

\*CLOSING HYMN #687

*Our God, Our Help in Ages Past (verses 1-4)*

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE *A Mighty Fortress is Our God by Martin Luther arr. John Carter*

**Congregation remains seated**

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Liturgist  
Greeters  
Choir Director  
Guest Pastor

Debi Hess  
Jake Mauch & Clare  
Davis McKinney  
Rev. Chris White

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**Bolded words are read by the congregation.**

**Welcome:** to all who worship with us this morning, especially our visitors! If you have a joy or concern that you would like to share with the congregation, please use the yellow card in the pew pocket and place it in the offering plate. These will be shared with the congregation during our “Joys and Concerns.” Please fill out the worship registration pad found in the pew, and pass it to the person next to you. Once the form is completed the last person to receive the form places the form in the offering plate.

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# Trinity Presbyterian Church



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March 9, 2025 10:15 AM

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## ASSEMBLE IN GOD’S NAME

**GATHERING MUSIC** *Be Still and Know with Be Still, My Soul arr. Mark Hayes*

\***THE PEACE**

The Peace of Christ be with you.  
*And also with you!*

**INTROIT #783**

*When We Are Tested*

\***CALL TO WORSHIP**

In the wilderness of life, we have hope:  
**We live by the Word of the Lord.**  
In the face of temptation, we proclaim:  
**We worship the Lord our God alone.**  
Let us worship God.

\***OPENING HYMN #8**

*Eternal Father, Strong to Save*

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

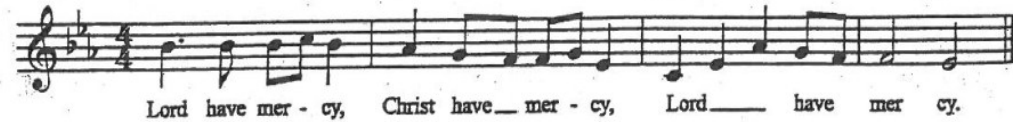
Comfortable with the way things are, we lose sight of the way God intends them to be. We bring our confession before the One who is more powerful and mightier than the devil in the wilderness.

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you. We desire earthly kingdoms and dismiss your heavenly realm. We seek to provide for ourselves and spurn the bread of life you offer. Forgive us, God of grace. Teach us to rely on your saving word, to trust in your sustaining care, and to worship and serve you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Minute of Silent Personal Confession** *Let us sing to the Lord...*

## KYRIE—All Sing



## DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

The Lord is generous to all who call on God's name. Friends, believe the good news: God does not turn away from us, but desires to bring us into the glorious freedom offered in Jesus Christ. Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

**ANTHEM** *Walkin' on That Heavenly Road by Greg Gilpin*

**PROCESSIONAL #188:** *Jesus Loves Me! (verse 1)*

**CHILDREN'S MOMENT** *Children's Sermon*  
*(The children will be dismissed to Children's Church after the Children's Moment.)*

**RECESSIONAL** *Jesus Loves the Little Children*

## PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Bring your word near to us, O God. May it rest not only on our lips, but also reside in our hearts. By the power of your Holy Spirit, help us to respond to your word with our whole lives until you become our dwelling place; through Jesus Christ, we pray. **Amen.**

**FIRST SCRIPTURE READING:** *Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16 NRSV*

**SECOND SCRIPTURE READING:** *Luke 4:1-13 NRSV*

**SERMON** *It's Tempting, Isn't It?* *Rev. Chris White*

### MOMENT FOR REFLECTION

**\*HYMN #43** *On Eagle's Wings*

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

### \*LENTEN PRAYER

—Ann Weems

Lent is a time to take time to let the power of our faith story take hold of us,  
a time to let the events get up and walk around in us,  
a time to intensify our living unto Christ,  
a time to hover over the thoughts of our hearts,  
a time to place our feet in the streets of Jerusalem  
or to walk along the sea and listen to his Word,  
a time to touch his robe and feel the healing surge through us,  
a time to ponder and a time to wonder ...  
Lent is a time to allow a fresh new taste of God!  
Perhaps we're afraid to have time to think,  
for thoughts come unbidden.  
Perhaps, we're afraid to face our future knowing our past.  
Give us courage, O God, to hear your Word  
and to read our living into it.  
Give us the trust to know we're forgiven  
and give us the faith to take up our lives and walk.

### INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Israel came out of the wilderness and into a land flowing with milk and honey. There they were finally able to offer to God baskets full, in joyful celebration. We, too, bring the first fruits of all that God has so generously given us, with joy and thanksgiving.

### MUSICAL OFFERTORY

*He Knows My Name*  
*by Tommy Walker arr. Carol Tornquist*

**\*DOXOLOGY Hymn #606**

*Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow*

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Gracious and Generous God, we are amazed by the good gifts you bestow in abundance. We offer back to you a portion of all that we have received, setting down our baskets in celebration of your greatest gift, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. **Amen.**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### JOYS AND CONCERNS

**CALL TO PRAYER — HYMN #471 (verse 1)**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER (DEBT, DEBTORS)**