

Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church

Sunday

February 22, 2015

8:30

Love God,

Love our neighbors,

Serve the World

*You are invited to stand if able

Welcome

***Confession & Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who brings us out of captivity into freedom, out of the wilderness into the promised land, out of death into life. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Gracious God,

we confess that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. Forgive us and give us strength to turn from sin and to serve you in newness of life. Amen.

By water and the Holy Spirit, God gives us a new birth, and through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, God forgives us all our sins. Almighty God strengthen us in all goodness and keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

***Gathering Hymn**

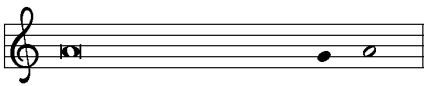
“Thy Holy Wings”


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***Greeting**


The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.


And also with you.


Cantor 
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.


Congregation 
Lord, have mer - cy.

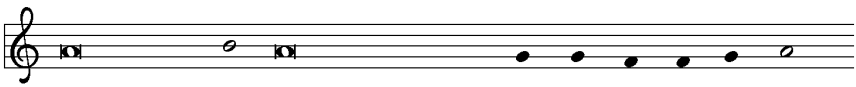
Cantor 
For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.


Congregation 
Lord, have mer - cy.


Cantor 
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,


and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation 
Lord, have mer - cy.

Cantor 
For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,


let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.


Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

***Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray.

Holy God, heavenly Father, in the waters of the flood you saved the chosen, and in the wilderness of temptation you protected your Son from sin. Renew us in the gift of baptism. May your holy angels be with us, that the wicked foe may have no power over us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

(Please be seated.)

Special Music

“We are Marching in the Light of God”

Stomp & Praise Band

First Reading: Genesis 9:8-17

Today's reading is the conclusion to the flood story. Because of human sin, the Lord destroys the earth by flood, saving only Noah, his family, and the animals on the ark. Yet divine destruction gives way to divine commitment. As in the first creation, God blesses humanity and establishes a covenant with all creatures.

⁸Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ⁹"As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, ¹⁰and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. ¹¹I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." ¹²God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: ¹³I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. ¹⁶When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." ¹⁷God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 25:1-10

¹To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

²**My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me.**

³Let none who look to you be put to shame; rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.

⁴**Show me your ways, O LORD, and teach me your paths.**

⁵Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

⁶**Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.**

⁷Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

⁸**You are gracious and upright, O LORD; therefore you teach sinners in your way.**

⁹You lead the lowly in justice and teach the lowly your way.

¹⁰**All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast love and faithfulness to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.**

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22

As God acted through Christ's suffering and death to bring us to God, so God acts through baptism to save us from a sinful existence. This spiritual cleansing marks our new life in Christ.

¹⁸For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. ²¹And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you — not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Acclamation



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and mer - ci - ful,



slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

***Gospel:** The holy gospel according to Mark, the 1st chapter.

The Spirit that comes upon Jesus at his baptism sustains him when he is tested by Satan so that he might proclaim the good news of God's reign.

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

¹²And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near, repent, and believe in the good news."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated.)

***Apostles’ Creed**

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 Intercession**

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

***Lord’s Prayer**

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.

***Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

(Please extend a greeting of peace to those around you.)

(Please be seated.)

Offering

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Announcements

***Blessing**

The blessing of God Almighty, the wisdom and power of Christ Jesus, and the light of the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

***Sending Hymn**

“Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing”

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Dismissal

Go in peace. Remember the poor.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Worship

News & Announcements

Lent Worship

Midweek Lenten services are held each Wednesday at 11:00am and 7:00pm. There is a light lunch served after the 11:00 service and supper at 5:15 before the 7:00 service.

Communion Worship

For the communion weekends in March, April and May, at both the Saturday 5:30 service and the 8:30 Sunday service, the Trinity Senior Choir will be leading the congregation in singing Marty Haugen's communion liturgy, "Now the Feast and Celebration." It is our sincere hope that everyone will find this a joyous worship experience.

Jan Thaldorf, Worship & Music

Service

News & Announcements

From the Heart Food Pantry

The March Food of the month for From the Heart Food Pantry: **Fruit**

Used Eyeglasses

Spring is right around the corner. As you are cleaning out your drawers, please remember that old eyeglasses can be donated to the Lion's Club. There is a box in the narthex for you to deposit eyeglasses. Please help those in need.

Children & Youth

News & Announcements

Confirmation Schedule

- Feb 25: Service
- March 4: Instruction
- March 11: Fellowship
- March 18: Instruction
- March 25: Service



JOLT Youth Group

We meet this week for old school board games (think Monopoly, Life and Risk). We will also brainstorm ideas for JOLT themes for future months and for spring service opportunities.

Summer High School Service Trip

Have you heard? The high school youth are going to Kansas City, Kansas this summer. This year's weeklong service trip will be from 7/26-8/1/15. We will serve through work projects half of the week and with work with community organizations for the other half. All youth entering grades 9-12 are invited to join us. Several fundraisers will hopefully help cover most of the costs and allow us to keep the student portion under \$100. Please contact Laura Cunliffe (784-9134 or cuninlax@outlook.com) for information or with questions on the trip. Please include your name, your child's name and a phone number or email address where we can contact you.

Palm Sunday Pancake Breakfast, March 29, 2015

The Palm Sunday pancake breakfast is happening. This is a fundraiser for the high school service trip this summer. To help make this a successful fundraiser, we are asking the congregation for their help. The more donations we receive, the lower our expenses. This helps up maximize the funds going toward our trip. The first opportunity to help is by donating food, money (to purchase eggs and sausage), or your time for the breakfast. There is a board in the narthex where you will be able to indicate where you can help. Another way you can help is by coming to the breakfast. We will be serving from 7:30 – 11:30. The cost is \$6.00 per person ages 13 and over, \$4.00 for children ages 4–12 and free for children ages 3 and under. Thank you for supporting our youth. Please contact Laura Cunliffe (784-9134 or cuninlax@gmail.com) with any questions.

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Soup and bread. Lenten Lunch, Wednesday, February 25, following 11:00 service. Chili, garlic toast, crackers and cheese. \$5.00

Light Lenten Dinner. Wednesday, February 25, 5:30-6:30. Tater Tot Hotdish Plus. \$5.00

Sunday Brunch There will be NO brunch in March because of all the Lenten meals being served. See you in April!.

Help Wanted: Meatball and Lefse Dinner Coordinator. If you can't do it alone, perhaps you have a friend or relative that would share the coordination with you. There are lots of people who are willing. Please call Bonnie Jeranek at 784-2996.

Next Congregational Life Ministry Meeting, Monday, March 9 at 7pm in the library.

Giving Envelopes

For those of you that requested giving envelopes, they are now available for you to pick up in the narthex. There is a red number on the packet of envelopes—please sign your name on the sheet next to that number. Please do not take envelopes until you have signed, so we know what number you have.

Giving Statements

Giving statements for 2014 are available for you to pick up in the narthex.

10:30 Service

This week

John 15:15

Actions don't always speak louder than words. If this is your love language, unsolicited compliments mean the world to you. Hearing the words, "I love you," is important—hearing the reasons behind that love sends your spirits skyward. Insults can leave you shattered and are not easily forgotten. This week we hear God speak this language to us, and learn how to speak this language to others.

Next Week

Quality Time—Mark 2:13-17

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Serve the World*

The bulletin for the 8:30 radio worship service and the monthly newsletter are available on our website: trinitylutheranlax.org

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Next Week in Worship

Second Weekend in Lent

Next week's Readings

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

Psalms 22:23-31

Romans 4:13-25

Mark 8:31-38

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January Giving

\$16,114

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January Budgeted

\$26,441

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Year to Date

Giving: \$28,549

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Year to Date through Feb.

Budgeted: \$49,737

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Prayer Requests

Please keep the following people in your prayers: Mike Sanding, Hilda Melde, & Military Members Austin Bekkum & Justin Boardman

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Office Hours

Monday—Thursday 8:30-4:30

Bulletin deadline: Noon at Wed.

Service Times

Saturdays 5:30pm

Sundays 8:30 & 10:30

Radio Broadcast Sunday morning at 8:30

WKTY 580 AM

This Week at Trinity

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22

6p JOLT: Old School Game Night

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23

9a TOPS

4-7 Northside Kids' Clothes Closet

5-6p Monday's Meals

5:30-8P From the Heart Food Pantry

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

7p Boy Scouts

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

11a Worship

Confirmation: sevice

7p Worship

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27