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The Fifth Sunday in Lent



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DIVINE SERVICE — Setting Three

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Prelude “Christ Sits at God's Right Hand” (Partita on "Yigdal" settings 1 & 2)
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Hymn 564 Christ Sits at God's Right Hand (please stand for the last verse: △)



1 Christ sits at God's right hand, His sav - ing work com - plete,
2 Christ was that priest God swore, U - nique - ly First and Last,
3 Christ's al - tar was the tree, Where on the world's be - half
4 What cost - ly sac - ri - fice To cov - er hu - man sin!



To reign till ev - 'ry foe will lie Be - neath His feet—
Who would in righ - teous - ness and love Be un - sur - passed:
He shed a blood, un - like the blood Of goat or calf,
Who but Christ Je - sus had the right To en - ter in?



All that the Fa - ther planned, The Son sought to ful - fill,
“A priest for - ev - er - more,” An oath God would not break,
To seal God's guar - an - tee Of grace that can - not fail;
His blood, that sprin - kled price, So we might be as - sured



When first He said, “Lord, here am I To do Your will.”
“A priest with - in the or - der of Mel - chiz - e - dek.”
With blood He en - tered for our good Be - hind the veil.
That our in - her - i - tance in light Has been se - cured.

5 Then let us now draw near, Washed in that precious flood
And enter the Most Holy Place by Jesus' blood.

From hearts that are sincere, let tongues our hope profess,
And trust anew God's faithful grace that we confess.

△

6 All praise to Christ we bring, our Lord who intercedes,
Our great High Priest enthroned above who knows our needs;
And to the Father sing our songs of thankful praise,
Who with the Spirit reigns in love for endless days.

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Congregation is seated, the Baptismal Family comes forward

BAPTISM OF CHARLOTTE ROSE GROFF

BORN JULY 29, 2023

When candidates are unable to speak for themselves, the sponsors answer the questions on their behalf.

P In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

G Amen.

P Dearly beloved, Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." In the last chapter of Mark our Lord promises, "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved." And the apostle Peter has written, "Baptism now saves you."

The Word of God also teaches that we are all conceived and born sinful and are under the power of the devil until Christ claims us as His own. We would be lost forever unless delivered from sin, death, and everlasting condemnation. But the Father of all mercy and grace has sent His Son Jesus Christ, who atoned for the sin of the whole world, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

The pastor addresses each candidate:

P How are you named?

R Charlotte Rose Groff

The pastor makes the sign of the holy cross upon the forehead and heart of each candidate while saying:

P Charlotte Rose Groff, receive the sign of the holy cross both upon your ☩ forehead and upon your ☩ heart to mark you as one redeemed by Christ the crucified.

P Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, according to Your strict judgment You condemned the unbelieving world through the flood, yet according to Your great mercy You preserved believing Noah and his family, eight souls in all. You drowned hard-hearted Pharaoh and all his host in the Red Sea, yet led Your people Israel through the water on dry ground, foreshadowing this washing of Your Holy Baptism. Through the Baptism in the Jordan of Your beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, You sanctified and instituted all waters to be a blessed flood and a lavish washing away of sin.

We pray that You would behold Charlotte according to Your boundless mercy and bless her with true faith by the Holy Spirit, that through this saving flood all sin in her, which has been inherited from Adam and which she herself has committed since, would be drowned and die. Grant that she be kept safe and secure in the holy ark of the Christian Church, being separated from the multitude of unbelievers and serving Your name at all times with a fervent spirit and a joyful hope, so that, with all believers in Your promise, she would be declared worthy of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

G Amen.

P From ancient times the Church has observed the custom of appointing sponsors for baptismal candidates and catechumens. In the Evangelical Lutheran Church sponsors

are to confess the faith expressed in the Apostles' Creed and taught in the Small Catechism. They are, whenever possible, to witness the Baptism of those they sponsor. They are to pray for them, support them in their ongoing instruction and nurture in the Christian faith, and encourage them toward the faithful reception of the Lord's Supper. They are at all times to be examples to them of the holy life of faith in Christ and love for the neighbor.

P Is it your intention to serve Charlotte as sponsors in the Christian faith?

R *Yes, with the help of God.*

P God enable you both to will and to do this faithful and loving work and with His grace fulfill what we are unable to do.

C **Amen.**

P Hear the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

They brought young children to [Jesus] that He might touch them; but the disciples rebuked those who brought them. But when Jesus saw it, He was greatly displeased and said to them, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it." And He took them up in His arms, put His hands on them, and blessed them.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

The pastor places his hands on the head of the candidate, and the congregation joins in praying:

Lord's Prayer

C **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 pastor addresses the candidate(s) and asks the following questions:

P Charlotte, do you renounce the devil?

R *Yes, I renounce him.*

P Do you renounce all his works?

R *Yes, I renounce them.*

P Do you renounce all his ways?

R *Yes, I renounce them.*

P Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth?

R *Yes, I believe.*

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He will come to judge the living and the dead?

R Yes, I believe.

P Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting?

R Yes, I believe.

P Charlotte, do you desire to be baptized?

R Yes, I do.

The pastor pours water three times on the head of each candidate while saying:

P Charlotte Rose Groff, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

The pastor places his hands on the head of the newly baptized while saying:

P The almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life everlasting.

C Amen.

The pastor may place a white garment on the newly baptized while saying:

P Receive this white garment to show that you have been clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness that covers all your sin. So shall you stand without fear before the judgment seat of Christ to receive the inheritance prepared for you from the foundation of the world.

The pastor may light a baptismal candle from the paschal candle & give it to the newly baptized saying:

P Receive this burning light to show that you have received Christ who is the Light of the world. Live always in the light of Christ, and be ever watchful for His coming, that you may meet Him with joy and enter with Him into the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which shall have no end.

The newly baptized may be welcomed with the following:

A In Holy Baptism God the Father has made you a member of His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and an heir with us of all the treasures of heaven in the one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We receive you in Jesus' name as our sister in Christ, that together we might hear His Word, receive His gifts, and proclaim the praises of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.

C Amen. We welcome you in the name of the Lord.

Stand

P Let us pray.

Almighty and most merciful God and Father, we thank and praise You that You graciously preserve and enlarge Your family and have granted Charlotte the new birth in Holy Baptism and made her a member of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and an heir of Your heavenly kingdom. We humbly implore You that, as she has now become Your child, You would keep her in her baptismal grace, that according to Your good pleasure she may faithfully grow to lead a godly life to the praise and honor of Your holy name and finally, with all Your saints, obtain the promised inheritance in heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

The following collects may also be prayed.

P Heavenly Father, You sent Your own Son into this world as the child of the virgin Mary. We thank You for the life of this child entrusted to our care. Help us remember that we are all Your children and so love and nurture her that she may attain to the full stature intended for her in Your eternal kingdom, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

P Merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You grant us the adoption as sons through Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and claim us as Your own from the kingdom of Satan, rescuing us from sin and everlasting condemnation. We give thanks to You that Charlotte has been made Your own dear child in Holy Baptism and that Zachary and Armanda have also adopted her. Grant Your blessing to these parents that, being strengthened in the grace of their own Baptism, they may faithfully nurture their child in the knowledge and love of the Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

P Lord and Giver of life, look with kindness upon the father(s) and mother(s) of this child and upon all our parents. Let them ever rejoice in the gift You have given them. Enable them to be teachers and examples of righteousness for their children. Strengthen them in their own Baptism that they may share eternally with their children the salvation You have given them; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

P Almighty and everlasting God, since You govern and sanctify the whole Christian Church by Your Holy Spirit, hear our prayers for all her members, and mercifully grant that by Your grace we may serve You in true faith; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

P Peace ☩ be with you.

C Amen.

All return to their places.

Confession and Absolution

P Beloved in the Lord!

Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

Q and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Stand

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

© I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

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 unto all of you, and 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.

Service of the Word

Introit *Psalm 116:1-4, 8; antiphon: Psalm 43:1*



P Vindicate me, O God, and defend my cause against an ungodly | people,*
from the deceitful and unjust man de- | liver me!

C I love the LORD, because | he has heard* my voice and my pleas for | mercy.

P Because he inclined his ear to me,* therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

**☐ The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid | hold on me;*
I suffered distress and | anguish.**

P Then I called on the name of the LORD.* "O LORD, I pray, deliver my soul!"

**C For you have delivered my | soul from death,*
my eyes from tears, my feet from | stumbling.**

**☐ 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.**

P Vindicate me, O God, and defend my cause against an ungodly | people,*
from the deceitful and unjust man de- | liver me!

Kyrie *Lord, Have Mercy*

LSB 186

C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.

P Let us pray.

- P** Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C A - men.

Sit

Old Testament Reading *Jeremiah 31:31-34*

The New Covenant

"Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares 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. And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Choir Anthem "Savior of My Heart" *words and music by Hartley, Walsh and Bielec. arranged by David Angerman ©2010, WorshipTogether.Com Songs. Integrity's Hosanna! Music.*

Epistle *Hebrews 5:1-10*

Every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. Because of this he is obligated to offer sacrifice for his own sins just as he does for those of the people. And no one takes this honor for himself, but only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him,

"You are my Son, today I have begotten you";

as he says also in another place,

"You are a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek."

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Verse

Mark 10:45

C Even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve,
and to give his life as a ransom for many.

Holy Gospel *Mark 10:32-45*

Jesus Foretells His Death a Third Time

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

And they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them. And they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. And taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him, saying, "See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to the Gentiles. And they will mock him and spit on him, and flog him and kill him. And after three days he will rise."

The Request of James and John

And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand

and one at your left, in your glory." Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ✝ of the world to come.

Amen.

Sit

Hymn 430 My Song Is Love Unknown

1 My song is love un-known, My Sav-ior's love to
 2 He came from His blest throne Sal-va-tion to be-
 3 Some-times they strew His way And His sweet prais-es
 4 Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and
 me, Love to the love-less shown That they might love-ly
 stow; But men made strange, and none The longed-for Christ would
 sing; Re-sound-ing all the day Ho-san-nas to their
 spite? He made the lame to run, He gave the blind their
 be. Oh, who am I That for my sake
 know. But, oh, my friend, My friend in-deed,
 King. Then "Cru-ci-fy!" Is all their breath,
 sight. Sweet in-ju-ries! Yet they at these
 My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?
 Who at my need His life did spend!
 And for His death They thirst and cry.
 Them-selves dis-please And 'gainst Him rise.

- 5 They rise and needs will have my dear Lord made away;
 A murderer they save, the Prince of Life they slay.
 Yet cheerful He to suff'ring goes that He His foes
 From thence might free.
- 6 In life no house, no home my Lord on earth might have;
 In death no friendly tomb but what a stranger gave.
 What may I say? Heav'n was His home but mine the tomb
 Wherein He lay.
- 7 Here might I stay and sing, no story so divine!
 Never was love, dear King, never was grief like Thine.
 This is my friend, in whose sweet praise
 I all my days could gladly spend!

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Sermon

Offering "My Song is Love Unknown"

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Stand

Offertory

LSB 192

C 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 Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

Prayer of the Church

P ...let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P ...now and forever.

C Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

LSB 194

P The Lord be with you.
P Lift up your hearts.

C And with thy spir - it.
C We lift them up un - to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.



C It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus *Holy, Holy, Holy*

LSB 195



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,



bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

LSB 196



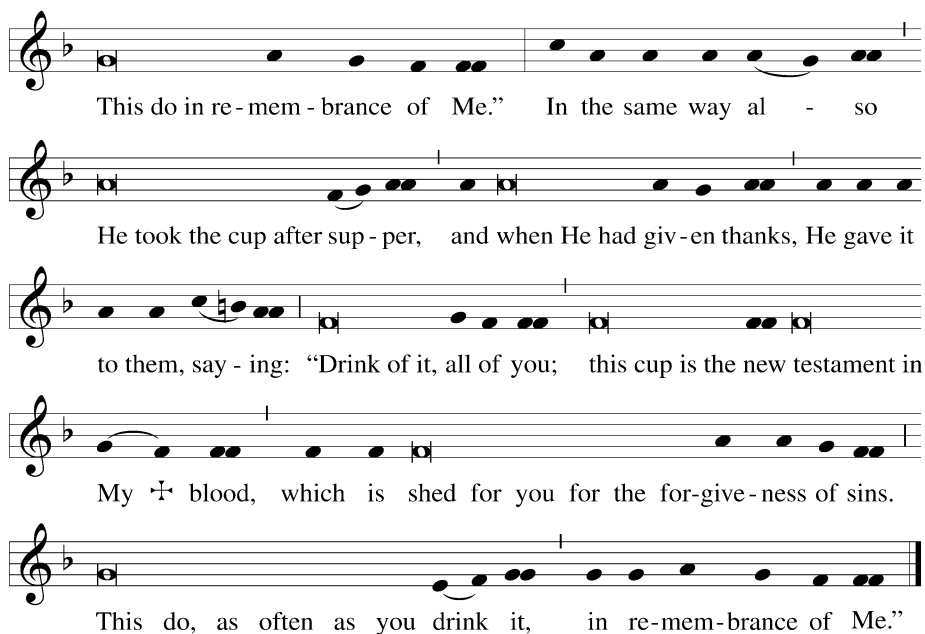
P Our Father who art in heav - en, hal - low - ed be Thy name,

Thy king - dom come, Thy will be done on earth as it
 is in heav - en; give us this day our dai - ly bread;
 and forgive us our tres - pass - es as we forgive those who
 tres - pass a - gainst us; and lead us not in - to
 temp - ta - tion, but deliver us from e - vil.
 ☐ For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the
 glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

☐ Our Lord Je-sus Christ, on the night when He was be-trayed, took bread,
 and when He had giv - en thanks, He broke it and gave it to the
 dis-ci-ples and said: "Take, eat; this is My bod - y, which is giv-en for you.



This do in re-mem - brance of Me.” In the same way al - so

He took the cup after sup - per, and when He had giv - en thanks, He gave it

to them, say - ing: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in

My blood, which is shed for you for the for-give-ness of sins.

This do, as often as you drink it, in re-mem-brance of Me.”

Pax Domini *The Peace of the Lord*

LSB 197

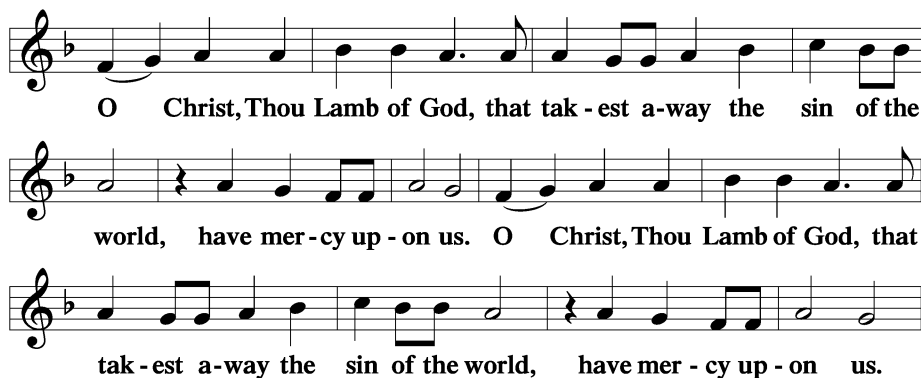


P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.

A - men.

Agnus Dei *Lamb of God*

LSB 198



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the

world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that

tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.



Sit

Distribution

Hymn 753 All for Christ I Have Forsaken

1 All for Christ I have for - sak - en And have
2 Who is sweet - er than Christ Je - sus? No good
3 Gone the past, un - known the fu - ture— Grace sup -
4 When God takes me home to heav - en, Should this
5 Though the road a - head be thorn - y, Though dark

tak - en up my cross; World - ly joy, its
thing in Him I lack! Hand to plow, at
plies my dai - ly breath; Strong in Christ through
be the day I die, God will keep my
clouds all light ob - scure, Though my cross - shaped

fame and for - tune, Now I count as worth - less dross.
peace I fol - low Where He leads me . . . why look back?
death's dark val - ley, Firm and faith - ful un - to death.
spouse and chil - dren As the ap - ple of His eye.
path grows steep - er, With the Lord, I am se - cure.

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647 Lord Jesus Christ, the Church's Head



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Church's head, You are her one foun -
 2 O Lord, let this Your lit - tle flock, Your name a - lone con -
 3 Help us to serve You ev - er - more With hearts both pure and
 4 And for Your Gos - pel let us dare To sac - ri - fice all

da - tion; In You she trusts, be - fore You bows, And
 fess - ing, Con - tin - ue in Your lov - ing care, True
 low - ly; And may Your Word, that light di - vine, Shine
 trea - sure; Teach us to bear Your bless - ed cross, To

waits for Your sal - va - tion. Built on this rock se - cure,
 u - ni - ty pos - sess - ing. Your sac - ra - ments, O Lord,
 on in splen - dor ho - ly That we re - pen - tance show,
 find in You all plea - sure. O grant us stead - fast - ness

Your Church shall en - dure Though all the world de -
 And Your sav - ing Word To us, Lord, pure re -
 In faith ev - er grow; The pow'r of sin de -
 In joy and dis - tress, Lest we, Lord, You for -

cay And all things pass a - way.
 tain. Grant that they may re - main
 stroy And e - vils that an - noy.
 sake. Let us by grace par - take

O hear, O hear us, Je - sus!
 Our on - ly strength and com - fort.
 O make us faith - ful Chris - tians.
 Of end - less joy and glad - ness.

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594 God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It



1 God's own child, I glad - ly say it: I am bap-tized
 2 Sin, dis - turb my soul no long - er: I am bap-tized
 3 Sa - tan, hear this proc - la - ma - tion: I am bap-tized
 4 Death, you can - not end my glad-ness: I am bap-tized
 5 There is noth - ing worth com-par - ing To this life-long



in - to Christ! He, be - cause I could not pay it,
 in - to Christ! I have com - fort e - ven strong-er:
 in - to Christ! Drop your ug - ly ac - cu - sa - tion,
 in - to Christ! When I die, I leave all sad - ness
 com - fort sure! O - pen - eyed my grave is star - ing:



Gave my full re - demp - tion price. Do I need earth's
 Je - sus' cleans-ing sac - ri - fice. Should a guilt - y
 I am not so soon en - ticed. Now that to the
 To in - her - it par - a - dise! Though I lie in
 E - ven there I'll sleep se - cure. Though my flesh a -



trea - sures man - y? I have one worth
 con - science seize me Since my Bap - tism
 font I've trav - eled, All your might has
 dust and ash - es Faith's as - sur - ance
 waits its rais - ing, Still my soul con -



more than an - y That brought me sal -
 did re - lease me In a dear for -
 come un - rav - eled, And, a - gainst your
 bright - ly flash - es: Bap - tism has the
 tin - ues prais - ing: I am bap - tized



va - tion free Last - ing to e - ter - ni - ty!
 giv - ing flood, Sprin - kling me with Je - sus' blood?
 tyr - an - ny, God, my Lord, u - nites with me!
 strength di - vine To make life im - mor - tal mine.
 in - to Christ; I'm a child of par - a - dise!

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Stand

Nunc Dimittis *Song of Simeon*

LSB 199

C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -
cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
a light to light - en the Gen - tles and the glo - ry of Thy
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

Thanksgiving

LSB 200

A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good, **C** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.



P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

Benedicamus *LSB 202*

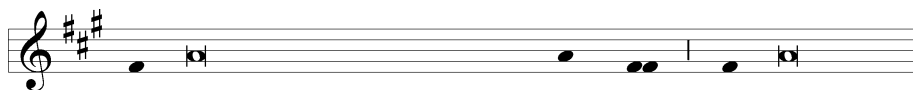


A Bless we the Lord.

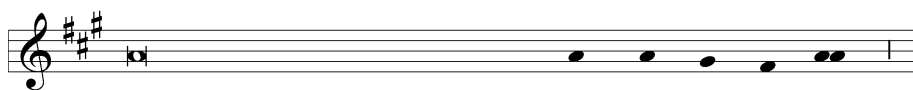


C Thanks be to God.

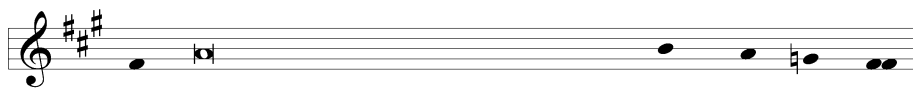
Benediction *LSB 202*



P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

Announcements

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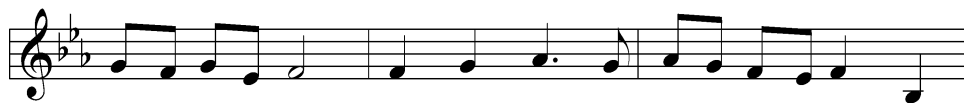
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Hymn 847 Christ, Our Human Likeness Sharing



1 Christ, our hu - man like - ness shar - ing, Heav - en's love on
 2 Hear the word that Christ has spo - ken, Help the weak, the
 3 Christ, in ev - 'ry con - gre - ga - tion Build Your tem - ple,
 4 Come, O liv - ing Christ, re - new us, As of old in



earth por - trayed; Christ the Shep - herd, tend - ing, car - ing,
 hun - gry feed; See the pow'rs of dark - ness bro - ken,
 stone by stone, With Your word as firm foun - da - tion
 wind and flame; With the Spir - it's pow'r en - due us,



In His death our ran - som paid: Christ the Sav - ior,
 Sin - ners par - doned, cap - tives freed: Christ the Sav - ior,
 For a faith ma - tured and grown: Christ the Sav - ior,
 Ser - vants of Your sav - ing name: Christ the Sav - ior,



Christ the Ser - vant, Be Your life in us dis - played.
 Christ the Ser - vant, Help us meet our neigh - bor's need.
 Christ the Ser - vant, Make in us Your Gos - pel known.
 Christ the Ser - vant, Christ whose king - dom we pro - claim.

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Postlude "My Song is Love Unknown"

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Witness Statement Mark 10:(32-34) 35-45: Greatness is measured differently in God's kingdom compared to the kingdom of the world. Greatness in God's kingdom is found in service to Him and to others. "For even the Son of Man came not to be served, but to serve." May our humble service lead others to the great riches found in God's amazing grace.



Dear ones, welcome to worship as we gather in Jesus' name as one family in God's embrace. Amen.

9:00 a.m. worship services with Holy Communion
on the 1st and 3rd Sundays

10:30 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Study

9:00 a.m. Thursday Bible Study

SERVING IN THE HOUSE OF THE LORD

Preacher:	Rev. Brian J. Nygaard
Communion Assistant:	Dennis Hoernig
Lector:	Larry Polster
Acolyte:	Noah Clausing
Organist:	Suzanne Hale
Special Music:	TMLC Choir



Altar Flowers: The altar flowers this morning are given to the glory of God by **Janice Fratzke** in loving memory of her brother, Bill who went to meet his Lord on March 16, 2015.



Charlotte Rose Groff, born July 29, 2023, daughter of Zachary & Armanda Groff will be received into the family of God this morning through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

May all the gifts of faith bless her life in the years ahead.



Today's Door Collection is for Rev. Bryan Payne who is serving in Shinyanga Tanzania. Please note, if you are writing a check, please make it payable to Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. We will mail those checks with our check.

Book Club Let's discuss "Mad Honey" by Jodi Picoult on March 19th at 12:00 PM in the conference room. Bring a lunch!

Please note: There is a typo on the March calendar: We are not meeting at 2:00 (but at Noon).

Church Council has been rescheduled to March 19 at 6:00 PM

EASTER Candy Donations We would love bags of small Easter candy to fill the eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt. This event will be after breakfast and before the 10:00 AM service. There is a collection box in the narthex.

SISTERS IN CHRIST ACTIVITIES

March 18th SIC Meeting at Church. 6:30 PM. We will be packing the Chemo Bags. Thank you to all who have contributed to our outreach.

March 31st **Easter Breakfast** We are making Breakfast Casseroles for our Church Breakfast. We are asking each SIC member to make 2 casseroles each. It is your choice of what kind of casserole you make. Sign-up sheet and further instructions on the bulletin board. Also – We need help setting up for the breakfast on Saturday, March 30th at 9:00 AM.

April 12th **Bunco!** 6:00 PM Join us for a fun EVENING of fellowship and Bunco. Everyone is Invited

Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share. Along with a small Bunco Prize (wrapped). Please sign up on the Bulletin Board if you are attending. Thank you!

May 20th **Dinner** 6:00 PM Asparagus in Merrillville (asparagusrestaurant.com)

June **Shipshewana Day Trip** Date to be Determined

Wednesday Evenings

Taco Bar at 5:15 PM

Lenten Services at 7:00 PM on March 20

WHO IS . . . JESUS? *Who is . . . the Champion?*

Maundy Thursday with Cantata

7:00 PM Holy Communion on March 28

The Choir will present the Cantata

“God So Loved the World”

Good Friday

Tenebrae Vespers at 7:00 PM March 29

EASTER SUNDAY – March 31st

“Sunrise Service” at 6:30 am

Easter Breakfast at 8:00 am

Easter Egg Hunt

“The Resurrection of Our Lord” at 10:00 am

Please sign up for bringing food for the **Easter Breakfast**: There are two sign ups. One for SIC to make the casseroles. The other for the congregation to help support this event by bringing: Donuts, Bagels, & Juice. Thank you to those who have already signed up!

Don't forget to direct Choice Dollars®

Don't let Choice Dollars expire. Eligible members who have Choice Dollars available have until **March 31, 2024**, to direct any remaining 2023 Choice Dollars. Help support Trinity Memorial Lutheran Church. Go to [Thrivent.com/thriventchoice](https://thrivent.com/thriventchoice) or call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" after the prompt. Please call the office to let us know what group at TMLC you would like to support and how much. Otherwise all donations will go into Thrivent's general funds.

VBS: Please complete the 2024 Volunteer Form and return to the office, or to Cara, or Connie.

Forms can also be filled out online at <https://forms.gle/8URNG2B5eoh8fhDJ7>. **Complete by April 7th**. We are looking for a Team, two or more, to lead and facilitate Vacation Bible School. Dates are flexible as we are using the church building and not FLC. Volunteers are ready, willing, and able to help the event be successful. Prayerfully consider this and contact Cara Clausing or Connie Hoernig.

2025 National Youth Gathering in New Orleans

The Board of Education needs to know who would be interested in attending the National Youth Gathering in 2025. Any teen that will be 14 years old by July 2025 or going in to 9th grade through graduation Senior can attend.

Parents – Please sign your teen up if they are interested. We will need you to sign up by **April 7th**. Thank you!

DARTBALL

Do you like baseball? Do you like darts? How about putting them together? Dartball...Trinity Lutheran Memorial is seeking males (that have been confirmed and older) who would be interested in playing on a dartball team this coming season starting in the fall. There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board. If you have any questions, please reach out to Michael Moore. His number and email are provided on the signup sheet.



What are you doing this summer? Spend time at **Camp Lutherhaven!** With so many fun activities from Archery to Zip, Zap, Zoey (a fun game played at Camp) to jumping in the lake, there is so much to experience! Most importantly, spend time in God's Word and grow in your relationship with Christ. Summer 2024's theme is "Wildfire," coming from Psalm 78:4. Join in spreading the glorious deeds of the Lord like wildfire with everyone who comes to Camp Lutherhaven this summer!

Register before April 1st and receive the Early Bird Discount! Register online today at www.lutherhaven.org, or call for more information at 260.636.7101

AS WE CELEBRATE 80 YEARS TMLC in February 1944 was having solemn Lenten Services at 7:30 PM on Wednesday Evenings. Regular Sunday services were at 11:00 AM and Sunday School was at 10:00 AM. Confirmation Classes were on Wednesdays at 5:00 PM. If you wanted to take communion: you needed to announce your intentions to partake of the Sacraments to the Pastor after service, for the following week. Good news was given in the February 20, 1944 bulletin, "Funds are being provided for the purchase of a church for us". The LWML of our Synodical District is raising \$1,500.00.

You been invited

LWML Prayer Breakfast: Grace, Mercy, Peace

Saturday April 6th, 2024 at the Fellowship Hall Trinity Lutheran School Hobart, IN

Time: 9 am -11 am

Enjoy food 9 am – 10 am with Spiritual food 10 am – 11am

“Not Your Grandmother’s Quilting Workshop”

Saturday April 6th at 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM at Griffith Lutheran Church
Please RSVP by April 1 to 219-838-1626 or glc1000@griffithlutheran.org

See the Flyer in the Narthex for more details

LWML Hammond Zone – Spring Prayer Breakfast at Trinity Lowell

April 17 at 9:00-9:30 AM Registration, Prayer service at 10:00 AM
Please RSVP by April 14th to Susan 844-6176 or Trinity Office 696-9338

See Flyer in the Narthex for more details

THIS WEEK at TMLC

SUNDAY	9:00 AM	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	10:30 AM	Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes
	11:30 AM	Cantata Rehearsal
		<i>FLC Event</i>
MONDAY		<i>FLC Event</i>
TUESDAY	Noon	Book Club in the conference room
	5:30 PM	Handbells
	6:00 PM	Church Council
WEDNESDAY	5:00 PM	Confirmation
	5:15 PM	Taco Bar
	6:00 PM	Choir
	7:00 PM	Lenten Service
THURSDAY	9:00 AM	Bible Study
	10:00 AM	April Newsletter & Calendar Deadline
FRIDAY/SATURDAY		<i>FLC Event</i>

Interested in helping with an Outreach Event for Food Bank of Northwest Indiana

Contact Dr. Brian E. Thompson, 219-616-1655, betdvm@comcast.net

WAYS TO GIVE AT TRINITY MEMORIAL

Mail/Drop-Off: You can mail or drop-off your Offerings at Trinity Memorial.

Our address is 7950 Marshall Street, Merrillville, IN 46410.

Our Office hours are 8:30 AM—4:30 PM (Monday –Friday)

Automatic checking/savings withdrawal:

Contact Cheryl Wilson at (219) 644-9823 or church office at (219) 769-5376.

Online giving via the "Donate Here" link on the church's website, www.tmlchurch.com

Holy Communion



“Jesus took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying, ‘Take and eat; this is my body.’ Then he took the cup, gave thanks and offered it to them, saying, ‘Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.’”

(Matt. 26:26-28)

“They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to the prayer.” (Acts 2:42) “A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself.” (1 Cor. 11:28-29)

In keeping with the doctrine and practice of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS), we practice a Close Communion. That is, we normally offer Holy Communion only to those with whom we have Altar Fellowship. Therefore, we invite those members of other LCMS congregations and those who are in table fellowship with the LCMS to the Lord's Tables. Members of other congregations along with those who are unconfirmed, are invited to mediate on God's Word during this time or you may also come to the railing (with arms crossed over your chest in the shape of an X) to receive a blessing from the pastor.

If you have further questions, please speak with the pastor or freely take from our information rack, “A Simple Explanation of Fellowship in the Lord's Supper”, and/or “A Simple Explanation of Holy Communion”.

Please Note: The center cups of the individual tray contain denatured white wine for those who wish to refrain from alcohol.