March 7, 2021 Oculi (My Eyes...)

## Welcome to Trinity

### #20 We Are Thankful For God's Working Through Our **Witness During Persecution**

Therefore our concern now must be to be grateful to the Father of all mercy and consolation and to see to it that our faith henceforth does not consist in words but in power. For St. Paul says in I Corinthians 3 [4:20], "The kingdom of God does not consist in talk but in power." Our ability to speak or write eloquently about it is not sufficient; rather must our lives and our deeds testify to the truth, as we demonstrate our love and bestow our works of kindness on friend and foe. (Luther's Works, v.43, p.68)

#### For Faith.

ALMIGHTY Lord God, Give us righteous, true, faith, and increase the same in us daily: give us also love and hope, in, order that we may serve Thee, and our neighbor according to Thy will; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen. (Oremus, 1925, p.33).

## Today's Liturgy

The Preparatory part of the Divine Service is printed out during Lent. The wording of the confession may not be as familiar though it is quite ancient. The wording can be found in our hymnal in the order of Compline on page 264, right

column. The practice of striking (more precisely, "tapping") the chest is simply an acknowledgement of personal responsibility and remorse over sinful action and the consequences which they bring (Is 32:12, Na 2:7).

#### **Assistants**

Elder – Daniel Byrne (922-3556) Organist – Lee Ann Byrne Altar Guild – Claire Stretch Acolyte – Dylan Dunaway No flowers during Lent

Church Cleaning – Mar 7 Miller, Mar 14/21 Melvin, Mar 28/Apr 4 Lowrance

## **Divine Service for Lent**

**Preparation Hymn** 

#204

The beginning of the Service (up through the readings) is found in the bulletin insert.

Old Testament Reading	
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Tract	(insert)
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*Announcements* 

## Trinity Lutheran Church & Early Childhood Learning Center

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## **Service Insert for Lent Two**

## Hymn #204 "Come, Let Us Join Our Cheerful Songs"

#### **Invocation**

The sign of the cross is made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P. In the Name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C. Amen.

#### Versicles

P. I will go to the altar of God:

C. To God my exceeding joy.

P. Our help is in the Name of the Lord.

C. Who made heaven and earth.

#### Confession

During the period of silence, call to mind both your sinfulness and those sins you have committed against the Ten Commandments.

P. I confess to almighty God,

C. before all the company of heaven, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word and deed

Strike your chest three times saying:

by my fault(x),

by my own fault(x),

by my own most grievous fault(x);

wherefore I pray almighty God, for the sake of Jesus Christ His Son, to have mercy on me, forgive me my sins, and bring me to everlasting life.

#### **Absolution**

P. Upon this, your confession, I, by virtue of my Office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you. In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins, in the Name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

#### C. Amen

#### Introit

My eyes are ever / toward the Lord,\* for He shall pluck my feet out / of the net.



Turn Yourself to me, and have mer-/cy on me,\* for I am desolate and af-/flicted.

To You, O Lord, I lift / up my soul.\*

O my God, I trust in You; let me not / be ashamed;

the troubles of my heart / have enlarged;\*

bring me out of my di-/stresses!

Look on my affliction / and my pain,\*

and forgive / all my sins.

Keep my soul, and de-/liver me;\*

let me not be ashamed, for I put my / trust in You.

Glory be to the Father and / to the Son\*  $\,$ 

and to the Holy / Spirit

as it was in the be / ginning,\*

is now, and will be forever. / Amen.

My eyes are ever / toward the Lord,\*

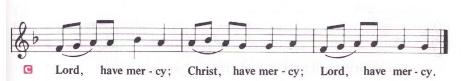
for He shall pluck my feet out / of the net.

Turn Yourself to me, and have mer-/cy on me,\*

for I am desolate and af-/flicted.

(Ant. Ps. 25:15-16; Ps 25:1-2,17-18, 20)

## **Kyrie**



#### **Collect**

P. The Lord be with you.

C. And with your spirit.

P. Let us pray.

We implore You, almighty God, to look upon the hearty desires of Your humble servants and stretch forth the right hand of Your mercy to be our defense against all our enemies; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C. Amen** 

#### **Exodus 8:16-24**

This is the finger of God

#### Gradual

Arise, O Lord, do not let / man prevail;\*



let the nations be judged / in Your sight.

When my ene- / mies turn back,\*

they shall fall and perish at Your / presence.

(Psalm 9:19, 3)

### Ephesians 5:1-9

Imitators of God

**Tract** (From Septuagesima to Holy Saturday, the Tract replaces the Verse)

Unto You I lift / up my eyes,\*

O You who dwell in the / heavens.

Behold, as the eyes of / servants\*

look to the hand of their / masters.

So our eyes look to the / Lord our God,\*

until He has mer-/cy on us.

Have mercy on / us, O Lord,\*

Have mer- / cy on us! (*Psalm 123:1-3*)

St. Luke 11:14-28

The finger of God

Nicene Creed, p. 141

Hymn of the Day #301 "Lord of Our Life"

## **Prayer for the Church**

<u>Thanksgiving</u>. — Almighty God, you are the One who is stronger than any of our problems or foes, give us an undivided heart so that through hearing the Word of God and retaining it, our sins are cast out.

<u>The Church and her servants</u>.—give your church the strength to live holy lives as dearly loved children of light.

- --give our bishop, James Heiser, and our pastors, Gary Harroun and Michael Henson, the strength to confess the truth of your word with their actions so that they gather your people, rather than scatter them.
- --Motivate the children at our Learning Center, our teachers and director, Keely Gelso to live lives of love, just as Christ loved us.
- The nations of the world and their rulers.—Give wisdom to the leaders of our nation, our president, Joe Biden, our governor, J.B. Pritzker and our mayor of Herrin, Steve Frattini, federal and state legislators, county commissioners, city officials and all our judges, that Satan's schemes to sow discord and hate may be hindered and that all citizens may live together peaceably.
- --Almighty and everlasting God, the consolation of the sorrowful and the strength of the weak, look upon the tribulation and distress of those affected by the coronavirus throughout the world. Comfort those who have lost loved ones, provide care for those infected and calm the worries of the timid, so that in their necessities they may observe and receive your manifold help and comfort. For those who are discouraged because of a lack of employment, in your mercy, raise up opportunity for businesses and work, that in peace and thanksgiving all people may earn and eat the bread of contentment.
- --grant protection to those whose duty it is to defend this nation, especially for Danny Cobin, Jason Melvin, and Blake Darnstaedt, as well as for our police officers, especially Alex Byrne and Daniel Byrne. Watch over their families while they are absent. Guide our nation and its leaders to use military force responsibly in order to punish evil and reward good.

#### Particular local needs.—

O God, whose compassions never fail, give healing to the sick, relief to the suffering, peace to the sorrowful, and mercy to every soul that is distressed, that they may find in You the help that only You can give them;

**Shut-ins**.- Carolyn Westerman (Assisted Living at Parkway Manor, Marion)

Elderly.- Violet Kemp, Verdelle Thies(Patty Kenner's mother)
Various Needs.- Katelyn Guetersloh(MS), Jade Warden(Lee
Dunaway's step dad's daughter, cancer), Kevin Krolak (nephew of
Patti Baker), Linda Plock, Rebekah Roethe (cancer, friend of
Turners), Victor and Marsha Turner, Tony Prochaska, Gib (Jane's
Brother), Shirley Webb, and Vicki Blair (fell on Wed. and has
both legs in full casts)

**Surgery.**—Keely Gelso (gynecological cyst), appointment and possible surgery on 3/8

**Thanksgiving.**--Gatlin Turner (ECLC infant, aorta surgery 3/1, the child of Eric & Emily, brother Hux)

**Students**.- Jonathan Henson, Kjersten Jolly, Alexis Darnstaedt, Sarah Miller, Benjamin Henson, Jacob Henson, and Ashleigh Byrne.

**Communion Psalm:** Ant. The sparrow has found her an house, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young: even Your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King, and my God: blessed are they that dwell in Your house: they will be always praising You. (Ps 84:3-4). **Isaiah 12:2-6.** 



Art. XII Das wahre Büß bestehe in rew und leyd über die sünde und Glauben an Christum.

"To preserve penance is contrition and sorrow for sin and faith in Christ."

Mar. 1, v. 13; "And He was there in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan, and was with the wild beasts; and the angels ministered to Him."

**Luc. 24, v. 47**; "and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

## Weekly Calendar

## TODAY -Children and Adult Bible Studies, 9 AM -Divine Service, 10:15 AM

THIS WEEK - Pastor Henson is on vacation until Saturday, March 13. In case of a pastoral emergency, contact one of our elders. The Elder to call is Daniel Byrne (922-3556). Pastor Gary Harroun (841-6548) will be covering for Pastor Henson.

NEXT SUNDAY --LAETARE ("Rejoice...")

--Daylight Savings Time (+ 1 hour)

-- Children and Adult Bible Studies, 9 AM

--Divine Service, 10:15 AM

-Learn-by-Heart Recitation of Lord's Supper

## Easter Vigil

#### Saturday, April 3, 7:00 to 10:00 PM

Make plans now to attend the Great Easter Vigil on the Saturday evening before Easter.

**† The Service of Light**. The congregation

begins outside the church, is gathered around a fire where the Paschal candle is prepared, and then processes with candles burning.

- <sup>†</sup> The Service of Readings (from which we get the name "vigil")—12 readings each followed by the chanting of a psalm and a prayer.
- <sup>†</sup> The Service of Holy Communion − lights are turned on, bells are rung, the Alleluia returns with abundance.

Though a longer service than we are accustomed, not nearly the all-night vigils of the early Christians (Acts 20:7-12). Come and relax. Without rushing we will recall the history of God's people and rejoice in the fulfillment of all Scripture in Christ Jesus and His resurrection.

## Trinity News

**2020 Pecan Fundraiser for ECLC**.—We have 4 cinnamon and 7 glazed, all at \$9.00/bag. **The Next Game Night**.—is Friday, March 26.

# The Lord's Supper

**Trinity Lutheran Church** observes the Scriptural practice (*Eph 4:3, 2 John 1:10-11*) of communing only with those for whom their public profession of faith (congregational

membership) is in agreement with God's Word and the correct

exposition of Holy Scripture as found in the Book of Concord (1580). All who desire to receive Christ's Body and Blood for the forgiveness of sins are asked to speak with Pastor Henson <u>before coming</u> forward to commune.

Trinity Lutheran Church is served by pastors who are members of the Evangelical Lutheran Diocese of North America(Eldona.org).

- --Those who are members of Eldona-affiliated congregations are welcome to commune after announcing to Pastor Henson.
- --Those who are not members of Eldona-affiliated congregations will need to set up an appointment with Pastor Henson to discuss their public church membership.

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Trinity Lutheran Church in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but **His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another.** Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until He comes.

Those who are not yet invited to receive the Sacrament are encouraged to meditate on God's Word in the distribution hymns and pray for the day when our divisions will have ceased.

## Congregations served by Pastors of the Evangelical Lutheran Diocese of North America (ELDoNA)

ALASKA - St. Luke Lutheran Church (Kenai/Nikiski, AK) and Homer Ev. Lutheran Mission(Homer, AK), Pr. Tim H. Tolar

ARKANSAS – Holy Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church (Harrison, AR) and Emmanuel Ev. Luth. Mission (Conway, AR), Pr. Eric J. Stefanski

ARKANSAS – Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (Rogers, AR) Pr. Randy Moll and Dcn. Martin Jackson

FLORIDA – St. Patrick Lutheran Church (Chipley, FL), Pr. Brandon Warr GEORGIA – St. Michael & All Angels Lutheran Mission (Martinez, GA) Pr. Jerald Dulas

ILLINOIS - Holy Cross Ev. Lutheran Church (Peoria, IL), Pr. Douglas Handrich ILLINOIS - Trinity L. C. (Herrin, IL), Pr. Michael D. Henson, Dcn. Gary Harroun MICHIGAN - Saint Boniface Evangelical L. C. (Niles, MI), Pr. John Rutowicz MICHIGAN — Peace Evangelical L. C. (Ironwood, MI), Pr. Jeffrey Ahonen MINNESOTA - Redeemer L. C. (Cambridge, MN), Pr. Mark Mueller MISSOURI - Christ Evangelical L. C. (Richmond, MO), Pr. Josiah Scheck NEW MEXICO — Emmanuel Lutheran Church (Las Cruces, NM) and

Sts. Peter and Paul Lutheran Mission(Silver City, NM), Pr. Paul Rydecki NORTH CAROLINA - Saint Paul L. C., UAC (Taylorsville, NC), Pr. David Carver OREGON – Faith Lutheran Church (Beaverton, OR) Pr. Daniel Mensing SOUTH CAROLINA – Sts. Peter and Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, UAC (Greenville County, SC) Pr. Jerry Dulas

SOUTH CAROLINA – All Saints Luth. Mission (Myrtle Beach, SC) Pr. Dulas TENNESSEE – Sts. Peter & Paul L. Mission(Knoxville, TN), Pr. Floyd Smithey TENNESSEE – Memphis Confessional Lutheran Mission, Pr. Henson

TEXAS - Salem Lutheran Church (Malone, TX), Pr. James D. Heiser\* and Bishop of ELDoNA, Dcn. Anthony Oncken

TEXAS – Charity Lutheran Church(Burleson, TX), Pr. Kent Heimbigner TEXAS – Holy Cross Lutheran Church(Kerrville, TX) and Faith Lutheran Eldona Mission (Leander, TX), Pr. Josh Sullivan

TEXAS – Discipleship L. C.(Mineral Wells, TX), Pr. Earnest Bernet
WISCONSIN – Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, (Tony, WI) and
Alpha and Omega Lutheran Mission(Winter, WI) Pr. Jeffrey Ahonen
\*PHILLIPINES, St. Mary's Evangelical L. C. (Navotas), Pr. Lorenz Fillmore

\*COLUMBIA, Iglesia Confesional de Colombia (Medellin), Pr. Carlos Mario Marin

Exact location and service times can be found at www.Eldona.org.