

**Welcome to Trinity**

**#27 Art. IV “Justification” of the Apology of the Augsburg Confession.**

Our opponents **have no certainty**, nor can they correctly tell us, or state, in clear and intelligible terms, **how the Holy Spirit is given**. They dream, that **by the simple bodily reception and use of the sacraments, *ex opere operato***,\* we obtain grace and receive the Holy Ghost; although the heart be entirely absent, as if the light of the Holy Ghost were so worthless, weak, and futile. When we speak of faith, as being not an idle fancy, but a new light, life, and power in the heart, that renews the heart and disposition, transforms man into a new creature, namely, a new light and work of the Holy Ghost—everyone knows, that we do not mean faith accompanied by mortal sin, as our opponents speak of it. For how can light and darkness exist together? Faith, wherever, and while it exists, bears good fruit, as we shall hereafter show. This is certainly a clear and simple exposition of the sinner’s true conversion, and of regeneration. Now we defy all the Sententiaries to produce, from their innumerable commentaries, glossaries, and writings on doctrinal opinions, even one, that in the least correctly sets forth the conversion of the sinner. (Henkel Translation, p. 169, \*That is, when merely the external act is performed.).

**The Lord’s Supper**

The Lord's Supper is being celebrated today. Please note that our practice of closed communion with those who are in fellowship with us—members of congregations of the

ELDoNA—is not meant to offend, but is the historic practice of the Church. It is prompted by love, both for God's Word and for God's people. It does not deny that members of other denominations may be Christians. Rather, it bows the knee to the Bible's deep concern for doctrinal truth (Rom. 16:17) and the Bible's witness that doctrinal unity (Acts 2:42) is the central issue to the common reception of the Sacrament of the Altar. Therefore, we ask GUESTS desiring to commune to speak with the pastor before the service so that he may know that you are a member of a congregation in fellowship with Trinity Lutheran Church.

**Weekly Calendar**

- TODAY **-Holy Wednesday Communion, 10:30 AM**
- Holy Wednesday Tenebrae Prayer Service, 3:00 PM**
- Learn-by-Heart/Catechetical Service, 6:30 PM**
- THURSDAY **-Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service, 3 PM**
- Maundy Thursday Holy Communion, 7:00 PM**
- FRIDAY **-Good Friday Tenebrae Prayer Service, 3:00 PM**
- Good Friday Holy Communion, 7:00 PM**
- SATURDAY **-Full Matins, 10:00 AM**
- The Great Vigil of Easter (Sat. night), 7:00-10:00 PM**
- EASTER SUNDAY **-The Resurrection of Our Lord, Matins, 7 AM**
- Easter Breakfast, 8:00 AM, Sunday School, 9:00 AM
- Divine Service, Holy Communion, 10:15 AM**

**Divine Service**

**Augustana Service Book & Hymnal**

- + Invocation..... p.7
- + Confession/Absolution p.8-9
- + Introit..... (insert)  
*[Pastor, then congregation]*
- + Kyrie... p.10  
*Omit Gloria in Excelsis in Lent*
- + Salutation..... p.13
- + Collect of the Day... (insert)  
Old Testament Reading  
Epistle
- + Gradual..... (insert)
- + Holy Gospel..... p.16  
Nicene Creed..... p.17
- Hymn ..... LW #95**  
Sermon
- + Offertory: "Create in Me..." p.18  
*The Offerings are gathered.*
- + Prayer Passiontide 3..... (back)  
**“Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted”**  
**(LW 116)**
- + Exhortation p.21
- + Preface, etc. .... p.22
- + Sanctus p.27-28
- + Lord’s Prayer p.29
- + Words of Institution p.30
- + The Agnus Dei p.31-32
- Distribution**  
Communion Psalm
- + Nunc Dimittis p.33-34  
*Omit Gloria Patri in Passiontide*
- + Thanksgiving, Collect p.35-36
- + Benedicamus/Benediction.... p.37

## Assistants

Elder – Cecil Plock (218-3064)  
Organist – LeeAnn Byrne  
No flowers during Lent

Altar Guild – LeeAnn Byrne

Church Cleaning – April 5 Stretch, Apr 12/19 Smith

## Holy Wednesday

St. Luke presents a soap-opera-like story line that moves one way and then another. The chief priests and scribes are seeking to kill Jesus, but they are restrained from acting lest the common people revolt. Then Judas comes forward and is willing to betray Jesus away from the crowds. In secrecy the Passover is prepared and Jesus is lovingly celebrating with his Apostles. Then, the disciples disturb the meal with an argument over who is the greatest and Peter is told he will disown Jesus.

The story line goes back and forth. Though at first glance it appears that this chain of events is simply the response and strategy of sinful humans vying for the imposition of their own will, St. Luke lets us know that the passion of Jesus Christ is a cosmic struggle. There are players in this account that cannot be seen. There is more here than meets the eye.

## Prayer Passiontide 3

O LORD JESUS CHRIST, we adore Thy love and praise Thy compassion; we bless Thee for Thy bonds and stripes, for Thy crown of thorns and painful cross, for Thy bitter agony and death. We bless Thee that Thou, who knewest no sin, wast made sin for us, that we might be made the righteousness of God in Thee. May the contemplation of Thy holy Passion give us an abiding sense of our own unworthiness and of Thy surpassing grace, that, being distressed by our sin, we may be comforted by Thy merit.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, do not forsake us in adversity and distress and in the hour of death, but have mercy upon us evermore, and grant us Thy peace. As Thou hast loved us, even so may we, withdrawing our affections from the world and the things that are in the world, love Thee alone. As we have made Thee to serve by our sin, do Thou strengthen us by Thy grace in every conflict and temptation, that henceforth we may strive to sin no more. As Thou hast left us an example, may we ever follow Thy footsteps. Grant that, looking unto Thee, the Author and Finisher of our faith, we may run with patience the race that is set before us and hereafter obtain the end of our faith, even the salvation of our souls, and praise and glorify Thee for Thine unspeakable love, forever and ever.

## Holy Wednesday



**Illustrated German Bible of 1483 (I:73 Exodus 10)**  
The Plague of Locusts

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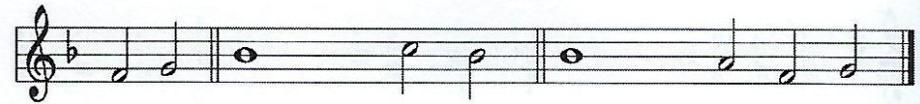
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**Isaiah 62:11-63:7**

11 Indeed the LORD has proclaimed To the end of the world: "Say to the daughter of Zion, 'Surely your salvation is coming; Behold, His reward is with Him, And His work before Him.'" 12 And they shall call them The Holy People, The Redeemed of the LORD; And you shall be called Sought Out, A City Not Forsaken. 63:1 Who is this who comes from Edom, With dyed garments from Bozrah, This One who is glorious in His apparel, Traveling in the greatness of His strength?—"I who speak in righteousness, mighty to save." 2 Why is Your apparel red, And Your garments like one who treads in the winepress? 3 "I have trodden the winepress alone, And from the peoples no one was with Me. For I have trodden them in My anger, And trampled them in My fury; Their blood is sprinkled upon My garments, And I have stained all My robes. 4 For the day of vengeance is in My heart, And the year of My redeemed has come. 5 I looked, but there was no one to help, And I wondered That there was no one to uphold; Therefore My own arm brought salvation for Me; And My own fury, it sustained Me. 6 I have trodden down the peoples in My anger, Made them drunk in My fury, And brought down their strength to the earth." 7 I will mention the lovingkindnesses of the LORD And the praises of the LORD, According to all that the LORD has bestowed on us, And the great goodness toward the house of Israel, Which He has bestowed on them according to His mercies, According to the multitude of His lovingkindnesses.

**St. Luke 22:1-23:43**

1 Now the Feast of Unleavened Bread drew near, which is called Passover. 2 And the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might kill Him, for they feared the people. 3 Then Satan entered Judas, surnamed Iscariot, who was numbered among the twelve. 4 So he went his way and conferred with the chief priests and captains, how he might betray Him to them. 5 And they were glad, and agreed to give him money. 6 So he promised and sought opportunity to betray Him to them in the absence of the multitude. 7 Then came the Day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover must be killed. 8 And He sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and prepare the Passover for us, that we may eat." 9 So they said to Him, "Where do You want us to prepare?" 10 And He said to them, "Behold, when you have entered the city, a man will meet you carrying a pitcher of water; follow him into the house which he enters. 11 "Then you shall say to the master of the house, 'The Teacher says to you, "Where is the guest room where I may eat the Passover with My disciples?"' 12 "Then he will show you a large, furnished upper room; there make ready." 13 So they went and found it just as He had said to them, and they prepared the Passover.

**WEDNESDAY IN HOLY WEEK. (VIOLET)****Introit.**

*Ant.* AT THE || Name of Jesus every knee shall | bow | - :  
of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things un- | der | the | earth.  
|| For He became obedient unto death, even the death of the | Cross | - :  
wherefore He is Lord, to the glory of God | the | Fa- | ther.  
*Psalms.* Hear my prayer, O | LORD | - :  
and let my cry come | un- | to | Thee.

*(From Judica through Holy Saturday the Gloria Patri is omitted.)*

**Collect.**

Grant, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that we, who for our evil deeds are continually afflicted, may mercifully be relieved by the Passion of Thine Only-begotten Son, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end. *Amen.*

**Epistle.** Isaiah 62:11—63:7      **Gospel.** Luke 22:1—23:43 or **The History of the Passion**

**Gradual.**

|| Hide not Thy face from Thy servant; for I am in | trou- | ble:  
hear me | speed- | i- | ly.  
|| Save me, O | God | - :  
for the waters are come in unto my soul, I sink in deep mire, where there  
is | no | stand- | ing.  
*Tract.* || Hear my prayer, O | Lord | - :  
and let my cry come | un- | to | Thee.  
|| Thou shalt arise and have mercy upon | Zi- | on:  
for the time is come to favor her, yea, the set | time | is | come.

14When the hour had come, He sat down, and the twelve apostles with Him. 15Then He said to them, "With fervent desire I have desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; 16"for I say to you, I will no longer eat of it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." 17Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and said, "Take this and divide it among yourselves; 18"for I say to you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." 19And He took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is My body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of Me." 20Likewise He also took the cup after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you. 21"But behold, the hand of My betrayer is with Me on the table. 22"And truly the Son of Man goes as it has been determined, but woe to that man by whom He is betrayed!" 23Then they began to question among themselves, which of them it was who would do this thing. 24Now there was also a dispute among them, as to which of them should be considered the greatest. 25And He said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them, and those who exercise authority over them are called 'benefactors.' 26"But not so among you; on the contrary, he who is greatest among you, let him be as the younger, and he who governs as he who serves. 27"For who is greater, he who sits at the table, or he who serves? Is it not he who sits at the table? Yet I am among you as the One who serves. 28"But you are those who have continued with Me in My trials. 29"And I bestow upon you a kingdom, just as My Father bestowed one upon Me, 30"that you may eat and drink at My table in My kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel." 31And the Lord said, "Simon, Simon! Indeed, Satan has asked for you, that he may sift you as wheat. 32"But I have prayed for you, that your faith should not fail; and when you have returned to Me, strengthen your brethren." 33But he said to Him, "Lord, I am ready to go with You, both to prison and to death." 34Then He said, "I tell you, Peter, the rooster shall not crow this day before you will deny three times that you know Me." 35And He said to them, "When I sent you without money bag, knapsack, and sandals, did you lack anything?" So they said, "Nothing." 36Then He said to them, "But now, he who has a money bag, let him take it, and likewise a knapsack; and he who has no sword, let him sell his garment and buy one. 37"For I say to you that this which is written must still be accomplished in Me: 'And He was numbered with the transgressors.' For the things concerning Me have an end." 38So they said, "Lord, look, here are two swords." And He said to them, "It is enough." 39Coming out, He went to the Mount of Olives, as He was accustomed, and His disciples also followed Him. 40When He came to the place, He said to them, "Pray that you may not enter into temptation." 41And He was

withdrawn from them about a stone's throw, and He knelt down and prayed, 42saying, "Father, if it is Your will, take this cup away from Me; nevertheless not My will, but Yours, be done." 43Then an angel appeared to Him from heaven, strengthening Him. 44And being in agony, He prayed more earnestly. Then His sweat became like great drops of blood falling down to the ground. 45When He rose up from prayer, and had come to His disciples, He found them sleeping from sorrow. 46Then He said to them, "Why do you sleep? Rise and pray, lest you enter into temptation." 47And while He was still speaking, behold, a multitude; and he who was called Judas, one of the twelve, went before them and drew near to Jesus to kiss Him. 48But Jesus said to him, "Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss?" 49When those around Him saw what was going to happen, they said to Him, "Lord, shall we strike with the sword?" 50And one of them struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his right ear. 51But Jesus answered and said, "Permit even this." And He touched his ear and healed him. 52Then Jesus said to the chief priests, captains of the temple, and the elders who had come to Him, "Have you come out, as against a robber, with swords and clubs? 53"When I was with you daily in the temple, you did not try to seize Me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness." 54Having arrested Him, they led Him and brought Him into the high priest's house. But Peter followed at a distance. 55Now when they had kindled a fire in the midst of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them. 56And a certain servant girl, seeing him as he sat by the fire, looked intently at him and said, "This man was also with Him." 57But he denied Him, saying, "Woman, I do not know Him." 58And after a little while another saw him and said, "You also are of them." But Peter said, "Man, I am not!" 59Then after about an hour had passed, another confidently affirmed, saying, "Surely this fellow also was with Him, for he is a Galilean." 60But Peter said, "Man, I do not know what you are saying!" Immediately, while he was still speaking, the rooster crowed. 61And the Lord turned and looked at Peter. And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how He had said to him, "Before the rooster crows, you will deny Me three times." 62So Peter went out and wept bitterly. 63Now the men who held Jesus mocked Him and beat Him. 64And having blindfolded Him, they struck Him on the face and asked Him, saying, "Prophecy! Who is the one who struck You?" 65And many other things they blasphemously spoke against Him. 66As soon as it was day, the elders of the people, both chief priests and scribes, came together and led Him into their council, saying, 67"If You are the Christ, tell us." But He said to them, "If I tell you, you will by no means believe. 68"And if I also ask you, you will by no means answer Me or let Me go. 69"Hereafter the Son of Man will sit on the right hand of the power of

God.” 70Then they all said, “Are You then the Son of God?” So He said to them, “You rightly say that I am.” 71And they said, “What further testimony do we need? For we have heard it ourselves from His own mouth.”

### Chapter 23

1Then the whole multitude of them arose and led Him to Pilate. 2And they began to accuse Him, saying, “We found this fellow perverting the nation, and forbidding to pay taxes to Caesar, saying that He Himself is Christ, a King.”

3Then Pilate asked Him, saying, “Are You the King of the Jews?” He answered him and said, “It is as you say.” 4So Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowd, “I find no fault in this Man.” 5But they were the more fierce, saying, “He stirs up the people, teaching throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee to this place.”

6When Pilate heard of Galilee, he asked if the Man were a Galilean. 7And as soon as he knew that He belonged to Herod’s jurisdiction, he sent Him to Herod, who was also in Jerusalem at that time. 8Now when Herod saw Jesus, he was exceedingly glad; for he had desired for a long time to see Him, because he had heard many things about Him, and he hoped to see some miracle done by Him. 9Then he questioned Him with many words, but He answered him nothing. 10And the chief priests and scribes stood and vehemently accused Him. 11Then Herod, with his men of war, treated Him with contempt and mocked Him, arrayed Him in a gorgeous robe, and sent Him back to Pilate. 12That very day Pilate and Herod became friends with each other, for previously they had been at enmity with each other.

13Then Pilate, when he had called together the chief priests, the rulers, and the people, 14said to them, “You have brought this Man to me, as one who misleads the people. And indeed, having examined Him in your presence, I have found no fault in this Man concerning those things of which you accuse Him; 15“no, neither did Herod, for I sent you back to him; and indeed nothing deserving of death has been done by Him. 16“I will therefore chastise Him and release Him” 17(for it was necessary for him to release one to them at the feast). 18And they all cried out at once, saying, “Away with this Man, and release to us Barabbas”— 19who had been thrown into prison for a certain rebellion made in the city, and for murder. 20Pilate, therefore, wishing to release Jesus, again called out to them. 21But they shouted, saying, “Crucify Him, crucify Him!” 22Then he said to them the third time, “Why, what evil has He done? I have found no reason for death in Him. I will therefore chastise Him and let Him go.” 23But they were insistent, demanding with loud voices that He be crucified. And the voices of these men and of the chief priests prevailed. 24So Pilate gave sentence that it should be as they requested. 25And he released to them the one they

requested, who for rebellion and murder had been thrown into prison; but he delivered Jesus to their will.

26Now as they led Him away, they laid hold of a certain man, Simon a Cyrenian, who was coming from the country, and on him they laid the cross that he might bear it after Jesus. 27And a great multitude of the people followed Him, and women who also mourned and lamented Him. 28But Jesus, turning to them, said, “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for Me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. 29“For indeed the days are coming in which they will say, ‘Blessed are the barren, wombs that never bore, and breasts which never nursed!’ 30“Then they will begin ‘to say to the mountains, ‘Fall on us!’ and to the hills, ‘Cover us!’ ’ 31“For if they do these things in the green wood, what will be done in the dry?” 32There were also two others, criminals, led with Him to be put to death. 33And when they had come to the place called Calvary, there they crucified Him, and the criminals, one on the right hand and the other on the left. 34Then Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do.” And they divided His garments and cast lots. 35And the people stood looking on. But even the rulers with them sneered, saying, “He saved others; let Him save Himself if He is the Christ, the chosen of God.” 36The soldiers also mocked Him, coming and offering Him sour wine, 37and saying, “If You are the King of the Jews, save Yourself.” 38And an inscription also was written over Him in letters of Greek, Latin, and Hebrew: THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS. 39Then one of the criminals who were hanged blasphemed Him, saying, “If You are the Christ, save Yourself and us.” 40But the other, answering, rebuked him, saying, “Do you not even fear God, seeing you are under the same condemnation? 41“And we indeed justly, for we receive the due reward of our deeds; but this Man has done nothing wrong.” 42Then he said to Jesus, “Lord, remember me when You come into Your kingdom.” 43And Jesus said to him, “Assuredly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise.