

*CLOSING HYMN #464

Our Father

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE *Beneath the Cross of Jesus by Frederick Maker arr. Marian Talley*

Congregation remains seated

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| Liturgist | Jake Mauch |
| Ushers | Wilson Tayong |
| Communion Servers | Debbie Johnson, Debi Hess, Cindie Postell, Keith Harring |
| Choir Director | Davis McKinney |
| Co Pastor | Rev. Tom Dunlap |

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.

We hope you feel at home at Trinity, and that you will join us again. We invite you to consider becoming part of our church family.

Portions of today’s liturgy are adapted from *Feasting on the Word Worship Companion: Liturgies for Year C, Volume 1* © 2012 Westminster John Knox Press and *Call to Worship, Vol. 49.1, Lectionary Aids 2015, Year C.*

Trinity Presbyterian Church



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5th Sunday in Lent

April 6, 2025 10:15 AM

Worship leaders in plain type/ **Congregation in bold type**

ASSEMBLE IN GOD’S NAME

GATHERING MUSIC *Sheep May Safely Graze with There is a Green Hill Far Away
by Bach arr. Gail Smith*

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

INTROIT #73 *When God Delivered Israel*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**
Is anyone thirsty? **Come and drink!**
Is anyone hungry? **Enjoy the finest food at the table of the Lord!**
What more do we need?
The Lord has made an everlasting covenant and promised unfailing love.
Let us worship God.

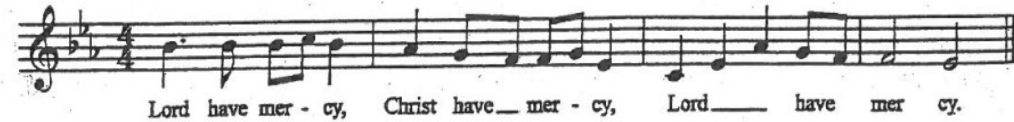
***OPENING HYMN #14** *For the beauty of the earth*

CALL TO CONFESSION
Trusting the grace promised to us in Jesus Christ, let us confess our sins before God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you. We take your blessing for granted and squander our inheritance. We boast of our good works and resent your great mercy to others. Forgive us, God of grace. Let us no longer be lost in our sin. Help us to find our way home to you, where you welcome us with open arms; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

KYRIE—All Sing



DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

As a parent welcomes home a wayward child, so God embraces all who return in true repentance. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. **Amen.**

ANTHEM

Steal Away by Dvorák arr. Leavitt

CHILDREN'S 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

Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit open our minds and bodies to the re-creating power of your Word, that we may see the world through the mind of Christ and live in the world as a foretaste of your new creation. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING: *Matthew 15:21-28*

SERMON

A Living Faith

Rev. Tom Dunlap

MOMENT FOR REFLECTION

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**I am now willing to accept the unexpected, unusual and amazing happenings in my life.
There is but One Presence in the universe and I am one with that Presence.
There is but one Power and that Power is good, loving and benevolent.
That Power is the Christ in my life.**

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

As people of the New Creation, let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God.

MUSICAL OFFERTORY *All We Like Sheep Have Gone Astray by David Smither*

*DOXOLOGY #606

Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Him, all creatures here below;
praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

O God, receive this offering and with it the offering of our lives, for we return to you only what you have so graciously given. Use us for the sake of Christ, in whose name we pray. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOYS AND CONCERNS

SEALING THE WORD

*SACRAMENT OF THE LORDS'S SUPPER (see insert)

*The Lord's Table is open to all who profess faith in Jesus Christ.
Baptized children are invited to partake with their parents' blessing.
Please eat the bread when you receive it, symbolizing your personal relationship with Christ. Hold the cup until all have been served, symbolizing our unity in Christ.*

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
[Clergy expressions; Congregation response]

THE INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

Let us come to our Lord's table with hearts that are open to God's Spirit.

We come too with open hands to receive the Bread of life.

We come to receive nourishment for our souls.

We come with gratitude knowing that God walks with us on all the pathways of our lives.

Let us come in faith, choosing to believe that the Spirit of Christ supports and sustains us.

Thanks be to God!

HYMN OF PREPARATION #517

Here, O our Lord, we see you face to face

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Thank you, God: for the bread and the cup, for the life and the Love, for the wisdom to walk into your world. With your strength, our faith is strengthened. With you grace, our love grows. Help us to share that love, strength, and faith. Help us to accept when others share it with us—that it might change the world. In Christ's name, we ask it. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Debt and Debtors)

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