



Sunday, February 26, 2023

Lent 1

Theme of the Day:
Our Greatest Need: A Champion for the Defeated

Congregation sings or speaks the bolded text

556 All Mankind Fell in Adam's Fall

CW 556

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Please stand.



O Lord, o - pen my lips,



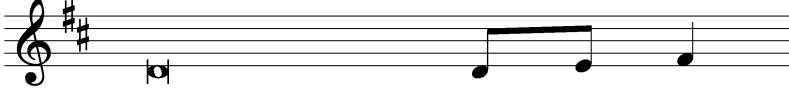
and my mouth shall de - clare your praise.



Has - ten to save me, O God;



O Lord, come quick - ly to help me.



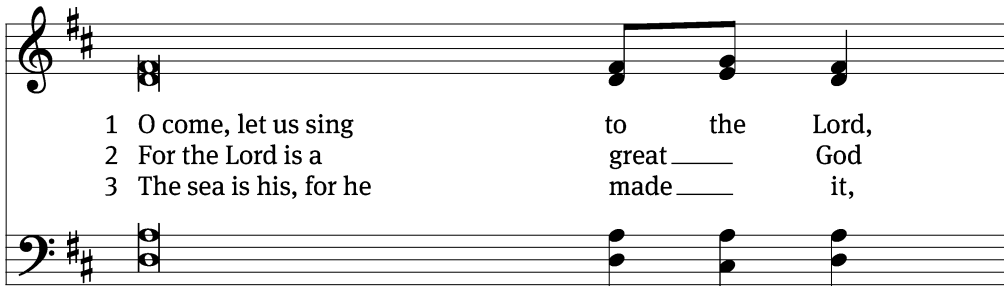
Lent Christ destroyed the dev - il's pow'r:



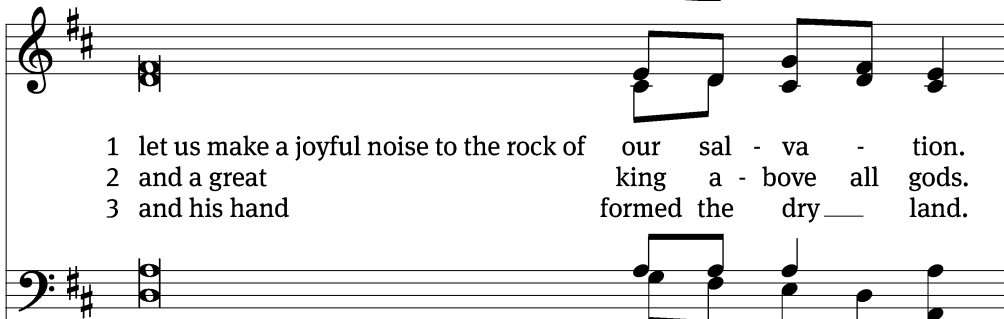
praise and thanks to God!

O Come, Let Us Sing to the Lord

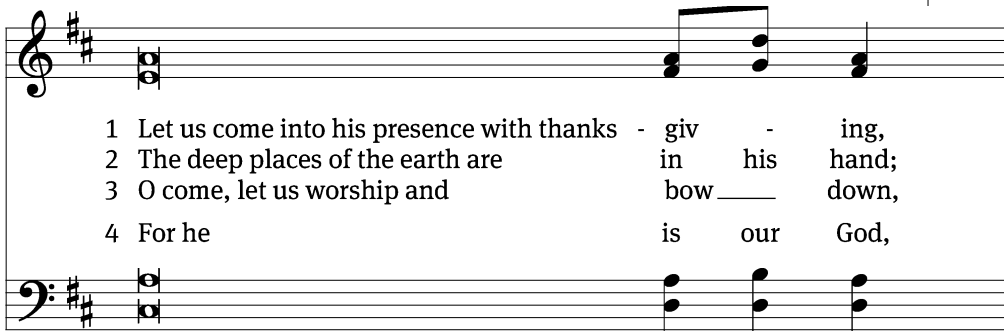
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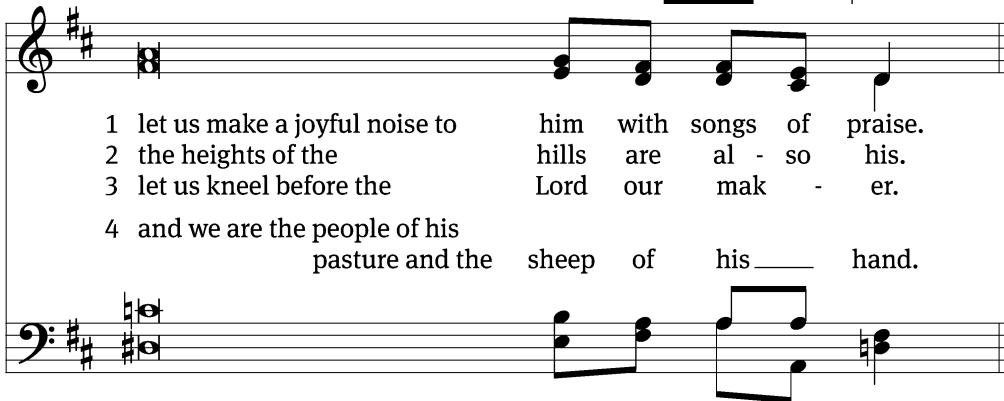
1 O come, let us sing to the Lord,
2 For the Lord is a great God
3 The sea is his, for he made it,



1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.
2 and a great king a - bove all gods.
3 and his hand formed the dry land.



1 Let us come into his presence with thanks - giv - ing,
2 The deep places of the earth are in his hand;
3 O come, let us worship and bow down,
4 For he is our God,



1 let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise.
2 the heights of the hills are al - so his.
3 let us kneel before the Lord our mak - er.
4 and we are the people of his
pasture and the sheep of his hand.

Please be seated.

Psalm

46D A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Psalm 46D



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a trust - y shield
2 With might of ours can naught be done, soon were our loss
3 Though dev - ils all the world should fill, all ea - ger to
4 The Word they still shall let re - main nor an - y thanks



and weap - on; he helps us free from ev - 'ry need
ef - fect - ed; but for us fights the val - iant one
de - vour us, we trem - ble not, we fear no ill;
have for it; he's by our side up - on the plain



that has us now o'er - tak - en. The old
whom God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask,
they shall not o - ver - pow'r us. This world's
with his good gifts and Spir - it. And take



e - vil foe now means dead - ly woe;
"Who is this?" Je - sus Christ it is,
prince may still scowl fierce as he will,
they our life, goods, fame, child and wife,



deep guile and great might are his dread arms in fight;
the al - might - y Lord, and there's no oth - er God;
he can harm us none. He's judged; the deed is done;
though all may be gone, our vic - to - ry is won;



on earth is not his e - qual.
he holds the field for - ev - er.
one lit - tle word can fell him.
the king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

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First Reading

Genesis 3:1-15

God promised to send a champion who would do what we could not, defeating our greatest enemy.

¹Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God really say, ‘You must not eat from any tree in the garden?’” ²The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, ³but God did say, ‘You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.’” ⁴“You will not certainly die,” the serpent said to the woman. ⁵“For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” ⁶When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. ⁷Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves. ⁸Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the LORD God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹But the LORD God called to the man, “Where are you?” ¹⁰He answered, “I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid.” ¹¹And he said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?” ¹²The man said, “The woman you put here with me—she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it.” ¹³Then the LORD God said to the woman, “What is this you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.” ¹⁴So the LORD God said to the serpent, “Because you have done this, “Cursed are you above all livestock and all wild animals. You will crawl on your belly and you will eat dust all the days of your life. ¹⁵And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel.”

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

Romans 5:12-19

Adam's defeat meant death for all. Christ's victory brings life for all.

¹²Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all people, because all sinned—

¹³To be sure, sin was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not charged against anyone's account where there is no law. ¹⁴Nevertheless, death reigned from the time of Adam to the time of Moses, even over those who did not sin by breaking a command, as did Adam, who is a pattern of the one to come. ¹⁵But the gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God's grace and the gift that came by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, overflow to the many! ¹⁶Nor can the gift of God be compared with the result of one man's sin: The judgment followed one sin and brought condemnation, but the gift followed many trespasses and brought justification.

¹⁷For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ! ¹⁸Consequently, just as one trespass resulted in condemnation for all people, so also one righteous act resulted in justification and life for all people. ¹⁹For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous.

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

574 The Tree of Life

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Gospel

Matthew 4:1–11

The champion of the demons and the champion of mankind do battle. Jesus Christ wins.

¹Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ²After fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. ³The tempter came to him and said, "If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become bread."

⁴Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

⁵Then the devil took him to the holy city and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. ⁶"If you are the Son of God," he said, "throw yourself down. For it is written:

" 'He will command his angels concerning you,
and they will lift you up in their hands,
so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.'"

⁷Jesus answered him, "It is also written: 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

⁸Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor. ⁹"All this I will give you," he said, "if you will bow down and worship me."

¹⁰Jesus said to him, "Away from me, Satan! For it is written: 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only.'"

¹¹Then the devil left him, and angels came and attended him.

Sermon Text

Matthew 4:1-11

Sermon Theme: The Battle is Over! Jesus has Won!

Please stand.

419 Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle

CW 419

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Please be seated.

Offering

Friendship Registration

Guests: Please fill out name, address, and phone number.

Members: Please fill out name and any new information.

Check the third box if you intend to commune.

Please, return the booklet to its original location. Thank you!

Please stand.

Lord, Have Mercy

CW 213

Musical notation for the hymn "Lord, Have Mercy". The first line shows the melody in G major (one flat) on a treble clef staff. The second line shows the lyrics: "Hear my voice when I call, O Lord; be merciful and answer me." The third line shows the melody in G major on a treble clef staff. The fourth line shows the lyrics: "Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy."

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

Mighty God and Father, our Lord Jesus walked into the wilderness to face the devil's temptations, but he did not succumb to Satan's lies or falter in his resolve to save the world from the prison of hell. Bolster our faith by his mighty victory that we may battle against the forces of evil with courage and confidence; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

P: O God, you have called your servants to ventures of faith of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.



Let us praise the Lord.



Thanks be to God.



The grace of our Lord + Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the fellowship of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



A - men.

871 Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You

CW 871

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Announcements

THE WELS CONNECTION will be shown after each service today.

THE 2023 SEASON OF LENT began with Ash Wednesday, February 22nd, and will continue with Wednesday services at 7:00pm through March 29th, with a Maundy Thursday service on April 6th, a Good Friday Service on April 7th, and Easter Day services on April 9th. The overall theme for this year is “His Final Steps.” We will ponder the significance of the people and places that Jesus visited on his last journey to Jerusalem and to the cross at Calvary.

A CALL MEETING will take place on Sunday, March 5th, immediately following 2nd service. We will be calling a 7th and 8th grade teacher who would also serve as church music coordinator. Voters are encouraged to attend. Everyone is welcome!

CHURCH COUNCIL OFFICERS were elected at the Council Meeting on Monday, February 20th. Thank you to George Norway, Dean von Stein, Derek Morrison, and Adam Inniger who served as our Council Officers for 2022. The 2023 Church Council Officers are: Dan Webb (President), Tom Smith (Vice-President), Adam Inniger (Secretary), TBD (Treasurer). Thank you for your willingness and commitment!

FUN WITH FOOD: Join us for Mornings with Mommy on Monday or Tuesday, March 6 or 7. Bring your children/grandchildren to make a plate of spaghetti and meatballs, do a bean bag pot toss, go on a picnic, explore our alphabet soup, and even play with cooked spaghetti. Register online at tlcjenera.org or call 262-391-7994.

WOMEN’S MINISTRY TRAVELING BIBLE STUDY Still not too late to join! No matter where you are in the book or haven’t read at all, you will enjoy the discussion! Next Bible Study will be March 23, 7pm at Nicki von Stein’s home (15932 CR 60, Jenera). We’ll be covering chapters 6 & 7. Please sign up in the back of church if you plan to attend.

ADDITIONAL VOLUNTEERS are needed to run the PowerPoint slides on Sundays for both services, create them prior to the services, or record Sunday morning services. If you are interested in helping with this, please call Pastor Nowak at 419.302.5271 or contact the church secretary at 419.326.4685

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION for the 2023-2024 school year is now OPEN for ANYONE. Registration forms may be found on the table at the back of church. Please contact the school office if you have any questions.

HELP WITH EASTER BREAKFAST The Easter Breakfast Committee is looking for help for this year's Easter Breakfast. Do you like cooking early in the morning? Or do you just like cooking? If so, please contact tlsoffice@tlcjenera.org or Lauren Siefker at (419) 615-5991.

GET YOUR HYMNALS WHILE YOU CAN: Church council approved a recommendation to send the remaining red Christian Worship hymnals and supplements to Lamb of God in Columbus. They are planning on moving to the east side of Columbus and need extra hymnals. Over the next two months, please take the time look through the hymnals to see if you want any with a personal connection to you. By mid-April, the hymnals will be taken to Lamb of God in Columbus. So, get your hymnals while you can.

OUR SCHOOL IS IN NEED of full-time bus drivers to drive morning and afternoon routes each school day throughout the school year beginning next school year. We are also in need of substitute bus drivers at any time. If you are interested in either position, please contact the school office, Principal Falck, or any school board member. Drivers need not be a Trinity member, so if you know of someone who may be interested, please share with them. We will work with any individual needing to receive proper license endorsements, too!

ARK ENCOUNTER: Resurrection Lutheran Church in Maumee has invited our congregation to an Ark Encounter trip that will **NOW TAKE PLACE ON APRIL 22**. There will be a 56-seat bus available for transportation, that will be stopping at Immanuel in Findlay for pick-up, time to be determined. Check the sign-up sheet for admission cost. Sign up in the back of church by **APRIL 2ND** if you are interested. If you have already signed up and can no longer attend due to the **DATE CHANGE**, please cross off your name off the old sign-up sheet.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY is hosting the Lenten supper on Wednesday, March 1 starting at 5:30. We will be serving soup and homemade bread. Please sign up on the sheet in the back of church if you are able to bring food or help serve the meal. Bring food to the church basement by 5:00 PM and hot food no later than 5:30 PM.

SAVE THE DATE: For over ten years, the North Atlantic and Michigan districts of the WELS have teamed up to organize regional youth rallies during the summers when the larger International Rally is not taking place. This summer's rally will take place from July 10-13 at Slippery Rock University, which is north of Pittsburgh. You can find out more information in the church newsletter. Registration will begin March 15.

THE CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT will be on March 19th at 2:30 in the school gym. The age for the tournament will be 8th grade on up. Any younger participants will be able to play cornhole in a designated kid area. We will have gift cards for first and second place winners.

EASTER FOR KIDS: Trinity is hosting Easter for Kids on Saturday, March 25 from 9:30 AM- 12:00 PM. The program is open to children age 3 - 5th grade. This event will give your children an opportunity to celebrate and learn about the Resurrection. Please register online at tlcjenera.org (click on the “Upcoming Events” icon) or pick up a registration form in the back of church. Questions—contact Jenny Boehm 262-391-7994.

OUTDOOR EASTER EGG HUNT: Families are invited to stay after our Easter for Kids program (on Saturday, March 25) for an egg hunt on the school grounds. Snacks and drinks will be provided for families in the parking lot following the egg hunt. The egg hunt is for toddlers, preschoolers, and elementary age children. If your children are not attending Easter for Kids but would still like to participate in the Egg Hunt, please register for the Egg Hunt at tlcjenera.org (click on the “Upcoming Events” icon) or pick up a registration form in the back of church. Questions—contact Jenny Boehm 262-391-7994.

VOLUNTEERS are needed to help at Easter for Kids on Saturday, March 25 from 9:30 AM -12:00 PM. Please sign up on the sheet in the back of church if you are able to help. You can specify what you would like to help with—crafts, music, games, registration, snacks, or group leaders.

OPEN HOUSE: Join us for the Trinity Lutheran School Open House and Ed Choice Information Night on Tuesday, March 14 from 5-7 PM. Food and drinks will be provided from 5:30-6:30. Bring your **completed registration forms** and receive your school handbook and calendar. Come with any questions you may have about the new Ed Choice Program.

POSTING ON BULLETIN BOARDS? If you would like to post anything on the bulletin boards that is not affiliated with Trinity or the WELS, please bring it to the school office for review. Thank you!

DAILY LECTIONARY

In this lectionary, two readings of 15-25 verses each are provided for each day. Under this plan, nearly all of the New Testament and approximately one-third of the Old Testament are read each year. During the season of Lent and Easter, the Church Year calendar is followed. Following Holy Trinity Sunday, the calendar year is followed. Italic type indicates an additional, optional reading.

Lent 1

Sun: Gen 4:1-26, Mark 2:18-28; **Mon:** Gen 6:1-7:5, Mar 3:1-19; **Tue:** Gen 7:11-8:12, Mark 3:20-35;

Wed: Gen 8:13-9:17, *Gen 9:18-11:26*, Mark 3:20-35;

Thu: Gen 11:27-12:20, Mark 4:21-41; **Fri:** Gen 13:1-18, *Gen 14:1-24*, Mark 5:1-20;

Sat: Gen 15:1-21, Mark 5:21-43

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OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE (week of February 19th)

Total Worship Attendance: 256; Early: 125; Late: 131; Adult Bible Study: 36; Sunday School: 32; Teen Bible Class: 5. Mornings with Mommy: 71; On-line worship service views for February 12th: 38.

MONEY COUNTERS for this morning through March 11th are the members of Ron Bower's Undershepherd group. Beginning Sunday, March 12th, will be the members of Brad Inniger's Undershepherd group.

GREETERS today are: Richard & Cheryl Kretz – early
Mark & Jane Boehm – late

Next Sunday: Tyler & Kathy Smith– early
Jerry Burkholder– late

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY (February 26th through March 5th)

TODAY Worship 8:00 AM & 10:30; WELS Connection; Adult Bible Study, Teen Bible Class,
Sunday School 9:20

Wed Supper 5:30; Ash Wednesday Service 7:00; Choir Practice after service

Thu Elders 7:00

SUN **Worship 8:00 & 10:30;** Communion; Adult Bible Study Bible, Sunday School, Teen Bible Class
9:20; Call Meeting after 2nd service

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Mon Faculty Bible Study 3:30

Tue Cheer Practice 3:30-4:45; Basketball Practice 5:00-7:00

Wed Chapel 8:20

Thu Cheer Practice 3:30-4:45; Basketball Practice 5:00-7:00

Sat Basketball B-Team @ HVL 9:00

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT: *Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church exists to glorify our Triune God as we train, strengthen and nurture ourselves and others through His Word and Sacraments, so that we are enabled by His love to live lives of faith and to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to all people.*