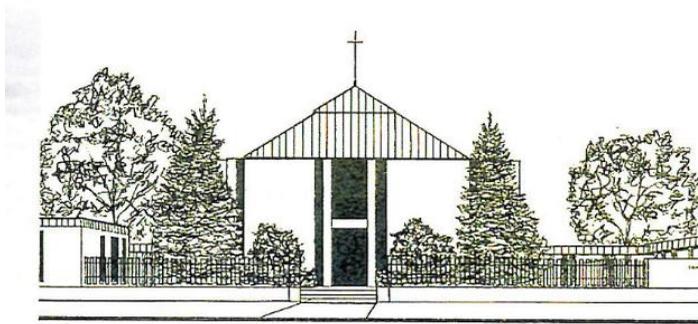


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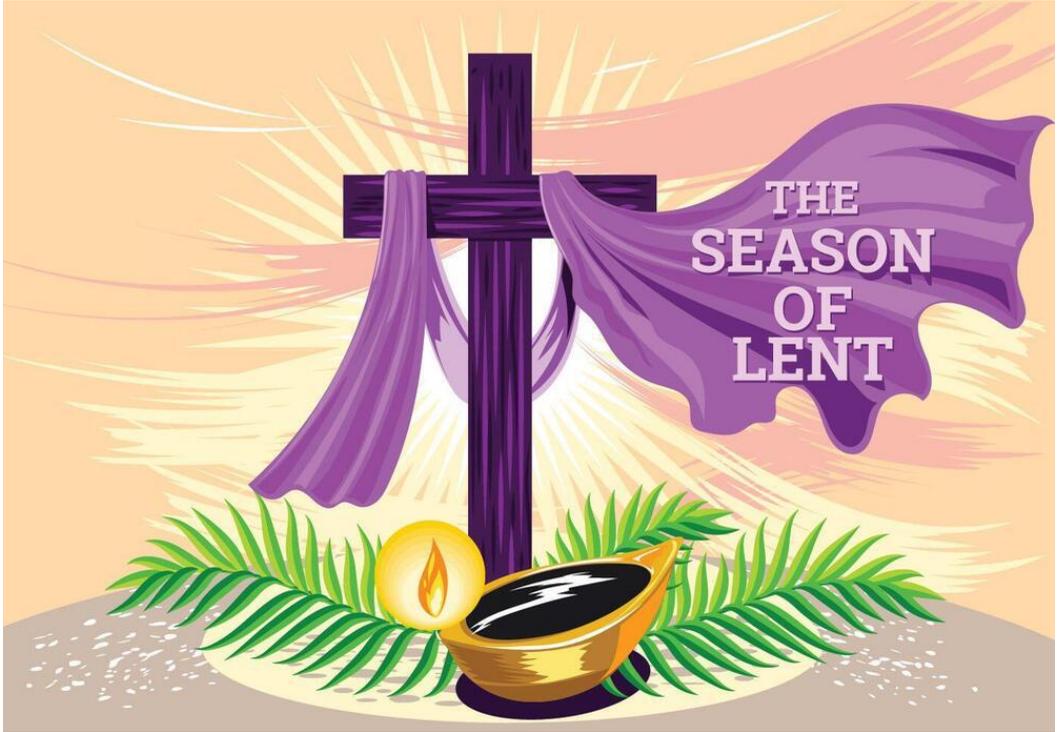
**Invite. Include. Inspire.**

**Second Sunday in Lent**

**The Holy Eucharist: Rite II**  
**March 1, 2026**

# Welcome to Trinity Episcopal Church

We are delighted to have you with us today.  
Everything that you need for the liturgy can be found in this bulletin.  
If you have questions, please don't hesitate to ask someone around you.  
Children are always welcome in the church.



## The Word of God

### Prelude:

*Please stand as you are able for the procession.*

# Processional Hymn: Lift High the Cross

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*Descant*

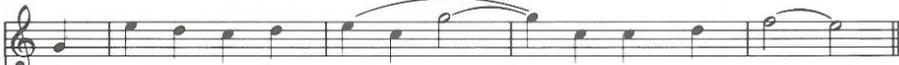


Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

*Refrain*



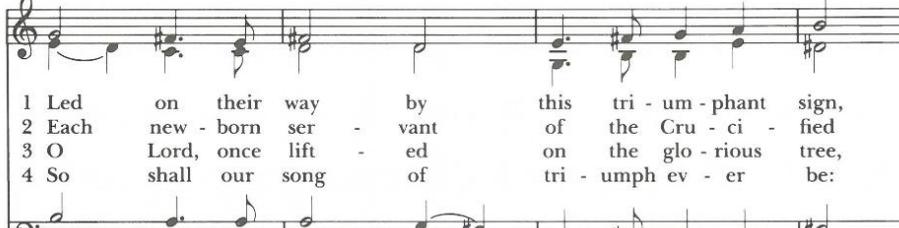
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till all the world a - dore \_\_\_\_\_ his sa - cred Name.



till all the world \_\_\_\_\_ a - dore \_\_\_\_\_ his sa - cred Name.



1 Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,  
 2 Each new - born ser - vant of the Cru - ci - fied  
 3 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,  
 4 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

*Repeat Refrain*



the hosts of God in con - quering ranks com - bine.  
 bears on the brow the seal of him who died.  
 as thou hast prom - ised, draw the world to thee.  
 praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry.



Words: George William Kitchin (1827-1912); alt. Michael Robert Newbolt (1874-1956)  
 Music: *Crucifer*, Sydney Hugo Nicholson (1875-1947); desc. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

10 10 with Refrain

## The Opening Acclamation:

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: **His mercy endures forever.**

Celebrant: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### Lord, have Mercy

S 96

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, Lord, have mer - cy.  
Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, Christ, have mer - cy. Lord,  
Christ have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord,  
Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

The image shows a musical score for the prayer 'Lord, have mercy, have mercy.' It consists of two staves: a vocal line on top and a piano accompaniment line on the bottom. Both staves are in the key of D major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The vocal line begins with a half note 'Lord,' followed by quarter notes 'have', 'mer - cy,', 'have', 'mer - cy.' The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support with chords and moving lines. The lyrics are printed below each staff.

Setting: From *Deutsche Messe*; Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

### The Collect of the Day:

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated for the reading of scripture.*

The First Lesson:

Genesis 12:1-4a

Lector: A reading from the book of Genesis.

The Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm:

Psalm 121

*Levavi oculos*

- 1 I lift up my eyes to the hills; \*  
**from where is my help to come?**
- 2 My help comes from the Lord, \*  
**the maker of heaven and earth.**
- 3 He will not let your foot be moved \*  
**and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.**
- 4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel \*  
**shall neither slumber nor sleep;**
- 5 The Lord himself watches over you; \*  
**the Lord is your shade at your right hand,**
- 6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day, \*  
**nor the moon by night.**
- 7 The Lord shall preserve you from all evil; \*  
**it is he who shall keep you safe.**
- 8 The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in, \*  
**from this time forth for evermore.**

**The Second Lesson:**

**Romans 4:1-5, 13-17**

Lector: A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.” Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”) –in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn: I want Jesus to Walk with Me

LEVAS II 70

1. I want Je - sus \_\_\_\_\_ to walk with me (walk with me); I want  
 2. In my tri - als, \_\_\_\_\_ Lord, walk with me (walk with me); In my  
 3. In my sor - rows, \_\_\_\_\_ Lord, walk with me (walk with me); In my

1. Je - sus \_\_\_\_\_ to walk with me (walk with me); All a -  
 2. tri - als, \_\_\_\_\_ Lord, walk with me (walk with me); When the  
 3. sor - rows, \_\_\_\_\_ Lord, walk with me (walk with me); When my

1. long my \_\_\_\_\_ pil - grim jour - ney, \_\_\_\_\_ Lord, I want  
 2. shades of \_\_\_\_\_ life \_\_\_\_\_ are fall - ing, \_\_\_\_\_ Lord, I want  
 3. heart with \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ is ach - ing, \_\_\_\_\_ Lord, I want

1. Je - sus to walk with me (walk with me).  
 2. Je - sus to walk with me (walk with me).  
 3. Je - sus to walk with me (walk with me).

**The Gospel:**

**John 3:1-17**

**Celebrant:** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

**People:** **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord  
People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*Please be seated*

Homily

Father Richard

*Please stand as you are able.*

### The Nicene Creed

Celebrant: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

Celebrant and People:

**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:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
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.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic 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.**

The Prayers of the People:

Lector: Have mercy on us, O God, according to your loving kindness;  
in your great compassion, hear our prayers.

We pray for the whole church, all leaders and ministers, and all the  
holy people of God.

Wash us through and through,  
**and cleanse us from our sin.**

We pray for our nation, for all the nations of the earth, and for all who govern and judge.

Purge us from our sin,  
**and we shall be pure.**

We pray for those who hunger, those who thirst, those who cry out for justice, those who live under the threat of terror, and those without a place to lay their head.

Make them hear of joy and gladness,  
**that those who are broken may rejoice.**

We pray for those who are ill, those in pain, those under stress, and those who are lonely.

Give them the joy of your saving help,  
**and sustain them with your bountiful Spirit.**

In this season of Lent, we pray for those who prepare for baptism, and we pray that we all might be given the grace and strength to repent and grow closer to you, O God.

Create in us clean hearts, O God,  
**and renew a right spirit within us.**

We pray for those who have died and who have entered into the land of eternal Light and your abiding peace.

Cast them not away from your presence,  
**and take not your Holy Spirit from them.**

We especially pray for **Neva Wilgus, Becky Daffner, Jo Stull, Bill Shaw,**  
and **LeAnne Jones** and those who we now name.

Celebrant: Lord Jesus, you did not fear for your life but instead longed  
to draw everyone to you; support us in all our comings and goings  
that we might be the brave presence of your love in the world.

**Amen.**

### The Confession of Sin

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Celebrant and People: **Most merciful God,**

**we confess that 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.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen**

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your  
sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all  
goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you  
in eternal life. **Amen.**

## The Peace

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

People: **And also with you.**

*You are welcome to share the sign of the peace with the people around you.*

## Announcements

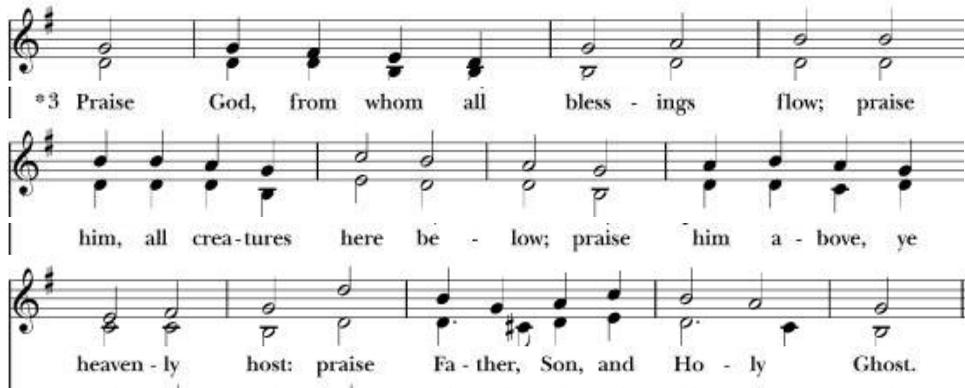
### The Holy Communion

**Offertory Sentence:** Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation  
with sounds of great gladness;\*  
I will sing and make music to the Lord.

**Offertory Hymn:** His Eye is on the Sparrow

Becky Hootman *Soloist*

*Please stand as you are able.*



<sup>3</sup> Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise  
 him, all crea-tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye  
 heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

### The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

People: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant continues:*

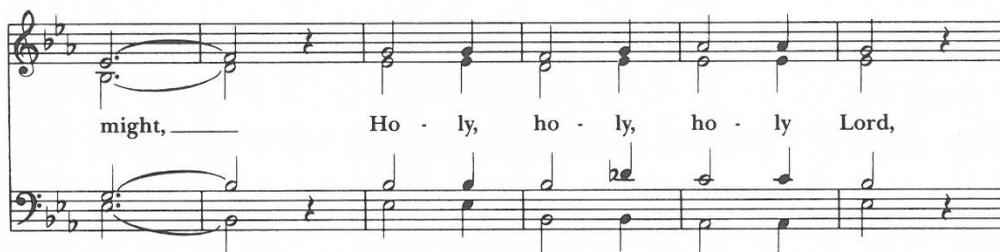
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

S 130



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and



might, — Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,



God of power and might, — hea - ven and earth are



full, — full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. 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.

Setting: From *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Celebrant and People: Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Celebrant and People: **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,  
for ever and ever. Amen**

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem: Jesus, Lamb of God

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Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

The first system of musical notation consists of a treble and bass staff. The treble staff contains a vocal line with lyrics: "Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us." The bass staff contains a piano accompaniment. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The system concludes with a double bar line.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

The second system of musical notation consists of a treble and bass staff. The treble staff contains a vocal line with lyrics: "Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us." The bass staff contains a piano accompaniment. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The system concludes with a double bar line.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

The third system of musical notation consists of a treble and bass staff. The treble staff contains a vocal line with lyrics: "Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:". The bass staff contains a piano accompaniment. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The system concludes with a double bar line.

give us your peace, give us your peace.

The fourth system of musical notation consists of a treble and bass staff. The treble staff contains a vocal line with lyrics: "give us your peace, give us your peace." The bass staff contains a piano accompaniment. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The system concludes with a double bar line.

Setting: From *Deutsche Messe*; Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*You are welcome to join us at communion. Please come forward to the rail when indicated by an usher. You may drink from the common cup, or intinct (dip) the bread in the second cup.*

*Cross your arms over your chest if you prefer a blessing.*

*Please let the presider know if you need a gluten free wafer.*

**Music During Communion: Near the Cross**

LEVAS II 29

1. Je - sus, keep me near the cross, There's a pre - cious foun - tain;  
2. Near the cross, a trem - bling soul, Love and mer - cy found me;  
3. Near the cross! O Lamb of God, Bring its scenes be - fore me;  
4. Near the cross, I'll watch and wait, Hop - ing, trust - ing ev - er,

1. Free to all, a heal - ing stream Flows from Cal - v'ry's moun - tain.  
2. There the Bright and Morn - ing Star Sheds its beams a - round me.  
3. Help me walk from day to day With its shad - ows o'er me.  
4. Till I reach the gold - en strand Just be - yond the riv - er.

In the cross, in the cross Be my glo - ry ev - er;  
Till my rap - tured soul shall find Rest be - yond the riv - er.

## The Prayer after Communion

*Please stand as you are able.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and People: **Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

## The Blessing:

Celebrant: Grant, most merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve you with a quiet mind; through Christ our Lord. And may the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## Sending Hymn: My Faith looks up to thee

H 691

1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,  
2 May thy rich grace im-part strength to my faint - ing heart,  
3 While life's dark maze I tread, and griefs a - round me spread,

Sa - vior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my  
my zeal in - spire; as thou hast died for me, O may my  
be thou my guide; bid dark-ness turn to day; wipe sor-row's

guilt a - way; O let me from this day be whol - ly thine.  
love to thee pure, warm, and change-less be, a liv - ing fire.  
tears a - way, nor let me ev - er stray from thee a - side.

Words: Ray Palmer (1808-1887)  
Music: Olivet, Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

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**The Dismissal:**

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude:**

Please join us in the Parish Hall following the service  
for a time of coffee and fellowship.

**Those Serving Today**

Celebrant:	Father Richard
Organist	Joel Hootman
Acolytes:	Charlie and Ryan Gibbemeyer
Lectors:	Dave Cobb and Jim Beerbower
Usher:	George Gutermuth
Camera:	Evanthia Owen
Altar Guild:	Jenny Anticoli and Katie Sparks
Little Library Steward:	Susan Beerbower

**This Week at Trinity: March 1 – 7**

Sundays	March		Children’s Formation class during coffee hour
Monday	March 2	10:00am	Buildings & Grounds meeting
Wednesday	March 4	7:00 pm	Celtic Compline
Thursday	March 5	1:00pm	Fellowship meeting

## Parish Cycle of Prayer

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants **Pat Marchal and Carole Van Osdol, Dave, Brianne and Caleb Middendorf, Renee Mote and Jeff Otto and Evanthia Owen.** Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Prayer For Those Celebrating Birthdays and Anniversaries

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Prayer For Those in the Armed Forces

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad, especially **Kevin Kirsch (son of Kevin and Kathleen Kirsch); Aaron Griggs, Seth Glenn, and Eean Glenn (grandchildren of Diana Bodenmiller).** Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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