HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Series:

"The Roads Jesus Traveled"

"The Road To Capernaum"

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
209 Broad Street
Anderson, SC 29621

SERVICE OF THE WORD

March 10, 2021
7:00 p.m.

Welcome and Announcements
Prelude ***"Poor Wayfaring Stranger"*** arr. Don Hustad

(We Stand for the Lenten Dialogue)
L. Grace and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
C. Praised be God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the Father of all mercies, and the God of all consolation.
L. Seek the Lord while he may be found.
C. Call upon him while he is near.
L. Let the wicked abandon their ways,
C. and the unrighteous their thoughts.
L. Let them turn to the Lord for mercy,
C. to our God, who is generous in forgiving.
L. All you who are thirsty, come to the water.
You who have no money, come, receive bread, and eat.
Come, without paying and without cost, drink wine and milk.
C. Praised be God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the Father of all mercies, and the God of all consolation

The Creed
L. God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

C. I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker 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.

The Prayer of the Day
L. The Lord be with you. **C. And also with you.**
L. Let us pray… **C. Amen.**

(we sit)
The First Lesson **Jonah 2:1-9**

2 Then Jonah prayed to the LORD his God from the belly of the fish, 2 saying,
"I called to the LORD out of my distress,
and he answered me;
out of the belly of Sheol I cried,
and you heard my voice.
3 You cast me into the deep,
into the heart of the seas,
and the flood surrounded me;
all your waves and your billows
passed over me.
4 Then I said, 'I am driven away
from your sight;
how shall I look again
upon your holy temple?'
5 The waters closed in over me;
the deep surrounded me;
weeds were wrapped around my head
6 at the roots of the mountains.
I went down to the land
whose bars closed upon me forever;
yet you brought up my life from the Pit,
O LORD my God.
7 As my life was ebbing away,
I remembered the LORD;
and my prayer came to you,
into your holy temple.
8 Those who worship vain idols
forsake their true loyalty.
9 But I with the voice of thanksgiving
will sacrifice to you;
what I have vowed I will pay.
Deliverance belongs to the LORD!"

Psalm 143 (read responsively)

[1] Hear my prayer, O LORD;
give ear to my supplications in your faithfulness;
answer me in your righteousness.
[2] Do not enter into judgment with your servant,
for no one living is righteous before you.

[3] For the enemy has pursued me,
crushing my life to the ground,
making me sit in darkness like those long dead.
[4] Therefore my spirit faints within me;
my heart within me is appalled.

[5] I remember the days of old,
I think about all your deeds,
I meditate on the works of your hands.
[6] I stretch out my hands to you;
my soul thirsts for you like a parched land.

[7] Answer me quickly, O LORD;
my spirit fails.
Do not hide your face from me,
or I shall be like those who go down to the Pit.
[8] Let me hear of your steadfast love in the morning,
for in you I put my trust.
Teach me the way I should go,
for to you I lift up my soul.

[9] Save me, O LORD, from my enemies;
I have fled to you for refuge.
[10] Teach me to do your will,
for you are my God.
Let your good spirit lead me
on a level path.

[11] For your name's sake, O LORD, preserve my life.
In your righteousness bring me out of trouble.
[12] In your steadfast love cut off my enemies,
and destroy all my adversaries,
for I am your servant.

The Second Lesson **Matthew 4:12-22**

12 Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. 13 He left Nazareth and
made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, 14 so that what had
been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:
15 "Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—
16 the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light,
and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned."
17 From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."
18 As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his
brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. 19 And he said to them, "Follow me, and I
will make you fish for people." 20 Immediately they left their nets and followed him. 21 As he went from
there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their
father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. 22 Immediately they left the boat and their
father, and followed him.

(We stand)

Gospel Reading **Mark 1:21-31**

21 They went to Capernaum; and when the Sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. 22 They
were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes.
23 Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, 24 and he cried out, "What have
you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One
of God." 25 But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" 26 And the unclean spirit,
convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. 27 They were all amazed, and they kept
on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean
spirits, and they obey him." 28 At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of
Galilee.
29 As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and
John. 30 Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. 31 He
came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

The Sermon **"The Road To Capernaum"**

Solo: ***"Poor Wayfaring Stranger"*** Amy Goodson

I am a poor wayfaring stranger, while traveling through this world of woe.
Yet there's no sickness, toil or danger in that bright world to which I go.
I'm going there to see my Father, I'm going there no more to roam.
I'm only going over Jordan, I'm only going over home.

I know dark clouds will gather round me; I know my way is rough and steep.
But golden fields lie out before me where God's redeemed shall ever sleep.
I'm going there to see my mother, she said she'd meet me when I come.
I'm only going over Jordan, I'm only going over home.

I'll soon be free from every trial, my body sleep in the churchyard;

I'll drop the cross of self-denial and enter on my great reward.
I'm going there to see my Savior, to sing His praise forevermore.
I'm only going over Jordan, I'm only going over home.

(we stand)
The Prayers

L. Let us pray.

L. Almighty and everlasting God, you are worthy to be held in reverence by all the mortal race. We give you thanks for the innumerable blessings which, despite our unworthiness, you have showered upon us.

We praise you especially that you have preserved for us in their purity your saving Word and the sacred ordinances of your house. Grant and preserve to your Church throughout the world, purity of doctrine and faithful pastors who shall preach your Word with power, and help all who hear to understand and firmly to believe your Word of truth.

Protect and defend your people in time of tribulation and danger, that we, in communion with your Church and in unity with all Christian people, may fight the good fight of faith and in the end receive the fullness of salvation.

Upon all the nations of the earth bestow your grace. Especially we ask you to bless our land and all its inhabitants and all who are in authority. Cause your glory to dwell among us, and let mercy and truth, justice and peace prevail.

In Your mercy defend us from all calamities by fire and water, from war and pestilence, from scarcity and famine. Protect and prosper all who labor**.** Show Yourself to be the helper of the sick and needy, the comforter of the forsaken and distressed. We especially pray for…….

And as we are strangers and pilgrims on earth, help us to prepare for the world to come, doing the work which you have given us to do while it is day, before that night comes when no one can work. And, when our last hour shall come, support us by Your power and receive us into Your everlasting kingdom, where, with Your Son our Lord Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit, You live and reign, God forever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer (contemporary version)

L. Lord, remember us in your Kingdom and teach us to pray:
C. Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

The Benediction

L The Lord bless us and keep us.
The Lord make his face shine on us and be gracious to us.
The Lord look upon us with favor and (+) give us peace.
C. Amen.

(**Silence is observed for meditation as candles are extinguished**.)

The Dismissal

Postlude ***"Savior. Again To Your Dear Name"*** Arr. Arthur S. Sullivan

Presiding Minister……..…...The Rev. J. Chris Fischer
Organist…….…….…….…..…….Jill Helgeson
Acolyte……..…Cathy Rudisill
Lector…… ……Gail Cannon
Video/IT Engineer……..……..Paul Wagner

2021 LENTEN WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sermon Series: "The Roads Jesus Traveled"

Note:
Both Maundy Thursday Services will be identical. Both Good Friday Services will be identical.

Wednesday, March 10 Mid-week Lenten Service – 7:00 p.m.
Message: **"The Road To Capernaum"**
Wednesday, March 17 Mid-week Lenten Service – 7:00 p.m.
Message: **"The Road To Samaria"**
Wednesday, March 24 Mid-week Lenten Service – 7:00 p.m.
Message: **"The Road To Jericho"**
Thursday, April 1 – Maundy Thursday Services 12:00 Noon and 7:00 p.m.
Message: **"The Road To Jerusalem"**
Friday, April 2 – Good Friday Services 12:00 Noon and 7:00 p.m.
Message: **"The Road To Emmaus"**

The Lenten Devotional *Steadfast Love* are available in the Narthex.

Mid-week Lenten offerings this year will be split between Good Neighbor Cupboard and Meals On Wheels.