

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 22, 2026

WELCOME TO TRINITY We are glad to have you worship with us today!
We ask visitors who wish to participate in Holy Communion to visit with the Pastor or an Elder before the service. Thank you.

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SUNDAY DIVINE SERVICE 9:00 A.M.
BIBLE STUDY & SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:20 A.M.

SERMON: *Yes, Lord, I Believe*
Text: John 11:1-45

SERMON HYMN: 953 *We All Believe in One True God*

SERVING TODAY: Elder: Jeff Koch

Altar Guild: Sharon Tyler

Schedule: **Wednesday, Mar 25th**, Catechism 5:30 pm. Lent Service at 6:30 pm.

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Altar Flowers: Are not used in Lent.

Our Prayer Requests:

- † The family of Chuck Smith, as they mourn his loss.
- † Barbara Brott, wife of Dennis Brott, have surgery this week.
- † Tina Cantrell, daughter of Larry and Diane Cross, receiving treatment for cancer
- † Bruce Rutz, brother of Sue Coon, undergoing cancer treatments.
- † Marilyn Van Zee, sister of Dennis Smith, for healing.
- † Mary Haglaud, cancer, friend of Dennis Smith.
- † Linda Marquardt for the trials and tribulations she faces with her MS.

If you have Thrivent, remember to designate your Thrivent Choice Dollars.

KCCI/Channel 8: Watch for Services and Activities Cancellations on Channel 8 or you can check the KCCI Webpage <https://www.kcci.com/weather/closings>

This Easter, before and after the Divine Service. We will be taking pictures for an update Directory for Trinity. You may also provide a current family photo if you would rather do that.

Building Healthy Families: “Wrinkles merely indicate where smiles have been,” suggested Mark Twain in a nod to the prestige of old age. Yet today we spend millions of dollars trying to look and feel younger than our years. As Christians, we understand our value is not found in how we look or in what we can do. We’re valuable – even as the number of our limitations (or wrinkles) increase with each passing year – because Jesus says we are and demonstrated it by giving His life as a ransom for ours. If you’re experiencing concerns with aging, chronic illness, disability, or any life transition or limitation and would like to talk to a confidential, experienced, caring counselor who shares your Lutheran faith and worldview, call us – it’s why we’re here! Learn more at www.LutheranFamilyService.org **Lutheran Family Service**

A Life Thought in the Church Year for March 22 (Lent 5): Jesus is the “resurrection and the life” (John 11:25), the one true God who raises the dead from their graves and gives them new life (Ezekiel 37:5-6). Everything Jesus has said and done testifies that He gives, sustains, and loves life. It is inconceivable to think that Jesus, who raised Lazarus from the tomb and who died to “give life to our mortal bodies” (Romans 8:11), would approve of the murder of any innocent person, regardless of their size or condition.

Scripture: “For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” — *Matthew 6:21*

Stewardship Sentence:

As we approach the cross and empty tomb, Resurrection joy invites us to place our treasure—and our trust—fully in Christ and the new life we gain through faith in this all-availing sacrifice.

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS: Adeline Ory

CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES: Jay & Sue Coon, and Kevin and Robin Holcombe

Giving Report 03/11/2026: Lent: \$1263.00 Mission: \$0.00

Giving Report 03/15/2026: General: \$895.00 Mission: \$0.00

Attendance 03/11/2026: 28

Attendance 03/08/2026: 39

Divine Service (Setting Three)

Opening Hymn..... p. **420**
Confession & Absolution
Confession/Absolution..... p. 184-5

Service of the Word

Introit.....Insert
Patri.....p. 186
Kyrie.....p. 186

Salutation.....p. 189
Collect.....Insert
OT Reading.....Insert
Gradual.....Insert
Epistle.....Insert
Alleluia.....p. 190
Holy Gospel.....Insert
Children’s Message
Nicene Creed.....p. 191
Hymn of the Day..... p. **953**

Sermon
Offertory.....p. 192-3
Offering
Prayer of the Church (*stand*)

Service of the Sacrament

Preface.....p. 194
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Lord’s Prayer.....p. 196
Words of Our Lord.....p. 197
Pax Domini
Agnus Dei.....p. 198
Distribution Hymn..... p. **752**
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Nunc Dimittis..... p. 199-200
Collect.....p. 201
Salutation/Benedicamus
Benediction.....p. 202
Closing Hymn..... p. **430**