

BENEDICTION

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

CLOSING HYMN

On My Heart Imprint Your Image
Christian Worship 319

On my heart im - print your im - age, Bless - ed Je - sus,
King of grace, That life's rich - es, cares, and plea - sures Have no
pow'r to hide your face. This the su - per - scrip - tion be:
Je - sus, cru - ci - fied for me, Is my life, my
hope's foun - da - tion, And my glo - ry and sal - va - tion.

SERVING AT WORSHIP

Presiding Minister & Preacher
Principal Organist

Pastor Aaron L. Christie
Mark D. Davidson

Choir
Choir Director

Trinity Mixed Choir
Jonathan A. Laabs

Instrumentalists

Amy Donovan, *violin*
Corrine Wiesmueller, *flute*

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*My ears had heard of you but now my eyes have seen you.
Therefore I despise myself and repent in dust and ashes. (Job 42:5-6)*

ASH WEDNESDAY

March 5, 2014 + 6:30pm

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
Waukesha, WI

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“NOW IS THE DAY OF SALVATION!”

WELCOME TO TRINITY

Ash Wednesday is the beginning of the forty day season of Lent. From Old Testament history to the present, ashes have been a sign of contrition. Although some might call them Roman Catholic, ashes are an ancient symbol of the Bible, symbolizing repentance. Sackcloth and ashes were not only a sign of sorrow over sin but also a mark of faith looking for the forgiveness from God.

The mood of this service is somber as we reflect upon our sins and our need for forgiveness. In the Gospel lesson we will hear of a Pharisee who is full of himself and a Tax Collector who feels his sinful emptiness. Those who are full of themselves feel no need to repent. Those who feel their sinfulness yearn for the Lord's love and forgiveness. May the Lord give us the humility of the tax collector as we look to the Lord for his mercy. God has had mercy upon us through his Son! May the Lord bless your observance of Lent!

OUR FACILITIES

Our restrooms are located to the left as you leave the sanctuary. They are located near the coat room. The members of Trinity believe that families should be encouraged to worship together. If your young child needs to be quieted, we have an audio-equipped children's room just outside of the church doors to your right. If you need anything during the service, please feel free to ask an usher.

OUR COMMUNION PRACTICE

We believe that gathering together at God's altar to receive Holy Communion is a testimony of the confession and commitment we share as members of the Lutheran Church. We ask guests who are not members of our Lutheran denomination to speak with one of the pastors before joining us at the altar so that all may have a clear understanding of our faith and practice. Thank you.

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

In hopelessness and near despair, I cry to you, my Savior!
My guilt is more than I can bear. I have not earned your favor.
You know me as I really am: How much is truth, how much is sham;
Why should you heed my pleading?

I see my heart's condition now, My heart's diverse affections.
Why do I love the things you loathe; I'm torn in two directions:
Now prodigal, now Pharisee. O God, be merciful to me;
Who else but you can help me? Amen.

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THANKSGIVING

O LORD, WE PRAISE YOU

Christian Worship 317:1

I O Lord, we praise you, bless you, and a-dore you,
In thanks-giv-ing bow be-fore you. Here with your
bod-y and your blood you nour-ish Our weak souls that they may
flour-ish. O Lord, have mer-cy! May your
bod-y, Lord, born of Mar-y, That our sins and sor-rows
did car-ry, And your blood for us plead
In all tri-al, fear, and need: O Lord, have mer-cy!

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

M: Almighty God, we are dust and to dust we shall return, yet even in ashes and dust there is hope. Marked with the sign of the cross in our Baptism, we thank you for the gifts you have given us through this Holy Supper; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

A - men.



1. Sav - ior, — when in dust to Thee Low we bow th'a -
 2. By Thy help - less in - fant years, By Thy life of
 3. By Thine hour of dire de - spair, By Thine ag - o -
 4. By Thy deep ex - pir - ing groan, By the sad se -



dor - ing knee; When, re - pen - tant, to the skies
 want and tears, By Thy days of deep dis - tress
 ny — of prayer, By the — cross, the nail, the thorn,
 pul - chral stone, By the — vault whose dark a - bode



Scarce we — lift our weep - ing eyes; O, by all Thy
 In the — sav - age wil - der - ness, By the dread, mys -
 Pierc - ing — spear, and tor - turing scorn, By the gloom that
 Held in — vain the ris - ing God, O, from earth to



pains and woe Suf - fered once for us be - low, Bend - ing from Thy
 te - rious hour Of th' in - sult - ing tempt - er's pow'r, Turn, O turn a
 veiled the skies O'er the dread - ful sac - ri - fice, List - en to our
 heav'n re - stored, Might - y, re - as - cend - ed — Lord, Bend - ing from Thy



throne on high, Hear our — pen - i - ten - tial cry!
 fa - v'ring eye; Hear our — pen - i - ten - tial cry!
 hum - ble sigh; Hear our — pen - i - ten - tial cry!
 throne on high, Hear our — pen - i - ten - tial cry!

Text: Robert Grant, 1779-1838, alt.
 Music: Joseph Parry, 1841-1903

ABERYSTWYTH

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

Blessed Are They, Forever Blest
 Christian Worship 383

Stand

ORDER OF SERVICE

Pre- and post-service music is omitted on Ash Wednesday. The minister and people gather in silence for prayer and meditation.

PSALM 51

Miserere mei Deus
Antonio Lotti

Anthem sung in Latin

Miserere mei Deus secundam magnam misericordiam tuam,
 et secundum multitudinem miserationum tuarum dele iniquitatem meam.

*Have mercy on me, O God according to your great mercy.
 And according to the multitude of your tender mercies blot out my iniquity.*

INSTRUCTION FOR THE BEGINNING OF LENT

M: Brothers and sisters in Christ, God created us to know joy in communion with him, to love all humanity, and to live in harmony with all creation. But sin separates us from God, our neighbors, and creation, and so we do not enjoy the life our Creator intended for us. By our sin we grieve our Father, who does not desire us to come under his judgment but to turn to him and live. Therefore, God in his mercy has sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take our place under the law, to suffer for us, and to die the death we deserve. God made Jesus, who had no sin, to be sin for us so that in him, we might become the righteousness of God.

During the 40 days of Lent, we fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of God. The time of Lent reminds us that to know Christ and the power of his resurrection, we must also know the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death. As disciples of the Lord Jesus, we are called to struggle against everything that leads us away from love of God and neighbor.

I invite you, therefore, to confess your sins, ask our Father for forgiveness, and commit yourselves to this struggle. Let us be silent. Let us be still. Let us pause now for a time of reflection and self-examination.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Most holy and merciful Father,

C: **We confess to you and to one another that we have sinned by our own fault, by our own grievous fault in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.**

M: We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength.
 We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
 We have not forgiven others as we have been forgiven.

C: Have mercy on us, Lord.

M: We have been deaf to your call to serve as Christ served us.
We have not been true to the mind of Christ.
We have grieved the Holy Spirit.

C: Have mercy on us, Lord.

M: We confess to you, Lord, all our past unfaithfulness.
The pride, hypocrisy, and impatience in our lives

C: We confess to you, O Lord.

M: Our self-indulgent appetites and ways, our manipulation of other people

C: We confess to you, O Lord.

M: Our anger when our selfish aims are denied and our envy of those more fortunate than ourselves

C: We confess to you, O Lord.

M: Our love of worldly goods and comforts and our dishonesty in daily life and work

C: We confess to you, O Lord.

M: Our negligence in worship and prayer and our failure to show the faith that is in us

C: We confess to you, O Lord.

M: Forgive us, Lord, for the wrongs we have done. For our blindness to human need and suffering and our indifference to injustice and cruelty,

C: Forgive us, O Lord.

M: For all false judgments, for uncharitable thoughts towards others, and for our prejudice and contempt for those who differ from us,

C: Forgive us, O Lord.

M: For what we think or say or do that is at variance with your will,

C: Forgive us, O Lord.

M: Restore us, good Lord, and let your anger depart from us.

C: Hear us, Lord, for your mercy is great.

Stand

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei

C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
grant us your peace. A - men.

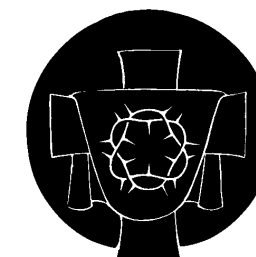
Be seated

MUSICAL MEDITATION

From Depths of Woe I Cry to You
Paul Manz

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

Savior, When in Dust to Thee
Lutheran Service Book 419
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BY THY
HOLY CROSS
THOU HAST
REDEEMED THE
WORLD

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus

C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:
heav'n and earth are full of your 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 who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -
na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my + body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

Then he took the cup, gave thanks and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it all of you; this is my + blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: A - men.

ABSOLUTION

M: Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, does not desire the death of sinners but rather that they turn from their wickedness and live.

Therefore, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

During these days of Lent, let us implore God to give us renewal and his Holy Spirit. May we continue to abide in the true faith and at last be received by him through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

Be seated

HYMN

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

from St John Passion

John Ferguson

All 1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross
Choir 2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast,
All 3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
Choir 4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine,

on which the Prince of glo - ry died,
save in the death of Christ, my God;
sor - row and love flow min - gled down,
that were an of - f'ring far too small;

my rich - est gain I count but loss,
all the vain things that charm me most,
Did e'er such love and sor - row meet,
love so a - maz - ing, so di - vine,

and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
I sac - ri - fice, them to his blood.
or thorns com - pose so rich his crown?
de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748

Music: HAMBURG, Lowell Mason, 1792-1872; arr. John Ferguson

Stand

SALUTATION

M: The Lord be with you.
C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, you never despise what you have made and always forgive those who turn to you. Create in us such new and contrite hearts that we may truly repent of our sins and obtain your full and gracious pardon; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Be seated

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

¹Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God really say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden?'" ²The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, ³but God did say, 'You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.'" ⁴"You will not surely die," the serpent said to the woman. ⁵"For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." ⁶When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. ⁷Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves. ⁸Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the LORD God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹But the LORD God called to the man, "Where are you?" ¹⁰He answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid." ¹¹And he said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?" ¹²The man said, "The woman you put here with me--she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it." ¹³Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate." ¹⁴So the LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, 'Cursed are you above all the livestock and all the wild animals! You will crawl on your belly and you will eat dust all the days of your life. ¹⁵And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel.'"



Genesis 3:1-15
The fall of man into sin

LORD'S PRAYER

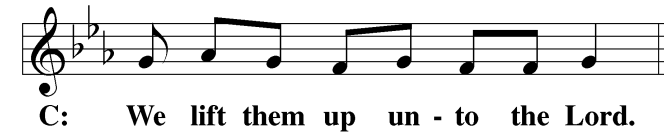
C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts.



M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and 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 all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:



Stand

OFFERING PRAYER

C: I pray now, heartily, O Lord,
That you would never leave me
Nor take from me your holy Word
Lest sin and Satan grieve me.
My sin and shame
In Your dear name
Are washed and cleansed forever.
In You I must
Put all my trust,
Then death shall hurt me never. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Holy and righteous God, as we begin again the solemn spiritual journey of Lent, we come before you in deep humility. We confess that we are sinners, both by the nature we inherit and by the sinful thoughts and desires, words and actions that nature produces. Because of our sins, we deserve only your wrath and punishment. Yet you reveal yourself, not only as a God of holiness and justice but as a God of mercy and love. Despairing of our own merits and worthiness, and in response to your gracious invitation, we come pleading for your forgiveness.

C: Lord, have mercy on us for your holy name's sake.

M: You have revealed your love and mercy for us sinners in Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior. You sent him into our world to be the atoning sacrifice for the sins of all people. Help us grasp by faith the great truth that the pain and suffering, the mockery and ridicule, and the death and punishment he endured should have been ours. Help us understand that in incomprehensible love he suffered and died for us.

C: Lord, have mercy on us for Jesus' sake.

M: In silent meditation let us reflect on our sins, praise our Savior for the forgiveness he has won for us, and ask for God's continued grace to remove any doubt that we are forgiven.

Time for silent meditation follows.

M: God of grace and mercy, may your Spirit continue to be with us as we follow the way of the cross. As we contemplate the story of our Savior's passion, build us up in our faith. Renew in us the zeal to serve you by reflecting your love in our lives. Give us the desire and the ability to boldly proclaim the grace in which we stand, so that all for whom you lived and died may join us in fellowship now and in your presence forever.

C: We offer our humble thanks and praise, our prayers and petitions, and ourselves in body and spirit to you, Lord God. Hear us, according to your promise, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 103:6-16
Speak the psalm responsively

M: The Lord works righteousness
C: and justice for all the oppressed.

M: He made known his ways to Moses,
C: his deeds to the people of Israel:

M: The LORD is compassionate and gracious,
C: slow to anger, abounding in love.

M: He will not always accuse,
C: nor will he harbor his anger forever;

M: He does not treat us as our sins deserve
C: or repay us according to our iniquities.

M: For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
C: so great is his love for those who fear him;

M: As far as the east is from the west,
C: so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

M: As a father has compassion on his children,
C: so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him;

M: for he knows how we are formed,
C: he remembers that we are dust.

M: As for man, his days are like grass,
C: he flourishes like a flower in the field;

M: the wind blows over it and it is gone,
C: and its place remembers it no more.

SECOND LESSON

2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:2
God has credited Jesus' righteousness to us

²⁰We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. ²¹God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. ¹As God's fellow workers we urge you not to receive God's grace in vain. ²For he says, "In the time of my favor I heard you, and in the day of salvation I helped you." I tell you, now is the time of God's favor, now is the day of salvation.

VERSE OF THE DAY

Ronald L. Schilling

Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 18:9-14

The parable of the Pharisee and tax collector

M: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, chapter 18.

C: **Glory be to you, O Lord!**

⁹To some who were confident of their own righteousness and looked down on everybody else, Jesus told this parable: ¹⁰“Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹The Pharisee stood up and prayed about himself: ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other men—robbers, evildoers, adulterers—or even like this tax collector. ¹²I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.’ ¹³“But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, ‘God, have mercy on me, a sinner.’ ¹⁴“I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.”

M: The Gospel of the Lord!

C: **Praise be to you, O Christ!**

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 fully 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 in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian 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.

Be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY

From Depths of Woe I Cry to You
Christian Worship 305

Choir sings stanzas 1 & 3

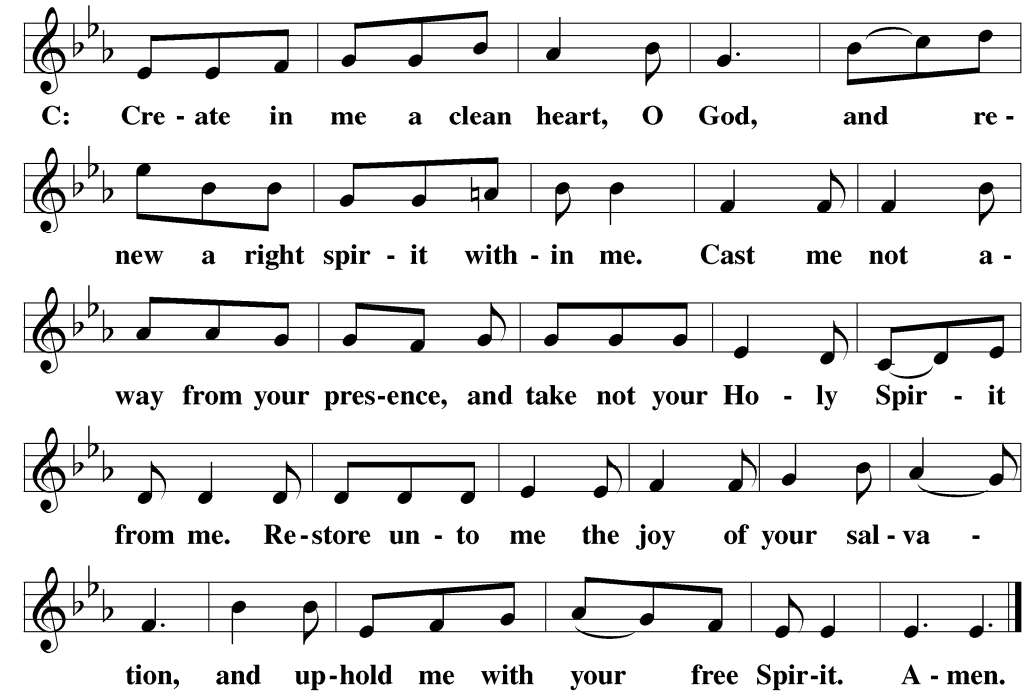
SERMON

Genesis 3:1-15
Pastor Aaron L. Christie

“YOU WILL NOT SURELY DIE...YOU WILL NOT SURELY DIE!”

Stand

CREATE IN ME



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 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. A - men.

Be seated

OFFERING

Please take a moment during the collection of the offering to sign the Friendship Register in each of the pews. We encourage you to take a moment after the service to get to know those seated around you!

ANTHEM

When We are Tempted to Deny Your Son
John Ferguson

When we are tempted to deny your Son,
because we fear the anger of the world,
and we are few who bear the insults hurled,
your will, O God, be done.

When we are tempted to betray your Son,
because he leads us in a harder way,
and makes demands we do not want to pay,
your will, O God, be done.

When we forget the cross that held your Son,
and would avoid the burden of this life,
the cry for justice and an end to strife,
your will, O God, be done.