Tríníty Lutheran Church Brewster, NY



Vírtual Worshíp February 21st 2020 Welcome as we gather together in the name of God! Whether we are physically present with one another or gathering remotely, we know that Christ is truly present in our midst

Each Sunday, we will gather at 9:30am via Facebook Live on Trinity's Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/Trinity-Lutheran-Church-Brewster-NY-160570420670756

The service will be posted on our YouTube page (https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEBfzqqPTuf8fe3PjPr21gA?view_as=subscriber)

If you know of others who are in need of *signs of God's love and grace*, who are curious and/or questioning, who would like to experience the peace of Christ – please invite them to join us "live" and/or to visit our Facebook page or YouTube channel.

If anyone needs to talk to someone amidst this time of anxiety, please feel free to contact Pastor Jen via the church office (trinlutheranoffice@yahoo.com) and/or her personal email (revjedyer1@yahoo.com).

Our weekly emails are also posted on our website http://trinitybrewsterny.org/wordpress/.

Listed here is the order of worship so that you are able to follow along. We have included links to the hymns and an anthem picked by Franklyn that you may listen to in addition to our online service

Setting up: Set aside some sacred space where you are to worship and prayer. Light a candle (or more), set out your Bible and/or a cross. Spend a few moments in silence before you begin.

Introduction: Through the parable of the Samaritan and his words to Martha, Jesus challenged his hearers to think differently, to open themselves to the possibility that their ideas of right and wrong might be off just a bit.

Welcome

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

Jesus calls us to life — in all its fullness, not simply a checklist.

A life of relationship, of service, of mercy toward all.

Jesus calls us to notice — the people around us, the creation, the presence of God in our midst.

And having noticed, to be flexible, for this moment matters.

Jesus calls us to compassion in action — to allow ourselves to be moved from our plans to God's vision.

A vision with room for all.

Whenever we ask a question, Lord, you seem to be ready to ask one back to us.

How do we interpret your word?

What is the key that unlocks our understanding, and so our faithfulness? Remind us once again that we already know the answer.

We know what you will say, and we are unsurprised when you say it: **Love.**

Now show us how to do it, not just once, but consistently, to the end, like you.

CONFESSION

In this time of repentance and renewal, you call us back into your loving and merciful presence. In our turning, we humbly gather before you to offer our whole selves, confessing all those times when we have not loved You, our neighbors or ourselves with our whole hearts.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

Compassionate God, you always have time for us, and your grace is sufficient —

you never turn away from your world.

We confess that we often turn away,

minds and hearts occupied by our plans and lists, choosing ourselves, our safety, and our desires over the well-being of our neighbor.

And we confess, too, that when we have tried to do it all,

we have spread ourselves so thin that we can no longer recognize what is most important.

We admit, Lord, that sometimes it is easier to focus on what other people are not doing, or on setting the rules for who we can safely ignore, than it is to live according to your word day in and day out.

Forgive us, God,

and remind us of the truth you already planted in our hearts: to live fully is to love you and our neighbor with all our being. We ask in Christ's name. Amen.

God is gracious and pardons all our shortcomings. May the giver of life forgive us our sins and restore us to the joy of discipleship and service, for the sake of Jesus Christ our faithful Lord and Savior. **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG O God of Mercy, God of Light ELW 714 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CXN5qpx4yXY

O God of mercy, God of light, in love and mercy infinite, teach us, as ever in your sight, to live our lives in you.

You sent your Son to die for all, that our lost world might hear your call; oh, hear us lest we stray and fall! We rest our hope in you.

Teach us the lesson Jesus taught: to feel for those his blood has bought, that ev'ry deed and word and thought may work a work for you.

For all are kindred, both far and wide, since Jesus Christ for all has died; grant us the will, and grace provide, to love them all in you.

In sickness, sorrow, want, or care, may we each other's burdens share; may we, where help is needed, there give help as though to you.

And may your Holy Spirit move all those who live to live in love,

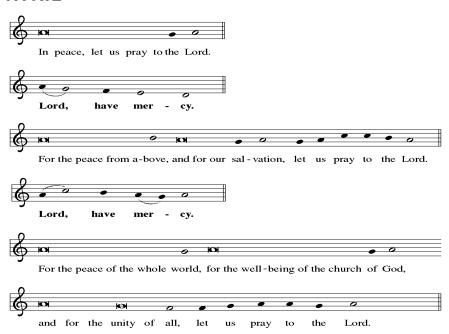
till you receive in heav'n above all those who live in you.

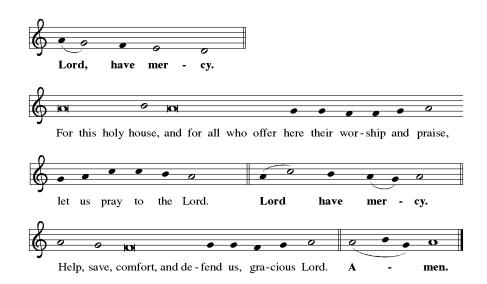
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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you. **And also with you.**

KYRIE





PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of wisdom, You challenge us to expand our minds to your inclusive view of the world. Teach us to welcome the stranger whoever they may be, and to open ourselves to having our minds changed and our hearts transformed, for the sake of Jesus our Lord. Amen.

+ WORD +

READING: Psalms 15

Those who walk blamelessly, and do what is right, and speak the truth from their heart; who do not slander with their tongue, and do no evil to their friends, nor take up a reproach against their neighbours; in whose eyes the wicked are despised, but who honour those who fear the Lord; who stand by their oath even to their hurt;

who do not lend money at interest, and do not take a bribe against the innocent.

Those who do these things shall never be moved.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "Return to the Lord"





GOSPEL: Luke 10:25-42

The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 10th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. [a] "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him,

and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, [b] gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Jennifer Boyd

HYMN OF THE DAY What a Friend We Have in Jesus ELW 742 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=znWu2HCJ92c

What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry ev'rything to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we often forfeit; oh, what needless pain we bear -- all because we do not carry ev'rything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged -take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful
who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness -take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy-laden, cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge -take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do your friends despise, forsake you?
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a solace there.

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APOSTLE'S CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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 catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

We pause to humbly offer up our prayers before God for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence

Have mercy on us, O God, and teach us to be merciful.

For this world is both beautiful and difficult— filled with compassion and destruction,

opportunity and closed doors.

Brief silence

We pray this day for those who have experienced violence to their body, mind, or spirit.

We lift up those who have been cast aside, stripped of their identity, rights, autonomy, or voice.

We ask your help for our neighbors near and far who are left wondering if anyone sees or cares.

We lift up those that we name before you, those who have no one to name them and those who do not know Christ's name.

May all people know your peace, within and around them.

Have mercy on us, O God,

and teach us to be merciful.

We pray this day for those who are trapped in their need to be right.

Brief silence

We lift up those who are so caught up in their own status or their own situation

that they cannot see anything but their next move.

We ask your help for those who are stretched to their limits by their own expectations,

and have only hurtful words for those who don't measure up.

May all people know your liberating grace, within and around them.

Have mercy on us, O God,

and teach us to be merciful.

We pray this day for those whose to-do list is longer than the hours in the day.

Brief silence

We lift up those whose worries about safety lead to shutting others out. We ask your help for those who are trying to blaze a new trail, against opposition from friends and strangers.

May all people recognize your presence, within and around them. Have mercy on us, O God,

and teach us to be merciful.

We pray this day for your Church, that we may love so fully that we experience true life.

Brief silence

We lift up the leaders of this world, that they may have vision and courage to do what is right.

We ask your help for all your creation, that we may recognize our interdependence with one another.

Have mercy on us, O God,

and teach us to be merciful.

Here other petitions may be offered silently, aloud or in the comments.

Pastor: You hear all your children's prayers and gather the lost into your loving arms. Teach us to put our trust in you, and in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

SHARING THE PEACE

The Peace of the Christ be with you always, **And also with you** (you are invited to share a sign of peace with those who are with you, by commenting in the Facebook feed as well as by calling/sending a message of peace to someone)

OFFERING (You are invited to listen to this song as our "anthem" for this week. You are also encouraged to continue to share your offering with Trinity be mailing them to the church office or by donating online via our website: www.trinitybrewsterny.org)

ANTHEM: "The Good Samaritan" Lori Odhner

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xjhV3IVDLdM

INVITATION OF STEWARDSHIP/OFFERING PRAYER

During this Lenten season, we are encouraged to live into the faith practices of prayer, almsgiving and fasting. May our gifts this day reflect these practices and bear witness to our trust in You, Creator & Savior of all.

We please you when we serve your children in need. Use these offerings to provide for the lack of others, and to carry out your justice upon the earth. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven (pause)
Hallowed be thy name (pause)
Thy kingdom come (pause)
Thy will be done (pause)
On earth as it is in heaven (pause)
Give us this day our daily bread (pause)
And forgive us our trespasses (pause)
As we forgive those who trespass against us (pause)
Lead us not into temptation (pause)
But deliver us from evil (pause)
For thine is the kingdom (pause),
and the power (pause)
and the glory (pause)
Forever and ever. Amen (pause)

MISSION & MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN Where Charity and Love Prevail ELW 359 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5mKAd4GL3j8

Where charity and love there God is ever found

brought here together by Christ's love by love we are thus bound

With grateful joy and holy fear, God's charity we learn; let us with heart and mind and soul now love God in return.

Let us recall that in our midst dwells Christ God's holy Son as members of each body joined in him we are made one

Let strife among us be unknown let all contentions cease
Be God's the glory that we seek be his our only peace

Let us forgive each other's faults as we our won confess that we may love each other well in Christian gentleness

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DISMISSAL

Go, in peace. Christ is with you. Thanks be to God!

(The worship has ended, let the service begin)

Worship Notes: Portions of the worship service has been adapted by Pastor Jen from the following resources: Clergy Stuff (Introduction, Absolution, Prayer of the Day, Offering prayer); Bible Worm/Rev. Terri Peterson (Preparing for worship, confession, Prayers of Intercession,); Pastor Jen Boyd (Intro to confession, Invitation of stewardship);

Music Notes: **Lori Soneson** and her husband John Ohdner lead a marriage ministry retreat and have released 5 CDs of Bible Songs for Children's Choirs and adults.

Heinrich Weidt (1828-1901) was a German Romantic composer born in Coburg (where Queen Victoria's Prince Albert was born) and died in Graz, Austria.

Today's altar flowers are given by Dorothy Kafalas in loving memory of her daughter Patti Kafalas whose birthday was on February 23rd.

In Our Prayers

We are particularly mindful of so many who are in need of prayers during this time. You are invited to contact Pastor Jen to add specific names to this list:

Prayers of Thanksgiving

Prayers of Healing

Jo-Ann Nestor (Broke her arm)
Brigette Fick (Sister of Barbara Roden)
John Wills (Surgery on Jan 28th)
Kristin Foley and David Murray (Daughter and son in law to Maxine Foley)

Charlie

Thomas Tazza (Friend of Peter Gebhardt)

Sigrid Allen (rehab)

Larry Ruhs

Rev. Paul Walther (Friend of Fred and Pam Carlson)

Bonnie Boyd (Pastor Jen's Mother in Law)

Tony Morello

Michael Cesare

Mary Torlish

Barbara Grispin

Brian (friend of Rosemary Gebhardt)

Corey Pate (friend of Jeanette Baldanza)

Danielle Nestor (ankle surgery)

Danny Brooks (Carol Brooks' nephew)

Emile "Vinny" Bellissimo (friend of Loretta Christiano)

Jeff Brown (friend of Doug Noah)

Jill Russo's dad (cancer)

Joseph Percacciolo

Katherine Waldvogel (Dawn Morello's mother)

Kathie Gibbs (sister-in-law of Jeanette Baldanza)

Lillian Fberhardt

Lois Lawerence

Loretta Christiano (back surgery)

Lynne Caruso and Janna Kreps (friends of Holly Larocchia)

Maisa Tompuri (cataracts)

Robert Peters (father of Stephen Peters)

Prayers for those serving in the medical community

Jeanette Baldanza (Putnam Co. Dept. of Health)

Michael Conroy (Putnam Hospital)

Dr. Lauren Icken (Resident @ Albany Med)

Eric Klammer (FDNY)

Holly Larocchia (Arms Acres)

Lisa Schuldt (White plains Hospital)

Jeff Von Bargen (Putnam Hospital)

Shannon McDonnell

Prayers for essential workers

Kystal Langke (Postal worker)

Justin Larocchia (NYPD)

Prayers of the Wider Church

Bishop Elizabeth Eaton (Presiding Bishop of the ELCA) and ELCA staff Bishop Paul Egensteiner (Bishop of Metro NY Synod) and synod staff Mother Gladys Diaz (deployed Asst. to Bishop for our area)

Prayers for families who have had loved ones die Family of

Robert Grillo

Additional Prayers

February Birthdays

2/22
2/22
2/23
2/23
2/24
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2/29

READINGS

February 21	NL331: Good Samaritan First Sunday in Lent	Luke 10:25-42 (Psalm 15) Parable of the Good Samaritan
February 28	NL332: Lament over Jerusalem Second Sunday in Lent	Luke 13:1-9, 31-35 (Psalm 122) The tower in Siloam and need for repentance, parable of fig tree that bore no fruit, lament over Jerusalem.

Announcements

Easter Virtual Pageant: After a wonderful Christmas program, we have decided to do one as well for Easter. Rehearsals take place on Zoom and each scene will be prerecorded. This is open to ALL Ages and no experience is necessary! If you are interested in participating, please contact Pastor Jen and/or the Church office.

Wednesday Bible study: we continue to look at the ways in which we encounter God in everyday spirituality. We are using the book, "Everyday Spirituality" by Jim Hazelwood as our guide coupled with scripture.

Lent Resources: As we prepare for this season of renewal, there are numerous resources to help guide you in this time of reflection.

"Where your treasure is" Devotional resource which has weekly scripture, reflections, activities and coloring pages. (see attached)

Lent Madness: Learn about various saints of the church and vote daily for your favorite saints of the day. Find the bracket and sign up for the emails that will give you each day's matchup. https://www.lentmadness.org/bracket/

Lenten Word of the Day: You are invited this Lenten season to use a word a day to reflect upon, using the following prompts if needed. When you hear this word:

- What Bible passages come to mind?
- What images does it evoke?
- What might God be saying to you in this word?
- Find an artistic expression of this word (art, music, dance, etc.)

Pastor Jen will be offering daily video and/or written reflections on our Facebook page. If there are particular words that you would like to share your own reflections, please contact Pastor Jen

This week's words:

1st SUNDAY in Lent (2/21) Journey (2/22) Treasure (2/23) Heaven (2/24) Generous (2/25) Lock (2/26) Mask (2/27)

40 Days+40 Miles+40 Dollars:

Walking to End Hunger

#TLCWalkingToEndHunger #40days40miles40dollars

#ELCAWorldHunger

Get out those walking shoes or boots or sneakers or snowshoes!

Different Lenten practices appeal to a variety of people, so here is one more that might you might be interested in for your own Lenten journey (with thanks to the Upstate NY Synod, ELCA for the idea).

Beginning Ash Wednesday, February 17, and throughout the season

of Lent, join the virtual walk with Pastor Jen and others in the congregation while learning more about issues of hunger and what we can do to help. Pastor Jen will periodically share some of the stories from the ELCA World Hunger programs.

How to participate:

- 1. Make a commitment to walk at least 40 miles in the 40 days of Lent and donate \$40 to ELCA World Hunger. You can walk in the great outdoors or just around your house as you develop this shared Lenten practice of walking, praying, and giving financially to the work of ending hunger.
 - 1. **Use the Word of the Day** to bring prayer and reflection into your Lenten practice.
- 2. You can set your own pace and daily goals. Challenge others to join

in this practice and encourage one another along the way. Share your progress on social media using these hashtags:

#TLCWalkingToEndHunger #40days40miles40dollars #ELCAWorldHunger

3. Learn about the work of ELCA
World Hunger by visiting their
webpage or any of their social media
sites. (you can make your donation
there as
well). https://www.elca.org/Our-Work/Relief-and-Development/ELCA-World-Hunger

4. When you reach 40 miles make your donation either directly to the ELCA World Hunger appeal or you may also send a check to Trinity,

make sure to make note that it is for ELCA World Hunger.

5. Let us know when you have completed the challenge

(*Please note:* 40 days of Lent does not include Sundays; however, you may still walk on those days)

Support Fair Trade: Pastor Jen has set up a fundraiser through Servv international which offers gifts and other items from around the world that support fair trade. It's never been easier to change a life for the better. Now thru April, when you buy handmade gifts and home decor using the web link below, 20% of your purchase will be donated to Trinity to use for our outreach ministries. Individual orders will be shipped directly to you. You'll do a world of good by supporting this Serrv & Earn fundraiser. This is our custom SERRV & Earn web

link: serrv.org?a=TrinityLutheranChur

ch. Share with family & friends, post on social media, etc. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Pastor Jen

2021 Offering envelopes are available to be picked up. Please contact the church office to make arrangements. If you need them mailed or delivered, please let us know that as well.

2021 Pledge forms: If you haven't had a chance to do so, please feel out the attached pledge form and return it to the church office as soon as possible. This will enable our Finance committee and Church council to begin planning for the new year.

Brewster Emergency Shelter at Trinity

We will be having the Brewster Emergency Cares Shelter at Trinity for the following weeks:

March 15 to March 21

We need people to volunteer to provide cooked meals, serve meals, provide bag lunches and to be an overnight sleep host.

If you are willing to help in any way please email me at <u>Irene6174@comcast.net</u> or text me at 845-260-5385 or call me at 845-225-4698.

You can also sign up for the Trinity shelter weeks or any of the shelter weeks by going to the Brewster Cares NY website:

http://brewstercaresny.org

Hit the menu in upper right

Hit Emergency shelter

Irene Germain

Help Support Trinity's Emergency Shelter Weeks

We will continue to collect items for the shelter. They can be dropped off at church

during Trinity's office hours. Monetary donations can also be sent to Trinity Lutheran Church with shelter entered in the memo line.

- Juice bottles –apple, orange or mixed fruit in individual bottles or 64 oz. bottles
- Granola bars
- Breakfast bars –oatmeal, fruit or similar
- Liquid antibacterial soap
- Antibacterial hand wipes and antibacterial hand sanitizer
- Spray bottles antibacterial cleaner
- Paper towels

Irene Germain – <u>Irene6174@comcast.net</u>, 845-225-4698

CLOTHING SHED OPEN: The shed has reopened and is now accepting donations. Clothing items only (including belts, purses, shoes), stuffed animals and linens (no pillows). Please do not leave any other household, electronics and other such items.

Trinity's Vision: Sharing the Peace of Christ

In the coming weeks, you are invited to join the Church Council in brainstorming ideas related to our vision of sharing the peace of Christ. In the midst of today's world, how might we bring a sense of hope-filled peace into the lives of others? Who in your life might need to experience the peace of Christ? We will be making very tangible efforts to live out this vision and we need everyone's commitment to living it out!



Altar Flowers: The flower chart for 2021 is posted in Narthex but sadly we are not able to attend service at this time, the good

news is You can STILL adorn the altar of our Lord by contacting me by phone (845-277-8012 or 914-506-0298), text (914 #) or email at kathieruhs@aol.com! Sadly until I hear from you, flowers will Not be placed on the

altar. The price is \$30 for one person or \$15 each for two people. You can pick them up during week when office is open, call before coming! You may also contact me and I will meet you at the church to pick them up. Please contact me ASAP, thank you! May God bless you with good health and happiness in this new year!

Recycling efforts: Our Terracycle and returnables recycling efforts are on hold for the time being. We will let you know as soon as we resume them.

Newsletter: Since we are sending out regular updates, we will not have a newsletter sent out. If there is information that you need, please feel free to contact the church office (trinlutheranoffice@yahoo.com) and/or Pastor Jen (revjdyer1@yahoo.com)

Food Pantry: As the need grows for those in our community, you are invited to drop off items for Putnam CAP's food pantry. You may either



drop them off here at Trinity or at the CAP office on Main Street in Brewster. You can find an updated list of their current needs on their website:

http://putnamcap.org/index.html

Zoom Gatherings: Each of the gatherings use the same password (410002) except where indicated, but different meeting ids; see below for each of the links. If you need the links at any time, please contact Pastor Jen (revjedyer1@yahoo.com or call/text 518-231-4633)

Weekly gatherings

Wednesdays (7pm) Bible study Meeting ID: 346 900 784)

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/346900784?pwd =RnBtMEo4QUhQOG9veEZjRVNwMkd2QT09

Offering

You are also encouraged to continue to share your offering with Trinity be mailing them to the church office or by donating online via our website: www.trinitybrewsterny.org.

Please note that we are not depositing offerings every week, but about once a month.