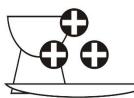
### THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT



10:30 AM



**TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH** THE BRONX, NEW YORK

# WELCOME TO TRINITY!

"Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God." (Romans 15:7)

**WELCOME TO TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH.** We are the *"FAMILY OF FAITH"* here in the Castle Hill section of the Bronx, New York. *"Trinity exists to receive and share God's gifts."* 

**IS TODAY YOUR FIRST TIME?** Welcome once more! Thank you for being with us today. If you are interested in learning more about Trinity, joining our parish or speaking more about things going on in your life, please connect with Pastor Gonzalez. You can reach him at <u>pastor@trinitylutheranbronx.org</u>. We hope that this is not your last time with us & we that you'll continue to share in our joy as a Family of Faith!

**THE ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP SERVICE** is printed in this booklet *(which is also called the "bulletin.")*. LARGE PRINT EDITIONS of this are available at the entrance in the narthex *(the back of the church)*. RESTROOMS are located in the side hallway of the sanctuary *(the area of the church where we worship)*, which can be accessed through the side door, near the front of the church. A CHANGING TABLE is available in the women's restroom, along with a handicap-accessible stall.

A FEW REMINDERS FOR WORSHIP: If you are still finishing your breakfast, you are welcome to eat in the narthex on the opposite side of the "CITYtots" Play Area. We ask that you would refrain from eating in the sanctuary. Also, please feel free to take this bulletin home with you. It is filled with announcements about upcoming events. You can also use it to review & remember what you have received today throughout the week. During times in the worship service where we are reminded to sit quietly, please remember that many will use this as an opportunity to pray & reflect, so please show care & love to your neighbor, doing your best to remain quiet & respectful.

**CHILDREN ARE WELCOME HERE AND ENCOURAGED TO BE IN WORSHIP!** Trinity remembers what Jesus says in St. Matthew 18:13-16, "Let the children come" & we are not bothered by their noise or movement... it is a sign of a church that's alive! To make it more convenient for the little ones to receive the joys & benefits of worship, Trinity has provided our "CITYtots" Play Area for those who are not yet attending school. <u>IF YOUR CHILD IS 4 YEARS OLD OR YOUNGER</u>, feel free to sit with them in that area while following along with our worship service. You are even welcome to have a chair placed towards the middle of the narthex, allowing you to continue in worship while they play. <u>FOR THOSE CHILDREN IN SCHOOL (AGES 5 & UP)</u>, we believe that it is a great benefit for them to participate in worship. As you enter, you will find coloring sheets & crayon packs for them to use in the sanctuary. Encourage them to sing & celebrate with you throughout our worship service. They will learn from your example & be joy-filled worshipping alongside those who love and care for them.

#### In the Name of Jesus Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness

P: In the Name of the Father and of the 
Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C: Amen.

P: Gracious Father, thank You for Your Word that we receive today. Allow that same Word, both in hearing and in the Body and Blood of Your Son, to draw us closer to You and Your will, through our Savior, Jesus, the Christ.

#### C: Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But, if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(As we seek God's forgiveness, please **<u>quietly reflect</u>** upon those sins of which we are aware and those sins which we committed, yet cannot recall.)

C: God, I need your mercy. I ask for your mercy because I know that you love me and you are faithful to me, even when I am unfaithful to You. Because of your great compassion, erase all the wrongs that I have done. Scrub away my guilt. Wash me clean from my sin.

Now, I know that I have done wrong. Sometimes I remember my sins and sometimes I forget them, but You know them all. I have done what is outside of Your design and desire, so You are the one I have sinned against. I confess this in front of my sisters and brothers because I am broken and I need Your healing. I am not proud of my sin, so I come to You, humbly asking for Your grace.

I was born to do wrong, a sinner before I left my mother's womb. Yet, You know how to heal me, how to guide me, how to save me. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and faithful spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your saving grace and sustain in me a willing spirit. Amen.

P: O Lord, open our lips, that our mouths will declare your praise. For you have no delight in sacrifice; if we were to give a burnt-offering, you would not be pleased. The sacrifice acceptable to You is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O Lord, You will not despise. Therefore, dear Father, hearing our confession, allow me, as a called and ordained servant of Christ to announce the grace of God unto all gathered. Dear sisters & brothers, by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ➡ Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.** 

**Processional Hymn: Glory Be to Jesus** --LSB 433 Ó 1 Glo Who be Je bit - ter pains ry to sus. in 2 Grace and life e ter nal In that blood Ι find; 3 Blest through end - less Be the pre-cious stream а \_ ges 4 A bel's blood for Plead - ed the skies: \_ ven geance to From His life blood veins! Poured for the sa - cred me \_ Blest His com fi - nite - ly kind! be sion, In pas -Which from end - less tor Did the world re deem! ment For But the blood of par - don cries. Je sus our \_ 5- Oft as earth exulting Wafts its praise on high, Angel hosts rejoicing

Make their glad reply.

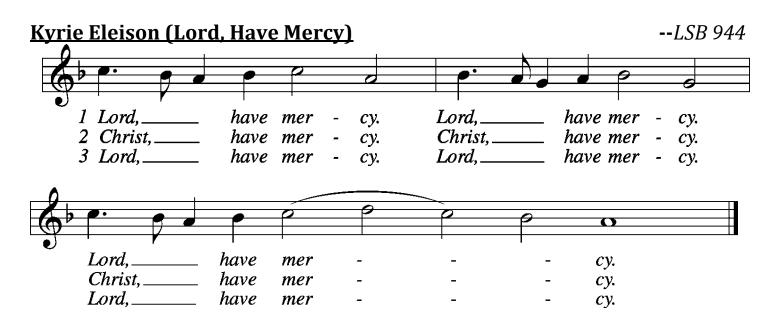
6- Lift we, then, our voices, Swell the mighty flood;Louder still and louder Praise the precious blood!

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## Liturgy of the Holy Word

#### **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.** 



#### **Prayer of the Day**

P: The Lord be with you.

#### C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray [Oremos]... (please listen as we lift our prayer to God.) C: Amen.

#### **Old Testament Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14**

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord." So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

# Psalm 130

Out | of the depths\* I cry to you, | O LORD!

#### O Lord, | hear my voice!\*

#### Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for | mercy!

If you, O LORD, should mark in- | iquities,\*

O Lord, | who could stand?

#### But with you there is for- | giveness,\*

#### that you | may be feared.

I wait for the LORD, my | soul waits,\*

and in his | word I hope;

# my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the | morning,\* more than watchmen for the | morning.

O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is | steadfast love,\* and with him is plentiful re- | demption.

#### And he will redeem | Israel\*

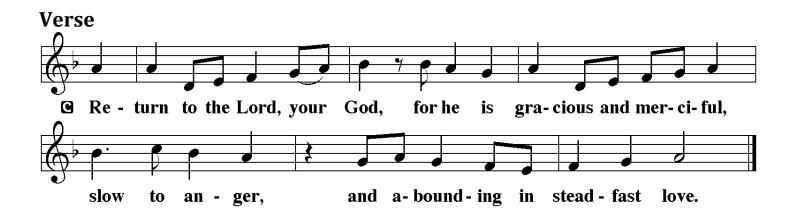
from all his in- | iquities.

Glory be to the Father and | to the ♥ Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

#### Epistle (Letter) Reading: Romans 8:6-11

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.



#### Holy Gospel: John 11:1-45

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 11<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

#### C: Glory to You, O Lord.

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world." When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

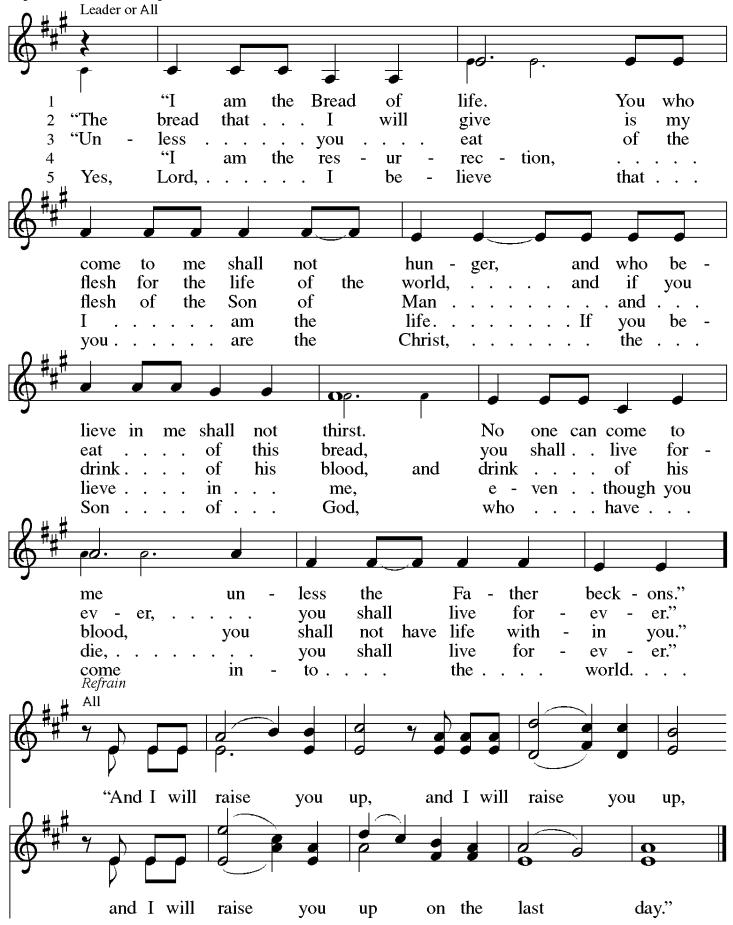
Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

#### P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

#### Sermon (Followed by Silence for prayer & meditation) <u>Sermon Reflection: What is one thing I've learned from God's Word today</u> <u>and will TAKE with me into the world?</u>

Hymn of the Day: I Am The Bread Of Life

--WOV 702



#### The Apostles' Creed

P: Together, let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

I believe in God the Father Almighty, **C**: creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 the Church**

#### The Lord's Prayer

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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

#### Luther's Morning Prayer

P: Together, let us pray the Morning Prayer.

C: I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

#### Blessing

P: Jesus took the form of a servant and was obedient to death, even death on a cross. May you follow His example and share in the resurrection.

#### C: Amen.

P: In faithfulness to God, Jesus gave His life as a ransom for many. May you walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

#### C: Amen.

P: On the cross of Calvary Jesus bore our grief and carried our sorrows. May His passion bring you healing and peace.

#### C: Amen.

P: Almighty God – the Father, the ♥ Son, and the Holy Spirit – bless you now and forever.

#### C: Amen.

(Please turn to follow the processional cross to the narthex.)

#### **Recessional Hymn: You Came**

--Jonathan and Melissa Helser

You stood outside my grave With tears still on Your face I heard You say my name My night was turned to day

You came... I knew that You would come You sang... my heart, it woke up I'm not afraid, I see Your face, I am alive You came... I knew that You would come

You said death's only sleepin' With one word my heart was beatin' I rose up from my grave My fear was turned to faith

You came... I knew that You would come You sang... my heart, it woke up I'm not afraid, I see Your face, I am alive You came... I knew that You would come

You are a miracle working God (6X)

You came... I knew that You would come You sang... my heart, it woke up I'm not afraid, I see Your face, I am alive You came... I knew that You would come

You came... I knew that You would come You sang... my heart, it woke up I'm not afraid, I see Your face, I am alive You came... I knew that You would come You came... I knew that You would come You turn my fear into faith You raise me up from the grave You turn my fear into faith You raise me up from the grave You came, yeah, You came Yeah, You came... I knew that You would come.

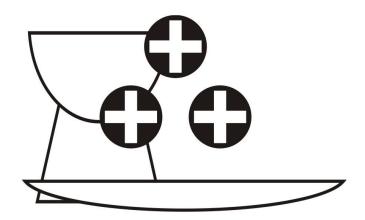
#### (Following the hymn, *please be seated* for final announcements from Pastor)

A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

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