



FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT
APRIL 3, 2022
PREACHER: PASTOR ROBERT BALZA

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We will be following the order of Service: Setting Two which can be found on page 172 in the CW21 hymnals.

Hymn: 407 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

- 1 When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss
and pour contempt on all my pride.
- 2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
save in the death of Christ, my God.
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.
- 3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet
or thorns compose so rich a crown?
- 4 Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were a tribute far too small;
love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.

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P: In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Confession and Absolution

P: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

C: If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

C: Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

P: Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: 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.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day:

P: Let us pray. Almighty God, by your great goodness, mercifully look upon your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

First Reading: Isaiah 43:16–21(sermon)

¹⁶This is what the LORD says—he who made a way through the sea, a path through the mighty waters, ¹⁷who drew out the chariots and horses, the army and reinforcements together, and they lay there, never to rise again, extinguished, snuffed out like a wick:

¹⁸“Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. ¹⁹See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland.

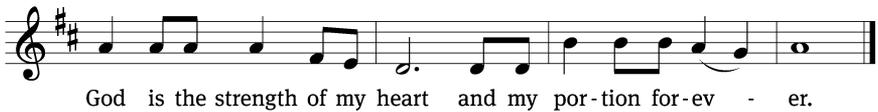
²⁰The wild animals honor me, the jackals and the owls, because I provide water in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland, to give drink to my people, my chosen, ²¹the people I formed for myself that they may proclaim my praise.

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Day: 73A

Refrain



Tone



As for me, my feet had almost slipped;

I had nearly lost my foothold.

For I envied the arrogant

when I saw the prosperity of the wicked.

It troubled me deeply till I entered the sanctuary of God;

then I understood their final destiny.

Refrain:

You guide me with your counsel,

and afterward you will take me into glory.

Whom have I in heav'n but you?

And earth has nothing I desire besides you.

My flesh and my heart may fail,

but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit,

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain:

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Second Lesson: Philippians 3:4b–14

If someone else thinks they have reasons to put confidence in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for righteousness based on the law, faultless. ⁷But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. ¹⁰I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead. ¹²Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. ¹³Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

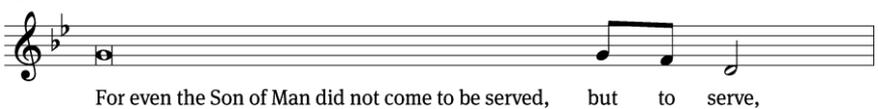
Gospel Acclamation:



Refrain



Tone



Gospel: Luke 20:9–19

⁹He went on to tell the people this parable: “A man planted a vineyard, rented it to some farmers and went away for a long time. ¹⁰At harvest time he sent a servant to the tenants so they would give him some of the fruit of the vineyard. But the tenants beat him and sent him away empty-handed. ¹¹He sent another servant, but that one also they beat and treated shamefully and sent away empty-handed. ¹²He sent still a third, and they wounded him and threw him out. ¹³“Then the owner of the vineyard said, ‘What shall I do? I will send my son, whom I love; perhaps they will respect him.’ ¹⁴“But when the tenants saw him, they talked the matter over. ‘This is the heir,’ they said. ‘Let’s kill him, and the inheritance will be ours.’ ¹⁵So they threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. “What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them? ¹⁶He will come and kill those tenants and give the vineyard to others.” When the people heard this, they said, “God forbid!” ¹⁷Jesus looked directly at them and asked, “Then what is the meaning of that which is written: “ ‘The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone’? ¹⁸Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces; anyone on whom it falls will be crushed.” ¹⁹The teachers of the law and the chief priests looked for a way to arrest him immediately, because they knew he had spoken this parable against them. But they were afraid of the people.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Hymn of the Day: 570 God Loved the World So That He Gave

- 1 God loved the world so that he gave
his only Son the lost to save
that all who would in him believe
should everlasting life receive.
- 2 Christ is the solid rock of faith,
who was made flesh and suffered death.
All who confide in him alone
are built on this chief cornerstone.
- 3 God would not have the sinner die;
his Son with saving grace is nigh.

- His Spirit in the Word declares
that we in Christ are heaven's heirs.
- 4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son
forgives the sins that you have done.
You're justified by Jesus' blood;
baptized, you are a child of God.
- 5 If you are sick, if death is near,
this truth your troubled heart can cheer:
Christ Jesus saves my soul from death;
this is the anchor of my faith!
- 6 Glory to God the Father, Son,
and Holy Spirit, Three in One!
To you, O blessed Trinity,
be praise now and eternally!

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Sermon Text: Isaiah 43:16-21

Sermon Theme: What Has God Done for You Lately?

1. God Has Done Amazing Things in the Past.

2. God Continues to Do Amazing Things Today.

Nicene Creed

C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken

through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

P: Eternal Lord, give us peace as we ponder the good news that you forgive our sins in Christ. Lead us to see clearly the path you have laid out for us.

C: Work in us so that we believe and live the Word we have heard today.

P: Provide courage and compassion to all who preach and teach your Word. Fill them with a love like yours as they proclaim your grace to us and all people.

C: Move us to love all ministers of the Word wherever they serve.

P: Guard and guide the families of our congregation. Lead husbands and wives to love each other with commitment, respect, and patience. Help parents to grasp the eternal value of keeping their children close to Jesus all their lives. Grant joy to those who are single, and make them a blessing to others.

C: Protect us from the temptations that surround us; give us pure hearts and minds.

P: Provide wisdom and insight to those who make laws and set policies. Give us respect for those who protect us from crime. Lead us to value the rights of our fellow citizens and to defend those who cannot defend themselves.

C: Bless our land with peace and prosperity so that the gospel may be proclaimed to all.

P: Give us passion to share the story of your love with our family and friends. Overcome unbelief, and open the hearts of people everywhere to believe the good news that Jesus has forgiven their sins and opened the gates of heaven.

C: Fill us with joy over every sinner who repents and comes to trust in you.

P: Extend your healing power to those who are sick and suffering in body or mind. Give patience and compassion to all who care for the sick and dying.

C: Lift the eyes of the distressed to your love in Christ.

P: Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

P: Gracious God, you govern and direct all things and you love all people. Hear our prayers, spoken and silent, and answer them in your wisdom and grace.

C: In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Offering

Preface

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It is truly good and right . . . and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy

The musical score is written in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. It consists of seven staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er, God of 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, ho - san - na in the high - est!"

Tune: Marty Haugen

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P: Lord God, you are worthy to receive thanks and praise from all people. You created the world and all who live in it, and in your mercy you saved us. We give thanks to you for the grace of your Son, Jesus Christ. Though in very nature God, he took the nature of a servant and became obedient to death, even death on a cross. He offered himself as a sacrifice for sin and redeemed us from its curse and penalty. He rescued us from the terrors of death and restored eternal life with you. He conquered our enemies and gained for us the kingdom of grace and glory. Bless us as we receive your Son's body and blood, and lead us to remember his suffering, death, and resurrection. Forgive our sins and fill us with the hope of new life in heaven. Hear our praise and receive our thanks as we worship you—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Words of Institution

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

Jesus, Lamb of God

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

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

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P: The true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you to life everlasting. Go T in peace.

C: Amen.

Distribution

Distribution Hymn: 861 Lord Jesus Christ, the Church's Head

- 1 Lord Jesus Christ, the Church's head,
 you are her one foundation;
 in you she trusts, before you bows,
 and waits for your salvation.
 Built on this rock secure,
 your Church shall endure
 though all the world decay
 and all things pass away.
 O hear, O hear us, Jesus!
- 2 O Lord, let this your little flock,
 your name alone confessing,
 continue in your loving care,
 true unity possessing.
 Your sacraments, O Lord,
 and your saving Word
 to us e'er pure retain;
 grant that they may remain
 our only strength and comfort.

3 Help us to serve you evermore
with hearts both pure and lowly;
and may your Word, that light divine,
shine on in splendor holy
that we repentance show,
in faith ever grow;
the pow'r of sin destroy
and evils that annoy.

O make us faithful Christians.

4 And for your gospel let us dare
to sacrifice all treasure;
teach us to bear your blessed cross,
to find in you all pleasure.

O grant us steadfastness
in joy and distress.

Lord, for your mercy's sake,
let us by grace partake
of endless joy and glory.

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Thanksgiving

P: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

C: his mercy endures forever.

P: Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,

C: we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Prayer

P: We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet you have given us in this Sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit, help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Blessing

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and I give you peace.

C: Amen.

Hymn: 563 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

1 My hope is built on nothing less
than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare to make no other claim,
but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

**Refrain: On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
all other ground is sinking sand.**

2 When darkness veils his lovely face,
I rest on his unchanging grace;
in ev'ry high and stormy gale
my anchor holds within the veil.

Refrain:

3 His oath, his covenant and blood
support me in the raging flood;
when ev'ry earthly prop gives way,
he then is all my hope and stay.

Refrain:

4 When he shall come with trumpet sound,
oh, may I then in him be found,
clothed in his righteousness alone,
faultless to stand before his throne.

Refrain:

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Announcements-April 3, 2022

Trinity News

- The Lord called Jeanette Strobel home in the very early morning hours of March 24th. We pray that the Lord gives comfort to her family. The funeral date is set for **April 5th**.
- The church is looking for donations of a few bags of individually wrapped Easter candy. These candies will be distributed on the tables for the Easter Breakfast that will take place in between the services.
- Trinity Lutheran School is hosting its 2nd annual Art Show and an Easter Egg Hunt coming up next Sunday, **April 10th!** The event will run from **10:15-Noon** with all children ages 1-12 invited. Please invite anyone that may be interested! There will also be a sign up for those interested in volunteering on the back bulletin board. Please consider helping us greet and welcome families into our building!
- Thank you to Rev. Balza for leading us in worship.

Upcoming Special services and Events

- Palm Sunday-April 10th @9:00 a.m.
- Easter Egg Hunt and Kid's Art Show-Sunday April 10th @10:15-12:00 p.m.
- Maundy Thursday-April 14th @6:30 p.m.
- Good Friday-April 15th @4:00 p.m.
- Easter Sunrise-April 17th @7:00 a.m.
- Easter Breakfast-April 17th 8:00-9:00 a.m.
- Easter Festival-April 17th @9:00 a.m.

Our Stewardship of

The Means of Grace

Date	Church	Visitors	Communion	Bible Class
3-20	93	7	80	13
3-23	43	5	N/A	N/A

The Means to do His Work

Date	Our gifts	'22 Budget/wk	'22 Actual YTD	'22 Budget/YTD
3-20	\$ 5,552	\$5,837	\$ 43,794	\$ 68,532
		(-- \$ 285)		(-- \$ 24,738)

Serving the

Lord today:

Organist: Emma Curtis

Video: Kyle Marks

Usher: Bob Patschke

Screens: Sherry Mau

Next Wed.: Usher: **Volunteer**

Screen: Ed Sternhagen

Next week: Usher: Dick Carstens Screens: Sherry Mau

This week at Trinity Ev. Lutheran

Today	Sun 4/3	10 am	Fellowship
		10:15	Bible Class/Sunday School
Tue	4/5	9 am	Visitation
		11 am	Funeral
		7 pm	Adult Instruction
Wed	4/6	9 am	St Paul Home Volunteer arrival
		9:45	Lutheran Service
		3:30	Confirmation Class
		5:15	Lenten Supper
		6:30	Lenten Service-Luehring
Thur	4/7	4:30	Confirmation Back up
		6 pm	Choir
		7 pm	Handbells
Sun	4/10	9 am	Worship
		10 am	Fellowship
		10:15	Bible Class
		10:15-12	Easter Egg Hunt/Kid's Art Show
			AVFP Pickup (see newsletter for list)

Looking Ahead:

April 17th-Easter Breakfast 8-9 a.m.

WELCOME TO TRINITY LUTHERAN!

A member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS)

MISSION – To glorify God by growing in his Word and sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ.

VISITORS – If you are a visitor, we are very glad to have you here today and invite you to worship with us again.

QUESTIONS – If you have questions or would like more information about our church and/or school, please ask. Our deacons and greeters are available in the entry of the church to answer any questions you might have.

RESTROOMS – Our restroom is located in the upper entry of the church. More restrooms are located in the lower level.

CHILDREN – Jesus said, ‘Let the little children come to me.’ We love children and encourage their worship. Please don’t feel embarrassed if your child is restless during the service. You are among caring people who understand. If you decide that it’s best to remove your child from worship, please feel free to take him or her to the entry or lower level of the church.

SERVICE SCHEDULE – Sundays, 9:00 am; Radio Broadcast – Sundays, 7:30 am WEMI (91.9 FM)

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