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Laetare, the Fourth Sunday in Lent March 30, 2025

# Before Worship ~ Speak to God (Silent Prayer) After Worship ~ Speak to Friends (Socialize)

A special welcome to our guests today. May you find grace and blessing in the time we spend together. If you are looking for a church home, please speak to one of the pastors. We would be happy to share with you ways in which you might become a regular part of our Christian fellowship. PLEASE FILL OUT A VISITOR'S CARD and put it in the offering plate when it is passed.

## **HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES**

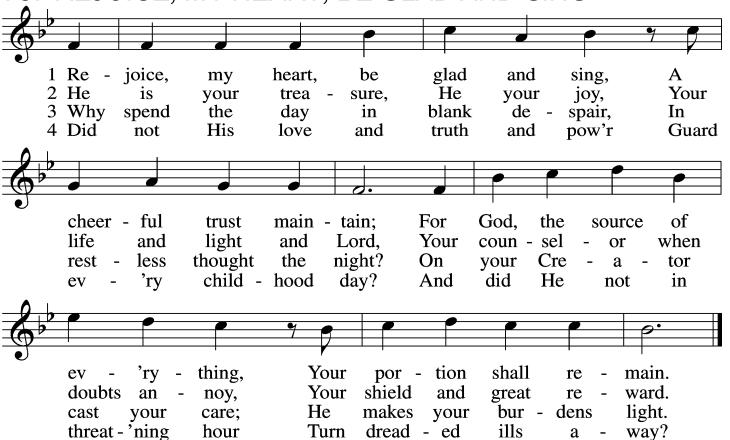
If you have trouble hearing during the worship service we have hearing assistance devices for your use. Please ask an usher for assistance in getting one.

## **NOTE ABOUT COMMUNION:**

Holy Communion will be celebrated during our worship service today. Because this meal is an expression of the unity of faith that binds believers together, Trinity Lutheran Church practices closed communion. This means that we invite to the altar all those who are currently confirmed members in good standing of congregations belonging to the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) and any church body with which we are in altar and pulpit fellowship. If you are not a member of this confession of faith, we ask that you remain in your pew during the distribution. In order to maintain this practice of closed communion, those who are not members here at Trinity should speak with the pastor before communing at this altar. If you have questions regarding this scriptural practice or would like to talk about communing at Trinity in the future, please visit with or contact the pastor.

Organist: Lydia Schaefer

737 REJOICE, MY HEART, BE GLAD AND SING



- 5 He only will with patience chide, His rod falls gently down; And all your sins He casts aside In ocean depths to drown.
- 6 His wisdom never plans in vain Nor falters nor mistakes. All that His counsels may ordain A blessèd ending makes.
- 7 Upon your lips, then, lay your hand, And trust His guiding love; Then like a rock your peace shall stand Here and in heav'n above.

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# The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- c and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

# Silence for reflection on God's Word and for selfexamination.

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the

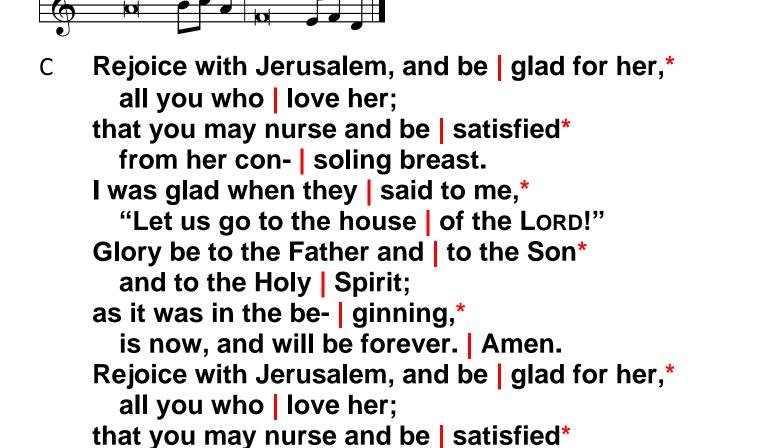
grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

INTROIT

# SERVICE OF THE WORD

Psalm 122





from her con- | soling breast.



#### SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.



- P Let us pray.
- P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



#### OLD TESTAMENT READING

Exodus 16:2-21

<sup>2</sup>And the whole congregation of the people of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness, <sup>3</sup>and the people of Israel said to them, "Would that we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by

the meat pots and ate bread to the full, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

<sup>4</sup>Then the LORD said to Moses, "Behold, I am about to rain bread from heaven for you, and the people shall go out and gather a day's portion every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in my law or not. <sup>5</sup>On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather daily." <sup>6</sup>So Moses and Aaron said to all the people of Israel, "At evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, <sup>7</sup>and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your grumbling against the LORD. For what are we, that you grumble against us?" <sup>8</sup>And Moses said, "When the LORD gives you in the evening meat to eat and in the morning bread to the full, because the LORD has heard your grumbling that you grumble against him—what are we? Your grumbling is not against us but against the LORD."

<sup>9</sup>Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, 'Come near before the LORD, for he has heard your grumbling." <sup>10</sup>And as soon as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, they looked toward the wilderness, and behold, the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. <sup>11</sup>And the LORD said to Moses, <sup>12</sup>"I have heard the grumbling of the people of Israel. Say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall be filled with bread. Then you shall know that I am the LORD your God."

<sup>13</sup>In the evening quail came up and covered the camp, and in the morning dew lay around the camp. <sup>14</sup>And when the dew had gone up, there was on the face of the wilderness a

fine, flake-like thing, fine as frost on the ground. 15When the people of Israel saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. And Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat. 16This is what the LORD has commanded: 'Gather of it, each one of you, as much as he can eat. You shall each take an omer, according to the number of the persons that each of you has in his tent." <sup>17</sup>And the people of Israel did so. They gathered, some more, some less. <sup>18</sup>But when they measured it with an omer, whoever gathered much had nothing left over, and whoever gathered little had no lack. Each of them gathered as much as he could eat. 19 And Moses said to them, "Let no one leave any of it over till the morning." 20 But they did not listen to Moses. Some left part of it till the morning, and it bred worms and stank. And Moses was angry with them. <sup>21</sup>Morning by morning they gathered it, each as much as he could eat; but when the sun grew hot, it melted.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL Psalm 122

C I was glad when they | said to me,\*

"Let us go to the house | of the LORD!"

Peace be with- | in your walls\*

and security within your | towers!

**EPISTLE** 

Galatians 4:21–31

<sup>21</sup>Tell me, you who desire to be under the law, do you not listen to the law? <sup>22</sup>For it is written that Abraham had two

sons, one by a slave woman and one by a free woman. <sup>23</sup>But the son of the slave was born according to the flesh, while the son of the free woman was born through promise. <sup>24</sup>Now this may be interpreted allegorically: these women are two covenants. One is from Mount Sinai, bearing children for slavery; she is Hagar. <sup>25</sup>Now Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia; she corresponds to the present Jerusalem, for she is in slavery with her children. <sup>26</sup>But the Jerusalem above is free, and she is our mother. <sup>27</sup>For it is written,

"Rejoice, O barren one who does not bear; break forth and cry aloud, you who are not in labor! For the children of the desolate one will be more than those of the one who has a husband."

<sup>28</sup>Now you, brothers, like Isaac, are children of promise. <sup>29</sup>But just as at that time he who was born according to the flesh persecuted him who was born according to the Spirit, so also it is now. <sup>30</sup>But what does the Scripture say? "Cast out the slave woman and her son, for the son of the slave woman shall not inherit with the son of the free woman." <sup>31</sup>So, brothers, we are not children of the slave but of the free woman.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

**TRACT** 

Psalm 125:1-2, 5b

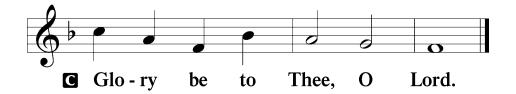
Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount | Zion,\*
which cannot be moved, but abides for- | ever.
As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the LORD

# surrounds his | people,\* from this time forth and forevermore. Peace be upon | Israel!

#### HOLY GOSPEL

John 6:1-15

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixth chapter.



<sup>1</sup>After this Jesus went away to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias. <sup>2</sup>And a large crowd was following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing on the sick. 3Jesus went up on the mountain, and there he sat down with his disciples. 4Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand. <sup>5</sup>Lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a large crowd was coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?" 6He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he would do. <sup>7</sup>Philip answered him, "Two hundred denarii would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." <sup>8</sup>One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, 9"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?" 10 Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, about five thousand in number. <sup>11</sup>Jesus then took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated. So also the fish, as much as they wanted. <sup>12</sup>And when they had eaten

their fill, he told his disciples, "Gather up the leftover fragments, that nothing may be lost." <sup>13</sup>So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten. <sup>14</sup>When the people saw the sign that he had done, they said, "This is indeed the Prophet who is to come into the world!"

<sup>15</sup>Perceiving then that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



#### NICENE CREED

C 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 worshiped 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 T of the world to come. Amen.

# 743 JESUS. PRICELESS TREASURE



5 Evil world, I leave thee; Thou canst not deceive me, Thine appeal is vain. Sin that once did blind me, Get thee far behind me,
Come not forth again.
Past thy hour,
O pride and pow'r;
Sinful life, thy bonds I sever,
Leave thee now forever.

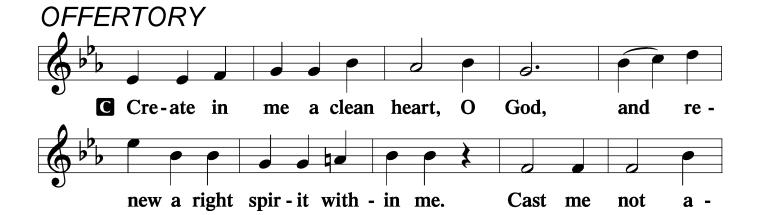
For the Lord of gladness,
Jesus, enters in.
Those who love the Father,
Though the storms may gather,
Still have peace within.
Yea, whate'er
I here must bear,
Thou art still my purest pleasure,
Jesus, priceless treasure!

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#### SERMON

- P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
- C Amen.





#### **OFFERING**

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

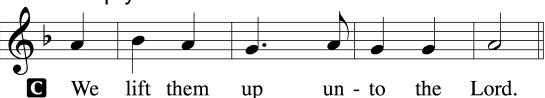
# SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

### **PREFACE**

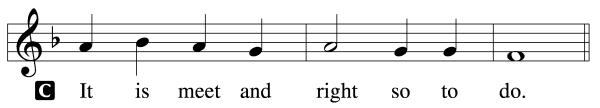
P The Lord be with you.



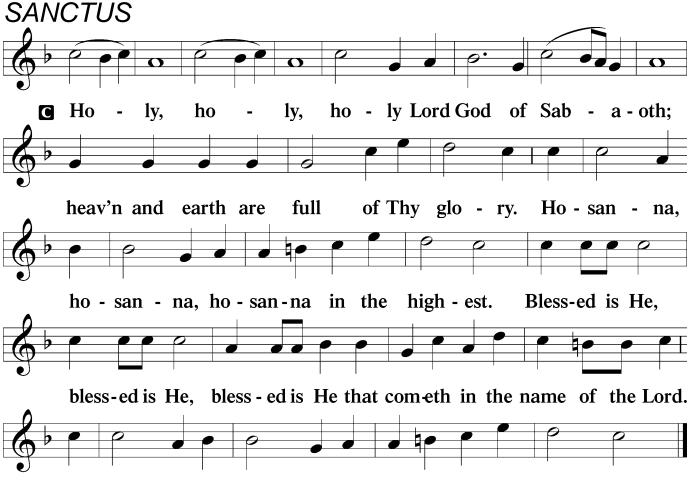
P Lift up your hearts.



P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



P It is truly meet, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

# LORD'S PRAYER

P 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.

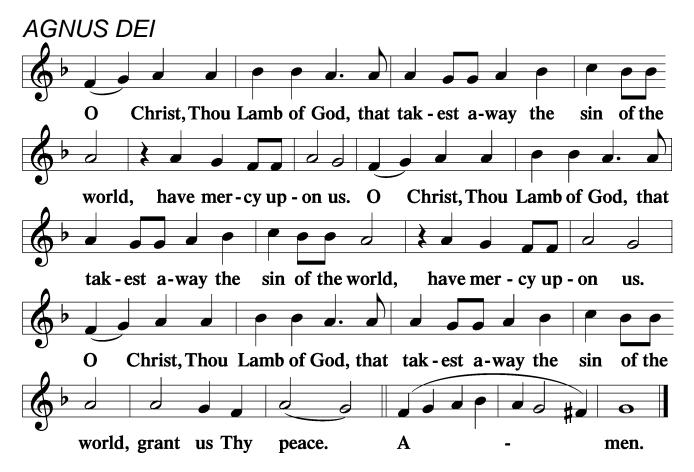


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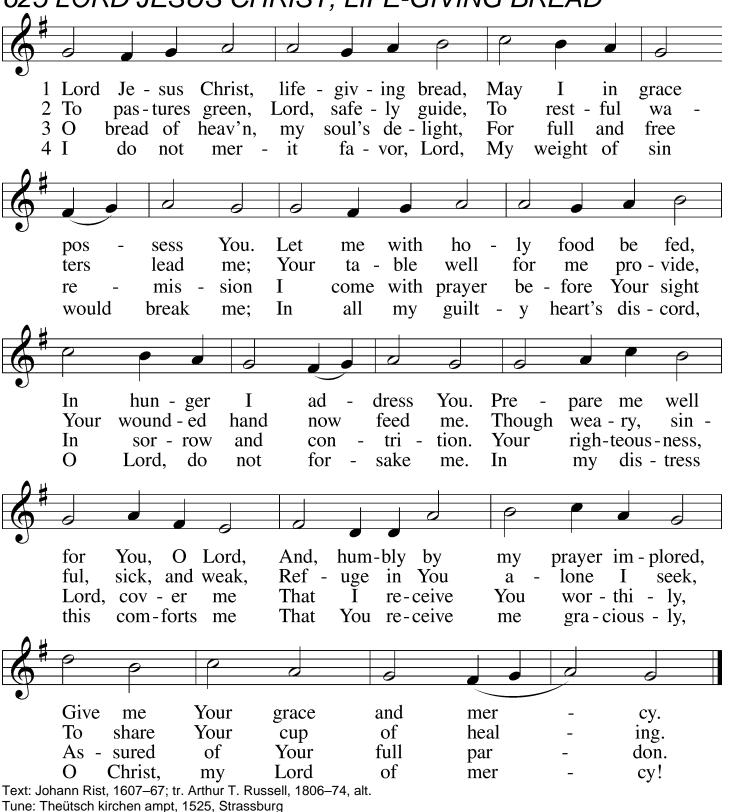
P The peace of the Lord be with you always.





## DISTRIBUTION

# 625 LORD JESUS CHRIST, LIFE-GIVING BREAD



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# 556 DEAR CHRISTIANS, ONE AND ALL, REJOICE



His right arm the vic-t'ry won. What price our ran-som cost Him! life be-came a liv-ing hell, So firm-ly sin pos-sessed me. on - ly death to be my share; The pangs of hell I suf-fered. did not choose the eas-y part But gave His dear-est trea-sure.

5 God said to His belovèd Son: "It's time to have compassion. Then go, bright jewel of My crown, And bring to all salvation. From sin and sorrow set them free; Slay bitter death for them that they May live with You forever."

- 6 The Son obeyed His Father's will,
  Was born of virgin mother;
  And God's good pleasure to fulfill,
  He came to be my brother.
  His royal pow'r disguised He bore;
  A servant's form, like mine, He wore
  To lead the devil captive.
- 7 To me He said: "Stay close to Me, I am your rock and castle. Your ransom I Myself will be; For you I strive and wrestle. For I am yours, and you are Mine, And where I am you may remain; The foe shall not divide us.
- - 9 "Now to My Father I depart,
    From earth to heav'n ascending,
    And, heav'nly wisdom to impart,
    The Holy Spirit sending;
    In trouble He will comfort you
    And teach you always to be true
    And into truth shall guide you.

"What I on earth have done and taught Guide all your life and teaching; So shall the kingdom's work be wrought And honored in your preaching. But watch lest foes with base alloy The heav'nly treasure should destroy; This final word I leave you."

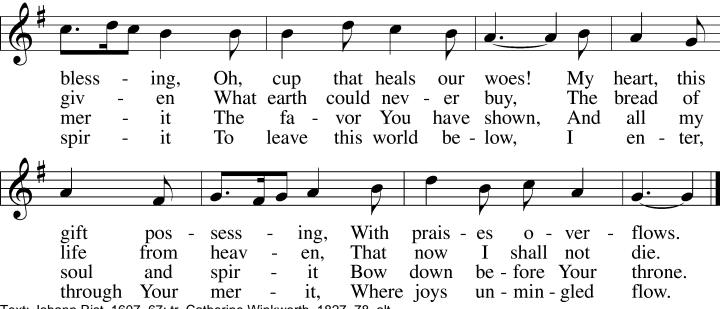
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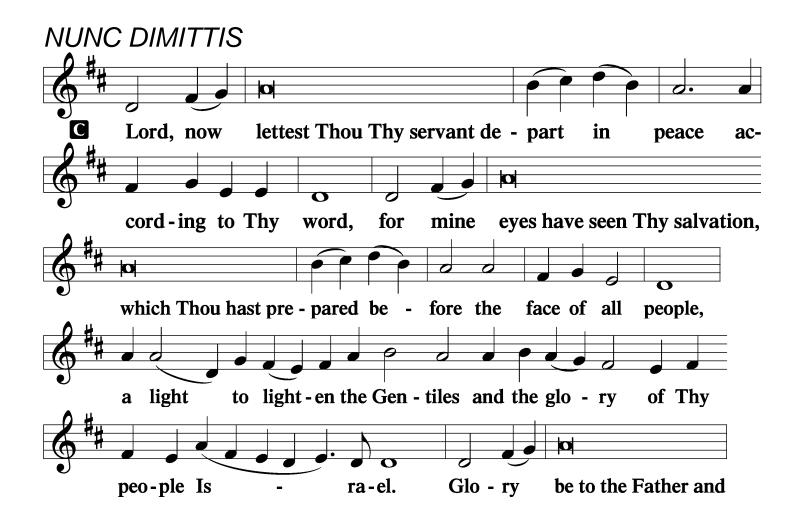


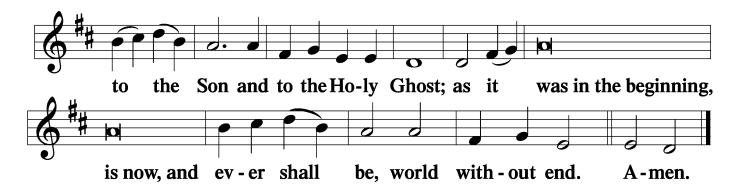


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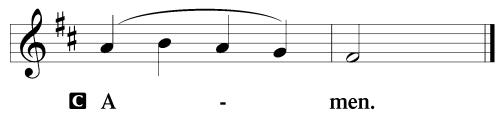
#### **THANKSGIVING**

A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



## A 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.



P The Lord be with you.



# **BENEDICAMUS**

A Bless we the Lord.



# **BENEDICTION**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and T give you peace.



# 756 WHY SHOULD CROSS AND TRIAL GRIEVE ME



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#### THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

| Sun  | Mar 30   | 9:00 AM     | Divine Service                 |
|------|----------|-------------|--------------------------------|
|      |          | 10:30 AM    | Education Hour                 |
| Tues | Apr 01   | 1:00 PM     | Quilting                       |
|      |          | 4:30 PM     | Women's Ministry Meeting       |
| Wed  | Apr 02   | 1:00 PM     | Men's Choir                    |
|      |          | 5:15 PM     | Midweek Meal                   |
|      |          | 6:30 PM     | Worship Service                |
|      |          | 7:30 PM     | Confirmation                   |
| Thur | s Apr 03 | 8:00 AM     | CC Classes                     |
|      |          | 6:30 PM     | Choir Practice                 |
| Fri  | Apr 04   | 3:00 PM     | Women's Ministry Retreat Setup |
| Sat  | April 05 | 8:00-3:00PM | Promised Rest Retreat          |
| Sun  | Apr 06   | 9:00 AM     | Divine Service                 |
|      |          | 10:30 AM    | Education Hour                 |

#### **YOU ARE INVITED!!!**

Exciting news!! On **Saturday, April 5 (next week)**, the Trinity Women's Ministry is sponsoring a retreat led by Michelle Diercks, Concordia Publishing House author, based on her book, Promised Rest. ALL confirmed members of Trinity (yes, men, too) are invited. The event starts at 8:00 AM and ends at 3:15. The cost is \$15\* and includes lunch and all retreat materials. Registration forms are on the Women's Ministry table. Please come and join your Trinity family for this faith-filled and meaningful time together. Rides are available. Contact a member of the Women's Ministry for that (Julie Lee, Michelle Hinze, Alice Opatrny, Sue Markworth or Mary Tyson).

\*Scholarships are available if the cost is a problem. Talk to Julie Lee. (612)283-1776

#### **EASTER ALTAR FLOWERS**

It's time to order flowers to decorate the church for Easter Sunday. Orders need to be placed by **TODAY**. Order forms and additional information are on the table in the hallway outside the church doors. Leave your order and payment in the basket next to the order forms. Plants will be delivered to the church during Holy Week and may be taken home after the service on Easter morning. If you have questions, contact Sue Markworth (651-308-5673)

#### **SPRING FLOWER SALE**

Please see the details enclosed with this bulletin, or the flyers that are on the Women's Ministry table. Any questions, or if you need assistance in ordering, please contact Sue Markworth, Julie Lee, Michelle Hintze, Alice Opatrny, Hazel Truax or Doris Fischer.

#### FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Donations needed for the Sunday School Easter Egg Hunt on April 13. Annie's bunny fruit snacks, Starburst jellybeans, Easter color Hershey's chocolate kisses and eggs are needed. All of these are allergen free. Please leave donations in the Sunday school basket on the table in the narthex. Thank you!

#### **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

Operation Christmas Child will start shortly with projects and workshops. In the meantime you can collect Altoid tins, any kind of cards and medicine bottles. You can place them on the Operation Christmas Child table for Donna to collect. Cash donations will also be accepted. Any questions please feel free to contact Donna Born (651)295-1587.

#### **CHURCH SPRING CLEANING**

Please put Saturday, April 12 on your calendars to come help Spring clean our Church. Cleaning both inside and outside are needed to be done. 9:00A.M. start time. For more details, Contact Peter Beyl at (651) 500-7748.