



Trinity Lutheran Church

Howards Grove, Wisconsin

TO MAKE THE SAINTS - "WISE UNTO SALVATION" AND TO "EQUIP FOR SERVING"



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Worship:

Sundays: 8 & 10:30am

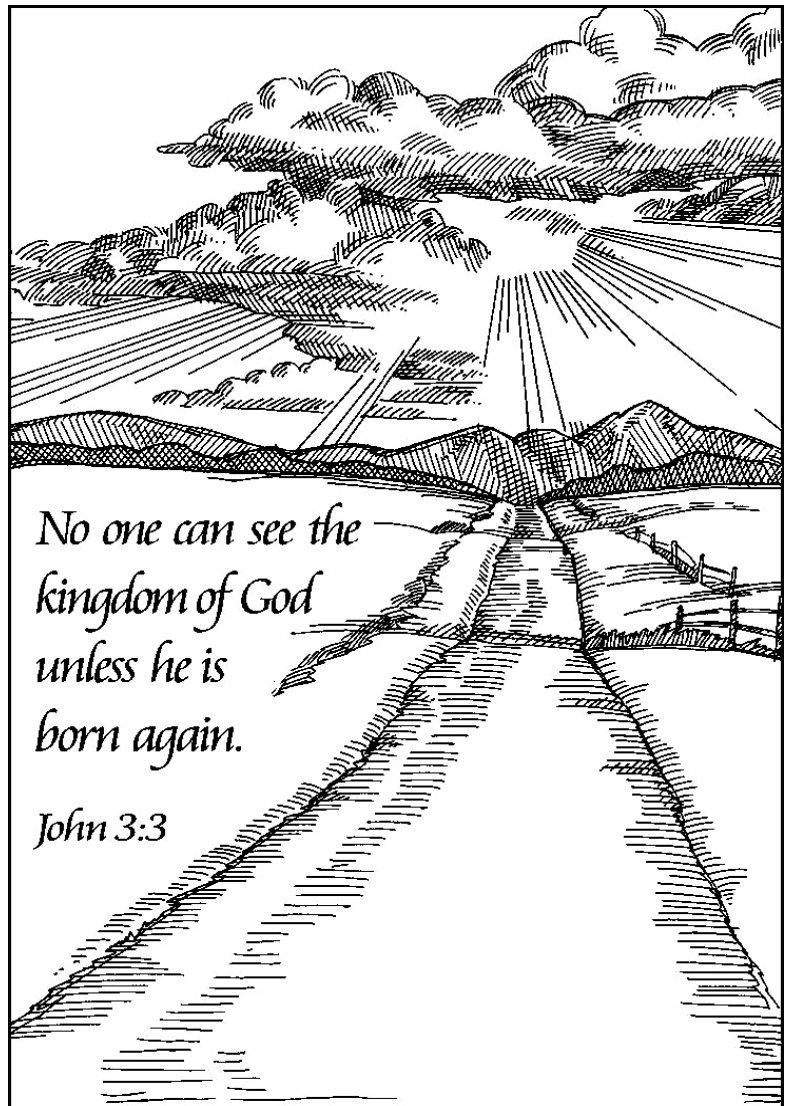
Bible Class and Sunday School: 9:15am

Wednesdays in Lent 10:30am and 6:30pm

March 5, 2023

Second Sunday in Lent

Divine Service, Setting Three
with Holy Communion



*No one can see the
kingdom of God
unless he is
born again.*

John 3:3

+ Welcome to Trinity +

901 OPEN NOW THY GATES OF BEAUTY



1 O - pen now thy gates of beau - ty; Zi - on, let me
2 Gra - cious God, I come be - fore Thee; Come Thou al - so
3 Here Thy praise is glad - ly chant - ed; Here Thy seed is
4 Thou my faith in - crease and quick - en; Let me keep Thy
5 Speak, O God, and I will hear Thee; Let Thy will be



en - ter there, Where my soul in joy - ful du - ty
un - to me. Where we find Thee and a - dore Thee,
du - ly sown. Let my soul, where it is plant - ed,
gift di - vine, How - so - e'er temp - ta - tions thick - en;
done in - deed. May I un - dis - turbed draw near Thee



Waits for Him who an - swers prayer. Oh, how bless - ed
There a heav'n on earth must be. To my heart, O
Bring forth pre - cious sheaves a - lone, So that all I
May Thy Word still o'er me shine As my guid - ing
While Thou dost Thy peo - ple feed. Here of life the



is this place, Filled with sol - ace, light, and grace!
en - ter Thou; Let it be Thy tem - ple now!
hear may be Fruit - ful un - to life in me.
star through life, As my com - fort in all strife.
foun - tain flows; Here is balm for all our woes.

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(Stand)

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son
and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

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.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

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.**

(Kneel/Sit)

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **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.

(Stand)

INTROIT Psalm 105:4–7; antiphon: v. 8

P He remembers his covenant forever,

C the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations.

P Seek the LORD and his strength;

C seek his presence continually!

P Remember the wondrous works that he has done,

C his miracles, and the judgments he uttered,

P O offspring of Abraham, his servant,

C children of Jacob, his chosen ones!

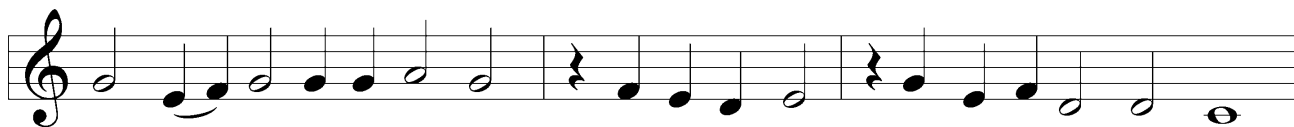
P He is the LORD our God;

C his judgments are in all the earth.

ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P He remembers his covenant forever,

C the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations.



C Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



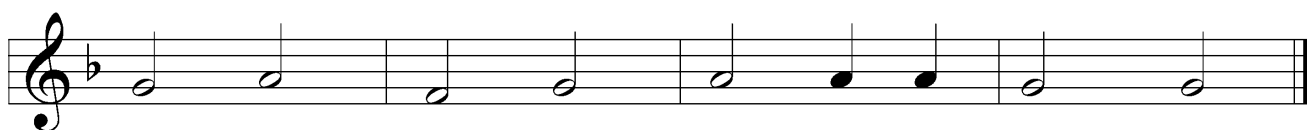
as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

KYRIE

LSB 186



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 thy spir - it.

P Let us pray. O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

(Sit)

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Genesis 12:1–9*

¹The LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. ²And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

⁴So Abram went, as the LORD had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. ⁵And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother’s son, and all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people that they had acquired in Haran, and they set out to go to the land of Canaan. When they came to the land of Canaan, ⁶Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. ⁷Then the LORD appeared to Abram and said, “To your offspring I will give this land.” So he built there an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him. ⁸From there he moved to the hill country on the east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east. And there he built

an altar to the LORD and called upon the name of the LORD. ⁹And Abram journeyed on, still going toward the Negeb.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE Romans 4:1–8, 13–17

¹What then shall we say was gained by Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh?

²For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. ³For what does the Scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness.”

⁴Now to the one who works, his wages are not counted as a gift but as his due. ⁵And to the one who does not work but trusts him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness, ⁶just as David also speaks of the blessing of the one to whom God counts righteousness apart from works:

⁷“Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven,
and whose sins are covered;

and whose sins are covered;

⁸blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin.” . . .

¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him.” ³Jesus answered him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.” ⁴Nicodemus said to him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother’s womb and be born?” ⁵Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ ⁸The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.”

⁹Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” ¹⁰Jesus answered him, “Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? ¹¹Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. ¹²If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And as

Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

¹⁶“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

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.

(Sit)

771 BE STILL, MY SOUL, BEFORE THE LORD



1	Be	still,	my	soul,	be - fore	the	Lord,	For
2	You	need	not	mul -	ti - ply	your	words	Nor
3	Wait,	then,	in	qui -	et con -	fi -	dence,	Your
4	Be	still,	my	soul,	be - fore	the	Lord;	On



God	is	al -	ways	near.	Be -	fore	your	mind	is
pray	with	prac -	ticed	art.	Be -	yond	all	speech,	God
anx -	ious	thoughts	at	rest.	God	knows	your	needs	be -
God	in	pa -	tience	wait.	God's	love,	un -	seen,	sur -



moved	to	pray,	God	lis -	tens	and	will	hear.
un -	der -	stands	The	hun -	ger	of	your	heart.
fore	you	ask	And	works	for	what	is	best.
rounds	your	life;	God's	help	will	not	be	late.

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SERMON

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

C Amen.

(Stand)

OFFERTORY

LSB 192



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 (Please rise as offerings are brought forward to the altar.)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH We respond with

Amen. Prayer requests: **Trent** Lieffring, **Mike** Milbrath, **Eugene** Bubolz, **Roger** Wagner, **Michael** Winter, **Connie** Hansen, **Todd** Bender, **Larry** Bender, **Gloria** Hopf, and our shut-ins.

P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them up un - to the Lord.

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



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



C 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

LSB 196

P 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.



C For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the



glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

LSB 197

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

LSB 197

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



■ A - men.

AGNUS DEI

LSB 198



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

809 GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS



1 Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;
2 Sum - mer and win - ter and spring - time and har - vest,
3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,



There is no shad - ow of turn - ing with Thee.
Sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove
Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;



Thou chang - est not: Thy com - pas - sions, they fail not;
Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,



As Thou hast been, Thou for - ev - er wilt be.
To Thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
Bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!



Great is Thy faith - ful - ness! Great is Thy faith - ful - ness!



Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see;



All I have need - ed Thy hand hath pro - vid - ed;



Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me!

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425 WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS



1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross On which the
 2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the
 3 See, from His head, His hands, His feet Sor - row and
 4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, That were a



Prince of Glo - ry died, My rich - est gain I
 death of Christ, my God; All the vain things that
 love flow min - gled down! Did e'er such love and
 trib - ute far too small; Love so a - maz - ing,



count but loss And pour con - tempt on all my pride.
 charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to His blood.
 sor - row meet Or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
 so di - vine, De - mands my soul, my life, my all!

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748

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616 BAPTISMAL WATERS COVER ME



1 Bap - tis - mal wa - ters cov - er me As I ap -
 2 I look to Christ up - on the tree, His bod - y
 3 Lord, may Your wound - ed hand im - part Your heal - ing
 4 From Your own mouth comes forth a word; Your shep - herd
 5 Bap - tis - mal wa - ters cov - er me; Christ's wound - ed



proach on bend - ed knee; My Fa - ther's mer - cy
 bro - ken there for me; I lay be - fore Him
 to my bro - ken heart; Your love a - lone can
 speaks, but You are heard; Through him Your hand now
 hand has set me free. Held in my Fa - ther's



here I plead, For griev - ous sins of thought and deed.
 all my sin, My dark - est se - crets from with - in.
 form in me A heart that serves You joy - ful - ly.
 stretch - es out, For - giv - ing sin, de - stroy - ing doubt.
 strong em - brace, With joy I praise Him for His grace.

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(Stand)

NUNC DIMITTIS

LSB 199

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 - tiles 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 with - out end. A - men.

THANKSGIVING

LSB 200

P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

P 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 in 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 A - men.

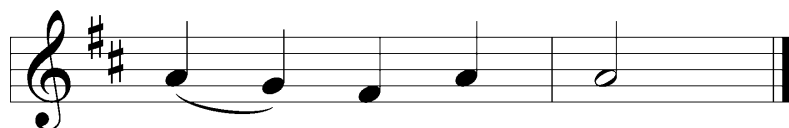
P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

BENEDICAMUS

P Bless we the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION LSB 202

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 A-men, a-men, a - men.

824 MAY GOD BESTOW ON US HIS GRACE



1 May God be - stow on us His grace, With bless - ings rich pro -
2 Thine o - ver all shall be the praise And thanks of ev - 'ry
△ 3 O let the peo - ple praise Thy worth, In all good works in -



vide us; And may the bright - ness of His face
na - tion; And all the world with joy shall raise
creas - ing; The land shall plen - teous fruit bring forth,



To life e - ter - nal guide us, That we His sav - ing
The voice of ex - ul - ta - tion. For Thou shalt judge the
Thy Word is rich in bless - ing. May God the Fa - ther,



health may know, His gra - cious will and plea - sure,
earth, O Lord, Nor suf - fer sin to flour - ish;
God the Son, And God the Spir - it bless us!



And al - so to the na - tions show Christ's rich - es with - out
Thy peo - ple's pas - ture is Thy Word Their souls to feed and
Let all the world praise Him a - lone, Let sol - emn awe pos -



mea - sure And un - to God con - vert them.
nour - ish, In righ - teous paths to keep them.
sess us. Now let our hearts say, "A - men!"

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Trinity Messenger

Special Thanks to Andrew Dirkse for playing for us today. We appreciate your time and talents!

Hands For Hope is meeting on March 7 and will be setting up for the Easter sale.

Altar Flowers are from Dan and Connie Bitter for Nathan's Birthday.

Flowers on the tall pedestal are from Grandma and Grandpa Horness for Michael Horness' 19th Birthday.

The March Newsletter was sponsored by Jeff and Marilyn Zimmermann for their 50th Anniversary.

“**Thank you** all for the beautiful glass plaque and gift cards that were given to me for my retirement. The plaque is proudly displayed in my home. It was an honor and blessing to work at Trinity for 10 1/2 years. Thank you again. Gods many blessings to you all.” Toni.

**IT IS TIME TO ORDER FLOWERS FOR EASTER—
ORDERS ARE DUE** no later than **Sunday, March 12, 2023**

Beautiful spring flowers can be purchased through the church and can be picked up on Easter following the 9:30am worship service. We again will have choices of Lilies (white), Tulips (red or pink), Hyacinth (purple or white) and Daffodils (yellow). The cost is \$10.00 for each flower. There are order forms on the table in the Narthex. Please put your form and payment in Connie (Dan) Bitter's mailbox. You may also email

her at connie.bitter@yahoo.com You will need to order no later than Sunday, March 13th . If you would like to recognize a loved one, we will list this in the bulletin. Please make sure you print clearly.



LWML Prayer Service for Zones 8 and 9 is this Saturday, March 11. Registration and refreshments start at 9am. All ladies of the congregation are welcome. Please join us for fellowship and prayer.

CWF Bible Study and activity March 13. All women of the congregation are invited to join Christian Women's Fellowship for the Bible Study "Greatest at the Table" and an art activity to make a towel to symbolize "washing of the feet." Materials will be provided, but an RSVP is required in order to know how many towels to prepare. Please RSVP by March 9th to Chris Breunig. You may text her at (920) 450-8178 or email- gramb5.cb@gmail.com. There is also a sign up sheet on the table in the Narthex.

Prayer Chain: If you would like to be put on a list of people who are contacted when a prayer is needed for someone who is in need of a special prayer for any reason, or a thank you to God, please let me know along with your email. If you would like to be removed, let me also know. Email me at barbjwolf@yahoo.com or call me at 920-565-3557 and leave a message. For example: if

you are ill and would like that special prayer... call or email me your name, what you want us to pray about, and I will contact all the people on the prayer chain and give them the information. If you do not want your name to be mentioned, I will use initials.

Birthday Blessings to: Jacob Englebert, Dan Schueler, Gretchen Winter, Janet Schneeweiss, Michael Horness, David Richter, Eric Holler, Ryan Luecke,

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Acolytes</u>
Mar 5	8:00am	Andie Koenig and Matthew Koenig
Mar 8	10:30am	
Mar	8:00am	Emmet Kunze and Greyson Reiss

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Video Operators</u>
Mar 5	8:00am	Scott and Linda Plocar	Lance
Mar 8	10:30am	Dave and Robie Scharinger	
Mar	8:00am	Jan and Deb Grunewald	Scott

<u>Date</u>	<u>Altar Guild</u>
Feb 27-Mar 12	Rita Milbrath and Susie Sixel
Mar 13-26	Janice Lieffring and Kathy Shircel

<u>March</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Elders</u>
8:00am	Team 5	Tom Weber
10:30am	Team 2	Jim Post
<u>Midweek</u>		
March 8	Team 4	

2/22/23 Attendance: 35

2/26/23 Attendance: Early– 88 Late-89 Total= 177

2/26/23 Sunday School Attendance: 24

Offering: \$4.32