

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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SUNDAY WORSHIP: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.
Ignite! & Bible Classes: 9:15 a.m.



WELCOME TO WORSHIP

May God bless and guide us through the meaningful days of Lent.

TO OUR VISITORS: We are delighted that you have joined us tonight.

We pray that the service blesses you and invite you to worship with us again. If you are seeking a church family or would like to know more about Holy Trinity, please contact the Church Office at (270) 843-9595. We are here to serve you. Please be sure to provide us with your address and phone number so that we might extend a special welcome.

A NURSERY is available for infants up to children starting Kindergarten. Exit the sanctuary to the rear, and follow the hallway to the left, then turn at the first hallway to the right. Parents are welcome to worship with their children, but please use the nursery as needed. If you have any questions regarding the nursery please contact Laurie Seavey at (270) 991-1172.
NOTE: There is also a “nursing/cry room” just before the hallway to the nursery.

CELEBRATING CHILDREN AT HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH:

To the parents of our young children, may we suggest:

- Relax! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome.
- Sit toward the front where it is easier for your little ones to see and hear what's going on at the altar. They tire of seeing the backs of others' heads.
- Quietly explain the parts of the service and the actions of the pastor, deacons, readers, acolytes, choir, etc.
- Sing the hymns, pray, and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical behavior by copying you.
- If you have to leave the service with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. As Jesus said, “Let the children come to Me.”
- Remember that the way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, to God, and to one another. Let them know that they are at home in this house of worship.

TO THE MEMBERS OF HOLY TRINITY: The presence of children is a gift to the church and they are a reminder that our church is growing. Please welcome all children and give a smile of encouragement to their parents.

WORSHIP BAGS for our young worshipers are located in the Narthex. Please use these as needed during worship.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS are available from the Ushers.

**LENTEN MIDWEEK SERVICE
APRIL 6, 2022**

*Lord, Your cross proclaims eternal forgiveness and love.
We cannot thank You enough.*

PLEASE REMEMBER: **Silence/Turn Off your cell phone** as you come into the Sanctuary to worship the Lord. While you are silencing your phone, we encourage you to 'check in' on Facebook that you are with us today. Thank you.

PRESERVICE MUSIC

THE SERVICE OF LIGHT

Lutheran Service Book Pages 243-247
(Go through the prayer in the middle of the page)

Please stand

Pastor Press will sing the Leader parts.

Please be seated

THE PSALMODY

Liturgist: The LORD lives, and blessed be my rock,
People: **And exalted be my God, the rock of my salvation.**

Liturgist: There is none holy like the Lord: for there is none besides
you;
People: **There is no rock like our God.**

Liturgist: The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,
People: **My God, my rock, in whom I take refuge.**

Liturgist: My shield, and the horn of my salvation,
People: **My stronghold and my refuge, my savior; you save me
from violence.**

Liturgist: For who is God, but the Lord?
People: **And who is a rock, except our God?**

Liturgist: Glory be to the Father and to the Son
People: **And to the Holy Spirit;**

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Liturgist: As it was in the beginning,
People: **Is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Liturgist: The LORD lives, and blessed be my rock,
People: **And exalted be my God, the rock of my salvation.**

FROM THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Job 19:23–27a

Reader: The Old Testament Reading is from the 19th chapter of Job.

[Job said]

²³ “Oh that my words were written!
Oh that they were inscribed in a book!
²⁴ Oh that with an iron pen and lead
they were engraved in the rock forever!
²⁵ For I know that my Redeemer lives,
and at the last he will stand upon the earth.
²⁶ And after my skin has been thus destroyed,
yet in my flesh I shall see God,
²⁷ whom I shall see for myself,
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.”

Reader: O Lord, have mercy on us.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE EPISTLE READING

Galatians 3:10-14

Reader: The Epistle Reading is from the 3rd chapter of Galatians.

¹⁰ For all who rely on works of the law are under a curse; for it is written, “Cursed be everyone who does not abide by all things written in the Book of the Law, and do them.” ¹¹ Now it is evident that no one is justified before God by the law, for “The righteous shall live by faith.” ¹² But the law is not of faith, rather “The one who does them shall live by them.” ¹³ Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us—for it is written, “Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree”— ¹⁴ so that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles, so that we might receive the promised Spirit through faith.

Reader: O Lord, have mercy on us.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand for

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 23:35-56

Reader: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 23rd chapter.

³⁵ And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!” ³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine ³⁷ and saying, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!” ³⁸ There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.”

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³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?" ⁴¹ And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴² And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³ And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise."

⁴⁴ It was now about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour, ⁴⁵ while the sun's light failed. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two. ⁴⁶ Then Jesus, calling out with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!" And having said this he breathed his last. ⁴⁷ Now when the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God, saying, "Certainly this man was innocent!" ⁴⁸ And all the crowds that had assembled for this spectacle, when they saw what had taken place, returned home beating their breasts. ⁴⁹ And all his acquaintances and the women who had followed him from Galilee stood at a distance watching these things.

⁵⁰ Now there was a man named Joseph, from the Jewish town of Arimathea. He was a member of the council, a good and righteous man, ⁵¹ who had not consented to their decision and action; and he was looking for the kingdom of God. ⁵² This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. ⁵³ Then he took it down and wrapped it in a linen shroud and laid him in a tomb cut in stone, where no one had ever yet been laid. ⁵⁴ It was the day of Preparation, and the Sabbath was beginning. ⁵⁵ The women who had come with him from Galilee followed and saw the tomb and how his body was laid. ⁵⁶ Then they returned and prepared spices and ointments.

On the Sabbath they rested according to the commandment.

Reader: In many and various ways, God spoke to His people of old by the prophets.

People: **But now in these last days, He has spoken to us by His Son.**

THE GATHERING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

(This year the offerings we receive during the mid-week services will go to the missionaries that we regularly support.)

THE PRAYERS

THE COLLECT FOR PEACE

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Liturgist: O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

Liturgist: Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

All: 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.

THE SERMON HYMN

L.S.B. #448

"O Darkest Woe"

THE SERMON

Pastor Press

"Words Worth Engraving In Rock"

Text: Job 19:23-27a

THE BLESSING/BENEDICTION

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Pastor: The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

(Amen response is sung by all.)



□ A - men, a - men, a - men.

THE CLOSING HYMN

L.S.B. #451

"Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted"

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THE POSTLUDE

Liturgy (or the appropriate portion thereof) from the Lutheran Service Book
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+ + OUR WORSHIP CONTINUES IN OUR DAILY SERVICE + +

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PARISH NOTES

THANK YOU to everyone who contributed to our worship service tonight.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Please submit announcements to the Church Office by Wednesdays by e-mailing, calling, or dropping a note in the offering plate on Sundays.

LENTEN OFFERINGS: This year the offerings we receive during the mid-week services will go to the missionaries that we regularly support: David & Joyce Erber, Kristen Schmaltz, Shauen & Krista Trump, and Bob & Kristi Roegner. As of March 30 we have received \$4,944.00. Thank you for your support!

APRIL NEWSLETTERS: The newsletter has been distributed via email and the Narthex. If we have an email address for you then hopefully you have already received it. If we don't have an email, a printed copy is on the table in the Narthex for you to pick up and take home.

If you would like to receive newsletters via email please contact the church office at 270-843-9595. The **DEADLINE** for articles for the May newsletter is Friday, April 15.

YOUTH WORK

Fuel With Friends and **Junior Confirmation Class** will NOT meet through Lent/Easter. Youth and their parents are encouraged to attend our midweek services. Contact Pastor Toopes if you have any questions.

Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, April 17 beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. **Children** – bring your baskets and hunt for eggs! Contact Jonah Kaufmann if you have questions.

There is a box in the Narthex for donations of candy. We would appreciate donations of individually wrapped candy.

The Church Office will be **CLOSED** on Monday, April 18 for Easter Monday.

If you have a pastoral need on these dates please contact Pastor Toopes at (870) 672-2117 or toopes57@gmail.com



Please remember to call before coming to the office. With the secretary out with various medical appointments and Pastor Toopes making visits to members, the office is not staffed on a regular basis. We are sorry for the inconvenience.

LWML NEWS

1. For more information about LWML, please contact Claudine Stirn at 270-793-9991.
2. **LWML Mid-South District Convention** – Our district convention will take place this year on June 10-12 in Clarksville, TN at the Town Place Suites by Marriott. The theme is “Planting Seeds of Faith – Growing and Sharing God’s Word,” based on 1 Corinthians 3:6. The keynote speaker is Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz, Director of the Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty and speaker emeritus of “The Lutheran Hour.”

Early registration deadline is April 18, and the cost is \$80. Registration from April 19-May 20 is \$90. An interesting seminar being presented at the convention is “Learn about the Mara Evangelical Church and Burmese Culture.” This is especially timely for us at Holy Trinity because the Burmese church worships in our building!

See or call Marsha Holm (407-579-3860) for full convention details.