

## Welcome to Trinity!

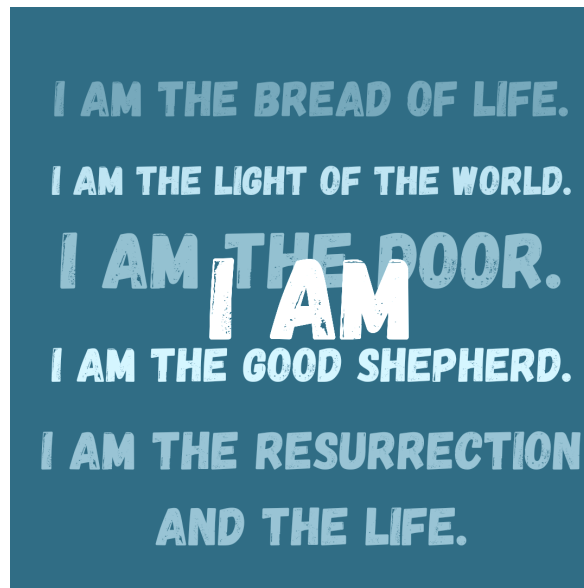
We rejoice in this opportunity to gather for worship in our sanctuary after having been prevented from doing so by COVID for so long! We know that some of you will feel more comfortable waiting for a bit longer to return in person. That's fine too! We will continue to rejoice in your presence with us virtually as you connect online!

Here at Trinity, we strive to follow our Lord Jesus in fully welcoming everyone into community. We seek to provide a place of true sanctuary in a world that too often offers judgment instead of grace and exclusion rather than embrace. As a Reconciling In Christ congregation, we rejoice to fully welcome LGBTQIA folks. We celebrate racial and ethnic diversity as a gift to the community. We seek to include those who are dealing with physical challenges and developmental disabilities. Beyond all this, we happily include people wherever they are on their faith journey, including seekers with deep doubts and questions, those who are new to the faith, and seasoned long-time believers.

In short, we believe that when Jesus commanded his followers to share the Gospel with ALL people – he meant it! Welcome!

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### First Sunday in Lent

February 26, 2023

9:30 am

### Trinity Lutheran Church

ELCA

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*Pastor*

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*Director of Worship & Music*

**Lauren Busey**

*Director of Faith Formation*

**Transforming lives by living the Gospel of Jesus Christ**



**Hearing Loop System in our Sanctuary....**The Hearing Loop System in our Sanctuary allows for direct broadcast of the worship service to your hearing aid. We have two direct reception headsets available for those who have non-T-coil equipped hearing aids or no hearing aid at all. Our ushers are happy to assist you. We hope this enhancement is a blessing to you.

**JOIN US FOR ONLINE WORSHIP**

We continue to live-stream all of our services.

If you can't tune in for the live broadcast, or you want to go back and hear a part of the service again, you can access all of our previously recorded services archived on our website. [www.trinityevanston.org](http://www.trinityevanston.org)

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**Gathering**

*The Holy Spirit gathers us in unity on the first day  
of the week, the day of Christ's resurrection.*

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**Prelude**

**Word of Welcome**

**Announcements and Celebrations**

**Confession and Forgiveness:** *(Stand as you are able.)*

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who journeys with us these forty days, and sustains us with the gift  
' of grace.

C **Amen.**

P Let us acknowledge before God and one another our need for repentance and God's mercy.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P Holy One,

C **we confess to you our faults and failings.**

**Too often we neglect and do not trust your holy word;**

**we take for ourselves instead of giving to others;**

**we spoil rather than steward your creation;**

**we cause hurt though you call us to heal;**

**we choose fear over compassion.**

**Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, as we seek to follow in your way of life.**

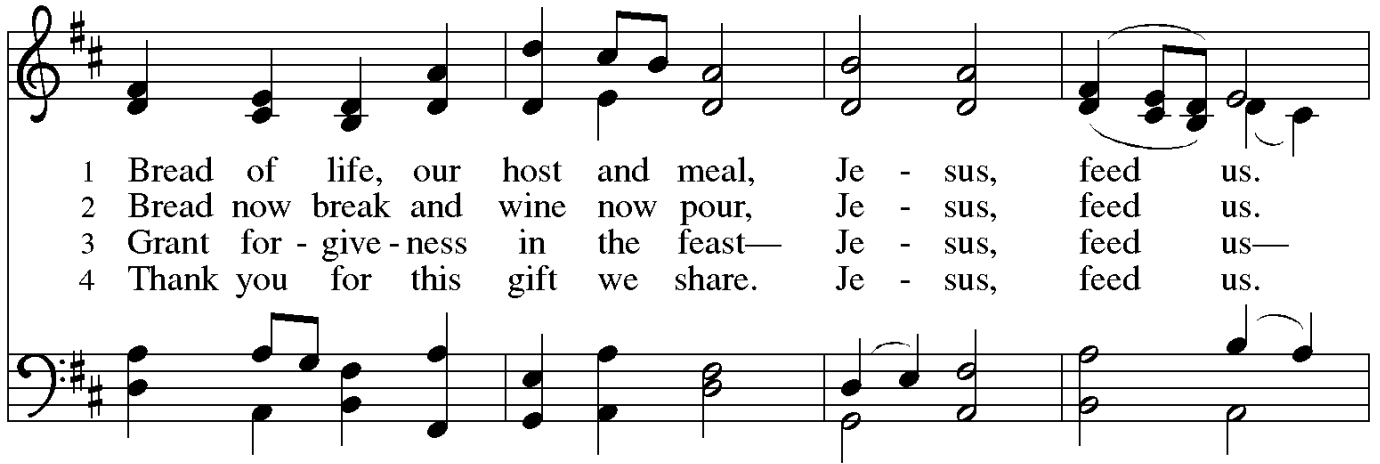
**Amen.**

P Hear the good news:

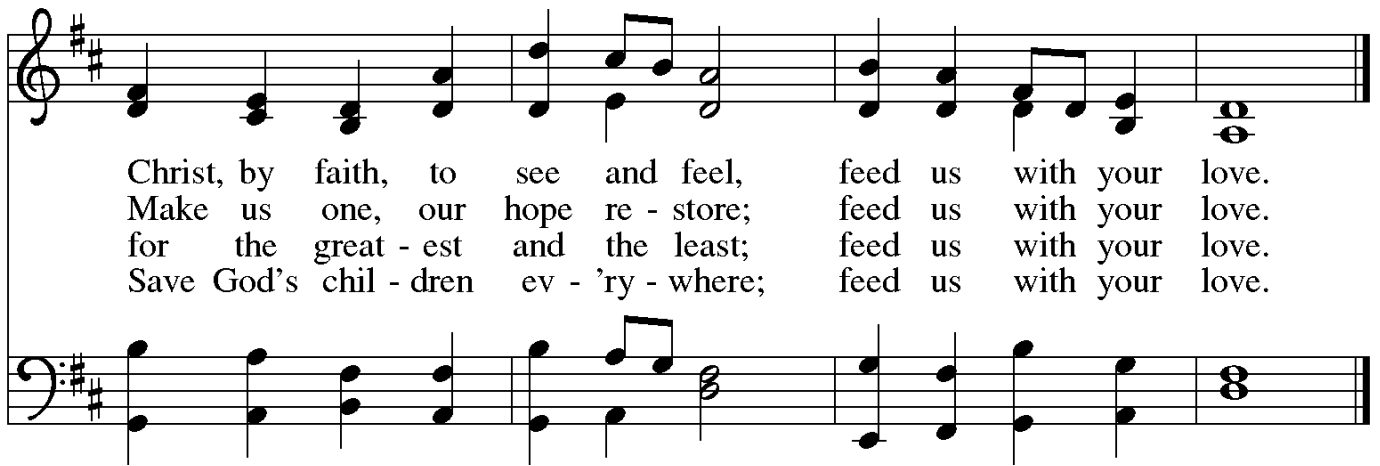
God so loved the world that God gave the only Son, so that all may receive life. This promise is for you!

God embraces you with divine mercy, + forgives you in Christ's name, and revives you in the Spirit's power.

C **Amen.**



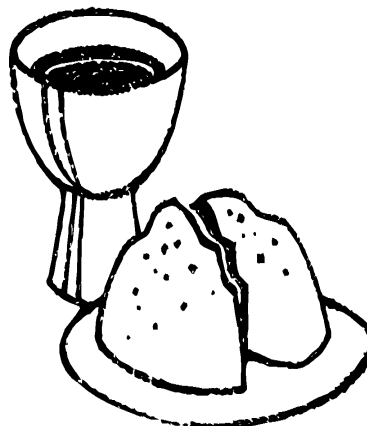
1 Bread of life, our host and meal, Je - sus, feed us.  
2 Bread now break and wine now pour, Je - sus, feed us.  
3 Grant for - give - ness in the feast— Je - sus, feed us—  
4 Thank you for this gift we share. Je - sus, feed us.



Christ, by faith, to see and feel, feed us with your love.  
Make us one, our hope re - store; feed us with your love.  
for the great - est and the least; feed us with your love.  
Save God's chil - dren ev - 'ry - where; feed us with your love.

**Greeting:**

- P** The love of God poured into our hearts, the saving grace of Jesus Christ, and the abundant life of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C** And also with you.



**Kyrie**

**Refrain**

*Assistant:* *Congregation:*

In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord, have mer-cy,  
Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy.

*to Verses*

*Assistant:* For the Reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all . . . (to Refrain)

*Assistant:* For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your Word . . . (to Refrain)

*Assistant:*

Help, save and de - fend us, O

*Congregation:*

God. A - men.

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**Prayer of the Day:**

**P** Loving God, you have shared with us your Son, the bread of life, and invited us to feast on his never failing love. Bless us, that as we take him in, we may be nourished in our faith and strengthened for faithful discipleship. Through your son Jesus Christ, our savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## Word

*God speaks to us in scriptures read, sung and preached.*

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### Word for the Children

#### First Reading: Exodus 16:11-20

The LORD spoke to Moses and said, <sup>12</sup>“I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.’”

<sup>13</sup>In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. <sup>14</sup>When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. <sup>15</sup>When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat. <sup>16</sup>This is what the LORD has commanded: ‘Gather as much of it as each of you needs, an omer to a person according to the number of persons, all providing for those in their own tents.’” <sup>17</sup>The Israelites did so, some gathering more, some less. <sup>18</sup>But when they measured it with an omer, those who gathered much had nothing over, and those who gathered little had no shortage; they gathered as much as each of them needed. <sup>19</sup>And Moses said to them, “Let no one leave any of it over until morning.” <sup>20</sup>But they did not listen to Moses; some left part of it until morning, and it bred worms and became foul. And Moses was angry with them.

L Word of God, word of life.

C **Thanks be to God!**

*Brief silence for reflection on the Word.*

#### Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:16-17

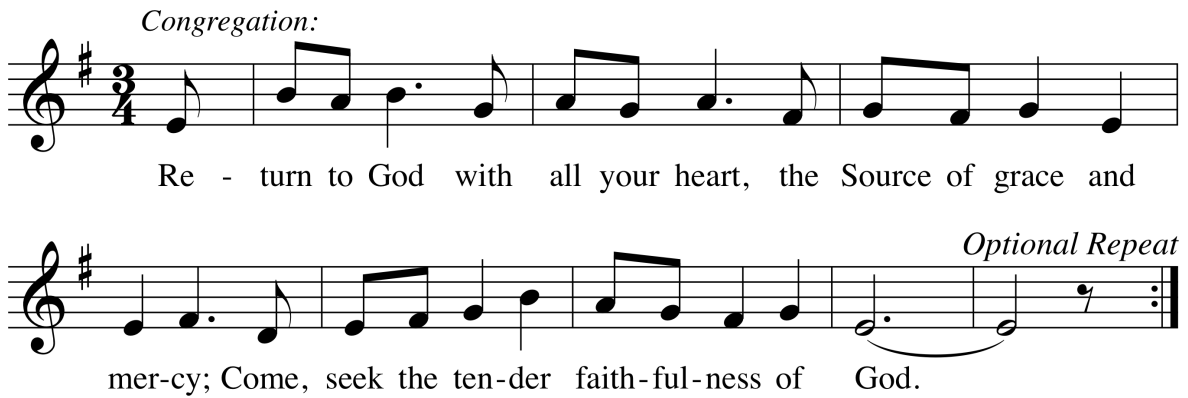
The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a sharing in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a sharing in the body of Christ? <sup>17</sup>Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.

L Word of God, word of life.

C **Thanks be to God!**

**Gospel Acclamation: (Stand)**

*Congregation:*



Re - turn to God with all your heart, the Source of grace and  
mer-cy; Come, seek the ten-der faith-ful-ness of God.

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- P The holy Gospel according to John, the 6th chapter.  
C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

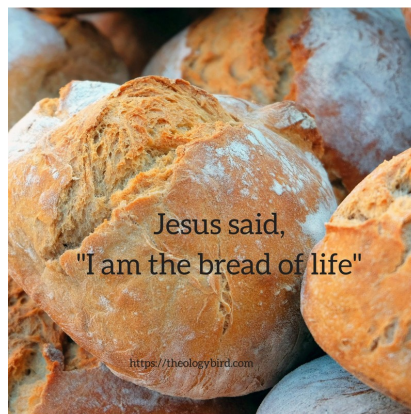
**Gospel: John 6:35-40**

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. <sup>36</sup>But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. <sup>37</sup>Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; <sup>38</sup>for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. <sup>39</sup>And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. <sup>40</sup>This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day."

- P The Gospel of the Lord.  
C **Thanks be to God!**

*Please be seated.*

**Sermon**



Leader or All



1 "I am the Bread of life. You who  
 2 "The bread that . . . I will give is my  
 3 "Un - less . . . you . . . eat of the  
 4 "I am the res - ur - rec - tion, . . .  
 5 Yes, Lord, . . . I be - lieve that . . .



come to me shall not hun - ger, and who be -  
 flesh for the life of the world, . . . and if you  
 flesh of the Son of Man . . . and . . .  
 I . . . am the life. . . If you be -  
 you . . . are the Christ, . . . the . . .



lieve in me shall not thirst. No one can come to  
 eat . . . of this bread, and you shall . . . live for -  
 drink . . . of his blood, and drink . . . of his  
 lieve . . . in . . . me, e - ven . . . though you  
 Son . . . of . . . God, who . . . have . . .



me un - less the Fa - ther beck - ons?"  
 ev - er, . . . you shall live for - ev - er."  
 blood, you shall not have life with - in you."  
 die, . . . you shall live for - ev - er."  
 come in - to . . . the . . . world. . .

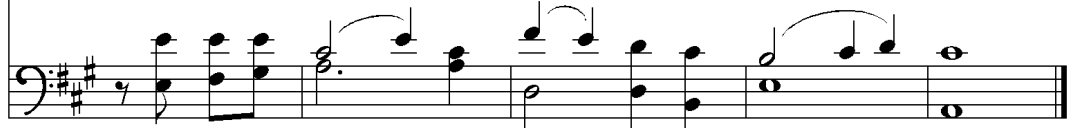
Refrain  
 All



"And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,



and I will raise you up on the last day."



**Apostles' Creed:**

**C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at  
the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I 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. Amen.**

**Prayers of Intercession:**

P Called together to follow Jesus, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

*After each petition:*

P Merciful God,  
C **receive our prayer.**

*The prayers conclude:*

P We bring to you our needs and hopes, O God, trusting your wisdom and power revealed in Christ crucified.  
C **Amen.**

**Peace**

*Please be seated.*



***God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.***

**Offering**

Raised to new life, filled with the Holy Spirit, and gifted richly by God, we respond with joy and thanksgiving for all that God has first given us.  
If you are joining us virtually, you may share your offerings by mailing your checks to the church office or by using your bank's bill-pay system. If you would rather, you can use our Vanco online giving option. Here's the link to the secure site: [bit.ly/TLCgives22](https://bit.ly/TLCgives22) Or scan this QR code:  
However it is that you share your offerings, we thank you for your faithful financial support of the minis-



Lenten Food Collection: 40 items 40 days —After the offering plates have passed your pew, we welcome you to place your grocery bags up to the altar.

**Offertory:** *"I Want Jesus to Walk with Me"* .....arr. David M. Cherwien

Spirit Ensemble

*I want Jesus to walk with me.  
I want Jesus to walk with me.  
All along my pilgrim journey, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.*

*In my trials, Lord, walk with me;  
In my trials, Lord, walk with me;  
When my heart is almost breaking, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.*

*When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me;  
When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me;  
When my head is bowed in sorrow, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.*




(Stand as you are able.)

Setting the Table: ELW, No. 481..... "Come to the Table"



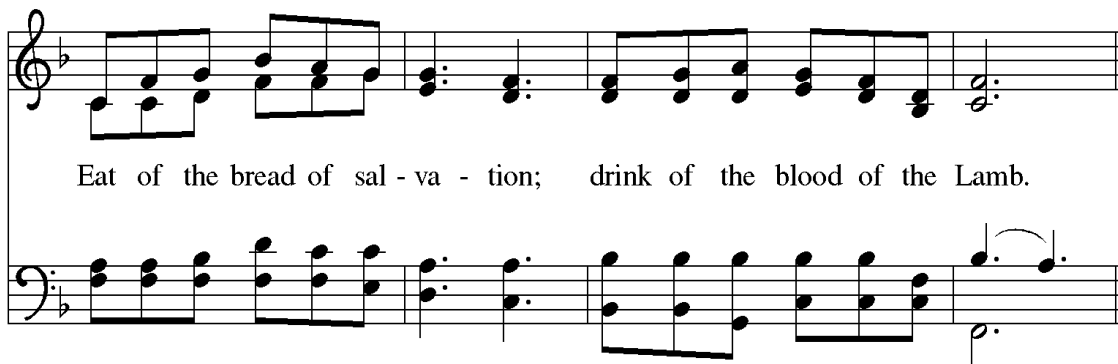
Come to the ta - ble of mer - cy, pre - pared with the wine and the bread.



All who are hun - gry and thirst - y, come, and your souls will be fed.



Come at the Lord's in - vi - ta - tion; re - ceive from his nail - scarred hand.



Eat of the bread of sal - va - tion; drink of the blood of the Lamb.

Text: Claire Cloninger, b. 1942  
Music: COME TO THE TABLE, Martin J. Nystrom, b. 1956  
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## Great Thanksgiving:

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them up to the Lord in joy.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and  
might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!  
Bless - ed is the One who comes in your name. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!



## Thanksgiving at the Table:

P Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,  
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,  
who preached good news to the poor,  
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
this cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,  
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,  
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be all honor and glory, now and forever.

C Amen.

## The Lord's Prayer

Please pray the version that speaks to you.

*(Traditional version)*

**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.**

*(Ecumenical version)*

**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.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom,  
the power, and the glory  
are yours, now and forever.  
Amen.**

## Invitation to Communion

We rejoice to share this holy meal with all baptized believers.  
Children not yet receiving communion are invited to come forward to receive a blessing.

*Please be seated.*



### First Communion

These six young people completed their first communion instruction last week. We celebrate with them and their families as they receive their first communion.

Today and in the coming weeks we celebrate Owen Anthony Bull, William Kirtland Reno, Katherine Blair Reno, Claire Storck, Jade Storlie, and Keegan Storlie.

### We invite worshippers to come forward for communion.

For those who prefer to remain in the pew, individual communion sets containing grape juice are available in the narthex as people enter.

Pastor will distribute the bread and a deacon will be distributing the wine in individual, recyclable plastic cups.

*(Communicants will take a cup from the tray and will dispose of it in the basket provided before returning to their seat.)*

Come forward via the center aisle at the direction of the usher, and return to your seats using the aisle on the east side of the sanctuary.

**Gluten free wafers** are available. **Grape juice** is located in the inner circle of the tray.

### Lamb of God:



1. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;
2. Lamb of God, you break the chains of ha-tred and fear;
3. Lamb of God, you are the way of jus-tice and peace:
4. Lamb of God, you are the way of mer-cy and love:



have mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world:



grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

Music during Communion: ELW, No. 330..... "Seed That in Earth Is Dying"



1 Seed that in earth is dy - ing grows in - to ears of  
2 We were bap - tized in Je - sus, in - to his death and  
3 Seed that in earth is dy - ing ris - es to bear much



grain. Grapes that are crushed in the ves - sel  
grave, to res - ur - rec - tion's prom - ise:  
fruit. Christ, as we meet at your ta - ble,



turn in - to gold - en wine. God, through this mys - ter - y grant us  
praise and e - ter - nal life. Heav - en's own prais - es be - gin here  
give us the bread of life. Lord, we do thank and a - dore you!



faith in our deep - est dark - ness, life in our night and death.  
where you your - self are near us, deep in our night and death.  
Un - ceas - ing praise of the a - ges ris - es from night and death.

**Prayer after Communion** (*Stand*)

**P** Embodied God, at your table, we have tasted the goodness of Jesus. With the eyes of our hearts open to your promise, empower us to hear the needs of our neighbors and touch the world with your love.

**C** Amen.



**Sending**

*The triune God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

**Blessing:** *(Stand)*

P God, the giver of love, † Christ, the resurrection and the life, and the Holy Spirit of rebirth bless you in this Lenten journey.

C Amen.

**Sending Song:** ELW, No. 477 ..... *"I Received the Living God"*  
LIVING GOD

*Refrain*

I re - ceived the liv - ing God, and my heart is full of joy.

I re - ceived the liv - ing God, and my heart is full of joy.

- 1 Je - sus said: I am the bread, knead - ed long to give you life;
- 2 Je - sus said: I am the way, and my Fa - ther longs for you;
- 3 Je - sus said: I am the truth; come and fol - low close to me.
- 4 Je - sus said: I am the life, far from whom no thing can grow,

*Refrain*

you who will par - take of me need not ev - er fear to die.  
 so I come to bring you home to be one with us a - new.  
 You will know me in your heart, and my word shall make you free.  
 but re - ceive this liv - ing bread, and my Spir - it you shall know.

**Dismissal:**

P Go in peace. Serve in love..

C Thanks be to God.

**Postlude**

**TRINITY'S FEBRUARY MISSION POSSIBLE recipient: Interfaith Action of Evanston:** To support this organization, you can share your offerings by check to the church office, or by using your bank's bill-pay system, noting "Mission Possible" in the memo. Or use the online instructions above. Thank you for your support!

**LENT AT TRINITY  
BREAK BREAD  
WITH US  
COME JOIN US  
WEDNESDAYS IN  
LENT  
SUPPER @ 6:30PM**



**Holden Evening Prayer  
7:30 pm**

**WEDNESDAY EVENINGS IN LENT—March 1—March 29**  
We hope that you and your family will plan on joining us each Wednesday evening in Lent (March 1—29) for a simple community meal followed by worship.

**The meal will begin at 6:30pm:**  
**March 1— TACO BAR provided by Children, Youth & Families. All are welcome!**  
**Our brief Holden Evening Prayer worship will follow at 7:30pm.**

These Wednesday evenings offer a wonderful opportunity to re-connect in community and to experience a sort of mid-week "respite of grace" in the midst of our otherwise busy schedules. Join us as we move through this Lenten season of re-dedication and deepening of our faith. We look forward to seeing you there!

Wednesday Evening Prayer worship at 7:30 pm —IN person or on Facebook:  
<https://www.facebook.com/TrinityEvanston/>

**THE PRAYER CROSS** — Lent is a time to refocus our lives once again on the basics of our relationship with God and the world. Our Lenten Prayer Cross will stand in the narthex starting on Ash Wednesday as one way to connect more intentionally and regularly to our prayer life. Everyone, especially children, is invited to attach prayers throughout the Lenten season using the colored tissue paper squares. You might offer a prayer of praise, or thanksgiving, or the name of someone you wish to commit to God's care. You may write or just whisper your prayer. Please know that the prayers will not be read or monitored. The prayers will be between you and God. We pray for a blessed, prayerful Lent for you.

**NEXT SUNDAY: ADULT ED SUNDAY MORNING, 10:45 am in the Chapel —**  
**March 5 & 12: Philip McPeck** presents a two-part series on music written for the Lutheran Good Friday liturgy in Leipzig, Germany around the time of J. S. Bach, beginning with a look at Bach's passion settings in their historical context and concluding by examining the theological and political influences present in a passion setting by Bach's successor.

**TRINITY PRAYER LIST:**

Contact the office if you desire to add someone to our prayer list. You may also email Pastor directly: [Tim.Brown@trinityevanston.org](mailto:Tim.Brown@trinityevanston.org).

**MEMBERS:**  
Valerie Brawn (ACL injury/reconstruction surgery in April)  
Robert Gertenrich  
Signe Kilen  
Judi McKiernan  
Rick Merrell  
Gina Musielski  
Bill Olson (at home)  
Annie Peterson (recovery from surgery)  
Hortense Plummer  
Phos Rivera (recovery from surgery)  
Holly Ruch-Ross  
Donna Schroeder  
Arlene Sigle  
Kathy Sigle  
LaVerne Stamer  
Lorna Van Houten (recovery and healing from orthopedic surgery)  
Chris Viau  
Dave Yandell (continued healing)

**FAMILY & FRIENDS:**  
Joan Aldrich (friend of Lois Wurl)  
Kara Baylor (pastor at Carthage College, friend of Becca Payne, bone cancer)  
Peter Burke (brother of Peg Lee)  
Whitman Brisky (Valerie Braun's dad, multiple myeloma; will need a bone marrow transplant this summer)  
Larry Coble (friend of Cathi White)  
Rick Corona (brother of Joe Corona, recovery from bad fall)

Diane (friend of Millie Burek, brain cancer)  
Walter Drew (friend of Lois Wurl)  
Arlaine Frederick (niece of Mike and Nancy Sims, Guillain Barre Syndrome. Married on Nov. 5 to Mike Frederick, Mike and Nancy's nephew)  
Sarah Graebner (cousin of Susan Hilkevitch)  
Cathy Hardison (friend of Sandie Schlauch, recovery from broken wrist)  
Katie (friend of Christine Villacorta—lymphoma)  
Ari Kaufmann (friend of Carl & Donna Johnson)  
Karen Kochell (Rob Payne's cousin, watching for possible return of eye cancer)  
Virginia Lee (mother of Dick Lee, rehab)  
Mindy (request of Peg Lee, brain tumor)  
Vickie Nowakowski (Carole Rivera's sister-in-law) liver cancer  
Carolyn Payne (mother of Rob Payne, palliative care)  
Lynn Payne (Rob's sister-in-law, comfort and healing during recent cancer diagnosis)  
Bethany Rozelle (colleague of Charlie Slamar, colon cancer)  
Ryan (Lorna Van Houten's son, healing)  
Steve Skodacek (cousin of Paula Payne, for continued support upon the loss of his wife, Joyce on February 13)  
Ruth Straseske (friend of Carol Wilson, continued recovery from ovarian cancer)  
Steve and Dawn Taskay  
Tito Urian (friend of Phos Rivera, recovering ALS)  
Amy Villacorta (mother of Darryl Villacorta)  
Joan Weimer (friend/neighbor of Lois Wurl)  
Sharon Yandell (mother of Dave Yandell)

**SYMPATHY:**  
Bob Bakke and his sister, Barbara Nord on the death of Barbara's husband Richard Nord, who died on Feb. 17 in Arizona.

