March Birthdays: (12) Dick Reiter, (17) Michael Freitag, (18) Sandy McKean, (20) Jedediah Lanka 2016, (26) Linda Brock, (29) Jeanne Cutler, (30) Andrea Wood (31) Lily Lano 2013

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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- That God would keep us from legalism, making His Grace the source for all we do.
- Presbytery: Zion Church in Lincoln Pastors Stu Kerns, Keith Ghormley, and Youth Leader Kyle Lindgren.
- Missions: Matthew and Cathy Groves Cru at Missouri State University
- ✤For our new and expecting mothers and their children: Megan Holl (Charles Josiah born 1/10).

STAFF

Pastors: Chad Anderson (Senior), David Salyer (Associate)
Elders: Michael Freitag, David Holl, Tory Hooton, Jordan Hughett, David Lano
Deacons: Josh Goodbrake (Offering and Service), Josiah Holl (Mercy), Micah
Holl, Sam Lanka (Facilities), Doug Sykes (Chair)
WIC: Annie Hooton (President, Servant Support), Kacia Hughett (Vice President, Nursery), Sarah Salyer (Secretary, Christian Growth), Jen Zimmerman
(Missions/Outreach), Lori Wimmer (Kitchen), Kristin Holl (Women's Events), Karen Salyer (Church Fellowship)
Youth Group: Eric Wood

Custodians: Charis Wood, Charlotte Hajda

WORSHIP SPOTLIGHT

What is Lent?

Lent is a season of 40 days (not counting Sundays) leading up to Easter Morning. It is modeled after the 40 day period Jesus spent in the wilderness being tempted by Satan (Matt. 4:1-11; Mk. 1:12-13; Lk. 4:1-12), which in turn was the fulfillment of many other 40 "day" events in Scripture (the Flood, Israel's 40 years in the wilderness, Moses' time on Mt. Sinai, the repentance of Nineveh, etc). In this period of testing, Jesus showed himself to be the Faithful Son of God who would go on to suffer for our sins and defeat the Serpent once and for all.

During Lent we will be encouraging one another to follow Jesus through the disciplines of repentance, prayer, and works of mercy—living not by bread alone "but by every Word that comes from the mouth of God" (Matt. 4:4).



March 17th, 2024

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Prelude

Announcements

GOD SUMMONS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship †Congregational Singing Psalm 150:1-2, 6 #10 "O Worship the King"

*Responsive Scriptures In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Lord has redeemed his people.

O come, let us worship Him.

†Collect

Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

+Congregational Singing

"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

Psalm 103:8-12

GOD SANCTIFIES US TO HIMSELF

Call to Confession

Silent Confession

Corporate Confession

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from You and turned aside from Your Way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen. +Assurance of Forgiveness
+Congregational Singing

"Be Unto Your Name"

Reception of New MembersMark and Kay Johnson FamilyHoly BaptismOwen Edward, Zane Leland, Knox Bruce, Nora Lee†Congregational Singing"Baptized Into Christ the Lord" (1, 3, 5)

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS WORD

Old Testament Reading Epistle Reading †Gospel Reading †Profession of Faith Sermon Psalm 1:1-6 1 Corinthians 12:4-7 Matthew 25:14-21, 24-30 The Apostles' Creed Pastor Chad Anderson

"Enter Into the Joy of Your Master"

Sermon Series: The Gospel According to Matthew

Offertory

†Doxology

†Prayer of the Church

...let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

...through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

†The Lord's Prayer

Taught by Our Lord and trusting in His promises, we are bold to pray: **Our Father who art in Heaven...**

GOD STRENGTHENS US AT HIS TABLE

All who are baptized and trust in Jesus Christ are invited to share the Lord's Supper. Baptized children are welcomed to the Supper once they have been admitted by the Elders.

If you do not trust in Jesus, please allow the bread and cup to pass you by. If you desire to follow Jesus and share in His Feast, please speak with one of our pastors after the service.

The outer ring contains wine. All other cups contain grape juice. Take your portion, pass the rest to your neighbor, then eat and drink as soon as you desire.

During the passing of the cup, we encourage you to offer words of blessing to your neighbors such as: "May the Peace of Christ be with you" (Jn. 14:27), and the response: "And also with you."

Declaration of God's Invitation and Promises

Prayers and Distribution

+Congregational Singing

"Christ Is Mine Forevermore"

GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD

+Commission and Benediction +Congregational Response

#628 IV "Threefold Amen"

Postlude

Worship Leader: Elder Michael Freitag Nursery Volunteers: Julie LeFeber, Sylvia LeFeber

CHURCH LIFE

Sunday, March 17th - The Fifth Sunday in Lent
9:00 a.m. . . . Sunday School
10:30 a.m. . . . Worship Service
11:30 a.m. . . . Fellowship Meal - Serving Team #2
12:30 p.m. . . . New Members Class
3:00 p.m. . . . Youth Group
Wednesday, March 20th
6:30 p.m. . . . Women's Bible Study

- Women's Bible Study will be meeting every other Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. for prayer, fellowship, and study of Matthew's Gospel. Next meeting: Wednesday, March 20th.
- Fellowship meal Sunday, March 17th. Please bring a main dish and either a salad or dessert to share. Serving Team #2 will be serving: Freitag, Zimmerman, D. Salyer, Barber, Hughett, Goodbrake, Wood, Sykes, Schillinger, Bates, Lutkemeier, George, Preston, Conrad. Note Being on the list in no way obligates you to attend or serve at Fellowship Meals, but is a way to include everyone in the invitation and give opportunities to serve for those willing and able to do so.
- ♦ New Members Class: The Pastors plan to teach a New Members class Sunday, March 17th after the fellowship meal. This class is for anyone interested in learning more about the history, polity, and doctrinal distinctives of Trinity and our denomination (Presbyterian Church in America), and particularly for those interested in becoming a member of the church. After the fellowship meal we will have approximately two hours of instruction and Q & A. Please let Pastor Chad or Pastor Dave know if you are interested in attending.
- Gaye Tillotson from the Collage Center will join us Sunday, March 24th for a ministry update during the service. Their upcoming fundraising dessert banquet is on Tuesday, April 9th beginning at 7:00 p.m. Visit collagecenter.com for more information.
- Bev Fullerton is turning 90! There will be an open house on March 30th, from 2:00-4:00 p.m. at Mitzi's Pavilion in Yanni Park and all are invited to join in the festivities to help celebrate Bev's Birthday.
- Good Friday Service will be held Friday, March 29 at 7:00 p.m.
- **Easter Morning**: There will be no Sunday School Easter morning (March 31). The men of the church will serve breakfast at 9:30 a.m. with kids' activity to follow. Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.
- Financial Report: Budgeted need each week: \$4,203.50. Budgeted need year-todate: \$33,628.00. Received 2/25: \$2,853.09. Received year-to-date: \$26,714.40.

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