



from the sermon series *Honest Repentance*
Chaos: "Peace, Be Still"

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AS WE GATHER

From the very first pages of Genesis, God deployed his word in a battle with water. There was a watery chaos that smothered any possibility of life until God divided it by his word. He fixed the firmament to keep the waters above separated from the waters below to open up a space in which life could dwell. With those boundaries in place the water that did exist in the Garden was a cool, life-giving mist—no longer the destructive watery chaos. In this season of repentance, we acknowledge that we have been overwhelmed by the forces of sin and evil in our lives, but we also acknowledge that we have God’s word, which is powerful to tear apart those forces through Jesus Christ, (Honest Repentance, Chaos).*

OPENING HYMN

CHIEF OF SINNERS THOUGH I BE

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***INVOCATION**

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

***OPENING SENTENCES**

P Our Lenten journey continues toward the cross.
C **It is a journey marked with suffering,**

P but suffering produces endurance.
C **Endurance produces character.**

P Character produces hope,
C **and hope in Christ does not put us to shame.**

***CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

P Our hope in Christ is strong and living, yet we have often taken for granted the profound reality of Christ’s death for us. We have ignored how weak and ungodly we have been. Still, our heavenly Father grants us access to His throne of grace, to ask for His forgiveness.

Silence for reflection.

P Heavenly Father,
C **we have not rejoiced in suffering but have given up easily. We have lacked integrity and acted shamefully. And we have even despaired of life itself. Have mercy upon us, and reconcile us back to You, so that we may rejoice once more, on account of Jesus. Amen.**

P At just the right time, while we were still weak and ungodly, Jesus Christ died for us and reconciled us to God. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen. We are forgiven and are at peace with God.**

*KYRIE

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P In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C **Amen.**

*SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

GENESIS

Genesis 7:1-5, 11-18; 8:6-18; 9:13

^{7:1}Then the LORD said to Noah, "Go into the ark, you and all your household, for I have seen that you are righteous before me in this generation. ²Take with you seven pairs of all clean animals, the male and his mate, and a pair of the animals that are not clean, the male and his mate, ³and seven pairs of the birds of the heavens also, male and female, to keep their offspring alive on the face of all the earth. ⁴For in seven days I will send rain on the earth forty days and forty nights, and every living thing that I have made I will blot out from the face of the ground." ⁵And Noah did all that the LORD had commanded him.

¹¹In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, on the seventeenth day of the month, on that day all the fountains of the great deep burst forth, and the windows of the heavens were opened.

¹²And rain fell upon the earth forty days and forty nights. ¹³On the very same day Noah and his sons, Shem and Ham and Japheth, and Noah's wife and the three wives of his sons with them entered the ark, ¹⁴they and every beast, according to its kind, and all the livestock according to their kinds, and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, according to its kind, and every bird, according to its kind, every winged creature. ¹⁵They went into the ark with Noah, two and two of all flesh in which there was the breath of life.

¹⁶And those that entered, male and female of all flesh, went in as God had commanded him. And the LORD shut him in.

¹⁷The flood continued forty days on the earth. The waters increased and bore up the ark, and it rose high above the earth. ¹⁸The waters prevailed and increased greatly on the earth, and the ark floated on the face of the waters.

^{18:6}At the end of forty days Noah opened the window of the ark that he had made ⁷and sent forth a raven. It went to and fro until the waters were dried up from the earth. ⁸Then he sent forth a dove from him, to see if the waters had subsided from the face of the ground. ⁹But the dove found no place to set

her foot, and she returned to him to the ark, for the waters were still on the face of the whole earth. So he put out his hand and took her and brought her into the ark with him. ¹⁰He waited another seven days, and again he sent forth the dove out of the ark. ¹¹And the dove came back to him in the evening, and behold, in her mouth was a freshly plucked olive leaf. So Noah knew that the waters had subsided from the earth. ¹²Then he waited another seven days and sent forth the dove, and she did not return to him anymore.

^{18:13}In the six hundred and first year, in the first month, the first day of the month, the waters were dried from off the earth. And Noah removed the covering of the ark and looked, and behold, the face of the ground was dry. ¹⁴In the second month, on the twenty-seventh day of the month, the earth had dried out. ¹⁵Then God said to Noah, ¹⁶“Go out from the ark, you and your wife, and your sons and your sons’ wives with you. ¹⁷Bring out with you every living thing that is with you of all flesh—birds and animals and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth—that they may swarm on the earth, and be fruitful and multiply on the earth.” ¹⁸So Noah went out, and his sons and his wife and his sons’ wives with him.

^{9:13}I have set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth.

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

EPISTLE

Romans 5:1–11

¹Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ²Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. ³More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not put us to shame, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— ⁸but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. ¹¹More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*VERSE

Mark 8:34b

- P If anyone would come after Me,
- C **let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me.**

*HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 8:27–38

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the eighth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²⁷And Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" ²⁸And they told him, "John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets." ²⁹And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Christ." ³⁰And he strictly charged them to tell no one about him.

³¹And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."

³⁴And he called to him the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ³⁵For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. ³⁶For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? ³⁷For what can a man give in return for his life? ³⁸For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

*APOSTLES' CREED

C **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

HONEST REPENTANCE: CHAOS

OFFERING

***PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

After our petitions:

- P Lord Jesus Christ, my prayer attend,
C **and I will praise Thee without end.**

***LORD'S PRAYER**

- C **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.**

PRAYER FOR THE WORD**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

GLORY BE TO JESUS

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Serving Our Lord

		Sunday, February 25, 2024	Sunday, March 3, 2024
Musician		8:00, Lynn K. 10:30 Marsha W.	Diane Streich
Cantor		Andy Koch	Dave Workman
Altar Guild		Sharon Drews and Nim Traeger	Roxanne Foley
Elder(s)	8am	Sam Erdman	Sam Erdman
	10:30am	Open	Bill Breitinger
Reader	8am	Matthew Boll	Jim Kohn
	10:30am	Matthew Berg	Keith Prusak
Usher Team	8am	Gary Sheets	Andy Olson
	10:30am	Jon Peterson	Open
Greeter(s)	8am	Open	Open
	10:30am	Open	Lynn Kroonblawd
Acolyte	8am	Mason Kolb, Jacob Seeman	Lily Olander, Camryn Ergang
	10:30am	Sabontu Benya	Andrew Swenson, Sebastian Ness
Projection	8am	Matt Seeman	Open
	10:30am	Jean Peterson	Ben Swenson
Live Stream	8am	Jim Nicklas	Jim Nicklas
Coffee Hour	9:15am	Andrea Hinrichs	Roxanne Foley



Save the date for our MUSICPALOOZA

This Saturday, March 2, 2024 | 1:00-2:30pm | Gym

Arrive for an afternoon of music, entertainment and food. Performances by:

The Strolling Bones | Chully | Cross and Crown

Don't miss out on this fun event!



LEGO Derby

March 16, 2024 | 9:00am - 1:00pm | TLO Gym

Kids in grades K-8 are invited to build and race a car! Lego bricks and chassis are provided in this family-friendly event. Lunch is provided. Register today on our website, trinityloneoak.org.

COMING UP AT TLO — February 25, 2024 — March 3, 2024**SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT**

Sun	8:00*am	Worship
	9:15am	Education Hour for all ages
	10:30am	Worship
	12:30-5:00pm	Peniel Evangelical Church worship
	6:00pm	Hoops
Mon	10:00am	Adult Bible class
Tue	6:30pm	Moms in Prayer
	7:00pm	Church Council
Wed	6:30am	Men's Bible study
	8:15am	Chapel
	9:00am	TLO Quilters - you're invited!
	4:00pm	Midweek confirmation class
	4:15pm	Privileged to Pray
	5:15pm	Lenten supper served by TLO Quilters
	6:30pm	Lenten worship
Thur	6:30pm	Peniel activities
Fri		No school; church office open
Sat	1:00pm	Musicpalooza - you're invited!
	1:00-8:00pm	Peniel Evangelical Church activities

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

Sun	8:00*am	Worship with Holy Communion
	9:15am	Education Hour for all ages
	9:15am	Moms in Prayer
	10:30am	Worship with Holy Communion
	11:30am	Special Voters' Meeting
	12:30-5:00pm	Peniel Evangelical Church worship
	6:00pm	Hoops

*worship online at www.trinityloneoak.org



A Special Voters' Meeting has been called by TLO Congregation President Christopher Martin for Sunday, March 3, at 11:30 am. The one item on the agenda is to place a call for Trinity Lone Oak Lutheran School Teacher to Mr. Dan Shield.

Please pray for TLO Lutheran School as we seek a candidate to serve as teacher as Mrs. Pinky Seeman has decided not to serve at TLOLS next Fall.

Trustee update

Last summer the school parking lot and the driving lane from the highway to the school were replaced. This project was funded largely by monies received from the sewer easement with the new medical building next door.

This summer, the Trustees plan to replace the parking surface on the lot immediately south of the church. This work is somewhat urgent because all of the cracks in the old bituminous surface allow water to travel downhill and get under the new driving lane to the school lot, where it will subject the new bituminous to freeze-thaw damage.

The anticipated cost is \$38,000. Because several members have expressed interest in donating towards this project, the Trustees have received approval from the Church Council to conduct a fundraiser for this work. We already have received several donations totaling about \$12,000. Monies received in this fundraiser will replace any monies which would otherwise have to come from the general fund. We trust that people making such donations will give money over and above their normal contributions and not simply transfer their giving from the general fund to this effort.

Should you feel moved to donate towards this effort, write "Parking Lot Fund" on your check and drop it in the plate or leave it at the office. Or give online at www.trinityloneoak.org using the QR code below.



WEEKLY DEPOSITS: February 18, 2024

General Fund Income:			
	Current and Mission Weekly Offering	\$	8,753.06
(Our offering budget is \$8,525 per week)			
	Building Reserve Fund	\$	965.15
(Our offering budget is \$665 for per week)			
	Sunday school	\$	4.17
	1883 School Annual Fund	\$	610.00
	Chapel	\$	84.00
	Tuition	\$	3,443.33
	Gala 2024	\$	1,165.00
	Church and school fees	\$	756.10
	Subtotal General Fund Income	\$	15,780.81
Special Purpose Income (not available for general fund spending)			
	YTF2	\$	485.45
	Acorn Scholarship Fund	\$	120.00
	Young Investors stamps through Lutheran Church Extension Fund	\$	219.00
	Subtotal Special Fund Income	\$	824.45

Fiscal Year To Date as of February 18, 2024

Current and Mission:			
	YTD Budgeted Giving (\$8,525.00 per week for 34 weeks)	\$	289,850.00
	YTD Actual Giving	\$	304,516.20
	YTD Difference	\$	14,666.20
Building Reserve Fund			
	YTD Budgeted Giving (\$665.00 per week for 34 weeks)	\$	22,610.00
	YTD Actual Giving	\$	23,365.77
	YTD Difference	\$	755.77



This week, get your tickets for the Gala!

TLO's Gala is Saturday, March 9 at Royal Cliff in Eagan. Please join us for this fun annual event. Funds raised from the Tiger Gala are used to help keep tuition low for all families. Ticket sales close this Friday, March 1.

Prefer to donate online at TLO? Use our QR code or visit www.trinityloneoak.org





Remember in Prayer

Lorrie Buecksler, thanksgiving that knee surgery went so well

Avianna (age 2), niece of Chelsea Cardenas, battling cancer

Rich and Dixie Cliff

Ed Jones, father of David Jones and Julie Casby, for peace and comfort as he struggles with dementia

Joseph Labhart (Flannery's grandson) ongoing health concerns

Marilou Larson, close cousin of Alice Dornseif, continue prayers for resolution of autoimmune liver issues

Liam, 9 month old friend of Bueckslers, surgery to remove tumors. Prayers for this little fellow...

Joyce (Kirchner) Moynihan, diagnosed with cancer

Ryan Kroonblawd - 1st year seminarian - Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO

Sharon Phelps, mom of Cindy Rahn

Mary Shaw in hospice at Walker Methodist Vista Prairie

Former TLO staff member Curt Stoltenow was recently diagnosed with prostate cancer.

He will be receiving radiation treatments. Your prayers are appreciated.

Stuart Weierke at the Minneapolis VA Home

Shelly Zeitlin and her family need our prayers as she is going through lymphoma cancer treatments.

Shelly is a longtime friend of Rob and Jane Shull.

Laverne and Beverly Ziebell. Karen requests continued prayers for her parents



Weekly Memory Verse

Psalm 1 teaches us to meditate on God's Word day and night. It is our great opportunity and joy to read and study God's Word. One beneficial practice is to memorize the Scriptures and, in so doing, to meditate on it. May God

bless you as you commit Psalm 27:1 to memory this week!

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? Psalm 27:1



Birthdays this week

Feb 26 Marta Schmitt, Tim Peterson, Dylan Steggall

Feb 27 Gabriella Ledesma Covarrubias, Diane Markgraf

Feb 28 Gretachen Schaaf

March 1 Regina Blevins



Welcome Guests

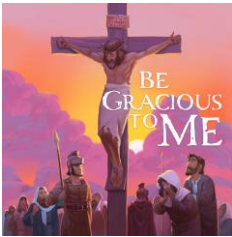
We are glad you are here today! Here are a few things we thought you would like to know to help you feel at home with us today. If you are visiting please introduce yourself to our pastor, a greeter or an usher. We love to make new friends!

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.

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Wednesdays through March 20

5:15-6:15pm | Supper—Feb 28 served by Quilters
6:30pm | Worship

Your Baptism has brought you so close to Jesus that you share death, life, and all things with Him. Therefore, when David said of Jesus in Psalm 41:1, “Blessed is the one who considers the poor,” he was also speaking of you.

Your blessed Lord Jesus considers you—*a poor, miserable sinner*—and He will surely deliver you in the day of trouble so that you, too, will be “called blessed in the land” (Psalm 41:2)

Rise up & Pray
For your children and their school

Session 2: choose one		
Tuesday, February 27	6:30pm	TLO
Saturday, March 2	10:00am	Leader’s home
Sunday, March 3	9:15am	TLO

Attention Moms of TLO students

TLO’s Moms in Prayer meets for Session 2 next week, and we’d love to have you join.

Let’s gather together to praise our God and join our hearts and voices interceding for our children, their teachers, and their school. Choose one of the dates shown left. No RSVP necessary. Contact Jean Peterson with any questions you might have.