
WELCOME

Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. This bulletin is intended for all three days of the Triduum (Latin for "the space of three days" and pronounced Trih-doo-um). You are welcome to take it home or leave it with an usher to be reused for the next service. The reason we have one bulletin is that these three services are really one service. For over 1,700 years, the church has celebrated these three days as one long liturgy of Christ's Passover from death to life.

- Pastors Alicia and Ben Hilding

NOTES

MAUNDY THURSDAY: On Maundy Thursday, we hear the command to love one another as Jesus loves us. Watch as he washes his disciples' feet, and join at the table as Jesus hosts the Last Supper, offering his body and blood for the forgiveness of sins. This is a service of prayer and reflection. The mood shifts at the end of the service, just as it did that night because Jesus is betrayed and handed over to the soldiers. After stripping the altar, the service ends in silence.

GOOD FRIDAY: Good Friday is the saddest day in the church year, as worship focuses on a God who loved this world until the very end (John 13:1). On this day, gather for a Tenebrae service, which recalls the seven last things Jesus said. Seven passages from the Gospels correspond with seven Old Testament prophecies, interspersed with seven musical offerings. The lights fade throughout the service as Jesus breathes his last. As worship concludes, hold onto the confession of faith before leaving in silence. It is finished.

EASTER VIGIL: In the history of the Christian church, this is the most important service of the year. In the early church, the Easter Vigil service lasted all night. This service won't be that long, but we will take time to tell parts of the history of salvation: the creation story, the flood, and the Exodus, times when God has brought life out of death before. This is what God does. God brings life out of death.

MAUNDY THURSDAY

PRELUDE

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN *Lord Whose Love in Humble Service*, ELW #712

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

PRAYER OF THE DAY

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SCRIPTURE READING Exodus 12:1-14

GOSPEL John 13:1-9, 34-35

MESSAGE *Luke Friendshuh*

PRAYER STATIONS

Through this portion of the service, designated for contemplative and reflective worship, you are also welcome to participate in a variety of prayer stations. Listen for the various prayer station options available. You are welcome to go to as many prayer stations as you'd like or to worship from your seat. This is the time to reflect on the significance of this night, not only within the overarching story of Holy Week but also within the narrative of our lives of faith.

CONTEMPLATIVE HYMNS (Accompanying Prayer Stations)
*Lamb of God
Be Unto Your Name
O Come to the Altar
Ubi Caritas, Et Amor
To the Table*

CLOSING PRAYER

STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR

CLOSING SCRIPTURE Psalm 88

Please leave the sanctuary in silence.

GOOD FRIDAY

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN *We Fall Down*

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

PRAYER OF THE DAY

CHILDREN'S SERMON

INTRODUCTION

FIRST WORD Isaiah 53:3, Luke 23:32-38
Ah, Holy Jesus, ELW #349
First light extinguished.

SECOND WORD Isaiah 53:12, Luke 23:39-43
Jesus, Remember Me, ELW #616
Second light extinguished.

THIRD WORD Isaiah 53:10-11, John 19:23-27
Musical Offering: *Worlds Apart*
Third light extinguished.

FOURTH WORD Isaiah 53:6, Matthew 27:45-49
Beneath the Cross of Jesus, ELW #338
Fourth light extinguished.

FIFTH WORD Isaiah 53:7, John 19:28-29
Musical Offering: *Oh the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus*
Fifth light extinguished.

SIXTH WORD Isaiah 53:4-5, John 19:30
What Wondrous Love Is This, ELW #666
Sixth light extinguished.

SEVENTH WORD Isaiah 53:8-9, Luke 23:44-49
Were You There, ELW #353
Seventh light extinguished.

A READING FROM THE SMALL CATECHISM

Please leave the sanctuary in silence.

EASTER VIGIL

WELCOME

PART 1: CHRIST, THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

CHILDREN'S SERMON

PASCHAL CANDLE PROCESSIONAL *This is the Night*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

OPENING HYMN *Christ, be our Light, ELW #715*

INTRODUCTION

PART 2: CHRIST, THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE HYMN Genesis 1:1-2:4a
Great is Thy Faithfulness, ELW #733 (v. 1)

SCRIPTURE HYMN Genesis 7:1-5, 11-18, 8:6-11, 9:8-13
God, Whose Almighty Word, ELW #673 (v. 1)

SCRIPTURE HYMN Exodus 14:10-31
O God, Our Help in Ages Past, ELW #632 (vv. 1, 3)

SCRIPTURE HYMN Ezekiel 37:1-14
The Church of Christ, in Every Age, ELW #729 (v. 1)

SCRIPTURE HYMN Jonah 1
God's Word is Our Great Heritage, ELW #509

SCRIPTURE HYMN Daniel 3
Blessed Assurance, ELW #638 (v. 1, chorus)

PART 3: CHRIST, THE LIVING WATER

SCRIPTURE Romans 6:3-5

BAPTISMAL HYMN *Baptized and Set Free, ELW #453 (v. 1)*

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

PART 4: CHRIST, THE BREAD OF LIFE

WORDS OF INSTITUTION & LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION BLESSING & BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN *Jesus Christ is Risen Today, ELW #365*

DISMISSAL

NOTES

HOLY COMMUNION: Every person has a place at God's table. No exceptions. All are welcome to join this Holy Communion meal, regardless of church membership or denomination. Follow the direction of the ushers to receive the body and blood of Jesus Christ. Receive a wafer (regular or gluten-free) in your hand and then select red wine or juice. Children (under 4th grade) and others who do not commune are welcome to come for a blessing.

MINISTRY OFFERING: Experience the joy of giving! Give via cash or check using the envelopes at the Usher Station. Place it in the collection plate as the ushers pass your row. Give electronically by scanning the QR code (select "General Operating"). All are welcome to make a joyful noise by placing coins in the metal can or giving them to a child to deliver your Noisy Offering. 10% of the Ministry Offering supports Holy Trinity's Mission Outreach projects. Thank you!



LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: Holy Trinity is located on the original homelands of the Wahpekute (Dakota) people.

NURSERY: If you have someone who needs room to move, exit the Sanctuary and turn right. You'll find comfortable seating, toys for little ones, and a TV to view worship.

Finances as of February 28, 2025	Year-to-Date Budget	Year-to-Date Actual	Campaign Gifts Received
Revenue	\$115,638	\$147,981	\$881,230
Expenses	\$116,299	\$115,304	Gifts to receive
Revenue - Expenses	-\$611	\$32,677	\$371,169

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