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# LITTLE TRINITY

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**Lent 1 | Sunday, Feb 18, 2024**

Worship & Communion Service  
**6:30pm**

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## WORSHIP SERVICE

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### WELCOME

### WORSHIP IN SONG

### OPENING PRAYER

### LENTEN INVITATION AND CONFESSION

Dear friends in Christ, every year at the time of the Christian Passover we celebrate our redemption through the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Lent is a time to prepare for this celebration and to renew our life in Him. We continue in this holy season by remembering our need for repentance, and for the mercy and forgiveness proclaimed in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

I invite you, therefore, in the name of the Lord, to observe a holy Lent by self-examination, penitence, prayer, fasting and almsgiving, and by reading and meditating on the word of God.

And so now let us either sit or kneel before our Creator and Redeemer, and confess our sins.

### CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

**All: Merciful God, we confess to you now that we have sinned. We confess the sins that no one knows and the sins that everyone knows. We confess the sins that are a burden to us and the sins that do not bother us because we have grown used to them. We have not loved one another as Christ loved us. We have not forgiven one another as we have been forgiven. We have not given ourselves in love and service as Christ gave himself for us. Father, forgive us. Send the Holy Spirit to us, that he may give us power to live as you have called us to live. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Leader: May Almighty God, whose steadfast love is as great as the heavens are high above the earth, remove your sins from you, as far as the east is from the west, strengthen your life in his kingdom, and keep you upright to the last day; through Jesus Christ our merciful Lord.

**Amen.**

## **READINGS**

### **Isaiah 55:1-2, 6-7**

- <sup>1</sup> "Come, everyone who thirsts,  
come to the waters;  
and anyone who has no money,  
come, buy and eat!  
Come, buy wine and milk  
without money and without price.
- <sup>2</sup> Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,  
and your labour for that which does not satisfy?  
Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good,  
and delight yourselves in rich food. [...]
- <sup>6</sup> Seek the Lord while he may be found;  
call upon him while he is near;
- <sup>7</sup> let the wicked forsake their way,  
and the unrighteous their thoughts;  
return to the Lord, that he may have compassion,  
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon."

### **Luke 5:27-39**

<sup>27</sup> After this [Jesus] went out and saw a tax collector named Levi, sitting at the tax booth. And he said to him, "Follow me." <sup>28</sup> And leaving everything, he rose and followed him. <sup>29</sup> And Levi made him a great feast in his house, and there was a large company of tax collectors and others reclining at table with them. <sup>30</sup> And the Pharisees and their scribes grumbled at his disciples, saying, "Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?" <sup>31</sup> And Jesus answered them, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. <sup>32</sup> I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance." <sup>33</sup> And they said to him, "The disciples of John fast often and offer prayers, and so do the disciples of the Pharisees, but yours eat and drink." <sup>34</sup> And Jesus said to them, "Can you make wedding guests fast while

the bridegroom is with them? <sup>35</sup> The days will come when the bridegroom is taken away from them, and then they will fast in those days.” <sup>36</sup> He also told them a parable: “No one tears a piece from a new garment and puts it on an old garment. If they do, they will tear the new, and the piece from the new will not match the old.

<sup>37</sup> And no one puts new wine into old wineskins. If they do, the new wine will burst the skins and it will be spilled, and the skins will be destroyed.

<sup>38</sup> But new wine must be put into fresh wineskins. <sup>39</sup> And no one after drinking old wine desires new, for they will say, ‘The old is good.’”

## SERMON

“The Lord of Hosts”

Orvin Lao

*Sermon Series: Lent in Luke: Preparing for the Kingdom*

## REFLECTION

## CONFESSION OF FAITH

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made.**

Do you believe and trust in the saving work of Jesus Christ?

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death**

**and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.**

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## **OFFERTORY**

*In our offertory, we offer our praise and thanksgiving and the gifts of bread and wine to the glory of God.*

*If you wish to financially support the ongoing gospel ministry of Little Trinity, you can scan the QR code attached to a pew for options or visit our website at [littletrinity.org/give](http://littletrinity.org/give).*

*If you wish to give in person, please deposit your offering in the offering boxes in the church sanctuary.*

## **OFFERTORY WORSHIP**

## **PRAYERS**

## WEEKLY CYCLE OF PRAYER

### MINISTRIES OF THE WIDER CHURCH

WORLDWIDE: The Church in Sudan

DIOCESE: Holy Trinity, Trinity Square, Church of the Holy Wisdom &  
Church of the Incarnation

CLERICUS: Chaplain, Hospital for Sick Children

### NEIGHBOURHOOD

Those living and working on Lower River Street & St. Lawrence Street

### LITTLE TRINITY COMMUNITY AND LEADERS

Lay Reader Coordinators - Sara & Peter Austin

### PARISH

Emrys & Anita Davis, Owen, Evelyn; Rachel Day & Dave Pearce, Clara, Isla;  
Noreen deGale, Ariel; Darlene Dempsey Galle; John Dirks &  
Catherine Holt Dirks

### MISSION PARTNERS

Dr. Steve & Peggy Foster (SIM) Lubango, Angola

## COMMUNION PRAYER

The Lord is here. Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to God.

**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;  
in your love you made us for yourself.

When we turned away you did not reject us,  
but came to meet us in your Son.

**You embraced us as your children  
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life  
that we might live in him and he in us.

**He opened his arms of love upon the cross  
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed,  
at supper with his friends he took bread,  
and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:  
his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,  
he gave you thanks, and said:  
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;  
do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:  
his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory,  
send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine  
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

As we eat and drink these holy gifts  
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.

**Amen.**

## COMMUNION

*All those who have placed their trust in Jesus as Saviour and Lord, are welcome to the Lord's table. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request from the communion administrant.*

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour Christ has taught, we are bold to pray.

**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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**Everlasting God, in faith you have adopted us as your children, made us members of the body of Christ and chosen us as inheritors of your kingdom: We thank you that in this bread and wine you renew your promises within us, empower us by your Spirit to witness and to serve, and send us out as disciples of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **BLESSING**

The peace of God which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

### **CLOSING WORSHIP**

#### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**



## SERMON NOTES



**NEXT SUNDAY, FEB 25, 2024**

6:30pm - LENT 2 Worship & Communion Service

Reading: Luke 6:1-11

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**GET IN TOUCH**

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