

Trinity Lutheran Church

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Service of Holy Communion—*Lutheran Book of Worship,* Setting I

Saturday, March 9, 2024, 4:30 p.m.—Eve of The Fourth Sunday in Lent In-Person at 4:30 p.m. & Live at Facebook.com/TrinityLutheranNH

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: "Christ, the Life of All the Living" LBW No. 97

APOSTOLIC GREETING

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

FIRST LESSON: Numbers 21:4-9

Though God provides food and water for the Israelites in the wilderness, they whine and grumble. They forget about the salvation they experienced in the exodus. God punishes them for their sin, but when they repent God also provides a means of healing: a bronze serpent lifted up on a pole.

PSALM 107:1-3, 17-22

- ¹ Give thanks to the LORD, for | <u>he</u> is good,* and his mercy en- | <u>dures</u> forever.
- ² Let all those whom the LORD has re- | <u>deemed</u> proclaim* that he redeemed them from the <u>hand</u> | of the foe.
- ³ He gathered them <u>out</u> | of the lands;*

from the east and from the west, from the north and | <u>from</u> the south.

¹⁷ Some were fools and took to re- | <u>bel</u>lious ways;* they were afflicted be<u>cause</u> | of their sins.

- ¹⁸ They abhorred all <u>man</u>- | ner of food* and drew near | to death's door.
- ¹⁹ Then they cried to the <u>LORD</u> | in their trouble,* and he delivered them from | <u>their</u> distress.
- ²⁰ He sent forth his | word and healed them* and saved them | from the grave.
- ²¹ Let them give thanks to the <u>LORD</u> | for his mercy* and the wonders he <u>does</u> | for his children.
- ²² Let them offer a <u>sacrifice</u> | of thanksgiving* and tell of his acts with | <u>shouts</u> of joy.

Gloria Patri (chanted after the psalm)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the / Holy Spirit; As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be fore-/ ver. Amen

SECOND LESSON: Ephesians 2:1-10

While we were dead in our sinfulness, God acted to make us alive as a gift of grace in Christ Jesus. We are saved not by what we do but by grace through faith. Thus our good works are really a reflection of God's grace at work in our lives.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL: John 3:14-21

To explain the salvation of God to the religious leader, Nicodemus, Jesus refers to the Scripture passage quoted in today's first reading. Just as those who looked upon the bronze serpent were healed, so people will be saved when they behold Christ lifted up on the Cross.

HYMN OF THE DAY: "God Loved the World" LBW No. 292

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON – Pastor Kathleen Mills

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THE PRAYERS

PEACE

OFFERING The ushers collect the offering. You can also give electronically through our website, Facebook page, or by <u>clicking here</u>.

CHOIR ANTHEM: "O Sun of Justice" Chant

OFFERTORY: "What Shall I Render"

OFFERTORY PRAYER

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

LAMB OF GOD

THE COMMUNION To all who believe in Jesus Christ as their Lord, are baptized, and confess Jesus' real presence in the Holy Communion, we invite you to join us in the Holy Eucharist. At the usher's invitation you may come forward to kneel or stand at the altar rail. Please take an empty individual cup from the tray and bring it with you to the rail. The host wafer will be placed into your open hands to eat. Your cup will be filled from the pouring chalice, take and drink. Individual cups filled with non-alcoholic grape juice are also available, please point to receive one. Sealed pre-consecrated Communion packages are also available. Please remain at the altar rail until all have finished and a blessing is given.

COMMUNION HYMNS: LBW Nos. 98, 100

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE: "Create in Me"

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN: "Glory Be to Jesus" LBW No. 95

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE