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide us now, so that, following your Son, we may walk safely through the wilderness of this world toward the life you alone can give, through 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 reading from Deuteronomy 26:1-11

¹When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, ²you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. ³You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us." ⁴When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, ⁵you shall make this response before the LORD your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. ⁶When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, ⁷we cried to the LORD, the God

of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. ⁸The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; ⁹and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. ¹⁰So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me." You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. ¹¹Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

- L: Word of God, word of life.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

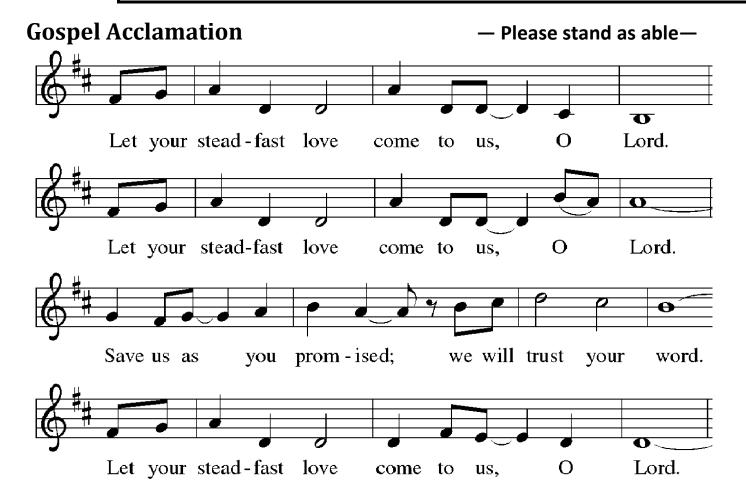
—Please be seated—

- L: A responsive reading from Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16
- L: ¹You who dwell in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty—
- C: ²you will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my stronghold, my God in whom I put my trust."
- L: ⁹Because you have made the Lord your refuge, and the Most High your habitation,
- C: 10no evil | will befall you, nor shall affliction come near your dwelling.
- L: ¹¹For God will give the angels charge over you, to guard you in all your ways.
- C: ¹²Upon their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.

- L: ¹³You will tread upon the lion cub and viper; you will trample down the lion and the serpent.
- C: ¹⁴I will deliver those who cling to me; I will uphold them, because they know my name.
- L: ¹⁵They will call me, and I will answer them;
 I will be with them in trouble; I will rescue and honor them.
- C: ¹⁶With long life will I satisfy them, and show them my salvation.
- L: Word of God, word of life.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

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



Gospel

P: The holy gospel according to St. Luke, Chapter 4: 1-13

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, ²where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. ³The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." ⁴Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'"

⁵Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. ⁶And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. ⁷If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." ⁸Jesus answered him, "It is written,

'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

⁹Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, ¹⁰for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,'

¹¹and

'On their hands they will bear you up,

so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."

¹²Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" ¹³When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

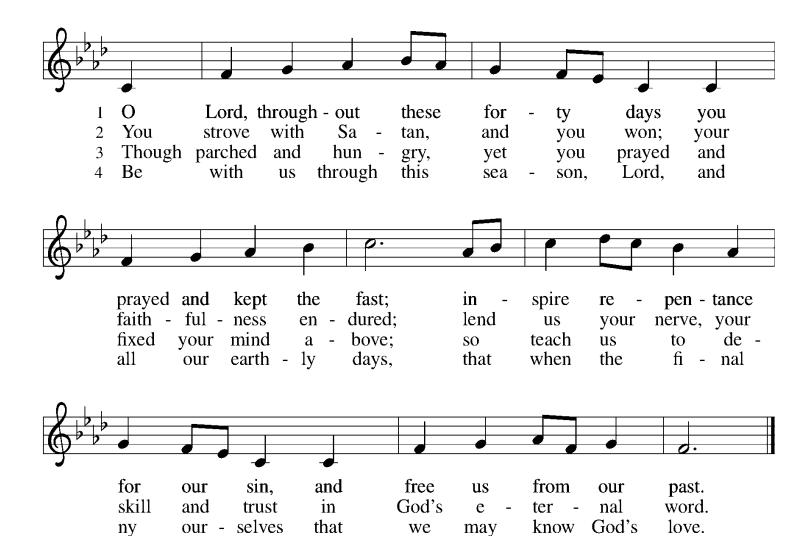
- P: The gospel of the Lord.
- C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Hymn of the Day

ELW 319

Please stand as able

O Lord, throughout These Forty Days



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Text: based on Claudia F. Hernaman, 1838–1898; para. Gilbert E. Doan Jr., b. 1930

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Music: CONSOLATION, A. Davisson, *Kentucky Harmony*, 1816 Text © 1978 *Lutheran Book of Worship*, admin. Augsburg Fortress

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Apostles Creed

- P: Let us confess our faith using the Apostles Creed.
- C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

P: Drawn close to the heart of God, we offer these prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

—A brief silence—

P: We pray for the church. Sharpen its proclamation of the word so that your people learn to reject voices of deception and distraction.

Strengthen all who are tempted to believe lies about themselves or others. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

P: We pray for the nations of the world, including especially for the people of Ukraine. Protect all those who are in harm's way, provide safe refuge to all those who are displaced by the violence, and inspire the leaders of the world to work toward a speedy and just resolution of this war.

Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

P: 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. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

P: We pray for those in need. Rescue those experiencing mental illness or contending with addiction. Ease the anxiety of those who live with dementia. Command your angels concerning all who are sick. We pray especially for those whose names we say out loud or silently.

—A brief silence— Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

P: 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 and Imanuel Indonesian Lutheran Congregation, Ascentria Care Alliance and Camp Calumet. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

P: Accept the prayers we bring, O God, on behalf of a world in need, for the sake of Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

The Sharing of God's Peace

P: May the peace of Christ be with you all.

C: And also with you.

The congregation is invited to exchange expressions of peace with those near them. Please remain seated and avoid physical touch in the interests of everyone's health and safety.

MEAL

Offering

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. Our offering plate is located at the entrance of the Sanctuary. After the service, please make your offering there.

Offertory Hymn

Church Choir

Offertory Prayer

- P: Let us Pray.
- C: Extravagant God, you have blessed us with the fullness of creation. Now we gather at your feast where you offer us the food that satisfies. Take and use what we offer here, come among us, and feed us with the body and blood of Christ, in whose name we pray.

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 around the altar. You will receive a wafer (gluten free wafers are available). Next you may take a pre-filled glass of wine. Please put the glass in the basket by the baptismal font or the lectern. Pre-filled Communion Cups are still available for anyone uncomfortable coming forward to the altar. If you would like to receive communion from the Pastor, but you are unable to come forward, please ask someone to talk to the ushers and we will bring communion to you.

Dialogue

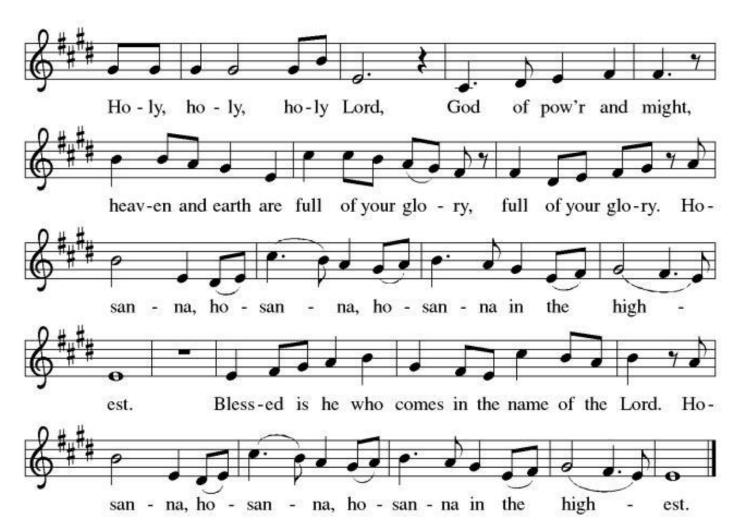
- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them to the Lord.
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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

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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

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

P: Now, as our Lord taught us, we are bold to pray:

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: Taste and See that the Lord is good.

Communion

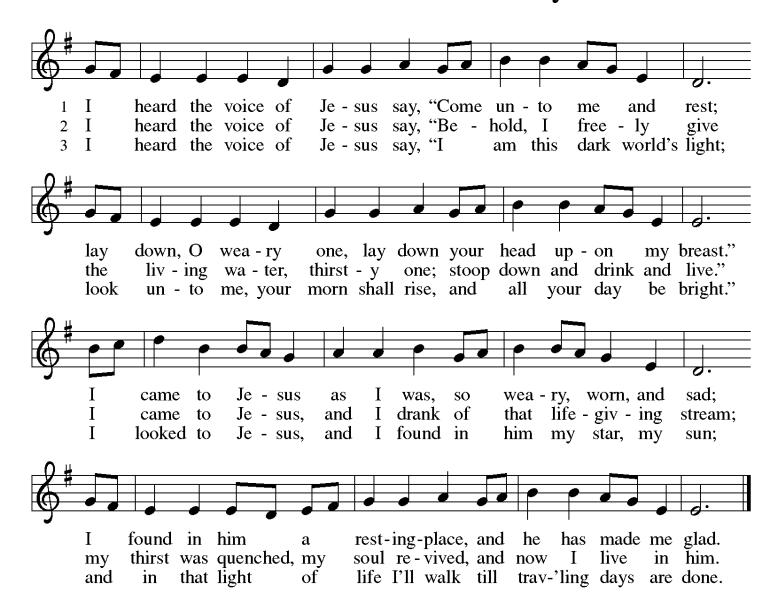
Please be seated—

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

Communion Hymns:

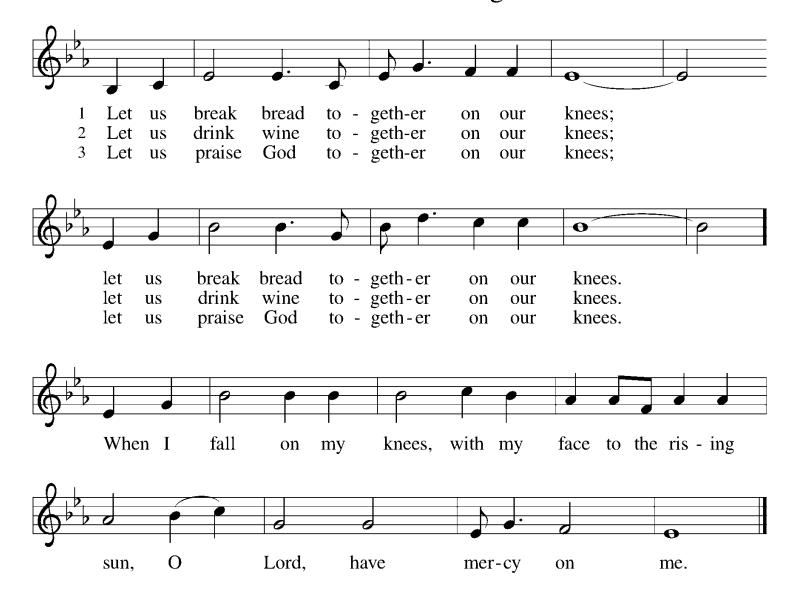
While others are communing, you are invited to sing a communion hymn or to meditate on the readings and prayers for the day. **Communion Hymn #1: ELW 611**

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say



Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808–1889 Music: KINGSFOLD, English folk tune

Let Us Break Bread Together

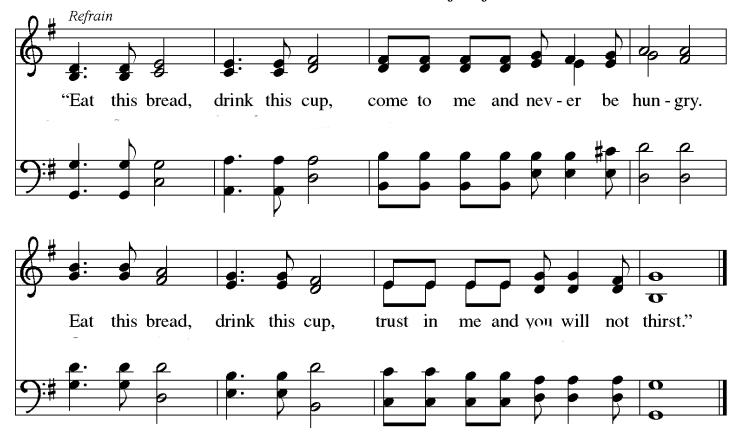


Text: African American spiritual

Music: BREAL BREAD TOGETHER, African American spiritual

Eat This Bread

Jesus Christ, Bread of Life



Text: Taizé Community

Music: BERTHIER, Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994

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SENDING

The Prayer after Communion

- P: God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C: Amen.

Announcements, Birthdays and Anniversaries

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

Pastor Zeigler will now lead a blessing for the end of our worship service, leading into our Sending Hymn.

Sending Hymn

ELW 807

Please stand as able

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing



- Come, thou Fount of ev 'ry bless-ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
- 2 Here I raise my Eb en e zer: "Hith-er by thy help I've come";
- 3 Oh, to grace how great a debt-or dai-ly I'm con-strained to be;



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud-est praise. and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home. let that grace now like a fet - ter bind my wan-d'ring heart to thee.



While the hope of end-less glo - ry fills my heart with joy and love, Je - sus sought me when a strang-er, wan-d'ring from the fold of God; Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.



teach me ev - er to a - dore thee; may I still thy good-ness prove. he, to res - cue me from dan-ger, in - ter - posed his pre-cious blood. 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

Dismissal

- P: Go in peace, serve the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

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