

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH  
HAYFIELD, MINNESOTA

Pastor Kristen Anderson  
Denise Phillippe, Director of Christian Education

Fourth Sunday in Lent

9 AM

March 10, 2024

**Welcome to worship at Trinity!**

The fourth of the Old Testament promises providing a baptismal lens this Lent is the promise God makes to Moses: those who look on the bronze serpent will live. In today's gospel Jesus says he will be lifted up on the cross like the serpent, so that those who look to him in faith will live. When we receive the sign of the cross in baptism, that cross becomes the sign we can look to in faith for healing, for restored relationship to God, for hope when we are dying.

**Today's Worship Assistants**

**Lector:** Corey Wagner

**Worship Band:** Shelly Brown  
Heather Egger  
Harry Follmuth  
Deb Oelkers  
Lila Renhelt  
Mike Renhelt

**Ushers:** Janice Bauman, Jerry Davis  
Bruce Fish, Colleen Fish  
Eileen O'Connor

**Acolytes:** Haden Simonson  
Gavin Klauer

***Trinity Mission Statement***

*To proclaim God's grace in Christ through Word and Sacrament; To nurture faith through Christian education and fellowship; and To bring the Gospel to the world community through Christian witness, sacrifice, and love.*

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Frederick Carl "Fritz" Wagner, son of Darin & Lisa Wagner, who is being baptized during the worship service this morning. Sponsors for Frederick are Zachary Dilger, Laura Vaith, and Dani Wagner. Maternal grandparents are Michael & Lori Klass. Paternal grandparents are Corey & Jana Wagner. Great grandparents are Darwin & Mavis Kampman, and Hugh & Carol Wagner.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Wyatt Jane Boone, daughter of Madison Lubbert & Ethan Boone, who is being baptized during the worship service this morning. Sponsors for Wyatt are Bella Lubbert, Maryx Young, Lorelei Skillman, and Nate Griffin. Maternal grandparents are Dawn Lubbert and Brian Lubbert. Paternal grandparents are Katie Johnson and Jesse Boone.

## GATHERING

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(\* Stand if able)

\* GATHERING

‘Come, Now is the Time to Worship’

Come, now is the time to worship.

Come, now is the time to give your heart.

Come, just as you are to worship.

Come, just as you are before your God, come.

One day every tongue will confess You are God.

One day every knee will bow.

Still the greatest treasure remains for those

Who gladly choose You now.

### \* **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.**

### \* **Confession**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,  
who writes the law on our hearts,  
who draws all people together through Jesus.

**Amen.**

Held in God’s mercy, let us confess our sin  
in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Holy God,  
we confess that we are caught in snares of sin  
and cannot break free.  
We hoard resources while our neighbors  
are hungry and cold.  
We speak in ways that silence others.  
We are silent when we should speak up.  
We keep score in our hearts.  
We let hurts grow into hatred.  
For all these things and for sins only you know,  
forgive us, Lord.

Amen.

SONG OF MERCY“

More Love, More Power”

Refrain

More love. More power. More of You in my life.  
(Repeat three times)

And I will worship You with all of my heart,  
And I will worship You with all of my mind,  
And I will worship You with all of my strength.  
You are my God.

Refrain

**\* Forgiveness**

Here is a flood of grace:  
Out of love for the whole world,  
God draws near to us,  
breaks every snare of sin,  
washes away our wrongs,  
and restores the promise of life through ✝ Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Lord, I lift your name on high  
Lord, I love to sing your praises  
I'm so glad your in my life  
I'm so glad you came to save us!  
You came from heaven to earth to show the way.  
From the earth to the cross my debt to pay  
From the cross to the grave  
From the grave to the sky.  
Lord I lift your name on high!

\* **Prayer of the Day**

**O God, rich in mercy, by the humiliation of your Son you lifted up this fallen world and rescued us from the hopelessness of death. Lead us into your light, that all our deeds may reflect your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

Amen.

**Baptism of Frederick Carl Wagner**

**WORD**

FIRST READING: Numbers 21:4-9

<sup>4</sup>From Mount Hor [the Israelites] set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. <sup>5</sup>The people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.” <sup>6</sup>Then the LORD sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that

many Israelites died. <sup>7</sup>The people came to Moses and said, “We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD to take away the serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. <sup>8</sup>And the LORD said to Moses, “Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.” <sup>9</sup>So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

PSALM: Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22 (read responsively)

L <sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good,  
for God’s mercy endures forever.

C <sup>2</sup>**Let the redeemed of the LORD proclaim  
that God redeemed them from the hand of the foe,**

L <sup>3</sup>gathering them in from the lands;  
from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

C <sup>17</sup>**Some were fools and took rebellious paths;  
through their sins they were afflicted.**

L <sup>18</sup>They loathed all manner of food  
and drew near to death’s door.

C <sup>19</sup>**Then in their trouble they cried to the LORD  
and you delivered them from their distress.**

L <sup>20</sup>You sent forth your word and healed them  
and rescued them from the grave.

C <sup>21</sup>**Let them give thanks to you, LORD, for your steadfast love  
and your wonderful works for all people.**

L <sup>22</sup>Let them offer sacrifices of thanksgiving  
and tell of your deeds with shouts of joy.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 2:1-10

<sup>1</sup>You were dead through the trespasses and sins <sup>2</sup>in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. <sup>3</sup>All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. <sup>4</sup>But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us <sup>5</sup>even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—<sup>6</sup>and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup>so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup>For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God—<sup>9</sup>not the result of works, so that no one may boast. <sup>10</sup>For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

\* **SONG OF THE WORD**

“Help Us O Lord”

Help us O Lord to hear your word,  
Open our hearts to feel your word.  
Give us the strength  
To live your word each day.

\* GOSPEL: John 3:14-21

**P:** The Gospel according to St. John

**C:** Glory to you, O Lord

[Jesus said:] <sup>14</sup>“Just 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>“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.

<sup>17</sup>“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. <sup>18</sup>Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. <sup>19</sup>And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. <sup>20</sup>For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. <sup>21</sup>But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.”

**SERMON**

“For God So Loved the World”

Pastor Kristen Anderson

**SONG OF THE DAY:**

*“Messiah”*

Someone’s shouting from the desert.  
Someone’s shouting from the sea.  
Someone’s shouting from the mountain.  
Someone’s shouting from the valley.

**Chorus**

Messiah, come and be our King.  
Messiah, come and be our King.

Someone’s shouting from the city.  
I am young, I am cold.  
Someone’s shouting from the country.  
I am lonely, I am old.

Chorus

Someone’s shouting I am broken.  
Someone’s shouting make me whole.  
Someone’s shouting come and change me.  
Someone’s shouting save my soul.

Chorus

**Baptism of Wyatt Jane Boone**

**OFFERING/CHILDREN’S NOISY OFFERING**



**\*OFFERING SONG**

*“Everybody’s Got Something to Offer”*

**EVERYBODY'S GOT SOMETHING TO OFFER**

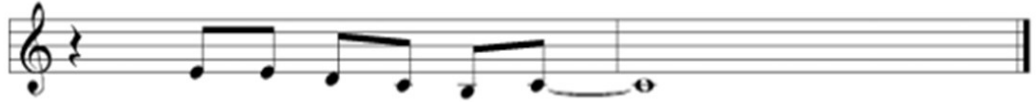
Larry Olson



Ev - ery - bo - dy's got some - thing to of - fer, young and old the



prince and the pau - per. Ev - ery - bo - dy's got some - thing to of - fer



in the name of the Lord.



To the lost and the low - ly ones the mes - sage it is  
To the be - liev - ers gath - ered here the mes - sage it is



clear; we have all got a gift to give our hands,  
true; we have all got a gift to give in all



our hearts, our tears. Ev - ery - bo - dy's got  
we say and do. Ev - ery - bo - dy's got

**\*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

**\*THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**SENDING**

**\*SENDING HYMN**

*“Let’s Go Out”*

Let’s go out into the world  
And make it a loving place to live.  
Let’s go out into the world  
And tell everyone the Savior lives.  
Let’s go out. Let’s go out  
And make it a loving place to live.  
Let’s go out. Let’s go out  
And tell everyone the Savior lives!  
Let’s go out!

**OUR MISSION**

**L: Go In Peace and Serve the Lord!**

**C: Thanks Be to God!**

***ANNOUNCEMENTS***

**LENTEN MIDWEEK WORSHIP:** Join us on Wednesday, March 13 at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary for our Lenten midweek worship service. Our theme during the midweek services is “The Gift and Promise of the 10 Commandments.” This service will also be livestreamed.

**THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS:** Did you know that in 2023, Trinity received \$1,372 in Thrivent Choice Dollars! Thanks to all of our Thrivent members who designated their Thrivent Choice Dollars to Trinity! To designate your Thrivent Choice dollars for this year, (must be done by March 31), go to [thrivent.com/thriventchoice](https://thrivent.com/thriventchoice). You can also call 800-847-4836 and say “Thrivent Choice” when prompted. Or you can contact your Thrivent financial advisor and make the request.

## **HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE**

**PALM SUNDAY** (March 24): Worship at 9:00 a.m. Procession with Palms and Donkey. Holy Week cantata by Trinity Choir, Hosanna, and Sunday School Children's Choir. Brunch in fellowship hall at 10:00 a.m. served by the Youth..

**MAUNDY THURSDAY** (March 28) Worship at 6:30 p.m. with Holy Communion. Several of Trinity's 3rd graders will be celebrating their first communion.

**GOOD FRIDAY** (March 29) Tenebrae Worship at 6:30 p.m.

**EASTER SUNDAY** (March 31) Worship at 9:00 a.m. with Holy Communion

### **Everyone Is Invited to Palm Sunday Brunch!**

Trinity youth will be serving Palm Sunday Brunch after the Palm Sunday worship service March 24. All are invited to join for egg bake, muffins, grapes, juice, milk, and coffee. To-go brunch available. Free will offering will be taken to support youth trips that focus on faith, particularly this coming summer's ELCA Youth Gathering. There is no Sunday School that day, but there will be activities for children available during brunch. See an announcement below for food donations we would appreciate.

### **Upcoming High School Youth Activities**

- **March 24**--fundraiser, serve at Palm Sunday brunch (grades 9-12) (expected of this year's Youth Gathering participants, open to all who might go on a future Trinity youth trip)
- **April 13-14**--lock-in at Trinity
- **April 21**--rescheduled escape room in Rochester, 3-6 p.m., about \$30, see QR code on youth bulletin board to sign up
- **Wednesday nights** through April 24 (except March 27), youth group, 6:30 (grades 10-12), grade 9 welcome to join at 7:30 after confirmation
- **May 5**--high school senior recognition (grade 12)
- **July 16-20, 2024**--ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans

### **First Communion for Third Graders**

If you're the parent of a third grader and have not received information on First Communion classes that start today, please be in contact with Denise immediately.

### **Requesting Food Donations for Palm Sunday**

For any Trinity member willing to donate food (muffins, grapes, orange juice, milk) for the Palm Sunday brunch, there is a signup sheet on the south bulletin board in the narthex. There is also an online signup, and the two signups are frequently reconciled.

### **No Church Children and Youth Activities During Holy Week**

March 27, there will not be WASS, Wednesday Supper, confirmation, or youth group. No Sunday School Palm Sunday (3/24). though children sing a song during the worship service, or Easter Sunday (3.31).

## THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

<b>Sun 10</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	Worship
	<b>10:00 am</b>	Sunday School
	<b>10:15 am</b>	Stewardship Bd.
	<b>11:00 am</b>	First Communion Class for 3rd graders
<b>Mon 11</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	A.A. Meeting
	<b>7:00 pm</b>	Christian Educ. Bd
<b>Tues 12</b>	<b>8:30 am</b>	SAIL Exercise
	<b>10:00 am</b>	Bible Study
		First Communion Class for 3rd gr.
<b>Wed 13</b>	<b>3:00 pm</b>	WASS
	<b>5:00 pm</b>	Wed. Supper
	<b>6:30 pm</b>	Youth Group
	<b>6:30 pm</b>	Confirmation
	<b>6:30 pm</b>	Lenten Service
<b>Thurs 14</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	SAIL Exercise
	<b>9:00 am</b>	Quilting
<b>Sun 17</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	Worship
	<b>10:00 am</b>	Sunday School
	<b>11:00 am</b>	First Communion Class for 3rd graders

### January 2024 Finances

Jan. Offering Income	\$ 21,013.71
Jan. Budgeted Exp.	<u>30,441.12</u>
Difference	(\$ 9,427.41)
2024 Year-to-date Income	\$ 21,013.71
2024 Year-to-date Exp.	<u>30,441.12</u>
Difference	(\$ 9,427.41)

### Prayer Concerns

**For strength and healing:** Harold Buck, Russell Boullion, Wayne Johnson, Pastor Bagne, Skeeter and Shirley Miner, Joan Christians, Cody Hegna and Dale Ulve.

PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL THE CHURCH OFFICE IF YOU OR A MEMBER IS HOSPITALIZED.

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#### **Church Office Hours**

**Monday-Thursday 8:00 am to 2:00 pm**