

*Trinity Lutheran Church
Lutheran Women's Missionary League
Mother's Day Program*

Theme:

"Christian Women STILL Held by God Through A Pandemic"

Psalm 46:1-3



*Trinity Lutheran Church
1900 Marie Foster Street
Selma, Alabama 36703*

*Sunday, May 8, 2022
11:00 A.M.*

Rev. Steven Washington, Pastor

PROGRAM

Musical Selection "Total Praise" Recorded by Richard Smallwood

Opening Hymn "Now Thank We All Our God" **LSB 895**

1 Now thank we all our God With hearts and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things has done, In whom His world rejoices;
Who from our mothers' arms Has blest us on our way
With countless gifts of love And still is ours today.

2 Oh, may this bounteous God Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts And blessed peace to cheer us
And keep us in His grace And guide us when perplexed
And free us from all ills In this world and the next!

3 All praise and thanks to God The Father now be given,
The Son, and Him who reigns With them in highest heaven,
The one eternal God, Whom earth and heav'n adore;
For thus it was, is now, And shall be ever-more.

Invocation:

Pastor: In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Prayer of Confession:

ALL: O Lord, forgive us for the times we have ignored the cries of women; the mothers who watched their children go off to war, the wives and friends who were left behind to struggle alone; the women of faith whose stories we forget, the women who followed their vision in pursuit of human dignity, the homemakers who provided nurturing safe space. Make us sensitive to the anguished cries that echo still; the homeless, the poor, the hungry and ill, the lonely, the aged. O God, who loves us like a mother, forgive us.

Pastor: Inasmuch as God has birthed us, nursed us, encouraged us to grow, God will also forgive and accept us. God's gift is unconditional love. May we accept this gift as our challenge to do likewise. **A-men.**

Responsive Reading:

Pastor: We rise dear God, as people of courage and faith, to do your will, to do justice, walk humbly, and befriend our neighbors.

People: With courage, Lord, we accept your invitation to be just, strong and willing to befriend women, men, and children everywhere.

Pastor: We stand tall, Oh Lord, God everlasting, as did opera singer Marian Anderson, against the shortsightedness of the Daughters of the American Revolution, to use her God-given talents to lift up the name of her people.

People: Like Marian, we sing your name, every day and every hour; we celebrate who we are and whose we are.

Pastor: We persevere, overcoming the oppression of society and self, as did Mae Jemison, our first female astronaut, to circle the earth and do experiments on her space mission.

People: Through grace we leap over oppression from the outside. We pray for the strength to overcome the self-inflicted oppression that may be hidden from us.

Pastor: We unite as people; overcoming petty disagreements and personal choices to serve the community and to serve ourselves. We climb the ladders of sin, jealousy, fear, denial, lack and unbelief to reach the hilltops of health and wholeness.

People: With you, loving God, we can move mountains and we are made whole. The storms of illness, disease and bad feelings cannot obstruct the power of your Spirit on us to worship you, to serve the present age, to maintain our families, to love every mother's child, and to be loved.

Pastor: Blessed are you, O God! Blessed are we who desire righteousness! Blessed are those who need you and have not yet experienced your power. Blessed are the women who listened to what Jesus said as he showed us living Love – those who stood at the foot of the cross, prepared Jesus' body for burial, went to the empty tomb, and witnessed the resurrection.

ALL: We now go and tell the world about Jesus and about how we are Blessed. Jesus is come, the Comforter is One. In Him, we find rest. We Christian women are up to the test! Blessed be His Holy Name. **A-MEN.**

Prayer of the Day:

O Lord, draw us all together in this great world of yours. Heal our divisions, calm our fears, enlighten our ignorance. As we gather this morning bind us all as sisters and brothers everywhere, unite us in your love. **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading 2 Kings 4:1-7 Ms. Ollie Morrissette

Gospel Reading John 11:32-44 Pastor Washington

Hymn "I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus" **LSB 729**

1 I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus, Trusting only Thee;
Trusting Thee for full salvation, Great and free.

2 I am trusting Thee for pardon; At Thy feet I bow,
For Thy grace and tender mercy Trusting now.

3 I am trusting Thee for cleansing In the crimson flood;
Trusting Thee to make me holy By Thy blood.

4 I am trusting Thee to guide me; Thou alone shalt lead,
Ev-'ry day and hour supplying All my need.

5 I am trusting Thee for power; Thine can never fail.
Words which Thou Thyself shalt give me Must prevail.

6 I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus; Never let me fall.
I am trusting Thee forever And for all.

Welcome and Occasion ----- Ms. Debra McDaniel, LWML Christian Growth

Praise "I Now Understand What Mother Meant" Mrs. Barbara Brown
LWML Vice President

Promises "God's Promises to His People" Mrs. Dorothy Veazey
LWML Secretary

Special Music “Wind Beneath My Wings” Ms. Courtney Washington

Introduction of Speaker ----- Dr. Cheryl Washington
LWML Member

Speaker ----- Ms. Wanda Goodwin

Apostles’ Creed:

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. **Amen.**

Prayers ----- Pastor Washington

Offerings ----- “Thank You, Lord, for All You’ve Done for Me”
Recorded by Walter Hawkins

Benediction

Closing Hymn “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” **LSB 805**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. **A-men.**

Dismissal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME – A warm welcome to everyone! If you are our GUEST, it is a pleasure to have you worshipping with us. **BLESSINGS!**

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY – A special and grateful welcome to all mothers this morning. We salute you in the name of our Lord who loved His mother and provided for her.

THANKS – A special **"thanks"** to Ms. Wanda Goodwin, our Speaker, for the message she brought to us today. May our Lord continue to bless you and keep you in His grace!

THANKS – We give **"thanks"** to Ms. Debra McDaniel (Chairperson), LWML members and all participants for today's occasion for their blessing us in the Mother's Day Service. **PRAISE GOD!**

ALTAR FLOWERS FOR MAY – "Thanks" to Mr. John A. Reese and Family for the lovely flowers placed on our Altar today for the month of May – in loving memory of his late wife, Mrs. Emma Reese.

BEING COURTEOUS DURING SERVICE – This is a kind reminder to please be courteous during the Service by not carrying on unnecessary conversations.

REMAIN IN PEW – A friendly reminder to please remain in your pew and exit after Pastor has walked down the aisle.

MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY – Wednesday, from Noon to 1 p.m. We invite everyone interested to join us during the Noon hour.

THE DEEP INITIATIVE - It's **D**iabetes **E**mpowerment **E**ducation **P**rogram and is designed to improve the overall health outcomes by reducing risk factors for diabetes. The Initiative will be presented during 8 Sessions during our Senior Day Out. Therefore, we invite everyone interested to join us each Thursday at 10:00 a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLACK MINISTRY FAMILY CONVOCATION – Consider attending the Black Ministry Family Convocation this summer in Mobile, AL – July 27-30, 2022. See more detailed information on our website or the brochure on the hallway board.

VIRTUAL SERVICES – Worship services will now be available via Zoom for those of you that are unable to attend the in-person worship services. The following link will be used for every service: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87066538071>. The meeting ID is 870 6653 8071. The bulletin for every worship service will be available on the church's website.

PRAYER HOUR – Please join us each Saturday @ 11 a.m. for prayer. Dial 1/681-999-0264; Access Code 391959#. Also, I invite you to go on our website and view our monthly newsletters and other information. On there you will also see a complete listing of prayer requests/concerns.

BULLETIN/NEWSLETTER – If anyone has news or information for the bulletin and/or newsletter, please email the information to Mrs. Veazey at dorothyveazey@outlook.com. Information for the bulletin should be submitted or emailed by Friday of each week.

VERSE OF THE WEEK – Each week there will be a different verse in the bulletin. Members are encouraged to memorize and meditate on the verses.

VERSE OF THE WEEK – 2 Chronicles 7:14

“If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.”

“Happy Birthday”

May 9th Larry Ishman, Sr.