

*The Evangelical Lutheran Church
of the Holy Trinity
Greenville, Pennsylvania
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*The Fifth Sunday in Lent
March 21 and March 22, 2026*

Welcome in the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ! If you come as a visitor today, we hope you will leave as a friend. We count it a privilege and a blessing to have you with us in worship. If you are not presently a member of any congregation, please feel welcome to gather with us around Jesus in this community of his disciples at Holy Trinity. Come and worship with us again!

We welcome and encourage children of all ages to be in worship. Sitting with children in a front pew and giving them the seat on the center aisle helps them to see and participate in our worship. For children who are present in worship, there are a variety of games, toys, puzzles, coloring supplies and snacks in the Kids' Playground cabinet in the narthex near the coat rack. If children need a break, there is a TV set up downstairs in the nursery so parents can watch the worship live-stream. If you are visiting, an usher can help direct you to the nursery.

Invitation to Communion: Holy Communion is the body and blood of Jesus Christ by which our Lord is truly present to forgive sin and bring life and salvation. All baptized Christians who believe this promise are welcome to commune. Parents with children are encouraged to come to the altar together. Children who do not yet receive communion will receive the blessing of the Church from the Pastor.

Procedure for Communing: Approach the altar rail through the door to the front left, take a small glass from the tray and move to the furthest place open, kneeling if you are able, or standing. Receive the host either in your open palm or in your mouth; receive the wine poured into the small glass, saying "Amen" after receiving each. If you are unable to consume either the bread or wine, be assured that Christ is fully present for us in either element; reverence the body or blood of Christ by saying "Amen" when the host or the cup is presented. Leave by the right, placing your empty glass in the tray provided, and return to your pew.

Gluten-free wafers are available; let the pastor know when you come forward to receive.

Holy Trinity has safety measures in place for the sake of all who worship here. Fire extinguishers are located throughout the facility in case of need. The AED machine and a fire extinguisher can be found in the narthex next to the Kids' Playground cabinet. Other fire extinguishers on the first floor can be found behind the door leading from the sanctuary to the pastor's sacristy, and in the office hallway at the back door and at the front of the hallway near the water cooler. An AED is also located downstairs in Brath Hall should it be needed.

Liturgy of Holy Communion, Saturday at 5:30 p.m. and Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

The assembly's responses are in bold type.

Significance of the Day: In today's gospel Jesus reveals his power over death by raising Lazarus from the dead. The prophet Ezekiel prophesies God breathing new life into dry bones. To those in exile or living in the shadows of death, these stories proclaim God's promise of resurrection. In baptism we die with Christ that we might also be raised with him to new life. At the Easter Vigil we will welcome the newly baptized as we remember God's unfailing promise in our baptism.

Gathering

Prelude Aus tiefer Not schrei ich zu dir, BWV 686 Johann Sebastian Bach

Greeting and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin before God, who removes our guilt
and blots out all offenses.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For seeking worldly delights that deceive us and dishonor you:

Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For desiring self-reliance instead of hungering for your word:

Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For failing to recognize your coming reign,

and for hindering the work of the Spirit: Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For drawing from the well of self-serving ambition,

and for disdaining the living water Christ offers: Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For disregarding voices from the margin,
and for distrusting signs of your healing and hope in the world:
Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

For dwelling in tombs of self-pity and discontent,
and for disregarding Christ's call to come forth to life:
Gracious God,

have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

God's steadfast love, grace, and forgiveness abound.

Through faith, the free gift of God,
you have been clothed in the righteousness of Christ.

In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

The Spirit of the One who raised Christ from the dead
dwells in you,

pours God's love into your hearts,
and gives you life and peace.

Amen.

Hymn

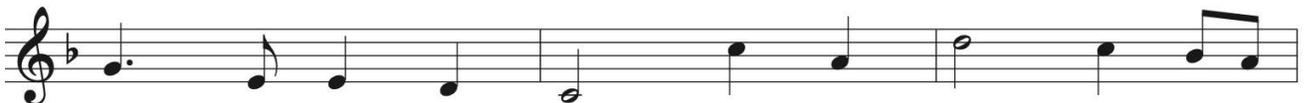
All My Hope on God is Founded



1. All my hope on God is found - ed who will all my
 2. Mor - tal pride and earth - ly glo - ry, sword and crown be -
 3. Great thy good - ness, e'er en - dur - ing; deep thy wis - dom,
 4. Still from earth to God e - ter - nal sac - ri - fice of



trust re - new, who through change and chance will guide me, on - ly
 tray our trust; what with care and toil we fash - ion, tow'r and
 pass - ing thought; splen - dor, light, and life at - tend - thee, beau - ty
 praise be done, high a - bove all prais - es prais - ing for the



good and on - ly true. God un - known, God a -
 tem - ple, fall to dust. But thy pow'r hour by
 spring - ing out of naught. Ev - er - more from thy
 gift of God's own Son. Christ doth call one and



lone, call my heart to be thine own.
 hour, is my tem - ple and my tow'r.
 store new - born worlds rise and a - dore.
 all: ye who fol - low shall not fall.

Text: Joachim Neader, 1650-1680; para. Robert Bridges, 1844-1839, alt.
 Music: Herber Howells, 1892-1983

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Apostolic 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

Almighty God, your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death. Breathe upon us the power of your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in Christ and serve you in righteousness all our days, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Assembly is seated.

A reading from Ezekiel:

1 The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. 2 He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. 3 He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." 4 Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. 5 Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. 6 I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord."

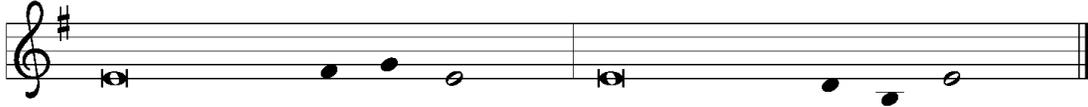
7 So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. 8 I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. 9 Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." 10 I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

11 Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' 12 Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. 13 And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. 14 I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord.'

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 130 *The psalm will be spoken responsively on Saturday and sung responsively on Sunday.*



- 1 Out | of the depths
I cry to | you, O LORD;
- 2 O LORD, | hear my voice!**
Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my | supplication.
- 3 If you were to keep watch | over sins,
O LORD, | who could stand?
- 4 Yet with you | is forgiveness,**
in order that you | may be feared.
- 5 I wait for you, O LORD; | my soul waits;
in your word | is my hope.
- 6 My soul waits for the Lord more than those**
who keep watch | for the morning,
more than those who keep watch | for the morning.
- 7 O Israel, wait for the LORD,
for with the LORD there is | steadfast love;
with the LORD there is plen- | teous redemption.
- 8 For the LORD shall | redeem Israel**
from | all their sins. (R)

Second Reading

Romans 8:6-11

A reading from Romans:

6 To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. 7 For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law – indeed it cannot, 8 and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

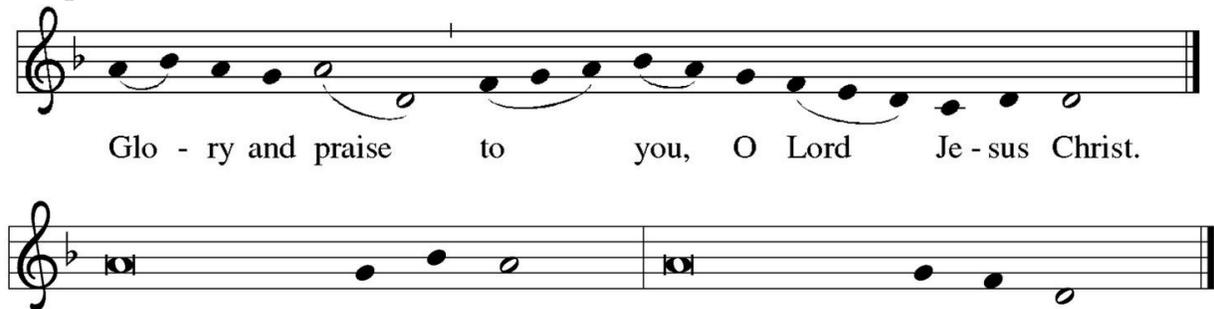
9 But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. 10 But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. 11 If the Spirit of him who

raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

Gospel Acclamation



**I am the resurrection¹ and the life;
whoever believes in me will¹ never die.**

The Holy Gospel

John 11:1-45

Jesus is moved to sorrow when his friend Lazarus falls ill and dies. Then, in a dramatic scene, he calls his friend out of the tomb and restores him to life.

NAR: Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, “Lord, he whom you love is ill.” But when Jesus heard it, he said,

Jesus: “This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God’s glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.”

NAR: Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. Then after this he said to the disciples,

Jesus: “Let us go to Judea again.”

NAR: The disciples said to him, “Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?” Jesus answered,

Jesus: “Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them.” *(pause ...)* “Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him.”

NAR: The disciples said to him, “Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right.” Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly,

Jesus: “Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.”

NAR: Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, “Let us also go, that we may die with him.” When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus,

Martha: “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.”

Jesus: “Your brother will rise again.”

Martha: “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.”

Jesus: “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?”

Martha: “Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.”

NAR: When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately,

Martha: “The Teacher is here and is calling for you.”

NAR: And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him,

Mary: “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.”

NAR: When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” Jesus began to weep. So, the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it.

Jesus: “Take away the stone.”

Martha: “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.”

Jesus: “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?”

NAR: So, they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, Jesus: “Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.”

NAR: When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice,

Jesus: “Lazarus, come out!”

NAR: The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

The Sermon

The Rev. Brenda Martin

Please stand as you are able.

Hymn

Out of the Depths I Cry to You



1 Out of the depths I cry to you; O Lord God, hear me call - ing.
 2 All things you send are full of grace; you crown our lives with fa - vor.
 3 In you a - lone, O God, we hope, and not in our own mer - it.
 4 My soul is wait - ing for you, Lord, as one who longs for morn - ing;



In - cline your ear to my dis - tress in spite of my re - bel - ling.
 All our good works are done in vain with - out our Lord and Sav - ior.
 We rest our fears in your good Word and trust your Ho - ly Spir - it.
 no watch - er waits with great - er hope than I for your re - turn - ing.



Do not re - gard my sin - ful deeds. Send me the grace
 We praise you for the gift of faith; you save us from
 Your prom - ise keeps us strong and sure; we trust the cross,
 I hope as Is - rael in the Lord, who sends re - demp -



my spir - it needs; with - out it I am noth - ing.
 the grip of death; our lives are in your keep - ing.
 your sig - na - ture, in - scribed up - on our tem - ples.
 tion through the Word. Praise God for grace and mer - cy!

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. composite
 Music: AUS TIEFER NOT, attr. Martin Luther
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Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
 the Father, the Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth,
 of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
 the only Son of God,
 eternally begotten of the Father,
 God from God, Light from Light,**

**true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession *(The assembly kneels or sits)*

Reconciled by God's mercy and sustained by God's presence, let us pray for the world and its needs.

A brief silence.

We pray for the church. Grant life and peace to all who gather in your name. Breathe into us so that we may share your message of forgiveness, hope, and love. We pray for our bishops, Yeheil and Kristen; our pastors, musicians, staff members, worship leaders and council members. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We pray for creation. Renew landscapes that have dried up, prosper the work of those who restore homes and habitats after natural disasters, and sustain places where biodiversity thrives, including Pymatuning and Goddard state parks. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We pray for the nations. Unbind leaders trapped by fear to act boldly for justice, free all who live in places of war and violence, and guide refugees and asylum seekers to safety. We pray for an end to war in the Middle East and Ukraine. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We pray for all people in need. Take away the stone of poverty that weighs down so many. Console any who weep and heal all who are sick. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We pray for this assembly. Ready the hearts and spirits of all preparing to be baptized. Deepen our wonder at the mystery of your resurrection and life. We pray for our partners in ministry: Hessel Valley Lutheran Church in Chandlers Valley. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We offer our thanksgiving for all people who have died in faith, especially Pastor Roth, Marilyn and Shirley. Give us faith to trust in your power to redeem and save, and bring us up from our graves to life in you. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Are there others for whom we should pray?

P: Receive our prayers, O God, through Jesus Christ, our strength and salvation.

Amen.

Peace

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

*The people greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace saying,
"Peace be with you. And also with you."*

Meal

Choir anthem at the Offertory:

Remember O thou man
Thomas Ravenscroft

Remember, O thou man,
O thou man, O thou man,
Remember O thou man,
Thy time is spent.
Remember, O thou man,
How thou came'st to me then,
And I did what I can,
Therefore repent.

Remember God's goodness,
O thou man, O thou man!
Remember God's goodness,
And promise made!
Remember God's goodness,
How His only Son He sent
Our sins for to redress,
Be not afraid.

Give thanks to God always,
O thou man, O thou man!
Give thanks to God always,
With heart most jolly
Give thanks to God always,
Upon this blessed day,
Let all men sing and say:
"Holy, holy!"

-- No. 23 in *Melismata*, 1611

Please stand as you are able.

Offering verse

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 un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,

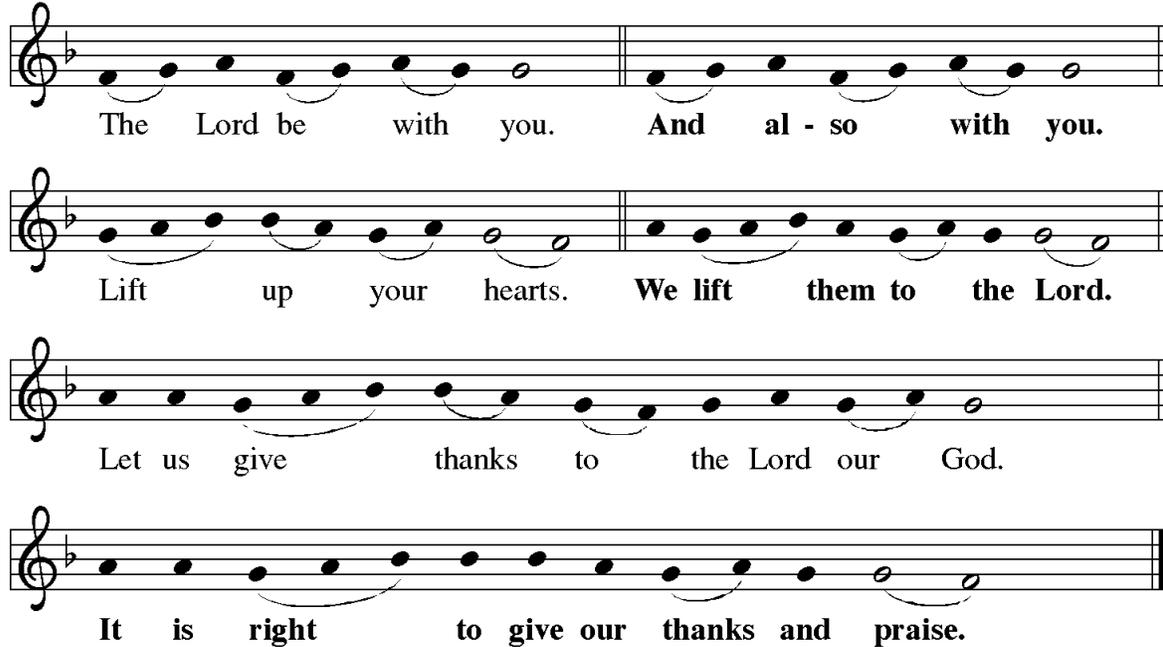
and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

O God, maker of heaven and earth,
your steadfast love embraces all creation.
You send rain and sunshine to nourish the earth
and bring forth its bounty.
Through these gifts of bread and wine,
draw us into the death and life of your Son,
who calls us to bear witness to his saving work.
We ask this in Jesus' name.
Amen.

Great Thanksgiving



The Lord be with you. **And al - so with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy

The musical score consists of five staves of music in G major, 4/4 time. The melody is written on a treble clef staff. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.'

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.
You are most holy,
and great is the majesty of your glory.

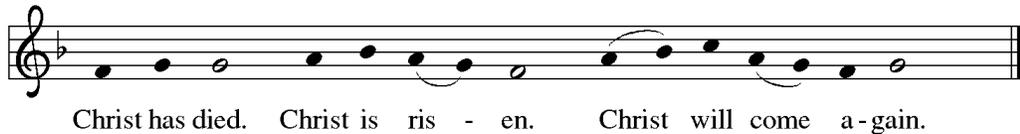
You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish
but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world
to fulfill for us your holy will
and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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.

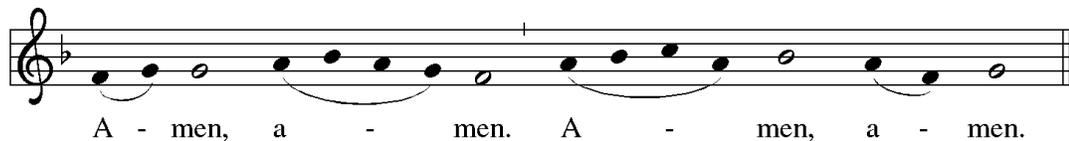
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



Remembering, therefore, his salutary command,
his life-giving passion and death,
his glorious resurrection and ascension,
and the promise of his coming again,
we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty,
not as we ought but as we are able;
we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving
and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants,
and these your own gifts of bread and wine,
so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ
may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace,
and, receiving the forgiveness of sin,
may be formed to live as your holy people
and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.



Lord's Prayer



Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your name,
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.
Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we
for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of tri - al
and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow'r,
and the glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.

Breaking of Bread

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, for all is now ready.

The assembly sits.

Lamb of God

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. A - men.

The Communion of the Faithful

Procedure for Communing: We will be using a form of processional communion. An usher will release each pew to come forward at a time to avoid a long line in the aisle. Pick up a communion cup on either side at the first pew. The pastor will place a host in your open palm. Turn to either the left or right side to the deacon or communion assistant to receive wine. After consuming the host and wine, pour any remaining wine into the container, then discard your cup. Children who have not yet received their First Holy Communion should come forward for a blessing. Please maintain social distance between non-family members.

Hymn

This Is Christ's Body

This is Christ's bod - y, bro - ken and blest. Feed us with

The first system of musical notation consists of a treble and bass staff in a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is written in the treble staff, and the accompaniment is in the bass staff. The lyrics are: "This is Christ's bod - y, bro - ken and blest. Feed us with".

mer-cy and love. We are Christ's bod - y,
with mer - cy and love.

The second system of musical notation continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are: "mer-cy and love. We are Christ's bod - y, with mer - cy and love." There is a slur over the words "mer-cy and love" in the treble staff.

bro-ken and blest. Heal us and make us one.

The third system of musical notation concludes the hymn. The lyrics are: "bro-ken and blest. Heal us and make us one." There is a slur over the words "blest. Heal us and make us one" in the treble staff.

Text: Anne Krentz Organ, b. 1960
Music: BROKEN AND BLESSED, Anne Krentz Organ
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Hymn

O Bread of Life from Heaven

1 O bread of life from heav - en, O food to pil - grims
 2 O fount of grace re - deem - ing, O riv - er ev - er
 3 We love you, Je - sus, ten - der, in all your hid - den

giv - en, O man - na from a - bove: feed
 stream - ing from Je - sus' wound - ed side: come
 splen - dor with - in these means of grace. Oh,

with the bless - ed sweet - ness of your di - vine com -
 now, your love be - stow - ing on thirst - ing souls, and
 let the veil be riv - en, and our clear eye in

plete - ness the souls that want and need your love.
 flow - ing till all are ful - ly sat - is - fied.
 heav - en be - hold your glo - ry face to face.

Text: Latin hymn, c. 1661; tr. Hugh T. Henry, 1862–1946, sts. 1, 3; tr. Philip Schaff, 1819–1893, st. 2
 Music: O WELT, ICH MUSS DICH LASSEN, Heinrich Isaac, 1450–1517; arr. Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685–1750

Hymn

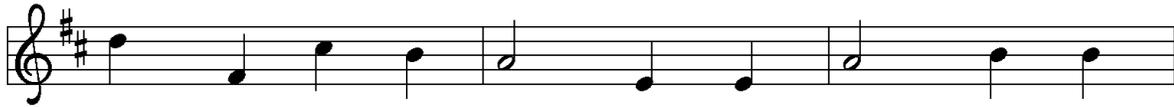
As the Dark Awaits the Dawn



1 As the dark a - waits the dawn,
 2 As the blue ex - pec - tant hour
 3 As the moon re - flects the sun
 4 Shine your fu - ture on this place,



so we a - wait your light. O Star of
 be - fore the sil - v'ring skies, we long to
 un - til the night's de - crease, may we your
 en - light - en ev - 'ry guest, that through us



prom - ise, scat - ter night, lov - ing bright, lov - ing
 see your day a - rise, whole and wise, whole and
 heal - ing light re - lease, liv - ing peace, liv - ing
 stream your ho - li - ness, bright and blest, bright and



bright, till shades of fear are gone.
 wise, O lu - cent Morn - ing Star.
 peace, un - to your ho - ly dawn.
 blest; come dawn, O Sun of grace.

Text: Susan Palo Cherwien, b. 1953
 Music: LUCENT, Carl F. Schalk, b. 1929
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Post-Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and preserve you unto eternal life.

Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

God of our salvation,
we give you thanks for this meal that restores our souls,
reconciles us to you, and strengthens us for the journey.
Through the body and blood of your Son,
may we become Christ's body in the world,
bearing witness to your love for all creation,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

Let us pray together, Our Prayer for These Times

O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sending

Blessing

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
Amen. Sung

Hymn

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

1 Oh, for a thou - sand tongues to sing my great Re-deem-er's praise,
 2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim,
 3 The name of Je - sus charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease,
 4 He speaks, and lis - t'ning to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive;

the glo - ries of my God and king, the tri - umphs of his grace!
 to spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of your name.
 sings mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, brings life and health and peace.
 the mourn - ful, bro - ken hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.

5 Look unto him, your Savior own,
 O fallen human race!
 Look and be saved through faith alone,
 be justified by grace!

6 To God all glory, praise, and love
 be now and ever giv'n
 by saints below and saints above,
 the church in earth and heav'n.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.
 Music: AZMON, Carl G. Gläser, 1784–1829; arr. Lowell Mason, 1792–1872

Dismissal Go in peace. Believe the good news.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude O Welt, ich muss dich lassen, Op. 122, no. 3 Johannes Brahms

Serving Saturday

Presiding Minister. Pastor Brenda Martin

Organist. Andy Joos

Liturgical Deacon Marie Riley

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This Week at Holy Trinity

Sunday March 22, 2026 *Fifth Sunday in Lent*

8:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
9:30 a.m. Liturgy of Holy Communion
10:45 a.m. Sunday school and Confirmation classes
7:00 p.m. AA Big Book Meeting

Monday March 23, 2026

6:00 p.m. Fiber Arts Group

Tuesday March 24, 2026

9:00 a.m. Flying Quilts
6:00 p.m. Ladies night out dinner

Wednesday March 25, 2026

6:00 p.m. Dance Lessons

6:15 p.m. Evening Vespers

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday March 26, 2026

6:00 p.m. Dance Lessons

6:30 p.m. Ukrainian Egg Decorating

7:00 p.m. Happy Hour/Lenten Study (zoom)

Friday March 27, 2026

5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Saturday March 28, 2026

5:30 p.m. Liturgy of Holy Communion

Upcoming Events

Sunday March 29, 2026 *Palm Sunday*

8:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal

9:30 a.m. Liturgy of Holy Communion

10:45 a.m. **NO** Sunday school or Confirmation classes

7:00 p.m. AA Big Book Meeting

Monday March 30, 2026

6:00 p.m. Fiber Arts Group

7:00 p.m. Monday in Holy Week Service

Tuesday March 31, 2026

9:00 a.m. Flying Quilts

7:00 p.m. Tuesday in Holy Week Service

Wednesday April 1, 2026

6:00 p.m. Dance Lessons

6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

7:00 p.m. Wednesday in Holy Week Service

Thursday April 2, 2026

12:10 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service

6:00 p.m. Dance Lessons

7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service

9:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Prayer Vigil

Friday April 3, 2026

7:00 p.m. Good Friday Service

Saturday April 4, 2026

7:30 p.m. Easter Vigil

Good Shepherd Request for March

The Good Shepherd request is **boxed mac and cheese or breakfast items** for the month of **March**. Donations can be placed in the box in the cloister or on the table in the office hallway.

Second Mile Giving

The second mile giving for the month of March is the Flying Quilts supplies. Envelopes can be found on the table in the narthex and in the office hallway.

Morning Prayer

You can join us for morning prayer every day by going to our website. A different morning prayer will be posted every weekday. <https://holytrinitygreenvillepa.com>

Good Shepherd Easter Request

We have been asked to provide 60 boxes of mashed potatoes this year for the Easter basket distribution. These baskets will help local families provide an Easter dinner for their loved ones. Please give if you are able. There is a box in the administrative hallway for the Easter donation. We currently have **55** boxes. Thank you.

Maundy Thursday Prayer Vigil

There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex for Maundy Thursday. Please add your name to the list if you are able to join us in prayer.

Women's Night Out

Please join the ladies of the congregation for dinner at Bridgeworks on March 24, at 6 p.m. Sign-up sheets are in the narthex and the office hallway.

Bunny time!

Our bunny count is at **64!** Thank to all who have brought in chocolate bunnies for our Sunday School project. Please consider purchasing a few if you are able and help us meet our goal of 70!

Please Pray For

Permission is necessary to add a person to the prayer list. Please ask before you call the office. Thanks.

Health and Healing:

Ben Barbarossa Family (friends of Betty K)	Carolyn Fritz (friend of Fran Black)
Todd Holsinger (nephew of Billie and Dave Hollenbaugh)	Dave Hollenbaugh
Joyce Harris (sister of Judi Moinet)	John Myers (husband of Pastor Brenda)
Peggy Wise (sister in law of Judi Moinet)	Ken Buikema (cousin of Denise and Rich Hall)
Jen (granddaughter of Ed and Cathy Nanz)	Charlene Miller (friend of Denise and Rich Hall)
Ariana (friend of Ed and Cathy Nanz)	Lori McCann (daughter of Darla Swift)
Maria (friend of Linda Armstrong)	Mary Rose Jones (friend of Jill Murrin)
Diana and Donnie (friends of Rich and Denise Hall)	Sheila Kretser (friend of Jill Murrin)
Kate Washill Martin (friend of Pastor Brenda)	Lori Scotta (friend of Jill Murrin)
Sherry (friend of Rich and Denise Hall)	Russell Morgan (father of Matt Morgan)
Tris Hall (brother of Rich Hall)	Stephen Call (brother of Tyler Martin-Call)
Philip Schell	Nancy (friend of Linda Armstrong)
Christina Bush (niece of Ruth Heil)	Dillon (friend of Ed Pitcher & Beth Harpst)
Lyn Higgins (nephew of Bonnie Long)	Belle (granddaughter of Linda Bateman)

Christ's comfort for those who grieve the death of:

Pastor Martin Roth
Marilyn Johnson
Shirley Hildebrand
Mary Jo Skruck

Music Notes

Today the organ prelude and postlude are based on German chorales that we sing during the service. The organ prelude is based on our Hymn of the Day, *Out of the depths I cry to you*. This hymn was written in 1524 by Martin Luther and is a paraphrase of Psalm 130, *De profundis ad te clamavi Domini* (Out of the depths I cry to you O Lord). Bach's monumental six-voice organ prelude on this hymn, *Aus tiefer Not schrei ich zu dir*, uses Renaissance style polyphony which creates an intense and profound soundscape. Bach's counterpoint is derived from each phrase of the hymn. Over the four-part counterpoint played in the manuals, the hymn tune is then stated in long notes played in the pedals. And since this particular chorale prelude is for six independent voices, the fifth and sixth voices are both played in the Pedals, first at unison in the lower Pedal part followed by the upper Pedal part in canon at the 5th interval.

The organ postlude by Johannes Brahms is based on our first Communion hymn tune, *O bread of life from heaven*, which is sung to the tune, *O Welt ich muss dich lassen*. This hymn melody is a German Renaissance song, *Innsbruck, ich muss dich lassen* written by Heinrich Isaac. Centuries later near the end of his life, Brahms wrote his Opus 122 in 1896. This work is a collection of eleven chorale preludes written for organ and based on German Lutheran hymns. The text of the hymn, *O Welt, ich muss dich lassen*, focuses on leaving this world and traveling toward the everlasting homeland, with the soul finding rest in God's hands.

This morning our choir sings Thomas Ravenscroft's *Remember O Thou Man*. This music is from his 1611 publication, *Melismata*, containing 23 songs and carols for four voices. The categories of this collection are interesting: Covrt Varieties, Citie Rovnds, Citie Conceits, Covntry Rovnds, and Covntry Pastimes.

The image displays two versions of the hymn 'Aus tiefer Not schrei ich zu dir'. On the left is the original 1524 version from the Erfurt Enchiridion, featuring a single melodic line with German lyrics. On the right is J.S. Bach's 1739 chorale prelude from his Clavier-Übung III, which is a complex six-voice polyphonic setting. The Bach version includes annotations: 'Lower Pedal part starting the hymn tune in long notes' and 'Upper Pedal part played up 5 notes from the hymn tune'.

Aus tiefer Not schrei ich zu dir
 from the Erfurt Enchiridion, 1524

Bach's chorale prelude on *Aus tiefer Not schrei ich zu dir*
 for 6 voices on full organ with double Pedal part
 from his *Clavier-Übung III*, 1739

Aus tiefer Not published in the Second Lutheran Hymnal & J. S. Bach's chorale prelude on this hymn.

In Military Service

Specialist (SPC) Andrew McCall, Fort Carson, Colorado Springs, Colorado (son of Mark and Jane McCall, grandson of Karen McKay and the late Jim McKay)

Sgt. First Class Nicholas Carman, US Army, Fredericksburg, Virginia (grandson of Nancy Ullstrom)

Admiral Richard Childs, Assistant Surgeon General of the USA (nephew of Harvey Childs)

Tim Ross, Navy Special Forces, (grandson of Rae Johnson, nephew of Lori McEwen)

Holy Trinity member, SGT Garrett Daniello, PA Army National Guard (son of Todd and Tammy Daniello, grandson of Georgia Perkins, grandnephew of Bonnie Long)

Holy Trinity member, SrA Stephanie Kovack, Air Force Reserve, 910th Youngstown Air Reserve Station

Lt., Junior Aviator, Nathaniel J. Hammond, San Diego, California (son of Brian and Rebecca Bittel Hammond, grandson of Nancy and James Bittel)

Cadet, Riley Armstrong, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Duquesne University, ROTC (granddaughter of Linda Armstrong)