

# Trinity Lutheran Church

March 30,  
2025

Fourth Sunday  
in Lent

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**HE WAS LOST, AND IS FOUND.**

**LUKE 15:32**

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

Fourth  
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9:00 AM MARCH 30<sup>TH</sup>, 2025

**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...** *The psalm sets the tone this day: "Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away!" Happy are those who have "become the righteousness of God" in the merits of Christ Jesus. Happy are those for whom the forgiveness of God has "rolled away . . . the disgrace" of former times. Happy is the father at the return of his prodigal son. Happy are we that our sins are forgiven for Jesus' sake. Rejoice!*

### PRELUDE/ PARISH NOTICES/ RINGING OF THE BELL

### 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, † 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 A - maz - ing grace! — how sweet the sound — that  
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and  
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I  
 4 The Lord has been prom - ised good to me; his  
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but  
 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that  
 have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me  
 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and  
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

now am found; was blind, but now I see.  
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!  
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.  
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.  
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

**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**

God of compassion, you welcome the wayward, and you embrace us all with your mercy. By our baptism clothe us with garments of your grace, and feed us at the table of your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

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# WORD

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## FIRST READING

Joshua 5:9-12

The first reading is in Joshua chapter 5, verses 9 - 12. By celebrating the Passover and eating the produce of the promised land instead of the miraculous manna that had sustained them in the desert, the Israelites symbolically bring their forty years of wilderness wandering to an end at Gilgal.

*The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day.*

*While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.*

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

## SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

The second reading is in 2 Corinthians chapter 5, verses 16 - 21. One way to describe the gospel is the promise that in Christ everything is transformed into newness. All mistakes, all deliberate sins, all old history is reconciled with Christ's resurrection. This is Paul's strong message to the congregation in the city of Corinth.

*From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.*

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.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 15<sup>th</sup> chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."*

*So he told them this parable:*

*"There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands." ' So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe — the best one — and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate.*

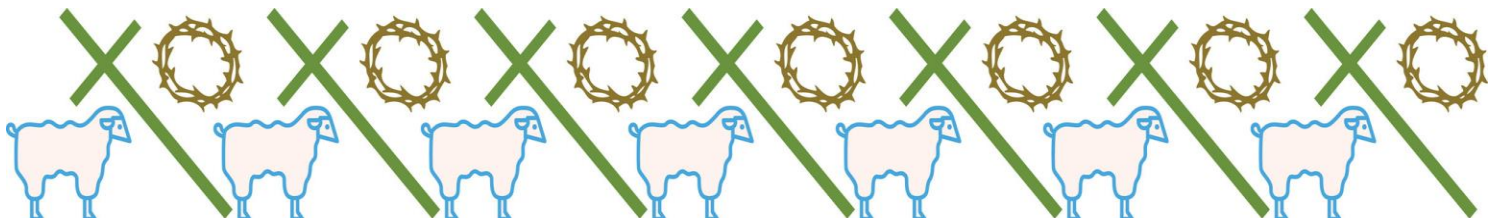
*Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"*

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Pastor Dave Nissen





1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,  
 2 I love to tell the sto - ry: how pleas - ant to re - peat  
 3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best



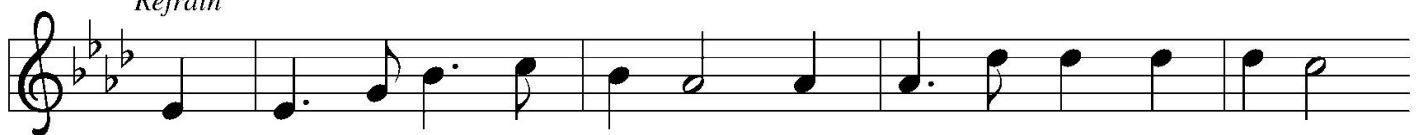
of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.  
 what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!  
 seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it like the rest.



I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;  
 I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard  
 And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,



it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else would do.  
 the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.  
 I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

*Refrain*

I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry



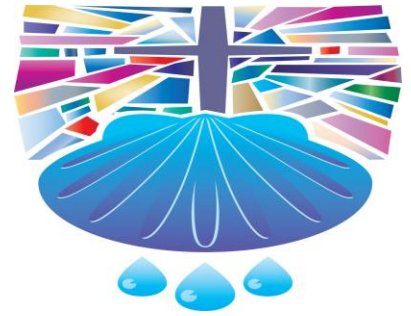
to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

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# HOLY BAPTISM

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In baptism our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; by water and the Holy Spirit we are reborn children of God and made members of the church, the body of Christ. Living with Christ and in the communion of saints, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.



I present **Olivia Grace Havemeier** for baptism.

As you bring Olivia to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with them among God's faithful people, bring her to the word of God and the holy supper, teach Olivia the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in her hands the holy scriptures, and nurture her in faith and prayer, so that Olivia may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help Olivia grow in the Christian faith and life? **I do.**

Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Olivia in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help her live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church? **I do.**

People of God, do you promise to support Olivia and pray for her in his new life in Christ?  
**We do.**

## **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God? **I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God? **I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God? **I renounce them.**

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

## **THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

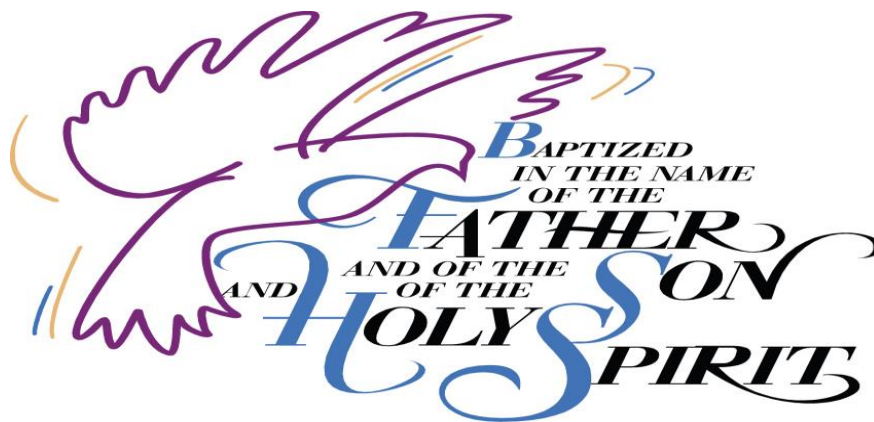
Olivia Grace Havemeier, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

Sustain Olivia with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **Amen.**

Olivia Grace Havemeier, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. **Amen.**

Let us welcome the newly baptized. **We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**



PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: respond after Lord, God of grace,



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

SHARING THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**



1 What feast of love is of - fered here, what ban - quet come from heav - en?  
 2 What light of truth is of - fered here, what cov - e - nant from heav - en?  
 3 What wine of love is of - fered here, what crim - son drink from heav - en?



What food of ev - er - last - ing life, what gra - cious gift is giv - en?  
 What hope of ev - er - last - ing life, what won - drous word is giv - en?  
 What stream of ev - er - last - ing life, what pre - cious blood is giv - en?



This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from heav - en.  
 This, this is Christ the king, the sun come down from heav - en.  
 This, this is Christ the king, the sweet - est wine of heav - en.



Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the man - na giv - en!  
 Oh, see and hear and sing! The Word of God is giv - en!  
 Oh, taste and see and sing! The Son of God is giv - en!

(The Ushers bring up the offering)

## OFFERING PRAYER

Gracious Provider, you set your immense treasures among us, opening your heart to the world. As we prepare to feast on your bountiful love, deepen our commitment to sharing those treasures with others, through our Savior, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

Together, let us pray with confidence the words our Savior gave us:

**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.**

## 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.**

1 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.

## DISMISSAL

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

## Our Thanks To All Who Serve The Body Of Christ

| SUNDAY             | 9:00 am Worship                  | Wednesday 7:00 pm Worship |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Accompanist</b> | Cindy Anderson                   | Pastor Dave               |
| <b>Acolyte</b>     | Ryder Braun                      | Caleb Oscarson            |
| <b>Readers</b>     | Harold Pettis                    | Davin Suess               |
| <b>Sound Techs</b> | Russ Sorensen                    | ***                       |
| <b>Greeters</b>    | Rose Wall, Connie Johnson        | ***                       |
| <b>Ushers</b>      | Doug Domeier & Mark Miller       | Jon Hansen, Riley Voigt   |
| <b>Altar Guild</b> | Judy Johnson & Joleen Dittbenner |                           |



**WE WELCOME** into the Trinity family **Olivia Grace Havemeier**, daughter of Brandon and Danielle Havemeier. Olivia was born June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024. She is sponsored by Alisa and Sam Heiderscheidt. May God give them the servant faith to fulfill the promises made before God and this congregation today, bringing Olivia to share eternally in the Kingdom of God. God bless Olivia Grace in her life of faith!

**EASTER PLANTS ARE AVAILABLE FOR ORDER TODAY!** If you would like a plant in memory or in honor of a loved one(s) you may now place your order by signing-up in the church office. There is a nice variety of plants to choose from to brighten our sanctuary on Easter morning, which you are welcomed to take home with you after the 9:00 am Easter service. The deadline for your order is *April 1st*.



Envelopes for 2025 St John's Auxiliary are now in the narthex. \$5 suggested. Please put your name on the envelope. Place in offering or leave in office. If you are interested in helping residents with Bingo please let me know. We host bingo when there is a fifth Friday in the month. Thank you! Trinity representative, Judy Weedman, 507-227-1659. Thank you!

**The Board of Lay Ministry is putting together a new pictorial directory. We are doing the pictures ourselves. The pictures will be taken on Sundays until May 15<sup>th</sup> in the Library. If you have a family photo you would like to use that is fine also. The deadline is May 15. You may submit photos to [wahlborg@sleepyeyetel.net](mailto:wahlborg@sleepyeyetel.net)**



*The Living Lutheran Magazine is again being published quarterly. Please sign up in the office if you would like your family to receive a quarterly copy. It will be sent free of charge to members who wish to subscribe through the Church. 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 at 7:00 and Church School at 6:00.**

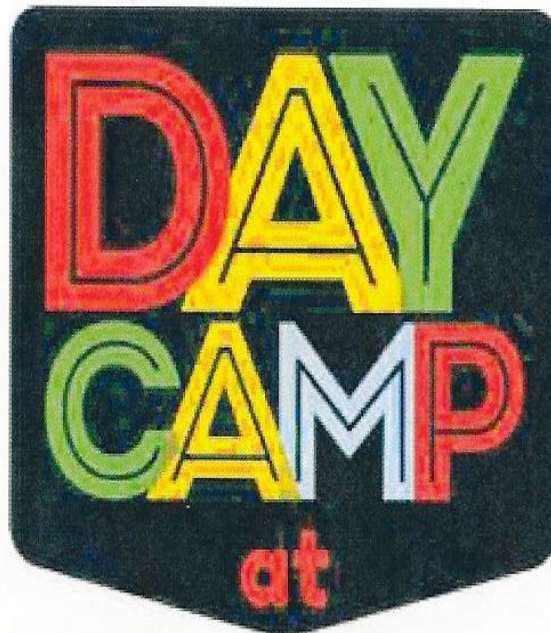
**We are raising funds to support Summer Church Camp  
with the help of Thrivent Action Teams**

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

**April 2<sup>nd</sup>: Choice of Four Soups, Bread, Beverage and Dessert**  
Evangelism and Stewardship

**April 9<sup>th</sup>: Choice of Four Soups, Bread, Beverage and Dessert**  
Lay Ministry & Fellowship





# Trinity Lutheran Church Sleepy Eye June 9-12th

**Discover fun, friendship, and faith  
through exciting activities, Bible  
stories, and outdoor adventures.**

**Who:** Prek-6th Grade

**When:** Prek-kindergarten 9:00am-12:30

1st-6th grade 9:00am-2:30pm

**Cost:** \$40 per child this includes Registration, Lunch, Snack, and t-shirt  
Please complete the attached form.



SLEEPY EYE COMMUNITY THEATER PRESENTS

# BROADWAY & BREWS

LOCAL CRAFT BEER AND LOCAL TALENT COME TOGETHER FOR A NIGHT OF MUSICAL MAGIC

FEATURING SONGS FROM



## APRIL 10 & 11 AT SEBC

PORK CHOP DINNER @ 6:30 | SHOW @ 7:00

ONLY 50 DINNER THEATER TICKETS PER NIGHT!  
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MARCH CAMPAIGN

Sleepy Eye Food Shelf

March 1 - April 6, 2025

# feed Minnesota

March 1 - April 6, 2025 Sleepy Eye Area Food Shelf  
 Non-Perishable Food Drop Off Boxes: Schutz Family Foods, St. Mary's Church, Trinity Lutheran Church, and at Food Shelf-Only on Mondays 4-6 pm  
 Cash Donations - Send check to: Sleepy Eye Food Shelf PO Box 492 Sleepy Eye, MN 56085  
 Questions: Call Ann McCabe 507-794-4478 or Josie Rose 507-794-7130



March 30, 2025

## ***God forgives our sins, and we forgive one another.***

### **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

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

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|------------------|------------------------------|--|
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>Luke 15:1-3,11b-32</b>    | <b>Parable of the forgiving father</b> |
| <b>Monday</b>    | <b>Psalm 32</b>              | <b>The blessing of forgiveness</b>     |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | <b>2 Corinthians 5:16-21</b> | <b>The ministry of reconciliation</b>  |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>Genesis 45:25—46:30</b>   | <b>Jacob sees his son Joseph again</b> |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | <b>Luke 15:1-7</b>           | <b>The parable of the lost sheep</b>   |
| <b>Friday</b>    | <b>Romans 5:6-11</b>         | <b>Reconciled to God</b>               |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | <b>Psalm 73</b>              | <b>It is good to be near the Lord</b>  |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>John 12:1-8</b>           | <b>Mary anoints Jesus at Bethany</b>   |

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### **SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK**

**But we should be glad and celebrate! Your brother was dead, but he is now alive. He was lost and has now been found.** Luke 15:32

### **SAY, PRAY AND BLESS:**

#### **A Prayer for the Week:**

O God, help us to give your message of peace to others so that they may be brought back to you. Amen. (2 Corinthians 5:18-20)

#### **Mealtime Prayer:**

God in Heaven, you give us so much that we don't deserve. Please give us one more thing: thankful hearts! Amen.

#### **A Blessing to Give:**

May the God of grace and mercy continue to clothe you with the power of forgiveness and new life. Amen.

### **CARING CONVERSATIONS**

Discuss in your home or small group:

Talk about a time when you forgave someone. How did you feel?

Jesus told a parable about a prodigal son. How do you think the son felt when his father welcomed him back?

In what ways is God like the forgiving father?

### **DEVOTIONS**

As part of your home devotions this week, read the parable of the prodigal son (aka "Forgiving Father") found in Luke 15:11-32. If you have younger children, you may wish to act out the story. Discuss the feelings and responses of each of the main characters (younger son, father, older son) in the parable. What is Jesus trying to say to us through these characters?

### **SERVICE**

How does your congregation welcome newcomers or visitors? Talk to your pastor or a church staff member about ways you can be involved in helping newcomers and visitors feel more at home. Think about how you, as a household, can show God's welcome to people who are new to your church.

### **RITUALS AND TRADITIONS**

When the younger son returned home, his father held a feast to welcome him back. Do you have a tradition of offering hospitality to others in your home? Extend a dinner invitation to a newcomer in your congregation or neighborhood. Give roles to each person in your household in preparing for or cleaning up after the meal, to make your visitor/s feel welcome.

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***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 [secretary@trinitysleepyeye.org](mailto:secretary@trinitysleepyeye.org) or call the office at 507 794-5051. Leave a message.

**TRINITY'S WEBPAGE** Send an email to the church office at [secretary@trinitysleepyeye.org](mailto:secretary@trinitysleepyeye.org) 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](http://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.

### Last week at Trinity

|                                 |           |
|---------------------------------|-----------|
| Weekly Worship Attendance:      | 144       |
| Website                         | 100       |
| Bible Studies Attendance:       | 10+9=19   |
| Church School                   | 50        |
| Weekly Giving: (5730.00 Needed) | \$5469,46 |



*Thrivent members are reminded to direct their Choice Dollars each year any time after April 1<sup>st</sup> of the year!*

March Giving:(\$29,325.00 .Needed) \$26,609.60  
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## This Week's Prayer Concerns

Pray for Trinity...that the Holy Spirit would keep our Trinity family united as we continue in worship and in helping others as we are able ...

Pray for the Church...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...

Pray for our World...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...

Pray for all who are ill, afflicted, or recovering...that the Holy Spirit would give comfort and daily strength to **Jane, Nicole, Krista, Trisha, Mark, Darlene, Sherry, Kali, Isak, Vivian, Kim, Pam, Pat, Trish, Beth, Harold, Sarah, Chris, Kathy, Emmett, Joan, Lois, Joyce, Emma, Darell, Milo, Ed, Carlo, Dorothy, Tina, Ethan, Robyn, Carmen, Linette, Tammy, John, Tony, Ted, Connor, Kimora, and Mary Jo.**

Pray for the beloved... 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....

Pray for all families...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...

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

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

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