

from the series: "The Hand of the Lord"

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FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

APRIL 6, 2025

Visiting for the first time? Welcome! See back cover for visitor information. *congregation stands

AS WE GATHER

To the faithless, unrepentant world, taken together with the climax of the events of Holy Week, it appears that, after all, Jesus ends up only a disappointment, dead and gone! To the eyes of faith, however, all His deeds, including His suffering and death, describe the most powerful and mighty act of God, by which He redeems and saves the world and us! The church has always claimed that, before and after all, Jesus Christ indeed holds all things. By faith in Jesus, we know that we are forgiven, renewed, redeemed, and destined for eternal glory.

OPENING HYMN LORD, JESUS CHRIST, THE CHURCH'S HEAD LSB 647

***INVOCATION**

- P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

***CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

- 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.
- 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 Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.
- C Amen.

*KYRIE; Sung; tune, LSB page 186

***SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray. Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be

governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

PSALMODY

¹When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.

²Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy; then they said among the nations,

"The LORD has done great things for them." ³The LORD has done great things for us; we are glad. ⁴Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like streams in the Negeb! ⁵Those who sow in tears

shall reap with shouts of joy! ⁶He who goes out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, bringing his sheaves with him.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Revelation 1:9–20

⁹I, John, your brother and partner in the tribulation and the kingdom and the patient endurance that are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos on account of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. ¹⁰I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet ¹¹saying, "Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea."

¹²Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, ¹³and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest. ¹⁴The hairs of his head were white like wool, as white as snow. His eyes were like a flame of fire, ¹⁵his feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace, and his voice was like the roar of many waters. ¹⁶In his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength.

¹⁷When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, "Fear not, I am the first and the last, ¹⁸and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades. ¹⁹Write therefore the things that you have seen, those that are and those that are to take place after this. ²⁰As for the mystery of the seven stars that you saw in my right hand, and the seven golden lampstands, the seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches.

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

***HOLY GOSPEL**

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the third chapter.
- C Glory to You, O Lord.

John 3:11-18, 22-36

Psalm 126

¹¹Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. ¹²If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

¹⁶"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. ¹⁸Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.

²²After this Jesus and his disciples went into the Judean countryside, and he remained there with them and was baptizing. ²³John also was baptizing at Aenon near Salim, because water was plentiful there, and people were coming and being baptized ²⁴(for John had not yet been put in prison).

²⁵Now a discussion arose between some of John's disciples and a Jew over purification. ²⁶And they came to John and said to him, "Rabbi, he who was with you across the Jordan, to whom you bore witness—look, he is baptizing, and all are going to him." ²⁷John answered, "A person cannot receive even one thing unless it is given him from heaven. ²⁸You yourselves bear me witness, that I said, 'I am not the Christ, but I have been sent before him.' ²⁹The one who has the bride is the bridegroom. The friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly at the bridegroom's voice. Therefore this joy of mine is now complete. ³⁰He must increase, but I must decrease."

³¹He who comes from above is above all. He who is of the earth belongs to the earth and speaks in an earthly way. He who comes from heaven is above all. ³²He bears witness to what he has seen and heard, yet no one receives his testimony. ³³Whoever receives his testimony sets his seal to this, that God is true. ³⁴For he whom God has sent utters the words of God, for he gives the Spirit without measure. ³⁵The Father loves the Son and has given all things into his hand. ³⁶Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him.

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

*NICENE CREED — Words on inside back cover of the pew hymnal

SERMON HYMNGOD LOVES ME DEARLYLSB 392SERMONTHE HAND OF THE LORD WHO UPHOLDS ALL THINGSOFFERING*OFFERTORY —Sung; tune, LSB page 192

*PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P Lord, in Your mercy,
- C Hear our prayer.

*PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

- Ρ Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them up unto the Lord.
- Ρ Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.
- C It is meet and right so to do.

*PROPER PREFACE

***SANCTUS** Sung; tune, LSB page 195

*LORD'S PRAYER — Sing last three lines—tune LSB 196

***THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

*PAX DOMINI

*AGNUS DEI—Sung; tune, LSB page 198

DISTRIBUTION Distribution is at the rail, with both common cup and individual cup; de-alcoholized wine in center of tray. Gluten free wafers available by signifying to pastor/elder. Guests and members, please use the pew cards to register your attendance at Holy Communion.

HYMN	BUILT ON THE ROCK	LSB 645
HYMN	LET US EVER WALK WITH JESUS	LSB 685

*NUNC DIMITTIS—Sung; tune, LSB page 199

***POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

- Ρ O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
- C and His mercy endureth forever.
- Р We give You thanks, almighty God...with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

*SALUTATION

- Ρ The Lord be with you.
- С And with thy spirit.

*BENEDICAMUS

***BENEDICTION**

HYMN TO DEPART PRECIOUS LORD, TAKE MY HAND LSB 739

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ISB 202

LSB 201

Serving Our Lord

		April 6, 2025	April 13, 2025
Musician		Diane Streich	Diane Streich
Cantor		Dave Workman	Dave Workman
Altar Guild		Sharon Drews and Nim Traeger	Sharon Drews and Nim Traeger
Elder	8:00am	Bill Breitinger and Sam Erdman	Andy Olson
	10:30am	Matthew Berg and Ben Swenson	Kurt Vallin
Reader	8:00am	Andy Olson	Andy Olson
	10:30am	Matthew Berg	Keith Prusak
Usher Team	8:00am	Andy Olson	Sam Erdman
	10:30am	Open	Ben Swenson
Acolyte	8:00am	Sophia Orr	Open
	10:30am	Sean Hakanson and Luna Wong	Ethan Swenson and Dana Vallin
Projection	8:00am	Don Lee	Open
	10:30am	Eric Hakanson	Ben Swenson or Andrew Swenson
Livestream	8:00am	Jim Nicklas	Jim Nicklas
Coffee Hour	9:15am	Gary and Roxanne Foley	LWML



Call declined

Mr. Stacy Sato has declined the Call to serve as Principal at TLO. Stacy mentioned that they enjoyed their visit. Both he and Nellie prayed much about it and that it was a difficult decision. Let's join in prayer for TLO BOCE, Faculty and Staff,

Students, Families, and TLO congregation, that we trust in the Lord's guidance as we continue the search for a new Principal.



Spring Clean Up Day THIS Saturday, April 12 | 9:00am – 12noon Join the work crew if you can to spiff up the inside and outside of God's House before Easter and Confirmation celebrations. Come when you can; leave when you must. There are indoor and, weather permitting, outdoor

tasks to tackle. Working together while serving our Lord is always a good time! Join the fun!



Flowers on the Altar

Flowers on the altar are given by Dixie Cliff's family in honor of her 90th birthday. We pray God's richest blessings on Dixie today and always!

COMIN	COMING UP AT TLO — April 6, 2025 — April 13, 20205					
FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT						
Sun	8:00*am	Worship with Holy Communion				
	9:15am	Education Hour for all ages				
	10:30am	Worship with Holy Communion				
	11:45am	Special Voters' Meeting				
	12:30am	Peniel Evangelical Church				
	6:00pm	Men's Basketball				
Mon	10:00am	Adult Bible class				
	6:30pm	Trail Life Troop 2950				
Tue	6:30pm	Moms in Prayer				
	7:00pm	Board of Elders				
	7:00pm	Board of Trustees				
Wed	6:30am	Men's Bible Study				
	4:00pm	Midweek confirmation class				
	5:15pm	Lenten supper served by DC 2026 Travelers				
	6:30*pm	Lent Worship				
Thur	9:00am	Circuit Pastors' Meeting				
	6:00pm	TLO School Social Studies Fair				
	6:00pm	Peniel events				
Fri	9:00am	Women of the Word (WoW) Bible study				
Sat	8:00am	Women's Bible study				
	9:00am	Clean-Up Day				
	2:00pm	Peniel events				
PALM S	SUNDAY					
Sun	8:00*am	Worship				
	9:15am	Education Hour for all ages				
	10:30am	Worship				
	12:30am	Peniel Evangelical Church				
	6:00pm	Men's Basketball				
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Interested in Membership?

If you are interested in membership at TLO, set an appointment with Pastor Kroonblawd by calling the church office at 651-454-7235. You will explore opportunities to grow deeper in your relationship with Christ, build relationships

with other members, and find meaningful roles of service in the church. We welcome hearing from you!



Trinity Lone Oak Lutheran Church Special Voters' Meeting Agenda April 6, 2025 | 11:50am | TLO Gym No lunch served



Quotes have been received for adding air conditioning to additional TLO school classrooms. Due to the limited availability of the desired air conditioning equipment, a prompt decision is recommended to accept a quote. Note that funds have already been raised to cover the majority of the cost.

Agenda:

-Meeting called to order

-Open with prayer

- -Review quote information regarding the addition of an air conditioning system to the school classrooms as well as a funding for the project.
- -Proposed motion to accept an air conditioning system purchase quote to be determined. (Appx. \$52,000)

-Discussion

-Vote

-Election for TLO Board of Christian Education.

o Candidate: Elijah Buecksler

-Nominations opened for additional candidates

-Nominations closed

-Election vote

-New member signing of the TLO Constitution

-Meeting adjournment

-Closing prayer



Your Input Appreciated

The TLO Council is soliciting ideas from church members as plans are made for the large estate gift received Feb. 2025. Please fill out the enclosed ivory colored form and drop it in the collection box in the narthex or hand it to an usher. Thank you!

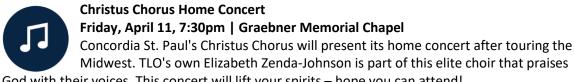


Officer & Board positions open/terms ending May 2025

*Recording Secretary (church officer)
*Financial Secretary (chair)
*Board of Stewardship (chair)

*Board of Christian Outreach (chair) *Board of Youth Ministry (chair)

Are you thinking about serving? Learn by doing, surrounded by friends and led by the Lord. Above are some openings for you to consider. Please contact any of these people for more information: Jon Peterson, Jim Nicklas, Marie Lumives, Sam Erdman, Pastor Kroonblawd.



God with their voices. This concert will lift your spirits – hope you can attend!



Calling All Grads

TLO is asking you, our readers, to name the TLO members or school alum who are receiving degrees from high schools, colleges & universities. TLO would like honor all graduates on May 18 in the gymnasium at 9:15am. We'd like to hear from you!



Renovation Party

TLO Organist, Merlin Simon, is pleased with the recent renovation to his home. An invitation to the open house celebration on May 18 is in the narthex. Please come!



Amnion Women's Center would like to thank all who participated in the 2025 Bottles for Life Campaign! TLO Congregation raised \$1741.10 to support Amnion's life-supporting ministry. So far, almost \$70,000 has been raised toward the goal of \$90,000! Donations are still being accepted online at helpofferhope.org. Look

for more information after Easter about joining the TLO Walk Team for the 2025 Walk for Life, Sat., May 31 at Eden Baptist Church, Burnsville. Amnion's ministry to those experiencing an unplanned pregnancy is only made possible by the generosity of donors like you!



Upcoming Training

Family Discipleship Facilitator Training, April 22-25, 2025, Concordia Sem, St. Louis

Family Discipleship, as defined by Concordia Center for the Family, is "Christ's gifts nurturing faith in God's children through the partnership of home and congregation." TLO is sending four (4) men to the Family Discipleship Facilitator Training conference this Spring:

- Rev. Kroonblawd, Sr. Pastor of TLO
- Andy Olson, Director of TLO Preschool
- Rev. Demeke Ture, Sr. Pastor of Peniel Evang. Lutheran
- Rev. Bekele Sankiko, Sr. Pastor of Peniel Evang. Lutheran

Learn more about the training at concordiacenterforthefamily.org and please be in prayer for the travel and learning as these representatives participate after Easter.

WEEKLY DEPOSITS: March 30, 2025						
General Fund Income:						
Current and Mission Weekly Offering - supporting staff and operations	\$	7,827.75				
(Our offering budget is \$9,330 per week)	(Our offering budget is \$9,330 per week)					
Building Reserve Fund - supporting monthly mortgage payments	\$	140.00				
(Our offering budget is \$675 for per week)						
Tuition	\$	13,471.58				
1883 School Annual Fund - supporting TLO School	\$	30.00				
Gala 2025	\$	54,626.36				
Church and school fees	\$	7,730.16				
Subtotal General Fund Income		83,825.85				
Special Purpose Income (not available for general fund spending)						
YTF2 - Yesterday, Today, Forever 2 initiative	\$	235.30				
Acorn Scholarship Fund	\$	25.00				
LEA fund - 3/25 supper supporting conference travel Oct 2025	\$	263.00				
Washington 2026 trip	\$	41.00				
Subtotal Special Fund Income	\$	564.30				



One In Christ

Thursday, April 24, 4:00pm | Christ Lutheran, Eagan

Join us for a presentation on dealing with grief delivered by Katelyn Ottum, MS, LPCC of the Soul's Apothecary in Lakeville. Loss is something we have all been

impacted by, so please consider attending and inviting friends and loved ones to hear about ways we can move forward while clinging tightly to our Christian faith. Questions are welcome and refreshments will be provided. Thank you!



Birthdays this week

- Apr 6 Noah Buecksler, Dixie Cliff, Abby Commerford, Michael Leinonen
- Apr 7 Steven Groth, Kim Perron, Pinky Seeman, Denise Volkert
- Apr 8 Cheri Breitinger
- Apr 9 Greg Hakanson, Aaron Kolb
- Apr 11 Ashley Goerhing, Lila Nosal, Andy Olson, James Wills
- Apr 12 Ken Buecksler

Anniversaries this week

Apr 9 Jon and Jean Peterson

Remember in Prayer

Trinity Lone Oak School:

- Pray for God's provision and guidance in the Call process for a principal
- For robust enrollment in 2025-26

Mission Field:

• Rev. Tom Park, Theological Educator in Taiwan is OUR missionary and requests prayers for his Mandarin learning.

Those with Health Concerns:

- Bonnie Bartz, TLO preschool aide, recovering from a broken hip
- Joanne Clark, recovering from extensive surgery
- Eddie Burdick
- Dixie Cliff
- Teresa Dornseif, sister-in-law of Alice, relief from pain and therapy after surgery
- David Frick, recovering from rotator cuff surgery that was more extensive than expected
- Gloria, Jim Kohn's sister-in-law, continued prayers as she goes through chemo
- Silas Kohn, undergoing treatment for LCH until August 2025
- Joseph Labhart (Flannery's grandson) ongoing health concerns
- Marilou Larson, close cousin of Alice Dornseif, for the Lord's guidance and strength
- Char Timm, receiving palliative care at Heritage Senior Living
- Pastor Don Wilke, a challenging recovery at home and possible surgery to restore hearing

For those who mourn

• The family of Rod Vik who passed away March 27.

Ongoing Prayers:

- For our nation: Deliver this world from the mess of evil and injustice, and help us befriend the vulnerable, the sojourner, the unborn and all who need a friend.
- For TLO members and friends in care facilities or homebound
 Donine Leatherby + Jeff Schaaf + Sharon Phelps, mom of Cindy Rahn
- Ryan Kroonblawd 2nd Year Seminarian Concordia Seminary St. Louis, MO

If you have a prayer request, please contact the church office (651-454-7235). Pastor Kroonblawd and TLO prayer chain members will include your request in their prayer time. Please specify if you want the information printed in our news and notes for congregational prayer. Confidential prayer requests and/or visit requests can be made directly with Pastor Kroonblawd by calling him at 651-235-7600.



Our weekly memory verse:

But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. **Galatians 6:14**





Welcome Guests

We are glad you are here today! Here are a few things we thought you would like to know to help you feel at home with us today. If you are visiting please introduce

yourself to our pastor, a greeter or an usher. We love to make new friends!

For those with small children, a nursery is available, located in the narthex, if you need a place to care for your child. Children's bulletins are in the narthex, or ask an usher.

Restrooms are located to the east end of the narthex near the main entrance.

Large print copies of the worship folder are available. Please ask an usher.

At this service we celebrate Holy Communion. Please speak with our pastor or an elder before communing if this is your first time receiving the Lord's Supper at TLO. The light-colored wine in the center of the individual communion tray is de-alcoholized wine, where the alcohol is reduced to .05%.

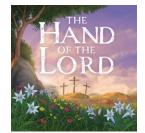
Join us for Holy Week and Easter Worship



Maundy Thursday—Thursday, April 17 5:00pm Seder Meal; please reserve by April 13 in the church narthex 6:30pm Worship with Holy Communion



Good Friday—Friday, April 18 6:30pm* Worship





Easter—Sunday, April 20 8:00am* and 10:30am Worship with Holy Communion 9:15am BOUNTIFUL (!) Food and Fellowship; no Sunday school, no Adult Bible Class *livestream at www.trinityloneoak.org



Easter flower orders

Place your flower order **today!** Order forms with complete details are in your bulletin. The plants are yours to take home after the 10:30am Easter service.



Easter Breakfast Menu served April 20 at 9:15am

Invite a neighbor or friends to join you at the bountiful Easter breakfast. Menu includes biscuits with sausage gravy, pancakes and sausage, strawberry soup with muffins, ButterBraids and pastries, fruit, juice and coffee. Don't miss this!