



A Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church In America



## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

March 6, 2022 - 10:00 AM



### Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church

As disciples of Christ seeking peace and justice in the world, we welcome, affirm, and include all people into the fullness of God's love. We celebrate people of all races, cultures, ages, sexual orientations, gender identities, physical or mental abilities, socioeconomic statuses, appearances, family status and citizenship as equally loved and valued in the eyes of God and in this place. All are invited to join this community as we worship God, grow in faith, and strive to love and serve one another. All, without exception, are welcome in this place.

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of her father, Keith Warnecke, on his 70th birthday and in honor of her birthday by Amy Milionis.

## SERVING TODAY

Presiding Minister & Preaching	Susan Crowell
Assisting Minister	John Otten
Pianist	Jim Parham
Lector	John Beckford
Cantor	Melanie Helling
Prayers	Penny Bostain
Greeters	Teresa Harrington
	Jo Lewis
	Lane Lewis
	David Nichols
	Andrew Weiner
	Joyce Weiner
Ushers	Melanie Wessinger
	Richard Delap
	Calvin Harmon
	Franklin Sease
Video	Henry Wilcox
Audio	Gregg Alley

# GATHERING

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME

*Stand as able*

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of God, Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier, ✝  
who makes a way in the wilderness,  
walks with us,  
and guides us in our pilgrimage.

**Amen.**

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Holy One,

**we confess that we have wandered far from you:  
we have not trusted your promises,  
we have ignored your prophets in our own day,  
we have squandered our inheritance of grace,  
we have failed to recognize you in our midst.**

**Have mercy on us!**

**Forgive us and turn us again to you.**

**Teach us to follow in your ways,  
assure us again of your love,  
and help us to love our neighbor.**

**Amen.**

Beloved in Christ,  
the Word draws near to you,  
and all who call out to God shall be saved.

In Jesus, God comes to you again and again  
and gathers you under wings of love.

In ✝ Jesus' name, your sins are forgiven.

God journeys with you and teaches you how to live in love.

**Amen.**

**Guide me ever, great Redeemer, pilgrim through this  
barren land. I am weak, but you are mighty; hold me  
with your pow'rful hand. Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,  
feed me now and evermore, feed me now and evermore.**

**Open now the crystal fountain where the healing  
waters flow; let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me  
all my journey through. Strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer,  
shield me with your mighty arm, shield me with your mighty arm.**

**When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious  
fears subside; death of death and hell's destruction, land me  
safe on Canaan's side. Songs and praises, songs and praises  
I will raise forevermore, I will raise forevermore.**

THE 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.**

KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



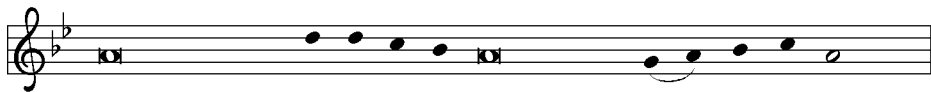
For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



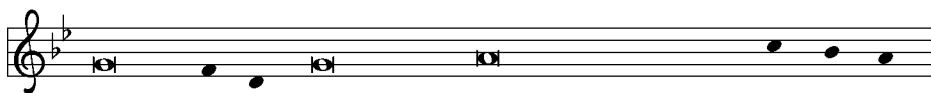
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of



God, and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**



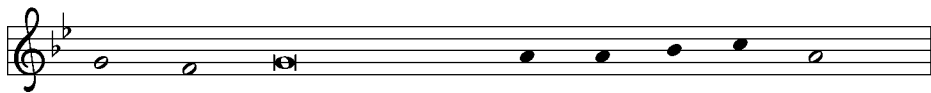
For this ho - ly house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and



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. 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.**

*Please be seated*

## WORD

### FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

A reading from Deuteronomy.

<sup>1</sup> Once you have entered the land that God, your God, is giving to you as your inheritance, and you have taken possession of it and settled in it, <sup>2</sup> take some of the first fruits of all that you produce from the soil of the land that God, your God, is giving to you, and put them in a basket. Take them to the place which God, your God, will choose as a dwelling place for God's Name <sup>3</sup> and say to the priest in office at that time, "This day I declare to God, our God, that I have come to the land God swore to our ancestors to give us." <sup>4</sup> The priest will then receive the basket from you and will set it in front of the altar of God. <sup>5</sup> Then you will declare before God, "My ancestor was a wandering Aramean who went down to Egypt with a small household and lived there as an alien. There they became a nation great, strong and numerous. <sup>6</sup> When the Egyptians mistreated and oppressed us, imposing hard labor upon us, <sup>7</sup> we cried to God, the God of our ancestors, who heard our cry and saw our affliction, our toil and our oppression. <sup>8</sup> God brought us out of Egypt with a strong hand and outstretched arm, with terrifying power, with signs and wonders; <sup>9</sup> God gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. <sup>10</sup> Therefore, I have brought now the first fruits of the products of the soil that you, O God, have given me." Then you must set them before God, and bow down before God. <sup>11</sup> Then you all, along with the Levites, and the foreigner that live among you, will feast on all the good things that God, your God, has given to you and your household.

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

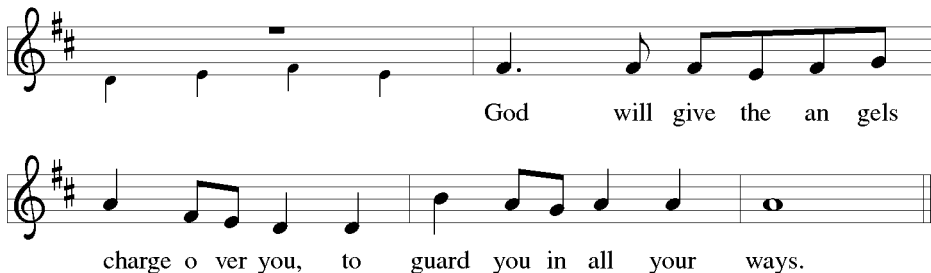
### PSALM

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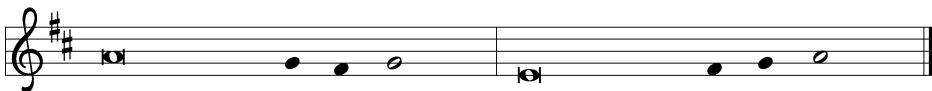
Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

*Thereafter, the congregation is invited to sing without introduction.*

*Psalm  
Refrain*



*Psalm  
Tone*



<sup>1</sup>You who dwell in the shelter of | the Most High,  
 who abide in the shadow of | the Almighty—  
<sup>2</sup>**you will say to the LORD, “My refuge | and my stronghold,  
 my God in whom I | put my trust.” R**  
<sup>9</sup>Because you have made the | LORD your refuge,  
 and the Most High your | habitation,  
<sup>10</sup>**no evil | will befall you,  
 nor shall affliction come | near your dwelling.**  
<sup>11</sup>For God will give the angels charge | over you,  
 to guard you in | all your ways.  
<sup>12</sup>**Upon their hands they will | bear you up,  
 lest you strike your foot a- | gainst a stone. R**  
<sup>13</sup>You will tread upon the lion | cub and viper;  
 you will trample down the lion | and the serpent.  
<sup>14</sup>**I will deliver those who | cling to me;  
 I will uphold them, because they | know my name.**  
<sup>15</sup>They will call me, and I will | answer them;  
 I will be with them in trouble; I will rescue and | honor them.  
<sup>16</sup>**With long life will I | satisfy them,  
 and show them | my salvation. R**

## SECOND READING

Romans 10:8b-13

A reading from Romans.

<sup>8b</sup>“The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart” that is, the word of faith that we proclaim; <sup>9</sup>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. <sup>10</sup>For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. <sup>11</sup>The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” <sup>12</sup>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. <sup>13</sup>For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Stand as able*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



## GOSPEL

Luke 4:1-13

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke the fourth chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup> Jesus returned from the Jordan filled with the Holy Spirit, and she led him into the desert <sup>2</sup> for forty days, where he was tempted by the Devil. Jesus ate nothing during that time, at the end of which he was famished. <sup>3</sup> The Devil said to Jesus, "If you are God's Own, command this stone to turn into bread." <sup>4</sup> Jesus answered, "Scripture has it, 'We don't live on bread alone.'" <sup>5</sup> Then the Devil took Jesus up higher and showed him all the nations of the world in a single instant. <sup>6</sup> The Devil said, "I'll give you all the power and the glory of these nations; the power has been given to me and I can give it to whomever I wish. <sup>7</sup> Prostrate yourself in homage before me, and it will all be yours." <sup>8</sup> In reply, Jesus said, "Scripture has it: 'You will worship the Most High God; God alone will you adore.'" <sup>9</sup> Then the Devil led Jesus to Jerusalem, set him up on the parapet of the Temple and said, "If you are God's Own, throw yourself down from here, <sup>10</sup> for scripture has it, 'God will tell the angels to take care of you; <sup>11</sup> with their hands they'll support you, that you may never stumble on a stone.'" <sup>12</sup> Jesus said to the Devil in reply, "It also says, 'Do not put God to the test.'" <sup>13</sup> When the Devil had finished all this tempting, Jesus was left alone. The Devil awaited another opportunity.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.***Please be seated.*

## SERMON

*Beloved and Broken**Stand as able*



**A mighty fortress is our God, a sword and shield victorious;  
who breaks the cruel oppressor's rod and wins salvation glorious.**

**The old satanic foe has sworn to work us woe!  
With craft and dreadful might he arms himself to fight.  
On earth he has no equal.**

**No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, rejected.  
But now a champion comes to fight, whom God above elected.**

**You ask who this may be? The Lord of hosts is he!  
Christ Jesus, mighty Lord, God's only Son, adored.  
He holds the field victorious.**

**Though hordes of devils fill the land all threat'ning to devour us,  
we tremble not, unmoved we stand; they can not overpower us.**

**Let this world's tyrant rage; in battle we'll engage!  
His might is doomed to fail; God's judgment must prevail!  
One little word subdues him.**

**God's Word forever shall abide, no thanks to foes who fear it;  
for God alone fights by our side with weapons of the Spirit.  
Were they to take our house, goods, honor, child or spouse,  
though life be wrenched away, they cannot win the day.  
The kingdom's ours forever!**

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 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 INTERCESSION

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

We pray for the church. Sharpen the proclamation of the Gospel so that your people learn to reject voices of deception and distraction. Strengthen all who are tempted to believe lies about themselves or others, especially members of the LGBTQIA+ community. Encourage your queer children to live into the people you created them to be. Silence misguided and hateful voices who tell them they must change. Merciful God,

**Receive our prayer.**

We pray for the earth and all its creatures. Protect wilderness places and all plant and animal species that call them home. Sustain farmers and all laborers who work the land and harvest the fruits of its abundance. Merciful God,

**Receive our prayer.**

We pray for the nations of the world, especially Ukraine. Bring a quick and peaceful end to this nightmare. Shut down the evil forces of greed and power that have taken hold of Russian leadership. Envelope your lands and your people with the gift of your peace. Merciful God,

**Receive our prayer.**

We pray for those in need. Comfort those experiencing mental illness and bring awareness of mental health issues to our society. Rescue those who are gripped by addiction. Guide them to treatment and strengthen those who care for them. Command your angels concerning all who are sick, remembering those we name now on our lips or silently in our hearts.... Merciful God,

**Receive our prayer.**

We are walking in the wilderness of life. Remind us that you walk with us. Comfort us when we are lonely. Protect us when we are scared and give us courage to have faith in you when we inevitably fail or fall. Strengthen our baptismal covenant so that we might be faithful to the anointing and call you place upon each of our lives. Merciful God,

**Receive our prayer.**

We pray for this congregation and its ministries. Guide us in our efforts to seek your justice, peace, and love in the world around us. Strengthen new and developing ministries of this congregation, especially our participation in the Greenville Interfaith Justice Network and the Circles of Welcome for Afghan Refugees. Merciful God,

**Receive our prayer.**

We give thanks for those who have died. Gather them with all the saints into your heavenly dwelling place. Encourage us with the promise that all who call upon your name are saved. Merciful God,

**Receive our prayer.**

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

**Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*All are encouraged to remain at your seats and extend a sign of peace by waving, bowing, making the peace sign, placing your hand over your heart, or sending a text.*

*Please be seated.*

HYMN

*Create in Me a Clean Heart*

#188

**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right  
spirit within me. Cast me not away from your  
presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore unto me the joy of your salvation,  
and uphold me with your free Spirit.**

*Stand as able.*

Let us pray. 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.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

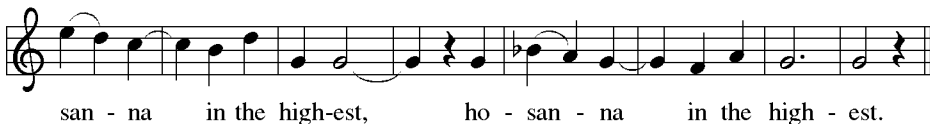
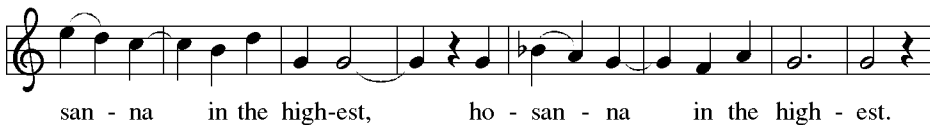
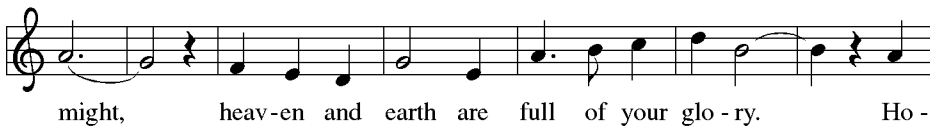
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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:



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 for all people  
for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

#### 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.**

*Please be seated*

#### COMMUNION

*Worshipers will come forward to receive the bread and  
wine and then return to their seats to consume the elements.*

*All, without exception, are welcome at the table of God's love and grace.*

## MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

HYMN

*One Bread, One Body*

#496

*Refrain*

***One bread, one body, one Lord of all; one cup of  
blessing which we bless, and we, though many  
throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.***

***Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more. Refrain***

***Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all. Refrain***

***Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one for all. Refrain***

ANTHEM

*Give Me Jesus*  
arr. Larry L. Flemming

Adult Choir

*Stand as able*

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.  
**Amen.**

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Blessed Jesus,  
in this rich meal of grace,  
you have fed us with your body, the bread of life.  
Now send us forth to bear your life-giving hope  
to a world in need.

**Amen.**

## SENDING

### BLESSING

You are children of God,  
anointed with the oil of gladness  
and strengthened for the journey.  
Almighty God,  
motherly, majestic, and mighty,  
✚ bless you this day and always.

**Amen.**

### SENDING HYMN

*On My Heart Imprint Your Image*

#811

**On my heart imprint your image, blessed Jesus, king of grace,  
that life's troubles nor its pleasures ever may your work erase.  
Let the clear inscription be: Jesus, crucified for me,  
is my life, my hope's foundation, all my glory and salvation!**

### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### POSTLUDE

*Please take a prayer card from the cross with you as you leave and hold that prayer  
request in you prayers throughout the week.*

*Everyone is invited to gather for refreshments and fellowship  
outside the doors closest to the playground.*

## CHURCH STAFF

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