

**Sunday March 12th, 2017  
Lutheran Heritage Sunday**

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## + LUTHERAN HERITAGE FOUNDATION SUNDAY+

### JESUS SHALL REIGN

LSB 832 sts. 1, 3, 5

- 1 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun  
Does its successive journeys run;  
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore  
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.
- 3 People and realms of ev'ry tongue  
Dwell on His love with sweetest song;  
And infant voices shall proclaim  
Their early blessings on His name.
- 5 Let ev'ry creature rise and bring  
Honors peculiar to our King;  
Angels descend with songs again,  
And earth repeat the loud amen.

### OPENING VERSICLES

- P** This is the day which the Lord has made;  
**C** **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**
- P** From the rising of the sun to its setting,  
**C** **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**
- P** Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful,  
**C** **slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and repents of evil.**
- P** Jesus said: If any man would come after Me,  
**C** **let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me.**
- P** Christ was wounded for our transgressions.  
**C** **He was bruised for our iniquities.**
- P** From the rising of the sun to its setting,  
**C** **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**
- C** **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.**

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

**P** Let us pray.....

**C** Amen.

## READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

### EPISTLE

Romans 4:1–8, 13–17

**L** The Epistle is from Romans, the fourth chapter.

<sup>1</sup>What then shall we say was gained by Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh? <sup>2</sup>For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. <sup>3</sup>For what does the Scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness.” <sup>4</sup>Now to the one who works, his wages are not counted as a gift but as his due. <sup>5</sup>And to the one who does not work but trusts him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness, <sup>6</sup>just as David also speaks of the blessing of the one to whom God counts righteousness apart from works:

<sup>7</sup>“Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven,  
and whose sins are covered;

<sup>8</sup>blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin.”

<sup>13</sup> The promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith.

<sup>14</sup>For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup>For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression.

<sup>16</sup>That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring—not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, <sup>17</sup>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.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## CHOIR

**P** The Holy Gospel according to John, the third chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him.” <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.” <sup>4</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother’s womb and be born?” <sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. <sup>6</sup>That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup>Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ <sup>8</sup>The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.”

<sup>9</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered him, “Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? <sup>11</sup>Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup>If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? <sup>13</sup>No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup>And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup>[Jesus said:] “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

<sup>17</sup>For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## RESPONSORY

**P** Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

**C** **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**

**P** Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.

**C** **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**

- P** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.  
**C** **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### SPREAD THE REIGN OF GOD THE LORD LSB 830 sts. 1–2, 5–6

- 1 Spread the reign of God the Lord,  
Spoken, written, mighty Word;  
Ev'rywhere His creatures call  
To His heav'nly banquet hall.
- 2 Tell how God the Father's will  
Made the world, upholds it still,  
How His own dear Son He gave  
Us from sin and death to save.
- 5 Enter, mighty Word, the field;  
Ripe the promise of its yield.  
But the reapers, oh, how few  
For the work there is to do!
- 6 Lord of harvest, great and kind,  
Rouse to action heart and mind;  
Let the gath'ring nations all  
See Your light and heed Your call.

**SERMON** *"Rev. Larry Rockmann - Lutheran Heritage Foundation"*

## APOSTLES' CREED

- C** ***I believe in God, the Father Almighty,***  
**maker of heaven and earth.**  
***And in Jesus Christ, His only Son,*** our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin  
Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and  
was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose  
again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at  
the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He  
will come to judge the living and the dead.  
***I believe in the Holy Spirit,***

the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## RETURN GIFTS AND TITHES TO GOD

### PRAYER

#### LUTHER'S MORNING PRAYER

**C** I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

### BLESSING

**P** The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

**C** Amen.

## CHRIST THE ETERNAL LORD

LSB 829 sts. 1–4

- 1 Christ the eternal Lord,  
Whose promise here we claim,  
Whose gifts of grace are freely poured  
On all who name Your name;  
With thankfulness and praise  
We stand before Your throne,  
Intent to serve You all our days  
And make Your glory known.
- 2 Christ the unchanging Word  
To ev'ry passing age,  
Whose timeless teachings still are heard  
Set forth on Scripture's page;  
Transform our thought and mind,  
Enlighten all who read,  
Within Your Word by faith to find  
The bread of life indeed.

- 3 Christ the redeeming Son,  
 Who shares our human birth,  
 And by His death salvation won  
 For ev'ry child of earth;  
 Inspire our hearts, we pray,  
 To tell Your love abroad,  
 That all may honor Christ today  
 And follow Him as Lord.
- 4 Christ the unfading Light  
 Of everlasting day,  
 Our Morning Star in splendor bright,  
 The Life, the Truth, the Way;  
 That light of truth You give  
 To servants as to friends,  
 Your way to walk, Your life to live,  
 Till earth's brief journey ends.

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**Last Week's Ash Wednesday Offering: \$436**

**Last Week's Ash Wednesday Attendance: 54**

**Last Week's Plate/Envelope Offering: \$2,927**

**Last Week's Attendance Sunday: 78**

**BIRTHDAYS:** Nestor Perdomo, Tue 3/14; Max Rautenbach, Wed 3/15

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** In Honor of all of our Homebound Members

**Calendar for the week of 3/12/2017**

<b>Today</b>	<b>3/12</b>	<b>8:45am</b>	<b>Bible Discussion</b>
		<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Worship</b>
		9:30-12pm	Blood Drive
		11:15am	Women's Club
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>3/15</b>	9:30am	Wednesday Women of the Word
		<b>1:00pm</b>	<b>Lenten Service</b>
		6:00pm	Lenten Supper
		<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Lenten Service</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>3/16</b>	8:30am	TLA Chapel
		10:00am	LC Chapel
		6:45pm	Choir
		7:00pm	Tarpon River
<b>Friday</b>	<b>3/17</b>		St. Patrick's Day
		7:00pm	B.U.S.H. Club
		8:00pm	Haitian Prayer
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>3/18</b>	8:00am	Men's Breakfast Club
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>3/19</b>	<b>8:45am</b>	<b>Bible Discussion</b>
		<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Worship</b>



**LENT**

# LENT/EASTER SCHEDULE

**3/15 - Midweek Lent Service (Lent Supper 5:45)**  
**1pm & 7pm**

**3/22 - Midweek Lent Service (Lent Supper 5:45)**  
**1pm & 7pm**

**3/29 - Midweek Lent Service (Lent Supper 5:45)**  
**1pm & 7pm**

**4/05 - Midweek Lent Service (Lent Supper 5:45)**  
**1pm & 7pm**

**4/09 - Palm Sunday Service**  
**10 am**

**4/13 - Maundy Thursday w/Holy Communion**  
**1pm & 7pm**

**4/14 - Good Friday Service**  
**1pm**

**4/14 - Good Friday Service of Darkness** **7pm**

**4/16 - Easter Sunrise Service**

**6:30am**

**\*\*Outdoor Acoustic Service - Bring Chair\*\***

**- Easter Breakfast in Fellowship Hall**  
**8am-9:30am**

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**Service of the Resurrection**  
**10am**

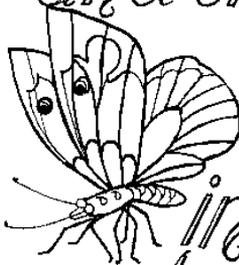
Trinity Congregation Members,  
The Current Financial TEAM has worked faithfully to insure that our members have always been provided with sound business practices. In order to continue maintaining these accurate cash/flow services, we have decided to establish a system to correct an area that we have deemed inadequate in the past. Specifically, it pertains to a lack of a Central Policy for the purchase of goods and services. We have decided that in order for us to maintain Fiscal Responsibility and Budgetary accuracy, that as of February 20, 2017:

1. Any requests for all expenditures that will impact the Trinity Congregation's Budget must be approved by the Church Council or contact made through Trinity's Administrative Assistant. This can be done by contacting a member of the Council or placing it in writing in the Receipt Ledger, that will be maintained in the office.
2. Any expenditure that a member wishes to personally underwrite is wonderful and we are thankful as a group. In order for us to maintain an orderly system, however it is necessary to place your action in the Receipt Book. We have found in the past that duplicate actions have been taken.

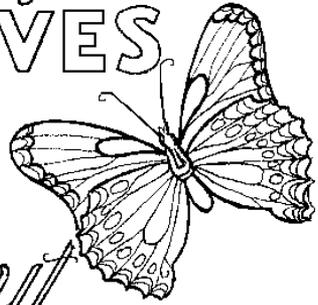
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Yours in Christ,  
Trinity Finance TEAM



For GOD  
SO LOVED  
*the world that*  
He gave His ONE  
and only SON  
that whoever  
BELIEVES



in HIM



shall not  
perish but  
have ETERNAL  
LIFE.

JOHN 3:16

