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**God of all creation who gives us this beautiful day  
and life itself, who hung the stars in the sky,  
and who also generously provides our daily bread,  
we welcome you into our presence.  
Dear Lord, what can I do for you today?**

***February 18, 2018 — 1st Sunday in Lent***



Jesus Christ, who has gone  
into heaven and is at the  
right hand of God, with  
angels, authorities, and  
powers made subject to  
him.

**1st Peter 3:18-22**

*1st Sunday in Lent*

*February 18, 2018*

***Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 5***

*On Ash Wednesday the church began its journey toward baptismal immersion in the death and resurrection of Christ. This year, the Sundays in Lent lead us to focus on five covenants God makes in the Hebrew Scriptures and to use them as lenses through which to view baptism. First Peter connects the way God saved Noah's family in the flood with the way God saves us through the water of baptism. The baptismal covenant is made with us individually, but the new life we are given in baptism is for the sake of the whole world.*

**PRELUDE**

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**GATHERING**

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**PRAYER**

*See Bulletin Cover*

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*Please stand as you are able.*

P In the words of a reformation hymn, let us confess our sin before God.  
*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

P Out of the depths I cry to you;

**C O Lord God, hear me calling. Incline your ear to my distress in spite of my rebelling. Do not regard my sinful deeds. Send me the grace my spirit needs. Without it I am nothing. Amen.**

P In God alone we hope, and not in our own merit. We hope as Israel in the Lord, who sends redemption through the † Word. Praise God for grace and mercy!

**C Amen.**

**GATHERING HYMN**

*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

**ELW HYMN 504**

**GREETING**

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

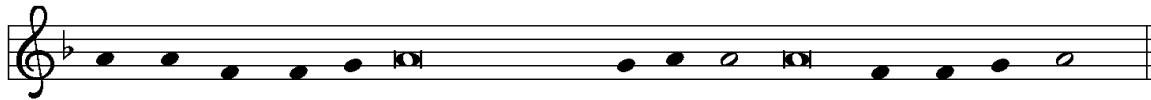
**C And also with you.**

**KYRIE**



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.





For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - va - tion, 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.



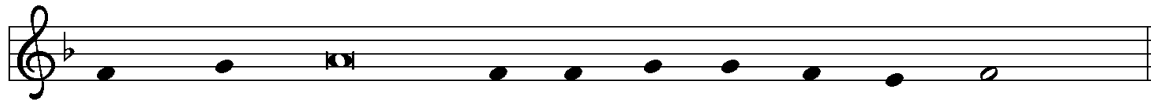
For this ho - ly house, and for all who of - fer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



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



A - - - men.


HYMN OF PRAISE

Assisting minister



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav'n-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa - ther, we wor -



ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, O Lord God,



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



mer-cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the




Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the



Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone



are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

P Holy God, heavenly Father, in the waters of the flood you saved the chosen, and in the wilderness of temptation you protected your Son from sin. Renew us in the gift of baptism. May your holy angels be with us, that the wicked foe may have no power over us, through 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.*

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**WORD**

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**FIRST READING: GENESIS 9:8-17**

*Today's reading is the conclusion to the flood story. Because of human sin, the Lord destroys the earth by flood, saving only Noah, his family, and the animals on the ark. Yet divine destruction gives way to divine commitment. As in the first creation, God blesses humanity and establishes a covenant with all creatures.*

<sup>8</sup>God said to Noah and to his sons with him, <sup>9</sup>“As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, <sup>10</sup>and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. <sup>11</sup>I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” <sup>12</sup>God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: <sup>13</sup>I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. <sup>14</sup>When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, <sup>15</sup>I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. <sup>16</sup>When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” <sup>17</sup>God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

L The Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 25:1-10**

*Read responsively*

<sup>1</sup>To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

<sup>2</sup>**My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me.**

<sup>3</sup>Let none who look to you be put to shame; rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.

<sup>4</sup>**Show me your ways, O LORD, and teach me your paths.**

<sup>5</sup>Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

<sup>6</sup>**Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.**

<sup>7</sup>Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

<sup>8</sup>**You are gracious and upright, O LORD; therefore you teach sinners in your way.**

<sup>9</sup>You lead the lowly in justice and teach the lowly your way.

<sup>10</sup>All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast love and faithfulness to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.

#### **SECOND READING: 1ST PETER 3:18-22**

*As God acted through Christ's suffering and death to bring us to God, so God acts through baptism to save us from a sinful existence. This spiritual cleansing marks our new life in Christ.*

<sup>18</sup>Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, <sup>19</sup>in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, <sup>20</sup>who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. <sup>21</sup>And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, <sup>22</sup>who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

L The Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



Glo - ry and praise to you, O Lord Je - sus Christ.

P The Holy Gospel, according to Mark, the first chapter.

**C Glory to you, O Lord**

**GOSPEL: MARK 1:9-15**

*The Spirit that comes upon Jesus at his baptism sustains him when he is tested by Satan so that he might proclaim the good news of God's reign.*

<sup>9</sup>In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. <sup>10</sup>And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. <sup>11</sup>And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased." <sup>12</sup>And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. <sup>13</sup>He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. <sup>14</sup>Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, <sup>15</sup>and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

**CHILDREN'S TIME & SERMON**

**INTERIM PASTOR ALAN SAATKAMP**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Jesus, Still Lead On*

**ELW HYMN 624**

**BAPTISMAL HYMN**

*For the Beauty of the Earth*

**ELW 879, VERSES 1, 2 & 3**

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM**

**ELW PAGE 227-231**

**BAPTISMAL HYMN**

*For the Beauty of the Earth*

**ELW 879, VERSES 4 & 5**

*Please stand for the final verse of the hymn.*

P Let us confess our faith with the words of the 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 catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS

A Renewed in the promises of baptism, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence.*

A We pray for the church. For all who preach, teach, and inspire your people to lives of service, especially Trinity Lutheran in Hays, Faith Lutheran in Oberlin, and Lutheran Church of the Resurrection in Prairie Village, Kansas, Immanuel Lutheran in Kansas City and Lutheran Senior Services in St. Louis, Missouri. Renew your church in ministry, mission, and compassion. Unite us in faith, and uphold us in the promises of baptism. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A We pray for the world. For the well-being of both our own surroundings and of distant places. For favorable weather and sustaining rains. For creatures awakening from hibernation or beginning seasonal migrations. Provide safe habitats and abundant food for all. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A We pray for the nations. For all who govern or hold positions of authority. For those who work to make their communities safe from violence. Protect all who place themselves in danger to save others from harm. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

C hear our prayer. For those who are neglected, for the lonely, and for those who are ill, especially Carl Quarnstrom, Don Longren, Loni Reece, Mike Andrews, Keith Springer, Roy O'Neil, Gay Marker, and Kathryn Axelton. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A We pray for this assembly. For musicians, artists, and poets who portray your love through word, image, and song. For those who have faced exclusion or felt forgotten. For all who reach out in love and welcome. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A We pray for those you call by name, through baptism into the death and resurrection of Jesus, and for Marek Morrison Pomeroy. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A We pray for Howard Reece and Eric Lewis as they celebrate their birthdays this week; and for Troy Pomeroy and Maldon Longren as they remember their birthdays. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

P With thanksgiving, we remember those who have died. As they receive the fulfillment of your promises made to them in baptism, sustain us in the hope of resurrection life with you. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**



P Trusting in your covenant of mercy, O God, we lift our prayers to you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C **Amen.**

### THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

*Let us greet one another with God's peace.*

*Please be seated.*

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## PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

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### OFFERING

*Please stand as you are able.*

### OFFERTORY

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right

spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your

pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -

The musical score consists of three systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The first system contains the lyrics: "Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right". The second system contains: "spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your". The third system contains: "pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -". The piano accompaniment features a steady harmonic accompaniment with some melodic movement in the bass line.

store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,  
and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

A Merciful God, receive the sacrifice of our praise and thanksgiving and the offering of our lives, that following in the way of the cross, we may know the joy of the resurrection; through Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

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. 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, God of pow'r and might,  
 heav - en 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.

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

P 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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

C **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.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Return to God with all your heart. Receive bread for the journey, drink for the desert.

*Please be seated.*

## 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. A - men.

*We invite all who believe in Jesus Christ as their Savior to share with us in Holy Communion. All are welcome to join us at the Lord's table. White grape juice is available as an alternative to wine. Everyone is invited forward to receive communion or a blessing. Hands cupped open indicate an openness to receive communion; hands closed reflect a desire to receive a blessing.*

*Note: we now have gluten-free communion wafers available. If gluten-free is your preference, please let the pastor know when you are at the communion rail.*

**COMMUNION HYMNS**    *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*    **ELW HYMN 815**  
*Oh, Love, How Deep*    **ELW HYMN 322**

*Please stand as you are able.*

### **COMMUNION BLESSING**

**P** May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**A** Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice, our alms, a making of peace, and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts; through Christ our Lord.

**C Amen.**

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## **SENDING**

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### **BLESSING**

**P** May God who has called us forth from the dust of the earth, and claimed us as children of the light, strengthen you on your journey into life renewed. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you ☩ peace.

**C Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN**    *Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer*    **ELW HYMN 618**

### **DISMISSAL**

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

**C Thanks be to God.**

### **POSTLUDE**

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# *Welcome to worship at Trinity!*

*Thank you for joining us for worship. We hope that you have found the Spirit of God in our midst.*

*If you are interested in becoming a member of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, or have other questions, please feel free to contact Pastor Alan Saatkamp, 605-214-1469.*

*Please join us downstairs in Fellowship Hall for coffee and refreshments after worship.*

Worship Assistants									
Date	Greeter(s)	Usher(s)	Musicians	Lector	Acolyte	Altar Guild	Coffee Hosts	Assisting Minister	Presiding Minister
Feb. 18, 2018	<b>Dorothy Strom</b>	<b>Dean McGinnis</b>	<b>Laurie Jackson</b>	<b>Debbie Pomeroy</b>	<b>Marcy Carlson</b>	<b>Cindy McGinnis &amp; Team One</b>	<b>Andy &amp; LaVell Winsor</b>	<b>Bob Horton</b>	<b>Pr. Alan Saatkamp</b>
Feb. 25, 2018	<b>Chuck Sodergren</b>	<b>Dean McGinnis</b>	<b>Mitchell Bean</b>	<b>Betty Quarnstrom</b>	<b>Curt Lewis</b>	<b>Cindy McGinnis &amp; Team One</b>	<b>Donna Allen, Marilyn Heckman &amp; Carol Marker</b>		<b>Pr. Alan Saatkamp</b>
March 4, 2018	<b>Marilyn Hypse</b>	<b>Curt Lewis</b>	<b>Laurie Jackson</b>	<b>Duane Pomeroy</b>	<b>LaVell Winsor</b>	<b>Pam Kobbeman &amp; Team Three</b>	<b>Curt &amp; Jane Lewis</b>	<b>Walt Laughlin</b>	<b>Pr. Alan Saatkamp</b>
March 11, 2018	<b>Curt &amp; Jane Lewis</b>	<b>Curt Lewis</b>	<b>Laurie Jackson</b>	<b>LaVell Winsor</b>	<b>Ted Murphy</b>	<b>Pam Kobbeman &amp; Team Three</b>	<b>Janice Greenlee</b>	<b>Mary Heald</b>	<b>Pr. Alan Saatkamp</b>

## *Remember our shut-ins!*

Kathryn Axelton	Shawn Nowak
Lucille Brill	Roy O'Neil
Peggy Buchholz	Ron Owensby
Marlene Hassan	Keith Springer
Marie Henriksen	Naomi Walker
Don Longren	Evelyn Johnson



**Please call the office, 233-0767,** promptly about hospitalizations in our church family.

**To share a prayer request** please contact Barbara Apps at 249-7244 She will get the prayer chain started.

### UPCOMING EVENTS AT TRINITY

Today, Feb. 18.....	Worship with Holy Communion with Baptism .....	10:30 AM
.....	Children's Sunday School .....	9:00 AM
.....	Adult Sunday School .....	9:15 AM
.....	Confirmation Class .....	9:15 AM
.....	Youth Group Meeting .....	5:30 PM
Mon., Feb. 19 .....	Women's AA .....	5:00 PM
Tues., Feb. 20.....	Quilters.....	9:00 AM
Wed., Feb. 21 .....	Women's AA .....	5:30 PM
.....	Lent Midweek Soup Supper & Bible Study .....	5:30 PM
Thurs., Feb. 22.....	Men's AA .....	7:00 PM
Sunday, Feb. 25 .....	Worship with Holy Communion .....	10:30 AM
.....	Children's Sunday School .....	9:00 AM
.....	Adult Sunday School .....	9:15 AM
.....	Confirmation Class .....	9:15 AM

Pr. Alan will be in Topeka on Tuesday, February 20 and Wednesday, February 21.

**Please Notice This**



**Members & visitors**, please take note of the pew record books in your pew, fill out the information for yourself and pass it along to the other persons in your pew. This will help us keep up with prayer needs among your family and friends and maintain our records of membership and attendance. Thanks!

OFFERING, ATTENDANCE, and FINANCIAL STATUS								
Date	General	Building Fund	Other	Flowers	Total Weekly Income	Average Weekly Expense	Weekly Income Minus Average Weekly Expense	Attendance/Communion
Jan. 21	\$2,184.30	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,184.30	-\$2,643.92	-\$459.62	40/37
Jan. 28	\$2,613.00	\$175.00	\$270.00	\$0.00	\$3,058.00	-\$2,643.92	\$414.08	58/53
Feb. 4	\$3,516.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$3,616.00	-\$2,643.92	\$972.08	43/44
Feb. 11	\$4,928.30	\$10.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,938.30	-\$2,643.92	\$2,294.38	35/32
The money shown in the "Other" column is restricted and not available for our general fund.								
			Income	Expense	Behind/Ahead			
		Jan. 2018	\$10,749.65	-\$10,470.96	\$278.69			
		Jan. thru Jan.	\$10,749.65	-\$10,470.96	\$278.69			



The mission of  
**Trinity Evangelical  
 Lutheran Church**  
 is to

- worship God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
- serve those in need, and
- reach out to share the Good News of salvation through Jesus Christ!

**T**ogether in Community • **L**iving with Christ • **C**aring for Neighbors

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