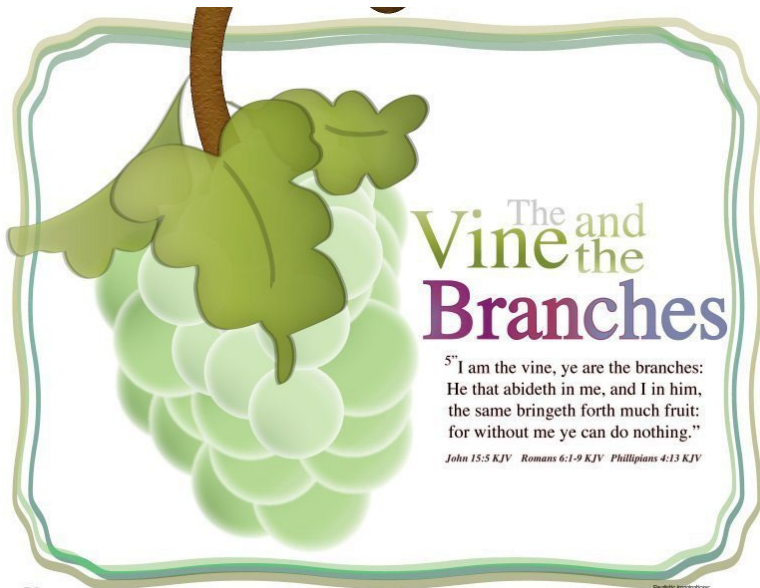


Trinity Lutheran Church Brewster, NY



March 27, 2022
4th 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/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>

Precautions: Wearing masks is now optional but we are encouraging you to wear them around children and if you are unsure of someone's health status. We do have extra masks for those who need them. Other safe protocols remain in place for the time being.

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 proclaims himself to be the vine in which we are to live. To live in Christ is to live into his love.

+ GATHERING +

PRELUDE

Praeludium Primi Toni Johann Michael Haydn

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 true vine

Christ invites us to abide in him

To bear the fruit of his love

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 Lord, **We come before you with heavy hearts. We do not always abide in our Savior's love. We often insist on our own way, putting worldly things before you. We doubt, we discriminate; we scatter—preferring darkness to the brilliance of your truth. For all this we ask your mercy and forgiveness, that our hearts may be made clean again. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

Jesus is the true vine that nourishes us with God's abundant grace. Let us rejoice that we have received forgiveness, and that every day our Lord seeks to renew us in the image of our Creator, in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn

We All Are One In Mission ELW 576

**We all are one in mission;
We all are one in call,
Our varied gifts united
By Christ, the Lord of all.
A single great commission**

**Compels us from above
To plan and work together
That all may know Christ's love.**

**We all are called for service,
To witness in God's name.
Our ministries are diff'rent;
Our purpose is the same;
To touch the lives of others
With God's surprising grace,
So ev'ry folk and nation
May feel God's warm embrace.**

**Now let us be united,
And let our song be heard.
Now let us be a vessel
For God's redeeming Word.
We all are one in mission;
We all are one in call,
Our varied gifts united
By Christ, the Lord of all.**

Text: Rusty Edwards, b. 1955

Music: Finnish folk tune; arr. hymnal version

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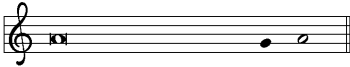
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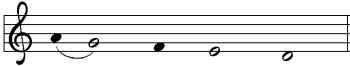
GREETING

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



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



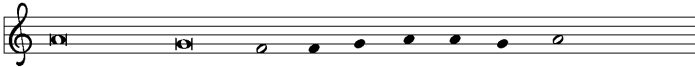
For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



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

God of love, **plant us in the soil of your grace. Nurture us with the strength of Christ, the vine of everlasting life. Enlighten us with the wisdom of your Spirit, which flows through us today and all days. Abide in us, that we may abide in you and live in your love. In your most holy name, we pray. 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: I John 4:7-21

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the

Father has sent his Son as the Saviour of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgement, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, 'I love God', and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

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.

GOSPEL: John 15:1-17

The Holy Gospel according to John the 15th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

‘I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples. As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

‘This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

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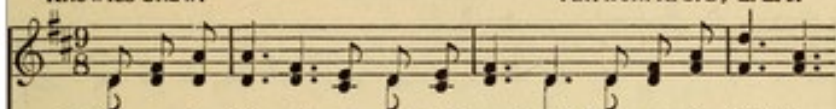
SERMON

Pastor Jennifer Boyd

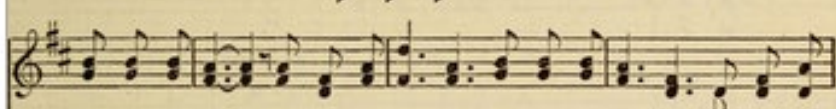
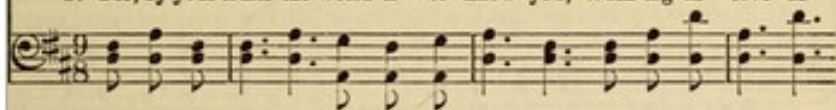
THE ASSEMBLY STANDS

Hymn of the Day

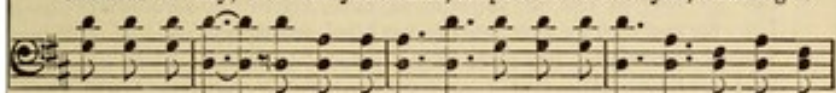
I Am the Vine and Ye Are the Branches public domain



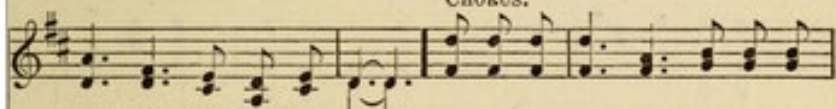
1. "I am the vine and ye are the branch-es," Bear pre-cious fruit for
 2. "Now ye are clean thro' words I have spo - ken, Liv - ing in Me, much
 3. Yes, by your fruits the world is to know you, Walk-ing in love as



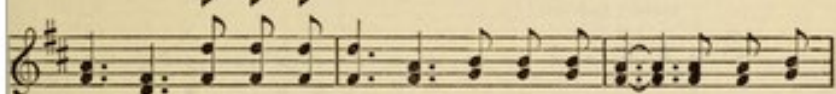
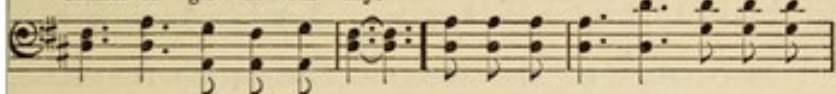
Je - sus to - day; Branches in Him no fruit ev - er bear-ing, Je - sus hath
 fruit ye shall bear; Dwell-ing in you, My prom-ise un-bro - ken, Glo - ry in
 chil-dren of day; Fol - low your Guide, He pass-eth be-fore you, Lead-ing to



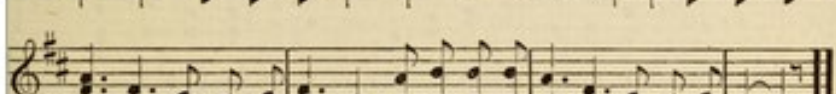
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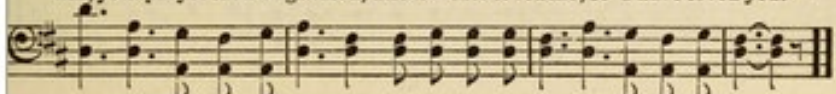
said, "He tak - eth a - way."
 heav'n with Me ye shall share." "I am the vine and ye are the
 realms of glo - ri - ous day.



branch - es; I am the vine, be faith - ful and true; Ask what ye



will, your prayer shall be granted, The Fa - ther loved me, so I have loved you."



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.**

PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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

A brief silence.

For all the blessings of this life,
we give thanks to You, Creator God.
For families, friends, colleagues, neighbors, and strangers,
who nurture us, that the love of God may grow within.

That Your love, your Word, like a seed,
may grow to produce in us, good fruit.

May your love be like a seed, taking root and growing strong.

For the leaders of various nations and cities,
that they may lead with strong hearts and gentle hands and
generous spirits,
with compassion and mercy, with wisdom and grace.
May they reflect your will guiding all their actions and decisions.

May your love be like a seed, taking root and growing strong.

For those who serve in harms way,
those who live in dangerous places,
those who live in areas of war and strife,
those who live in fear,
those who worry about employment, bills, food,
and struggle just to find dignity in life.
May your grace bring peace and safety to all people, one to
another.

May your love be like a seed, taking root and growing strong.

For those who suffer from any illness or dis-ease—
of mind, body, or spirit.
Restore these, and all those we carry in our hearts, to fullness of
health—
health as only you, O God, can bring.
We lift up especially... (pause) as well as **Lillian, Michael, Mary,
Tony, Bruce, Kara, Emile, Tom, Barbara** as well as those who have
no one to name them and those who do not know Christ's name.
May your mercy shower each of us with healing mercy and love.

May your love be like a seed, taking root and growing strong.

For those who are dying, and for those who have died.
Send forth your comforting love.
Give solace to those who mourn.
Console those who grieve.
May your grace surround us
like a mantle upon our heads,
a shawl upon our shoulders,
a hand, to hold our hand.

**May your love, be like a seed, taking root and growing strong.
Amen**

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

Pastor: Into your loving arms, we commend all for whom we have prayed this day, trusting always into your abiding love for the whole world. We offer these prayers in the name of 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



ANTHEM:

"Vinea Mea Electa" Johann Michael Haydn

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 six 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 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.

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.

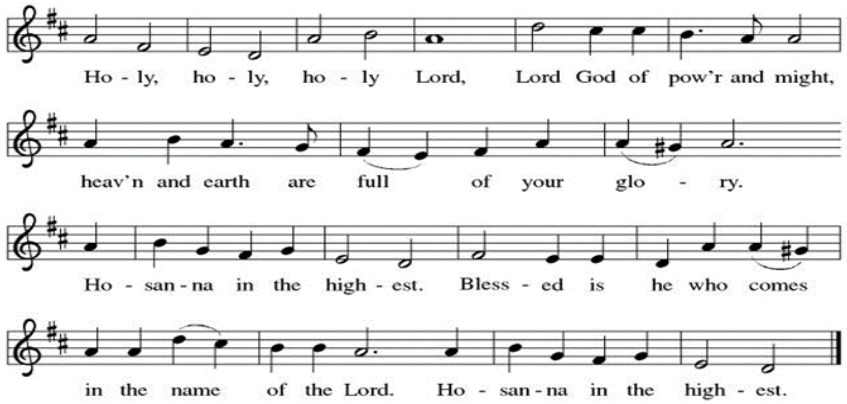
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Christ is the true vine that fills us with the fullness of his love and grace as we gather at his table. Come and receive the gift of life in this meal of love. **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

By Your Hand You Feed Your People ELW 469

**By your hand you feed your people,
Food of angels, heaven's bread.
For these gifts we did not labor,
By your grace have we been fed.**

Refrain:

**Christ's own body, blessed and broken,
Cup o'er-flowing, life outpoured,
Given as a living token
Of your world redeemed, restored.**

**In this meal we taste your sweetness,
Bread for hunger, wine of peace.
Holy word and holy wisdom
Satisfy our deepest needs.**

Refrain

**Send us now with faith and courage
To the hungry, lost, bereaved.
In our living and our dying,
We become what we received.**

Refrain

Text: Susan R. Briehl, b. 1952

Music: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

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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

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling ELW 631

Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heav'n to earth come down!
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
All thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
Pure, unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation,
Enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Breathe, oh, breathe thy loving Spirit
Into ev'ry troubled breast;
Let us all in thee inherit;

Let us find thy promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning;
Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith, as its beginning,
Set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty, to deliver;
Let us all thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Never more thy temple leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve thee as they hosts above,
Pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
Glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation,
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see thy great salvation
Perfectly restored in thee!
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heav'n take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

Music: Rowland H. Prichard, 1811-1887

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DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

Praeludium Secundi Toni Johann Michael Haydn

WORSHIP NOTES:

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

- + Confession, Absolution, Offering prayer, (@Clergy stuff);
- + Prayer of the Day (*The Abingdon Worship Annual 2012*, © 2011 Abingdon Press.)
- + Prayers of Intercession, (<http://revgalblogpals.blogspot.ca/>)
- + Eucharistic prayer, (ELW);
- + Post-communion prayer (All Creation Sings)
- + Introduction, Call to worship, Invitation of stewardship, Invitation to Communion. (Pastor Jen Boyd);



LENT

MUSIC NOTES:

Johann Michael Haydn (1737–1806) was an Austrian composer of the Classical period, the younger brother of Joseph Haydn. Michael Haydn was born in 1737 in the Austrian village of Rohrau, near the Hungarian border. His father was Mathias Haydn, a wheelwright who also served as "Marktrichter", an office akin to village mayor. Haydn's mother Maria, née Koller, had previously worked as a cook in the palace of Count Harrach, the presiding aristocrat of Rohrau. Mathias was an enthusiastic folk musician, who during the journeyman period of his career had taught himself to play the harp, and he also made sure that his children learned to sing. Michael went to Vienna at the age of eight, his early professional career path being paved by his older brother Joseph, whose skillful singing had landed him a position as a boy soprano in the St. Stephen's Cathedral, Vienna choir under the direction of Georg Reutter. By Michael's 12th birthday he was earning extra money as a substitute organist at the cathedral and had, reportedly, performed preludes and fantasies of his own composition. In 1802, when Michael was "offered lucrative and honorable positions" by "both Esterházy and the Grand Duke of Tuscany," he wrote to Joseph in Vienna asking for advice on whether or not to accept any of them, but in the end chose to stay in Salzburg.



Today's altar flowers are given by Mark & Kathleen Harpster in honor of all their grandchildren. God's blessing to them all always.

Servers for March 27th

Date/Time	Assisting Minister(s)	Usher(s)
March 27, 9:00 AM	Jo-Ann Nestor	Dorothy Kafalas
March 27, 10:30 AM	Kathie Ruhs	Ken Mongold



Lisa Schuldt, 3/27
Liam Conroy, 3/28
Doris O'Toole, 3/31

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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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