

WELCOME TO TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
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SUNDAY, March 16, 2025

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Divine Service 10:15 AM

**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR
SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT
DIVINE SERVICE SETTING ONE**

✠ INDICATES TO STAND

OPENING HYMN PAGE 870

“NOW THAT THE DAYLIGHT FILLS THE SKY” STAND ON LAST VERSE

✠ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION PAGE 151

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD PAGE 152

✠ PSALM 4; *antiphon: verse 8*

Pastor: ¹Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness! You have given me relief when I was in distress.

People: **Be gracious to me and hear my prayer!**

Pastor: ²O men, how long shall my honor be turned to shame?

People: **How long will you love vain words and seek after lies?**

Pastor: ³But know that the LORD has set apart the godly for Himself;

People: **the LORD hears when I call to Him.**

Pastor: ⁴Be angry, and do not sin;

People: **ponder in your own hearts on your beds, and be silent.**

Pastor: ⁵Offer right sacrifices,

People: **and put your trust in the LORD.**

Pastor: ⁶There are many who say, “Who will show us some good?”

People: **Lift up the light of Your face upon us, O LORD!”**

Pastor: ⁷You have put more joy in my heart

People: **than they have when their grain and wine abound.**

Pastor: ⁸In peace I will both lie down and sleep;

People: **for You alone, O LORD, make me dwell in safety.**

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.**

Pastor: ⁸In peace I will both lie down and sleep;

People: **for You alone, O LORD, make me dwell in safety.**

✠ KYRIE PAGE 152

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: ♪ **And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

ALL: **O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. ♪ Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING -- JEREMIAH 26:8-15

Reader: The Old Testament reading for the second Sunday in Lent is from the twenty-sixth chapter of Jeremiah.

⁸When Jeremiah had finished speaking all that the LORD had commanded him to speak to all the people, then the priests and the prophets and all the people laid hold of him, saying, "You shall die! ⁹Why have you prophesied in the name of the LORD, saying, 'This house shall be like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate, without inhabitant'?" And all the people gathered around Jeremiah in the house of the LORD. ¹⁰When the officials of Judah heard these things, they came up from the king's house to the house of the LORD and took their seat in the entry of the New Gate of the house of the LORD. ¹¹Then the priests and the prophets said to the officials and to all the people, "This man deserves the sentence of death, because he has prophesied against this city, as you have heard with your own ears." ¹²Then Jeremiah spoke to all the officials and all the people, saying, "The LORD sent me to prophesy against this house and this city all the words you have heard. ¹³Now therefore mend your ways and your deeds, and obey the voice of the LORD your God, and the LORD will relent of the disaster that He has pronounced against you. ¹⁴But as for me, behold, I am in your hands. Do with me as seems good and right to you. ¹⁵Only know for certain that if you put me to death, you will bring innocent blood upon yourselves and upon this city and its inhabitants, for in truth the LORD sent me to you to speak all these words in your ears."

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL (*Hebrews 12:2*)

Pastor: [O come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus,

People: the founder and perfecter of our faith,

Pastor: Who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame,

People: and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

THE EPISTLE -- PHILIPPIANS 3:17-4:1

Reader: The Epistle reading is from the third and fourth chapters of Philippians.

¹⁷Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. ¹⁸For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. ¹⁹Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. ²⁰But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹Who will transform our lowly body to be like His glorious body, by the power that enables Him even to subject all things to Himself. ¹Therefore, my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

✠ VERSE FOR LENT PAGE 157

✠THE HOLY GOSPEL LUKE 13:31-35

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the thirteenth chapter.

People: 🎵 **Glory to You, O Lord.**

³¹At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to [Jesus], “Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill You.” ³²And He said to them, “Go and tell that fox, ‘Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I finish My course. ³³Nevertheless, I must go on My way today and tomorrow and the day following, for it cannot be that a prophet should perish away from Jerusalem.’ ³⁴O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you would not! ³⁵Behold, your house is forsaken. And I tell you, you will not see Me until you say, ‘Blessed is He Who comes in the name of the Lord!’”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord

People: 🎵 **Praise to You, O Christ.**

HYMN OF THE DAY PAGE 725

“CHILDREN OF THE HEAVENLY FATHER”

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COMMUNION STATEMENT

The Lord’s Supper is celebrated by this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites us to His table as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord’s body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm (1 Corinthians 11:29-30) and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, you are asked to **refrain until you** first speak with the Pastor or an elder.

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NEXT WEEK'S TEXTS: Psalm 85; Ezekiel 33:7-20; 1 Corinthians 10:1-13, 30-42; Luke 13:1-8

NEXT WEEK: What does the Lord want to do with the unfaithful?

THIS WEEKS READINGS: Ezekiel 35--46

1. What imagery was the valley of dry bones to represent?
2. As you are reading about the temple, it really is about a temple that already existed. We know that Ezekiel was writing to those who were in exile. If this temple is already built, where and when might Ezekiel be looking to?

LCMS STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY

March 16 – Lent 2 - Philippians 3:19 – “Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things.” St. Paul does not want us to set our minds on earthly things, for they are passing away. This is similar to what Jesus says about storing up treasures on earth rather than storing them in heaven. Our heart tends to go where we put our treasure. This is why God commands us to live generously: not to spoil our fun, but to help train us in keeping our priorities straight and our minds off earthly things.

LIFE QUOTES FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

March 16 - On St. Joseph: “Though Mary’s husband did not beget Jesus from his own body, he did father him in the fashion of a foster, adoptive, or step-parent. For this reason, he has received the title of Guardian of Our Lord. His service to God and family not only figures prominently in the Gospel of Jesus Christ but also exemplifies the holy vocation of fatherhood and testifies to the sanctity of marriage, parenting, adoption, and every human life.” *Pastor Michael Salemink, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH YEAR

March 16 – Lent II – The heart of Christianity is proclaiming Gospel promises courageously. Jeremiah (Jeremiah 26:8) follows the lead of Jesus Himself (Luke 13:31-32) in speaking of God’s truth and Christ’s love even when unpopular. They believe their lives—and everyone else’s—belong in the Heavenly Father’s hands above all. Gospel-motivated voices For Life, take note!

T H I S W E E K

SUNDAY, MARCH 16, 2025 THROUGH SUNDAY, MARCH 23, 2025

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
<i>SUNDAY</i>	9:00 A.M. 10:15 A.M.	Christian Education Hour Divine Worship/Communion Mission Sunday-LHMI
	<i>After Service</i>	<i>Potato Bar sponsored by the Education Board</i>
<i>MONDAY</i>	<i>6:30 P.M.-8:00 P.M.</i> <i>7:00 P.M.</i>	<i>Gideons Meeting</i> <i>Adult Information Class</i>
<i>TUESDAY</i>	<i>9:30 A.M.</i>	<i>Ruth Bible Study</i>
<i>WEDNESDAY</i>	<i>9:00 A.M.</i> <i>10:30 A.M.</i> <i>4:45 P.M.</i> <i>6:00 P.M.</i> 7:00 P.M.	<i>Men’s Bible Study</i> <i>TOPS</i> <i>Bell Choir Practice</i> <i>Soup & Sandwich Supper</i> Lenten Worship Service
<i>THURSDAY</i>	<i>9:30 A.M.</i> <i>7:00 P.M.</i>	<i>Quilters</i> <i>Board of Director’s Meeting</i>
<i>SUNDAY</i>	9:00 A.M. 10:15 A.M. <i>After Service</i>	Christian Education Hour Divine Worship <i>“The Chosen”</i>

ALTAR FLOWERS

*The flowers adorning the chancel area this morning have been placed to the glory of God by
Wilma Jaecks in memory of her husband Ed
and for her grandson, Jacob’s 22nd birthday on St. Patrick’s Day, March 17th.*

MIDWEEK OF LENT 2

Adam and Eve took the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil into their hands after listening to the deception of the crafty serpent. Since that time, the devil has attempted to hold humanity in his clutches like a strong man. No mere human being can escape the thralls of this bondage—that is, until one stronger than the strong man comes, binds him, and plunders his possessions. By the “finger of God” (Luke 11:20), Christ has bound the devil in order to bring us into His loving care. Jesus overcame the devil’s temptation in the desert and cast out demons, and He was faithful to go all the way to the cross to defeat the devil, the world, and our sinful flesh. Though the devil still “prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour,” his days are numbered; thus, we humble ourselves “under the mighty hand of God” that protects His church until Christ’s return (1 Peter 5:6–11).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BAKED POTATO LUNCHEON: The Education committee is sponsoring a Baked Potato luncheon today after the worship service. Please join us for some food and fellowship after the service.

MEMORIAL SERVICE: The Memorial Service for Shirley Enyeart will be Monday, March 24th, at 10:00 a.m.

SOUP & SANDWICH SUPPERS: Our Wednesday night Lenten Soup and Sandwich suppers continues this Wednesday. The soup and sandwich suppers are at 6:00 p.m. and the worship service follows at 7:00 pm. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for individuals to provide soups and sandwiches each week during Lent. Sign up and join the fellowship.

FLOWER CHART FOR 2025 August 31st is still available on the flower chart. Cheryl Richey

LWML-STOLES: Anyone who wishes to contribute the shipping costs for the stoles going to South Sudan for the graduating pastors, please make your checks out to Trinity Lutheran Church, attn: South Sudan. If there is any extra money it will be used for other items that may be needed by the new pastors. Any questions, talk to Sue Kelly or Chris Schlehuser.

CHRIST FOR YOU this week on AM 850 & KFuo.org: We continue our study of 1 Samuel on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 a.m. CT), covering chapters 26-30. On Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m. CT), we are beginning a deep dive into the book of Hebrews! Join us as we study chapters 3-6. Tune in for a Lenten Organ Recital and Worship Service this Wednesday (3/19 at 11 a.m. CT), live from Peace Lutheran in St. Louis! Sharathon 2025 is almost here! Save the date for April 3rd, 4th, and 5th! Start, sustain, or strengthen your partnership with us during this year's giving drive. To learn more, visit: kfu.org/sharathon.

MISSION FOR MARCH AND APRIL: The mission for March & April is the Lutheran Hispanic Missionary Institute (LHMI). From their website <http://www.MissionaryInstitute.org/>: "The mission of the LHMI is preparing workers to multiply healthy Hispanic Ministries. WE COMMIT TO: TRAIN.....men and women as missionaries, lay leaders, and leaders who will go on to serve as called church workers – with a spirit of humble obedience (Philippians 2:5-8), sowing the seed of the Gospel among Hispanics; PARTNER....with individuals, congregations and other organizations to extend Christian outreach among Hispanics; MULTIPLY...Hispanic missions throughout the US and beyond to fulfill the Lord's Great Commission (Mt. 28:18-20); NURTURE...new and existing workers and ministries in response to His Great Commandment (Mt. 22:37-40); and HONOR AND SUPPORT...Hispanic ministry efforts in either English or Spanish or both."

VISITOR MUGS: The Evangelism Committee has prepared coffee mugs for our visitors, which are conveniently located inside the Guestbook podium. This is a handy spot for you to grab a mug to offer to visitors when you invite them to sign the guest book. On the Sundays you are hosting, please remember to give out ONE mug per family, visitor, or group. If it appears that multiple people in a group would benefit from having a mug, feel free to distribute more than one. Thank you for your assistance with this!

TRACT OF THE MONTH: "The Divine Service: A Guide ...Whether you've been in church every week since you were young or you're new to the whole worship experience, the Divine Service can be a bit of a head-scratcher. It's beautiful and intentional and treasured—but words like *kyrie* and *pax domini* can be unfamiliar and confusing. This small volume unpacks the basic elements of the church service as you walk through it from Invocation to Benediction." **Be sure to pick up a copy of this month's tract to read.**

APPEAL FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Below is a letter from Garrett Anderson (Garrett was baptized and confirmed here at Trinity and was the organist here from the time he was 15 through his high school and college years. In 2021 he moved to Ohio. He is the current organist for Trinity Lutheran Church and School in Toledo, OH as well as teaches 5th through 8th grade music for the school. Garrett is trying to get his colloquy for a Director of Parish Music at Concordia Lutheran University, Ann Arbor and has two classes to finish. He has to finish his classes this semester as Concordia Ann Arbor will be closing down at the end of May. Any donations received would be greatly appreciated. Checks can be made out to Trinity and noted in the memo line that it is for Garrett Anderson.

Hi Pastor,

Thank you so much for looking into financial assistance for these colloquy classes! I've attached the invoice from Concordia to this email. The payment due is \$9,080 but Trinity in Toledo is going to be able to cover \$3,000 of that along with the Ohio District office which has sent \$1,000 toward these classes. You also asked for the mileage for my in-person class and I calculated that I will drive 900 miles to and from class by the time the semester is over. Let me know if you have any questions or if there is any more documentation you need from me.

Again, thank you so much for looking into this for me! I am so blessed with where God is taking me in my career and with the pastors and congregations that he's placed me.

Blessings,
Garrett Anderson

BACKPACK MINISTRY

We are collecting food items for the Love INC Backpack Ministry for the Tularosa schools. Please leave your donations in the tub in the south hallway. A list of items needed is posted above the tub. You may make a monetary donation if you prefer. Contact me at 575-214-9942 if you have any questions. Thank you for your support. Cheryl Richey.

Backpack Food Suggestions

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| Small boxes of Cereal | Cereal Bars |
| Fruit cups | Shelf stable milk boxes |
| Cheese Crackers | Small bags of Chips |
| Soups or stews | Tuna or Chickens salads |
| Juice Boxes | Fresh Fruits |

Other suggestions are welcomed and appreciated!

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S GRACE

SUNDAY, MARCH 9, 2025: WORSHIPPED: 54 ONLINE: 12

MIDWEEK LENT, MARCH 12: WORSHIPPED: 34

FINANCIALS ARE NOT AVAILABLE THIS WEEK

ASSISTING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY

MUSIC: Michael Cortez

HOSTS:	Irvin Torres & Merry Zumwalt	ELDER:	Dick Dommers
ALTAR GUILD:	Christine Schlehuser Beverly Van Duyn	TELLERS:	Sandy Klose Susan Kelly
ATTENDANCE:	Cheryl Sandenaw	SOUND TECH:	Matt Anderson
USHERS:	Bob Thede, Tammy Thede Robert Johnson, Trey Johnson		
1ST LESSON:	Cheryl Sandenaw	2ND LESSON:	Cheryl Sandenaw

ASSISTING IN OUR ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP SERVICE, MARCH 19TH

MUSIC: Michael Cortez

ELDER:	Dick Dommers	SOUND TECH:	Bob Klose
ATTENDANCE:	Cheryl Sandenaw		
1ST LESSON:	Geral Moore	2ND LESSON:	Gayan Moore

ASSISTING IN OUR WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 23RD

MUSIC: Michael Cortez

HOSTS:	Larry & Beverly Van Duyn	ELDER:	Matt Anderson
ALTAR GUILD:	Christine Schlehuser Beverly Van Duyn	TELLERS:	Joyce Macon Bob Klose
ATTENDANCE:	Cheryl Sandenaw	SOUND TECH:	Jim Kline
USHERS:	Gerald Moore, Irvin Torres Bob & Sandy Klose		
1ST LESSON:	Larry Van Duyn	2ND LESSON:	Beverly Van Duyn

**HEAVENLY FATHER, WE COME TO YOU IN
PRAISE AND PRAYER**

FOR COURAGE, GRACE, FAITH, AND HEALING WITHIN YOUR WILL

Darrell & Sheila Anderson, Allen Burmeister, Ellen Clark, Douglas Clark, Vicky Cosio, Mike Fladhammer,
Rebekah & Brendon Garritano, Jill Guitierrez, Erin Heithold, Rocky Hett, Veronica Holman, Scout Hughes,
Kristi Humphrey, Wilma Jaecks, Jim Johnson, Jeremy Koch, Carey Mitchell, Pastor Shelby Moon,
Rachel Preus, Logan Radford, Connie Rogers, Jessica Schroeder, Judy Smith, Darin Steeby, Roger Storm,
Anna Thomason, Ann Waghorn, Roseanne Wehmeyer, Betty Wilkes, Paul Woodruff, Karen Zinn, Don Zumwalt,
Martyrs for the faith, Our Nation's Leaders, Public Safety Personnel,

We also pray for those who are on the long-term prayers in the Trinitarian.

FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILY IN THE MILITARY

Tom Bass, Heather Beck, **Zac Collins,** Brendon Garritano, Ryan Hobson, Caleb Jaecks, Cody Phelps,
Daniel Smelser, Bryant Roeske, Kyle Steeby, Tanner Wedd, and all troops serving in harms

LEST WE FORGET

PRAISES AND THANKSGIVING

FOR OUR HOMEBOUND

Kay Burger, Lothar Butzkies, Frank & Shirley Enyeart, Rodney Greer, **Shirley Hill,**
Colleen Sandenaw, Lee Wood,

AMEN

PRAYER REQUEST CARDS

If you wish to place a name on the prayer list, you must complete a **blue prayer request card**. The cards are located on the credenza to the right as you leave the sanctuary. If the individual needs to remain on the prayer list, the requester will have to update the request card every two weeks by calling the church office or completing a new card. If not updated after two weeks on the weekly prayer list, each name will be transferred to the extended prayer list which will be published in the Trinitarian.