

*Trinity Lutheran Church*  
*Brewster, NY*



*March 13, 2022*  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent*  
*9:00 AM & 10:30 AM*

**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.

You are invited to worship with us each Sunday as we gather at 9 am & 10:30 am in person as well as via Facebook Live on Trinity's Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/Trinity-Lutheran-Church-Brewster-NY-160570420670756>.

The service also will be posted on our YouTube page [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEBfzggPTuf8fe3PjPr21gA?view\\_as=subscriber](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEBfzggPTuf8fe3PjPr21gA?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 (trinklutheranoffice@yahoo.com) and/or her personal email (revjedyer1@yahoo.com).

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

**Precautions:** While the mask mandates have been lifted in NYS, we are encouraging people to still wear masks. We do have extra masks for those who need them. We ask that you continue to maintain distance if you are unsure of someone's vaccination status as well as when you are around children not from your own household.

**Setting up:** For those who are joining us virtually, 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. Use the time of the prelude to center your heart and your attention on worshipping Christ.

*We welcome our visitors today. If you are looking for a church home and want to know more about living together as Christians, please contact Pastor Boyd during the week.*

*We are using Setting 4 from Evangelical Lutheran Worship. The complete order for worship, is printed in this worship folder. Congregational responses are in bold. Hymns are in Evangelical Lutheran Worship, in the rack in front of you. If you require an enlarged print bulletin or an assistive listening device, please ask an usher.*

**Check in: Please make sure that you have checked in with the usher that we may maintain our contact tracing list if it becomes needed.**

## **INTRODUCTION**

Jesus is the Word who brought light into the world at the beginning of time. Jesus is the light of the world that continues to shine today.

**+ GATHERING +**

## **PRELUDE**

*Psalm 91* James G. MacDermid

## **Welcome and Announcements**

*Please stand as you are able*

## **CALL TO WORSHIP/ CONFESSION**

When Moses asked God's name, God replied

**I AM WHO I AM**

As Jesus taught among his disciples, he proclaimed

**I AM the light of the world**

We come as we are

**Created in the image of God**

We find our identity in the One who is

**The Great I AM**

To be or not to be is not the question that we ask

**We are because of who God is**

And so we present ourselves before God

**Offering all that we are for the sake of the Great I AM**

As we come into the presence of the Great I AM, we see the ways in which we have not lived into all that God created us to be. And so we pause in this time to confess our need for God and for Christ's saving grace.

*Pause for silence and reflection*

Merciful God, **These 40 days we reflect on how our sin ripples out into the world, leaving a mark that we cannot remove. Forgive all we have done and failed to do, and cleanse us from the stain of sin. Help us to live into the beloved image of God in which we are created.**

## **ABSOLUTION**

Our God is gracious and forgiving. God does not desire that we wallow in the brokenness, but instead cleanses us and makes us new. Receive the entire forgiveness of all your sin, and walk in newness of life in the name of the Father, and of the + Son and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

**Gathering Hymn  
Gather Us In ELW532**

**Here in this place the new light is streaming,  
Now is the darkness vanished away;  
See in this space our fears and our dreamings  
Brought here to you in the light of this day.  
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken,  
Gather us in, the blind and the lame;  
Call to us now, and we shall awaken,  
We shall arise and the sound of our name.**

**We are the young, our lives are a myst'ry,  
We are the old who yearn for your face;  
We have been sung through all of hist'ry,  
Called to be light to the whole human race.  
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty,  
Gather us in, the proud and the strong;  
Give us a heart, so meek and so lowly,  
Give us the courage to enter the song.**

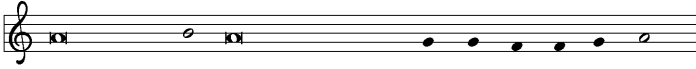
**Here we will take the wine and the water,  
Here we will take the bread of new birth,  
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters,  
Call us anew to be salt for the earth.  
Give us to drink the wine of compassion,  
Give us to eat the bread that is you;  
Nourish us well, and teach us to fashion  
Lives that are holy and hearts that are true.**

**Not in the dark of buildings confining  
Not in some heaven, light years away  
Here in this place the new light is shining,  
Now is the kingdom, and now is the day.  
Gather us in and hold us forever,  
Gather us in and make us your own;**





Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Creator of the universe, **you created light to illumine our lives and guide our ways. May the light of your love inspire us to live into the image in which we are created – the image of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*The assembly is seated*

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### CHILDREN'S SONG

I am a C

I am a C-H-

I am a C-H-R-I-S-T-I-A-N

And I have C-H-R-I-S-T

In my H-E-A-R-T

And I will L-I-V-E E-T-E-R-N-A-L-L-Y!

+ WORD +

**READING: Genesis 1:14-19**

And God said, 'Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.' And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The assembly stands*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**“Return to the Lord”**

Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and mer - ci - ful,  
slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one flat). The first staff contains the melody for the first line of text, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The music is written in a simple, accessible style with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat.

**GOSPEL: John 8:12-20**

The Holy Gospel according to John the 8<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, 'I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life.' Then the Pharisees said to him, 'You are testifying on your own behalf; your testimony is not valid.' Jesus answered, 'Even



if I testify on my own behalf, my testimony is valid because I know where I have come from and where I am going, but you do not know where I come from or where I am going. You judge by human standards; I judge no one. Yet even if I do judge, my judgement is valid; for it is not I alone who judge, but I and the Father who sent me. In your law it is written that the testimony of two witnesses is valid. I testify on my own behalf, and the Father who sent me testifies on my behalf.' Then they said to him, 'Where is your Father?' Jesus answered, 'You know neither me nor my Father. If you knew me, you would know my Father also.' He spoke these words while he was teaching in the treasury of the temple, but no one arrested him, because his hour had not yet come.

The Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*The assembly is seated*

**SERMON**

**Pastor Jennifer Boyd**

*The assembly stands*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

**Christ, Be Our Light ELW 715**

**Longing for light, we wait in darkness.**

**Longing for truth, we turn to you.**

**Make us your own, your holy people**

**Light for the world to see.**

**Refrain:**

**Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through darkness.**

**Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.**

**Longing for peace, our world is troubled.  
Longing for hope, many despair.  
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.  
Make us your living voice.**

**Refrain**

**Longing for food, many are hungry.  
Longing for water, many still thirst.  
Make us your bread, broken for others,  
Shared until all are fed.**

**Refrain**

**Longing for shelter, many are homeless.  
Longing for warmth, many are cold.  
Make us your building, sheltering others,  
Walls made of living stone.**

**Refrain**

**Many the gifts, many the people,  
Many the hearts that yearn to belong.  
Let us be servants to one another,  
Signs of your kingdom come.**

**Refrain**

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Music: Bernadette Farrell

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**APOSTLES' CREED**

With the whole church, we 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**

Confident in your abundant grace, we pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

*A brief silence.*

Light of the world, you brought the world into being. Help us to be faithful stewards of all that you have made. May our care enable your creation to blossom, flourish and give glory to you. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Light of the world, the light of your love shines amidst the despair of this world. May we be beacons of your light to bring hope, justice and peace to bear upon all who live amidst war, violence and hatred. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Light of the world, you called us together to be your Church and to light the way to Christ. May we be emboldened to share our faith

and to love and forgive as we have been forgiven. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Light of the world, we seek your healing grace to rest upon all those who suffer in body, mind and spirit. Bring comfort and rest to their weariness and pain. We pray especially today for... (pause) as well as **Thomas, Kathie, Pastor Tim, Shaun, Josh, Shannon, Edward, Wanda, Cliff, Nicole, Jeff** as well as **those who have no one to name them and those who do not know Christ's name**. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Light of the world, we give thanks for all the saints who have revealed your glory through their faithful witness. May they inspire us to follow their example and proclaim your love amidst the darkness of this world. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

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

*Pastor:* You are the light of the world, O Lord and we lift all these prayers before you that the light of your grace may shine upon them through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **PEACE OF THE LORD**

Peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*The assembly is seated*

**+ MEAL +**

## **OFFERING**

*Please be seated as the gift of music is offered for the glory of God. Use this time as moments of prayer and reflection. You are also encouraged to continue to share your offering with Trinity by mailing them to the church office or by donation online via our website: [www.trinitybrewsterny.org](http://www.trinitybrewsterny.org)*



**Anthem:**

*"The Spirit of the Lord God Is Upon Me" James G. MacDermid*

*Please stand as you are able*

# We Are an Offering

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The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in 7/8 time. It consists of seven lines of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering, we are an offering." There are three triplet markings (indicated by a '3' above the notes) in the first, third, and sixth lines of music.

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an  
of-fer-ing. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our  
lives, they are yours: we are an of-fer-ing. All that we have, all that we are,  
all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.  
We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you:  
we are an of-fer-ing, we are an of-fer-ing.

Text: Dwight Liles, b. 1957  
Music: Dwight Liles  
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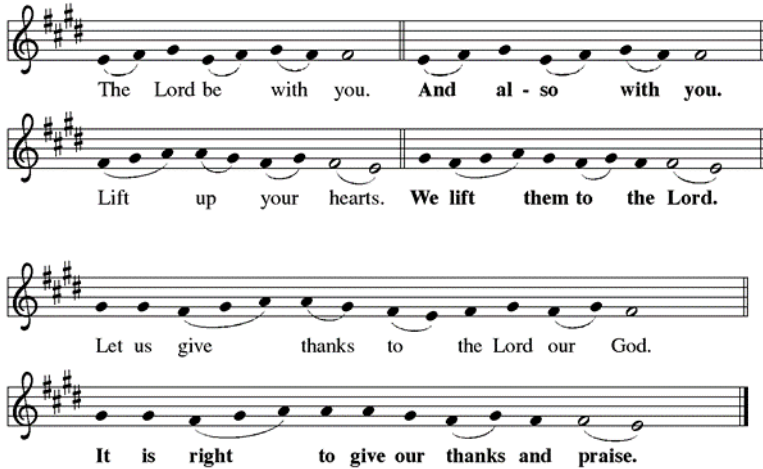
OFFERING  
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## INVITATION TO STEWARDSHIP/OFFERING PRAYER

All that we have, all that we are and all that we hope to be, we give to you as a humble offering of thankfulness.

Although we often fall short, **today we strive to do our best, bringing our first fruits as offering. Hold us to the highest standard and teach us to give generously. Use our gifts to further your mission in the world, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

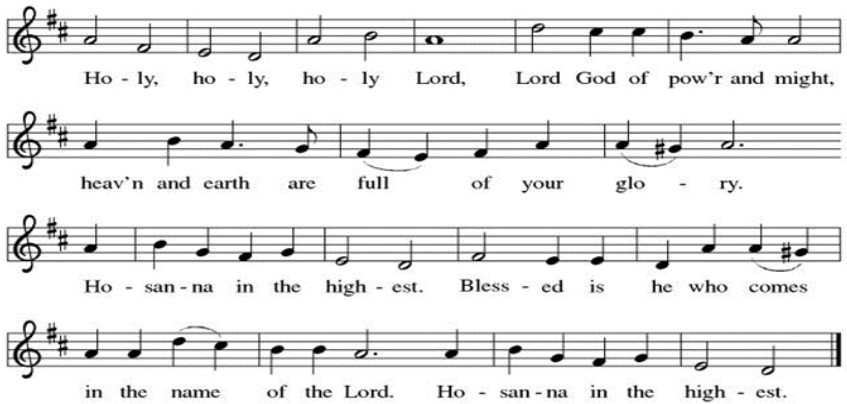
## GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## Preface

It is indeed right, our responsibility 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.  
You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace.  
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 Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,  
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes  
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

### Eucharistic Prayer

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears

**you have brought us this far along the way**

in times of bitterness you did not abandon us,

**but guided us into the path of love and light**

in every age you sent prophets

**to make known your loving will for all humanity**

the cry of the poor has become your own cry

**our hunger and thirst for justice is your own desire**

in the fullness of time you sent your chosen servant

**to preach good news to the afflicted**

to break bread with the outcast and despised

**and to ransom those in bondage to prejudice and sin**

In ...the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink of this cup we

proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we await the

day when Jesus shall return to free all the earth from the bonds of

sin and death.

**Come, Lord Jesus**

Send your Holy Spirit, our advocate, to fill the hearts of all who

share this bread and cup with courage and wisdom to pursue love

and justice in all the world.

**Come, Spirit of freedom**

Join our prayers and praise with your prophets and martyrs of every age, that, rejoicing in the hope of the resurrection we might live in the freedom and hope of your Son.

**Through Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen**

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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**

## **COMMUNION**

### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Jesus is the light of the world. Come to Christ's banquet where God's grace shines upon the world. All are welcome! **Thanks be to God!**



## Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

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*The assembly is seated*

### **DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION AND BLESSINGS**

*All the baptized are welcome to feast in the Eucharist. You may receive only the bread or wine and still experience the full benefit of our Lord's meal. Those who do not receive bread or wine are invited to come for a blessing.*

***All members and visitors, please complete a Record of Communion card (in the pew racks) and hand it to an usher as you come forward.***

*Ushers will direct you to come forward at the appropriate time; please remain masked as you do so. Pastor Jen will put a wafer in your hand and the assistant will hand out a prefilled cup of wine (grape juice is available for those that would prefer it; please indicate that to the assistant).*

*Please return to your seats before partaking of it.*

## Communion Hymn

### Light Dawns on a Weary World ELW 726

**Light dawns on a weary world when eyes begin to see all people's dignity**

**Light dawns on a weary world; the promised day of justic comes.**

#### Refrain

**The trees shall clap their hands;**

**The dry lands, gush with springs;**

**The hills and mountains shall break forth with singing!**

**We shall go our in joy, and be led forth in peace,**

**As all the world in wonder echoes shalom.**

**Love grows in a weary world**

**When hungry hearts find bread and children's dreams are fed.**

**Love grows in a weary world; the promised feast of plenty comes.**

#### Refrain

**Hope blooms in a weary world when creatures, once forlorn, find wilderness reborn.**

**Hope blooms in a weary world; the promised green of Eden comes.**

Text: Mary Louise Bringle, b. 1953

Music: William P. Rowan, b. 1951

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*After all have returned to their places, the assembly stands.*

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy and fed us at your table. Amid the care of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our hearts, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit and honor the earth you have made through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

*please be seated*

## **MISSION & MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*please stand as you are able*

**+ SENDING +**

### **BLESSING**

#### **SENDING HYMN**

**Shine, Jesus, Shine ELW 671**

#### **Refrain**

**Shine, Jesus, shine,  
Fill this land with the Father's glory;  
Blaze Spirit, blaze,  
Set our hearts on fire.  
Flow, river, flow,  
Flood the nations with grace and mercy:  
Send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!**

**Lord, the light of your love is shining,  
In the midst of the darkness, shining;  
Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us,  
Set us free by the truth you now bring us.  
Shine on me, shine on me.**

#### **Refrain**

**As we gaze on your kingly brightness,**

**So our faces display your likeness,  
Ever changing from glory to glory,  
Mirrored here, may our lives tell your story.  
Shine on me, shine on me.**

### **Refrain**

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Music: Graham Kendrick

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### **DISMISSAL**

Marked with the cross of Christ,  
go forth to love and serve the Lord. **Amen.**

### **POSTLUDE**

*“Rejoice, O Daughter of Zion” James G. MacDermid*



## WORSHIP NOTES:

Portions of the worship service has been adapted by Pastor Jen from the following resources:

- ✦ Introduction, Confession, Absolution, Offering prayer, (@Clergy stuff);
- ✦ Prayer of the Day, (Working Preacher)
- ✦ Eucharistic prayer, (ELW);
- ✦ Post-communion prayer (All Creation Sings)
- ✦ Call to worship, Prayers of Intercession, Invitation of stewardship, Invitation to Communion. (Pastor Jen Boyd);



## MUSIC NOTES:

**James Gardiner MacDermid (1875-1960)**, a pianist, composer, and accompanist, was born in Utica, Ontario, and became an American citizen in 1906. He studied piano in London, Ont., and voice in Duluth, Minn., and Chicago. Mr. MacDermid came to New York in 1921 and joined the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers in 1922. His wife, Mrs. Sybil MacDermid, who died in 1941, was well known as a soprano under the name of Sybil Sammis-MacDermid. Mr. MacDermid toured many parts of the nation and abroad as piano accompanist for his wife. He was best known as a composer of scriptural music. Mr. MacDermid was a Christian Scientist and he wrote solo settings for seven poems by Mary Baker Eddy, founder of that faith.





Today's altar flowers are given by Barbara Grispin in loving memory of her husband, Mike Grispin, and by Kathy Ruhs and family in memory of beloved husband and father/grandfather, Larry Ruhs.

### Servers for March 13<sup>th</sup>

Date/Time	Assisting Minister(s)	Usher(s)
March 13, 9:00 AM	Ralph Rudolph	Dorothy Kafalas
March 13, 10:30 AM	Joan Bradley	Ken Mongold



Joe Baldanza, Jr., 3/13  
 Audrey Stone, 3/13  
 Lucas Bertone, 3/14  
 Matthew De Marchi, 3/15  
 Kristyn Lorocchia, 3/15  
 Ed Johnson, 3/16  
 Sigi Allen, 3/17  
 Dan Minieri, 3/17  
 Victoria Sciarra, 3/18  
 Hannah Simon, 3/18

Morgan Andren, 3/20  
 Philip DeRoberts, 3/21  
 Liam Torlish, 3/24  
 Sue Brown, 3/25  
 Heather Coyle, 3/26  
 Ralph Rudolph, 3/26  
 Lisa Schuldt, 3/27  
 Liam Conroy, 3/28  
 Doris O'Toole, 3/31

## ***Trinity Lutheran Church Mission Statement:***

As a people of God, we desire to experience the presence of God in our lives that we might be the presence of God in the lives of others.

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