Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

ELCA

March 30 • 8:30 & 10:00 am
Wednesday, April 2 • 6:00 pm

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Even though we don't know you yet, we already love you.

Your race, gender identity, mental or physical ability, sexual orientation, marital status, financial situation, social standing, education, cultural background, immigration status, or any other category or label cannot separate you from the love of God, nor keep you from being what God calls you to be.

Reconciling in Christ

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Welcome to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Our Mission: Share God's Love

Holy Communion

Communion is open to all who are baptized and trust that Christ is present in the meal, regardless of your tradition or affiliation.

- We share communion by intinction: a communion server will give you gluten-free bread to dip in the alcohol-free wine found in the chalice. Return to your seat via the side aisle.
- Children who do not yet receive communion or those who are not baptized are encouraged to come forward for a blessing. Cross your arms in front of you to signal your desire for a blessing.
- If you are not yet baptized, we welcome you to visit with one of the pastors or learn more at our website: bit.ly/htlc-baptisms so you may join in the Lord's Supper.

Welcome!

Names are important to us. Please let us know you're here by checking in at the kiosk in the Narthex or by filling out a paper Welcome Card located on the bulletin stand.

Children & Nursery

Children are invited and encouraged to worship with you.

- A supervised nursery is available for children 4 years and younger if you choose this option for all or part of the worship service.
- Busy Bags are hanging in the Narthex near the welcome desk.

Restrooms

Restrooms can be found on the north & south sides of the Narthex (lobby).

Newborn Ministry

If you have recently added a baby to your family, please let the church office know so we may welcome your little one.

Learn About Holy Trinity

For information about the church, what we believe, and how to become a member, visit https://bit.ly/htlc-join.

Prayer Requests

Please write your prayer requests on the back of a Welcome Card located on the stand by the sanctuary doors. You may also submit your prayers at https://bit.ly/htlc-Prayer-Requests

Urgent Pastoral Care

If you are hospitalized or have an urgent need for pastoral care, call our main phone line (515-964-4348) and press 1 to be connected to the on-call pastor.

Office Hours

The office is open 9:00 am-3:00 pm, Monday-Thursday. Friday hours are by appointment.

Prayer Concerns

We are a praying congregation. Please take your bulletin home and pray for those listed.

Thanksgiving to God:
- For the Eucharistic Ministers

Thanksgiving for the Saints:
- Mary Stratton

Comfort for Those Who Mourn:
- Kayla Stratton at the death of her mother-in-law, Mary

Remember in Prayer:
- Beth Biedermann Barnett
- Stacy Brown, niece of Sandy & Glen Moretz and cousin of Kelly Heuton
- Emma Burnett, niece of Steve Duffy
- Sandy Cox, friend of Rex and Sue Ondler
- Dale DeBolt, brother-in-law of Larry & Grace Anderson
- David Dietz, cousin of Dennis Dietz
- Dennis & Joan Dietz
- The Dygert family
- Susan Gemmel, daughter of Nancy Pilcher
- Joe, son-in-law of Bruce and Kathy Friest
- Susan Johnson, sister-in-law of Verdel Odgaard
- Jessica Keenan
- Charlotte Kemp
- Rodney Kersten, friend of Walt and Annette Doman
- Leaders in government
- For all the discouraged and frightened
- For all who feel less welcome
- Tim Legel, cousin of Deanna Questad
- Carol Lisbona, friend of Arlen & Asta Twedt
- Jim & Sandy Little
- Lutheran Services of America
- Laurel Mader, friend of Deanna Questad
- Priscilla McFarland
- Scott McKinley family, friends of Jim & Sandy Little
- Paul & Margaret Meyer
- Dave Olsen, brother of Linda Kayser
- Tim & Cyndi Olson
- Jim Reynolds, friend of Keven & Jill Crawford
- Shirley Rod
- Samantha Ruhser, daughter of Debby Witten and granddaughter of Don & Arlene Smith
- Tracy Sabus & LeAnn Stubbs
- Laura, Jared, & Julie Seifried, friends of Allison Nagel
- Don Smith
- Gary Stumberg, cousin of Becky Dieleman and Mark Murphy
- Judi Urbanek, cousin of Wayne Shaw
- Gwen Wiegrefe, mother of Karen Blackmer
- Linda & Paul Wold

Sunday, March 30, 2025

8:30 & 10:00 am

✢ Gathering ✢

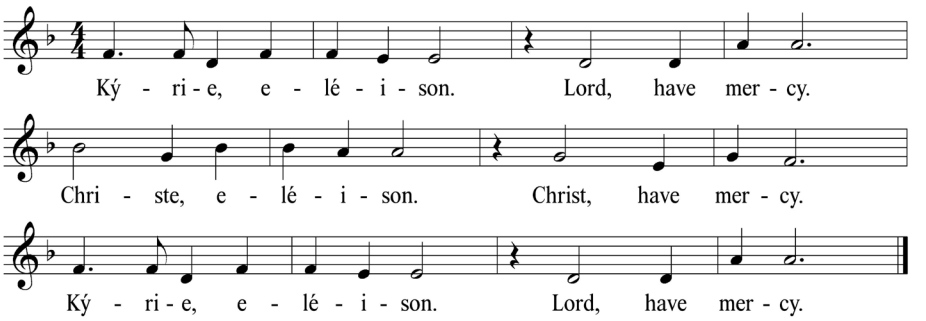
Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

10:00 **My Hiding Place • by Tom Fettke** • *Grades 3-8 Choir, Jill Bjorklund, director*

Confession and Forgiveness

Kyrie • *sing as directed:*



Prayer of the Day

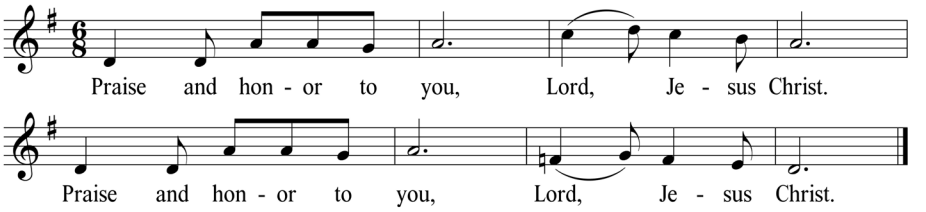
✢ Word ✢

Readings

Joshua 5:9-12

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

Gospel Acclamation • *sing as directed:*



Gospel Reading • Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Sermon

Hymn of the Day • Our Father, We Have Wandered • ELW 608

Prayers of Intercession

Peace

Offering • *The offering is received*

I Will Arise and Go to Jesus • arr. Cathy Mokelbust • *Handbell Ensemble*

✝ Meal ✝

Thanksgiving at the Table

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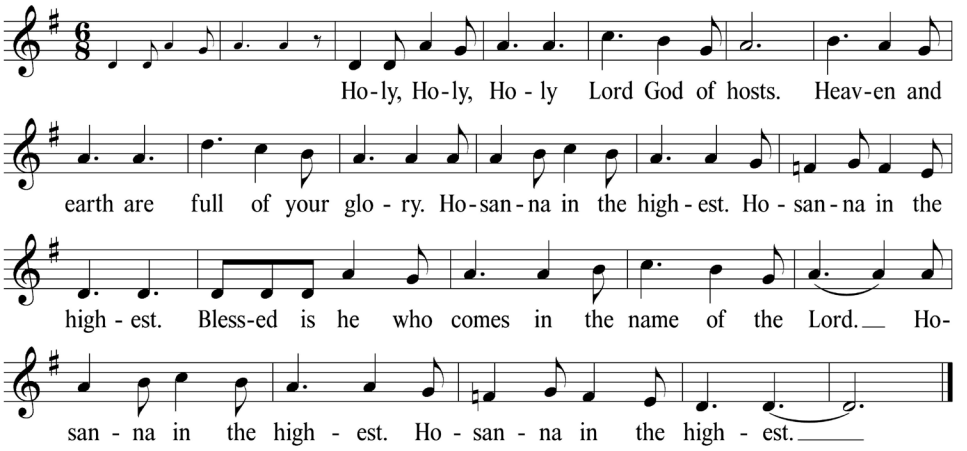
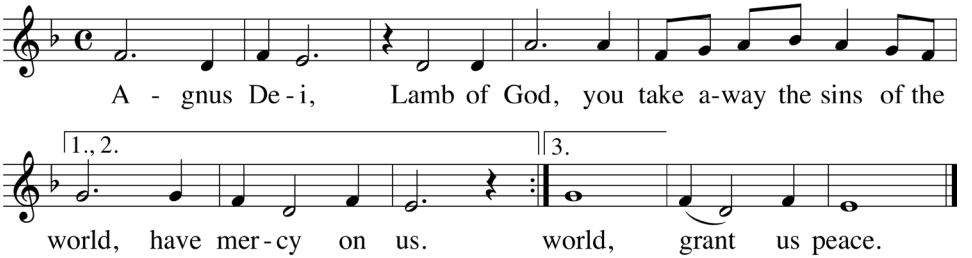


Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God



Communion Hymn • Come, Lord Jesus • by Chris de Silva • *projected on screen*

✝ Sending ✝

Prayer After Communion

Blessing

Sending Song • My Life Flows on in Endless Song • ELW 763 • *verses 1, 3 & 4*

Dismissal

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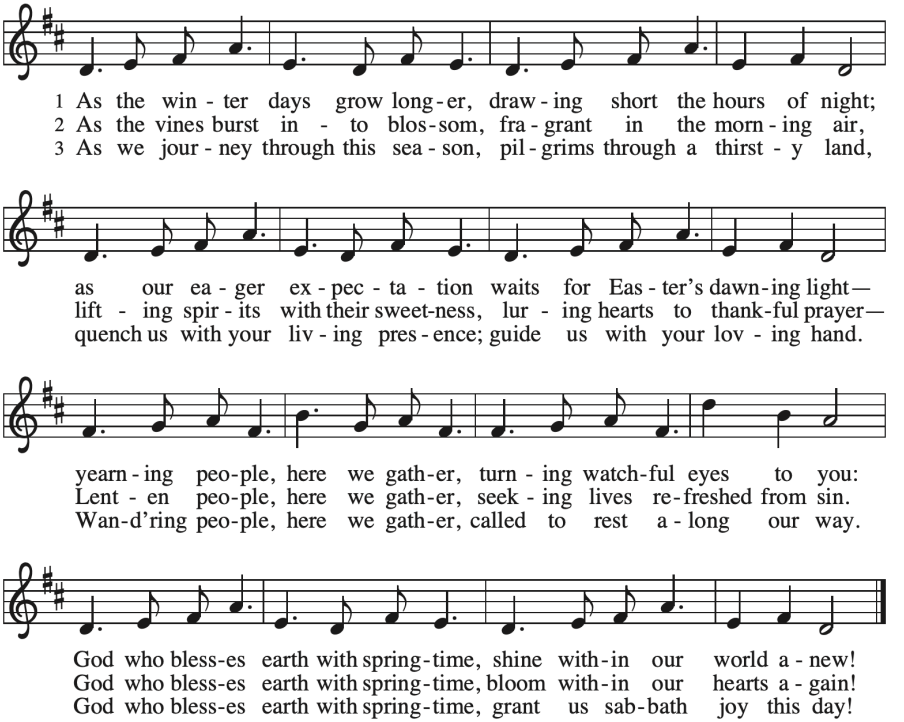
Wednesday, April 2, 2025

6:00 pm

✢ Gathering ✢

Welcome & Greeting

Gathering Song • As the Winter Days Grow Longer



Prayer

✢ Word ✢

Reading • 1 Peter 4:8-11

Homily

Hymn • We All Are One in Mission • ELW 576

Visio Divina

Litany

Lord's Prayer

✢ Sending ✢

Sending Song • Christ is the Life • *projected on screen*

Dismissal

Announcements

Mission & Ministry Opportunities & Events

Street Closure Beginning Monday, March 31, Des Moines Street will be closed in front of the church. Please enter the parking lots from Elm Street. The City anticipates this road work will last three to six months.

Property Clean-up Day: April 19 Please join us to clean outside and inside the church building on Saturday, April 19, from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm. Activities will include: raking leaves, picking up sticks, and wiping down pews and wood work in the sanctuary. Bring handheld vacuums, rakes, gloves, brooms, and water bottles.

Cookies for Easter Fellowship We will serve cookies during fellowship time between services on Easter, April 20. If you are willing to provide a dozen (or two) cookies or bars, sign up at bit.ly/htlc-Cookies25 or at the Outreach Ministries Wall.

Dinner Rolls for Homeless Ministry Our Mission Partner, Hope Ministries in Des Moines, provides dinner on Easter Saturday for the homeless and those in desperate need. They already have requests for 2,500 meals, and Holy Trinity has agreed to provide 500 dinner rolls. We ask you to bake or purchase dinner rolls and deliver them to the church by Tuesday or Wednesday, April 15 or 16, between 9:00 am-3:00 pm. We will deliver the rolls to Hope Ministries. If we receive extra rolls, they will be donated to the Holy Trinity Food Pantry.

Prayer Shawls & Neck Pillows Do you know someone in need of spiritual comfort? Give them a prayer shawl or neck pillow. They may be helpful for someone recovering from an illness, injury, or any other situation where comfort is needed. The shawls and neck pillows are in a lower cabinet in the bookshelves by the café.

Serve in Worship at Easter Each week it takes dozens of God's people working together to make worship happen, and we will need extra help at Easter. You can be part of the ministry of worship as an usher, greeter, reader, or communion server. Sign up at https://bit.ly/htlc-worship-signup, or contact David directly.

Global Greens Registrater for the Global Greens Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) program. Subscribe to get a weekly share of vegetables grown using organic practices by former refugees who are establishing local small vegetable farming businesses. Sign up today at www.lsiowa.org/refugee/csa.

LOOKING AHEAD: HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

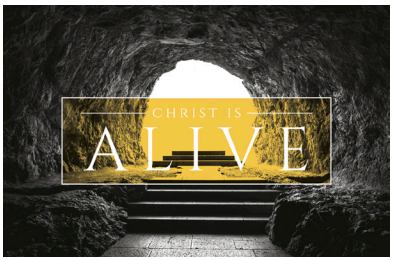
Palm Sunday - Sunday, April 13, at 8:30 & 10:00 am

We will not gather for worship or learning activities on Wednesday, April 16, of Holy Week

Maundy Thursday - April 17 at 6:30 pm

Good Friday - April 18 at 6:30 pm

Easter Sunday - April 20 at 7:00, 8:30 & 10:00 am



Calendar of HTLC Events

1 & 2 = Basement Rooms 1 & 2 • B = Balcony • CK = Café Koinonia • FH = Fellowship Hall
MPR = Multi-Purpose Room • N = Narthex • S = Sanctuary • V = Virtual

Sunday, March 30

8:30 am Church School (2)
8:30 am Worship (S)
10:00 am Worship (S)
1:00 pm Sunday Apprentice Group (MPR)

Monday, March 31

6:30 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal (S)
6:30 pm Women's Book Club (CK)

Tuesday, April 1

9:00 am Paint, Pound & Praise & Willing Workers (CK)
10:15 am Staff Meeting (MPR)
12:00 pm HTLC Food Pantry
1:00 pm Afternoon Men's Group (CK)
7:00 pm Lydia Evening Bible Study (CK)

Wednesday, April 2

5:15 pm Grades 3-8 Choir Rehearsal (200)
6:00 pm Church School (2)
6:00 pm Confirmation (MPR)
6:00 pm Wednesday Night Worship (S)
7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (B)

Thursday, April 3

6:30 am Son Seekers - Men's Ministries (CK)
11:30 am Thursday Apprentice Group (MPR)
1:30 pm Knitting Group (MPR)
6:30 pm Men's Group (MPR)
7:00 pm Esther Bible Study (CK)

Friday, April 4

No events scheduled

Saturday, April 5

7:30 am Men's Bible Study (V)

Sunday, April 6

8:30 am Church School in Worship (S)
8:30 am Worship (S)
10:00 am Worship (S)
1:00 pm Sunday Apprentice Group (MPR)

Monday, April 7

1:30 pm Pause Group (MPR)
6:30 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal (S)

Tuesday, April 8

9:00 am Paint, Pound & Praise & Willing Workers (CK)
10:15 am Staff Meeting (MPR)
12:00 pm HTLC Food Pantry
1:00 pm Afternoon Men's Group (CK)
6:30 pm Prayer Team Meeting (CK)

Holy Trinity
Food Pantry

Our food pantry needs applesauce, canned soup, and toilet paper. We need canned meats, paper towels, saltine & oyster crackers, and peanut butter, as well as feminine hygiene products, diapers, and personal care items (toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, shampoo). We need frozen meat in 1-pound packages. Place non-perishable donations in the grocery carts by the entrances.

Monetary donations can be made at the kiosk in the Narthex, online at *http://bit.ly/htlc-FoodPantry20,* or placed in the offering basket or mailbox by the north doors.