

Holy Trinity United Methodist Church

March 19, 2023

9:30am

Theme: Living the 'Good Enough' Life

Prelude

Welcome

*Songs of Praise "Gather Us In" TFWS #2236
 "Blessed Be Your Name" W&S #3002

*Greeting

Leader: With what shall we come before God? Who is worthy to stand in God's presence?

People: We come, not in wisdom, but in humility; we come, not to boast, but to learn.

Leader: Come without power or pretense; bring your weakness more than your strength.

People: We consider our call, and commit our way to God. We trust in God to grant us light and new life.

ALL: GOD'S BLESSING POURS OUT ON US ALL!

Confession and Pardon

People: Holy One, we often feel beaten down by the world. Numbed by our sorrow and grief, we seek blessings for ourselves rather than for those you call us to serve. Wounded by careless words, we lash out in our suffering and hurt the very ones we love. Weary of seeming weak and foolish, we forsake humility and gentleness and seek approval from those who need us to be peacemakers and bridge builders. Bless us, Holy One, that we might be a blessing for others. Fill us with a hunger and a thirst for righteousness, that we may be pure in heart, merciful and kind, and walk humbly in your ways. AMEN.

Leader: The God who blessed us to be a blessing is stronger than our weaknesses, and greater than our failings. Even when we fall short, God's love embraces us and sets us on our feet again. In the name of Jesus Christ, who is above all and in all, you are forgiven!
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People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

ALL: GLORY TO GOD! AMEN.

Children's Message

Anthem "He Will Be My God" Chancel Choir

Prayer Song "Come To Me" W&S #3094

Prayers of the People/Our Lord's Prayer

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Gospel Reading Matthew 5:1-12

*Hymn "Give Thanks" TFWS #2036

Sermon "#Blessed" Pastor Chad Gilbertson

*Hymn "Tradin' My Sorrows" W&S #3108

Offering/Offertory

Prayer of Dedication (unison)

Ever-present and Holy God, we offer these gifts in the hope that those who hunger and thirst for righteousness might find blessing, and those who mourn for the state of the world may find peace. AMEN.

Announcements

*Benediction (unison)

"Blessed are you who realize there is simply not enough—time, money, resources. Blessed are you who are tired of pretending that raw effort is the secret to perfection. It's not. And you know that now. Blessed are you who need a gentle reminder that even now, even today, God is here, and somehow, that is good enough."

*Hymn "All Who Hunger" (verse 1) TFWS #2126

Postlude

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This Week:

Monday, Mar. 20	9:30am 6:30pm 7:00pm	AA (Parsonage) Core Team Meeting Al-Anon (Parsonage)
Tuesday, Mar. 21	1:00pm 1:00pm 7:00pm	Lakefront Bible Study Quilters Co-Dependents Anonymous (Parsonage)
Wednesday, Mar. 22	8:30am 5:30pm 6:00pm 7:00pm	Moment of Prayer for Holy Trinity Soup Supper Small Groups Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, Mar. 23	6:00pm	Veterans AA (Parsonage)
Sunday, Mar. 26	9:30am 10:30am 10:30am	Worship/Live-Stream Sunday School (after worship) Small Group