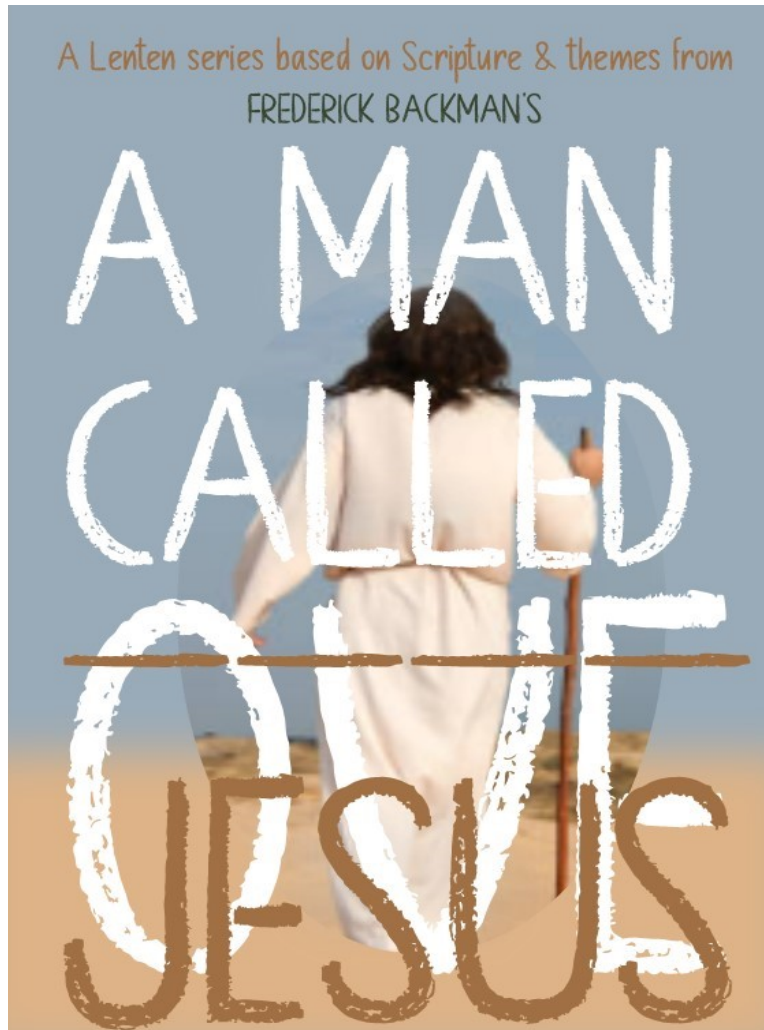




# TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

*A congregation of the ELCA*



## ***Wednesdays in Lent 2023***

*In-the-Sanctuary and Livestreamed Worship*

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## PRELUDE

## WELCOME

### \*OPENING SONG

### *Lord Jesus, Think on Me*

ELW 599 v. 1-3

1 Lord Je - sus, think on me, and purge a - way my sin;  
2 Lord Je - sus, think on me, by anx - ious thoughts 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 past,  
from self - ish pas - sions set me free and make me pure with - in.  
let me your lov - ing ser - vant be and taste your prom - ised rest.  
through dark - ness and per - plex - i - ty point out your cho - sen way.  
I may the\_e - ter - nal bright - ness see and share your joy at last.

Text: Synesius of Cyrene, 375–430; tr. Allen W. Chatfield, 1808–1896, alt.  
Music: SOUTHWELL, W. Daman, *The Psalms of David*, 1579, alt.

### \*OPENING LITANY

Gracious God, **you know us better than we know ourselves.**

You see the struggle within us—the grief, the anger, the anxiety and worry. You see **the brokenness, the discomfort, the apathy.**

Forgive us for dismissing you, **for failing to recognize your hand in our healing, for forgetting to thank and praise you.**

During these forty days of Lent, **help us to reflect, and to wrestle with our own demons, and to see past the labels the world places upon us.**

Give us eyes to see ourselves, and all others, **as worthy and valuable and loved.**

Guide us to the foot of your cross. **Renew us with your Spirit.**

For you are our maker and our redeemer, **our help, our comfort, our trust, and our true hope.**

**Amen.**

<sup>1</sup>When Jesus had finished saying all these things, he said to his disciples, <sup>2</sup>You know that after two days the Passover is coming, and the Son of Man will be handed over to be crucified.

<sup>3</sup>Then the chief priests and the elders of the people gathered in the palace of the high priest, who was called Caiaphas, <sup>4</sup>and they conspired to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him. <sup>5</sup>But they said, "Not during the festival, or there may be a riot among the people."

<sup>6</sup>Now while Jesus was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, <sup>7</sup>a woman came to him with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment, and she poured it on his head as he sat at the table. <sup>8</sup>But when the disciples saw it, they were angry and said, "Why this waste? <sup>9</sup>For this ointment could have been sold for a large sum, and the money given to the poor."

<sup>10</sup>But Jesus, aware of this, said to them, "Why do you trouble the woman? She has performed a good service for me. <sup>11</sup>For you always have the poor with you, but you will not always have me. <sup>12</sup>By pouring this ointment on my body she has prepared me for burial. <sup>13</sup>Truly I tell you, wherever this good news is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her."

<sup>14</sup>Then one of the twelve, who was called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests <sup>15</sup>and said, "What will you give me if I betray him to you?" They paid him thirty pieces of silver.

<sup>16</sup>And from that moment he began to look for an opportunity to betray him.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

**CHILDREN'S MINI MESSAGE**

**MESSAGE**

**\*RESPONSIVE SONG**

*Tree of life*

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sing v.1 & Lent 4 verse

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## OFFERING PRAYER

Gracious and loving God, may we see your goodness and your glory in new ways throughout this season of Lent. May we know the depths of your love for us more fully. May we recognize the pain Jesus endured for our sake. Receive these gifts we have gathered, signs of our thankfulness and love for you. Amen.

## \*BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, Son  $\dagger$  and Holy Spirit, bless you this day and always.  
Amen.

## \*CLOSING SONG

### *Restore in Us O God*

ELW 328



1 Re - store in us, O God, the splen - dor of your love; re -  
2 O Spir - it, wake in us the won - der of your pow'r; from  
3 Bring us, O Christ, to share the full - ness of your joy; bap -  
4 Three - per - soned God, ful - fill the prom - ise of your grace, that



new your im - age in our hearts, and all our sins re - move.  
fruit - less fear un - furl our lives like spring - time bud and flow'r.  
tize us in the ris - en life that death can - not de - stroy.  
we, when all our search - ing ends, may see you face to face.

Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944

Music: BAYLOR, Hal H. Hopson, b. 1933

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## \*DISMISSAL

Go in peace, Jesus walks beside you as we journey.  
Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE