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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?

***March 29, 2018***



***John 13:1-17, 31b-35***

*Maundy Thursday*

*March 29, 2018*

**ORDER OF SERVICE**      *Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 5*

*With nightfall our Lenten observance comes to an end, and we gather with Christians around the world to celebrate the Three Days of Jesus' death and resurrection. At the heart of the Maundy Thursday liturgy is Jesus' commandment to love one another. As Jesus washed the feet of his disciples, we are called to follow his example as we humbly care for one another. At the Lord's table we remember Jesus' sacrifice of his life.*

**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** Friends in Christ, in this Lenten season we have heard our Lord's call to struggle against sin, death, and the devil—all that keeps us from loving God and each other. This is the struggle to which we were called at baptism. Within the community of the church, God never wearies of forgiving sin and giving the peace of reconciliation. On this night let us confess our sin against God and our neighbor, and enter the celebration of the great Three Days reconciled with God and with one another.

**C Amen.**

*Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.*

**P** Most merciful God,

**C** **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

**P** God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ☩ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**C Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

**GATHERING HYMN**

*There Is A Balm in Gilead*

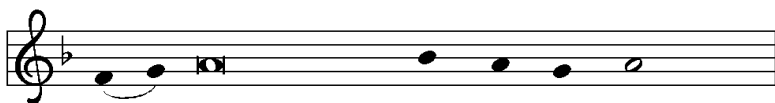
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**GREETING**

**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.

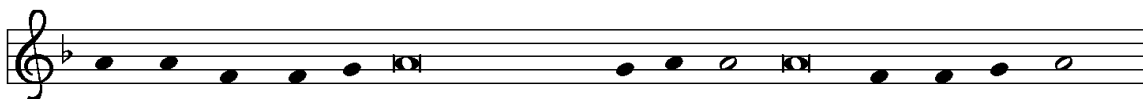
**KYRIE**



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



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.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** Holy God, source of all love, on the night of his betrayal, Jesus gave us a new commandment, to love one another as he loves us. Write this commandment in our hearts, and give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, your Son, 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: EXODUS 12:1-14

*Israel remembered its deliverance from slavery in Egypt by celebrating the festival of Passover. This festival featured the Passover lamb, whose blood was used as a sign to protect God's people from the threat of death. The early church described the Lord's supper using imagery from the Passover, especially in portraying Jesus as the lamb who delivers God's people from sin and death.*

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt <sup>2</sup>This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. <sup>3</sup>Tell

the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. <sup>4</sup>If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. <sup>5</sup>Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. <sup>6</sup>You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. <sup>7</sup>They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. <sup>8</sup>They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. <sup>9</sup>Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. <sup>10</sup>You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. <sup>11</sup>This is how you shall eat it your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. <sup>12</sup>For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments I am the LORD. <sup>13</sup>The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. <sup>14</sup>This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

L The Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 116:1-2, 12-19**

*Read Responsively*

I love the LORD, who has heard my voice, and listened to my supplication,

**for the LORD has given ear to me whenever I called.**

How shall I repay the LORD for all the good things God has done for me?

**I will lift the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD.**

I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all God's people.

**Precious in your sight, O LORD, is the death of your servants.**

O LORD, truly I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your handmaid;  
you have freed me from my bonds.

**I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the name of the LORD.**

I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all God's people,

**in the courts of the LORD's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

## SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 11: 23-26

*In the bread and cup of the Lord's supper, we experience intimate fellowship with Christ and with one another, because it involves his body given for us and the new covenant in his blood. Faithful participation in this meal is a living proclamation of Christ's death until he comes in the future.*

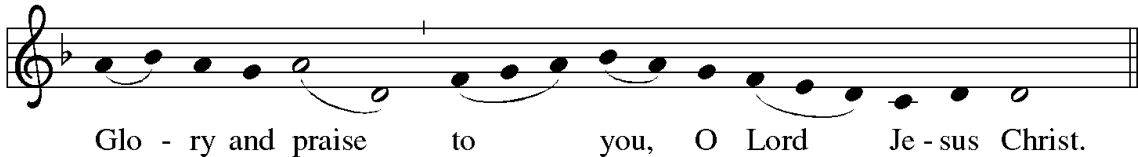
<sup>23</sup>For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, <sup>24</sup>and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, 'This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' <sup>25</sup>In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.' <sup>26</sup>For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

L The Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION FOR LENT



P The Holy Gospel, according to John, the thirteenth chapter.

**C Glory to you, O Lord.**

## GOSPEL: JOHN 13:1-17, 31B-35

*The story of the last supper in John's gospel recalls a remarkable event not mentioned elsewhere Jesus performs the duty of a slave, washing the feet of his disciples and urging them to do the same for one another.*

Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. <sup>2</sup>The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper <sup>3</sup>Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, <sup>4</sup>got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. <sup>5</sup>Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. <sup>6</sup>He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, 'Lord, are you going to wash my feet?' <sup>7</sup>Jesus answered, 'You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand.'

<sup>8</sup>Peter said to him, 'You will never wash my feet.' Jesus answered, 'Unless I wash you, you have no share with me.' <sup>9</sup>Simon Peter said to him, 'Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!' <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to him, 'One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you.' <sup>11</sup>For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, 'Not all of you are clean.' <sup>12</sup>After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, 'Do you know what I have done to you? <sup>13</sup>You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. <sup>14</sup>So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. <sup>15</sup>For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. <sup>16</sup>Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. <sup>17</sup>If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them. <sup>31b</sup>Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. <sup>32</sup>If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup>Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." <sup>34</sup>I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. <sup>35</sup>By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated.*

SERMON

INTERIM PASTOR ALAN SAATKAMP

HYMN OF THE DAY

*Ah, Holy Jesus*

ELW 349

*Please stand as you are able at the final stanza*

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 On this holy night, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who await from the Lord great and abundant mercy.

*A brief silence.*

A By the cross of Christ, mend the brokenness of your church. Where there is division, grant healing. Where there is fracture, grant unity. Where there is indifference, grant passion. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A By the cross of Christ, mend the brokenness of the creation. Put an end to destruction and renew our commitment to the fullness of life you intend for every living thing. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A By the cross of Christ, mend the brokenness of the human family. Bring understanding and a spirit of cooperation to nations and communities in conflict. Dissolve distrust into understanding and transform disregard into profound care for one another. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A By the cross of Christ, mend the brokenness of those who suffer in mind, body, and spirit, especially Don Longren, Peggy Buchholz, Kathryn Axelton, and Carl Quarnstrom. Feed those who hunger, give shelter to those without a home, heal the sick, and grant rest to the dying. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A By the cross of Christ, mend the brokenness of this community. Help us seek not so much to be served, but to serve; not to be loved, but to love; not to be forgiven, but to forgive, for the sake of the gospel. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A By the cross of Christ, mend the brokenness within us. Cast out all fear of separation from you, and join us to the communion of saints who celebrate at your eternal banquet table. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

P Into the arms of your tender embrace, O God, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in the one who, on the cross, opened his arms to all: Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C Amen.**



## THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

*Please greet one another with God's peace.*

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## PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

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OFFERING

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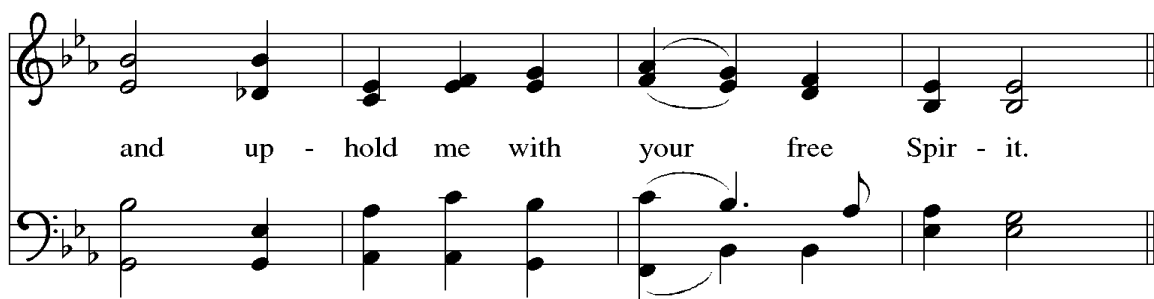
OFFERTORY

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 -

store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,



#### OFFERTORY PRAYER

P God of glory,

**C receive these gifts and the offering of our lives. As Jesus was lifted up from the earth, draw us to your heart in the midst of this world, that all creation may be brought from bondage to freedom, from darkness to light, and from death to life; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Spoken responsively during Lent.*

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

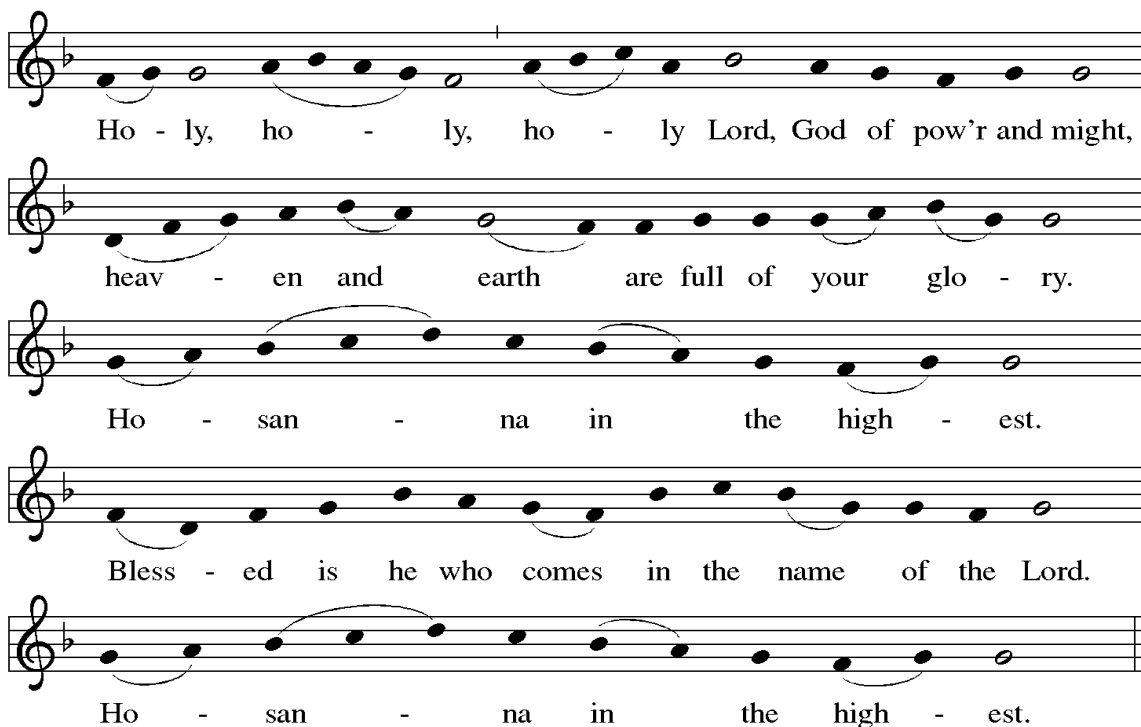
P Lift up your hearts.

**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, whose suffering and death gave salvation to all. You gather your people around the tree of the cross, transforming death into life. 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:



#### **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.

**C Amen.**

#### **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 Come to Jesus, our host and our meal.  
*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 HYMN

*Where Charity and Love Prevail*

ELW HYMN 359

**POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in grace.

C **Amen.**

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

P Lord Jesus, in a wonderful sacrament you strengthen us with the saving power of your suffering, death, and resurrection. May this sacrament of your body and blood so work in us that the fruits of your redemption will show forth in the way we live, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

**HYMN**

*Stay with Me*

**ELW HYMN 348**

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**SENDING**

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**STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR**

*As Psalm 22 is read by the pastor and the congregation, the altar is stripped. The communion vessels and books are removed, as are the paraments and the candles.*

P My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from helping me, from the words of my groaning?

C **O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer; and by night, but find no rest.**

P Yet you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.

C **In you our ancestors trusted; they trusted, and you delivered them.**

P To you they cried, and were saved; in you they trusted, and were not put to shame.

C **But I am a worm, and not human; scorned by others, and despised by the people.**

P All who see me mock at me; they make mouths at me, they shake their heads;

C **“Commit your cause to the LORD; let him deliver— let him rescue the one in whom he delights!”**

P Yet it was you who took me from the womb; you kept me safe on my mother’s breast.

C **On you I was cast from my birth, and since my mother bore me you have been my God.**

P Do not be far from me, for trouble is near and there is no one to help.

**C Many bulls encircle me, strong bulls of Bashan surround me;**

P they open wide their mouths at me, like a ravening and roaring lion.

**C I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint; my heart is like wax; it is melted within my breast;**

P my mouth is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to my jaws; you lay me in the dust of death.

**C For dogs are all around me; a company of evildoers encircles me. My hands and feet have shriveled;**

P I can count all my bones. They stare and gloat over me;

**C they divide my clothes among themselves, and for my clothing they cast lots.**

P But you, O LORD, do not be far away! O my help, come quickly to my aid!

**C Deliver my soul from the sword, my life from the power of the dog!**

P Save me from the mouth of the lion! From the horns of the wild oxen you have rescued me.

**C I will tell of your name to my brothers and sisters; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you:**

P You who fear the LORD, praise him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him; stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!

**C For he did not despise or abhor the affliction of the afflicted; he did not hide his face from me, but heard when I cried to him.**

P From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will pay before those who fear him.

**C The poor shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the LORD. May your hearts live forever!**

P All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; and all the families of the nations shall worship before him.

**C For dominion belongs to the LORD, and he rules over the nations.**

P To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, and I shall live for him.

**C Posterity will serve him; future generations will be told about the Lord,**

P and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying that he has done it.

*Our worship during the Three Days is truly a single service. Thus, there is no sending hymn this evening, nor a benediction, for our worship will resume tomorrow evening. This is a pause, not a conclusion.*

**DEPARTURE**

*Once the altar has been stripped and the psalm has ended, all may stay for prayer as long as they wish, then depart in silence as you go home.*

**HYMN** *Were You There?* **BOB HORTON**

Presiding Minister.....Interim Pastor Alan Saatkamp  
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Acolyte ..... Parker Jackson  
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Vocalist ..... Bob Horton



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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