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Mission Statement

Trinity is a caring family where people gather to know, worship, serve, and share Jesus.

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Welcome

Today's Epistle speaks of Jesus, our High Priest. High priests are called to offer sacrifices for the sins of the people as well as themselves. Jesus is a different sort of high priest who offers Himself as sacrifice, once for all, that we might be forgiven and granted eternal salvation. In the Gospel, Jesus proclaims that He came not to be served, but to serve. He came to offer His life as a ransom for us. As we follow Jesus, we are called to reflect His actions and attitude of service and sacrifice. May we likewise go to serve and sacrifice for others.

Holy Communion

We believe that Christ's body and blood are truly present in Holy Communion, and that we receive the forgiveness of sins along with the bread and wine in this Holy Meal. As a "Family Church," we invite those who share this understanding, and who desire God's forgiveness and strength, to join with us in receiving Holy Communion. If you have any questions, please speak to the pastor at any time. All worshippers are asked to fill out the "Fellowship Pad" in the pew and pass it down. After all have signed, please leave the pad at the end of the pew to be picked up after worship. Please stand where indicated with a . Thank you!

PRELUDE

"Ich ruf' zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ"

- Bach

See page 4 in the News and Notes insert for background on today's music.

GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

❖ HYMN

"Christ the Life of All the Living"

LBW 97

Christ, the life of all the living, Christ, the death of death, our foe, Christ, yourself for me once giving to the darkest depths of woe: through your suff'ring, death, and merit life eternal I inherit. Thousand, thousand thanks are due, dearest Jesus, unto you.

You have suffered great affliction and have borne it patiently, even death by crucifixion, fully to atone for me; for you chose to be tormented that my doom should be prevented. Thousand, thousand thanks are due, dearest Jesus, unto you.

Then, for all that bought my pardon, for the sorrows deep and sore, for the anguish in the garden, I will thank you evermore; thank you for the groaning, sighing, for the bleeding and the dying, for that last triumphant cry, praise you evermore on high.

INVOCATION

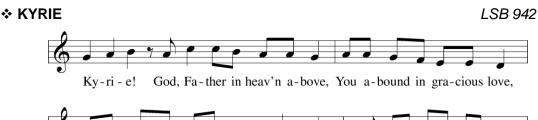
- In the name of the Father, and of the

 → Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION FOR LENT

- P Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.
- P Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
 - + Silence may be kept. +

- P Holy God,
- Have mercy and hear us. Though we are poor sinful creatures, have mercy and hear us. Though we have turned from you and grieved you, have mercy and hear us. Though we have hardened our hearts against you and against our sisters and brothers, have mercy and hear us. Though we deserve judgment, wrath, and condemnation, for the sake of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy and hear us. Forgive us, heal us, and save us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
- P God hates nothing that he has made and forgives the sins of all those who are penitent. He shall create in us new and contrite hearts, so that we who worthily lament our sins and acknowledge our wretchedness, may receive from him, the God of all mercy, perfect remission, and forgiveness. This he promises through Jesus Christ, his Son, who is our Lord, our Savior, and our righteousness forever.
- C Amen.





Of all things the mak-er and pre-serv - er.

E - le - i - son! E - le - i - son!



❖ PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, You are our great High Priest. Teach us to follow Your example of service and sacrifice for others, so that more people may know of the forgiveness that can only be found in You; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

CHILDREN ARE NOW DISMISSED TO ATTEND CHRIST'S KIDS (9:00)

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 31:31-34

"Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the Lord. For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the Lord. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more."

- **R** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

PSALM *Psalm* 119:9-16

- How can a young man keep his way pure?
 By guarding it according to your word.
- With my whole heart I seek you; let me not wander from your commandments!
- I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you.
- Blessed are you, O LORD; teach me your statutes!
- With my lips I declare all the rules of your mouth.
- In the way of your testimonies I delight as much as in all riches.
- I will meditate on your precepts and fix my eyes on your ways.
- I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your word.
- ALL Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

EPISTLE Hebrews 5:1-10

For every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. Because of this he is obligated

to offer sacrifice for his own sins just as he does for those of the people. And no one takes this honor for himself, but only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

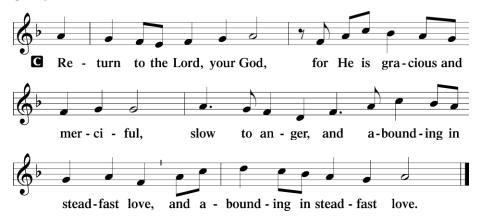
So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him.

"You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek."

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

- **R** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

❖ VERSE for LENT



❖ GOSPEL Mark 10:35-45

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for

those for whom it has been prepared." And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.



- 5 They rise and needs will have My dear Lord made away;
 A murderer they save,
 The Prince of Life they slay.
 Yet cheerful He
 To suff'ring goes
 That He His foes
 From thence might free.
- 6 In life no house, no home My Lord on earth might have; In death no friendly tomb But what a stranger gave.
 What may I say?
 Heav'n was His home But mine the tomb
 Wherein He lay.
- 7 Here might I stay and sing, No story so divine! Never was love, dear King, Never was grief like Thine. This is my friend, In whose sweet praise I all my days Could gladly spend!

SERMON Pastor Chris Singer

+ Please turn and face your fellow members across the center aisle +

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

❖ PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- **A** Lord, in your mercy,
- hear our prayer.

OFFERING

+ Please sign and pass the Fellowship Pad at this time +

TRINITY CHOIR (9:00)

"In the Shadow of Your Wings"

Gracious God be merciful, O my God be merciful. My soul is crying out to you. My only refuge Lord is you, God most high. In the shadow of your wings, 'neath the shadow of your wings. My soul finds rest from my deep distress. My heart hides there till this darkness passes by. I cry to God on high whose purpose is fulfilled for me. He reaches down to save and reproaches him who threatens me. Gracious God, be merciful, O my God, be merciful. My soul finds love and truth in you. No other place of safety Lord but you. In the shadow of your wings I hide, O my God most high.

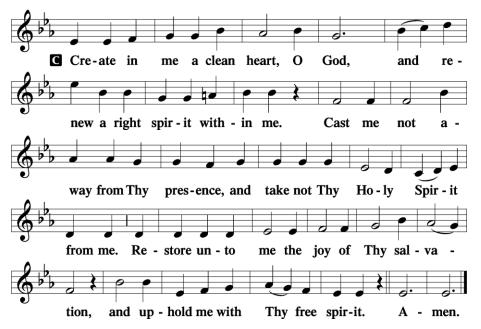
OFFERING VOLUNTARY (10:45)

"Christ, du Lamm Gottes"

- Bach

Leavitt

❖ OFFERTORY



SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

❖ PREFACE

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the Paschal Feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:



THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My
→ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

❖ PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

- As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.
- Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

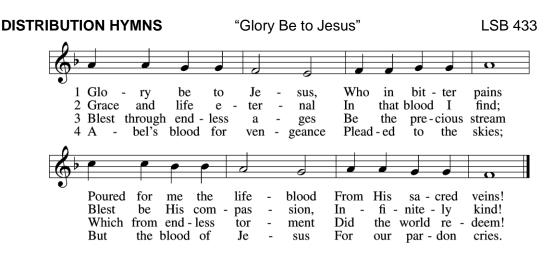
❖ LORD'S PRAYER

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.

❖ AGNUS DEI Lamb of God

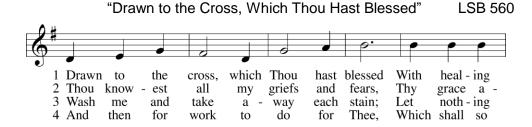


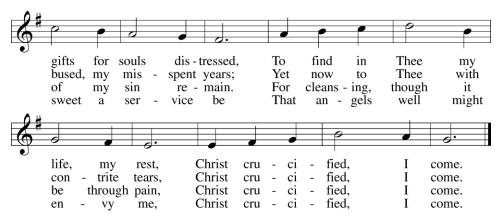




- 5 Oft as earth exulting Wafts its praise on high, Angel hosts rejoicing Make their glad reply.
- 6 Lift we, then, our voices, Swell the mighty flood; Louder still and louder Praise the precious blood!

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* NUNC DIMITTIS Song of Simeon



❖ POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

A Let us pray.

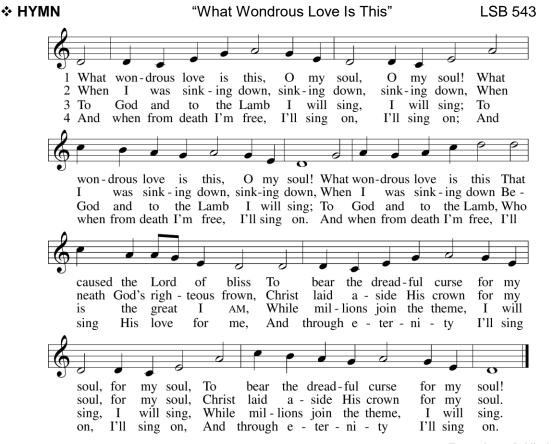
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

*** BENEDICTION**

- The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and

 → give you peace.
- C Amen.



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❖ DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE "Prelude in f-minor" - Bach

We welcome Pastor Chris Singer, Lutheran Church Charities, Comfort Dog Ministry CEO, who will be leading out time of worship today.

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