

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH Buffalo, New York

Sunday, March 4, 2018
Third Sunday in Lent
Celebrating our 138th Anniversary

Holy Communion -8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Welcome to Holy Trinity!

Holy Trinity recognizes that each of us is a unique creation made in the image of God. We celebrate and give thanks for the many diverse gifts that God has bestowed on us. We proclaim ourselves to be an open and affirming congregation to all of God's people; welcoming into our ministry persons of every race, culture, age, gender identification, sexual orientation, ability, and economic status. We believe that our openness will allow us to grow in our faith through Christ's teaching to love one another as God loves us.

We invite our guests as well as members to fill out the blue sheet, found inside your bulletin, and place in the offering plate.

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INTRODUCTION

The third covenant in this year's Lenten readings is the central one of Israel's history: the gift of the law to those God freed from slavery. The ten commandments are one of the chief parts of Luther's catechism, a core piece of baptismal instruction. They begin with the statement that because God alone has freed us from the powers that oppressed us, we are to let nothing else claim first place in our lives. When Jesus throws the merchants out of the temple, he is defending the worship of God alone and rejecting the ways commerce and profit-making can become our gods.

VOLUNTARY

Sun Dance from Organ Dances (1996) **Bob Chilcott**

(b. 1955)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT (10:30)

God So Loved the World

Text: John 3:16

Colleen Flynn, soprano

God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son that who so believeth should not perish but have everlasting life.

Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Return to the Lord with all your heart. Let us confess our sin and seek reconciliation with God and one another.

You are invited to kneel or sit, as you are able (10:30)

Merciful God,

you sent Jesus Christ to save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We fail in love, neglect justice, and ignore your truth. Have mercy on us and wash away our sin. Create in us clean hearts for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

Behold, now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation. Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

Amen.

Please stand as you are able.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Built on a Rock "Kirken den er et gammelt hus"

ELW 652

Bob Chilcott

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together.

Holy God, through your Son you have called us to live faithfully and act courageously. Keep us steadfast in your covenant of grace, and teach us the wisdom that comes only 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.

(10:30)

A WORD FOR THE CHILDREN

The Rev. Lee M. Miller, II

FIRST READING: Exodus 20:1-17

The first reading for the Third Sunday in Lent is recorded in Exodus, the 20th Chapter.

¹God spoke all these words:

²I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; ³you shall have no other gods before me.

⁴You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. ⁵You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, ⁶but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. ⁷You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

⁸Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. ⁹Six days you shall labor and do all your work. ¹⁰But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. ¹¹For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

¹²Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

¹³You shall not murder.

¹⁴You shall not commit adultery.

¹⁵You shall not steal.

¹⁶You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

¹⁷You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MOTET (10:30)

Canticles of Light

Bob Chilcott

Mvmt. I: Te lucis ante terminum (*Before the end of day*) Text: Latin, Hymn at Compline, from *Liturgia Horarum* Tr. George Chukinas, OUP

Matthew B. Cullen, ACHS '19, *chimes*Holy Trinity Youth Choir
Buffalo-Niagara Youth Chamber Choir
John Fleischman, *conductor*

Before the end of day, creator of all things, we ask you with your wonted kindness be our protector and guardian. Let our hearts dream of you, let us feel you near while sleeping, and let us celebrate always your eternal glory in the light of the new dawn. Grant our bodies health, restore our strength, and let the foul gloom of the night be illuminated by your brightness. Do all this, omnipotent Father, through Jesus Chris the Lord who reigns with you and the Holy Ghost forever. Amen.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

The second reading for today is recorded in 1st Corinthians, the 1st Chapter.

¹⁸The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written,

"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."

²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, ²³but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gospel, as you are able.

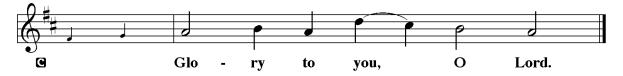
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION





GOSPEL: John 2:13-22

The holy gospel according to Saint John



¹³The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ¹⁴In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. ¹⁵Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. 16He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" ¹⁷His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." 18The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" 19Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." ²⁰The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" ²¹But he was speaking of the temple of his body. ²²After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

The gospel of the Lord:



Please be seated.

SERMON

The Rev. Lee M. Miller, II

HYMN OF THE DAY

Canticle of the Turning "Star of County Down"

ELW 723

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

Renewed in the promises of baptism, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

We pray for the church. Lead us faithfully in the way of the cross. Unite us as one body in Christ. Empower us with courage to speak out against injustice and greed, demonstrating with our words and bodies the love of Jesus. Today we especially pray for our communities of faith including the ministries of the Buffalo City Cluster: Grace, North Park, Parkside, Resurrection, and Holy Trinity. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for the world. For sheep, cattle, and all domesticated livestock. For wild creatures, service animals, and pets. Provide shelter, food, and safe drinking water for every living creature. Protect the earth from disaster and harm. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray for the nations. Teach us to honor one another as you command. Protect refugees and immigrants fleeing from their homes in search of safety and freedom. Guide lawmakers, peacekeepers, and all who work toward reconciliation and justice. We pray especially for all men and women serving in the armed forces and their families. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray for those in need. For those who lack what they need for daily life. For people whose lives are consumed by their possessions. For those who grieve, and for all who are ill, especially Sue Fayle. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray for this assembly. For those preparing for baptism or confirmation, and for their families, sponsors, and faith mentors. For Bible study leaders and participants. For our elders in thanksgiving for the depth of wisdom and experience they offer. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray for all of us, those young and young at heart, your daughters and sons, including the children of our community and especially Mattison and Andrew. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We remember with gratitude those who have gone before us. Inspire us by their witness and example. Bring us with them into the joy of eternal life with you. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Trusting in your covenant of mercy, O God, we lift our prayers to you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

Let us share with each other a sign of Christ's peace

Please be seated.

THE OFFERING

SOLO AT THE OFFERING (8:30)

Be thou my vision

Bob Chilcott

Text: Early Irish, tr. Mary Byrne (1880-1931) versified Eleanor Hall (altered) (1860-1935)

Mary Kay Atlas, soprano

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart, Be all else but naught to me, save that thou art; Be thou my best thought in in the day and the night, Both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word; Be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord; Be thou my great Father, and I thy true son; Be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Be thou and thou only the first in my heart; O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art; Great heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be thou my vision, O ruler of all.

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERING (10:30)

Canticles of Light

Bob Chilcott

Mvmt. III: O nata lux de lumine (O light born of the light)

Text: Latin, Hymn at Laudes Tr. George Chukinas, OUP

> Matthew B. Cullen, ACHS '19, chimes Holy Trinity Youth Choir Buffalo-Niagara Youth Chamber Choir John Fleischman, conductor

O light born of the light, Jesus the redeemer of mankind, kindly deign to accept the praises and prayers of your suppliants. You who once stooped to take on human form on behalf of those who were lost grant that our weary limbs find a resting place in you. O light born of the light, Jesus the redeemer of mankind, kindly deign to accept the praises and prayers of your suppliants.

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.

Merciful God, receive the sacrifice of our praise and thanksgiving and the offering of our lives, that following in the way of the cross, we may know the joy of the resurrection; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

OFFERTORY

Create in Me a Clean Heart

your sal - va - tion,

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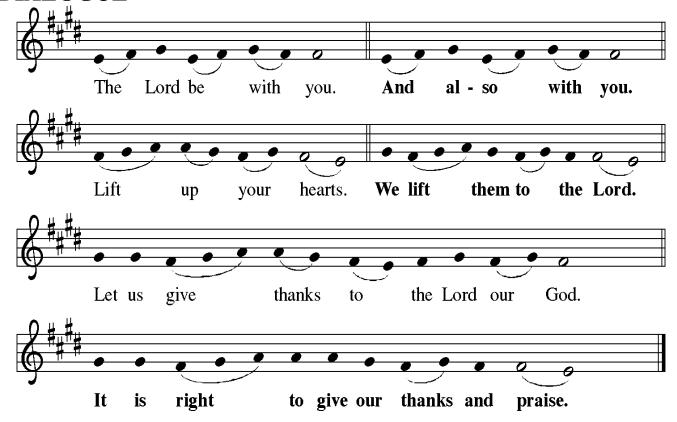
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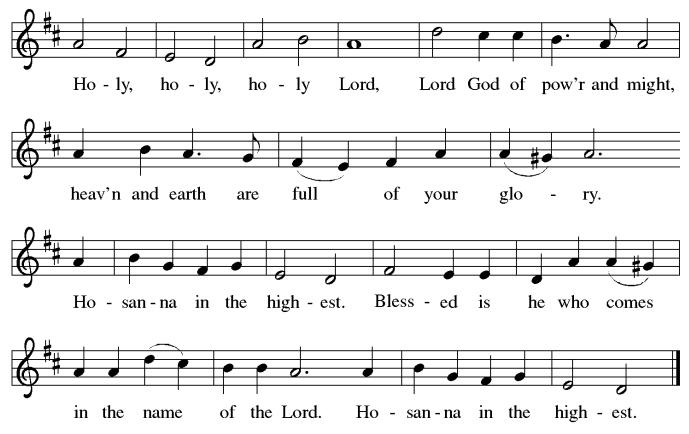
DIALOGUE



PREFACE

It is indeed right ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS



THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

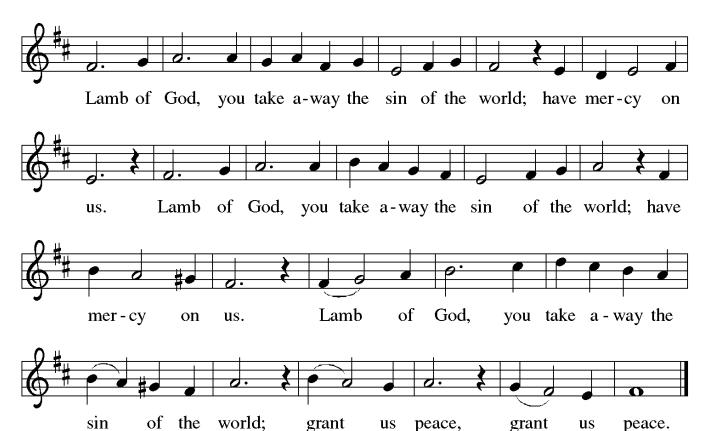
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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



THE COMMUNION

Invitation to Communion

All are welcome to share in the sacrament of Holy Communion at Holy Trinity. Beginning with those seated closest to the altar, you are invited to come forward to the communion rail (or to the presiding minister if the communion rails are not in place) and kneel or stand at the next available place at the rail. Receiving the wafer in your hand, you are invited to dip or "intinct" the wafer into the chalice. There is wine in the silver chalice and grape juice in the ceramic chalice. For those who prefer, gluten-free wafers are available by simply asking the Pastor as you are served. Adults or children choosing not to receive communion may come forward to receive a blessing. The Pastors will bring the sacrament to persons in the pews that are unable to come forward. Please advise an usher if you wish the pastor to do so. All are welcome to the table of our Lord.

SOLO AT COMMUNION (8:30)

En Priere Gabriel Fauré (1845 - 1924)

Text: Stéphan Bordèse (1847-1919)

Mary Kay Atlas, soprano

If the voice of a child can reach you, oh my Father, listen to Jesus before you on his knees in prayer. If you have chosen me to teach your laws on earth, I will serve you, almighty King of Kings. Oh Light. Place on my lips your solitary truth that those who doubt you may, with humility, revere you. Do not abandon me. Give me the grace to appease the evil hearts and console the sadness and misery. Reveal thyself to me, Lord in whom I believe and hope. For you I would like to suffer and die on the cross at Calvary.

COMMUNION MOTET (10:30)

Canticles of Light

Bob Chilcott

Mvmt. II: Christe, qui, splendor et dies (Christ, brightness of the light of day)

Text: Latin, Hymn at Compline, from Liturgia Horarum

Tr. George Chukinas, OUP

Christ, brightness of the light of day, you who roll away the shadows of the night, who bestowed the light of light, telling of the light to come for the blessed.

We pray, Holy Lord, that you watch over us this night; let us find rest in you, and grant us peaceful hours. Though our eyes be given over to sleep, Let our hearts be filled with you through the night;

and with your right hand protect the faithful who cherish you. Look upon us, our protector, check those who beset us, and guide your servants whom you have redeemed with your blood.

Glory be to you Christ, holiest of kings, and to the Father, and to the Holy Ghost forever and ever. Amen.

Please stand as you are able.

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray together.

Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be a longing for justice, our alms, a making of peace, and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SENDING OF COMMUNION

Compassionate God, as Jesus called disciples to follow him, bless those who go forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are sick, homebound or imprisoned. May these gifts be signs of our love and prayers, that through the sharing of the body and blood of Christ, all may know your grace and healing revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE

Just as I Am Bob Chilcott

Text: Charlotte Elliot (1789 – 1871)

Just as I am, without one plea but that thy blood was shed for me, and that thou bid'st me come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come. Just as I am, though toss'd about with many a conflict, many a doubt, fightings within and fears without, O Lamb of God, I come. Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; sight, riches, healing of the mind, yea, all I need, in thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come. Just as I am, thou wilt receive, wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve, because thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come. Just as I am thy love unknown has broken every barrier down; now to be thine, yea, thine along, O Lamb of God, I come. Just as I am, of that free love the breadth, length, depth and height to prove, here for a season, then above, O Lamb of God, I come.

BENEDICTION

May God who has called us forth from the dust of the earth, and claimed us as children of the light, strengthen you on your journey into life renewed. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you + peace. **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Be Thou My Vision "Slane"

ELW 793

DISMISSAL

Marked with the cross of Christ, go forth to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

We invite you to join us downstairs in Redeemer Hall for refreshments and fellowship following the 10:30 Service.

All are welcome.

THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

SUNDAY, March 4, 2018 - Third Sunday in Lent

8:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (CH)

9:00 a.m. Blood Drive/Health Fair (RH)

10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (MC)

10:30 a.m. Sunday School/Nursery (SS)

11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour (FI)

12:00 p.m. Communion Education Class (SS)

12:00 p.m. Yeshurun Service (CH)

4:00 p.m. Vocalis Sings with Chilcott Concert (MC)

MONDAY, March 5, 2018

9:30 a.m. Bible Study (FR)

TUESDAY, March 6, 2018

3:30 p.m. Joyful Noise (FR)

7:30 p.m. Pub Theology (C'R)

WEDNESDAY, March 7, 2018

7:30 a.m. Brewed Faith at Spot Coffee

5:30 p.m. WELCA/Needlers (FR)

6:00 p.m. BNYC Rehearsal (MC)

6:30 p.m. Mid-Week Worship Service (CH)

7:15 p.m. Grief Group Meeting (CR)

THURSDAY, March 8, 2018

12:10 p.m. Lenten Worship Service (CH)

12:30 p.m. Lenten Lunch (RH)

6:00 p.m. Chapel Choir (CH)

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir (MR)

7:00 p.m. AA/AL-ANON (RH)

SUNDAY, March 11, 2018 - Fourth Sunday in Lent

8:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (CH)

9:30 a.m. Adult Ed (FR)

10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (MC)

10:30 a.m. Sunday School/Nursery (SS)

11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour (FI)

12:00 p.m. Communion Education Class (SS)

12:00 p.m. Confirmation Class (YR)

12:00 p.m. Yeshurun Service (CH)

 $\begin{array}{lll} CH = Mansperger\ Chapel & CI = Crib\ Room & CR = Conference\ Room \\ FR = Fellowship\ Room & FI = Fireside\ Room/Library & MC = Main\ Church \\ \end{array}$

MR = Music Room PS = Pastor's Study RH = Redeemer Hall SC = Sacristy SS = Sunday School YR = Youth Room

About the Music

What an incredible honor to be hosting the Vocális Chamber Choir and their directorand my dear friend, Mr. James Burritt, and special guest, renown English composer, conductor, and pedagogue, Mr. Bob Chilcott. A special note a gratitude to Jamie for asking us to host this incredible weekend of events, and for so graciously including Holy Trinity in this most special weekend as Vocális crowns its 16th Season. None of this would have been possible without his vision for this weekend.

I would also like to extend a special thank you to Mr. John Fleischman, and his Buffalo-Niagara Youth Chamber Choir for agreeing to sing the *Canticles of Light* with us. Mr. Fleischman has been a life-long friend and mentor, and this morning's collaboration truly marks a special moment for me. You can find out more about BNYC at http://bnchoirs.org/

Lastly, my sincerest - and deepest - gratitude goes out to the members of our fine Chancel Choir. Singing five Anthems or Motets a week is no easy task, and they have worked hard to make this moment special for our congregation. It is a sincere honor to make music with each of these individuals weekly, offering our voices to sing praises to our God and Savior. Truly, I hope that this music lifts you, and in a troubled world, offers you peace, solace, and a glimpse of the true glory of God. Martin Luther states, "Next to the Word of God, the noble art of music is the greatest treasure in the world."

Bob Chilcott, Described by the Observer [England] newspaper as "a contemporary hero of British choral music", Bob Chilcott has always been immersed in the choral tradition of his country. He sang as a chorister and choral scholar at King's College, Cambridge, and after singing professionally in London and also as a member of the vocal group the King's Singers for 12 years, he became a full-time composer in 1997. He has embraced his career with energy and commitment, not only producing a large catalogue of music for all types of choirs, but also working with singers and choirs in more than 30 countries.

It was perhaps through his many works for young singers that he first came to prominence as a composer, prompting some large-scale performances of his pieces. Can you hear me? was performed in Vancouver in 2001 by 2000 singers and later at the Estonian Song Festival in 2004 with 7000 young singers. This led to several other large-scale projects including The Angry Planet, written for David Hill and The Bach Choir for the 2012 BBC Proms, which was performed by The Bach Choir, The National Youth Choir of Great Britain, The BBC Singers and 200 primary school children from London.

He has written a number of substantial sacred works including Salisbury Vespers (2009), St John Passion (2013) for Wells Cathedral Choir, and his Requiem (2010), which has now been performed in over 16 countries. In 2013 he wrote The King shall rejoice for the service at Westminster Abbey to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the coronation of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. In 2016 The Voyage received its first performances in Oxford and Reading, and later in Minneapolis. With a libretto by Charles Bennett, it was commissioned by Age UK to raise awareness of and enable participation in its Campaign to End Loneliness.

In 2014 he began a term as composer-in-residence for the Washington DC-based choir Choralis as part of their 15th anniversary season celebrations. The season featured a number of his works, including Salisbury Vespers, and concluded with the première of Gloria in December 2015. In 2017 Choralis records Gloria on a disc for release on Signum.

Over the past 18 years Bob has worked with many thousands of singers in Britain through a continuing series of Singing Days throughout the country. Between 1997 and 2004 he was conductor of the choir of The Royal College of Music in London, and since 2002 he has been Principal Guest Conductor of the BBC Singers.

His music has been recorded extensively and there are a number of albums dedicated to his music, including Man I Sing (2007), Making Waves (2008), Requiem (2012), The Seeds of Stars (2012), Everyone Sang (2013), The Rose in the Middle of Winter(2013), St John Passion and The Angry Planet (2015) and Sun, Moon Sea and Stars (2016). His music has been recorded by many leading British choirs and ensembles including The Sixteen, The Cambridge Singers, Tenebrae, The BBC Singers, The Choir of Wells Cathedral, The Choir of King's College, Cambridge, and The King's Singers. 2017 sees releases by Commotio on Naxos and Choralis on Signum and a new commission on the 50th anniversary King's Singers CD. www.bobchilcott.com

Sun Dance is the fifth movement of a larger work, *Organ Dances*. It was written for organ solo, two percussion players, and ensemble.

The work is continuous, and even though it has five different 'dances', it falls into an overall shape of roughly three equal sections (fast-slow-fast). The fifth section is presented this morning at the Margaret L. Wendt, which is part organ solo, part tutti dance.

Mr. Chilcott writes, "When I was approached to write this work, I was asked for a piece that would be accessible, practical, and that could create a largely secular sound context for the organ. I was made aware of the potential practical difficulties of mixing the organ with instruments, as in most situations the organ and the soloist would be quite a long way physically from the orchestra and conductor, and the size, sound colour, and quality of the organ could vary enormously. This gave me the idea of writing dance-like music - this implied to me a more secular context, and it enabled me to imagine direct non-developmental music, with a rhythmic impetus to help ensemble and clarity. The fifth [movement] is a part organ solo, part tutti dance, driven along by a 3/8 + 4/4 rhythm."

Canticles of Light was written in 2000, commissioned by the Winchester Music Club in celebration of the 75th Anniversary of its founding by Sir George Dyson. It is scored for children's choir, mixed choir and orchestra, or tubular bells and organ, which we present here this morning. It is a dark and beautiful, yet also extremely approachable, work in three movements. The first two are darker in character: evening hymns that ask for protection and comfort through the night. The music lightens for the final hymn, a song for the morning that looks forward to a new beginning. We are presenting the movements out of order throughout the service for sake of time and flow of worship, inevitably altering Mr. Chilcott's original intent.

Mr. Chilcott writes, "I have known the Latin texts for this piece since my childhood. As a boy I sang them in versions by two great English Renaissance composers - Thomas Tallis and Robert Whyte. Their music exudes comfort, and the texts, sung at the service of Compline in the evening and Matins in the morning, speak almost of a personal and private relationship with God. Perhaps these timeless texts speak to us even more poignantly now. Within my piece, the texts in the first two sections *Te lucis ante terminum* and *Christe qui splendor et dies* actually speak of darkness — they ask for God's light to protect us through the night and to allay our fears. The last *O nata lux* speaks with a more positive and hopeful voice, that God's light will give us hope with the new light of the day.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADULT ED: There will be no adult today, but please join us for the Health Fair/Blood Drive. Next week we welcome Linda Franchell who will speak on internet security. Programs begin at 9:30am in the Fellowship Room. All are welcome.

BLOOD DRIVE and HEALTH FAIR will take place today from 9:00am to 1:00pm. The Red Cross will be here for our blood drive and tables will be set up for bone density testing, Alzheimer's Information and much more. Please plan on stopping down.

CONCERT: The Vocális Chamber Choir presents "The Music of Bob Chilcott" this afternoon at 4:00 pm here at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. The concert will feature a number of Mr. Chilcott's works, as well as notable works by Buffalo-based composer Caroline Mallonée, and Buffalo native Michael Slon, among others. The concert will also feature the Amherst Concert Chorale (Justin Pomietlarz, director), the Lancaster Chorale (Gary Lee, director) and Starpoint Academy Choir (Roger VanDette, director) combined on three works conducted by Mr. Chilcott. Tickets can be purchased at the door, \$15, \$10 Students. www.vocalischamberchoir.org

WEDNESDAY EVENING WORSHIP SERVICES continues this week and every Wednesday during the Lenten Season. Holden Prayer Around the Cross is a more intimate liturgy style. It is a blend of Taize and Holden Evening Prayer. Services begin at 6:30pm in the chapel. All are welcome.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP: Members and friends of Holy Trinity are invited to join together for "Understanding Your Grief," a small grief support group, during Lent. We will be meeting on Wednesday evenings at 7:15pm in the Conference Room. See Pastor Miller for more details.

LENTEN MID-WEEK WORSHIP will be held each Thursday at 12:10 in the chapel. Followed by our Lenten Lunches. The cost of lunch is \$6 and includes lunch, dessert, coffee or tea.

FELLOWSHIP AND HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, March 17 at 9:00am in Redeemer Hall. Refer to the Committee's web page to review the minutes from the last meeting. All members are invited. New ideas are always welcome.

LYO PLANTS: It's that time of year again for the Annual LYO Plant Sale. Order forms may be obtained from the church or chapel entrance ways, from any LYO member, from Pastor Brenda or by calling the church office. Orders are due by Sunday, March 25 and pick up will be Saturday, May 19 between 10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Please turn in your order form as soon as possible.

SUPPORT OUR HAITI MISSION TEAM. SAVE THIS DATE! Sunday, April 29 from 1:00–4:00pm at Resurgence Brewery, 1250 Niagara Street. The Haiti Mission Team is holding a fundraiser to enable purchasing pews for the church on the Island of Ile a Vache. The goal is to raise enough for 20 pews at \$200.00/pew. The team will build these during the October 2018 mission trip. Event tickets are \$25.00 (includes food and a drink.) A Basket raffle and 50/50 split will also be held. If you would like to make a donation toward the raffle, ex. a basket filled with goodies, gift certificates, a painting, etc. see Kathy Crissey (807-9494) or Donna Leiser (868-3862). Ticket information to follow. Don't miss this fun event!

EASTER FLOWERS: The Worship Committee has once again arranged for lilies to be placed in the chancel on Easter Sunday. If you would like to place a lily in the chancel, please fill out the form located in the church and chapel entrance ways and mail to the church office. The cost is \$10.00 per plant.

COMMUNITY SUPPORTED AGRICULTURE CSA 2018 Sign-Up is upon us! Have you wondered how far your vegetables have traveled or how fresh they are once they make their way to your table? Well wonder no more! Consider becoming a 'shareholder' and purchasing your very own 'share' of weekly produce from Porter Farms located in Batavia NY. It's picked fresh on Fridays and in your hands on Saturday morning. How's that for fresh!! If you're still on the proverbial fence, the Porter Family is now offering, for the first time in their farm's history, a Small Share in addition to their traditional Full Share. This smaller share is intended to make CSA membership more manageable for individual vegetarians, couples, families with young children, and the like. Please contact Sheila Richards-Perez for more information at ada.srperez@gmail.com

THE HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE is in need of individuals to assist in event preparations. Please see Guy Huber on Sunday mornings or call him at 597-4825 or you can call the church office at 886-2400 if you are interested in helping out.

ELECTRONIC GIVING: Holy Trinity has an electronic option for making regular offerings or a one-time donation. If you would like to sign up, please fill out the forms located on the tables in the narthex and return to the office. Please call the church office with questions.



Lenten Worship at Holy Trinity



Wednesday Evening Worship at Holy Trinity February 21 – March 21

6:30

Mid-week Worship in Mansperger Chapel

7:15

Grief Support Group – meeting in the Conference Room

Thursday Lenten program at Holy Trinity

12:10 p.m.

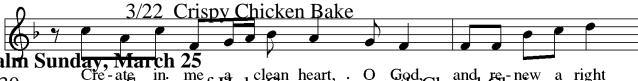
Worship in Mansperger Chapel

12:30 p.m.

Lenten Lunch

Meatloaf 3/8

3/15 Corned Beef and Cabbage



Cré-ate in me a clean heart. O God, and re-new Service of Holy Communion with Chapel Choir 8:30 a.m.

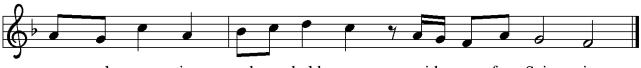
Service of Holy Communion with Chancel Choir 10<u>:30 a.m.</u>

26 – Friday, March 30 n-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, Holy Week Morning Devotions and Breakfast and take 7:00 a.m.



6:00 p.m. Passover Seder Dinner

Re-store to me the joy of





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Now you can honor special events and special people in your life!

Send us a Day Buy Day Form with a check made payable to

Holy Trinity for \$25 for each event you wish to honor.

Proceeds will go toward the Education Committee and help sponsor the

Confirmation Camp for youth here at Holy Trinity.





ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATIONS



Altar flower dedications are available for \$40 per vase. Checks are payable to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church.

Please contact Mary Linda Schmidt

835-3325 or mssarylschmidt@gmail.com to secure a date.

At 8:30 a.m. the worship assistant is Ethan MacDonald. Altar guilds are Heidemarie Kunz and Gail Camilleri. Lay reader is Susan Bundt. Communion assistant is Peter Bergenstock. Ushers are Dave and Pat Ulrich.

At 10:30 a.m. the announcer is Ryon Fleming. Lay reader is Uli MacDonald. Altar guilds are Claire Carmer and Martha Kryszczuk. Ushers are Jim Dunnigan (captain), Ryon Fleming, Herb Hough, Charmaine Kaltrider, Kurt and Mary Kaufmann, Joe and Martha Kryszczuk and Juan Perez. Greeters are Elizabeth Vihnanek and Karen Kolb. Communion Assistants are Jim Dunnigan, Barb Wozniak, Alexander Cialone and Nathaniel Wareham. Worship Assistants are Johnny Knipler, Hannah Cialone, Randi Jones, Sam Guzzino, Alexander Cialone and Nathaniel Wareham. Collection Counters are Jan Bauchle, Ryon Fleming and Sue Spindler.

The flowers on the altar are given In Honor of our daughter Mary JeeBhin Houghtaling's 8th birthday by her parents Alex and Leah; and In Loving Memory of Elaine Fuhlbruck and her grandchildren Melissa and Aaron by their Family.

As part of the Cherish All Children ministries, today's prayers of intercession include Andrew and Mattison Harvey.

Council President Kurt Kaufmann will be at the Entrance Way to address any questions or concerns you may have this morning.

The regular offering from our members on February 25, 2018 was \$4,113; weekly attendance was 191. The gospel reading for Sunday, March 11 is John 3:14-21.

Stewardship Thought of the Day

You can see that a city is prosperous by the wealth of goods for sale in the market. Land too we call prosperous if it bears rich fruit. And so also the soul may be counted prosperous if it is full of good works of every kind. — St. Basil

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