

'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone...'

Luke 20:17b

Fifth Sunday in Lent

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<u>Mission Statement</u> Trinity is a caring family where people gather to know, worship, serve, and share Jesus.



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Welcome

With the promise of mercy comes the warning of judgment. That is the message we have heard throughout this season of Lent. In the parable Jesus spoke, the mercy of God is lavish and entirely too generous to be reasonable. God is relentless in His pursuit of us, but those who reject His mercy are condemned to stand alone before the judgment seat. The promise and a warning go together and will always go together until the saving work of God is complete and we live in His presence on high forevermore.

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. Non-alcoholic white wine is offered as part of Holy Communion. The cups are in the center of the serving trays. Gluten free wafers are also available, just let the pastor know. 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	"Kyrie, Gott Vater in Ewigkeit"	-Bach
	"Christe, aller Velte Trost"	-Bach
	"Kyrie, Gott Heiliger Geist"	-Bach

GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

✤ HYMN	"Christ the Life of All the Living"	LBW 97
Chri thro	st, the life of all the living, Christ, the death of death, our foe, st, yourself for me once giving to the darkest depths of woe: ugh your suff'ring, death, and merit life eternal I inherit. usand, thousand thanks are due, dearest Jesus, unto you.	
ever for y	have suffered great affliction and have borne it patiently, n death by crucifixion, fully to atone for me; you chose to be tormented that my doom should be prevented. usand, 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

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.

- 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.





*** PRAYER OF THE DAY**

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

Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus

Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

CHILDREN ARE NOW DISMISSED TO ATTEND SUNDAY SCHOOL

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 43:16-21

¹⁶ Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea. a path in the mighty waters, ¹⁷ who brings forth chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, guenched like a wick: ¹⁸ "Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old. ¹⁹ Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. ²⁰ The wild beasts will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches, for I give water in the wilderness. rivers in the desert. to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself that they might declare my praise.

This is the Word of the Lord.Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

Philippians 3:8-14

⁸ Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— ¹⁰ that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹² Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³ Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

R This is the Word of the Lord.

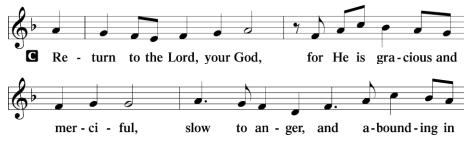
G Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 126

R C	When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.
R	² Then our mouth was filled with laughter,
С	and our tongue with shouts of joy;
R	then they said among the nations,
	"The LORD has done great things for them."
C	³ The LORD has done great things for us; we are glad.
R C	⁴ Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like streams in the Negeb!
R	⁵ Those who sow in tears
С	shall reap with shouts of joy!
R	⁶ He who goes out weeping,
	bearing the seed for sowing,
С	shall come home with shouts of joy,
	bringing his sheaves with him.

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.







* GOSPEL

Luke 20:9-20

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twentieth chapter. Glory to You, O Lord.

⁹ And he began to tell the people this parable: "A man planted a vineyard and let it out to tenants and went into another country for a long while. ¹⁰ When the time came, he sent a servant to the tenants, so that they would give him some of the fruit of the vineyard. But the tenants beat him and sent him away empty-handed. ¹¹ And he sent another servant. But they also beat and treated him shamefully, and sent him away empty-handed. ¹² And he sent yet a third. This one also they wounded and cast out. ¹³ Then the owner of the vineyard said, 'What shall I do? I will send my beloved son; perhaps they will respect him.' ¹⁴ But when the tenants saw him, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir. Let us kill him, so that the inheritance may be ours.' ¹⁵ And they threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them? ¹⁶ He will come and destroy those tenants and give the vineyard to others." When they heard this, they said, "Surely not!" ¹⁷ But he looked directly at them and said, "What then is this that is written:

"The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone'?

¹⁸ Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces, and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him."

¹⁹ The scribes and the chief priests sought to lay hands on him at that very hour, for they perceived that he had told this parable against them, but they feared the people. ²⁰ So they watched him and sent spies, who pretended to be sincere, that they might catch him in something he said, so as to deliver him up to the authority and jurisdiction of the governor.

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

"My Song Is Love Unknown"



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

+ 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,
- **G** hear our prayer.

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

Your gift to the Lord is an act of worship which shows your trust in God to provide for you and it shows your thankfulness for the blessings received.

- † On your Mobile Phone: Send a text to 77977 and type in TLCLI. Follow the instructions to send your gift today or set up a recurring gift.
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TRINITY CHOIR "Lord, For Thy Tender Mercy's Sake"

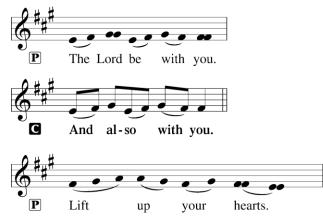
Lord, for Thy tender mercy's sake, lay not our sins to our charge, but forgive that is past, and give us grace to amend our sinful lives. To decline from sin, and incline to virtue, that we may walk in an upright heart, before Thee now and evermore. Amen.

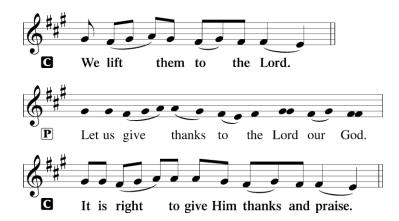


*** OFFERTORY**

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT







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**

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.
- **C** 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

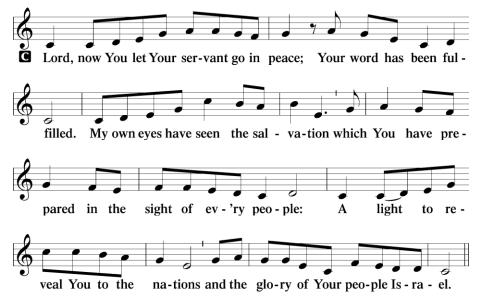


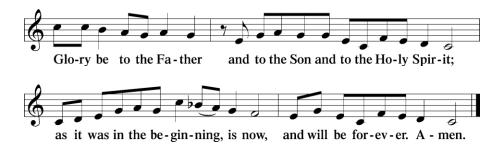
"Glory Be to Jesus" **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS** LSB 433 1 Glo - ry Who in be Je sus. bit - ter pains to 2 Grace and life nal In that blood I find: e ter -3 Blest through end - less а ges Be the pre-cious stream 4 A - bel's blood for ven - geance Plead - ed to the skies; Poured for life blood From His veins! me the sa - cred In - fi - nite - ly Blest be His com - pas sion. kind! Which from end - less the world re - deem! tor ment Did the blood of But Je _ sus For our par - don cries. 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! Text and tune: Public domain "What Wondrous Love Is This" LSB 543 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What 1 sink - ing down, sink - ing down, 2 When sink-ing down, When Ι was 3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing. I will sing: То 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; And

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	on, I'll sing on, And through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

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* NUNC DIMITTIS Song of Simeon





*** POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

P Let us pray.

We give You thanks, almighty God, that You have made us Your own people, a new creation in Jesus Christ, our Lord. By His body and blood You have strengthened our faith, thus enabling us to tell forth Your praises. Enlighten our paths and guide our steps that we may live according to Your gracious will in faithfulness to You and love for 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.
 Amen.





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✤ DISMISSAL

- P Go in peace. Serve the Lord!
- C Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE 'Toccata on "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"' - Cherwien

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