

# Christ the King Lutheran Church

## The Third Sunday of Lent, March 7, 2021

PRELUDE

*I Have Decided to Follow Jesus*

arr. Kenon D. Renfrow

WELCOME

CONFESSION

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, the keeper of the covenant, the source of steadfast love, our rock and our redeemer. **Amen.**

We lay our concern bare before God today, our concern for the life of the world in these troubled times.

Holy God,

**We confess our own inner confusion as we look out upon the world.**

**There is food for all - many are hungry. There are clothes enough for all - many are in rags. There is room enough for all - many are crowded. There are none who want war - preparations for conflict abound.**

**We confess our own share in the ills of the times. We have shirked our own responsibilities. We have been concerned about our own little job, our own little security, our own shelter, our own bread. We have not really cared about jobs for others, security for others, shelter for others, bread for others.**

TRISAIGON

*Response: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.*

For reluctance in sharing the gifts of God, and for carelessness with the fruits of creation.

For hurtful words that condemn, and for angry deeds that harm.

FORGIVENESS

Beloved, God's word never fails. Let Jesus' holy light burn in you that you may, from this moment on, take effective steps within your own power. Your sins are ☩ forgiven, and God remembers them no more.

Now live up to the light and courageously pay the price for the kind of world we so deeply desire.

**Amen.**

GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

The grace of our Savior Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and the Communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Let us pray. **Holy God, through your Son you have called us to live faithfully and act courageously. Keep us steadfast in your covenant of grace, and teach us the wisdom that comes only through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

READING: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Lift us up, O God, from self-hewn dusty graves.*

*Broken hearts and bones rejoice as we learn to rise, as we learn to rise.*

GOSPEL READING: John 2:13-22

SERMON

*"Foolishness and Zealotry"*

HYMN OF THE DAY

*You Strode within the Temple, Lord*

A HUMBLE CREED

**We believe in God, the creator of heaven and earth, who gave humanity free will and entrusted this precious world to us.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ, God's Son, our Lord, who was born in a manger by Mary, a woman of humble beginnings. Refusing to seek power, and turning away the sword, He died for us, the Lamb of God. He descended into the darkest of all places, but rose again on the third day, bringing life and hope to all.**

**We believe in Christ's humble spirit, continuously conceiving the one, holy, apostolic, and universal church. We believe in a church, a community of faithful people, which does not seek power for itself, but instead gives itself away for the sake of the world. We believe the hurts we absorb from one another can be forgiven, that in times of temptation and test we can find strength, and that eternal life dwells in the glory of power that is love, now and forever. Amen.**

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PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN

*The Church of Christ in Every Age*

ELW 729

BLESSING

You are what God made you to be: created in Christ Jesus for good works, chosen as holy and beloved, freed to serve your neighbor. God bless you ☩ that you may be a blessing, in the name of the holy and life-giving Trinity. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

*How Firm a Foundation*

arr. James H. Johnson

### **Worship Leaders**

Preaching

Pastor Rory Philstrom

Presiding

Pastor Maria Anderson-Lippert

Children's Message

Brittany McDonald

Lector/Prayers

Harriet Felber

Organist/Music Director

Bjorn Gustafson

Special Music

Darin Tysdal

In your prayers this week, please remember:

- **Continuing Prayers:** Laurie Youmans (sister-in-law of Pam Jaye & Karen Youmans), Lois Torvik, Steve Casperson, Jim Knutson, Jaden Hanson (relative of Lorie Aljoe), Pastor Dave Valen, Char Weidenbach, Miriam Hecht, John Peterson (brother of Jim Stoll), Laura Grondin (Shirley Smith's daughter), Tom Turrso (friend of Jim Stoll's), Carol Trewartha, Dick Jackson, Eugene Jaster (brother of Sharon Wood), Chloe Ashley, Cal & Barb Vraa, and Chris Gabel
- Steve Olson and all who are homebound
- Rev. Philip and Lou-Marie Knutson, South Africa; Rev. Dorcas Wang, China and Peace Center for the Blind in Jerusalem
- Global Health Ministries

**Daylight Savings begins on Sunday, March 14th at 2am. Spring your clocks forward 1 hour before you go to bed on Saturday night!**



**Remember VEAP March 1-April 11. It's the Minnesota FoodShare Drive. Consider giving a financial gift to VEAP because every \$10 equals food for families to make 30 meals!!**

**Drive-In to Church – Palm Sunday**

We will have Drive-In worship and a palm car parade on **Sunday, March 28**. Worship will start at 9:30am and will take place in the CTK parking lot. Come rain or snow or shine!!

There will continue to be an online worship component for those who cannot safely attend.

If you would like to volunteer to "usher" or be a parking lot attendant please call Jane V. in the office, 952-881-8600. Thank you!!

Like we did in Advent, our Wednesday night Lenten worship, *Rising Together*, will be via zoom.

**Topic: Wednesdays Learn to Rise**

**Time: Wednesdays at 7pm**

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/894811971?pwd=aG9lNmpTRTJyeGtzQWtNaDZibEZxZz09>

Meeting ID: 894 811 971

Passcode: 1234567 Dial by your location +1 312 626 6799

**CALLING ALL INSTRUMENT PLAYERS!**

Easter Sunday will be celebrated with a drive in and online service. We'd love to call upon all our instrument players to help record "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" and "Alleluia, Jesus Is Risen" (Same tune as Earth and All Stars.) If you have an instrument sitting in the closet, dig it out, let's make a joyful sound together! Grade and High School players, adults of any age, all are expected! Bjorn will get you music well in advance. Nothing fancy, straight up hymn stuff, but we will bring joy to our worship as we celebrate the Resurrection. Clarinets, Strings, Ukuleles, Recorders, Horns, really anything is most welcome. Play on one, or both!

We will likely record at the church socially distanced in a few small shifts to keep folks safe, and sew the pieces together into a final accompaniment for folks to sing with on Easter Day.

Bjorn will get you the music well in advance and is happy to accommodate any specific musical needs. Plenty of time to practice. **We'd record the week of March 21st.** No need to be shy, let's raise music to the sky!

### Pretzel Making Event

Calling all bread lovers, children, and families! On **Sunday, March 21st from 3-4:30 pm** I will be hosting a Pretzel Making Class via Zoom! From History.com, *"Pretzels, made of a simple mixture of water, flour, and salt, were an ideal food to consume during Lent, when all types of meat, dairy, and eggs were prohibited."*

During our time together we will make the dough, boil, and bake and enjoy a delicious doughy treat! Before the event, you will pick up a kit with the recipe card as well as some ingredients. Sign-up online via this link: <https://forms.gle/cfdDkXMuSMKupb7XA> Or go to our website to sign-up! **Please sign up by Sunday, March 14<sup>th</sup>.** ~ Brittany

### March Gift of Love — Feed My Starving Children

Since 1987, Feed My Starving Children has delivered nutritious meals to malnourished children in 104 countries – places where hunger related illnesses are the leading cause of death for children. Providing FMSC MannaPack meals to those without a sustainable source of food creates a solid foundation to help them regain their footing. Feeding children for a year will help ensure that children will continue to grow and thrive, and eventually be able to sustain themselves. FMSC partners are embedded in communities and help them advance as circumstances realistically permit. Feed My Starving Children depends on volunteers to package the meals. They have strict COVID guidelines and if you want to volunteer or see what protocol they have in place go to <https://www.fmssc.org/get-involved/volunteer>.

### Upper Room Devotional Booklets

If anyone would like a devotional booklet – we can either leave some on the bench outside the office with your name on it (call the office) or you can find them in our Little Free Library at the end of the driveway on Fremont or you can just stop in the office and grab one.

### Easter Flowers:

We will not be having flowers for the altar, but we will be using your donations to purchase memorial flowers for our outdoor gardens, like we did last year. If you would like to participate please fill out a form online or in the office (we will still be posting the "in honor of or in memory of" for Easter on our website & in bulletin), **please call the office 952-881-8600, print off the form on our website, or stop by the office and fill one out. You can also email Jane V. at [jvevea@ctkb.org](mailto:jvevea@ctkb.org) Please drop off form by March 29th.**

### Digital Schedule!

#### Sundays

9:30am – Sunday online Worship Posted on YouTube, Facebook, and [www.ctkb.org/services/](http://www.ctkb.org/services/)

11am - Digital Coffee Hour on Zoom

<https://zoom.us/j/93941598230?pwd=cjh3RVlxSkp4NDgxMTN3T3FYbGpBdz09>

#### Daily

10am - Digital Devotional on Facebook Live (Monday-Thursday)

Written Devotionals via email or at <https://www.ctkb.org/blog>

#### Tuesdays

2pm - Community Announcements via Constant Contact

#### Wednesdays during Lent

Worship on Zoom with streaming to website at 7pm.

<https://zoom.us/j/894811971?pwd=aG9lNmpTRTJyeGtzQWtNaDZibEZxZz09>