

# Holy Trinity United Methodist Church

February 18, 2024

9:30am

**Theme: Jesus and the Outsiders, Outcasts, and Outlaws**

*If you have a prayer request today, please fill out the card in your pew rack and hand it to an usher prior to the Prayers of the People.*

Prelude

Welcome

*Songs of Praise	“Shout to the North”	W&S 3042
	“Praise to the Lord”	TFWS 2029

\*Greeting (adapted from Luke 1:68-79)

Leader: Bless the God of Israel,

**People: Who remembers the covenant with our ancestors and brings salvation from our enemies.**

Leader: Because of our God’s deep compassion, the dawn from heaven will break upon us,

**People: to give light to those who are sitting in darkness, to guide us on the path of peace.**

Leader: Bless the Lord who lifts up the lowly and fills the hungry with good things,

**People: Who calls all people and seeks the outsiders, outcasts, and outlaws.**

**ALL: BLESS THE LORD GOD OF ISRAEL!**

Choir Anthem	“Come, O Lord, and Overflow Us”	Chancel Choir
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Prayer Song	“In the Quiet of This Moment”	W&S 3136
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Prayers of the People/Our Lord’s Prayer

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Scripture	Luke 1:46-55
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Children’s Message

Prayer of Confession (unison)

**Lord God, as we search our hearts through this season of Lent, we confess that we have sinned. We have turned away from those in need. We have not lifted up the lowly. We have strayed from your will. We have failed to do the things you have**

**called us to do. We have looked on others with judgment rather than compassion. Forgive us, we pray. Lift us out of our sin and fill our hearts with your goodness and love. See us as we are. Show us mercy and remember us today. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, your Son. AMEN.**

Words of Assurance

Leader: Hear the Good News. The Son of God came to see and save the lost, and there is joy in heaven when even one sinner repents. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

**People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. AMEN.**

*Hymn	“Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service”	Hymnal 581
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Sermon	“The Journey Begins”	Pastor Chad Gilbertson
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\*Affirmation of Faith ((adapted from Luke 1:46-55)

**With all my heart I glorify the Lord! In the depths of my soul I rejoice in God my Savior. God has looked with favor on those of low status. The mighty one has done great things for us. God shows mercy to everyone, from one generation to the next. God scatters those with arrogant thoughts and proud inclinations, and welcomes sinners and outcasts. God pulls the powerful down from their thrones and lifts up the lowly. God fills the hungry with good things and sends the rich away empty-handed. There is rejoicing in heaven when sinners repent, when those who are lost have been found. For the Son of God came to seek and save the lost. AMEN.**

Offering/Offertory

Prayer of Dedication (unison)

**Holy One of Israel, work through these gifts. As we provide loaves of bread for the hungry, work through our offering, that others may be fed, not only in body, but in spirit. As we seek to bring justice to our world, may we embody faith in your righteous love, that your people may know the source of their hope. AMEN.**

Announcements

\*Benediction (unison)

**God, The Almighty One has done great things for us. We go forth as servants of the Lord, who has pulled down the powerful from their thrones and lifted up the lowly. AMEN.**

*Hymn	“My Soul Gives Glory to My God” (verses 1&5)	Hymnal 198
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Postlude

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## This Week:

Monday, Feb. 19	7:00pm	Al-Anon (Parsonage)
Tuesday, Feb. 20	1:00pm	Quilters (Fellowship Hall)
	1:00pm	Lakefront Bible Study
	6:00pm	Property Sale Discussion (Fellowship Hall)
	7:00pm	Co-Dependents Anonymous (Parsonage)
Wednesday, Feb. 21	8:30am	Moment of Prayer for Holy Trinity
	4:00pm	Bell Choir Practice
	5:30pm	Soup Supper (Fellowship Hall)
	6:15pm	Lent Small Groups
	7:00pm	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, Feb. 22	6:00pm	Veterans AA (Parsonage)
Sunday, Feb. 25	9:30am	Worship/Live-Stream
	10:30am	Church Conference

## Prayer Requests:

Delores Oram (Don's Mom) - prayers for healing after a fall. Prayers, too, for Don as he travels to spend some time with her to help.

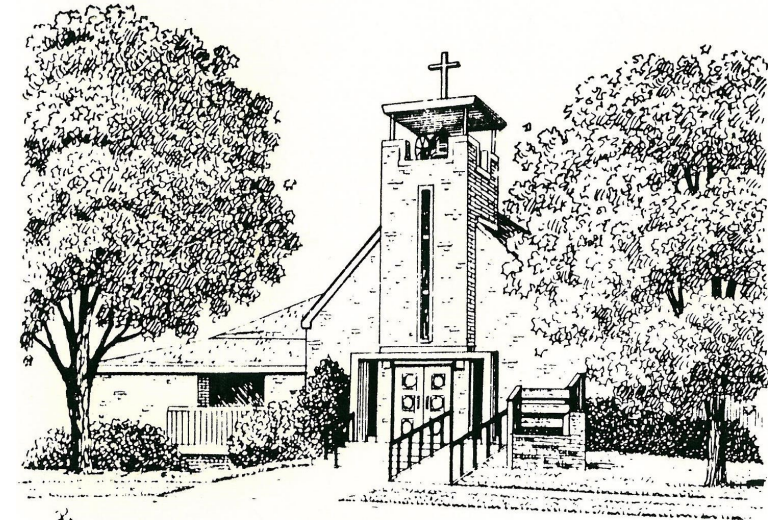
Jolene— prayers for David Holmgren, that God would heal his stomach and bowel lining.

Jolene's granddaughter, Avery—for the Lord to heal the part of her brain that produces speech. She is autistic and non-verbal.

Dustin G.—prayers of celebration for Lincoln's birthday! Prayers for Grandma Lorriane who is in the hospital.

Mary Dion—suffered a broken hip. Please pray for comfort and healing.

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