Trinity Lutheran Church

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First Sunday In Lent

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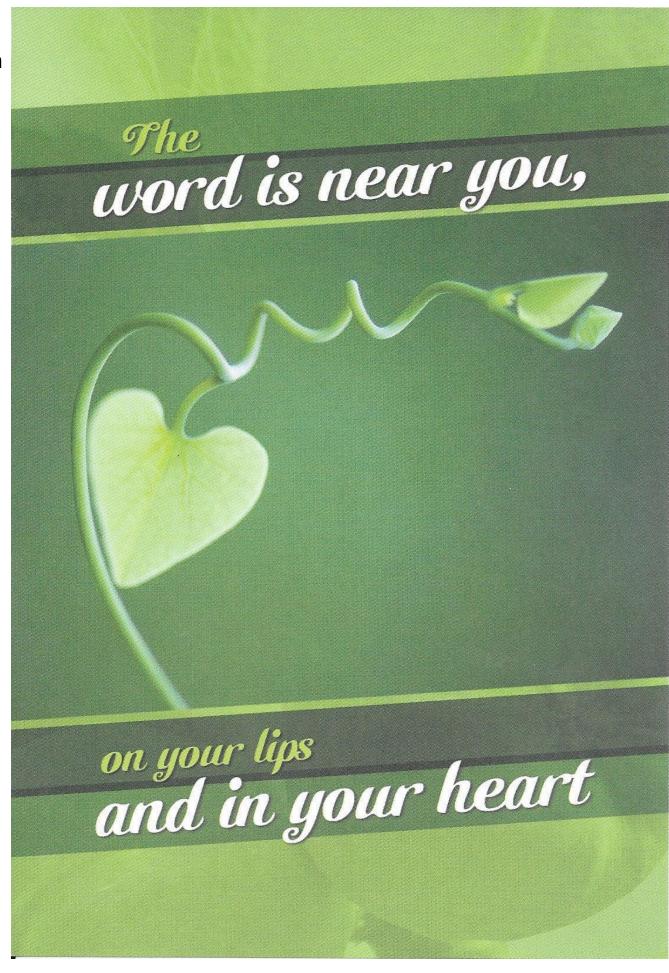
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FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT HOLY COMMUNION



9:00 AM MARCH 6TH, 2022

THE LORD JESUS CHRIST WELCOMES ALL! We are gathered in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ who beckons us to come to Him in faith and repentance. May the gospel of the Lord inspire and fill you with the Spirit! Fellowship & refreshments are available in the Library immediately following our Sunday worship.

GATHERING

WE PREPARE: 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. This is no small pilgrimage on which we have just embarked. It is a struggle Jesus knew. It is a struggle Jesus shares. The nearness of the Lord, in bread and wine, water and word, will uphold and sustain us.

RINGING OF THE BELL / PARISH NOTICES

Special Music from our Sunday School & Children's Message

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the + holy Trinity, the one who fashions us, the one who heals us, the one who reforms us again and again. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin, calling for God's transforming power.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Source of all life,

we confess that we have not allowed your grace to set us free. We fear that we are not good enough. We hear your word of love freely given to us, yet we expect others to earn it. We turn the church inward, rather than moving it outward. Forgive us. Stir us. Reform us to be a church powered by love, willing to speak for what is right, act for what is just, and seek the healing of your whole creation. Amen.

God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us and to empower our lives in the world. Our sins are forgiven, \pm God's love is unconditional, and we are raised up as God's people who will always be made new, in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**



1 You who dwell in the shel-ter of the Lord, who a-bide in this shad-ow for life,



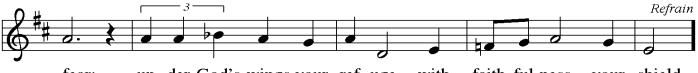


And he will raise you up on ea-gle's wings, bear you on the breath on dawn,





2 The snare of the fowl-er will nev-er cap-ture you, and fam-ine will bring you no

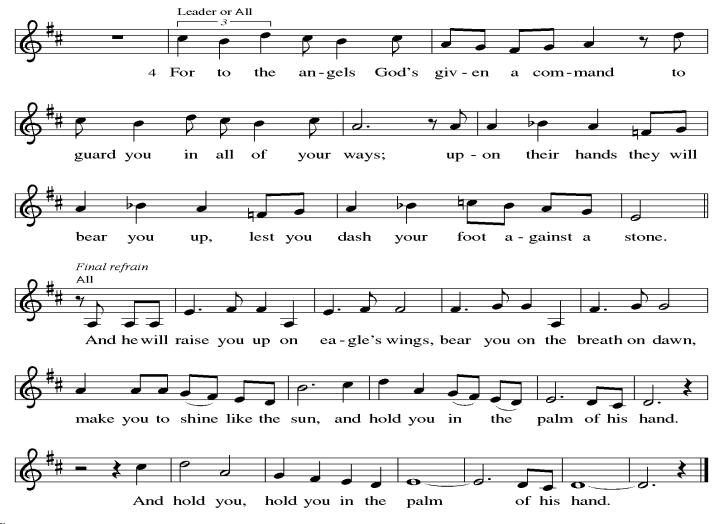


fear; un-der God's wings your ref-uge, with faith-ful-ness your shield.



3 You need not fear the ter-ror of the night, nor the ar-row that flies by





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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

The first reading is in Deuteronomy chapter 26, verses 1-11.

When 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, you 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. You 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." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, you 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. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The 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; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So 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. Then 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.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

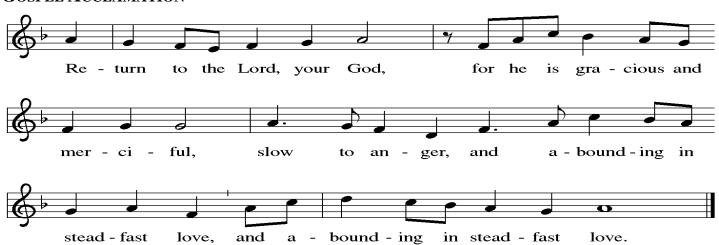
SECOND READING Romans 10:8b-13

The second reading is in Romans chapter 10, verses 8b-13.

"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL Luke 4:1-13

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 4th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where 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. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.""

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And 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. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

Then 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, for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."

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

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**



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 to the dead. 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 CHURCH

HYMN FOR PEACE

THE LIFE OF THE NATIONS

MEAL

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION

Come, eat, drink, and live the life God has for you.



COMMUNION BLESSING The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

(THE USHERS BRING UP THE OFFERING)

PRAYER OF THANKS

Be known to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, as you were made known to the disciples. Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world. Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **Amen.**

SENDING

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

Amen.



DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Our Thanks to All Who Serve the Body of Christ

SUNDAY	9:00 am Worship	Noon & 7:00 pm Wednesday
Accompanist	Mary Mulry	Mary Mulry
Acolyte	Brayden Heiderscheidt	Destiney Dittbenner
Readers	Karen Voge	
Communion Assistants	Harold Pettis, Lee Johnson, Mark Miller	
Sound Techs	Russ Sorensen	Russ Sorensen
Greeters	Rose Wall & Connie Johnson	
Ushers	Mike Petersen & Mark Miller	Jon Hansen
Altar Guild	Sara Sellner and Beth Klein	

Lenten Devotionals are available on the tables for all. Please use them to ready yourself for this Holy Season.



SOUP SUPPERS ARE BACK FOR LENT! Four choices of Soup along with bread will be served from 5:30-6:30. Lenten Worship will begin at 7:00pm. The Boards will serve the meal. Please join us for fellowship and Worship!

Many thanks to those supplying the soup!

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!*



OUR 2022 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE IS UNDERWAY. Membership is \$5 and greatly



appreciated. Envelopes are available in the narthex. Please put your name on an envelope with donation inside, and place the envelope in the offering plate or leave it in the office.

This year Trinity is hosting Bingo on the fifth Friday of the months of April, July, September and December. The Home asks for two volunteers to assist. We will also be hosting the May 12th Birthday Party. We are asked to provide entertainment, two volunteers, and \$25 for cake and ice cream.

Thank you from St John's Home!

SLEEPY EYE MARCH FOOD DRIVE

Please donate for those in need.

Monetary gifts can be mailed to:

Lori Sellner, Treasurer SHEAF, 221 4th Ave SW Apt 4,

Sleepy Eye, MN 56085. You will receive a receipt.

Non-perishable food items can be delivered to the various

collection boxes in town: Schutz's Family Foods, St. Mary's Catholic Church, Trinity Lutheran Church or directly to the food shelf.

If you are interested in volunteering at the food shelf, please let us know. We especially appreciate someone who is able to help our clients carry their groceries up the stairs. The food shelf is open from 4-6 on Mondays.



LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE UKRAINE CONFLICT

FEBRUARY 2015

www.ELCA.org/disaster

Ongoing conflict in eastern Ukraine has forced millions of people to flee their homes. Currently, nearly 1 million people are displaced within Ukraine and approximately 650,000 people have fled to neighboring countries. Many are living in overcrowded, underground shelters with limited access to basic necessities.

As a church, we are called to respond. Lutheran Disaster Response is committed to walking with our brothers and sisters in Ukraine who are fleeing from the conflict. We are working with our partners from ACT Alliance,

Hungarian Interchurch Aid and the Russian Orthodox Church, to provide food, diapers, blankets, water, health kits, hygiene kits and psychosocial services to assist those who have fled their homes.

But we can't do this alone. Your gifts are needed for the Ukraine Conflict and will be used in full (100 percent) to assist those directly impacted. Working with our partners who are on the ground, your gifts will provide lifesaving essentials. Thank you for your prayers, your partnership and your gifts.

Yes, I want to help!			
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Make your check out to Lutheran Disaster Response and give through your congregation or send your check directly to:

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, ELCA Gifts Processing Center, P.O. Box 1809, Merrifield, VA 22116-8009 and write "Ukraine Conflict" or "Where needed most" on your check's memo line.



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.

Worship the Lord.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These readings are related to the Lectionary readings for this Sunday.

Sunday Luke 4:1-13 The temptation of Jesus

Monday Romans 10:8-13 Salvation is for all

Tuesday 1 Corinthians 10:1-13 Be careful that you don't fall Wednesday Luke 22:39-46 Jesus on the Mount of Olives

Thursday James 1:2-18 Trials and temptations
Friday Genesis 39 Joseph resists temptation

Saturday Psalm 119:1-16 The word of God

Sunday Luke 13:31-35 Jesus' sorrow over Jerusalem



SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Jesus answered, "The Scriptures say: 'Worship the Lord your God and serve only him!"

SAY, PRAY AND BLESS:

A Prayer for the Week:

O God, Make me strong when I am tempted to do wrong. Help me to do what is right and good. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

You give us bread for living, O God. Save us from living for bread. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May God bless you with love. May God rescue and protect you, and give you long life. Amen. (Psalm 91:14-16)

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home or small group:

Share about a time when you felt tempted. What happened?

How did the devil test Jesus? How did Jesus respond?

What can we learn from the way Jesus responded?

DEVOTIONS

Lent is a season of the church year when we focus on prayer. As a family or household, make the decision to pray for specific things each day of the week throughout Lent. Here are some ideas:

Sunday: For pastors and other church workers, and for the ministry of your congrega-tion

Monday: For missions and missionaries

Tuesday: For friends and neighbors, and for those who don't know Christ

Wednesday: For political leaders and world peace

Thursday: For colleagues at work or school

Friday: For your relatives

Saturday: For personal needs or concerns

You may want to print or write up your chosen schedule and post it where all can see.

SERVICE

Think of a food item that is especially tempting for your household, but with which you could do without. Decide to forgo it for this week or longer, and set aside the money saved to donate to charity.

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Set up a "crown of thorns" wreath as a home devotional focus. Make or purchase a grapevine wreath to use as the base. Insert six purple candles, one for each week of Lent, and a white candle to represent Christ. Light one candle for this week, two for the week after, and so on. Begin Holy Week (on Palm Sunday) with all of the candles lit, then extinguish one candle each night thereafter. Light the Christ candle as you celebrate Jesus' resurrection on Easter Sunday, and decorate the wreath with flowers.

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In addition to Taking Faith Home, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: www.milestonesministry.org

Please take your bulletin home for weekly devotions



Trinity's Mission Statement We are a community where Jesus is Lord: our mission is to invite, welcome, nurture, and equip all

people to be disciples in His name.

TRINITY'S PRAYER CHAIN Send an email to <u>secretary@trinitysleepyeye.org</u> or call the office at 507 794-5051. Leave a message. TRINITY'S WEBPAGE Send an email to the church office at <u>secretary@trinitysleepyeye.org</u> and let Darlene know you want your newsletter

via email!
TRINITY IS NOW ON FACEBOOK
CHECK IT OUT!!

"Trinity Lutheran (ELCA) Sleepy Eye MN"

The Trinity Tidings newsletter is now also posted on www.sleepyeyeonline.com watch this site for community news and events.



If you haven't already, please consider *Simply Giving*, an automated giving program for your offering. You determine the frequency of your offering which is deposited into Trinity's account the same day it is withdrawn from your account. It's a "hassle-free" way to give.

Talk to Pat or Darlene if you are interested. Thank You. Please pick up your statements and envelopes in your mailbox. Thank You!

This Week's Prayer Concerns

<u>Pray for the Church</u>...that the Holy Spirit would empower us to live in the image of God so that we would speak and act in every way bringing glory to God before all the nations and peoples with what we have been given...

<u>Pray for our World</u>...that pain of this Covid-19 pandemic, which has penetrated so many lives that your light Lord would help us to see your presence and that the Spirit would lead us to seek the truth and practice grace for all who are hurting...

<u>Pray for all who are ill, afflicted, or recovering...</u>that the Holy Spirit would give comfort and daily strength to Judy, Beth, Sue, Joan, Lois, Joyce, Dylan, Emma, Ed, Story, Tina, Tammy, Ethan, Robyn, David, Carmen, Julia Ann, Linette, Tammy, John, Sandy, Tony, Ted, Connor, Sue, Ed, Kimora, and Mary Jo.

<u>Pray for the beloved...</u> who now rest from their labors in God's mercy and for all who mourn the personal loss of loved ones.... that God would fill each one with the hope of our Lord's promise to bring us to a new heaven and earth where suffering, crying, pain and death will be no more....

<u>Pray for all families</u>...that the Holy Spirit would bring compassion and mercy to all who are separated from one another and each would give way to mercy, love and reconciliation...

<u>Pray for those preparing for marriage and those newly married</u>...that God would be glorified in their union, filling every couple with the light and truth of God's grace and power throughout their lives ...

Pray for the men and women serving in the Armed Forces and those far from home...for Brady Augustin and his wife (Donna Augustin's son stationed in Italy)...and for all of our military Veterans that the Holy Spirit would guard them in safety and keep their hearts stayed in Christ...

<u>Pray for the missionaries of our church (ELCA)</u>...that they proclaim their witness of the Gospel throughout the world.

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