

Trinity Church:  
March 12, 2022  
Third Sunday of Lent

**WELCOME AND LITURGY OF GATHERING**

Leader: Reading of [Psalm 95](#). This is the word of the Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

*Trinity is fostering a haven of belonging where wanderers and wonderers gather to discover and embody the love of Jesus in the world.*

**COMMUNAL SINGING**

**Come, Thou Fount**

Come Thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace  
Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise  
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above  
Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it, Mount of Thy redeeming love

Here I raise my Ebenezer, Hither by Thy help I come  
And I hope by Thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home  
Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wandering from the fold of God  
He to rescue me from danger, Interposed His precious blood

Oh, to grace how great a debtor, Daily I'm constrained to be  
Let Thy goodness like a fetter, Bind my wandering heart to Thee  
Prone to wander, Lord I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love  
Here's my heart Lord, take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts above  
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**We Will Run**

Create in me a clean heart  
For I have turned my face from you  
Save us from our ways, oh God, oh God  
For we have turned away from You  
Lord, have mercy

We will run to you, we will run to you  
Turning from our sin we return to You  
Father heal your world, make all things new  
Make all things new

Your love and mercy build and shape us  
Break and then recreate us now  
Lord, have mercy

Oh, bring us back to you  
Oh, bring us back to you

**COMMUNITY CONFESSION AND LENTEN CANDLE READING**

Leader: Romans 5:21 says, "Sin ruled because of death. So also grace rules in the lives of those who are right with God. The grace of God brings eternal life because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done." In Jesus, we find ourselves free from judgment. Knowing this, let us confess how often we do not see God in our lives, especially in how we live them.

**ALL: God of eternity, you know how often we travel down the rocky roads of doubt and fear. We pester others with our worries; we hurl bitter words at those we love. We have chances to offer ourselves in service, but only give our contempt to those in need. We could share the living waters with the world, but want to store it in jars for safe-keeping. Forgive us, Fountain of Grace; turn towards us and meet us wherever we are.**

Leader: In every moment, God seeks to break open our rock-hard sin, so we might be made whole. In Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, our thirst for hope and joy is quenched.

*Snuff out Lenten candle*

**ALL: Through the power of the Holy Spirit, living water breaks through the roof of our hearts, in such abundance that we don't have enough buckets to hold it all. Thanks be to God! Amen.**

### **BLESSING AND PASSING THE PEACE**

**Adults: The Lord be with you!**

**Children and Kids Ministry Leader: And also with you!**

*During this time we greet one another, recognizing that we are all a part of the body, as PreK-5th grade children are led to their ministry space. Younger children and youth remain, and are welcome, in the Gathering. Materials for toddlers are available and we understand that their presence means they will be heard, no need to worry about their vocal contributions.*

### **SERMON NOTES**

#### ***Composting***

The World Will Hate You. It Hated Me First. - John 15.18-25 (First Nations Version)

*\*[For discussion prompts visit the series page here.](#)*

### **LORD'S TABLE LITURGY**

Leader: Gentle One, in the midst of all the world's noise,  
we struggle to hear your whispers of care.

"Come and rest,"

You beckon.

**ALL: Our never-ending lists, days too short, pressures so high, they make us weary.**

**Whether our labor is paid, or the search for work is our toil.**

**Whether we tend with care to the needs of our loved ones at home**

**or gift time to the collective cries for justice,**

**there are so many ways we grow tired.**

Leader: Reaching out, patient and inviting.

"Come and rest,"

you beckon, again and again.

**ALL: To trust in You is to remember limitations,**

**release control, and let our earnest offerings be enough.**

Leader: You do not ask any one person to lift the burdens from the world.

The Sacred labors of life

belong to all of us and none of us.

For everything that doesn't get done..

For all that we desire to protect but cannot...

For every hurt we cannot tend...

Fill us with a deep assurance,

of your presence that abides in all things,

Through all things.

You abandon no one in their struggle.

**ALL: Let your Sabbath be our renewal  
of body, of mind, of spirit.**

Leader: Now, we come around the Lord's table, speaking these words to one another:

**ALL: Come, if your faith is blossoming and full, and come, if it is but a tiny seed planted in your heart; come, if you always show up for this Meal, and come, if this is the your very first taste; come, if you have always walked with Christ, and come, if you have stumbled along the way. But come - for our God awaits to serve you with joy, with affirmation, with hope, with peace.**

Leader: For all who seek to experience new life in Christ - eat and drink – the body of Christ broken for you and the cup of the new covenant shed for you.

*\*communion elements are gluten free, not allergen free*

## **RESPONSE & OFFERING OF WORSHIP**

The [Offering Basket](#)

Prayer requests may be posted in the Zoom chat (Zoom participants) or written and placed in offering basket.

### **I Need Thee Every Hour**

I need thee every hour, most gracious Lord;  
no tender voice like thine can peace afford.

I need thee, O I need thee;  
every hour I need thee;  
O bless me now, my Savior, I come to thee.

I need thee every hour; stay thou nearby;  
temptations lose their power when thou art nigh.

I need thee every hour, in joy or pain;  
come quickly and abide, or life is vain.

I need thee every hour; teach me thy will;  
and thy rich promises in me fulfill.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Lent resources**, along with [Trinity's Guide to Lent](#), can be found at the bottom of the [sermon series page](#).

**Community Conversation after the Gathering TODAY.** This community conversation will provide space to communally process the work we're attending to with our culture-building facilitator. Refer back to your email for more details.

**Civic Action meeting Sunday, March 26th** after the gathering (11:15am-ish) at CoHatch and virtually (Google Meet). During this meeting we will discuss entering the second half of the General Assembly, 2023 Primary Elections, Pride and Juneteenth. This meeting is open to anyone who would be interested in Civic Action in our communities and how to do it. Questions? Contact Joel at [joel@indytrinity.org](mailto:joel@indytrinity.org).

**Renewal Year. New resources posted!** Please see the newly revised, renewal webpage on Trinity's website: [www.indytrinity.org/renewal-1](http://www.indytrinity.org/renewal-1) for resources with culture building, a copy of the grant narrative, and the timeline of events. If you need the password, please check your email. If you've not received emails about our clergy renewal grant and congregational renewal activities, please let us know ([contact@indytrinity.org](mailto:contact@indytrinity.org)) so we can add you to the email list. In March, during Lent, our culture-building facilitator is going to be preaching, so the set-up of the service will be very similar. In April & May, we will transition into more group work/facilitation/activities that coincide with the themes in Tricia Hersey's book "**Rest is Resistance.**" **You are encouraged to read this book during the upcoming season.** If you need financial assistance to acquire this resource, please contact us ([contact@indytrinity.org](mailto:contact@indytrinity.org)).

**2023 Trinity Retreat.** One of the congregational renewal activities supported through the Clergy Renewal Grant is a retreat. Mark your calendars for August 25-27, 2023 and check your emails for the invitation to RSVP. Please indicate on the form if you're interested in serving on a small planning team in the spring and summer to help finalize retreat details.

**Gathering Hosting Schedule.** As an act of service and care, please join staff, leaders, and others from your parish in hosting Sunday Gatherings. These are great times to connect and welcome others to converse while serving as well. Arrival at 9:45am is great, 9:30am is super help-

ful for assisting with audio equipment and/or indoor set up. Cleaning up on the back end should only take 10-15 minutes and is the greatest need. The hosting checklist is in the Trinity office. Thank you!

#### March

5th: Midtown/Downtown  
12th: Broad Ripple  
19th: North/Carmel  
26th: Fishers

#### April

2nd: Midtown/Downtown  
9th: Broad Ripple  
16th: North/Carmel  
23rd: Fishers  
30th: Midtown/Downtown

#### **THE BENEDICTION**

Leader: The Spirit sends us from this place with power:

**ALL: to disrupt cycles of violence,  
to practice healing within and around,  
and to create bold alternatives to norms that harm and destroy.**

Leader: With the knowledge and assurance of Christ with us,

**ALL: may we go and make it so.**

**Amen.**

*(Some liturgies adapted from [lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com](http://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com) and [enfleshed.com](http://enfleshed.com) - Rev. M Barclay)*

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#### **COMMUNAL CONNECTION**

Remain on the Zoom or Gathering space for general connection and prayer.

**Land Acknowledgement.** We acknowledge that the land on which we gather for worship was stolen from the Myaamiaki people of the sovereign Miami Nation, who were driven out of the area and of their native lands by genocide, force (through broken treaties and laws imposed upon their nation), and systematic dispossession. (ref: [Repudiation of the Doctrine of Discovery, Trinity Church](#))