

# HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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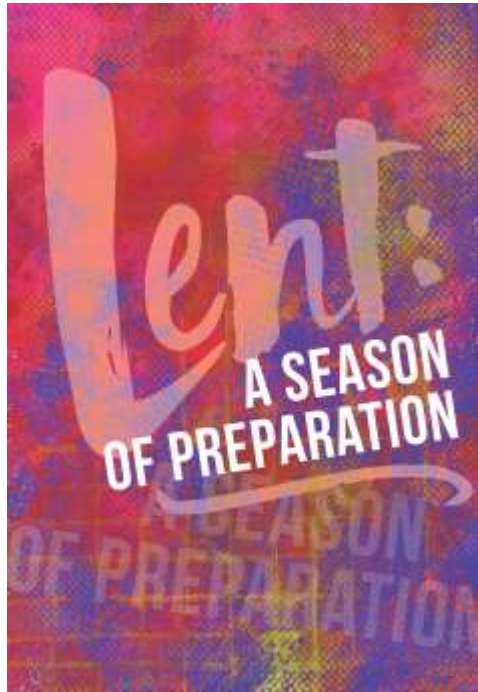
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**SUNDAY WORSHIP: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.**

**Transformation Station & Back To Basics: 9:15 a.m.**



## **WELCOME TO WORSHIP**

May God bless and guide us through the meaningful days of Lent.

**TO OUR VISITORS:** We are delighted that you have joined us tonight.

We pray that the service blesses you and invite you to worship with us again. If you are seeking a church family or would like to know more about Holy Trinity, please contact the Church Office at (270) 843-9595. We are here to serve you. Please be sure to provide us with your address and phone number so that we might extend a special welcome.

**CELEBRATING CHILDREN AT HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH:**

To the parents of our young children, may we suggest:

- Relax! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome
- Sit toward the front where it is easier for your little ones to see and hear what's going on at the altar. They tire of seeing the backs of others' heads.
- Quietly explain the parts of the service and the actions of the pastor, deacons, readers, acolytes, choir, etc.
- Sing the hymns, pray, and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical behavior by copying you.
- If you have to leave the service with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. As Jesus said, "Let the children come to Me."
- Remember that the way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, to God, and to one another. Let them know that they are at home in this house of worship.

**A NURSERY** is available for infants up to children starting Kindergarten. Exit the sanctuary to the rear, and follow the hallway to the left, then turn at the first hall way to the right. Parents are welcome to worship with their children, but please use the nursery as needed. If you have any questions regarding the nursery please contact Laurie Seavey at (270) 991-1172.

**NOTE:** There is also a "nursing/cry room" just before the hallway to the nursery.

**TO THE MEMBERS OF HOLY TRINITY:** The presence of children is a gift to the church and they are a reminder that our church is growing. Please welcome all children and give a smile of encouragement to their parents.

**WORSHIP BAGS** for our young worshipers are located in the Narthex.  
Please use these as needed during worship.

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS** are available from the Ushers.

**LENTEN MIDWEEK SERVICE**  
**MARCH 4, 2020**

*Lord, Your cross proclaims eternal forgiveness and love.  
We cannot thank You enough.*

**PLEASE REMEMBER:** **Silence/Turn Off your cell phone** as you come into the Sanctuary to worship the Lord. While you are silencing your phone, we encourage you to 'check in' on Facebook that you are with us today. Thank you.

**PRESERVICE MUSIC**

**THE SERVICE OF LIGHT**  
Lutheran Service Book - Pages 243-247

Liturgist: He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High  
**People: will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.**

Liturgist: I will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress,  
**People: my God, in whom I trust."**

Liturgist: For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler  
**People: and from the deadly pestilence.**

Liturgist: He will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings  
 you will find refuge;  
**People: his faithfulness is a shield and buckler.**

Liturgist: You will not fear the terror of the night,  
**People: nor the arrow that flies by day,**

Liturgist: nor the pestilence that stalks in darkness,  
**People: nor the destruction that wastes at noonday.**

Liturgist: A thousand may fall at your side,  
**People: ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you.**

Liturgist: You will only look with your eyes  
**People: and see the recompense of the wicked.**

Liturgist: Because you have made the LORD your dwelling place—  
**People: the Most High, who is my refuge—**

Liturgist: no evil shall be allowed to befall you,  
**People: no plague come near your tent.**

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Liturgist: For he will command his angels concerning you

**People: to guard you in all your ways.**

Liturgist: On their hands they will bear you up,

**People: lest you strike your foot against a stone.**

Liturgist: Glory be to the Father and to the Son

**People: and to the Holy Spirit;**

Liturgist: as it was in the beginning,

**People: is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Liturgist: He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High

**People: will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.**

## THE CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

L.S.B. #435

“Come to Calvary’s Holy Mountain”

## **FROM THE HOLY SCRIPTURES**

### **THE FIRST READING**

**1 Peter 1:22-25**

Reader: The First Reading is from the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter of 1 Peter.

<sup>22</sup> Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, <sup>23</sup> since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; <sup>24</sup> for

*“All flesh is like grass  
and all its glory like the flower of grass.  
The grass withers,  
and the flower falls,  
<sup>25</sup> but the word of the Lord remains forever.”*

And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

Reader: O Lord, have mercy on us.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### **THE CHORAL ANTHEM**

**Sanctuary Praise Choir**

**“Just As I Am”**

## THE SECOND READING

Luke 21:33-22:6

Reader: The Second Reading according to St. Luke,  
the 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> chapters.

[Jesus said] <sup>33</sup> "Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

<sup>34</sup> "But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap. <sup>35</sup> For it will come upon all who dwell on the face of the whole earth. <sup>36</sup> But stay awake at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are going to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

<sup>37</sup> And every day he was teaching in the temple, but at night he went out and lodged on the mount called Olivet. <sup>38</sup> And early in the morning all the people came to him in the temple to hear him.

**22** Now the Feast of Unleavened Bread drew near, which is called the Passover. <sup>2</sup> And the chief priests and the scribes were seeking how to put him to death, for they feared the people.

<sup>3</sup> Then Satan entered into Judas called Iscariot, who was of the number of the twelve. <sup>4</sup> He went away and conferred with the chief priests and officers how he might betray him to them. <sup>5</sup> And they were glad, and agreed to give him money. <sup>6</sup> So he consented and sought an opportunity to betray him to them in the absence of a crowd.

Reader: In many and various ways, God spoke to His people  
of old by the prophets.

**People: But now in these last days, He has spoken to us  
by His Son.**

## THE GATHERING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

## THE PRAYERS

### THE COLLECT FOR PEACE

L.S.B. Page 251

Liturgist: O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Matthew 6:9-13*

Liturgist: Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

All: **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.**



## THE SERMON HYMN

L.S.B. #420

"Christ, the Life of All the Living"  
(Verses 1, 2, & 6)

## THE SERMON

Pastor Toopes

**"I'm Being True"**  
**Text: 1 Peter 1:22-25**

## THE BLESSING/BENEDICTION

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Pastor: The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

*(Amen response is sung by all)*



## THE CLOSING HYMN

L.S.B. #433

"Glory Be to Jesus"

## THE POSTLUDE

Liturgy (or the appropriate portion thereof) from the Lutheran Service Book  
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### + + OUR WORSHIP CONTINUES IN OUR DAILY SERVICE + +

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## **PARISH NOTES**

**THANK YOU** to everyone who contributed to our worship service today.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Please submit announcements to the Church Office by Wednesdays by e-mailing, calling, or dropping a note in the offering plate on Sundays.

Daylight Saving Time **BEGINS**  
on **Sunday, March 8.**

Remember to set your clocks  
**AHEAD** one hour  
on Saturday, March 7.



*Thank you for supporting these local charities:*

### **2020 Lenten Offerings**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Recipient</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2/26	H.O.T.E.L., I.N.C.	\$1408.00

### **GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING**

Sunday, March 15  
after the second service

**MARCH NEWSLETTERS:** The newsletter has been distributed via e-mail and the narthex boxes. If we have an e-mail address for you then hopefully you have already received it. If we don't have an e-mail, a printed copy is in the narthex mailboxes for you.

If you would like to receive newsletters by e-mail please contact the church office at 843-9595. Printed copies are also available in the bottom row of the narthex boxes.

The **DEADLINE** for articles for the April newsletter is Sunday, March 15.

### **LWML NEWS**

1. **LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF QUILTERS** meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month (March 17) in EO-202 at 1:00 p.m. Any questions, ask Helen Wicklander at (270) 996-9402.
2. **HIS HELPING HANDS**, our local LWML chapter, meets quarterly on Saturdays. ALL confirmed ladies of our congregation are welcome to attend our meetings!

**COMPASSIONATE CARE GROUP** - The next meeting is on Wednesday, March 18 at 10:30 a.m.

The purpose of the group is to be available for visits to those in need of physical, emotional, or spiritual uplifting. The emphasis of the group is to provide loving Christian support to those in need.

Contact the Church Office at 270-843-9595 and let us know if you would benefit from a visit! Finally, let us know If you would like to be a part of this ministry.

### **BOWLING GREEN NORTH/EAST OUTREACH GROUP:**

1. **BIBLE STUDY:** We are studying 2 Corinthians beginning at 4:00 p.m. each Saturday. We will take a short break between Bible study and the service at 5:00 p.m.
2. You are invited to attend worship services of Holy Trinity's Smiths Grove site every **Saturday at 5:00 p.m.** at the First Christian Church in Smiths Grove (427 College St, corner of 5th).  
Our prayer is that this new worship site will enable the Word to have impact on more people in the surrounding community. Your prayers and your support are vital to this outreach ministry.

### **HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL NEWS**

1. **Enrollment for the 2020-2021 School Year** is NOW OPEN! Contact the School Office at 843-1001 if you are interested in enrolling a child(ren) or want to give information to a friend.

**REMEMBER:** For families that are members of HTLC – we will continue to offer the 25% discount in tuition for students (Grades K-6) enrolled full time.

2. **HTLS Summer Camp Enrollment** is NOW OPEN and spots are filling up quickly! Stop by the office to pick up an application. Camp is for children ages 2 years- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade and will run June 1- July 24
3. **Restaurant Fundraiser Events** – Enjoy a meal and help out HTLS at the same time! Contact Jennifer Merkle at [pto@htlc-bg.org](mailto:pto@htlc-bg.org) for additional information.  
**Zaxby's** (31-W Bypass Location) – Tuesday, March 10 5-8pm
4. **HTLS CLOSED:** Thursday, March 12 and Friday, March 13 for Teacher Development.

## **YOUTH NEWS**

Contact: Corey & Megan Zirbel

**Junior Confirmation Class** - We usually meet on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room as part of FAITH Night. We will NOT meet during Lent. Youth are encouraged to attend the Lenten and Holy Week services with their families.



### **A LENTEN HISTORY LESSON**

Though the date of Easter varies, the majority of the Lenten season occurs during March. In fact, the word Lent comes from the Anglo-Saxon words lenctentid (meaning “March”) and lencten (meaning “spring”).

The first reference to Lent dates back to 325 AD, in one of the 20 canons decreed at the council of Nicaea. By the eighth century, Christians started observing Lent, and a 10th-century monk named Aelfric connected the use of ashes and “the Lenten fast” to the pre-Easter period.

Lent lasts 40 days to represent Jesus’ time in the wilderness, when he was tempted by the devil. The six Sundays that occur between Ash Wednesday and Easter Sunday aren’t counted as part of Lent; instead, as the traditional day of worship, they’re considered “mini-Easters.”



Saturday, March 7

**Smiths Grove Bible Study** at 4:00 p.m.

**Smiths Grove Worship - C**  
at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 8

**Worship Services**  
at 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, March 11

**Lenten Meal** at 5:30 p.m.  
by HTLS

**Lenten Service** at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 14

**Smiths Grove Bible Study** at 4:00 p.m.

**Smiths Grove Worship**  
at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 15

**Worship Services - C**  
at 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

**General Assembly Meeting**  
at 11:45 a.m.

Wednesday, March 18

**Lenten Meal** at 5:30 p.m.  
by HTLS

**Lenten Service** at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 21

**Smiths Grove Bible Study** at 4:00 p.m.

**Smiths Grove Worship - C**  
at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 22

**Worship Services**  
at 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

**Living Word**  
**Lutheran High School Concert**  
at 6:30 p.m.

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Wednesday, March 25

**Lenten Meal** at 5:30 p.m.  
by HTLS

**Lenten Service** at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 28

**Smiths Grove Bible Study** at 4:00 p.m.

**Smiths Grove Worship - C**  
at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 29

**Worship Services - C**  
at 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

**LWML Mite Box Sunday**

Wednesday, April 1

**Lenten Meal** at 5:30 p.m.  
by Choir Groups

**Lenten Service** at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 4

**Smiths Grove Bible Study** at 4:00 p.m.

**Smiths Grove Worship**  
at 5:00 p.m.

