



“With You is the fountain of life; in Your light do we see light.”

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**INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE
OPENING HYMN**

**Amazing Grace, performed by Keith Prusak
My Song Is Love Unknown LSB 430**

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- 1 My song is love unknown,
My Savior's love to me,
Love to the loveless shown
That they might lovely be.
Oh, who am I
That for my sake
My Lord should take
Frail flesh and die?
- 2 He came from His blest throne
Salvation to bestow;
But men made strange, and none
The longed-for Christ would know.
But, oh, my friend,
My friend indeed,
Who at my need
His life did spend!
- 3 Sometimes they strew His way
And His sweet praises sing;
Resounding all the day
Hosannas to their King.
Then "Crucify!"
Is all their breath,
And for His death
They thirst and cry.
- 4 Why, what hath my Lord done?
What makes this rage and spite?
He made the lame to run,
He gave the blind their sight.
Sweet injuries!
Yet they at these
Themselves displease
And 'gainst Him rise.
- 5 They rise and needs will have
My dear Lord made away;
A murderer they save,
The Prince of Life they slay.
Yet cheerful He
To suff'ring goes
That He His foes
From thence might free.
- 6 In life no house, no home
My Lord on earth might have;
In death no friendly tomb
But what a stranger gave.
What may I say?
Heav'n was His home
But mine the tomb
Wherein He lay.
- 7 Here might I stay and sing,
No story so divine!
Never was love, dear King,
Never was grief like Thine.
This is my friend,
In whose sweet praise
I all my days
Could gladly spend!

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*INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P In the darkness of the world around us and amid our own blindness to His will and ways, God calls us to confess our sins.

C Return to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

P God of God, Light of light,

C we confess that by nature we are sinful and unclean, born in darkness. We are often blind to Your Word and Your work in our lives, sinning against You and against one another in thought, word, and deed. For the sake of Jesus, who is the light of the world, forgive me all my sins, that my eyes may be opened and my heart enlightened to look to You in faith and hope.

P “And 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.”

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. Through His death on the cross, Jesus Christ has shined His eternal light of forgiveness, peace, and life on you. In the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ as a called and ordained servant of the Word, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

*KYRIE

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LSB 204



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

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

[click for reading by TLO lay reader Keith Prusak](#)

Psalm 142

¹With my voice I cry out to the LORD;
with my voice I plead for mercy to the LORD.

²I pour out my complaint before him;
I tell my trouble before him.

³When my spirit faints within me,
you know my way!
In the path where I walk
they have hidden a trap for me.

⁴Look to the right and see:
there is none who takes notice of me;
no refuge remains to me;
no one cares for my soul.

⁵I cry to you, O LORD;
I say, "You are my refuge,
my portion in the land of the living."

⁶Attend to my cry,
for I am brought very low!

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

⁷Bring me out of prison,
that I may give thanks to your name!

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

HYMN Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness LSB 849

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1 Praise the One who breaks the darkness
With a liberating light;
Praise the One who frees the pris'ners,
Turning blindness into sight.
Praise the One who preached the Gospel,
Healing ev'ry dread disease,
Calming storms, and feeding thousands
With the very Bread of peace.

2 Praise the One who blessed the children
With a strong, yet gentle, word;
Praise the One who drove out demons
With the piercing, two-edged sword.
Praise the One who brings cool water
To the desert's burning sand;
From this Well comes living water,
Quenching thirst in ev'ry land.

3 Let us praise the Word Incarnate,
Christ, who suffered in our place.
Jesus died and rose victorious
That we may know God by grace.
Let us sing for joy and gladness,
Seeing what our God has done;
Let us praise the true Redeemer,
Praise the One who makes us one.

EPISTLE [click for reading by TLO lay reader Keith Prusak](#) *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.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

[click for children's worship bulletins](#) on TLO Church website, www.trinityloneoak.org

[Contact the church office](#) to mail you next week’s children’s bulletins!

***HOLY GOSPEL** [click for reading by TLO lay reader Keith Prusak](#) *John 9:1-7, 13-17, 34-39*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the ninth chapter.

C Glory to You, 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.

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.”

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.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

***APOSTLES CREED—**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

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

SERMON HYMN God Loved the World So That He Gave LSB 571 [click to sing along](#)

- 1 God loved the world so that He gave
His only Son the lost to save,
That all who would in Him believe
Should everlasting life receive.
- 2 Christ Jesus is the ground of faith,
Who was made flesh and suffered death;
All then who trust in Him alone
Are built on this chief cornerstone.
- 3 God would not have the sinner die;
His Son with saving grace is nigh;
His Spirit in the Word declares
How we in Christ are heaven's heirs.
- 4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son
Forgives all sins which you have done;
And, justified by Jesus' blood,
Your Baptism grants the highest good.
- 5 If you are sick, if death is near,
This truth your troubled heart can cheer:
Christ Jesus saves your soul from death;
That is the firmest ground of faith.

△6 Glory to God the Father, Son,
And Holy Spirit, Three in One!
To You, O blessed Trinity,
Be praise now and eternally!

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SERMON

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OFFERING

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***PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

Blessed Lord, You give sight to the blind, You open the ears of the deaf, and You make the lame to walk.
Hear the prayers of Your people on behalf of all people as they have need.

In the darkness of sin and its death, we cry to You, O Lord. Open our ears by Your Word, our minds by Your Spirit, and our hearts by Your grace, that we may know and be thankful for all the blessings You have given to us in Christ, our Lord, especially the gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation. Strengthen us in faith, that we may serve You with all our body, mind, soul and strength. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Bidden by Your Word, we pray to You, O Lord, on behalf of Your Church and all Your people scattered and isolated. Give to us good pastors and servants of Your Word who will serve us faithfully and boldly even in chaotic times. Keep them safe, comfort them and their families, and raise up many more servants for full-time church work. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Defended by Your grace, we ask You, O Lord, to provide us with good and faithful leaders who will preserve the precious gift of liberty and protect the lives of our citizens. Give them special wisdom, and help them to work in harmony in the midst of this pandemic. Bless the members of our armed forces, and protect them as they defend us. Grant Your blessing to all emergency and medical workers who continue to come to our aid in times of great need. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Enjoying the riches of Your grace, we ask You, O Lord, to give us generous hearts, that we may share what You have provided with those in need and work for the common good of all. Give us patience in our seclusion, and comfort the lonely. Grant relief to the unemployed, the underemployed, the homeless and all their families. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Knowing Your healing will and gifts, we pray You, O Lord, to spare us from all calamity by pestilence, scarcity and fear. Remember the sick in their afflictions, calm those troubled in mind and keep steadfast the dying. Hear us especially for _____. Show us Your gracious will, O Lord, and sustain those who are afflicted in body or mind until that day when You will bestow upon us new bodies fit for the eternal life You have prepared for us in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Mindful of Your promise, we ask You, O Lord, to comfort those who grieve and to build up those who mourn with hope for the resurrection. Remembering the faithful who have died in Christ, we pray You to bring us at last to be with them in Your nearer presence, looking forward to that day when we shall join in the marriage supper of the Lamb in His Kingdom without end. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

All these things, O Lord, we pray in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, asking You to grant our prayers not for our sake but for the sake of Him alone. Teach our hearts to be content with Your will and to trust that You will answer us with what is best for us and at the right time for our need. So do we pray, giving testimony of our confidence in Your gracious favor in Christ by answering with one voice. Amen.

***LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

***BENEDICTION**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
C **Amen.**

HYMN TO DEPART **Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies** [*click to sing along*](#) **LSB 873**

1 Christ, whose glory fills the skies,
Christ, the true and only light,
Sun of righteousness, arise;
Triumph o'er the shades of night.
Dayspring from on high, be near;
Daystar, in my heart appear.

2 Dark and cheerless is the morn
Unaccompanied by Thee;
Joyless is the day's return
Till Thy mercy's beams I see,
Till they inward light impart,
Glad my eyes, and warm my heart.

3 Visit then this soul of mine,
Pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
Fill me, radiancy divine,
Scatter all my unbelief;
More and more Thyself display,
Shining to the perfect day.

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**Dallas Calvin Mason
Baptized March 15, 2020**

Congratulations to the Marcus and Megan Mason on the birth and baptism of Dallas Calvin Mason! Dallas was baptized at TLO last Sunday, and is warmly welcomed by three older sisters, Afton, Calla and Lucy. May God bless Dallas as he grows in God's grace. *"but Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven.'" Matthew 19:14*



In the midst of a global pandemic, hope is needed!

Inspired by RLC author, Zach Zehnder, #21DaysTogether is a collaborative initiative by to offer daily hope and encouragement and inspire people to prayer and action in the midst of this crisis. [Click here](#) to learn more and Join the Movement!



Get spiritually fed on Wednesdays

Watch for the March 25 edition of TLO Together when we'll hear about "The Wounds of Murder." Not receiving our e-newsletter? [Sign up here!](#) As Christians, meditating on God's Word is an important part of our Lenten journey. Get your copy of LHM Lent Devotions at www.lhm.org/lent.



Worship Anew Volunteer Appreciation POSTPONED

TLO is postponing the Worship Anew celebration previously scheduled for March 19. Meanwhile, faithful volunteers Carolyn Wesling and Jim Nicklas continue to distribute DVD's to care facilities that gladly use them to share God's Word with their residents. What a blessing!

General Fund Income:			
	Current and Mission Weekly Offering	\$	13,932.42
	Thrivent Choice to Current and Mission	\$	41.00
(Our Weekly Offering budget is \$8,115.00 per week)			
	Building Reserve Fund	\$	830.00
(Our Weekly Offering budget is \$635.00 per week)			
	Tuition	\$	5,378.07
	Sunday School	\$	9.17
	Critical Maintenance IMO Harvey Sell	\$	0.00
	Gala 2020	\$	30,947.31
	1883 Fund	\$	150.00
	Thrivent Choice to Annual Fund	\$	170.00
	Church and School Fees	\$	675.77
	Subtotal General Fund Income	\$	52,133.74
Special Purpose Income (not available for general fund spending)			
	YTF2	\$	350.00
	Y. I. Stamp Club through LCEF	\$	127.00

Subtotal Special Fund Income	\$	477.00
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We need your help in maintaining our budget income and paying our expenses. Please continue to give during this Pandemic even though we may not gather for worship. You may give online at www.trinityloneoak.org/giving or mail you contribution to the church. We don't want to come out of this unprecedented situation with a large deficit that would affect our ministry. Thank you for helping!



Remember in Prayer — Sick/Hospitalized/Other

Rosella Brown, mother of Pam Murphy, in need of care and support, relief from pain
 Richard and Corrine, Jenna Arnold's dad and step mom, continued prayers for full and complete healing from cancer, peace of mind, pain relief, and financial help
 Dixie Cliff healing for her broken wrist
 Gerry Groth recovering from knee surgery
 Chuck Jones, recovering from knee surgery this week
 Jess, daughter of David and Kathy Jones, continuing chemotherapy treatment
 Cory, Tori, & Isaiah Kroonblawd – vicarage assignment in Hampton, Iowa
 Pastor Kroonblawd, finished medical treatment through Mayo Clinic; prayers for strength
 Joseph Labhart (Flannery's grandson) ongoing health concerns
 Carrie Larson; thankfulness for healing and anticipated 'full recovery by June'
 Kris Markley, grand-nephew of John Krauss, thanksgiving and more prayers for healing after the accident that nearly took his leg
 Brian Motz, hospitalized
 Marvin Rahn for strength and good health while living at Brookdale in Eagan
 Char Timm, hospitalized this week
 Robert Vail, brother of Barbara, diagnosed with pancreatic cancer
 Billy D. Swain, ongoing health concerns.
 Chuck Wachter, continued healing from knee replacement surgery



During these difficult days, we ask that you would pray for the leaders of our nation, state and community that they would govern according to God's will. *And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people* —Eph 6:18

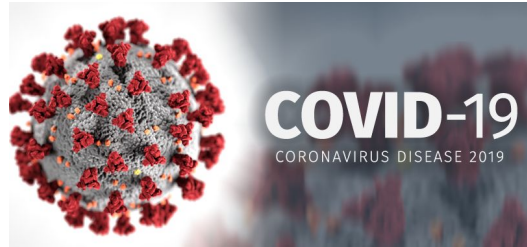


Birthdays this week

March 22 Amy Zenda-Johnson
 March 24 Barb Hanson, Anna Willmott
 March 27 Irma Bjork, Chuck Wachter
 March 28 Benjamin Orr, Courtney Schaaf, Ethan Swenson

Anniversaries this week

March 23 Kevin and Pat Maloney
 March 24 William and Nancy Kolesar
 March 25 David and Greta Whittenberg



**COVID-19 Update
3/17/2020**

Lent Midweek and Sunday Worship Services Cancelled

Dear Brothers and sisters in Christ,

Every day we hear new announcements about the spread of the coronavirus world-wide. It's enough to cause a person to feel fear and panic. Isaiah 41:10 says, "So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God, I will strengthen you and help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand." Know the Lord is with you. The Lord's righteous right hand is the Lord Jesus, Himself. He will strengthen you. He will help you. He will uphold you. He has promised and He will do it.

On March 16th the President of the United States announced new limits on all gatherings in the U.S. to 10 people for the next 15 days. This announcement follows other Center for Disease Control guidelines that large gatherings and mass events be cancelled. Therefore, TLO is cancelling the following activities until further notice:

- Sunday morning Worship, Bible study and Sunday School – cancelled
- Lenten Midweek Worship Services and Soup Suppers – cancelled
- After school Confirmation classes onsite - cancelled
- Pastoral visitation of shut-ins and the hospitalized – Suspended until further notice, except for when near death or for critical pastoral care; Please call the church office to request a visit
- Beginning Wed., March 18, all activities involving 10 or more people – cancelled. Activities involving 9 or fewer people can continue to meet at their discretion and should follow the social distancing guidelines.
- TLO School's K-4 musical scheduled for March 18 and 19 is postponed.
- Please stay home. Do your research and know the symptoms of COVID-19. If you are sick, experiencing runny nose, sore throat, dry cough, fever, difficulty breathing (contact your doctor)

Even though we will not be worshipping together, there are ways we can stay connected and remain faithful in Word, joyful in fellowship, and gifted to serve. Here are some ways for you to worship.

- In place of worship we are working on providing online streaming or recorded messages. More information will be communicated as it becomes available.
- The church office will remain open. Office hours will be 10am – 2 pm.
- Listen to The Lutheran Hour Sunday morning broadcast 830 WCCO radio 6:05 a.m. or visit lhm.org > Listen Now
- Many congregations livestream their services. Go online and search "LCMS Live Streaming Congregations"
- Worship Anew services are available on Direct TV each Sunday at 10:30 am.
- Register for Worship Anew DVDs from TLO. If you are interested in Worship Anew DVDs from the church please call us and these can be picked up at the church office or will be delivered to you.
- Worship Anew is also available for video streaming on your device. Search for Worship Anew. The program's website is www.worshipanew.org

- It is our hope that we will be able to hold worship at TLO on Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter.
- Your gifts and offerings will be vitally important during this time when we will not be worshipping together. There will still be staff salaries, mission funding, utilities, mortgage and other expenses. To keep our ministry financially strong please mail your offering to the church office, or to give online click here: <https://www.trinityloneoak.org/giving>

Over the past five months I had to practice social distancing. I found it faith strengthening to use my time at home to read, study and meditate on God's Word. Be assured, TLO will continue to find ways to provide pastoral care for you and your family.

- In the coming days someone from the church will call you and your family to check on your needs
- If you have a family emergency, or would like pastoral care please call Pastor Kroonblawd at 651-235-7600
- If you or a member of your family are hospitalized and would like a visit, please call

We will continue to monitor the situation and as more information emerges, we will keep the congregation informed of the proactive steps we are taking.

Your Servant in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pastor James Kroonblawd". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Pastor James Kroonblawd