

The Church of the Holy Trinity

Rittenhouse Square

Third Sunday *in* Lent

11:00 am

Holy Eucharist, Rite II



Where everyone can find a place

March 3, 2024

What's Happening This Week:

Morning Prayer is held every weekday at 9:00 am on Facebook.

A winter shelter for men, run by Bethesda Project, is held in our Centennial Room daily from Dec-April

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
Sunday, March 3	9:30 am	Lenten Adult Education - <i>The Screwtape Letters</i>	Church
	11:00 am	Holy Eucharist - <i>The 3rd Sunday in Lent</i>	Church
	12:00 pm	Refreshments	Church
	12:30 pm	Chorister Rehearsal	Choir Room
	4:30 pm	Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing	Walnut St.
Monday, March 4	10:00-3:00	Church open	
	6:30-8:30 p	Winter Shelter	Parish House
	7:00 pm	Choral Arts Rehearsal	Church
Tuesday, March 5	10:00-3:00	Church open	
	4:30 pm	Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing	Walnut St.
Wednesday, March 6	10:00-3:00	Church Open	
	12:15 pm	Lenten Music Meditation	Church
	6:00 pm	Evensong	Church
	7:00 pm	Film Screening <i>The Philadelphia Eleven</i>	Church
Thursday, March 7	10:00-3:00	Church Open	
	12:15 pm	Healing Eucharist	Church
Sunday, March 10	9:30 am	Lenten Adult Education - <i>The Screwtape Letters</i>	Church
	11:00 am	Holy Eucharist - <i>The 4th Sunday in Lent</i>	Church
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	12:30 pm	Chorister Rehearsal	Choir Room
	4:30 pm	Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing	Walnut St.

Save the Date: April 21, 2024 after the 11:00 am service Annual Church Meeting

TODAY'S PARTICIPANTS

Brian Felty & James Otwell, *Lectors*

Jeannie Welsh, *Intercessor*

Martha Lipscomb, *Usher*

Boyden Gardner, *Streaming*

Amy Arco, *Refreshments*

Welcome! We are glad you are with us today.

You can find more information on the back of the bulletin.

Our Vivid Vision

This was created in 2022 in collaboration with the Rectors, Wardens & Vestry and is intended to describe where we will be in 3 years.

The church is bursting with life. Outside the building, people are talking, resting, and enjoying the weather. Inside, people are coming and going – staff and volunteers connecting and welcoming. Families, students, working professionals, retirees and neighbors mingle with each other, finding resources they need: safety and support, education, and creative outlets. Visitors and members alike find a place to make a difference and share their gifts with each other. The smell of delicious food wafts through the air as the chefs prepare the community meal for the day. Visitors from all over the world are marveling at the beautiful interior of the sanctuary. Worshippers are laughing, singing, praising, and just enjoying being together. The delicate sounds of violin mingle with the robust organ and the echoes of voices. We are more than just a place on the Square. We are an integral part of the neighborhood.

Core Values

Inclusion/Welcome

We believe that no one should feel left out or alone. We embrace our differences and respect each person within our community. This allows everyone to bring their unique and authentic gifts to further the mission of the church.

Innovation

We are not afraid of trying new things or changing when necessary. If things do not work out, we are open to re-evaluate, learn from our mistakes, and try again.

Collaboration

We listen to and support one another, working and evolving together. We build upon each other's strengths and lift up each other's gifts.

Community Mindedness

Church is not an individual endeavor, but a community experience. We believe that we cannot each succeed or be whole, unless everyone finds success and wholeness.

Culture

Joyful

We are hopeful, optimistic, and have fun together. Being part of this community gives us joy, and our joy spreads to others and makes us want to share joy with them.

Fearless

We are innovative, purposeful and adaptable. We believe that with God all things are possible and that with prayer and connection to God we will always have enough. We are not afraid of trying new things or of failing. We learn from our mistakes. We reach out to others drawing them in, not waiting for them to find us.

Embracing

We love others, because God loves us. This means that we are accepting, welcoming, open, genuine, and empathetic. We speak the truth in love.

Engaged

Our connection to this organization is full of energy. We give without expectation of return. We continuously learn about the community and our neighbors and adapt our connections as needed. We all contribute our time, money and skills to make our community better.

Welcome & Parish Notices

THE ENTRANCE RITE

Entrance Hymn 575

Vater unser in Himmelreich

1 Be - fore thy throne, O God, we kneel: give us a con-science
 2 Search out our hearts and make us true; help us to give to
 3 For sins of heed - less word and deed, for pride am - bi - tious
 4 Let the fierce fires which burn and try, our in - most spi - rits

quick to feel, a rea - dy mind to un - der - stand
 all their due. From love of plea - sure, lust of gold,
 to suc - ceed, for craft - y trade and sub - tle snare
 pu - ri - fy: con - sume the ill; purge out the shame;

the mean - ing of thy chas - tening hand; what - e'er the pain and
 from sins which make the heart grow cold, wean us and train us
 to catch the sim - ple un - a - ware, for lives be - reft of
 O God, be with us in the flame; a new - born peo - ple

shame may be, bring us, O Fa - ther, near - er thee.
 with thy rod; teach us to know our faults, O God.
 pur - pose high, for - give, for - give, O Lord, we cry.
 may we rise, more pure, more true, more no - bly wise.

Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be the God of our salvation:

People **Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.**

The Collect for Purity

Presider Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

The Kyrie

Short Communion Service in the Phrygian Mode

Charles Wood

Kyrie eleison. *Lord, have mercy.*
Christe eleison. *Christ, have mercy.*
Kyrie eleison. *Lord, have mercy.*

Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen

Please be seated.

THE WORD OF GOD

First Lesson: Exodus 20:1-17

Brian Felty

Reader A reading from Exodus.

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

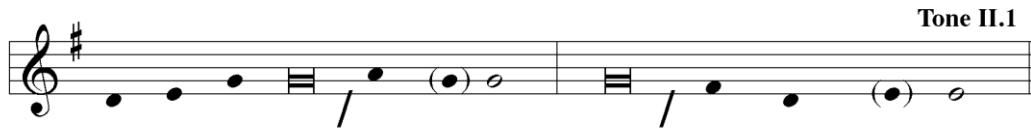
You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 19 *Caeli enarrant*

The People sing the **bold** verses, taking a brief pause at the asterisk.



- 1 *The heavens* declare the glory of / God,*
and the firmament shows / his handiwork.
- 2 **One day tells its tale to an/other,***
and one night imparts knowledge to / another.
- 3 Although they have no words or / language,*
and their voi/ces are not heard,
- 4 **Their sound has gone out into / all lands,***
and their message to the ends / of the world.
- 5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the / sun;*
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion / to run its course.
- 6 **It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens**
and runs about to the end of / it again;*
nothing is hidden from / its burning heat.
- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect and re/vives the soul;*
the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to / the innocent.
- 8 **The statutes of the LORD are just and re/joyce the heart;***
the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light / to the eyes.
- 9 The fear of the LORD is clean and endures for / ever;*
the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous al/together.
- 10 **More to be desired are they than gold, more than / much fine gold,***
sweeter far than honey, than hon/ey in the comb.
- 11 By them also is your servant en/lightened,*
and in keeping them there / is great reward.
- 12 **Who can tell how often / he offends?***
cleanse me from / my secret faults.
- 13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;
let them not get dominion / over me;*
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of / a great offense.
- 14 **Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart**
be acceptable in your / sight,*
O LORD, my strength and my / redeemer.

Reader A reading from Paul’s first letter to the Corinthians:

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God’s foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God’s weakness is stronger than human strength.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able

Sequence Hymn 641

Southwell

1 Lord Je - sus, think on me, and purge a - way my sin;
 2 Lord Je - sus, think on me, with care and woe op-pressed;
 3 Lord Je - sus, think on me, nor let me go a - stray;
 4 Lord Je - sus, think on me, that, when the flood is passed,

from harm - ful pas - sions set me free, and make me pure with - in.
 let me thy lov - ing ser - vant be, and taste thy prom - ised rest.
 through dark - ness and per - plex - i - ty point thou the heav - en - ly way.
 I may the e - ter - nal bright - ness see, and share thy joy at last.

The Gospel: John 2:13-22

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon

The Rev. Madeline Harris-Lerew

Following a period of silence, the people stand.

Nicene Creed

All **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People, Lent

Jeannie Welsh

Leader Have mercy on us, O God, according to your loving kindness; in your great compassion, hear our prayers. We pray for the church, for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Daniel our Bishop. And for all leaders, ministers and all the holy people of God. Wash us through and through,

People **And cleanse us from our sin.**

Leader We pray for our nation, for all the nations of the earth, for our leaders and all who govern and judge. Purge us from our sin,

People **And we shall be pure.**

Leader We pray for those who hunger, those who thirst, those who cry out for justice, those who live under the threat of terror, war and violence, and those without a place to lay their head. For those who are ill, those in pain, those under stress, and those who are lonely, especially Linda, Don, Ruth & Barry, John, Marie, Catherine, Julia, Matthew, Jamie, Diana, Steve, David, Doris, Judy, Alex & Nolan, Brian, Paula, Jon and Bob. Make them hear of joy and gladness,

People **that those who are broken may rejoice.**

Leader We pray that we all might be given the grace and strength to repent and grow closer to you, O God. Create in us clean hearts, O God,

People **and renew a right spirit within us.**

Leader We pray for those who have died and who have entered into the land of eternal Light and your abiding peace. Cast them not away from your presence,

People **and take not your Holy Spirit from them.**

Leader We pray for all the good things that have happened this week, and for our families, friends and neighbors. Give them the joy of your saving help.

People **and sustain them with your bountiful Spirit.**

Presider Lord Jesus, it was your will that your Father's House would be a place of prayer for all people; grant us the strength and wisdom to be a people consumed with prayer and zeal for you, this day and always. **Amen.**

The Confession of Sin

Presider Let us confess our sins to God.

A brief period of silence is kept.

All God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. **Amen.**

The Absolution

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

You are invited to connect with your neighbors by shaking hands, hugging, waving, showing the peace sign, or using fist or elbow bumps. Following the Peace, the people are seated.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence

Presider Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer. *Psalm 19*

Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes : and I shall keep it unto the end.
 Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law : yea, I shall keep it with my whole heart.
 Make me to go in the path of thy commandments : for therein is my desire.
 Incline my heart unto thy testimonies : and not to covetousness.
 O turn away mine eyes, lest they behold vanity : and quicken me in thy ways.
 O stablish thy word in thy servant : that I may fear thee.
 Glory be to the Father, and to the Sun, and to the Holy Ghost.
 As it was in the beginning, and is now, and ever shall be,
 world without end. Amen.

Please stand as able.

The Great Thanksgiving

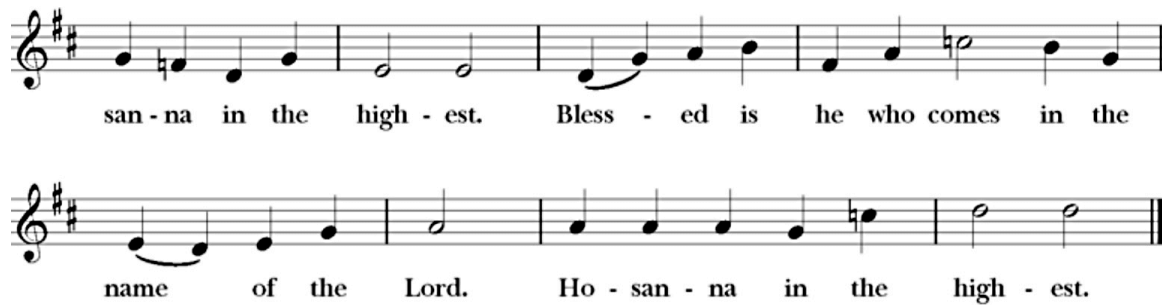
Enriching our Worship, Prayer 1

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus: S-131

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -



The people remain standing or kneel.

Celebrant Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died.**
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Celebrant Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons and all your children, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

All **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 for ever and ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

Agnus Dei: S-166



Celebrant The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ for the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The people are seated.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion *for those not taking communion or joining online today*

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen

by St. Alphonsus de Liguori (1696-1787),

Distribution of Communion

To receive communion, please follow the directions of the ushers to the rail at the front of the church. Gluten-free wafers are available. If you prefer a blessing, let us know! We will bring communion to anyone unable or uncomfortable coming to the rail.

Communion Hymn 148

Uffingham



1 Cre - a - tor of the earth and skies, to whom the
2 We have not known you: to the skies our mon - u -
3 We have not loved you: far and wide the wreck - age
4 For this, our fool - ish con - fi - dence, our pride of
5 Teach us to know and love you, Lord, and hum - bly



1 words of life be - long, grant us your truth to make us
2 ments of fol - ly soar, and all our self - wrought mis - er -
3 of our ha - tred spreads, and e - vils wrought by hu - man
4 know - ledge and our sin, we come to you in pen - i -
5 fol - low in your way. Speak to our souls the quick - ening



1 wise; grant us your power to make us strong.
2 ies have made us trust our - selves the more.
3 pride re - coil on un - re - pent - ant heads.
4 tence; in us the work of grace be - gin.
5 word, and turn our dark - ness in - to day.

Following the hymn, the people stand.

Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

All Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

Celebrant Live without fear: your Creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you. Go in peace to follow the good road and may God's blessing be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Dismissal Hymn

Llangloffan

1 Bless now, O God, the jour - ney that all you peo - ple make,
2 Bless so - journ - ers and pil - grims who share this wind - ing way;
3 Di - vine E - ter - nal Lo - ver, you meet us on the road.

the path through noise and si - lence, the way of give and take.
your hope burns through the ter - rors, your love sus - tains the day.
We wait for lands of prom - ise where milk and hon - ey flow,

The trail is found in des - ert and winds the moun - tain round,
We year for ho - ly free - dom while of - ten we are bound;
but wait - ing not for plac - es, you meet us all a - round.

then leads be - side still wa - ters, the road where faith is found.
to - geth - er we are seek - ing, the road where faith is found.
Our cov - e - nant is writ - ten on roads, as faith is found.

Dismissal

Presider Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

*As a sign of fasting during the season of Lent,
there will be no Postludes until the Great Vigil of Easter.*

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Join us for
CHORAL EVENSONG
this Wednesday at 6:00pm

*featuring music by Maggie Burk, Joanna Forbes L'Estrange, Margaret Sandresky, & Debra Scroggins
in honor of Women's History Month.*

About this service...

Service: Everything you need to join in the service is in this bulletin. If you have questions or need assistance, please ask one of the ushers (who handed you this bulletin) or a neighbor in your pew.

Children are always welcome in our worship service and we love to hear their joyful sounds and see their wiggly ways! We have books for all ages and activity bags in the back for children who wish to stay with their families during the service. We also have the "Pew Pen" in the front of the church for those we need a little more space to move around.

Restrooms are located at the front of the church. Walk down the left aisle toward the door with the EXIT sign. Go through the door, and turn left. Men's room is straight ahead, women's to the right. If you prefer a gender neutral bathroom, please ask our ushers to show you where this is.

Masks: We don't require masks, but we support you if you want to wear one. We generally ask staff and service participants to wear them when they aren't feeling well. Please ask if you need one!

During **The Peace**, we connect with our neighbors to say hello and to offer each other the Peace of Christ (which is an incredible gift to give). You can shake hands, wave, show the peace sign or fist/elbow bump. Check in with your neighbor to see what kind of contact they want and follow their lead, and don't be afraid to tell someone what's best for you!

Offering: Halfway through the service you will notice that we pass a plate around to collect the offering. The offerings we give help to support to work this church does, the people who work here, and our programs for the neighborhood. If you wish to help support our amazing programs, you can put something in the plate, text **CHT DONATE** to 73256 or using the QR code to the right. You can also sign up to give weekly with REALM (www.htrit.org/give).



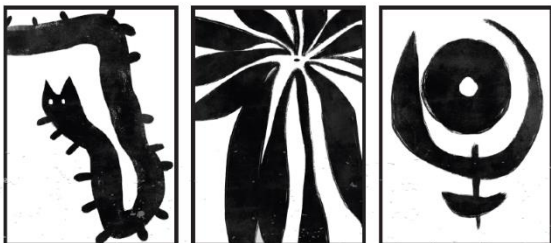
Communion: All who are baptized in any Christian tradition are welcome to join us for communion (all ages are welcome). If you prefer a blessing, please let one of the clergy know. We will share the bread and wine at the altar rail at the front of the church. Gluten free wafers are available. If you are unable to come to the front, or prefer to stay in your pew we will bring communion to you.

More Information? Join us at the Welcome table in the back of the church or visit our website www.htrit.org for more information and to sign up for the weekly E-News.

We ask that you **turn off or silence your Cell Phone** during the service. Thank you.

More Information

Adult Education *Join us each week at 9:30 am in the back of the church.*



C.S. LEWIS
AND THE DELIGHTFUL,
DIABOLICAL DARING OF LENT
A LENTEN COMPANION TO
**"THE SCREWTAPE
LETTERS"**

Our Lenten Adult Education will begin this weekend. We will be using a study guide for lent from Salt. Please email rgardner@htrit.org if you would like a digital copy.

The guide will take us through CS Lewis' *Screwtape Letters* and readings from the Gospels. The book is available for free online or you can purchase for less than \$10 at a local bookstore. There is even an audiobook read by John Cleese, which should be a fun listen! The *Screwtape Letters* is a "playful, perceptive study of human life and struggle through the eyes of two fanciful characters, Wormwood, a young demon-in-training, and Screwtape, is uncle and mentor. Through 31 letters, Screwtape advises his nephew about how best to sabotage a human being's attempts to live a faithful,

fruitful, beautiful life." What better way to join in Jesus' own temptation and 40 days of Lent than to walk with this book, "leaning into the power of literature to provoke thought and inspire action."

Volunteer Opportunities

Open Hearts Café, our weekly meal and clothing service for our neighbors, is always open for volunteers and donations. Gently used clothing, especially coats, jeans, and shoes, and new socks, underwear and under garments are always needed!

Sign up to volunteer: <https://tinyurl.com/OpenHeartsCafeSignUp>



Share your Gifts! We want to use YOUR gifts and skills.

Read in church- Jeannie communications@htrit.org

Join the altar guild! [Don mckenzie2101@aol.com](mailto:Don_mckenzie2101@aol.com)

Bring treats to share - Nancy nrasmussen2740@gmail.com

Acolyte/Chalice Donald dmeineke@htrit.org

Greet/Usher Nancy nrasmussen2740@gmail.com

Flower arranging - Sally sforemangriffith@gmail.com

AV assistance - communications@htrit.org

Welcome Team - Andy

Holy Week & Easter Schedule

March 28	Maundy Thursday	6:00 pm
March 29	Good Friday	12:00 pm
March 30	Holy Saturday	9:00 am
March 30	Great Vigil of Easter	8:00 pm
March 31	Easter Day	11:00 am

Easter Flowers

We invite you to give a gift to our flower fund, in thanksgiving of those you love or in memorial of those we love and see no longer. We are asking for all contributions to be made by **Monday, March 25th**. Please look for the envelopes in the back of the church or ask an usher. You can also give through REALM. Please write the reason for gifts of thanksgiving or those names you wish to be remembered if you wish for your donation to be listed in the Easter bulletins. Thank you!

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