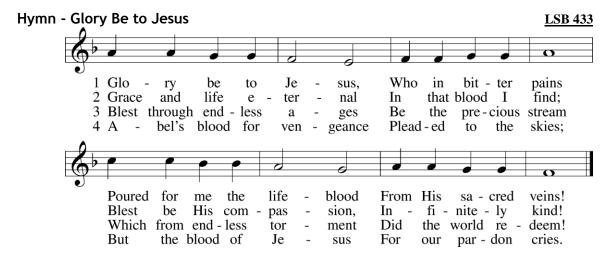


Trinity Lutheran Church - The Fourth Sunday in Lent - March 22, 2020

PRELUDE

"O Lamm Gottes, unschuldig"

J.S. Bach



- 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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Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Kneel/Stand

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Ps. 27:4-6; antiphon: Ps. 25:15

Vicar - My eyes are ever | toward the LORD,* for he will pluck my feet out | of the net.

One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek | after:*

that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his \mid temple.

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of | trouble;*

he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high up- | on a rock.

And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with | shouts of joy;*

I will sing and make melody | to the LORD.

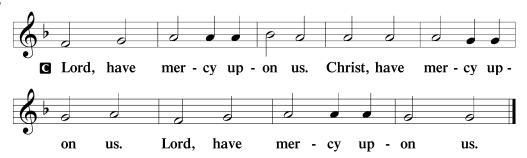
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Vicar - My eyes are ever | toward the LORD,* for he will pluck my feet out | of the net.

Kyrie



Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And with thy spirit.
- P Let us pray.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

¹⁴For a long time I have held my peace; I have kept still and restrained myself; now I will cry out like a woman in labor: I will gasp and pant. ¹⁵I will lay waste mountains and hills, and dry up all their vegetation; I will turn the rivers into islands, and dry up the pools. ¹⁶And I will lead the blind in a way that they do not know, in paths that they have not known I will guide them. I will turn the darkness before them into light, the rough places into level ground. These are the things I do. and I do not forsake them. ¹⁷They are turned back and utterly put to shame, who trust in carved idols, who say to metal images, "You are our gods."

¹⁸Hear, you deaf, and look, you blind, that you may see!
¹⁹Who is blind but my servant, or deaf as my messenger whom I send?
Who is blind as my dedicated one, or blind as the servant of the LORD?
²⁰He sees many things, but does not observe them; his ears are open, but he does not hear.
²¹The LORD was pleased, for his righteousness' sake, to magnify his law and make it glorious.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 142

With my voice I cry out | to the LORD;*
with my voice I plead for mercy | to the LORD.

I pour out my complaint be- | fore him;*
I tell my trouble be- | fore him.

When my spirit faints within me, you | know my way!*

In the path where I walk they have hidden a | trap for me.

Look to the right and see: there is none who takes notice | of me;*
no refuge remains to me; no one cares | for my soul.

I cry to you, | O LORD;*
I say, "You are my refuge, my portion in the land of the | living."

Attend to my cry, for I am brought | very low!*

Deliver me from my persecutors, for they are too | strong for me!

Bring me out of prison, that I may give thanks | to your name!*

The righteous will surround me, for you will deal bountifully | with me.

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

Ephesians 5:8–14

⁸For at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light ⁹(for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), ¹⁰and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. ¹¹Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. ¹²For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. ¹³But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, ¹⁴for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

"Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Verse

"With you is the fountain of life, in your light do we see light"

Holy Gospel John 9:1–41

- P The Holy Gospel according to St.John, the ninth chapter.
- C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹As [Jesus] passed by, he saw a man blind from birth. ²And his disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" ³Jesus answered, "It was not

that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be displayed in him. ⁴We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. ⁵As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." ⁶Having said these things, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva. Then he anointed the man's eyes with the mud ⁷and said to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing.

⁸The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar were saying, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" ⁹Some said, "It is he." Others said, "No, but he is like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." ¹⁰So they said to him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" ¹¹He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud and anointed my eyes and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' So I went and washed and received my sight." ¹²They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know."

¹³They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. ¹⁴Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. ¹⁵So the Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, "He put mud on my eyes, and I washed, and I see." ¹⁶Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?" And there was a division among them. ¹⁷So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him, since he has opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet."

¹⁸The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight, until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight ¹⁹and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" ²⁰His parents answered, "We know that this is our son and that he was born blind. ²¹But how he now sees we do not know, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." ²²(His parents said these things because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone should confess Jesus to be Christ, he was to be put out of the synagogue.) ²³Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him."

²⁴So for the second time they called the man who had been blind and said to him, "Give glory to God. We know that this man is a sinner." ²⁵He answered, "Whether he is a sinner I do not know. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." ²⁶They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" ²⁷He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" ²⁸And they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. ²⁹We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." ³⁰The man answered, "Why, this is an amazing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. ³¹We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does his will, God listens to him. ³²Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a man born blind. ³³If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." ³⁴They answered him, "You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?" And they cast him out.

³⁵Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" ³⁶He answered, "And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" ³⁷Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and it is he who is speaking to you." ³⁸He said, "Lord, I believe," and he worshiped him. ³⁹Jesus said, "For judgment I came into this world, that those

who do not see may see, and those who see may become blind." ⁴⁰Some of the Pharisees near him heard these things, and said to him, "Are we also blind?" ⁴¹Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would have no guilt; but now that you say, 'We see,' your guilt remains.

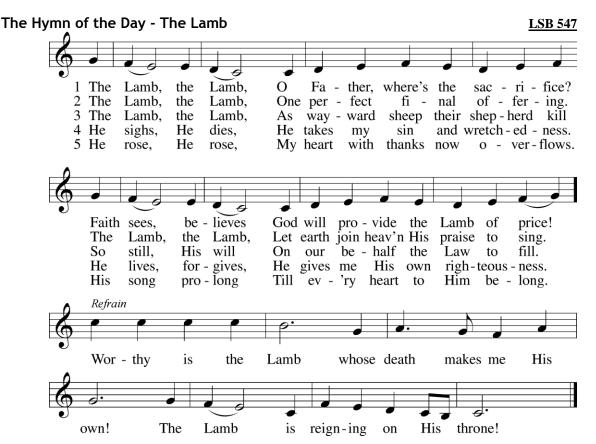
- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father. by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man: and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life + of the world to come. Amen.



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Sermon - "JESUS GIVES US PHYSICAL AND SPIRITUAL SIGHT"

TEXT: John 9:1-41

DATE: 3-22-20 LITURGICAL DAY: 4th Sunday in Lent

THEME: We need both physical and spiritual sight.

I. PHYSICAL SIGHT FOR THE EYES II. SPIRITUAL SIGHT FOR THE HEART III. THE WORKS OF GOD DISPLAYED IN JESUS, THE SON OF MAN

CONCLUSION:

Jesus brings judgment on those who are spiritually blind, but he brings blessing on those who can spiritually see.

- P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
- C Amen.



Sit

Offering

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"Wem in Leidenstagen"

Jan Bender

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Prayer of the Church

In the Hospital OR Receiving TreatmentsOR Recuperating:

Kandie Darmody, Claire Gorman, Claudia Hall, Steve Favors, Sean Wood, Arleen Otte, Kevin Zellers, Virginia Herout, Kent Christner

Other Needs as We Pray for:

- Sunday School, Lutheran Youth Fellowship and LCMS U
- TLC Early Learning Center
- An End to the Coronavirus

Military Service Members & their Families

Doug Jupe, Mike Gobble, Charles Gather, Emily Shelton Ricardo Betanga, Keven Stevenson, Danny Greene, Courtney Tate

<u>Birthdays</u>			
Weston Weber	3/21	Ed Spence	3/22
Collin Mullen	3/22	Christopher Suttle	3/23
Dona Lytle		Trey Hines	3/25
Michelle Nehrenz	3/25	Rick Grieshaber	3/26
Guadalupe Sepulveda	3/26	Emily Schuster	3/27
Hadley Jerman	3/27	Jan Merchant	3/27
Lawrence Brown-Rytlewski	3/28	Kathy Nehrenz	3/28
Cadence Gobble	3/28		

<u>Anniversaries</u>		<u>Years</u>
Frank & Maria Richartz	3/26/1988	32

Missions

For 25 years, Rev. Carl Hanson has served as a missionary through The LCMS in Asia. Currently based in Seoul, South Korea, Rev. Hanson serves as the pastor of International Lutheran Church, a vibrant English-speaking ministry of both expat and local families living in the greater Seoul area. After 12 years of ministry in Taiwan and 14 years in Hong Kong, Pastor Carl accepted the call to serve International Lutheran Church in May 2019. Carl is married to Chenhsi and together they have three daughters, Emma, Andrea and Lydia. Chenhsi is a trained Chinese/English translator. 7

Lord's Prayer

- L Taught by our Lord and trusting in His promises, we pray:
- C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,
 Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth it is in heaven;
 give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;

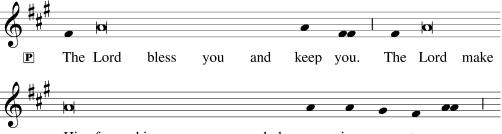
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Collect for Grace

L O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Benediction



His face shine upon you and be gra-cious un - to you



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.





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NOTE: All the following services will be pre-recorded and the link on YouTube sent to you in an email and also posted on our church webpage:

www.tlcnorman.org

Sunday 4th Sunday in Lent – March 22

Sunday 5th Sunday in Lent – March 29

Wednesday Lenten Vespers 5 - March 25

Wednesday Lenten Vespers 6 - April 1

God willing we will again have services in our sanctuary for Holy Week which begins with PALM SUNDAY – April 5.

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Sunday, March 22 4th SUNDAY IN LENT

ONLINE SERVICE

Monday, March 23
Pastor's / Vicar's Day Off

Tuesday, March 24

Wednesday, March 25
ONLINE SERVICE

Thursday, March 26

Friday, March 27

Saturday, March 28

Sunday, March 29 5th SUNDAY IN LENT ONLINE SERVICE

LWML Okla. District Convention 2020

2020 LWML District Convention has been postponed to a later date to be determined; however, the delegates will be voting electronically on the original dates of April 17-18.

<u>GIFTS FROM THE HEART</u> Our LWML Society will be collecting items for "Forgotten" Ministries (for the homeless) to bring with us to the OK District Convention. There will be a collection box in the Narthex for:

Please bring your donations by **Sunday, April 5th.**

LIBRARIAN We are looking for someone to organize our church libray in the Triangle Room. If you love books and would like to serve this way, contact the church office 321-3443.

Pastor......tlcnormanpastor@gmail.com Vicar.....tlcnormanvicar@gmail.com Office (Jackie)....tlcnormansec@gmail.com Carol Wendte....tlsnormanccd@gmail.com Lisa Hamilton....tlsnormansec@gmail.com

WEEKLY FINANCES March 15
Sunday Offering \$6,003
Weekly Budget \$8,027
ATTENDANCE March 15
8:00 am Service 55
10:30 am Service 75
Total Worship 130
Total Communed 101
Sunday SchoolNA

^{*} Socks & Underwear - Men's and Women's (all colors, no white)

^{*} School Supplies

Pastor, Vicar and The Board of Elders

For all of the homebound members, God's peace and grace be with you during this challenging time.

Since we are protecting everyone's health right now, the pastor and vicar will wait till after Palm Sunday or Easter to begin again bringing communion to your homes or at the nursing homes.

We will be or already have called you to see if you have any special needs.

We will assist you in any way that we can.

Do not hesitate letting us know how we can help you.

The phone number of the Head Elder Nils Gransberg is (405-570-3393) and his email is nils.gransberg@gmail.com

The Stewardship Board

"We have several methods to continue your weekly giving, even though we will not meet at Church for a few services. Since the Church's financial responsibilities will continue, we need to make every effort to continue our giving as best we can.

Please send your weekly offerings to the church in one of three ways:

a. Mail your offering envelopes to the Church Office

(603 Classen Blvd. Norman, OK. 73071)

b. Bring your Offerings to the Church Office

(Monday - Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon).

c. Use the "Simply Giving" service to give your offerings digitally online.

Simply Giving may be the best way for most people to continue their giving. The offerings can be scheduled as weekly, monthly or a one time offering.

If you would prefer not using Simply Giving on a regular basis, consider creating a profile and schedule one time offerings during this period where we can't meet as a congregation at Church.

A "Simply Giving" enrollment form:

You can stop by the office to pick one up or call the office at 321-3443 so the form can put in your church mailbox."