



Holy Trinity
Lutheran Church
Buffalo, New York

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Buffalo, New York

Sunday, March 17, 2024

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Celebrating our 145th 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.

Visitors interested in membership may talk with a Council representative at the Council desk, contact the Church office or indicate on the yellow Welcome sheet.

*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

God promises Jeremiah that a "new covenant" will be made in the future: a covenant that will allow all the people to know God by heart. The church sees this promise fulfilled in Christ, who draws all people to himself when he is lifted up on the cross. Our baptismal covenant draws us to God's heart through Christ and draws God's love and truth into our hearts. We join together in worship, sharing in word, song, and meal, and leave strengthened to share God's love with all the world.

PRELUDE

(8:30)

Lenten Improvisation

Kristen Pomietlarz

(10:30)

Psalms Prelude Op. 32, No. 3

Based on Psalm 23:4

Herbert Howells

(1892-1983)

“Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.”

RINGING OF THE TOWER BELLS

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

For CARDIAC EMERGENCIES:

Our Automatic External Defibrillator (AED)

is located in the Sacristy on the wall near the window.

Look for the First Aid and AED sign near the top of the door to the Sacristy.

Exit the Sanctuary next to the Angel Lectern.

The Sacristy will be the first room on the left.

Coming from other areas of our building,
go up the stairs toward the Main Church and turn left.

Please stand as you are able.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Restore in Us, O God "Baylor"

ELW 328



- 1 Re - store in us, O God, the splen - dor of your love; re -
- 2 O Spir - it, wake in us the won - der of your pow'r; from
- 3 Bring us, O Christ, to share the full - ness of your joy; bap -
- 4 Three-per - soned God, ful - fill the prom - ise of your grace, that



new your im - age in our hearts, and all our sins re - move.
fruit-less fear un - furl our lives like spring-time bud and flow'r.
tize us in the ris - en life that death can - not de - stroy.
we, when all our search-ing ends, may see you face to face.

Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944

Music: BAYLOR, Hal H. Hopson, b. 1933

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(10:30)

Please be seated.

INTROIT

Wash me through and through, Part I (1980)

Text: Psalms 130 and 51, Book of Common Prayer, 1976

Peter Hallock

(1924 - 2014)

Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice.

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your lovingkindness;
in your great compassion, blot out my offences.

Wash me through and through from my wickedness and cleanse me from my sin.

O let your ears consider well the voice of my complaint.

Have mercy on me, O God, for I acknowledge my faults, and my sin is ever before
me.

If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, O Lord, who may abide it?

Cleanse me from all my sin and wash me pure as the snow
and make me to hear of joy and gladness, that the body which you have broken may
rejoice.

Wash me through and through from my wickedness and cleanse me from my sin.

(10:30)

Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who writes the law on our hearts,
who draws all people together through Jesus.

Amen.

Held in God's mercy, let us confess our sin
in the presence of God and of one another.

(10:30)

You are invited to kneel or sit, as you are able.

Holy God,
we confess that we are caught in snares of sin
and cannot break free.

We hoard resources while our neighbors are hungry and cold.

We speak in ways that silence others.

We are silent when we should speak up.

We keep score in our hearts.

We let hurts grow into hatred.

**For all these things and for sins only you know,
forgive us, Lord.**

Amen.

Here is a flood of grace:

Out of love for the whole world, God draws near to us,
breaks every snare of sin, washes away our wrongs,
and restores the promise of life through † Jesus Christ.

Amen.

(10:30)

Please stand as you are able.

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.

**O God, with steadfast love you draw us to yourself, and in mercy
you receive our prayers. Strengthen us to bring forth the fruits of
the Spirit, that through life and death we may live in your Son,
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

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34

The first reading for the Fifth Sunday in Lent is recorded in Jeremiah, the 31st Chapter.

³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 51:1-12

The congregation will sing responsively the bold-faced type.



¹Have mercy on me, O God, according to your | steadfast love;
in your great compassion blot out | my offenses.

²**Wash me through and through | from my wickedness,**
and cleanse me | from my sin.

³For I know | my offenses,
and my sin is ev- | er before me.

⁴**Against you only have I sinned
and done what is evil | in your sight;
so you are justified when you speak
and right | in your judgment.**

⁵Indeed, I was born | steeped in wickedness,
a sinner from my | mother's womb.

⁶**Indeed, you delight in truth | deep within me,
and would have me know wisdom | deep within.**

⁷Remove my sins with hyssop, and I | shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be pur- | er than snow.

⁸**Let me hear | joy and gladness;
that the body you have broken | may rejoice.**

⁹Hide your face | from my sins,
and blot out | all my wickedness.

¹⁰**Create in me a clean | heart, O God,
and renew a right spir- | it within me.**

¹¹Cast me not away | from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spir- | it from me.

¹²**Restore to me the joy of | your salvation
and sustain me with your boun- | tiful Spirit.**

SECOND READING: Hebrews 5:5-10

The second reading for today is recorded in Hebrews, the 5th Chapter.

⁵Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

“You are my Son,
today I have begotten you”;

⁶as he says also in another place,

“You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchizedek.”

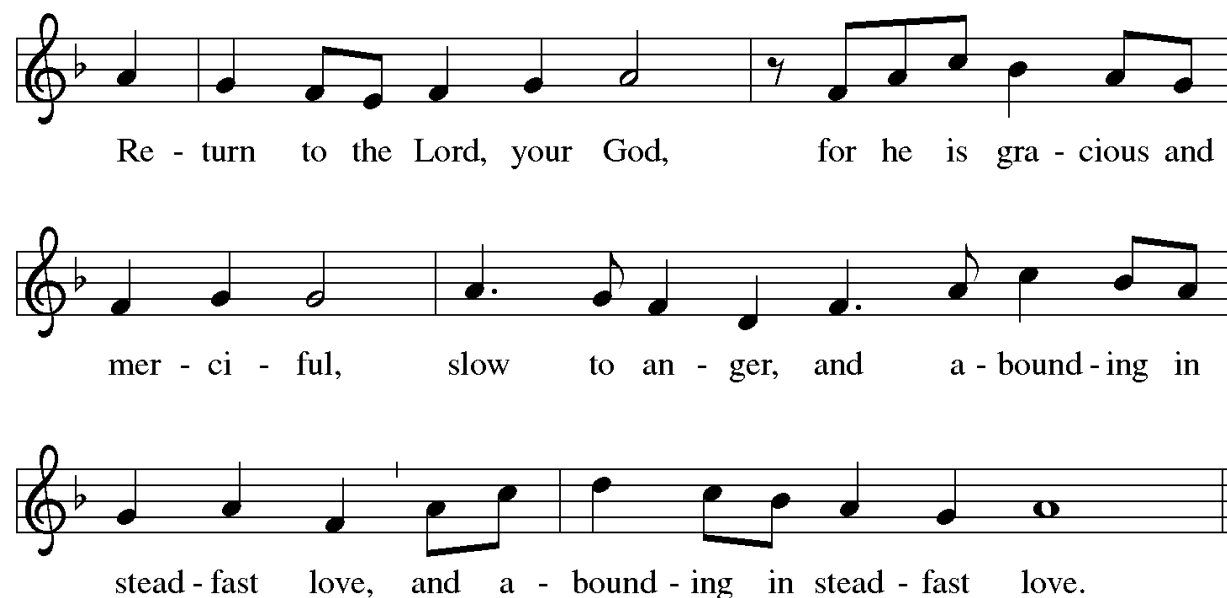
⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; ⁹and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

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, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

GOSPEL: John 12:20-33

The Holy Gospel according to Saint John

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁰Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. ²¹They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” ²²Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. ²⁵Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

²⁷“Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. ²⁸Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” ²⁹The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” ³⁰Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. ³¹Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. ³²And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” ³³He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Richard Neal

Please stand as you are able.

SERMON HYMN

Eternal Lord of Love, Behold Your Church "Old 124th"

ELW 321

1 E - ter - nal Lord of love, be - hold your church
2 So dai - ly dy - ing to the way of self,
3 If dead in you, so in you we a - rise,

walk - ing once more the pil - grim way of Lent,
so dai - ly liv - ing in your way of love,
you the first - born of all the faith - ful dead;

led by your cloud by day, by night your fire,
we walk the road, Lord Je - sus, that you trod,
and as through ston - y ground the green shoots break,

moved by your love and toward your pres - ence bent:
know - ing our - selves bap - tized in - to your death:
glo - rious in spring - time dress of leaf and flow'r,

far off yet here— the goal of all de - sire.
so we are dead and live with you in God.
so in - to life and glo - ry shall we wake.

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.

PRAYERS OF PASTOR AND PEOPLE

You have spoken to us, O God, in the quiet of a garden in the cool of the evening and in fire and smoke on a mountaintop, in the sound of sheer silence and in a voice from the clouds. You have appeared as a descending dove and as one impassioned for the purging of your temple precincts. Speak to us once more your patient word of grace, and grant that we and all the families of the earth may feel your enfolding, reconciling presence. Trusting your eternal promise to reconcile all things, we beseech you to receive our prayers for the church, the well-being of creation, and a world in need.

A brief silence.

God of the covenant, through the church you draw us into community. We give thanks for the means of grace around which we gather. Inspire writers, musicians, and artists whose creative gifts adorn our worship. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of all that exists, you lavish the earth with extravagant beauty. Preserve the rich and complex diversity of living things. Support local, national, and international efforts to protect the environment for future generations. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of the nations, you desire peace and plenty for all people. Defend those who challenge oppression and expose corruption. Support advocates for human rights, social justice, and the welfare of all children, especially Natalie and Abigail. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of good will, you restore what is broken. We pray for any experiencing estrangement, conflict, or abuse in families and intimate relationships. Protect and comfort all who are vulnerable, especially those living in institutions and those we name aloud or in the silence of our hearts.... Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of every time and place, you are with us. Support ministries of prayer and presence in this congregation. Move us to reach out to any who are homebound, lonely, grieving, in treatment, or ill. Receive our prayers in memory of JoAnne and Sue, and in celebration of Aidan, Ella, and Morgan. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of promise, we give thanks for the saints and especially for the life, love, and faith of Betsy Wilson Barberree. Grant us faith to trust in your everlasting love. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Give us new awareness of your companionship in our journey of faith,
God of grace, and receive the prayers of our hearts, through 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

(8:30)

SOLO AT THE OFFERING

It is Enough from Elijah Op. 70

Felix Mendelssohn

Text: I Kings 19:4, 1 Kings 19:10, Job 7:16

(1809-1847)

Timothy Flynn, *bass*

It is enough, O Lord, now take away my life, for I am not better than my fathers!
I desire to live no longer; now let me die, for my days are but vanity!
I have been very jealous for the Lord, for the Lord of Hosts,
for the children of Israel have broken thy covenant, and thrown down thine altars,
and slain all thy prophets, slain them with the sword.
I have been very jealous for the Lord, for the Lord God of Hosts,
and I even I only am left; and they seek my life to take it away.
It is enough!

(10:30)

MOTET AT THE OFFERING

Christus factus est

Anton Bruckner

Text: Philippians 2:8-9

(1824-1896)

Christ became obedient for us unto death,
even to the death, death on the cross.
Therefore God exalted him and gave him a name
which is above all names.

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.

**Jesus, you are the bread of life
and the host of this meal.**

**Bless these gifts that we have gathered
that all people may know your goodness.**

**Feed us not only with this holy food
but with hunger for justice and peace.**

We pray this in your name.

Amen.

OFFERTORY

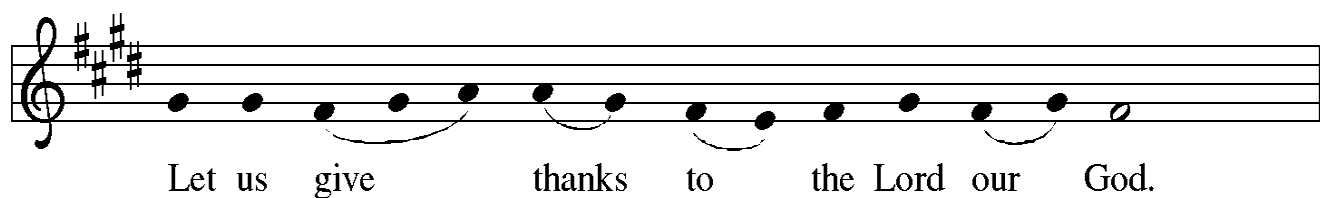
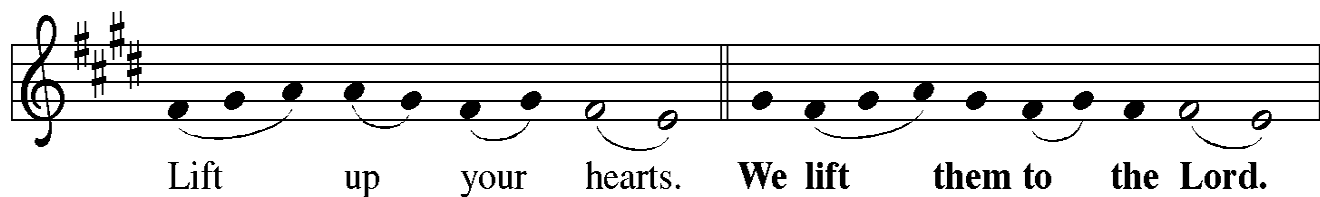
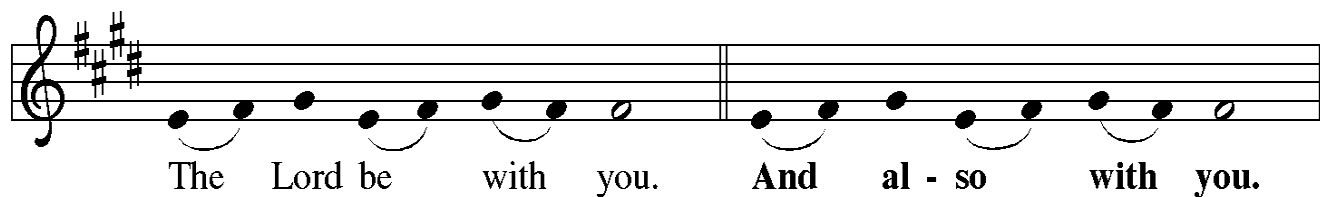
Create in Me a Clean Heart

ELW 186

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "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." The score ends with a double bar line.

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

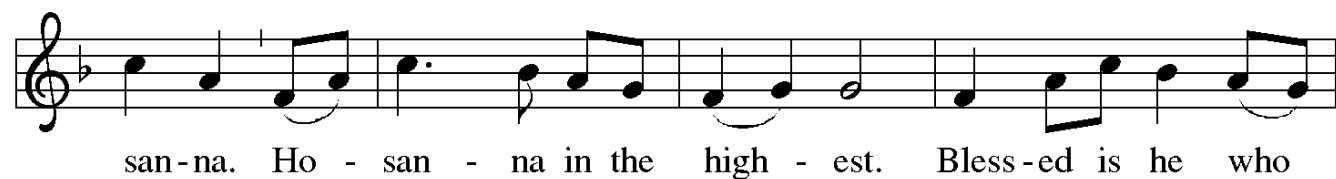
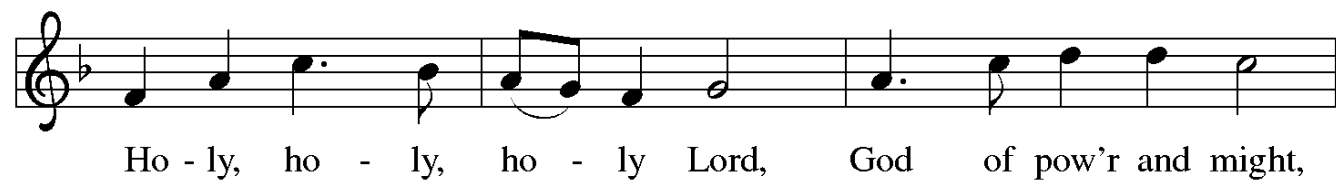


PREFACE

It is indeed right ...

...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS



THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ,
whom you sent in the fullness of time to be a light to the nations.
You scatter the proud in the imagination of their hearts,
put down the mighty from their thrones, and exalt those of low degree.
You fill the hungry with good things and send the rich away empty.
Your own Son came among us as a servant
to be Emmanuel, your presence with us.
He humbled himself in obedience to your will
and freely accepted death on a cross.

By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection
you gave birth to your Church,
delivered us from slavery to sin and death,
and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us . . .
When the supper was over he took the cup . . .

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us, and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,
that we may be for the world the body of Christ,
redeemed by Christ's blood.
By your Spirit make us one with Christ,
one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world,
until Christ comes in final victory,
and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and for ever.

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.

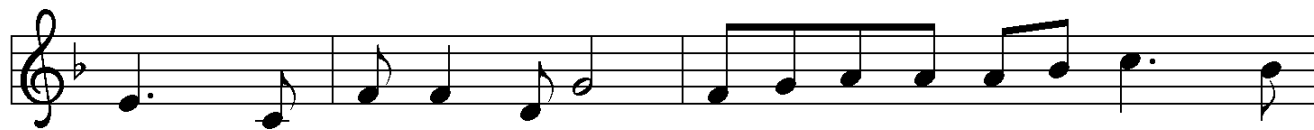
THE AGNUS DEI



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace.

Please be seated.

THE HOLY 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 down the center aisle to the presiding minister. 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. Portable communion cups are also available for those who are not comfortable sharing the sacrament of Holy Communion in-person. 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.

Come eat and drink; there is a place for you at the table of our Lord.

SOLO AT COMMUNION

Danny Boy “Londerry Air”

Traditional Irish

Text: Frederic Edward Weatherly (1848-1929)

Oh Danny boy, the pipes, the pipes are calling
From glen to glen, and down the mountain side
The summer's gone, and all the roses falling
It's you, it's you must go and I must bide.

But come ye back when summer's in the meadow
Or when the valley's hushed and white with snow
'Tis I'll be here in sunshine or in shadow
Oh Danny boy, oh Danny boy, I love you so!

And if you come, when all the flowers are dying
And I am dead, as dead I well may be
Ye'll come and find the place where I am lying
And kneel and say an "Ave" there for me.

And I shall hear, tho' soft you tread above me
And all my dreams will warm and sweeter be
If you'll not fail to tell me that you love me
Then I shall sleep in peace until you come to me!

(10:30)

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Stay With Us

Text: Luke 24:29

Egil Hovland

(1924-2013)

Stay with us, Lord Jesus, stay with us.
Stay with us, it soon is evening, and night is falling.

Jesus Christ, the world's true light!
Shine so the darkness cannot overcome it!
Stay with us, Lord Jesus, it soon is evening.
Stay with us, Lord Jesus, for night is falling.

Let your light pierce the darkness and fill your church with its glory.
Stay with us, Lord Jesus, stay with us.
Stay with us, it soon is evening, and night is falling.

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.

Generous God,

at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace.

As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread,

now make us one loaf to feed the world;

in the name of Jesus, the Bread of life.

Amen.

SENDING OF COMMUNION

Gracious God, you took the form of a servant, offering yourself as food, comfort, and strength to a broken and hurting world. Anoint with a servant heart those who take your word and sacrament to our sisters and brothers in their homes, in prisons, or in hospitals. Grant grace, mercy, healing, and hope to those who feast on your body and blood and receive your words of new life. May we all recognize that we are one in the body of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen.

We invite congregation members to share this holy meal with those who are homebound, hospitalized, or otherwise unable to join us in person. Communion elements and a simple printed liturgy are available on the altar for your use. If you take a bulletin from this morning's worship service, you will be able to easily share today's scripture and prayers with the meal.

(10:30)

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE

Peace I Leave With You Op. 8, No. 3

Text: John 4:27

Mrs. H.H. Amy Cheney Beach

(1867-1944)

Peace I leave with you, I leave with you,
my peace, my peace I give unto you.
Not as the world giveth give I unto you.
Let not your heart be troubled,
let not your heart, your heart be troubled.

THE BENEDICTION

Beloved, we are God's own people,
holy, washed, renewed.
God bless you and keep you,
shower you with mercy, fill you with courage,
and ✠ give you peace.

Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Lift High the Cross "Crucifer"

ELW 660

Refrain

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim till

all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.

1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod,
2 All new - born ser - vants of the Cru - ci - fied
3 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
4 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

Refrain

our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
bear on their brows the seal of him who died.
as thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee.
praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

Text: George W. Kitchin, 1827-1912; rev. Michael R. Newbolt, 1874-1956

Music: CRUCIFER, Sydney H. Nicholson, 1875-1947

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THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share your bread.

Thanks be to God.

*The services conclude with the ringing of the bells
throughout the Lenten season.*



*You are encouraged to take the bulletin
home with you for future reference.
Otherwise, please place them in the recycle bins
at the entrance ways.*

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



Holy Trinity welcomes baritone Jaman E. Dunn-Danger
and Michael Serio in Recital this afternoon
Sunday, March 17th at 3:00 pm.

A Chicago native, Mr. Dunn-Danger serves on the faculty at SUNY
University at Buffalo in both the vocal and orchestral fields.
They also serve as the Artistic Director of the Buffalo Master Chorale,
and previously served as Assistant Conductor
of the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra.

The recital will feature works by Gustav Mahler, Gerald Finzi,
Mendelssohn and Bach, among others.

The recital is FREE and open to the public.

THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

SUNDAY, March 17, 2024 – Fifth Sunday in Lent

St. Patrick's Day

- 8:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (CH)
- 9:00 a.m. Family Play Group (RH)
- 9:30 a.m. Youth Choir (MR)
- 9:40 a.m. Sunday Roundtable (FR)
- 10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (MC)
- 10:30 a.m. Sunday School (SS)
- 11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour (RH)
- 3:00 p.m. Voice Recital (MC)

MONDAY, March 18, 2024

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

TUESDAY, March 19, 2024

- 7:00 p.m. Executive Meeting (FR)

WEDNESDAY, March 20, 2024

- 7:00 p.m. Personnel Meeting (FR)

THURSDAY, March 21, 2024

- 10:00 a.m. Watercolor Class (RH)
- 6:00 p.m. Lenten Supper and Study (FR)
- 6:00 p.m. Chapel Choir (CH)
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir (MC)
- 7:00 p.m. AA/AL-ANON (RH)

SUNDAY, March 24, 2024 – Palm Sunday

- 8:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion w/Chapel Choir (CH)
- 9:00 a.m. Family Play Group (RH)
- 9:30 a.m. Youth Choir (MR)
- 9:40 a.m. Sunday Roundtable (FR)
- 10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion (MC)
- 10:30 a.m. Sunday School (SS)
- 11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour (RH)
- 12:00 p.m. CGN Service (CH)

CH = Mansperger Chapel

CI = Crib Room

CR = Conference Room

FR = Fellowship Room

FI = Fireside Room/Library

MC = Main Church

MR = Music Room

PS = Pastor's Study

RH = Redeemer Hall

SC = Sacristy

SS = Sunday School

YR = Youth Room

At 8:30 a.m. the announcer and reader is Dave Ulrich. Ushers and altar guilds are Gail Camilleri and Heidemarie Kunz. Acolyte is Erys Yap.

At 10:30 a.m. the announcer is Paul Bauchle. Reader is Martha Kutas. Ushers are Paul Biesinger, Doug Alderdice, Paul and Karen Bauchle and Karen Kolb. Acolytes are Maddie Brown, Avery Best, Adrianna Wareham, Tony Lizauckas and Max Hakansson.

The flowers on the altar are given:

In Loving Memory of JoAnne and Sue from Paul Biesinger; and

In Honor of our grandchildren Aidan (18) and Ella (14), whose birthdays are in March from Larry and Barb Wozniak; and

In Celebration of our granddaughter Morgan's 16th birthday on March 22nd from Ron and Donna Leiser.

Collection counters are Paul and Karen Bauchle and Peter Bergenstock.

Council Member, Paul Bauchle, 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 Abigail and Natalie Gazzo.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLANT SALE: The annual LYO plant sale continues. The pick-up date for the plant sale will be Saturday, May 18 from 11:30am-12:30pm. 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 31.** All orders are appreciated.

PERSONAL CARE KITS: Collection for Lutheran World Relief Personal Care Kit items continues during this Lenten season. Please place the items near the display at Kahler's Korner located near the Church office. The list of items needed can be found on the tables at the entranceways or at the display.

LUTHERAN CHARITIES AWARDS DINNER will be held on Friday, May 3 at 6:00pm at Ripa's Italian Restaurant. Tickets are \$55 per person. Join us for this special event as we congratulate our own Guy Huber who will be receiving The Rev. Dr. Ralph W. Loew Award this year. Please register and pay online at www.wnylutherancharities.org. Please call the church office with any questions.

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.

NEW MEMBERS' & INQUIRERS' CLASS: Are you considering becoming a member at Holy Trinity? Pastor Jeff welcomes you to a conversation about Lutheranism, Christianity, and membership on Sunday, April 21, 2024, at 12:30pm in the Conference Room. Those who would like to join will be received into membership on Sunday, April 28, 2024. If you have questions or would like to attend this engaging class, please contact the church office at info@holytrinitybuffalo.org or 716-886-2400.

FIRST COMMUNION CLASS: If you have a child who has not received First Communion, Pastor Jeff is planning a First Communion class on Saturday, May 4, from 9:00am - 12:00pm in Redeemer Hall. They will receive their First Communion on Sunday, May 12 (Mother's Day), at the 10:30am service. We ask that at least one parent, godparent, or grandparent attend. To register or for questions, please contact the church office at info@holytrinitybuffalo.org or 716-886-2400.

STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION: The next session will be held on Saturday, April 13 from 9am to noon. Please join the Church Council along with pastors Jeff and Rich in Redeemer Hall. We will address the risen Christ's question "Holy Trinity, *quo vadis*, where are you going?" That's when we will begin to create a strategic plan for our congregation's ministries. So we can be adequately prepared, please call the church office by Wednesday, April 10 to let us know you are coming. We hope to see you there.

CRISIS SERVICES: For anyone feeling down, lonely or depressed, Crisis Services is available. 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 Mr. Pat Greene, LMHC, and he may be reached at 716-361-4615.



2024 Lenten and Easter Worship

Lenten Supper and Study (Thursdays 3/21)

6:00 p.m. Soup and bread supper and discipleship conversation

The same themes will be the subject of Monday Bible Study (3/18, 3/25)

Palm Sunday, March 24

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

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

Maundy Thursday, March 28

12:00 p.m. Service of Holy Communion in Chapel

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

Good Friday, March 29

12:00 p.m. Worship Service in Chapel

7:00 p.m. Tenebrae Service with Chancel Choir

Easter Sunday, March 31

8:30 a.m. Festival Service of Holy Communion

9:00 a.m. Easter Breakfast by the Fellowship & Hospitality Group

9:45 a.m. Pre-service music

10:30 a.m. Festival Service of Holy Communion with
Choir/Brass/Organ



Lenten Supper & Study 2024

What Is a Disciple, and How Can I Be One?

Models of Discipleship in the New Testament

“We are not yet what we shall be, but we are growing toward it.” –Martin Luther

So far, we’ve looked at each of our four gospels for models of how to be a disciple. In our final session Mar. 21, we’ll look at an even earlier model in St. Paul’s letter to the Galatians and discover what may be a surprising twist on what it means to be the “body of Christ” or to be “one in the spirit.” Join us Thursday, Mar. 21, for a light supper and fellowship at 6:00, focused conversation at 7:00, and departure for home by 8:15.

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