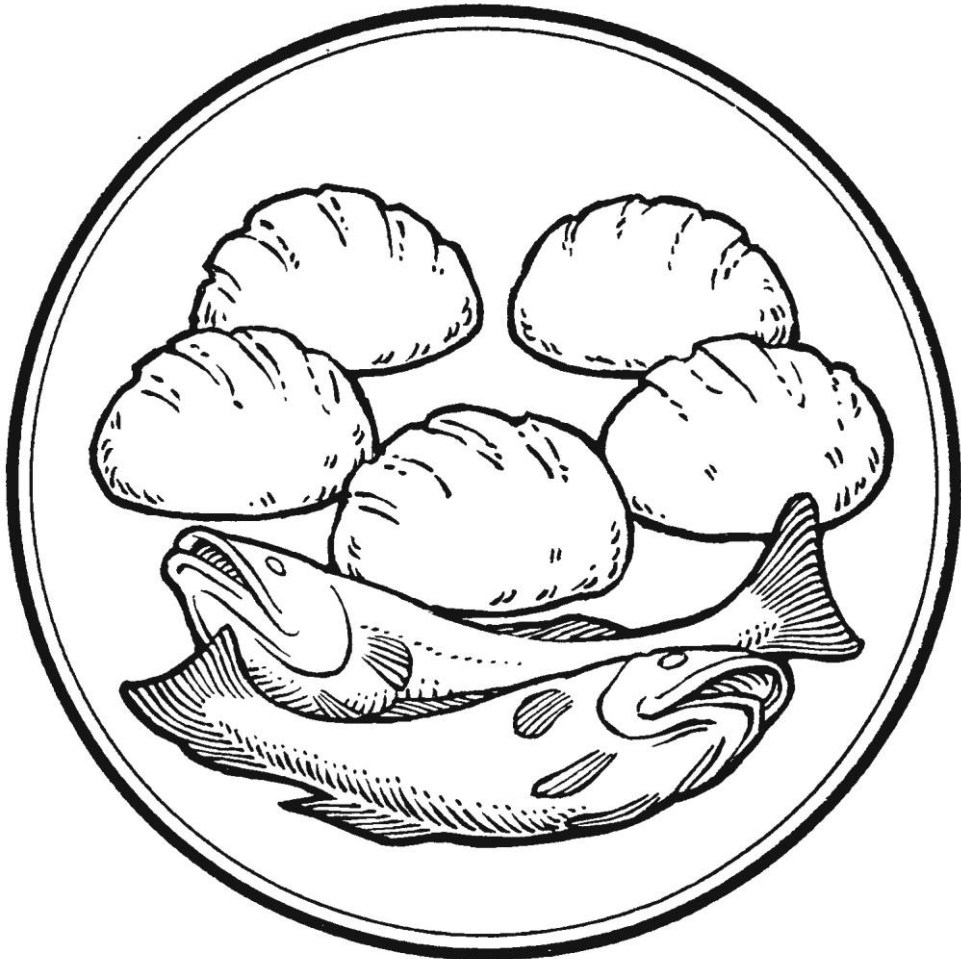


# TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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*The Fourth Sunday in Lent ~ Laetare*

✠ THE SUNDAY OF THE FEEDING OF THE FIVE THOUSAND ✠  
March 10, 2024

## THE LORD FEEDS HIS PEOPLE

The Lord provided bread from heaven for His people in the wilderness (Ex. 16:2–21). Now He who is Himself the living bread from heaven miraculously provides bread for the five thousand (John 6:1–15). This takes place near the time of the Passover, after a great multitude had followed Jesus across the sea, and when He went up on a mountain. Seen in this way, Jesus is our new and greater Moses, who releases us from the bondage of Mount Sinai and makes us free children of the promise (Gal. 4:21–31). Five loaves become twelve baskets—that is, the five books of Moses find their goal and fulfillment in Christ, whose people continue steadfastly in the doctrine and fellowship of the twelve apostles, and in the breaking and receiving of the bread of life, which is the body of Christ together with His precious blood, and in the prayers (Acts 2:41–47). So it is that God’s people “shall not hunger or thirst” (Is. 49:8–13). For He abundantly provides for us in both body and soul.

### Communing at this Altar

**The Lord’s Supper is celebrated and offered here every Lord’s day!**

*\*Guests wishing to join our confession and receive this Holy Sacrament now, and in the future, are asked to meet with the pastor before communing.*

Because we consider communing at this altar a public declaration of fellowship in what our church believes, teaches, and confesses, we welcome to commune those who:

- ✠ are baptized into the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (Mt 28:19);
- ✠ confess Jesus Christ as their personal Savior from sin;
- ✠ discern the Lord’s Body and Blood as truly present, together with the bread and wine (1 Cor 11:29), as taught by the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod in the Small Catechism;
- ✠ examine themselves and repent, as instructed in the Scriptures (1 Cor 11:28);
- ✠ believe the words of Jesus, “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins” (Mt 26:28);

If this is **not** your confession, or you’re seeking a church home and wish to learn more about Trinity, our Pastor will gladly meet with you after the service. In the meantime, we welcome you forward for a blessing during the distribution. Simply come forward and, when kneeling, **cross your arms over your chest**, indicating that you’d like to receive a blessing.

As you commune, select either the individual cup or the common chalice.

Communicants who cannot easily come to the altar will be communed in the pew.

*Please notify an usher or the Pastor beforehand if you need such assistance.*

To help prepare yourself to receive the Lord’s Body and Blood you may read “Christian Questions with Their Answers” found on pages 329 and 330 of the hymnal.

## LENTEN RUBRICS

During the forty days of Lent, God’s baptized children cleanse their hearts through the disciplines of Lent: repentance, prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Lent is a time in which God’s people prepare with solemn joy for the Paschal Feast (Easter). During this preparation we restrain our joy liturgically by omitting the Greater Gloria (“Glory to God in the Highest...”) and the “alleluias”. Chanting also subsides. \* The rose/pink vestments call us to rejoice and find the refreshment needed in a period of fasting (there’s something similar in Advent, too). The week of Laetare is marked by this joyous rose.

✠ THE DIVINE SERVICE ✠

*Setting Three, Lutheran Service Book, p.184*

**ENTRANCE HYMN** ~ *Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us*

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*△Please stand and face the cross as it enters.*

✠ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION ✠

## INVOCATION

*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.**

*Matthew 28:19*

- 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. Our help is in the name of the Lord, *[Hebrews 10:22]*

[Hebrews 10:22]

*Psalm 124:8*

- 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.

*Psalm 32:5*

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

- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

- © 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. 122:1-2, 6, 8; antiphon: Is. 66:10a, 11a*    **Tone B**



- A** Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be | glad for her,\*  
all you who | love her;

- C** that you may nurse and be | satisfied\*  
from her con- | soling breast.

- A** I was glad when they | said to me,\*  
“Let us go to the house | of the Lord!”

- C** Our feet have been | standing\*  
within your gates, O Je- | rusalem!

- A** Pray for the peace of Je- | rusalem!\*

May they be secure who | love you!

**C** For my brothers and com- | panions' sake\*

I will say, "Peace be with- | in you!"

**C** 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.

**A** Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be | glad for her,\*

all you who | love her;

**C** that you may nurse and be | satisfied\*

from her con- | soling breast.

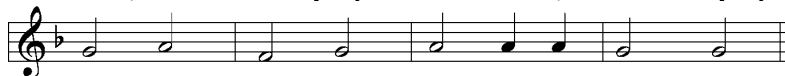
*\*You may bow your head at this point  
in praise of the Name of the Holy Trinity*

## KYRIE ~ Lord, Have Mercy

Mark 10:47



**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with your 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.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You despise nothing You have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create in us new and contrite hearts that lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness we may receive from You full pardon and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Exodus 16:2-21*

<sup>2</sup>And the whole congregation of the people of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness, <sup>3</sup>and the people of Israel said to them, "Would that we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the meat pots and ate bread to the full, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger." <sup>4</sup>Then the LORD said

<sup>13</sup>In the evening quail came up and covered the camp, and in the morning dew lay around the camp. <sup>14</sup>And when the dew had gone up, there was on the face of the wilderness a fine, flake-like thing, fine as frost on the ground. <sup>15</sup>When the people of Israel saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. And Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat. <sup>16</sup>This is what the LORD has commanded: 'Gather of it, each one of you, as much as he can eat. You shall each take an omer, according to the number of the persons that each of you has in his tent.'" <sup>17</sup>And the people of Israel did so. They gathered, some more, some less. <sup>18</sup>But when they measured it with an omer, whoever gathered much had nothing left over, and whoever gathered little had no lack. Each of them gathered as much as he could eat. <sup>19</sup>And Moses said to them, "Let no one leave any of it over till the morning." <sup>20</sup>But they did not listen to Moses. Some left part of it till the morning, and it bred worms and stank. And Moses was angry with them. <sup>21</sup>Morning by morning they gathered it, each as much as he could eat; but when the sun grew hot, it melted.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Ps. 122:1,7    Tone B*



**C** Peace be with- | in your walls\*  
and security within your | towers!

## EPISTLE READING

*Galatians 4:22-31*

<sup>21</sup> Tell me, you who desire to be under the law, do you not listen to the law? <sup>22</sup> For it is written that Abraham had two sons, one by a slave woman and one by a free woman. <sup>23</sup> But the son of the slave was born according to the flesh, while the son of the free woman was born through promise. <sup>24</sup> Now this may be interpreted allegorically: these women are two covenants. One is from Mount Sinai, bearing children for slavery; she is Hagar. <sup>25</sup> Now Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia;<sup>[a]</sup> she corresponds to the present Jerusalem, for she is in slavery with her children. <sup>26</sup> But the Jerusalem above is free, and she is our mother. <sup>27</sup> For it is written,

“Rejoice, O barren one who does not bear;  
break forth and cry aloud, you who are not in labor!  
For the children of the desolate one will be more  
than those of the one who has a husband.”

<sup>28</sup> Now you,<sup>[b]</sup> brothers, like Isaac, are children of promise. <sup>29</sup> But just as at that time he who was born according to the flesh persecuted him who was born according to the Spirit, so also it is now. <sup>30</sup> But what does the Scripture say? “Cast out the slave woman and her son, for the son of the slave woman shall not inherit with the son of the free woman.” <sup>31</sup> So, brothers, we are not children of the slave but of the free woman.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## TRACT

*Ps. 125:1-2, 5b    Tone E*



**P** Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount | Zion,\*  
which cannot be moved, but abides for- | ever.

**C** As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the Lord surrounds His | people,\*  
from this time forth and forevermore. Peace be upon | Israel!

## HOLY GOSPEL

*John 6:1-15*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John the sixth chapter.

**C** Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>After this Jesus went away to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias. <sup>2</sup>And a large crowd was following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing on the sick. <sup>3</sup>Jesus went up on the mountain, and there he sat down with his disciples. <sup>4</sup>Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand. <sup>5</sup>Lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a large crowd was coming toward him,

Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?" <sup>6</sup>He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he would do. <sup>7</sup>Philip answered him, "Two hundred denarii would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." <sup>8</sup>One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, <sup>9</sup>"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?" <sup>10</sup>Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, about five thousand in number. <sup>11</sup>Jesus then took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated. So also the fish, as much as they wanted. <sup>12</sup>And when they had eaten their fill, he told his disciples, "Gather up the leftover fragments, that nothing may be lost." <sup>13</sup>So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten. <sup>14</sup>When the people saw the sign that he had done, they said, "This is indeed the Prophet who is to come into the world!" <sup>15</sup>Perceiving then that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

**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.

*\*You may genuflect  
in reverence of the incarnation*

*Sit*

HYMN OF THE DAY ~ *Jesus, Priceless Treasure*

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## SERMON

*Stand*

## OFFERTORY ~ *Create in Me a Clean Heart O Lord*

*Psalm 51:10-12*



**C** Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men. *Sit*

## OFFERING

*The offering is a joyful response of faith. It should be free, generous, and offered with thanksgiving to God.*

*The offering today goes toward the work and mission of the Church.*

*Guests, especially, should not feel obliged to give.*

*Stand*

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

[1 Timothy 2:1-4]

*After each petition respond: "Hear our prayer."*

## ✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

### PREFACE

**P** The Lord be with you.

*2 Timothy 4:22*

**C** And with your Spirit.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

*Colossians 3:1*

**C** We lift them up unto the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

*Psalm 136*

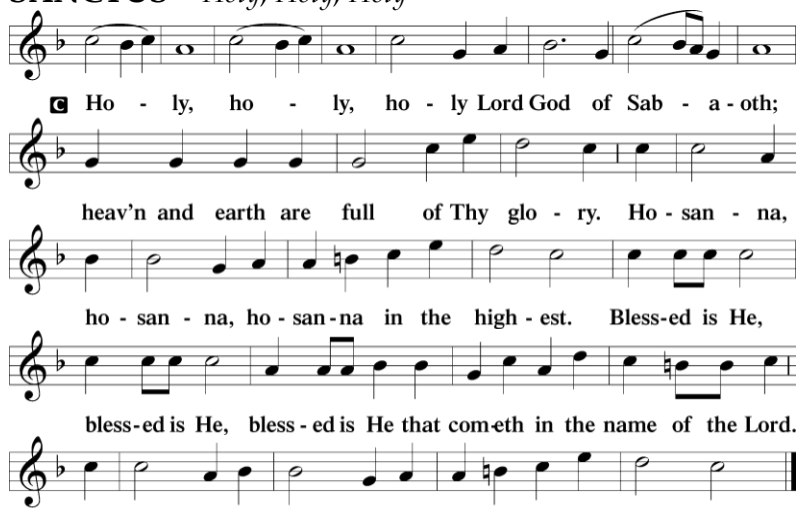
**C** It is meet and right so to do.

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



## SANCTUS ~ *Holy, Holy, Holy*

*Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;  
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,  
ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,  
bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## LORD'S PRAYER

*Matthew 6:9-13*

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.

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

*Mt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25*

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## PAX DOMINI ~ *The Peace of the Lord*

*John 20:19*

**P** The peace of the ✠ Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

## AGNUS DEI ~ *Lamb of God*

*John 1:29*

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

*Sit*

## DISTRIBUTION

Please take a moment and read 'COMMUNING AT THIS ALTAR' in the front cover of the bulletin. Guests are invited to please speak with the Pastor before communing for the first time.

### ***Prayer Before Reception of Holy Communion***

O Lord, I am not worthy that You should enter under my roof; but speak only Your Word, and my soul will be healed. I will take the Bread of Heaven and call upon the Name of the Lord. What shall I give to the Lord for all that He has given to me? I will take the Cup of Salvation and call upon the Name of the Lord. Amen.

## DISTRIBUTION HYMNS ~

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Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread	625

### ***Prayer After Reception of Holy Communion***

I live, and yet not I, but Christ lives in me. What we have received with our mouths, O Lord, let us keep with faithful hearts, that this Gift given us in earthly time may bring us to eternal salvation. Amen.

Additional prayers to prepare for receiving the Sacrament are found in the front cover of the hymnal.

*Stand*

## NUNC DIMITTIS ~ *Song of Simeon*

Luke 2:29-32



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-  
cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,  
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,  
a light to light - en the Gen - tles and the glo - ry of Thy  
peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and  
to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A-men.

## THANKSGIVING

**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

**C** and His mercy endures forever.

**A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## SALUTATION and BENEDICAMUS

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy Spirit.

**A** Bless we the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## BENEDICTION

*Numbers 6:24-26*

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

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

**C** Amen. Amen. Amen.

*△ Please remain standing and face the cross in reverence as it processes out.*

**CLOSING HYMN** ~ *Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer*

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# LENTEN CATECHESIS

## TRINITY MIDWEEK LENT & EASTER SCHEDULE

*Divine Service ~ Wednesdays, 11:00 am*

*Light Supper ~ Wednesdays, 5:30 pm*

*Private Absolution ~ Wednesdays, 5:45-6:30 pm*

*Vespers ~ Wednesdays, 7:00 pm*

**3/1** ~ Midweek II ~ *Christian Questions With Their Answers 1-6*

**3/8** ~ Midweek III ~ *Christian Questions With Their Answers 7-12*

**3/15** ~ Midweek IV ~ *Christian Questions With Their Answers 13-16*

**3/22** ~ Midweek V ~ *Christian Questions With Their Answers 17-18*

**3/29** ~ Midweek VI ~ *Christian Questions With Their Answers 19-20*

### **Holy Week Services:**

*(No meals during Holy Week)*

**4/3** ~ Holy Monday, 7pm

*The Passion According to St. Matthew*

**4/4** ~ Holy Tuesday, 7pm

*The Passion According to St. Mark*

**4/5** ~ Holy Wednesday, 7pm

*The Passion According to St. Luke*

**4/6** ~ Maundy Thursday, 7pm

**4/7** ~ Good Friday Chief Service, 12pm

Good Friday Tenebrae Service, 7pm

**4/8** ~ Easter Vigil, 8pm

**4/9** ~ Easter Sunday, 9am

Easter Sunday Feast, 10:30am

*Fiesta de Las Pascuas, Misa en Español, 5 pm*

*“On my heart imprint Your image, Blessed Jesus, King of grace,  
That Life’s riches, cares, and pleasures Never may Your work erase;*

*Let the clear inscription be: Jesus, crucified for me,  
Is my life, my hope’s foundation, And my glory and salvation!” (LSB 422)*