

Thank you to those listed in the bulletin who participated in today's service.

We also thank:

Altar Guild: Vera Baker and Lee Vaughn

Attendance Taker: Nicole Baker

Coordinators for Online Worship: Clara Lee and Jim Sharrard

Lenten Display: Ken Guerin

Liturgist: Hannah Rosenman

Liturgy: Sarah Are | A Sanctified Art LLC | sanctifiedart.org **Ushers: Head Usher,** Sheila Womble,

Assistant Head Usher, Donald Cushing, also the usher volunteers who sign-up each week.

Videographer: Nic Odell

Reminders:

Hygiene Kit Challenge

Want to make a positive difference in this world? Help us collect 100 kits by the end of Lent.

1. Visit <https://cwskits.org/assemble-kits/hygiene-kits/> for a shopping list and video instructions.
2. Gather items and assemble the kit(s)
3. Drop off your kit(s) at Trinity on March 28 during Palm Crosses in the Parking Lot

Trinity Softball Team

The Trinity softball season is quickly approaching and the team would like to extend an offer to all who may be interested in being part of this great group. The league is still working on COVID compliance rules and a schedule, but games generally occur on Tuesday evenings from May through July. This is a great way to share some fellowship with each other at a time when we all could use a little. We are a pretty good team as well! Contact Scott Woodward at softball@trinityspringfield.org if you're interested.

Get Ready for Kids' Month Coming This April

During the month of April, we're embarking on a new journey—a month dedicated to more kid/family friendly worship and formational opportunities. It's a time to celebrate the young people of the church and put them first; and, it's a time (for us adults) to embrace a different side of ourselves. Kids' month benefits everyone: not just kids. Whether you prefer to be inside or outside, at Trinity or at home, there's a way for you to participate in Kid's Month. So, mark your calendars and look for the flyer coming out next week. You won't want to miss it.



Celebrate God's love

Nurture relationships with God and one another

Serve our community and world, as we share the light of Christ

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Fifth Sunday
in
Lent



Believing that all persons are created in God's image and are of sacred worth, that Jesus' message was one of inclusion of those rejected by mainstream society, and that each member makes inherent and valuable contributions to the Body of Christ, we of Trinity Church welcome into this congregation people of every age, race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, socio-economic condition, family structure, and physical or mental ability.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Fifth Sunday in Lent ~ March 21, 2021

***Invited to stand ✨ See words to the right ✨ See Insert**

Prelude: Two Inventions (no. 2 in c minor and no. 6 in E major) J. S. Bach
(in celebration of Bach's 336th birthday) Don Evans, piano

Welcome & Announcements

Introit: "Wayfarin' Stranger" arr. M. Shepard
Merrill Shepard, vocal and guitar

***Call to Worship: ✨**

Prayer: ✨

Hymn of Assurance: "Amazing Grace" arr. M. Shepard

Silent Reflection & Extinguishing the Lenten Candle

The Lord's Prayer: ✨

Scripture: John 12:20-33 (NIV)

Special Music: "And Can It Be?" D. Forrest
David Snyder, bass

Sermon: "We Are Reformed"

Closing Response: "Christ Be with Me" M. Bryson

Benediction

Closing Hymn: "Lead Me, Guide Me" D. Akers

WORDS TO FOLLOW ALONG

- **Bold Items Are the Congregation's Part**

Call to Worship: (Sarah Are)

L: Every week is a new week, another chance to say:

P: "Here I am. Use me."

L: Every day is a new day, another chance to say:

P: "Thank you for yesterday. Thank you for tomorrow."

L: Every hour is a new hour, another chance to say,

P: "Again and again, make me new."

L: We do not come to this place to stay the same.

P: We come to this place to be changed.

L: So let us worship the Holy God, who created yesterday, will create tomorrow, and even now is creating something new.

P: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Prayer of Illumination: (Sarah Are)

Holy God, scripture tells us that your word is written on our hearts, but we struggle to hear it. Is it possible that we have covered up your words with our own self-narratives? Is it possible that we have erased your truth to write our own? Is it possible that we have forgotten your words entirely? Take us back to the beginning. Remove the self-talk that distracts. Clear away the cobwebs of doubt. Show us how to look inside ourselves for your truth, and then write on our hearts once more. We are listening. We are hopeful. We are here. Speak now. Amen.

Silent Reflection & Extinguishing the Lenten Candle

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.