

Trinity Lutheran Church

March 13th,
2024

Lenten Worship

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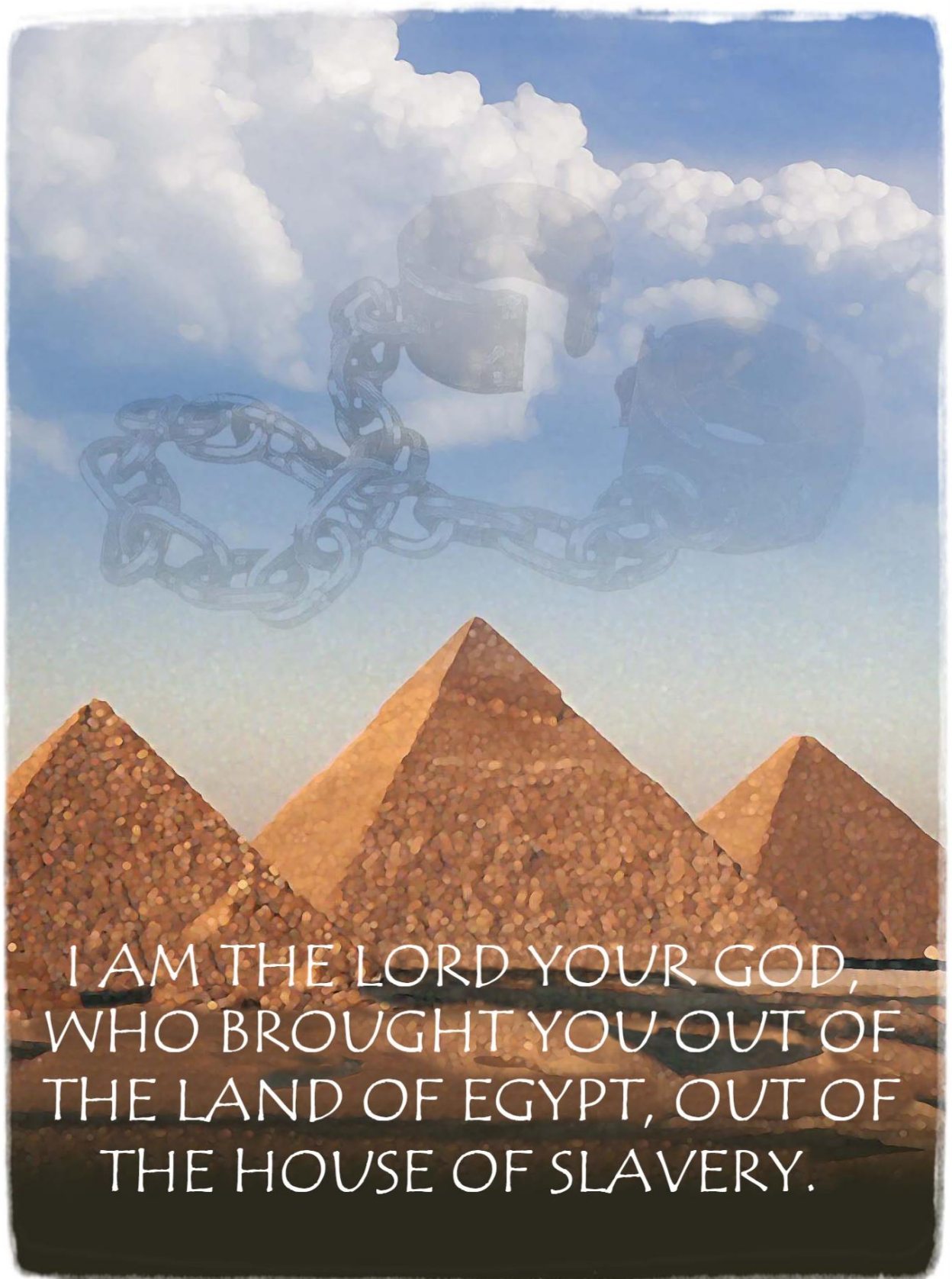
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I AM THE LORD YOUR GOD,
WHO BROUGHT YOU OUT OF
THE LAND OF EGYPT, OUT OF
THE HOUSE OF SLAVERY.

Wednesday, March 13th, 2024
Pastor Grant Fischer

“GOD’S RADICAL LOVE, LIVED OUR EVERY DAY”

THE LORD JESUS CHRIST WELCOMES ALL who enter this house of worship! Today the risen Christ calls all to faith as we come to receive his presence and promise of forgiveness & life.

WORSHIP AIDS

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS are available at the Greeting Table.

ACTIVITY BAGS for young children are on a stand at the rear of church; please return it after services—thank you.

GATHERING

Please be silent and in reflection as we await Worship Service

GREETING

The love of God poured into our hearts, the saving grace of Jesus Christ, and the abundant life of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

FIRST ACT OF WORSHIP Our Offering *We Give Thee But Thine Own* ELW 686



- 1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;
- 2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive,
- 3 The cap - tive to re - lease, to God the lost to bring,
- 4 And we be - lieve thy word, though dim our faith may be:



all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.
to teach the way of life and peace—it is a Christ - like thing.
what - e'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it un - to thee.

(THE USHERS BRING UP THE OFFERING)

OPENING PRAYER

O God, rich in mercy, full of kindness, out of your great love, you raise us up from sin and death and make us alive together with Christ. Write your word upon our hearts and restore in us the image of your love that, by your Spirit, our way of life may become the way of Christ, through whom we pray. **Amen.**

Silence

4 I will weep when you are weep - ing; when you laugh I'll
laugh with you. I will share your joy and sor - row
till we've seen this jour - ney through.

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways, by the prophets,
but in these last days God has spoken to us by the Son.

He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being,
and he sustains all things by his powerful word.

Since we have confidence by the new and living way opened for us by Jesus,
let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith.

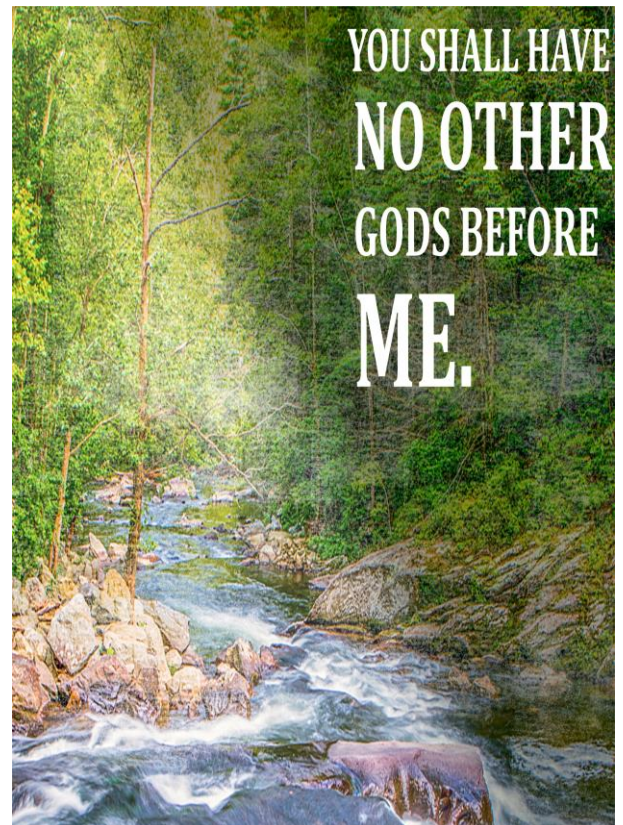
THE WORD

Deuteronomy 6:20-25

The Reading is from Deuteronomy chapter 6, verses 20-25.

When your children ask you in time to come, "What is the meaning of the decrees and the statutes and the ordinances that the LORD our God has commanded you?" then you shall say to your children, "We were Pharaoh's slaves in Egypt, but the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand. The LORD displayed before our eyes great and awesome signs and wonders against Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his household. He brought us out from there in order to bring us in, to give us the land that he promised on oath to our ancestors. Then the LORD commanded us to observe all these statutes, to fear the LORD our God, for our lasting good, so as to keep us alive, as is now the case. If we diligently observe this entire commandment before the LORD our God, as he has commanded us, we will be in the right."

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**



MESSAGE

Pastor Grant Fischer

1 Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
 3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite would I with - hold;

take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in cease - less praise.
 take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
 take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sag - es from thee.
 take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

PRAYER

Surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

Faithful God, shower the world with your loving kindness, **that all may know your peace.**

Open our eyes to the needs of our neighbors, **that all may know your love.**

Comfort the sick and dying, **that all may know your mercy.**

Guide our leaders in the way of truth, **that all may know your justice.**

Focus our hearts on the way of the cross, **that all may have faith in you.**

Let us pray in the words of Martin Luther:

Behold, Lord, an empty vessel that needs to be filled. My Lord, fill it. I am weak in the faith; strengthen me. I am cold in love; warm me and make me fervent, that my love may go out to my neighbor. I do not have a strong and firm faith; at times I doubt and am unable to trust you altogether. O Lord, help me. Strengthen my faith and trust in you. In you I have sealed the treasure of all I have. I am poor; you are rich and came to be merciful to the poor. I am a sinner; you are upright. With me, there is an abundance of sin; in you is the fullness of righteousness. Therefore I will remain with you, of whom I can receive, but to whom I may not give. Amen. (Evangelical Lutheran Worship, p. 87)

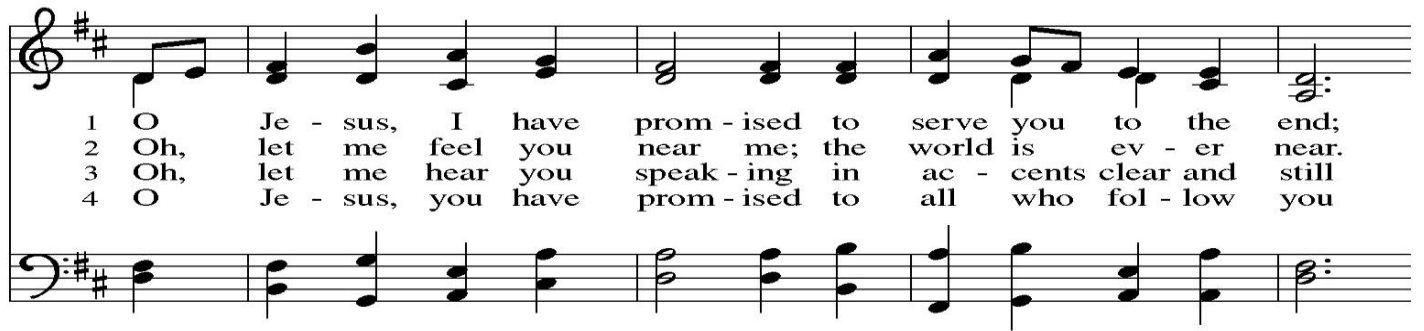
Lord's Prayer

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.

CLOSING HYMN

Oh Jesus, I Have Promised

ELW #810



1 O Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;
 2 Oh, let me feel you near me; the world is ev - er near.
 3 Oh, let me hear you speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still you
 4 O Je - sus, you have prom - ised to all who fol - low you



re - main for - ev - er near me, my mas - ter and my friend.
 I see the sights that daz - zle, the tempt - ing sounds I hear.
 a - bove the storms of pas - sion, the mur - murs of self - will.
 that where you are in glo - ry your ser - vant shall be too.



I shall not fear the bat - tle if you are by my side,
 My foes are ev - er near me, a - round me and with - in;
 Now speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;
 And Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;



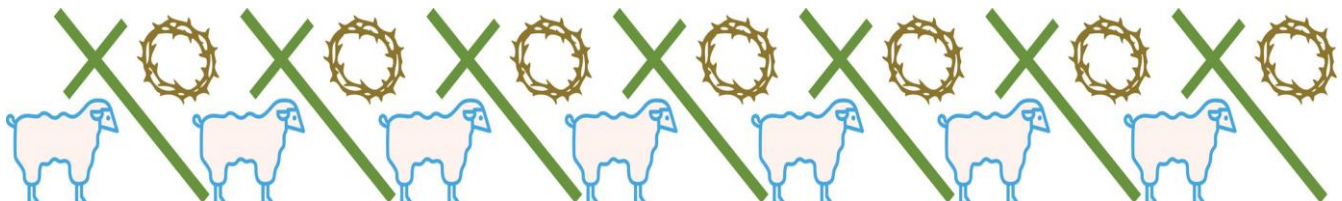
nor wan - der from the path - way if you will be my guide.
 but, Je - sus, then draw near - er to shield my soul from sin.
 now speak and make me lis - ten, O Guard - ian of my soul.
 oh, give me grace to fol - low, my mas - ter and my friend.

BLESSING

The God of peace, who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, make you complete in everything good so that you may do God's will, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace and serve the Lord someplace else. We will and thanks be to God.



Commercial: Frogs Without Legs Can't Hear: Nurturing Disciples In Home And Congregation – From Amazon – maybe or Augsburg Fortress Publishing, or <https://www.abebooks.com/> or <https://www.alibris.com>

OUR THANKS TO ALL WHO SERVE THE BODY OF CHRIST

6:30 pm Wednesday Worship	
Accompanist	Cindy Anderson
Acolytes	Hayden Domeier
Readers	Kelsey Ladd
Sound Techs	Russ Sorensen
Greeters	Gavin Fischer, Blaine Arneson
Ushers	Jon Hansen, Riley Voigt, Kenley Jensen
Altar Guild	Joleen Dittbenner



Meals are served from 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm each Wednesday.
This Week we thank the Evangelism & Stewardship Boards.
Cost for the meal is a Free Will Offering.

All Wednesday Lenten service offerings are designated for the **General Fund**. Quarter folders and/or film canisters are available to fill with coins. The **Lenten quarter folders** as well as the **Lenten supper donations** have been designated for Green Lake Bible Camp Scholarships



Thank You



MEALS THAT MATTER Remember! Prepared frozen meals are in the freezer for you to deliver to a friend or neighbor who have had a life changing event- illness, birth of a baby, death in the family, etc...
Be the hands of Jesus!



The Boards of Trinity cordially invite you to join us for supper each week before the evening service and Church School at 6:30.

We are raising funds to support Summer Church Camp with the help of Thrivent Action Teams

Meals are served from 5:30 pm – 6:15 pm each Wednesday
Cost for the meal is a Free Will Offering

March 20th: Choice of Four Soups, Bread, Beverage and Dessert
Lay Ministry & Fellowship Child Friendly Option



“Breaking Bread Together” will meet at the Lions Waffle Brunch today after Fellowship. Please join us as we support our Sleepy Eye Lions Club. They do so much for our community!

Your Evangelism Board

Sleepy Eye Lions Club

Dad's Belgian Waffle Brunch

Sunday, March 17th, 2024
8:30 am to 12:30 pm
 Snow date: March 24th



ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT
WAFFLES, SAUSAGES, FLAVORED SYRUPS,
SUGAR-FREE SYRUP AVAILABLE AND
WHIPPED TOPPINGS, COFFEE, MILK & WATER

~ Adults (at the door) \$10.00
 (In Advance) \$9.00
 ~ Children 6-11 (at the door) \$6.00
 (In Advance) \$5.00
 ~ Under 6 FREE
 ~ Take-outs available

Tickets available at the
 Elementary Public School Office,
 First Security Agency
 or from any Lions member.

Sleepy Eye Public School Cafeteria
 Use Elementary Wing Doors

 **Sponsored by Sleepy Eye Lions Club**
 Proceeds go to Lions Community Projects and
 Minnesota Lions Eye Bank - In honor of Lion Bridget Hillesheim, Sleepy Eye Lions



Holy Week
Maundy Thursday &
Good Friday Worship 6:30 PM

Easter Sunday
Sunrise Worship at 6:30 AM
Worship at 9:00 AM

Join Us For
Palm Sunday
Cinnamon Rolls

With Coffee and Juice
Sunday, March 24th

10:00-11:00 Am

In the Church Library
(To Go Also Available)

Free Will Donations for Our
WELCA Mission Projects

The women of Trinity Thank You.



The well enjoyed Progressive Supper is BACK! Please mark your calendars for Sunday April 28th, to join in an evening filled with fellowship, fun, and great food. **Please sign up by April 14th.** We are in need of 4 hosts to open their homes for this event. Please contact Ashley Fischer at 507-766-2647 if you are willing to be a host. Watch for more details on time and cost in future church publications. A sign-up sheet is in the church office.

What is the Progressive Supper? Attendees will travel by car to enjoy each course of the meal at 4 different homes. Attendees will be asked to provide a dish for one of the four courses.

