



*Nurturing a Living Faith  
with Open Hearts  
and Serving Hands*

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**WADE IN THE WATER:  
Living Into Our Baptismal Covenant**  
Hear the Word and Share the Supper

**Lent Week 1  
Wednesday  
March 12, 2025  
12:15 & 6 p.m.**



**PRE-SERVICE MUSIC**

**CENTERING SONG**

“Wade in the Water”

ELW #459

*Refrain*

Wade in the water,  
wade in the water, children,  
wade in the water,  
God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.

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| <p>1 (See that host all dressed in white,) God's a-goin'-a trouble the water. (the leader looks like the Israelite.) God's a-goin'-a trouble the water. <i>Refrain</i></p> | <p>3 (Look over yonder, what do I see?) God's a-goin'-a trouble the water. (the Holy Ghost a-coming on me.) God's a-goin'-a trouble the water. <i>Refrain</i></p>                  |
| <p>2 (See that band all dressed in red,) God's a-goin'-a trouble the water. (looks like the band that Moses led.) God's a-goin'-a trouble the water. <i>Refrain</i></p>    | <p>4 (If you don't believe I've been redeemed,) God's a-goin'-a trouble the water. (just follow me down to Jordan's stream.) God's a-goin'-a trouble the water. <i>Refrain</i></p> |

Text: African American spiritual

**DIALOGUE**

What does God call us to do?

**To hear the word of God and share in the Lord's Supper.**

Proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed.

**Serve all people following the example of Jesus.**

Strive for justice and peace in all the earth.

**To live among God's faithful people.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray.

**Gracious God, open our ears to hear your word as we gather to worship. Nourish us in the meal we share. Forgive us and renew us, so we may be strengthened to care for the poor, marginalized, afflicted and suffering. May we embody the same grace which Christ has gifted us. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.**

**READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 11:23-26**

Eli Hatlestad, reader (6 p.m.)

<sup>23</sup>For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, <sup>24</sup>and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." <sup>25</sup>In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." <sup>26</sup>For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Welcome to  
Worship at Trinity  
Lutheran**

*Whether this is your first time worshipping with us, or if you regularly attend, we are very glad that you are with us! Today, we gather to worship God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

*The church is not a building – it is you, the people. If you look around what you will see are imperfect people. Some with smiles, some with broken hearts, some with secrets they are ashamed to share... and yet all of us together are the "church."*

*We are thankful you are here. Through God's Holy Spirit we pray you hear a word of grace and hope today.*

**GOSPEL: LUKE 24:13-35**

The holy gospel according to Luke, chapter 24, beginning with verse 13.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>13</sup>Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup>and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup>While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, <sup>16</sup>but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup>And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. <sup>18</sup>Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" <sup>19</sup>He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, <sup>20</sup>and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. <sup>21</sup>But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. <sup>22</sup>Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, <sup>23</sup>and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. <sup>24</sup>Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." <sup>25</sup>Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! <sup>26</sup>Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" <sup>27</sup>Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

<sup>28</sup>As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. <sup>29</sup>But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. <sup>30</sup>When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. <sup>31</sup>Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. <sup>32</sup>They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" <sup>33</sup>That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. <sup>34</sup>They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" <sup>35</sup>Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

Pastor Mark Narum

**HYMN OF THE DAY/OFFERING SONG**

"I Want Jesus to Walk with Me"

ELW #325

**1 I want Jesus to walk with me;  
I want Jesus to walk with me;  
all along my pilgrim journey,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.**

**3 When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me;  
when I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me;  
when my head is bowed in sorrow,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.**

**2 In my trials, Lord, walk with me;  
in my trials, Lord, walk with me;  
when my heart is almost breaking,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.**

Text: African American spiritual

**OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray.

**We bring our offering to you, O Lord. Renew us in the gifts of discipleship we received in baptism. May the Holy Spirit use these gifts to stir the embers of faith, create bold leaders, and transform us to be communities of Jesus where there are life-changing relationships with God, one another and the world. Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*Please pray for James, Terry, Dick, Wendy, Amy, Barb, Dennis & Rod.*

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

My thoughts on the scripture  
and message

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**LENTEN PRAYER**

Let us pray.

We give thanks to you, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your dear Son, that you have graciously protected us today. We ask you to forgive us all our sins, where we have done wrong, and graciously to protect us tonight. Into your hands we commend ourselves: our bodies, our souls, and all that is ours. Let your holy angels be with us, so that the wicked foe may have no power over us. Amen.

**DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION**

**COMMUNION MUSIC**

“Open the Eyes of My Heart”  
CCLI #2298355

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Let us pray.

Holy God, we thank you for the blessings you give us through the Word and this meal. As you have nourished us in body, mind, and spirit, strengthen us to go into your world to do your will. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

**SENDING SONG**

“Lead Me, Guide Me”

ELW #768

***Refrain***

Lead me, guide me, along the way;  
for if you lead me, I cannot stray.  
Lord, let me walk each day with thee.  
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

2. Help me tread in the paths of your righteousness,  
be my aid when Satan and sin oppress.  
I am putting all my trust in thee.  
Lead me, O Lord, lead me. *Refrain*

1. I am weak and I need thy strength and pow’r  
to help me over my weakest hour.  
Help me through the darkness the face to see.  
Lead me, O Lord, lead me. *Refrain*

3. I am lost if you take your hand from me,  
I am blind without thy light to see.  
Lord, just always let me thy servant be.  
Lead me, O Lord, lead me. *Refrain*

**DISMISSAL**

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Trinity Lutheran's  
**NEW MEMBER CONVERSATION**

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**SATURDAY MARCH 15TH**  
@ 9:30 a.m.  
Conference Room

**INTERESTED IN JOINING US?**

Come and learn:

- more about Trinity Lutheran
- the mission we believe God is calling us to
- how you can be a part of this ministry



**THE ST. JOHN PASSION**  
BY JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH

Dakota Pro Musica  
North Dakota's Professional Choral Ensemble

In partnership with the  
Bismarck Mandan Civic Chorus  
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**Saturday, March 22nd at 7:00 pm**  
Trinity Lutheran Church, Bismarck

Tickets \$20 presale and \$25 after March 1st

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**WEDNESDAY**  
*Lenten Worship*  
**SERVICES**

*Come over your lunch hour!*

Begins "Ash Wednesday"  
**March 5th - April 9th**

*Lunch*  
Soup & Sandwiches @ 11:45 a.m.  
Worship @ 12:15 p.m. - 12:45 p.m.  
in the Community Center

*Evening*  
Soup & Sandwiches @ 5:15 p.m.  
in Fellowship Hall  
Worship @ 6 p.m. - 6:35 p.m.  
in the Sanctuary

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12, 2025

**RADIO BROADCAST/LIVE STREAM** is in memory of loved ones that have passed. Given by Russ & Tami Meckle.

**CHILI COOK-OFF & SILENT AUCTION**- Our Chili Cook Off is **TODAY @ 5:15 p.m.** in Fellowship Hall. The silent auction items are already set up for you to bid on. All are welcome to come eat & vote!

**NEW MEMBER CONVERSATION** - Are you interested in learning more about Trinity Lutheran and what it means to be a member? We will host a conversation on Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup> @ 9:30 a.m. in the Conference Room. Contact the pastors or office.

**SWEET DEAL FOR C.A.R.** – Our Church School kids invite you to join them in raising money for the Lutheran church in the Central African Republic (C.A.R.). The C.A.R. is a sister synod to our Western ND Synod. To participate, simply take a tube of mini m&m's, enjoy the sweet treat, add some quarters, bills, or a check to the empty tube and bring it back to the church office.

**LEND A HAND** - Lend a Hand will meet tomorrow, Thursday, March 13<sup>th</sup> @ 9 a.m. Contact John if you have questions.

**MEN'S GROUP** - Men's Group will meet Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup> @ 8 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Contact Pastor Mark for questions.

**BUTTER BRAIDS & PUFFINS** - Your orders are here! Please see Gracia to pick up your items. Thank you!

**THE ST. JOHN PASSION CONCERT** - Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 7 p.m. Dakota Pro Musica in partnership with the Bismarck Mandan Symphony Orchestra and the Bismarck Mandan Civic Chorus present J.S. Bach's masterpiece The St. John Passion. Early tickets are available in the office and online.

**BLOOD DRIVE** - Trinity is hosting a blood drive on Friday, April 25<sup>th</sup>. There are slots for 15 people willing to roll up their sleeves and bless those in medical need of life saving blood. A registration sheet to sign-up is available in the Narthex.

**ONLINE GIVING** - Giving has never been easier! Open your camera on your phone and scan the QR code. It will take you right to Trinity's online giving site. You can choose to give via credit card or bank account. Try it out today!



### **FAITH FORMATION FOCUS GROUPS**

Trinity is going to be entering into a process to look at our Faith Formation ministries (youth & children) to see how we can improve them in the years to come. We are excited for this opportunity to make our ministries for children & youth better!

The first step in this process is Focus Groups. These focus groups will meet with Beth Anderson. Beth formerly worked at the Synod Office and will be leading & coaching us through this process for the next few months. She will be meeting with the Focus Groups to ask questions and listen to feedback.

All are welcome! The focus groups will meet on Sundays March 16<sup>th</sup> & April 6<sup>th</sup> @ 9:35 a.m. and Wednesdays March 19<sup>th</sup> & April 9<sup>th</sup> @ 6:40 p.m.



### ***THIS WEEK AT TRINITY***

#### **Wednesday 3-12**

11:45 AM - Lunch served in Community Center  
12:15 PM - Lenten Worship in Community Center  
5:15 PM - Chili Cook-Off in Fellowship Hall  
6 PM - Worship in Sanctuary  
6:40 PM - Church School, Youth Group

#### **Thursday 3-13**

9 AM - Lend a Hand in Break Room  
5 PM - Executive Committee in Conference Room

#### **Saturday 3-15**

8 AM - Men's Group in Fellowship Hall  
9:30 AM - New Member Conversation in Conf. Room

#### **Sunday 3-16**

8:30 AM - Worship in Sanctuary  
9:35 AM - Faith Formation Focus Groups  
9:35 AM - Bible 101 in Fellowship Hall  
9:35 AM - Church School  
10:30 AM - Worship in Sanctuary

#### **Tuesday 3-28**

9 AM - Quilters in Quilters' Room

#### **Wednesday 3-19**

11:45 AM - Lunch served in Community Center  
12:15 PM - Lenten Worship in Community Center  
2:30 PM - Upstairs Bible Study in Room 212  
5:15 PM - Chili Cook-Off in Fellowship Hall  
6 PM - Worship in Sanctuary  
6:40 PM - Church School, Youth Group  
6:40 PM - Faith Formation Focus Groups

**AMAZING PUZZLE RACES**

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Additional Family Division with fewer pieces

Spectators Welcome

FUN for all ages!

POTLUCK - Bring your favorite appetizer

When: Sunday, March 23rd  
Where: Fellowship Hall  
Time: 11:30 a.m.

**SIGN UP IN THE NARTHEX**

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