

To receive communion, use the center aisle to be given the bread in your hands.
After eating the bread, pick up an empty glass and an assistant will fill it with either wine or grape juice.
Wine is in the silver chalices and grape juice is in the tan ceramic chalices.

Communion Song: *Amazing Grace* ELW 779

- 1 Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me....
I once was lost but now am found, Was blind, but now, I see.
- 2 T'was Grace that taught...my heart to fear. And Grace, my fears relieved.
How precious did that Grace appear...the hour I first believed.
- 3 Through many dangers, toils and snares...we have already come.
T'was Grace that brought us safe thus far...and Grace will lead us home.
- 4 The Lord has promised good to me...His word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be...as long as life endures.
- 5 When we've been here ten thousand years...bright shining as the sun.
We've no less days to sing God's praise...then when we've first begun.

***Prayer after Communion:** L: Let us pray: **C: Embodied God, at your table, we have tasted the goodness of Jesus. With the eyes of our hearts open to your promise, empower us to hear the needs of our neighbors and touch the world with your love. Amen.**

***Benediction:** L: God, the giver of love, ✠ Christ, the resurrection and the life, and the Holy Spirit of re-birth bless you in this Lenten journey. **C: Amen.**

***Sending Song:** *Our God* BB23

- 1 Water You turned into wine. Opened the eyes of the blind. There's no one like You. None like You.
- 2 Into the darkness You shine. Out of the ashes we rise. There's no one like You. None like You.

Chorus Our God is greater. Our God is stronger. God You are higher than any other.
Our God is healer. Awesome in power, our God, our God

Bridge And if our God is for us Then who could ever stop us?
And if our God is with us Then what could stand against?
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***Dismissal:** L: Go in peace. Learn, live and share God's story! **C: Thanks be to God!**

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Lent Four

March 18, 2023

5:30pm Contemporary Worship

WELCOME TO TRINITY!

This service is being livestreamed to our neighbors near and far on Facebook and YouTube, with full sanctuary video coverage of all leaders and worshippers.
Please fill in the Blue Form inside this bulletin so we may record your attendance, know your desire to be involved in our activities and receive your prayer requests. Please provide your contact information.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

- Sun, 3/19:** **Worship:** 8:15, 9:15 and 10:45am; **J.O.Y.:** 10am; **Welcome to Trinity Lunch:** Noon; **Contemplative Chair Yoga:** 4pm; **Beach Worship:** 7pm
- Mon, 3/20:** **Office hours:** 10am-Noon; **Quilters:** 1pm; **AA:** 8pm
- Tue, 3/21:** **Office hours:** 9am-Noon; **TOL Chapel:** 10am; **Sunday Praise Band:** 4pm; **Trinity Singers:** 5:15pm; **Trinity Ringers:** 6:30pm
- Wed, 3/22:** **Worship:** Noon; **Soup/Salad/Discussion:** 12:30pm; **Soup/Salad/Discussion:** 6pm
Worship: 7pm; **AA:** 8:30pm
- Thu, 3/23:** **Office hours:** 9am-Noon
- Fri, 3/24:** **Office hours:** 9am-Noon
- Sat, 3/25:** **Contemplative Yoga:** 10:30am; **Praise Band:** 4pm; **J.O.Y.:** 4:30pm; **Worship:** 5:30pm
- Sun, 3/26:** **Worship:** 8:15, 9:15 and 10:45am; **J.O.Y.:** 10am; **Welcome to Trinity Lunch:** Noon; **Contemplative Chair Yoga:** 4pm
- Mon, 3/27:** **Office hours:** 10am-Noon; **Quilters:** 1pm; **AA:** 8pm
- Tue, 3/28:** **Office hours:** 9am-Noon; **Exercise:** 9:30am; **TOL Chapel:** 10am; **Trinity Ringers:** 6:30pm
- Wed, 3/29:** **Worship:** Noon; **Soup/Salad/Discussion:** 12:30pm; **Soup/Salad/Discussion:** 6pm; **Worship:** 7pm; **AA:** 8:30pm

NOTES:

Communion: All are invited to take part. If you need communion brought to you, please indicate to us after we conclude the meal.

Your Offering: Please place your offering in the plates on the table at the back of the Sanctuary or use our E-Giving tool on the website: TLCbradenton.com.

Songbook and Hymnal Abbreviations: **BB** = Blue Trinity Binder, **WP** = Worship & Praise, **ELW** = Evangelical Lutheran Worship (red hymnal), **ACS** = All Creation Sings

Communion Servers: Please come forward and sanitize your hands and receive communion at the altar steps then you will be handed the elements to distribute. Please return the elements to the altar after everyone has communed. Thank you for serving!

Prelude
Welcome and Announcements

**Please stand as you are able.*
***Greeting:** L: The Lord be with you! **C: And also with you.**
***Call To Worship:**

L: Holy God, you make us lie down in green pastures, and lead us to quiet pools of living water.
C: Even when our path takes us through the valley of shadows, we will not be afraid because you are by our side.
L: Your goodness and mercy are with us every day. In your outstretched hand is the cup of blessing that overflows.
C: Because you are our God, there is nothing that we need. We want to live in your presence forever. Amen!

***Gathering Song:** *Forever Reign* BB24
1 You are good You are good when there's nothing good in me
You are love You are love on display for all to see
You are light You are light when the darkness closes in
You are hope You are hope you have covered all my sin
2 You are peace You are peace When my fear is crippling
You are true You are true Even in my wandering
You are joy You are joy You're the reason that I sing
You are life You are life In You death has lost its sting
Chorus (Oh) I'm running to Your arms I'm running to Your arms
The riches of Your love will always be enough
Nothing compares to Your embrace Light of the world forever reign
3 You are more You are more Than my words will ever say
You are Lord You are Lord All creation will proclaim
You are here You are here In Your presence I'm made whole
You are God You are God Of all else I'm letting go

Bridge My heart will sing no other Name Jesus Jesus **(Repeat 4X)**
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***Confession and Forgiveness**
L: God, you love us and save us from our sin. You seek us and find us. You open our eyes so we can see our need for you. Because you are a God of grace, we can bring our prayers of confession before you.
C: We admit that we cannot see or comprehend your amazing love for humankind. You are at work in ways that are not visible or tangible. Forgive our sin.
L: You protect us in times of danger.
C: Your grace has brought us this far in life and we are confident that your grace will lead us through this life and into eternity.
(Silence for prayer and confession)
L: You are a God who keeps your promises. Open our eyes now to your forgiving love and presence. Establish your grace and mercy in our souls. Fill us with hope and your peace. **C: Amen.**

Scripture: Exodus 34:1-9 and John 9:1-41
Message Song: *Who You Say I Am* BB6
Verse 1 Who am I that the highest King, Would welcome me?
I was lost but He brought me in, Oh His love for me, Oh His love for me
Chorus 1 Who the Son sets free, Oh is free indeed, I'm a child of God, Yes I am
Verse 2 Free at last, He has ransomed me, His grace runs deep
While I was a slave to sin, Jesus died for me, Yes He died for me
Chorus 2 In my Father's house, There's a place for me, I'm a child of God, Yes I am
Bridge I am chosen not forsaken, I am who You say I am, You are for me not against me
I am who You say I am
Tag (Oh) (Yes) I am who You say I am

Children's Message
Sermon: Pastor Bobbie Blackburn
***Apostles' Creed:**
I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

***Prayers of Intercession:** *Each prayer concludes:* Lord, in your mercy, **C: Hear our prayer.**
***The Peace:** L: The peace of the Lord be with you always! **C: And also with you!**
***Offering Prayer:** L: Let us pray. **C: God, you bless us in order that we would be a blessing to others. Use these gifts that we bring that they might be living signs of your grace to all who are in need. Bless your church that we would be a source of hope and a blessing to your world, as you promised Sarah and Abraham. Give us servant hearts that beat to the rhythm of your grace in Jesus' name. Amen!**

***The Table:**
L: You are the giver of sight to the blind, the one who rescues those who are lost.
C: You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God and you take away the sin of the world.
L: Meet us at table this day.
C: Unveil our eyes to your presence and feed us with the Bread of Life.
***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.