



Holy Trinity  
Lutheran  
Church  
Buffalo, New York

# HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Buffalo, New York

Sunday, March 20, 2022

Third Sunday in Lent

Celebrating our 143<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary

Holy Communion - 8:30 & 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 creatures welcoming into our ministry persons of every race, culture, age, gender identification, gender expression, sexual orientation, ability, and economic status.*

*We commit ourselves to the work of anti-racism and creating an anti-racist space through the protection against oppression internally, in institutions, interpersonally and structurally.*

*We believe that through our openness we all grow in our faith through Christ's teaching to love one another as God loves us.*

*While masks are no longer required at Holy Trinity and for the love of one another, we encourage and recommend that masks continue to be worn for those who are unvaccinated or for those individuals who, for any number of reasons, choose to continue to wear a mask for safety or comfortability, and we ask that our members and guests continue to fill out the blue sheet and leave at your seat in the pew.*

*We look forward to continuing to update our practices as we move forward.*

*We invite you to share your story and your worship experience!*

*Check-in and share on any of our social media platforms using #poweroftrinity.*

*You can find us on Facebook @holytrinitybuffalo, on Instagram @holytrinitybuffalo or on twitter @holytrinitybuff*

*Large print bulletins are available at the entrance ways*

## **INTRODUCTION**

*The warnings are plentiful and blunt on the third Sunday in Lent. Cut it out or get cut down! The warnings are accompanied by God's invitation to attentiveness: "Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live." The landowner's ultimatum is forestalled by the gardener's readiness to till the ground one more year. That is good news for all of us. Thanks be to God!*

## **PRELUDE**

*O Mensch, beweine dein' Sünde groß*  
BWV 622 from *Orgelbüchlein*

Johann Sebastian Bach  
(1685-1750)

*RINGING OF THE TOWER BELLS*


## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Please stand as you are able.*

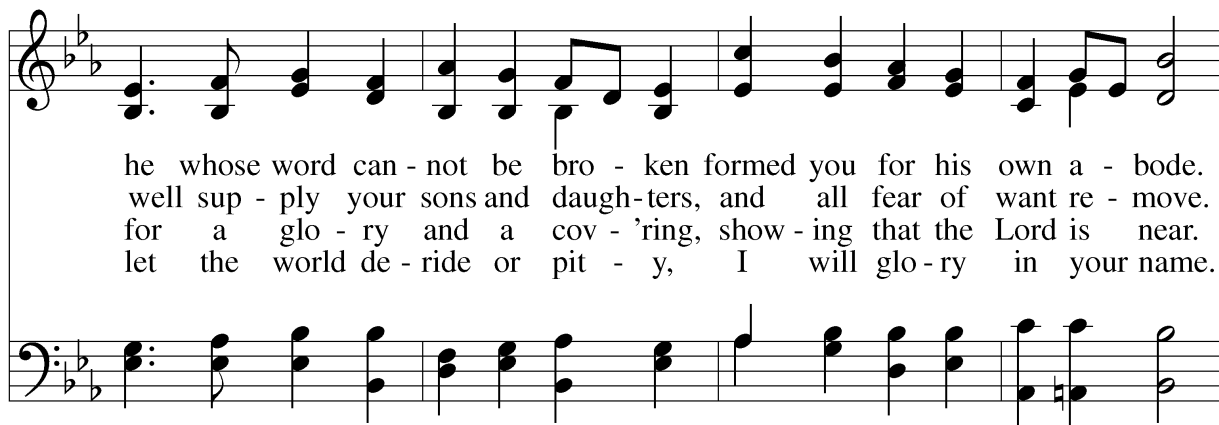
# PROCESSIONAL HYMN

*Glories of Your Name Are Spoken* "Austria"

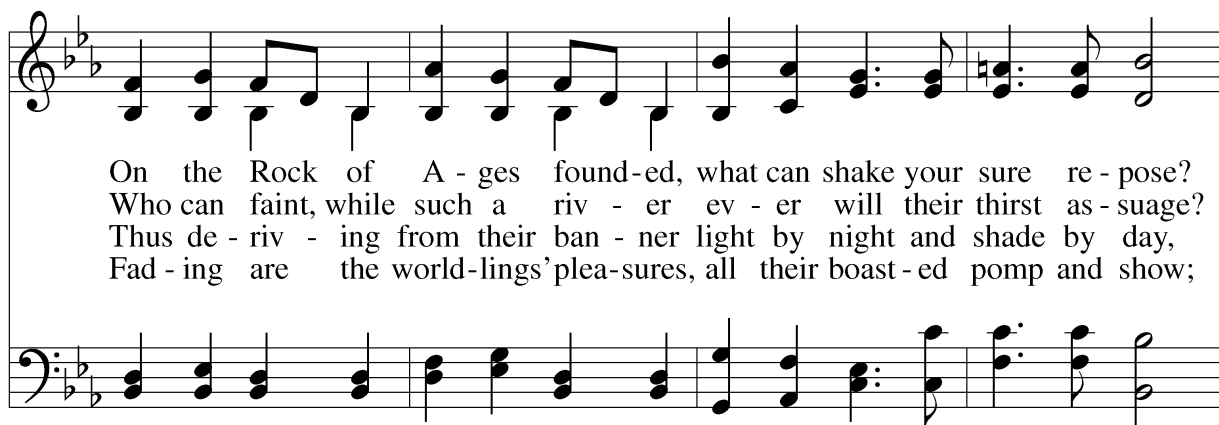
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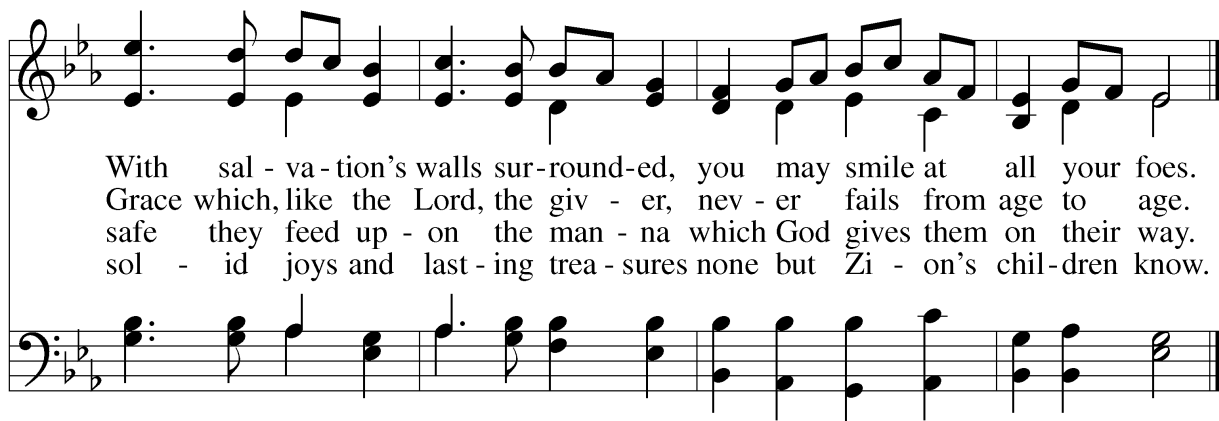
1 Glo - ries of your name are spo - ken, Zi - on, cit - y of our God;  
2 See, the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring - ing from e - ter - nal love,  
3 Round each hab - i - ta - tion hov'ring, see the cloud and fire ap - pear  
4 Sav - ior, since of Zi - on's cit - y I through grace a mem - ber am,



he whose word can - not be bro - ken formed you for his own a - bode.  
well sup - ply your sons and daugh - ters, and all fear of want re - move.  
for a glo - ry and a cov - ring, show - ing that the Lord is near.  
let the world de - ride or pit - y, I will glo - ry in your name.



On the Rock of A - ges found - ed, what can shake your sure re - pose?  
Who can faint, while such a riv - er ev - er will their thirst as - suage?  
Thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner light by night and shade by day,  
Fad - ing are the world - lings' plea - sures, all their boast - ed pomp and show;



With sal - va - tion's walls sur - round - ed, you may smile at all your foes.  
Grace which, like the Lord, the giv - er, nev - er fails from age to age.  
safe they feed up - on the man - na which God gives them on their way.  
sol - id joys and last - ing trea - sures none but Zi - on's chil - dren know.

## **THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

Beloved, as we gather in this place to worship,  
we acknowledge that we are part of a complicated history.

**How can we bear the paradox of this place  
as both a source of pride and a record of mistakes?**

Friends, here is the font.

**In the waters of baptism,  
God cleansed us and claimed us.**

God binds God's word  
to this abundant element  
precisely to tell us  
that there is no place  
where we are apart from God's grace.

This reminder is everywhere:

It is in the waters of the Niagara and Buffalo Rivers,  
Lakes Erie and Ontario, local creeks and riverbeds.

It sprays from our showers.

It makes tea kettles whistle.

It is in our very cells.

So I invite you to make the sign of the cross,  
on your brow or on your body,  
or on that of your neighbor.

As you do,  
you proclaim what is true  
everywhere and always:

God is here!

**God is here! Amen!**

## **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.

**Jesus, show us how to live in a world where the foundation has crumbled. Teach us to forgive in a world that blames the victim. When we wonder who is to blame for the trouble all around, help us ask instead: How might we love those who are hurting today? For you hang crucified at the heart of every senseless tragedy. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

**(10:30)**

**A WORD FOR THE CHILDREN**

The Rev. Brenda Maynor

### **FIRST READING: Isaiah 55:1-9**

The first reading for Third Sunday in Lent is recorded in Isaiah, the 55<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

<sup>1</sup>Ho, everyone who thirsts,  
come to the waters;  
and you that have no money,  
come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk  
without money and without price.

<sup>2</sup>Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,  
and your labor for that which does not satisfy?

Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,  
and delight yourselves in rich food.

<sup>3</sup>Incline your ear, and come to me;  
listen, so that you may live.

I will make with you an everlasting covenant,  
my steadfast, sure love for David.

<sup>4</sup>See, I made him a witness to the peoples,  
a leader and commander for the peoples.

<sup>5</sup>See, you shall call nations that you do not know,  
and nations that do not know you shall run to you,  
because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel,  
for he has glorified you.

<sup>6</sup>Seek the LORD while he may be found,  
call upon him while he is near;

<sup>7</sup>let the wicked forsake their way,  
and the unrighteous their thoughts;  
let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them,  
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

<sup>8</sup>For my thoughts are not your thoughts,  
nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD.

<sup>9</sup>For as the heavens are higher than the earth,  
so are my ways higher than your ways  
and my thoughts than your thoughts.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**(8:30)**

**THE ANTHEM**

*The Eyes of All Look to Thee*

Text: Psalm 145: 15-16

Sir George Elvey

(1816-1893)

Arr. Crawford R. Thoburn

The eyes of all look to Thee O Lord,  
and Thou givest them their food in due season.  
Thou openest Thine hand, and nourish all things living with plenty.

**(10:30)**

**THE ANTHEM**

*I Sat Down Under His Shadow*

Text: Song of Solomon II: 3,4

Edward C. Bairstow

(1874–1946)

I sat down under His shadow with great delight,  
and His fruit was sweet to my taste.  
He brought me to the banqueting house,  
and His banner over me was love.

## **SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 10:1-13**

The second reading for today is recorded in 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians, the 10<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

<sup>1</sup>I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, <sup>2</sup>and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, <sup>3</sup>and all ate the same spiritual food, <sup>4</sup>and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. <sup>5</sup>Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness.

<sup>6</sup>Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. <sup>7</sup>Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, “The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play.” <sup>8</sup>We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. <sup>9</sup>We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. <sup>10</sup>And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. <sup>11</sup>These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. <sup>12</sup>So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. <sup>13</sup>No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand for the Gospel, as you are able.*



## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



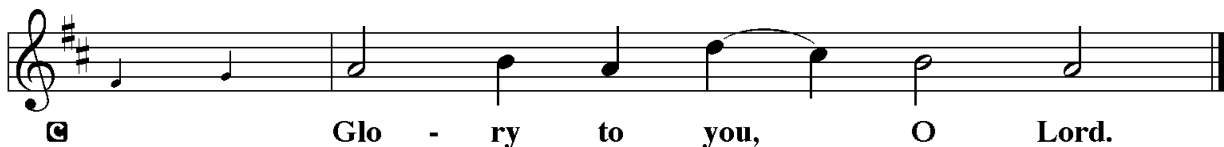
Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and mer - ci - ful,



slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

## GOSPEL: Luke 13:1-9

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke



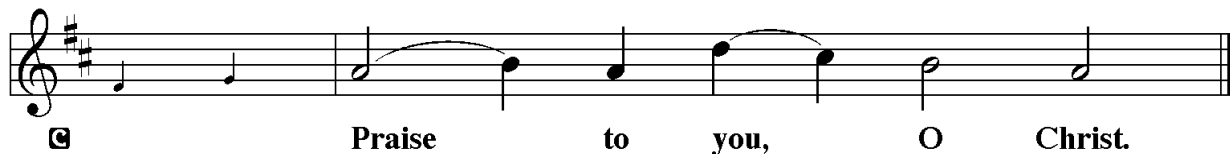
Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>At that very time there were some present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices.<sup>2</sup>[Jesus] asked them, “Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans?<sup>3</sup>No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. <sup>4</sup>Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? <sup>5</sup>No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.”

<sup>6</sup>Then he told this parable: “A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. <sup>7</sup>So he said to the gardener, ‘See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?’

<sup>8</sup>He replied, ‘Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. <sup>9</sup>If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.’ ”

The gospel of the Lord.



*Please be seated.*

## **THE SERMON**

The Rev. Dr. Julius Carroll

*Please stand as you are able.*

# SERMON HYMN

## Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling "Thompson"

ELW 608

1 Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing for  
2 Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing, plead - ing for  
3 Oh, for the won - der - ful love he has prom - ised, prom - ised for

you and for me. See, on the por - tals he's wait - ing and watch - ing,  
you and for me? Why should we lin - ger and heed not his mer - cies,  
you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mer - cy and par - don,

*Refrain*

watch - ing for you and for me.  
mer - cies for you and for me? "Come home, come home!  
par - don for you and for me. Come home, come home!

You who are wea - ry, come home." Ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly,

Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing, "O sin - ner, come home!"

## **THE APOSTLES' 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.**

## **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD**

Drawn close to the heart of God, we offer these prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence.*

We pray for the church around the world in all its forms: for pastors, deacons, bishops, chaplains, and mission developers; for lay ministry leaders; church leadership and for all congregations. We pray for our ecumenical and inter-faith siblings at VOICE Buffalo, the Network of Religious Communities and the Buffalo City Cluster: Grace, Parkside, Community of Good Neighbors, and Holy Trinity. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

For the health of this planet and the well-being of its creatures: for lands impacted by droughts and at risk of wildfires; for fig trees and vineyards that produce fruit for our nourishment and delight; for animal habitats threatened by climate change. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

For those called into positions of civic responsibility: for judges, attorneys, and court administrators; for activists and community leaders and for all those serving in the armed forces and their families. We pray for the people of Ukraine. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

For those who call upon you for mercy: for all who live in poverty and experience hunger; for any who feel tested beyond their strength; for those who are hospitalized or near death, and for all in need of healing. We pray for those impacted by injustice, those continuing on the front line of this Covid endemic, and all those we name out loud, or in the silence of our hearts and our minds... Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

For the advocacy efforts of this congregation: for those whose faith leads them to speak difficult truths and engage in difficult conversations with policymakers; for those who promote mercy over vengeance or retaliation. We pray for your daughters and sons, including the children of our community and especially Isabella and Dylan. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

For those whose earthly journeys have ended, we give thanks. With all the saints, we praise you for the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

Accept the prayers we bring, O God, on behalf of a world in need, for the sake of Jesus Christ.  
**Amen.**

## PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*Please share a sign of peace with one another.*

*We ask that you remain at your seat.*

*You may share the sign of peace  
with a head nod or peace sign.*

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

*Please be seated.*

## THE OFFERING

*Offerings and tithes may be left in the offering plate  
located at the exit.*

**(8:30)**

## ANTHEM AT THE OFFERING

*What Wondrous Love Is This*

Traditional Southern Hymn

Arr. John S. Dixon

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, o my soul,  
what wondrous love is this O my soul?

What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss  
to bear the heavy cross for my soul, for my soul?

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,  
when I was sinking down, sinking down,  
when I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown,  
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul, for my soul.

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing,  
to God and to the Lamb I will sing;  
To God and to the Lamb who is the great I AM,  
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing!

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,  
and when from death I'm free I'll sing on;  
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,  
and through eternity I'll sing on.

(10:30)

## ANTHEM AT THE OFFERING

*Like as the Hart Desireth the Waterbrooks*

Text: Psalm 42: 1-3

Herbert Howells

(1892–1983)

Dr. Aurora Deeds, *soprano*

Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks, so longeth my soul after thee, O God.

My soul is a thirst for God yea, even for the living God.

When shall I come to appear before the presence of God?

My tears have been my meat day and night,

while they daily say unto me, "Where, where is now thy God?"

My tears have been my meat day and night.

*Please stand as you are able.*

## OFFERING PRAYER

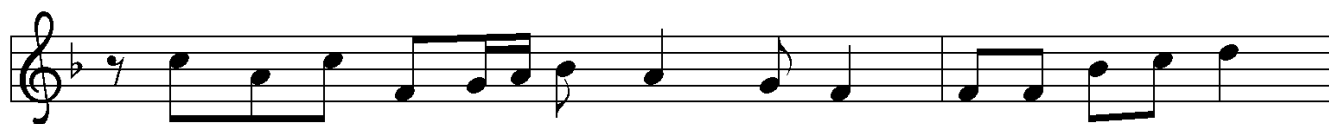
Let us pray together.

**God, there's nowhere we can go where you aren't already waiting: in the vineyard, in the grainfield, in the places where we live and work, and most especially at this table, where your Son has promised to meet us; where he is both Host and Meal. Reveal yourself to us now. Amen.**

## OFFERTORY

*Create in Me a Clean Heart*

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Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right



spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take

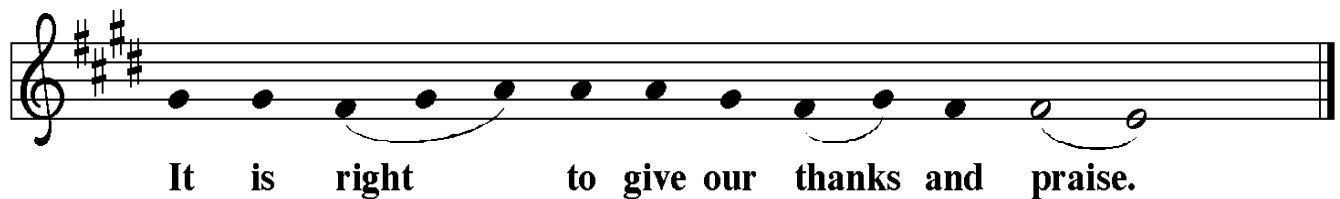
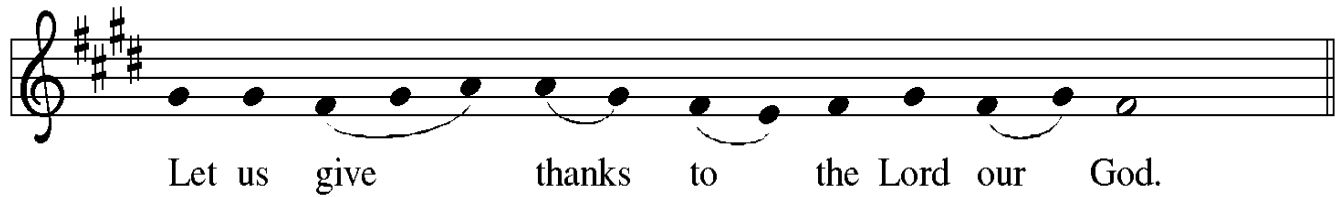
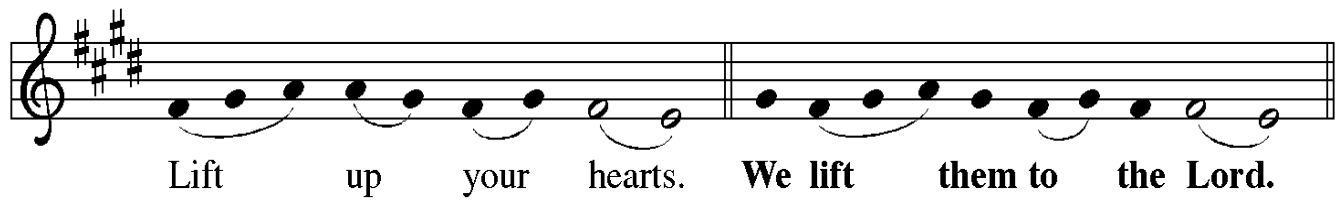
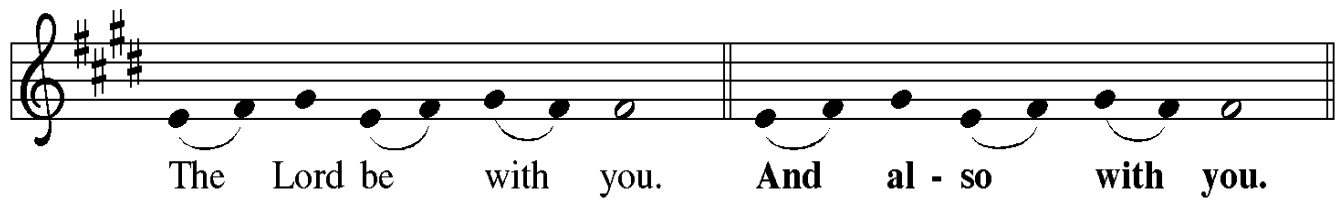


not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of



your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

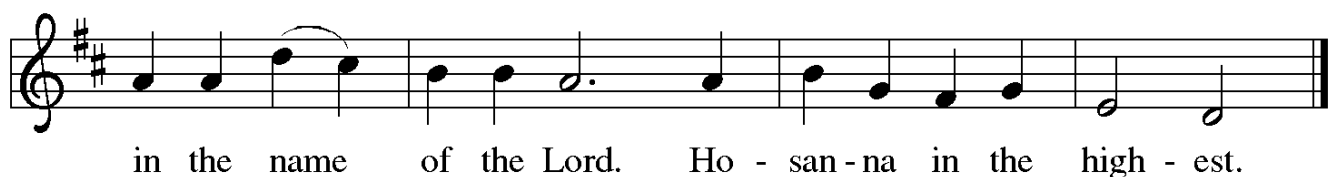
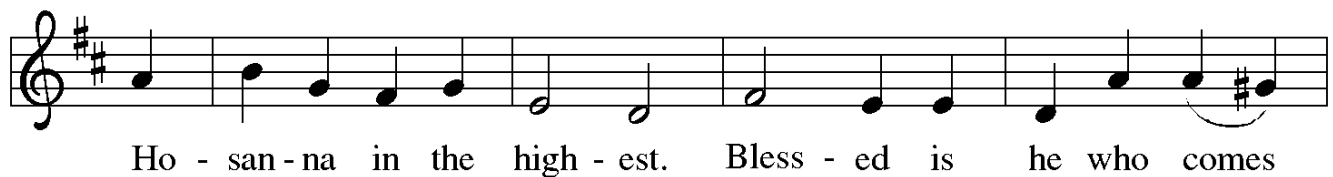
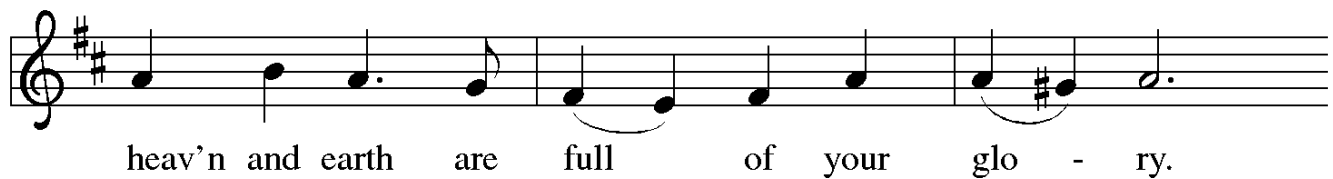
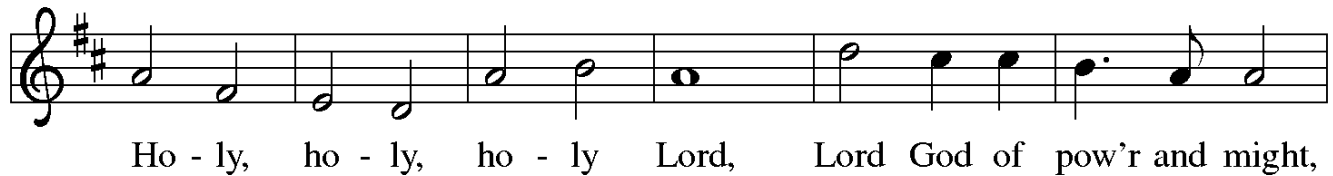
## DIALOGUE



## PREFACE

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

## SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS





## THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy Presence, you are here.

In public worship and private prayer,  
you are here.

In aimless wandering and punishing ordeals,  
you are here.

In perplexing and senseless tragedy,  
you are nonetheless here, God;

insistent, incessant,

and even,

at last,

incarnate.

On the night before he died,

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.

Remembering this table, the cross, the empty grave,

we await his coming in glory

and proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Send your Spirit upon these gifts.

Holy Wisdom, pervade every corner of this place,

and every crevice of our hearts

**Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

Bring us at last with all the saints  
to the sanctuary of your new creation,  
where we may meet your glory face to face.

To you, O God, Holy Presence, Incarnate Child, Eternal Spirit,  
be all worship and praise, now and forever. **Amen.**

## **THE 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.**

*Please be seated.*

## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

*Please follow Pastor's instructions on the distribution of communion*

All are welcome to share in the Sacrament of Holy Communion at Holy Trinity. At this time we will be serving communion in a contact-less manner. Please take your pre-package communion cup that you received at the entrance (gluten free are available, please see an usher at the entrance). The wafer can be found at the top of the cup (lift up the top, clear layer) and you will be invited to eat the wafer at the word, "The body of Christ given to you." You may then open the grape juice and drink at the word, "The blood of Christ given to you." Please leave the used and unused communion cups in the pews.

**(10:30)**

## **COMMUNION MOTET**

*Oculi Omnium*

Text: Psalm 145: 15, *Latin*

Charles Wood  
(1866-1926)

The eyes of all wait upon Thee, Lord,  
and Thou givest them their meat in due season.  
Glory to Thee, Lord. Amen.

*Please stand as you are able.*

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

**Amen.**

### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Let us pray together.

**Blessed Jesus, in this rich meal of grace, you have fed us with your body, the bread of life. Now send us forth to bear your life-giving hope to a world in need.**

**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.**

### **BENEDICTION**

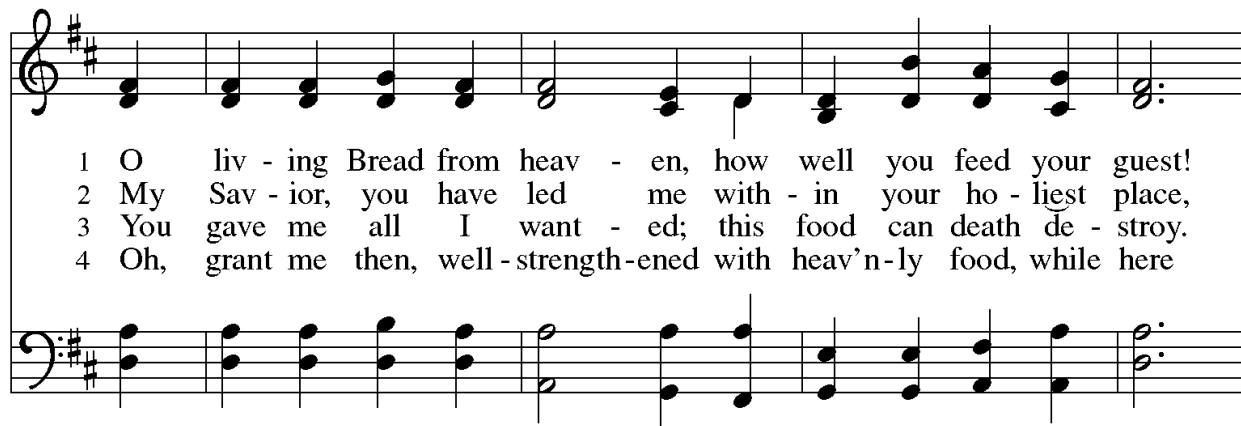
Go with the blessing of God. Remember that this blessing follows you, no matter the places to which you are called. Remember that this blessing waits for you, even where you least expect to find it. Be blessed in the name of God, who inspires, inhabits, and ignites us, today and every day.

**Amen.**

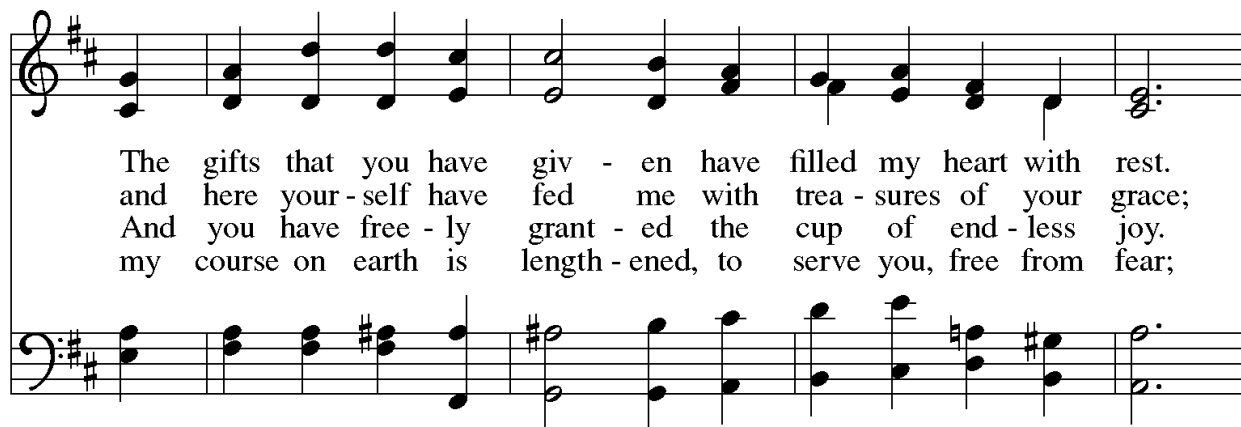
# RECESSIONAL HYMN

*O Living Bread from Heaven* "Aurelia"

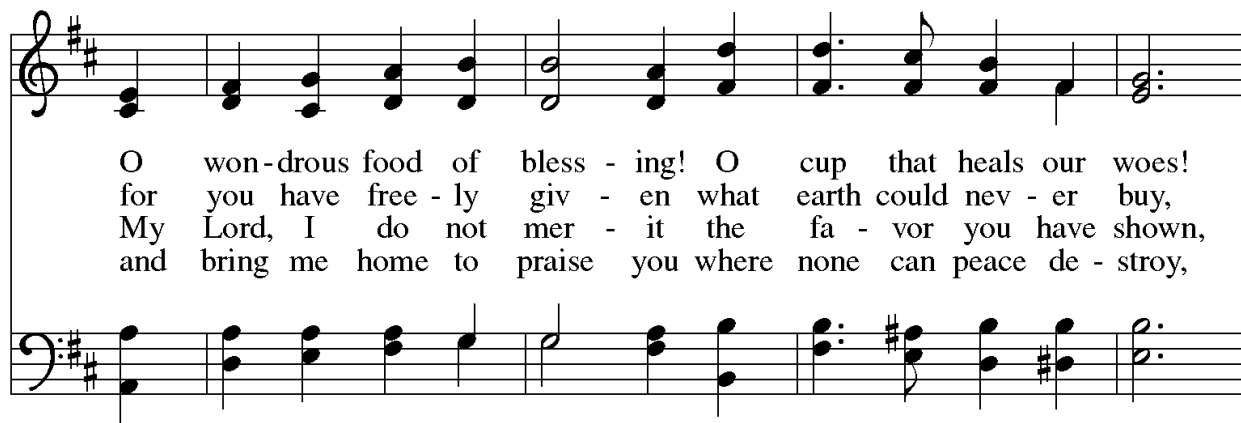
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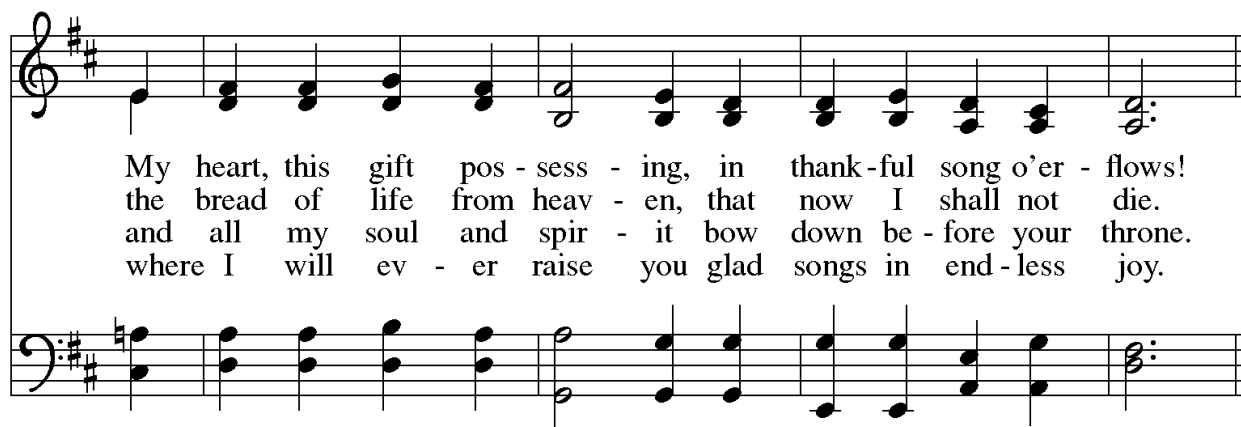
1 O liv - ing Bread from heav - en, how well you feed your guest!  
2 My Sav - ior, you have led me with - in your ho - liest place,  
3 You gave me all I want - ed; this food can death de - stroy.  
4 Oh, grant me then, well - strength - ened with heav'n - ly food, while here



The gifts that you have giv - en have filled my heart with rest.  
and here your - self have fed me with trea - sures of your grace;  
And you have free - ly grant - ed the cup of end - less joy.  
my course on earth is length - ened, to serve you, free from fear;



O won - drous food of bless - ing! O cup that heals our woes!  
for you have free - ly giv - en what earth could nev - er buy,  
My Lord, I do not mer - it the fa - vor you have shown,  
and bring me home to praise you where none can peace de - stroy,



My heart, this gift pos - sess - ing, in thank - ful song o'er - flows!  
the bread of life from heav - en, that now I shall not die.  
and all my soul and spir - it bow down be - fore your throne.  
where I will ev - er raise you glad songs in end - less joy.

*Please feel free to be seated for the Postlude.*

## **POSTLUDE**

*Ich ruf' zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ*  
BWV 639 from *Orgelbüchlein*

Johann Sebastian Bach  
(1685-1750)

*Please remain at your seat until the conclusion of the postlude  
and the cross has returned to the chancel.*

## **THE DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please continue to leave your bulletin, communion cup  
and attendance sheet at your seat.*

*We will collect everything following the service.*

*There is no coffee hour at this time,  
due to the COVID-19 pandemic.*

## ***THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY***

### **SUNDAY, March 20, 2022 – Third Sunday in Lent**

- 8:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion w/Chapel Choir (MC)  
9:30 a.m. Youth Choir (MR)  
10:30 a.m. Sunday School (SS)  
10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (MC)

### **MONDAY, March 21, 2022**

- 9:30 a.m. Bible Study (FR)  
6:00 p.m. Gamblers' Anonymous (RH)  
7:00 p.m. Bible Study (FR)

### **TUESDAY, March 22, 2022**

- 7:00 p.m. Council Meeting (RH/Zoom)

### **WEDNESDAY, March 23, 2022**

- 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (CR)

### **THURSDAY, March 24, 2022**

- 10:00 a.m. Watercolor Class (RH)  
6:00 p.m. Vocalis Rehearsal (CH) with Jake Runestad  
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir (MC) with Jake Runestad  
7:00 p.m. Story Time  
7:00 p.m. AA/AL-ANON (RH)

### **SUNDAY, March 27, 2022 – Fourth Sunday in Lent**

- 8:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (MC)  
9:30 a.m. Youth Choir (MR)  
10:30 a.m. Sunday School (SS)  
10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion w/Jake Runestad  
and Vocalis (MC)

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CH = Mansperger Chapel  
FR = Fellowship Room  
MR = Music Room  
SC = Sacristy

CI = Crib Room  
FI = Fireside Room/Library  
PS = Pastor's Study  
SS = Sunday School

CR = Conference Room  
MC = Main Church  
RH = Redeemer Hall  
YR = Youth Room



At 8:30 a.m. the announcer is Paul Kroll. Usher is Gail Camilleri. Worship Assistant is Avery Best. Reader is Paul Kroll.

At 10:30 a.m. the announcer is Guy Huber. Reader is Timothy Flynn. Ushers are Paul Biesinger, Doug Alderdice, Paul and Karen Bauchle, Dan Griebel and Karen Kolb. Worship Assistants are Adam Hakansson, Max Hakansson, Madalyn Brown, Morgan Leiser, Rowan Leiser, Eliana Perez, Constantino Perez and Sanayah Gilchrist.

The flowers on the altar are given:

In Loving Memory of cousin JoAnne by Paul Biesinger; and

In Honor of our grandson Aidan Murphy's 16<sup>th</sup> birthday on March 17 by Barb and Larry Wozniak.

Council Treasurer Guy Huber will be at the Main Street entrance to address any questions or concerns you may have this morning.

As part of the Cherish All Children ministries, today's prayers of intercession include Isabella and Dylan Parks.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PLANT SALE:** It's that time of year for the annual LYO plant sale! The pick-up date for the plant sale will be Saturday, May 21. Order forms can be found on the tables at the entrance ways, in the newsletter or in our weekly email. Orders are due back to the church by Sunday, March 27. The proceeds will go towards our mission fund which helps to support service events. All orders are appreciated.

**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, order forms may be found in the newsletter, in the weekly email or on the tables at the entrance ways. The cost is \$12.00 per plant.

**MONDAY BIBLE STUDY** continues tomorrow at 9:30am and 7:00pm in the Fellowship Room. This week studies in the Gospel of Matthew: **Jesus overturns the tables in the Temple (Matthew 21:12-17) and The Question about the Resurrection (Matthew 22:23-33)** ALL ARE WELCOME in this PLACE.

**LENTEN DEVOTIONALS:** Our theme for Lent this year is *You Are Here*. This theme will be incorporated into our worship liturgy and through a sermon series each week. We will also be providing a Lenten Daily Devotional to incorporate into your prayer life. Copies are available on the tables at the entrance ways, in the weekly email or on the website.



## A SPECIAL SUNDAY WITH COMPOSER JAKE RUNESTAD!

Mark your calendars for Sunday, March 27, at the 10:30 am Service! As part of a Buffalo residency between Holy Trinity and the Erie County Music Educators' Assn., internationally renowned composer Jake Runestad will be in attendance as the Chancel Choir presents several of Mr. Runestad's choral works throughout the Service. We will be joined by the Vocalis Chamber Choir on this most celebratory morning of music. Mr. Runestad and Vocalis will also be present at our rehearsal Thursday, March 24. Friday and Saturday of that weekend, Mr. Runestad will be conducting the highly select ECMEA Senior High All-County Honors Chorus at the University of Buffalo - Slee Hall. You can learn more about Jake Runestad's extraordinary career at [www.jakerunestad.com](http://www.jakerunestad.com). This will be a special day not to miss!

**HEALTH SURVEY:** With the retirement of our Parish Nurse, Judy Reifsteck, a small task force has been formed to help explore the Health Ministry here at Holy Trinity. We are looking at ways to make this ministry more comprehensive and robust and we are asking for your help. We have created a congregational health survey to help us identify the needs of the congregation. We ask that you please take a few moments to complete this health survey. All information is confidential and will be used only for planning health programming. Thank you for your cooperation. Hard copies of the survey can be found on the tables at the entrance ways or by calling the church office. There is also an option to fill out an online survey, <https://forms.gle/b5GSnwfphrn7GeSTA>. **Surveys are due back today.** You may drop your survey in the offering plates. Please see Pastor Brenda, Donna Leiser, Pat Ulrich, or Lynn Kinkade if you have questions.

**LENTEN DIAPER DRIVE:** This Lent the entire Upstate New York Synod is collecting... Diapers! As Church together we hope to collect 50,000 diapers. One in three families suffers from diaper need in the U.S. Based on present funding in NYS and many other areas in the United States, diapers cannot be purchased with food stamps. Most childcare centers, free and subsidized facilities, require parents to provide a day's supply of disposable diapers; therefore, many parents cannot go to work or school if they cannot leave their babies at childcare. Please join us in collecting diapers this Lent. Donations may be dropped off at Church from March 6 to April 10. Feel free to contact Pastors Carroll or Maynor with your questions!

**CRISIS SERVICES:** For anyone feeling down, lonely or depressed, Crisis Services is working around the clock to respond to and combat the impact COVID-19 has on our community. Their hotline number is 834-3131 and are available 24-hours a day. If you are looking for counseling services, we share a partnership with Pat Greene, LMHC, and he may be reached at 716-361-4615.



***Day “Buy” Day Thanksgivings  
March 2022***

*March 2022 To our God of mercy and healing for Pam Kattermann during her knee replacement, for the God given talents and skills of Dr. Romanowski and his staff, and for the support and caring of family and friends we thank God.*

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.



## **2022 Lenten and Easter Worship**

### **Palm Sunday, April 10**

- 8:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion with Chapel Choir  
10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion with Chancel Choir

### **Maundy Thursday, April 14**

- 7:00 p.m. Holy Communion/stripping of the altar with Chancel Choir

### **Good Friday, April 15**

- 12:00 p.m. The Bidding Prayer Confession and Absolution (CH)  
3:00 p.m. Family Service  
7:00 p.m. Tenebrae Service with Chancel Choir

### **Easter Sunday, April 17**

- 8:30 a.m. Festival Service of Holy Communion  
10:00 a.m. Pre-service music  
10:30 a.m. Festival Service of Holy Communion with Choir/Brass/Organ

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