

# **WELCOME!**

## **Trinity Lutheran Church**



“Blessed is the one  
who comes in the name  
of the Lord.”

LUKE 13:35, NRSV

**March 16, 2025**

- \* = Please stand if able**
- = Please be seated**

- Prelude - *By Pam Sherman***
- Office of the Acolyte**
- Ringing of the Bell**
- Welcome**

# \* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross,  
the sign marked at baptism...*

L: We confess our sins before God and  
one another.

*Pause for silence and reflection.*

L: God of the journey,

# **\* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**C: We do not want to follow where you lead. Instead, we turn inward, focusing on satisfying our own wants, even at the expense of our neighbors. We do not see their suffering; we do not act for their justice. We are motivated by the fear of not getting what we want, or of losing what we have. We ignore the example of your sacrificial love, which has the power to heal and make whole.**



# **\* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**C: Forgive us for refusing to heed your call. Change our hearts, our minds, and our actions, so that we might return to following you, no matter where your journey leads.**

# **\* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**P: Our God is a God of abundant grace and mercy, and never lets us go. For the sake of Jesus, God With Us, who gave all for the redemption of creation, ✝ your sins are forgiven. Follow in Christ's loving footsteps.**

**C: Amen**

# \*Gathering Song/Hymn of Praise

**“Chief of Sinners  
Though I Be”  
LBW 306**



“Blessed is the one  
who comes in the name  
of the Lord.”

LUKE 13:35, NRSV

**\*“Chief of Sinners Though I Be” LBW 306**

**1 Chief of sinners though I be,  
Jesus shed his blood for me,  
died that I might live on high,  
lives that I might never die.  
As the branch is to the vine,  
I am his, and he is mine.**



**\*“Chief of Sinners Though I Be” LBW 306**

**2 Oh, the height of Jesus' love!  
Higher than the heav'ns above,  
deeper than the depths of sea,  
lasting as eternity.  
Love that found me—wondrous  
thought—  
found me when I sought him not.**

**\*“Chief of Sinners Though I Be” LBW 306**

**3 Only Jesus can impart  
balm to heal the wounded heart,  
peace that flows from sin forgiv'n,  
joy that lifts the soul to heav'n,  
faith and hope to walk with God  
in the way that Enoch trod.**

**\*“Chief of Sinners Though I Be” LBW 306**

**4 Chief of sinners though I be,  
Christ is all in all to me;  
all my wants to him are known,  
all my sorrows are his own.  
He sustains the hidden life  
safe with him from earthly strife.**

**\*“Chief of Sinners Though I Be” LBW 306**

**5 O my Savior, help afford  
by your Spirit and your word!  
When my wayward heart  
would stray,  
keep me in the narrow way;  
grace in time of need supply  
while I live and when I die.**

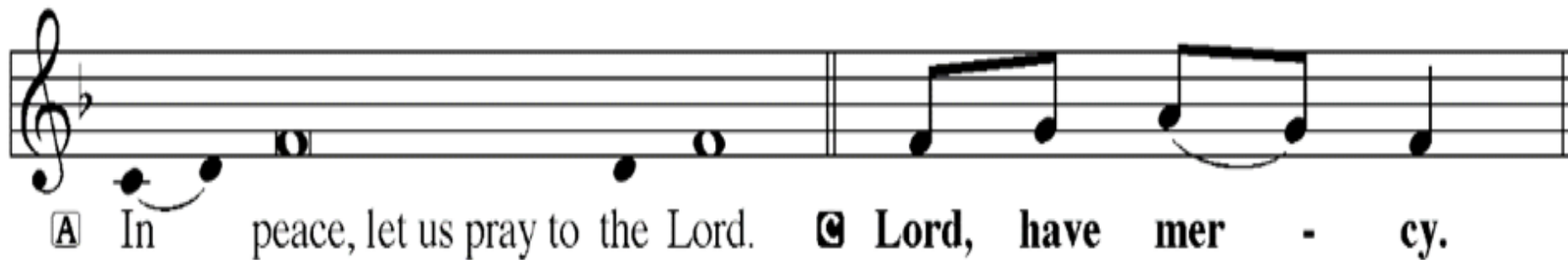


# **\* APOSTOLIC GREETING**

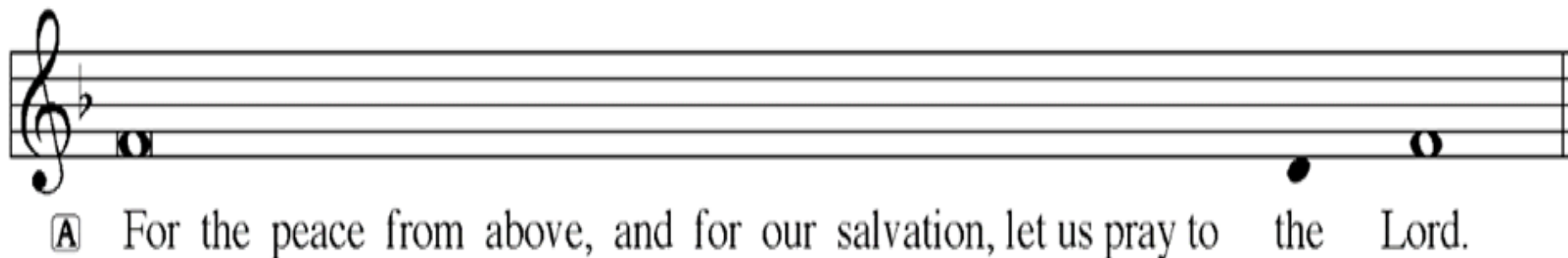
**P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God, and the communion  
of the Holy Spirit be with you all.**

**C: And also with you.**

# \* KYRIE



**A** In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

# \* KYRIE



**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

# \* KYRIE



**A** For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **C** A - men



## **\* HYMN OF PRAISE**

**Glory be to God in heaven;  
peace, goodwill to all the earth.  
Mighty God of all creation,  
Father of surpassing worth:  
we exalt you, we adore you,  
we lift high our thanks and praise.  
Saints and angels bow before you;  
here on earth our songs we raise.**

## **\* HYMN OF PRAISE**

**Glory be to Christ forever,  
Lamb of God and Lord of love.  
Son of God and gracious Savior,  
you have come from heav'n above;  
on the cross you died to save us;  
now you reign at God's right hand.  
Hear our prayer; restore, forgive  
us; in your promise firm we stand.**

## **\* HYMN OF PRAISE**

**Holy One we now acclaim you;  
Lord alone, to you we call;  
Holy One in faith we name you,  
God most high, yet near to all:  
Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit,  
in the Father's splendor bright.  
For the peace that we inherit,  
glory be to God on high!**

# **\* PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P:** Let us pray... Holy God, you call us to gather under your wings and yet we turn away. Open our ears to hear and our hearts to receive the truth that you desire to be in relationship with us. Help us to seek your care and provision each and every day. In Jesus' name we pray.

**C: Amen**







1. Savior
2. Redeemer
3. Bread of Life
4. Lord
5. Creator
6. Son of the Living God
7. Only Begotten Son
8. Light of the World

9. Holy One of Israel
10. Wonderful Counsellor
11. Mighty God
12. Everlasting Father
13. Prince of Peace
14. King of Kings
15. Lord of Lords
16. Mother Hen

# • **Scripture Reading**

**L: Our scripture reading is from  
the Gospel of Luke, Chapter 13.**

**C: Glory to you O' Lord!**



- **Luke 13:1-9, 31-35**

**At that very time there were some present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. <sup>2</sup>He asked them, “Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? <sup>3</sup>No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. <sup>4</sup>Or those eighteen who were**



- **Luke 13:1-9, 31-35**

killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? <sup>5</sup>No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.”

<sup>6</sup>Then he told this parable: “A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. <sup>7</sup>So he said to the

- **Luke 13:1-9, 31-35**

gardener, ‘See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?’ <sup>8</sup>He replied, ‘Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. <sup>9</sup>If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.’”

- **Luke 13:1-9, 31-35**

**<sup>31</sup>At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, “Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.” <sup>32</sup>He said to them, “Go and tell that fox for me, ‘Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. <sup>33</sup>Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet**



- **Luke 13:1-9, 31-35**

**to be killed outside of Jerusalem.'**

**<sup>34</sup>Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing!**



- **Luke 13:1-9, 31-35**

**<sup>35</sup>See, your house is left to you.  
And I tell you, you will not see me  
until the time comes when you  
say, ‘Blessed is the one who  
comes in the name of the Lord.’”**

- **Luke 13:1-9, 31-35**

**R: This is the Word of the Lord.**

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

# Sermon



“Blessed is the one  
who comes in the name  
of the Lord.”

LUKE 13:35, NRSV



# Sermon





# Sermon

**HOW DID ISAIAH DIE?**



# Sermon



# Sermon





# Sermon





# Sermon



# Sermon





# Sermon



# **\* NICENE CREED**

**C: We believe in one God, the Father,  
the Almighty, maker of heaven and  
earth, of all that is, seen and  
unseen.**



# \* PRAYERS

*Each petition will end with the words,*

**A: Merciful God,**

**C: Hear our prayer.**

# \* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*The prayer concludes...*

**P:** We entrust all these prayers and those of our hearts to you, O God. In Jesus name we pray.

**C:** Amen.

- **OFFERING**



“Blessed is the one  
who comes in the name  
of the Lord.”

**LUKE 13:35, NRSV**



# \* OFFERING PRAYER



“Blessed is the one  
who comes in the name  
of the Lord.”

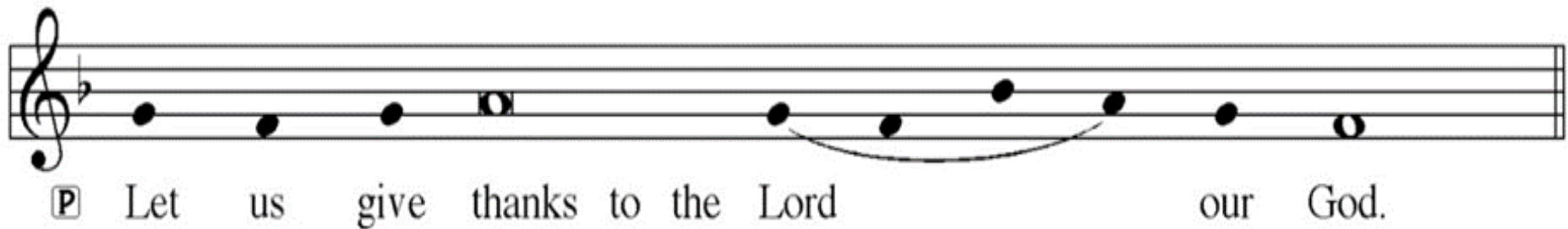
LUKE 13:35, NRSV



# \* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*All the Baptized are welcome  
to celebrate this Holy Meal.*

# \* DIALOGUE



# **\* THE PREFACE**

**P: It is indeed right and salutary...**

**... we praise your name and join their  
unending hymn.**

# \* THE SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav- en and earth are full of your glo- ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.



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.



# **\* EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

**P: Holy God, our living Water...**

**...both now and forever.**

**C: Amen.**

# **\* THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**C: 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.**

# **\* THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**C: For thine is the kingdom, and  
the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

# **\* INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

**P: Jesus, our savior and friend,  
invites you now to this holy  
table, where he meets you in  
the bread and wine that is his  
own body and blood. Come and  
be fed, for all is prepared.**



- **COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

*All will commune “By Station”.*

*The bread may be broken for distribution.  
As the ministers give the bread and wine,  
they say these words :*

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

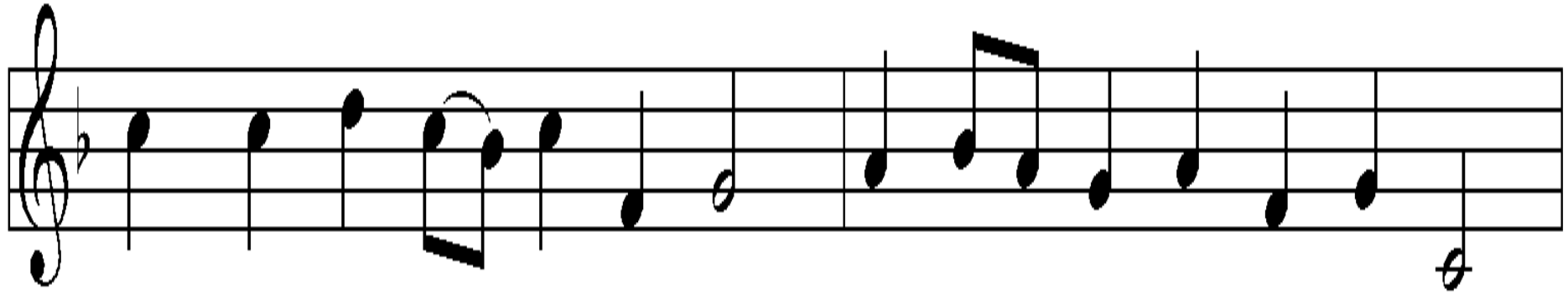
*The communicant may say:* **Amen.**

## \* **POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

*The blessing is said to all after the distribution by station. It is said after each table is fed at the railing.*

**P: May this body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, ✙ strengthen, keep and unite us, now and forever, amen.**

# \* POST COMMUNION CANTACLE

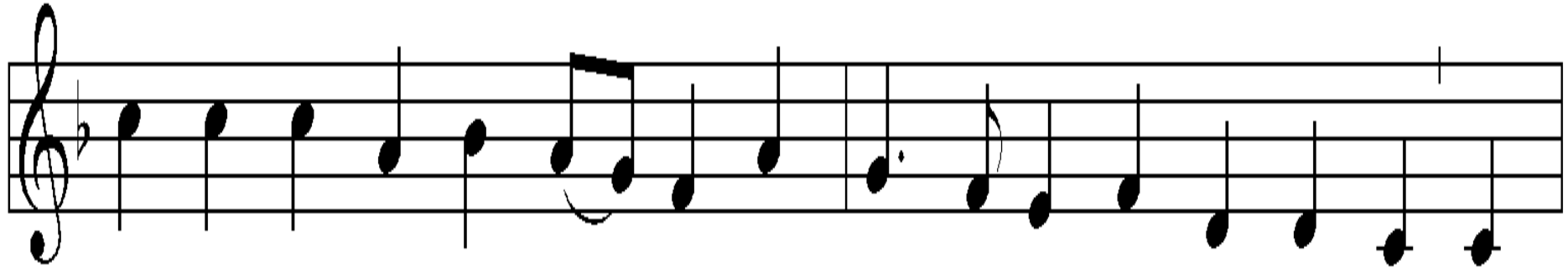


☐ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear his name.

# \* POST COMMUNION CANTACLE



He re-calls his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks-giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



## **\* POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

**P: Generous Host, you have shared your feast with us and made us new. Send us now to set tables of love and grace in our communities, that your liberating love might nourish the world into freedom, in the name of the crucified one, Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**C: Amen.**

- **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



*Church*  
*Announcements*

# **\* SENDING BLESSING**

**P: The Spirit of the triune God bless  
you with joy, anoint you with  
compassion, and ✝ send you in love.**

**C: Amen.**



# \* Sending Song

**“Sent Forth by  
God’s Blessing”  
LBW 221**



“Blessed is the one  
who comes in the name  
of the Lord.”

LUKE 13:35, NRSV



# **\*“Sent Forth by God’s Blessing” LBW 221**

**1 Sent forth by God's blessing,  
our true faith confessing,  
the people of God f  
rom this dwelling take leave.  
The supper is ended.  
Oh, now be extended  
the fruits of this service  
in all who believe.**

# **\*“Sent Forth by God’s Blessing” LBW 221**

**1 The seed of Christ's teaching,  
receptive souls reaching,  
shall blossom in action  
for God and for all.**

**Your grace shall incite us,  
your love shall unite us  
to work for your kingdom  
and answer your call.**

# **\*“Sent Forth by God’s Blessing” LBW 221**

**2 With praise and thanksgiving  
to God ever-living,  
the tasks of our ev'ryday  
life we will face—  
our faith ever sharing,  
in love ever caring,  
embracing God's children,  
the whole human race.**

# **\*“Sent Forth by God’s Blessing” LBW 221**

**2 With your feast you feed us,  
with your light now lead us;  
unite us as one in this  
life that we share.**

**Then may all the living  
with praise and thanksgiving  
give honor to Christ  
and his name that we bear.**



# **\* DISMISSAL**

**P: ... Depart in Christ's Love.**

**C: Seeking, welcoming, and serving  
all. Amen!**

## **POSTLUDE**

**By**

**Pam Sherman**

From sundaysandseasons.com. Copyright © 2025 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved. Reprinted by permission under Augsburg Fortress Liturgies Annual License #SAS023830. New Revised Standard Version Bible, Copyright © 1989, Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. Used by permission. All rights reserved. Revised Common Lectionary, Copyright © 1992 Consultation on Common Texts, admin Augsburg Fortress. Used by permission.