

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

Transformation Station & Bible Classes: 9:15 a.m.



WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Lent has begun: a time for both walking with Jesus toward the cross
and being strengthened in our faith and knowledge of God.

Welcome to the Lenten journey.

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

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 use the attendance insert to provide your **Email, mailing address and phone number** so that we might extend a special welcome.

HOLY COMMUNION GUESTS

AS YOU COME TO THE LORD'S SUPPER you are affirming with each communicant that Jesus is your Savior and Lord, that with Lutheran Christians you believe His Body and Blood are present, and you desire to serve Him as a dynamic disciple in the fellowship of the Church.

Please review the following questions while preparing for the Lord's Supper.

- 1) Do I believe that I am a sinful human being without hope of eternal life except for God's mercy in Christ?
- 2) Do I believe that Jesus Christ is God's Son and my personal Savior?
- 3) Do I believe that in this Sacrament I will receive Christ's true Body and true Blood in and with the bread and wine?
- 4) Do I hope by the power of the Holy Spirit to live a Godly life?

Please speak to the pastor if you have any special communion needs.

A NURSERY is available for infants up to children starting Kindergarten.

It is staffed from 7:45 to 11:45 a.m. 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.

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.

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.

THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 1, 2020

*As Lent begins we pray, Lord, that you will help it be
a season of spiritual growth for your whole church. Amen.*

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING

SHARING OF THE PEACE

Please stand for

THE OPENING HYMN

"Christ, the Word of God Incarnate"
(Verses 1, 5, & 6)

L.S.B. #540

THE INVOCATION

Liturgist: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Matthew 28:19b [18:20]
People: **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Liturgist: Let us confess our sins to God our Father.
People: **Merciful God, we confess to You that we do not understand our own actions. For we do not do what we know is right, but we do the very thing we hate. Even when we want to do right, evil lies close at hand. We ask Your forgiveness for our sins of thought, word, and deed, and for our futile attempts to win Your favor on our own terms. Give us the true rest of forgiveness and the power of Your love that we may delight in Your will and walk confidently in Your grace. Amen.**

Pastor: Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ, our Lord, that there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set us free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. As a called and ordained servant of the Word, I therefore announce the forgiveness of all our sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: **Amen.**

INTROIT/PSALM

Psalm 91:9-13; antiphon: Psalm 91:15-16

Liturgist: When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him
in trouble;

People: I will rescue him and honor him.

Liturgist: With long life I will satisfy him

People: and show him my salvation.

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.

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: You will tread on the lion and the adder;

**People: the young lion and the serpent you will trample
underfoot.**

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: When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him
in trouble;

People: I will rescue him and honor him.

Liturgist: With long life I will satisfy him

People: and show him my salvation.

THE HYMN OF PRAISE

L.S.B. #805

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"
Thomas Ken & Louis Bourgeois

**Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.**

THE COLLECT

Liturgist: The Lord be with you. *2 Timothy 4:22*
People: And with your spirit.

Liturgist: Let us pray. O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
People: Amen.

FROM THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 3:1-21

Reader: The Old Testament Reading is from the 3rd chapter of Genesis.

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the LORD God had made.

He said to the woman, "Did God actually say, 'You shall not eat of any tree in the garden'?" ² And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, ³ but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.'" ⁴ But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. ⁵ For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." ⁶ So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. ⁷ Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

⁸ And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹ But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?" ¹⁰ And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself." ¹¹ He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" ¹² The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate." ¹³ Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

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¹⁴ The LORD God said to the serpent,

“Because you have done this,
cursed are you above all livestock
and above all beasts of the field;
on your belly you shall go,
and dust you shall eat
all the days of your life.

¹⁵ I will put enmity between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and her offspring;
he shall bruise your head,
and you shall bruise his heel.”

¹⁶ To the woman he said,

“I will surely multiply your pain in childbearing;
in pain you shall bring forth children.
Your desire shall be contrary to your husband,
but he shall rule over you.”

¹⁷ And to Adam he said,

“Because you have listened to the voice of your wife
and have eaten of the tree
of which I commanded you,
‘You shall not eat of it,’
cursed is the ground because of you;
in pain you shall eat of it all the days of your life;
¹⁸ thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you;
and you shall eat the plants of the field.

¹⁹ By the sweat of your face
you shall eat bread,
till you return to the ground,
for out of it you were taken;
for you are dust,
and to dust you shall return.”

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²⁰ The man called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living.

²¹ And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE EPISTLE READING

Romans 5:12-19

Reader: The Epistle Reading is from the 5th chapter of Romans.

¹² Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned— ¹³ for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law.

¹⁴ Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come.

¹⁵ But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many. ¹⁶ And the free gift is not like the result of that one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brought justification.

¹⁷ For if, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.

¹⁸ Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men. ¹⁹ For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand for
THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 4:1-11

Reader: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew,
the 4th chapter.

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ² And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. ³ And the tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." ⁴ But he answered, "It is written,

*"Man shall not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."*

⁵ Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple ⁶ and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written,

"He will command his angels concerning you,"

and

*"On their hands they will bear you up,
lest you strike your foot against a stone."*

⁷ Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'" ⁸ Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. ⁹ And he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to him, "Be gone, Satan! For it is written,

*"You shall worship the Lord your God
and him only shall you serve."*

¹¹ Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to him.

Reader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

THE NICENE CREED

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All: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE GATHERING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY

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Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence,
And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation,
And uphold me with Thy free spirit.
Amen.

THE PRAYERS

Please continue to pray for the people listed on the bulletin insert, as well as for their families and friends.

THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

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THE PREFACE

Pastor:	The Lord be with you.	<i>2 Timothy 4:22</i>
People:	And also with you.	
Pastor:	Lift up your hearts.	<i>Colossians 3:1</i>
People:	We lift them up to the Lord.	
Pastor:	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.	<i>Psalms 136</i>
People:	It is right to give Him thanks and praise.	

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Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

THE SANCTUS

(Sung to the tune of L.S.B. #577 "Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast")

**Our God is Holy, sing His praise
Let all the world resound.
Let all the saints of God proclaim
Sing glory to His Name.**

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

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 WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19 & 20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

THE PEACE OF THE LORD

John 20:19

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

People: Amen.

THE AGNUS DEI

(Sung to the tune of L.S.B. #803 "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee")

**Lamb of God, most holy Savior,
For our souls You gave Your life,
Let us come and bow before You,
Sing Your praises day and night.
By Your cross and by Your passion
You have set the captives free
You have won for us salvation
Reigning now in victory.**

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THE DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“Jesus Comes Today with Healing”
“Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness”

L.S.B. #620
L.S.B. #636

THE POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

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Pastor: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; 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 SERMON HYMN

“O Sing of Christ”

L.S.B. #362

THE SERMON

Pastor Press

“Where Do You Find Your Connection?”

Text: Romans 5:12-19

THE BENEDICTION *(Amen response is sung by all.)*



THE CLOSING HYMN

L.S.B. #549

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"
(Verses 1, 6, & 7)

THE CLOSING WORDS

Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord.
People: **Amen. Thanks be to God.**

THE POSTLUDE

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+ + OUR WORSHIP CONTINUES IN OUR DAILY SERVICE + +

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

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



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY:

Transformation Station: (ages 2 – 6th grade)

Each week begins with opening time at 9:15 a.m. in the TS opening room.

Visitors and new attendees are welcome any time!

This week's study is on Jealousy: We're not jealous.

Joseph's Brothers Are Jealous – Genesis 37:1-11

3/8 - Lesson is on The Belt of Truth: We fight evil with the truth.

YOUTH CLASSES:

Junior & Senior High (Grades 7 - 12) – EO-201

ADULT CLASSES:

Back to Basics: Classes are listed in multiple locations throughout the building and slips are in mailboxes in the Narthex with your assigned room. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Pastor Toopes or Pastor Press.

SERVING THIS WEEK

	<u>8:00 Service</u>	<u>10:30 Service</u>
Greeters:	Scott & Jean Nehm	Del Wolff
Readers:	Ora Rampenthal	Marsha Holm
Acolytes:	Evelyn Ulm	Ayden Witherspoon
A/V Assistant:	Mckenzie Eversoll	Johnie Trent/Zach Schmaltz
Nursery Attendant all morning:	Breanna Moser	
Acolyte for the Lenten service at 6:30 p.m.:	Addison Pugh	

OUR CHURCH ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

The Church At Study 95

The Church at Worship 245

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Mar	1	Ken White	3	Bonnie Hansen
	3	Kelley Otto	5	Brenda Kirk
	7	Emerson Dockery		

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Mar	6	Ken & Heidi Lindsey
		Matthew & Katherine Stewart

Next week's scripture readings are:

THE OLD TESTAMENT: Genesis 12:1-9

THE EPISTLE READING: Romans 4:1-8, 13-17

THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 3:1-17

SERVING NEXT WEEK

	<u>8:00 Service</u>	<u>10:30 Service</u>
Greeters:	Mark & Laura Crothers	Corey & Megan Zirbel
Readers:	Cindy Brandt	Lilly Gleichauf
Acolytes:	Ericka Huerta	Samantha Davenport
A/V Assistant:	Mckenzie Eversoll	Johnie Trent
Nursery Attendant all morning:	Tina Hansen	

Acolyte for the Ash Wednesday service at 6:30 p.m.: Emma Walters
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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.

TRANSFORMATION STATION NEWS

1. **Bake Sale Success:** Many thanks to our supportive congregation for their generous donations at the Transformation Station bake sale on February 9. **We collected just over \$770.00!** This money has already been sent to Compassion, Inc. to cover Mishew's monthly support, birthday gift and family gift. There will be enough for a Christmas gift also. We are so grateful for everyone's support and all our great bakers who put together some great treats.
2. **Winter Quarter attendance awards:** We will be presenting attendance awards for the winter quarter TODAY, March 1 at both services. All students in grades preschool - 6th who have attended 10 or more Sundays during the winter months will receive recognition.

LENTEN MEALS: We will have meals before the Lenten Services in 2020. If your group would like to host one of the meals please contact the church office at 270-843-9595. The meals will be served at 5:30 p.m. and you will be responsible for setting-up and cleaning-up after the meal. A free will offering is usually taken with the collection going to the group preparing the meal. We will operate on a first come/first get basis.

COMPASSIONATE CARE GROUP - The next meetings are on Wednesday,
March 4 and 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.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING

Sunday, March 15
after the second service

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.

The van will leave the parking lot at Holy Trinity each week at 4:00 p.m. for anyone who would like a ride.

LWML NEWS

1. **LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF QUILTERS** meets on the 3rd 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!

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL NEWS

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- 3rd Grade and will run June 1- July 24

The **Koinonia Group** that meets the third Saturday of the month did not meet at the end of 2019. We would like to see who is interested in resuming the group in 2020. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex if you are interested in being a part of this Bible Study/Fellowship group.

(Calendar posted here)