

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

March 12, 2023 - 9:30 a.m.



Third Sunday in Lent

In today's gospel the Samaritan woman asks Jesus for water, an image of our thirst for God. Jesus offers living water, a sign of God's grace flowing from the waters of baptism. The early church used this gospel and those of the next two Sundays to deepen baptismal reflection during the final days of preparation before baptism at Easter. As we journey to the resurrection feast, Christ comes among us in word, bath, and meal—offering us the life-giving water of God's mercy and forgiveness.

Service of Word and Sacrament

In the bulletin: The asterisk () invites you to stand as you are able.*

Boldface type indicates the congregation's responses. At the sign of the cross (✠), you are invited to make that same sign upon yourself in remembrance of your baptism.

✠ GATHERING ✠

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Sinfonia
Trinity Bell Choir

J. S. Bach, arr. Hal H. Hopson

***Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,
who journeys with us these forty days,
and sustains us with the gifts of love, mercy, and grace.

Amen.

God's love has been poured into our hearts
Through the gift of the Holy Spirit.
Trusting in God's overflowing grace,
let us confess our sin.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Loving God,
**we confess that we have turned from your way
to follow our own ways.**

Forgive us for the times
we have spoken or acted too quickly;
we have not spoken or acted at all;
we have hurt those closest to us;
we have hurt those we have yet to know;
we have thought more about ourselves than others;
we have thought less of ourselves than we ought.

**Turn us around, and give us a fresh start,
so that we can live again as your children.**

Amen.

*Kyrie (sung in Latin by the choir) *Kyrie in B Flat, D 45*

Franz Schubert

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

God is for us and not against us!
For that very reason,
 God sent the Son into the world
 not to condemn the world,
 but that the world might be saved through him.
Believe the good news,
 in Jesus Christ we are forgiven! **Amen.**

*Gathering Hymn No. 658

O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts

WALTON

stanza 1-unison 2-harmony 3-harmony 4-unison

1 O Je - sus, joy of lov - ing hearts, the fount of
2 We taste you, ev - er - liv - ing bread, and long to
3 For you our rest - less spir - its yearn, wher - e'er our
4 O Je - sus, ev - er with us stay! Make all our

life, the light of all: from ev - 'ry bliss that earth im -
feast up - on you still; we drink of you, the foun - tain -
chang - ing lot is cast; glad, when your smile on us you
mo - ments fair and bright! Oh, chase the night of sin a -

parts we turn, un - filled, to hear your call.
head; our thirst - ing souls from you we fill.
turn, blest, when by faith we hold you fast.
way! Shed o'er the world your ho - ly light.

***Greeting**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

***Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray.

Lord God, Great I AM

you are living water.

As we worship you this day

show us who we are:

channels of your love

and vessels of your grace;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

✠ WORD ✠

First Reading: Exodus 17:1-7

A reading from Exodus.

¹From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ²The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" ³But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" ⁴So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." ⁵The Lord said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 95 (*responsively*)

Come, let's sing out loud to the Lord.
Let's raise a joyful shout to the rock of our salvation!

Let's come before him with thanks!
Let's shout songs of joy to him!

The Lord is a great God,
the great king over all other gods.

The earth's depths are in his hands;
the mountain heights belong to him;
the sea, which he made, is his
along with the dry ground,
which his own hands formed.

Come, let's worship and bow down!
Let's kneel before the Lord, our maker!

He is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture,
the sheep in his hands.

If only you would listen to his voice right now!
"Don't harden your hearts
like you did at Meribah,
like you did when you were at Massah,
in the wilderness,
when your ancestors tested me,
and scrutinized me,
even though they had already seen my acts.

For forty years I despised that generation;
I said, 'These people have twisted hearts.
They don't know my ways.'

So in anger I swore:
'They will never enter my place of rest!'"

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-11

A reading from Romans.

¹Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. ⁸But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. ⁹Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. ¹¹But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Acclamation No. 177

All sing the acclamation. A cantor sings the proper verse. All repeat the acclamation.



*Verse: Lord, you are truly the Savior of the world;
give me this living water that I may never thirst again.*

***Gospel: John 4:5-42**

The Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁵[Jesus] came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph.⁶Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

⁷A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." ⁸(His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) ⁹The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) ¹⁰Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." ¹¹The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? ¹²Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" ¹³Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." ¹⁵The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

¹⁶Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." ¹⁷The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; ¹⁸for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" ¹⁹The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. ²⁰Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." ²¹Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. ²²You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. ²³But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. ²⁴God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." ²⁵The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us." ²⁶Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."

²⁷Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?" ²⁸Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, ²⁹"Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?" ³⁰They left the city and were on their way to him.

³¹Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, "Rabbi, eat something." ³²But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about." ³³So the disciples said to one another, "Surely no one has brought him something to eat?" ³⁴Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. ³⁵Do you not say, 'Four months more, then comes the harvest'? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. ³⁶The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. ³⁷For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' ³⁸I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their

labor.”

³⁹Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman’s testimony, “He told me everything I have ever done.” ⁴⁰So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. ⁴¹And many more believed because of his word. ⁴²They said to the woman, “It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Prayer for Understanding

Bring your word near to us, O God.

May it rest not only on our lips,
but also reside in our hearts.

Amen.

Sermon

Pastor Becki Verbridge

*Hymn of the Day No. 332

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

THIRD MODE MELODY

stanza 1-unison 2-harmony 3-unison

1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and rest;
2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give
3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's light;

lay down, O wea - ry one, lay down your head up - on my breast."
the liv - ing wa - ter, thirst - y one; stoop down and drink and live."
look un - to me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."

I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea - ry, worn, and sad;
I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream;
I looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my star, my sun;

I found in him a rest - ing place, and he has made me glad.
my thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.
and in that light of life I'll walk till trav-'ling days are done.

***Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

***Prayer of Intercession**

Turning our hearts to God who is gracious and merciful, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

Saving God, you are the giver of living water, the source of deepest compassion, the fountain of eternal life. May the lives of your people witness to this good and saving news....

Wellspring of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For all who are thirsty – thirsty for a life of meaning, thirsty for a word of grace, thirsty for a drink of water...

Wellspring of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For all who are weary – weary from life's long journeys, weary from quarreling and testing, weary from pain or grief. We pray for those on our prayer list, especially: Gwen & Perry, the Carroll family, Zach, Jacob, Becky, Gabriel, Kirsten, Susan, Judy, and Shirley...

Wellspring of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For all who are broken – broken by sin and suffering, broken by hard disappointment, broken by acts of violence...

Wellspring of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For all the saints who are now in your presence experiencing joy – the joy of your presence, the joy of everlasting peace, and joy of your kingdom in all its fullness...

Wellspring of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Living God, through your Spirit, pour your love into our hearts, your grace into our lives, your healing into our world, until the earth is filled with your glory as the waters cover the sea...

Wellspring of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Amen.

✠ MEAL ✠

***Sharing of the Peace**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

We share the peace of Christ with one another.

*Offertory Hymn No. 481

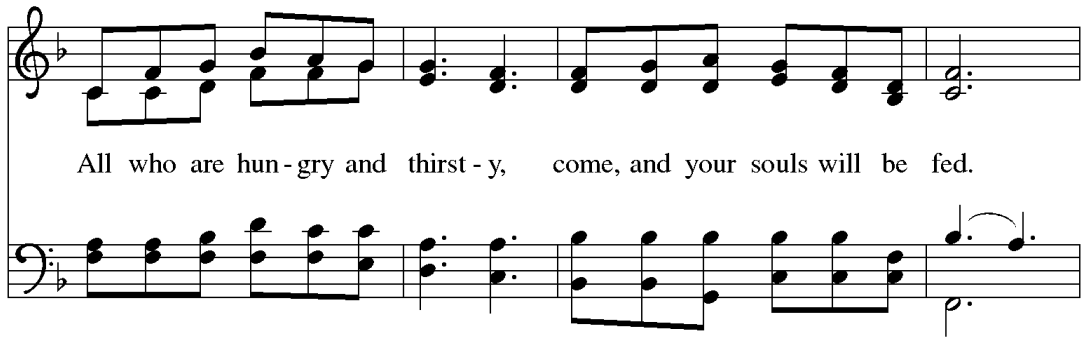
Come to the Table

COME TO THE TABLE

Sing in harmony.



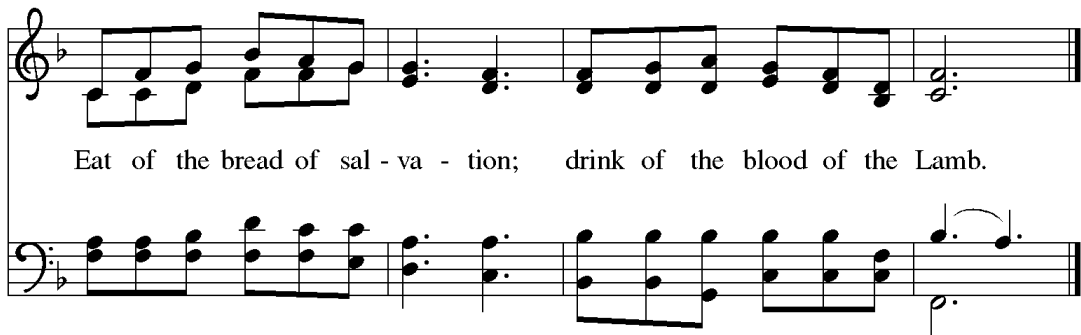
Come to the ta - ble of mer - cy, pre - pared with the wine and the bread.



All who are hun - gry and thirst - y, come, and your souls will be fed.



Come at the Lord's in - vi - ta - tion; re - ceive from his nail - scarred hand.



Eat of the bread of sal - va - tion; drink of the blood of the Lamb.

***Invitation**

Christ comes to us in, with and under the bread and wine to nourish our faith.

The uncontainable presence, grace, love, forgiveness and

mercy of Christ come to us in this simple meal that spans all time and space.

All baptized children of God – regardless of denominational background –

are welcome and invited to share it with us.

***The Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,

always and everywhere to give thanks to you, O God,

creator of heaven and earth.

You brought all things into being and called them good.

From the dust of the earth you formed us in your image

and breathed into us the breath of life.

When we turned away, and our love failed,

your love remained steadfast.

When rain fell upon the earth forty days and forty nights

you bore up the ark on the waters,

saved Noah and his family,

and established an everlasting covenant

with every living creature upon the earth.

When you delivered us from slavery and made us your covenant people,

you led Moses to your mountain for forty days and forty nights

and gave us your teachings.

You led us through the wilderness and fed us manna for forty years

and brought us to the promised land.

When we forsook your covenant,

you led your prophet Elijah to your mountain, where,

as he fasted forty days and forty nights,

he heard your still small voice.

And so with your people on earth and all the company of heaven,

we praise your name and join their unending hymn, saying:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord

Hosanna in the highest.

***Prayer at the Table**

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.
Your Spirit led him into the wilderness,
 where he fasted forty days and forty nights
 in preparation for his ministry.

When he suffered and died on a cross for our sin,
 you raised him to life,
 and he appeared alive to his apostles for forty days.

Now, as we prepare for the yearly Paschal feast
 of your Son's death and resurrection,
 you lead us to repentance for our sin
 and the cleansing of our hearts,
 that during these forty days of Lent
 we may be gifted and graced to renew the covenant
 you made with us through Christ.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
 our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
 broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
 and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
 shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us,
 and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,
 that we may be for the world the body of Christ,
 redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ,
 one with each other,
 and one in ministry to all the world.

Through your Son † Jesus Christ, to whom,
 with you and the Holy Spirit,
 be all honor and glory,
 now and forever. **Amen.**

***The Lord's Prayer** (*Ecumenical Version*)

Let us now pray as Jesus taught us:

**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 our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever.

Amen.**

Following the Lord's Prayer, you may be seated.

Come to the table and be refreshed for the journey of faith.

***The Communion**

*Those celebrating with us from your homes: please share the bread and wine or grape juice with one another using these words: The Body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. An **Amen** or **Thanks be to God** is spoken in response to these gifts.*

Those celebrating with us in person: Please come forward by the center aisle to receive the bread and an individual cup of wine or white grape juice from those serving. Please return to your seat by the side aisle.

Sing in harmony.

1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees;
 2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees;
 3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees;

let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees.
 let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees.
 let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees.

Refrain

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing

sun, O Lord, have mer - cy on me.

All sing the refrain in harmony, between verses sung by a cantor.

Refrain

“Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and nev - er be hun - gry.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.”

1. “I am the bread of life, the true bread sent from the Father.”
2. Your ancestors ate manna in the desert, but this is the bread come down from heaven.
3. “Eat my flesh and drink my blood, and I will raise you up on the last day.”
4. Anyone who eats this bread will live forever.
5. If you believe and eat this bread, you will have eternal life.

✠ SENDING ✠

***Prayer After Communion**

Holy One,

you have refreshed us again with food from your table.

Be with us in the days to come,

that having been filled with your grace,

we may go forth to live holy lives

to the glory of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

***Benediction**

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,

springing up like living water,

fill your heart,

and flow through your life.

Amen.

stanza 1-all in harmony 2-choir 3-all in unison

1 Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless-ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
 2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer: "Hith-er by thy help I've come";
 3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be;

streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas-ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
 and I hope, by thy good plea-sure, safe-ly to ar - rive at home.
 let that grace now like a fet - ter bind my wan-d'ring heart to thee.

While the hope of end-less glo - ry fills my heart with joy and love,
 Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan-d'ring from the fold of God;
 Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.

teach me ev - er to a - dore thee; may I still thy good-ness prove.
 he, to res - cue me from dan-ger, in - ter - posed his pre-cious blood.
 Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

*Dismissal

Marked with the cross of Christ,
go forth to serve the Lord.

We go to bring Jesus to people through love and the Word of God.

Thanks be to God.

*Postlude

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Michael Larkin

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Our Love Offering today:

Our Love Offering for the month of March will go to LDR (Lutheran Disaster Response) to help support the Middle East Crisis. On Feb. 6 two powerful earthquakes hit Turkey and significantly impacted neighboring Syria. The first was a magnitude 7.8 earthquake in south central Turkey, followed hours later by a magnitude 7.5 quake in the southeastern part of the country. The two quakes have devastated Turkey and Syria, collapsing thousands of buildings and damaging infrastructure. Thousands of people have been killed, thousands more have been injured, yet search-and-rescue efforts are only in the early stages. A cold and snowy weather system now moving through the region complicates response efforts. Thank you for your generous support!

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This Week at Holy Trinity

Sunday, 3/12	9:30 a.m.	<i>Worship</i>
	10:45 a.m.	<i>Coffee & Fellowship</i> – Chapel Lounge
	4:00 p.m.	<i>Arts @ Holy Trinity Concert</i> - Sanctuary
Monday, 3/13	7:00 p.m.	<i>Lenten Study</i> - via Zoom
Tuesday, 3/14	9:00 a.m.	<i>Morning Devotions</i> – Facebook Live
	6:30 p.m.	<i>Worship & Music Meeting</i> - via Zoom
	6:30 p.m.	<i>Derbytown Chorus Rehearsal</i> - Fellowship Hall
Wednesday, 3/15	11:30 a.m.	<i>Lent Devotions & Lunch</i> - Room 202
Thursday, 3/16	9:00 a.m.	<i>Morning Devotions</i> – Facebook Live
	6:30 p.m.	<i>Trinity Bell Choir</i> - Sanctuary
	7:30 p.m.	<i>Trinity Choir</i> – Choir Room
Friday, 3/17	9:00 a.m.	<i>Faith Five Check-in</i> – via Zoom
	12:00 p.m.	<i>Altar Guild Meeting</i> - Room 202
Saturday, 3/18	9:00 a.m.	<i>Women's Bible Study</i> - at the home of Linda Vowles
Sunday, 3/19	9:30 a.m.	<i>Worship</i>
	10:45 a.m.	<i>Coffee & Fellowship</i> – Chapel Lounge
	3:30 p.m.	<i>Warriors Journey Home</i> - Youth Room

In Our Prayers...

Week of March 12: Gwen & Perry, The Family of Fletcher Carroll (member), Zach Petiprin (grandson of Val Clark), Jacob Padget (grandson of Linda & David Vowles), Becky Adkins (member), Rev. Gabriel Baumgardner (brother of Tom Baumgardner), Susan Detwiler (member), Judy Eisenhart (member), Shirley Jordan (member), and Kirsten Schultz (great-niece of Tom Baumgardner)

Week of March 5: Sandy Hamilton, Sandy Plummer, Vera Tomscik (friend of Frederica Cohen), Helen Paolucci (friend of Hannah Miller), The Family of Carol Stull (friend of Dianne Jenkins), Will Kocsovsky (brother of Joan Amon), Tom Deighan (relative of the Asente Family), Sean DeWolfe (acquaintance of Laurel Heath), Logan Garrett (acquaintance of the Vowles Family), Joe (brother of Sister Christine of The Elms), Kris Dietrich (mother-in-law of Rachel Cohen), Tom Lawson (husband of Ann Lawson), Keith Richenbacher (son of Sally & Norm Richenbacher), Norm Richenbacher, Carol & Dan Seiberling (members), and Bill Snelson (member)

Week of February 26: Tom Deighan (relative of the Asente Family), Sean DeWolfe (acquaintance of Laurel Heath), Logan Garrett (acquaintance of the Vowles Family), Joe (brother of Sister Christine of The Elms), Kris Dietrich (mother-in-law of Rachel Cohen), Tom Lawson (husband of Ann Lawson), Keith Richenbacher (son of Sally & Norm Richenbacher), Norm Richenbacher, Carol & Dan Seiberling (members), and Bill Snelson (member),

Week of February 19: Larry Saler (father of Amanda Archbold), John Shea (husband of Stephen White), Camille Ellis (acquaintance of Frederica Cohen), Deb Feeman (wife of Jim Feeman), Duane Aller (member), Mark Chancey (brother of Deb Ickes), Kay Crater (aunt of Carolyn Mason), Kari Darha (granddaughter of Tom Baumgardner)

Week of February 12: Don Parsisson (member), Jacob Padget (grandson of Linda & David Vowles), Becky Adkins (member), Rev. Gabriel Baumgardner (brother of Tom Baumgardner), Susan Detwiler (member), Judy Eisenhart (member), Shirley Jordan (member), and Kirsten Schultz (great-niece of Tom Baumgardner)

**Individuals added to our prayer concerns will remain on Holy Trinity's printed list for four weeks. The names of those making the request will be printed next to the name of the person being prayed for. We kindly ask those making the request to keep our prayer list coordinators updated as to the status of the person they are requesting prayer for. We would be glad to continue praying for individuals (adding them for another four weeks) upon request. If you have updates or additions to the prayer list, please contact Sally Richenbacher, Rachel Núñez, or Pastor Becki Verbridge.*

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...Activity Coordinators...

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Acolyte Coordinator	<i>Please pray as we search for a new coordinator.</i>	
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Communion Assistants	Deborah Ickes & Marcy Nagy	678-353-7444 330-858-4995
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