

<div>FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT</div> <div>February 18, 2024   11:00 am Worship</div>		
<div>As we enter a holy space and time this morning, please silence all electronic devices. The opening voluntary is the call to silent meditation and preparation for worship.</div> <div>+ Please rise in body or spirit when you see this symbol, and join in singing or reading aloud text in bold.</div>		
OPENING VOLUNTARY	A Mighty Fortress Is Our God	Dietrich Buxtehude
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS		Rebekah LeMon
CALL TO WORSHIP	<div>One: Welcome, all who are hurting this day. God calls to you.</div> <div>All: Lord, we come seeking your comfort. Lift us from the hold of our fears and sorrows.</div> <div>One: Welcome, all who are joyful this day. God calls to you.</div> <div>All: Lord, we come to share our rejoicing. Hear our songs of praise.</div> <div>One: Welcome, all who feel lost or have lost hope. God calls to you.</div> <div>All: Lord, we come seeking your guidance and light. Illuminate a path in front of us.</div> <div>One: Welcome, all who feel loved and all who long for love. God calls to you.</div> <div>All: Lord, we come to remember the promise of your unfailing love. Come and dwell in our hearts.</div> <div>One: Welcome, all who are struggling to give or forgive, all who long to receive and to be forgiven. God calls to us.</div> <div>All: Lord, we come to prepare our hearts for your grace. Be with us as we worship you with humility and hope.</div>	
+OPENING HYMN	#166 Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days	ST. FLAVIAN
+CALL TO CONFESSION		Tom Farmer
+PRAYER OF CONFESSION	<div>Merciful Lord, we confess that we think too much about ourselves and too little about your way. We live too much for ourselves and too little for the sake of others. We take too much for ourselves. We want to have plenty of every thing, but are slow to ask why others do not. We want to have grace-filled lives ourselves, but are slow to extend grace to others. Forgive us for walking in ways that are foolish, ways that will lead only to a more selfish, violent, and divided world. Show us instead how to give and forgive, how to follow you in the way of repentance that leads to joy.</div> <div>(silence for personal prayers of confession)</div>	
+ASSURANCE OF PARDON	<div>One: Friends, hear and believe this Good News: God gives and forgives, responding to our repentance with grace. Know that we are forgiven and be at peace.</div> <div>All: Amen.</div>	

+CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE	REMEMBER ME	
	<div>Cantor: Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.</div> <div>All (sung twice): Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.</div> <div>(tune may be found as Hymn #227)</div>	
INVITATION TO THE CHILDREN		
RESPONSIVE READING (Psalm 25:1-10)	<div>One: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.</div> <div>All: O my God, in you I trust; do not let me be put to shame; do not let my enemies exult over me.</div> <div>One: Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame; let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.</div> <div>All: Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths.</div> <div>One: Lead me in your truth, and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all day long.</div> <div>All: Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.</div> <div>One: Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for your goodness’ sake, O Lord.</div> <div>All: Good and upright is the Lord; therefore he instructs sinners in the way.</div> <div>One: He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way.</div> <div>All: All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his decrees. Amen.</div>	
ANTHEM	Lord, For Thy Tender Mercies’ Sake	Richard Farrant
	<div>Lord, for thy tender mercies’ sake, lay not our sins to our charge, but forgive that is past and give us grace to amend our sinful lives, to decline from sin and incline to virtue, that we may walk with a perfect heart before thee now and evermore.</div>	
NEW TESTAMENT READING	Mark 1:9-15	(pew Bible, NT p. 34-35)
	<div>One: This is the word of the Lord.</div> <div>All: Thanks be to God.</div>	
PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION		
SERMON	Giving and Forgiving: Giving Up Sin	Rev. Rebekah LeMon

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from A Brief Statement of Faith)	<div>In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.</div>	
+AFFIRMATION RESPONSE	Have mercy, God, upon my life, and make me clean within: pour out your ever-faithful love and wash away my sin.	ST. ANNE
	(tune may be found as Hymn #687)	
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER	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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.	Lucy Strong
CALL FOR OFFERINGS		
OFFERTORY	Schaffe in mir, Gott	Johannes Brahms
	<div>Translation: Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.</div>	
+DOXOLOGY #606		OLD HUNDREDTH
+PRAYER OF DEDICATION		
+CLOSING HYMN	#432 How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord	REPTON
+CHARGE & BENEDICTION		
BENEDICTION RESPONSE	Sevenfold Amen	John Stanley
CONCLUDING VOLUNTARY	Toccata from Suite Gothique	Leon Boellmann
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Welcome to Trinity. We are glad you are here.

Childcare

Children are always welcome in worship at Trinity, and there are worship bags available at all entrances. If you would prefer to have childcare, it is available for children from birth through pre-K in the following rooms:

Infants and One-Year-Olds ..... D102

Two-Year-Olds – Pre-K (4 year olds) ..... D106

Prayer Requests

If you are going through a difficult time, we would like to know how best to support you. To notify the church of illness, hospitalization, birth, death, or prayer request, or if you need pastoral care after hours, reach out to any pastor or call 404-237-6491.

Counseling

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TODAY IN WORSHIP

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Rev. Lucy Strong

Associate Pastor for Mission  
and Engagement

Emma Baker &

Juliette Baker

Acolytes

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The Chancel Choir of Trinity Church

Norman Mackenzie, *Organist and  
Director of Music and Arts*

David Blalock, *Cantor*

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary are given by Norman Mackenzie to the glory of God and in loving memory of Norman, Laurel and Nancy Mackenzie.

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