

# Sunday Worship

Third Sunday of Lent

March 20, 2022

at Trinity & Online at 8:45 am

We are so glad you joined us for worship today!

## What I Forgot

Sometimes I wish I was the fig tree.  
No fruit here, just soaking up the sun,  
growing roots, turning green,  
stretching out my branches until  
I can hug the horizon.  
Sometimes I wish I was the fig tree,  
because she doesn't produce,  
and she's not exhausted,  
and she probably gets eight hours  
of sleep at night.  
And her branches,  
unlike my shoulders,  
are not heavy with work—  
pulled toward the ground,  
threatening to break.  
And her trunk,  
unlike my spine,  
is not fighting to stand tall  
while holding it all together.  
Sometimes I wish I was the fig tree  
because she knows  
what I forgot  
many years ago.  
You are still worthy  
even if  
you don't produce.

Prayer by Rev. Sarah A. Speed | A Sanctified Art  
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## PARTICIPANTS

Assisting Minister – Jody Thone  
Trinity Lutheran Choir  
Oboe – Merilee Klemp  
Piano – Yvonne Danielson  
Worship Directors – Carol Carver,  
Clark Weyrauch

## PASTORS

The Rev. Dr. Chris Bellefeuille  
The Rev. Peter Weston Miller

**You Are Worthy by Rev. Lauren Wright Pittman  
Inspired by Luke 13:1-9 | Block print with oil-based ink**  
How often does society wish us to feel like we are wasting soil? The whole capitalist system lurches forward, powered by our collective sense of unworthiness and our searching for worth based on what we produce. This parable upends the notion that we are what we produce, and speaks truth: you are worthy. You deserve rest and care simply for existing. What a gift!



## Prelude

*Gammal jäbodpsalm från Dalarna* – Oscar Lindberg

## Welcome & Announcements

**Centering Moment** *Gabriel's Oboe* – Ennio Morricone

## Gathering Litany

## Confession & Forgiveness

## Gathering Hymn

#977 ACS *Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table* – Words on screen

## Prayer of the Day

Children Step Out to Faith Formation learning.

**Reading** Isaiah 55: 1-9

## Gospel Song

#512 *Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil* – Words on screen

**Gospel** Luke 13: 1-9 Page 372 in the Spark Story Bible

## Message

– The Rev. Dr. Chris Bellefeuille

## Hymn of the Day

#331 *As the Deer Runs to the River* – Words on screen

**An Affirmation of Faith** – from A Sanctified Art

## Prayers of the Church

## Peace

**Offering** *Come, Ye Sinners* – David Ashley White

**Communion** *Oh Love, That Will Not Let Me Go* – setting, Laura Pease

**Blessing of the Quilts** Donated to Lutheran World Relief & Afghan refugee family

## Sending Hymn

#327 *Through the Night of Doubt and Sorrow* – Words on screen

## Blessing

## Dismissal

**Postlude** *Dance* – William Grant Still

William Grant Still is often referred to as the “Dean of Afro-American Composers”



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We are on Dakota and Anishinaabe (Ojibwe) land. We give thanks for their presence here since time immemorial and honor all our Indigenous siblings who have and continue to call this land their home.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

BAPTIZED TODAY – at 11 am worship **Brooks Judd Colstad**, son of Jacob & Abby Colstad and **Hannah Meree Borowske**, daughter of Benjamin & Rachael Borowske

### Valley Outreach March Drives for Good Campaigns

**TODAY! Sunday, March 20 – Only New Will Do Socks & Undies Drive**  
**NEXT WEEK! Sunday, March 27 – March FoodShare Campaign**  
Today we are collecting new, in the package socks and underwear in every size for every member of the family to donate to Valley Outreach. (This drive is a reinvention of the popular Undie Sunday Week.) Forgot your socks? No worries, cash and check donations accepted. All donations will be matched by several Trinity members who serve or have served on the Board of Directors at Valley Outreach! Next Sunday, March 27 bring shelf-stable food and pantry items for the Minnesota FoodShare March Campaign – the biggest statewide food and fund drive of the year.

### HYBRID SUNDAY ADULT FAITH FORUM:

#### Lutheranism, Scripture and Life Together!

**TODAY! Sunday, March 20 at 10 am | Garden Room & Zoom**  
**Join on Zoom at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82206139084>**

This “kitchen-sink” workshop will offer a broad take on how the Body of Christ at Trinity continues to grow and evolve: Thanks be to God! Read more at: <https://trinitylc.org/learning/adult/adult-ed/>. Coming up on March 27: Trinity’s Missions Team Presents – How our faith community is being the church through service for and with others.

### FAITH MILESTONE MINISTRY: Prayer – Kindergarten

**TODAY! Sunday, March 20 at 10 am in the Living Room**

The Prayer Milestone event, geared for children in Kindergarten, is next Sunday between worship services in the Living Room (lower level by the Library). To register your child for this Milestone Event, please contact Sarah Olson at [solson@trinitylc.org](mailto:solson@trinitylc.org). Read more about milestones at: <https://trinitylc.org/learning/children/>.

### PLEASE NOTE: Young

#### Readers Book Club

scheduled for today has been canceled. We apologize for any inconvenience. Stay tuned for possible other options later this year.



Lent & Easter details at: <https://trinitylc.org/worship-music/worship/>

March 23 } **Wednesday** } Lent Worship & Book Study

**6 pm – Re-Membering Prayer Service & Discussion**

**7 pm – My Grandmother’s Hands Book Study Groups**

We are so pleased to welcome the Rev. Joann Conroy, an ELCA Oglala Sioux Lakota pastor, to lead us in worship and remembering during Lent. Our focus this week is on Indian Boarding Schools which were established beginning in the 1870s by the US government and many churches to forcibly assimilate Indigenous children. Join us for a meaningful prayer service and discussion, then a deep dive book study of *My Grandmother’s Hands* by Resmaa Menakem as we seek to undo the systems of denigration and segregation still at work in white-body churches. All ages welcome.

### Invitation to Renewal Women’s Retreat

**Saturday, March 26 | 9 am to 1 pm**

**Bethel Highlands Campus in Hudson | Cost: \$20**

(This is a repeat of the retreat that was held in November.) Come for time away with other Trinity women (and friends—all are welcome!) to be refreshed, spiritually uplifted, make new friends and strengthen connections with each other and with God. We will focus on renewing our hearts and minds, learning scripture-based Spiritual practices, enjoying creativity and contemplation. Register at: <https://trinitylc.org/congregational-life/special-event/>.

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#### **Black Elk Speaks as told by John G. Neihardt**

**Monday, March 28 | 6:30–8 pm on Zoom**

A great spiritual classic of modern times. All are welcome. For home delivery of any books from Trinity’s ABIDE Collection, the Zoom link, or more information, contact Ann Wolff at [wolff701@msn.com](mailto:wolff701@msn.com) or 651-260-3855.

**Easter Garden** – In the spirit of memorializing or honoring loved ones, we welcome donations toward an Easter Garden to beautify the Worship Center. We also appreciate gifts directed toward maintenance and improvements of our facilities. Scan the QR code with your smartphone camera to order online.



### MEN’S BIBLE STUDY NEW LOCATION!

**Thursdays at 8:30 a.m.**

**Boutwells Landing > The Gables > Terrace Conference Room**

Pastor Steve Hokonson is leading a men’s bible study, Thursdays at 8:30 a.m. The Terrace Conference Room is located behind the library on the first floor of The Gables. Coffee and a breakfast snack can be purchased at the Boom Site Cafe just a few steps from the conference room; cafe opens at 8 a.m. Invite your friends and neighbors, as participants are from Trinity and other area churches. Questions? Contact John Hodler at [johnhodler@gmail.com](mailto:johnhodler@gmail.com).

### Retired Men’s Golf | Thursday mornings at Applewood Golf Course

Spring is coming and so is golf season! If interested, please contact Jerry Nelson at 651-324-3176. Please leave a message or send a text. Or send an email to [gan1@comcast.net](mailto:gan1@comcast.net).

### YogaDevotion Next Session

**April 7 – May 26 | Thursdays at 9 a.m. | \$72 for 8 weeks**

Come and experience God’s presence through the practice of yoga. Meeting online through Zoom. Once registered you will receive an email with a link to the Zoom meeting. All levels and abilities welcome! Read more and register at: <https://trinitylc.org/congregational-life/care/yoga/>.

**SUMMER CAMP AT WAPO!** Camp opportunities for kids who have completed grades 1 through 12. For details and registration links, please visit: <https://trinitylc.org/learning/summer/camps/>.

**The Trinity Scholarship Fund** for higher education was established by the estate of Jeanette Johnson, and is awarded each year on the basis of academic status, co-curricular achievement, good citizenship and active involvement at Trinity. Read more and download application at: <https://trinitylc.org/learning/youth/scholarship-fund/>. Scholarship and renewal applications must be received by Friday, April 1.



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