



TRINITY
STATEN ISLAND

Holy Eucharist

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT
SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 2026 • 10:30 AM

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about this community Trinity Lutheran Church is a diverse Christian community committed to sharing and teaching the Word of God. We welcome all people and serve to provide Christian education, witness and outreach. In response to God's grace, we are called to support and advocate for our dynamic community, care for others, worship God, develop leaders in our faith, and steward the gifts we have been given by God.

Our Values: Love + Community + Inclusion + Service + Creativity + Faithfulness + Learning

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today's worship During Lent we journey with all those around the world who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil. In today's gospel Jesus tells Nicodemus that he must be born of water and Spirit. At the font we are given a new birth as children of God. As God made a covenant with Abraham, in baptism God promises to raise us up with Christ to new life. From worship we are sent forth to proclaim God's love for all the world.

Please silence all electronic devices before the service.

*You are invited to participate throughout the service with the **bold** responses and in all hymns.*

GATHERING

prelude Prelude for Lent

Basil Harwood
(1859-1949)

welcome *Pr. Stephanie Jaeger*

introit Purge Me, O Lord

Thomas Tallis
(1505-1585)

*Purge me, O Lord, from all my sin,
And save thou me by faith from ill,
That I may rest and dwell with thee
Upon thy holy blessed hill: And, that done,
grant that with true heart I may without hypocrisy
Affirm the truth, detract no man,
But do all things with equity.*

opening litany *Please stand as you are able for the
For this Scouting Sunday, today's opening litany has been adapted from
materials developed for Boy Scout USA worship services. The litany is
built on the values taught in the Boy Scout Law: trustworthy, loyal,
helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean,
and reverent. Many of these are echoed in the Girl Scout Law which calls
on Girl Scouts to be honest and fair, friendly and helpful, considerate and
caring, courageous and strong, and responsible for what we say and do, to
respect one's self and others, respect authority, use resources wisely, make
the world a better place, and show solidarity with other scouts.*

When facing deceit and dishonesty,
let us be trustworthy.

If we see hypocrisy and faithlessness,
let us be loyal.

Where disregard of others and mere materialism prevail,
let us be helpful.

When faced with spite and belligerence,
let us be friendly

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In an atmosphere of ill manner,
let us be courteous.

Where some measure power in brutality and crudeness,
let us be kind.

Though lawbreaking and rule-scoffing are common,
let us be obedient.

While others grumble and grouch,
let us be cheerful.

In an environment blighted by waste and extravagance,
let us be thrifty.

When confronted with danger and temptation,
let us be brave.

As we see pollution and degradation of the natural world,
let us use resources wisely to cleanse the earth.

When witnessing disdain for God and people of faith,
let us remember to be reverent.

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let us remember to be reverent.

In all things, let us show respect and love for ourselves, one another, the
world, and God,
Amen.

gathering hymn "Hope of the World" (ACS 1085)

1 Hope of the world, O Christ of great com - pas - sion,
 2 Hope of the world, God's gift from high - est heav - en,
 3 Hope of the world, a - foot on dust - y high - ways,
 4 Hope of the world, who by your cross did save us
 5 Hope of the world, Christ ris'n from death vic - to - rious,

 speak to our fear - ful hearts by con - flict rent.
 bring - ing to hun - gry souls the bread of life:
 show - ing to wan - d'ring souls the path of light:
 from death and deep de - spair, from guilt and sin:
 who by this tri - umph con - quered grief and pain:

Save us, your peo - ple, from con - sum - ing pas - sion,
 still let your Spir - it un - to us be giv - en
 walk close be - side us lest the tempt - ing by - ways
 we ren - der back the love your mer - cy gave us;
 we would be faith - ful to your gos - pel glo - rious;

who by our own false hopes and aims are spent.
 to heal earth's wounds and end all bit - ter strife.
 lure us a - way from you to end - less night.
 work through our lives to bring your pur - pose in.
 you are our Lord and will for - ev - er reign!

Text: Georgia Harkness, 1891–1974, alt.
 Music: *Trente quatre psaumes de David*, Geneva, 1551; arr. Claude Goudimel,
 1514–1572

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greeting The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

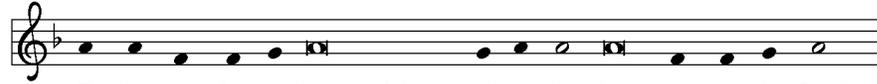
kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - va - tion, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well - being of the church of God,



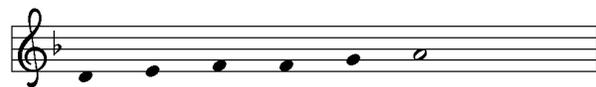
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



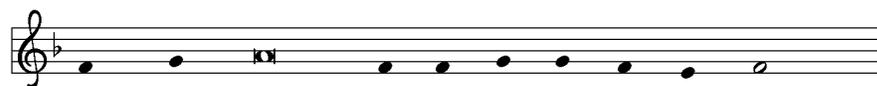
For this ho - ly house, and for all who of - fer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men.

prayer of the day Let us pray.
O God, our leader and guide, in the waters of baptism you bring us to new birth to live as your children. Strengthen our faith in your promises, that by your Spirit we may lift up your life to all the world through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

Please be seated

children's message *Children are invited forward for a message with Assistant Scoutmaster and Chaplain Roy Danischewski*

WORD

first reading Genesis 12:1-4a

A reading from Genesis.

¹ The LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. ² I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³ I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

^{4a} So Abram went, as the LORD had told him, and Lot went with him.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

second reading Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

A reading from Romans.

¹ What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? ² For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. ³ For what does the scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.” ⁴ Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. ⁵ But to one who does not work but trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

¹³ For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴ For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵ For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law, neither is there transgression.

¹⁶ For this reason the promise depends on faith, in order that it may rest on grace, so that it may be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (who is the father of all of us, ¹⁷ as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”), in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

All stand for the Gospel Acclamation

gospel acclamation

Glo - ry and praise to you, O Lord Je - sus Christ.

The Holy Gospel according to John.
Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ² He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with that person.” ³ Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” ⁴ Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” ⁵ Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶ What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷ Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ ⁸ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” ⁹ Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” ¹⁰ Jesus answered him, “Are you the teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

¹¹ “Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen, yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹² If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³ No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴ And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵ that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

¹⁶ “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

¹⁷ “Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

homily *Please be seated for the homily*
Pr. Stephanie Jaeger

Please stand for the Hymn of the Day

hymn of the day “Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth” (ELW 735)

1 Moth - er - ing God, you gave me birth in the bright
 2 Moth - er - ing Christ, you took my form, of - fer - ing
 3 Moth - er - ing Spir - it, nur - t'ring one, in arms of

morn - ing of this world. Cre - a - tor, source of ev - 'ry
 me your food of light, grain . . . of life, and grape of
 pa - tience hold me close, so that in faith I root and

breath, you are my rain, my wind, my sun.
 love, your ver - y bod - y for my peace.
 grow un - til I flow'r, un - til I know.

Text: Jean Janzen, b. 1933; based on Julian of Norwich, c. 1342-c. 1413
 Music: Carolyn Jennings, b. 1936

the apostles' creed **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.
 I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.*
 On the third day he rose again;
 he ascended into heaven,
 he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
 and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
 I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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prayers *The assisting minister leads our prayers. You are invited to respond to each petition as follows:*

...Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

At the end of the prayers, the pastor says
Receive our prayers, O God, through Jesus Christ, our strength and salvation. **Amen.**

peace The peace and joy of Jesus Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

announcements *After exchanging a sign of peace, please be seated*
See this weekend's Trinity Times for the latest happenings at Trinity

reflection *Why is Scouting important to you?*

recognition of scouts *Today we recognize the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts affiliated with Trinity Lutheran Church for their dedication to personal growth, leadership, empowerment of youth, and community service.*

Girl Scout Troop 5347 (Trinity—SI)	Boy Scout Troop 27 (Oakwood Heights CC)
Ryan Carter	Roy Danischewski, Asst. Scoutmaster and Chaplain
Josephine McEvilly-Cowan	
Phoenix Rangel	Cub Scout Pack/Boy Scout Troop 26 (Castleton Hill Moravian)
Corie White	Brennan O'Donovan
Co-Leaders:	Conner O'Donovan
Vanessa Carter, Marietta McEvilly	
Stephanie Jaeger	Tracey Troy-O'Donovan, Cub Scout Cubmaster, Pack 26 and Sean O'Donovan, Committee Chairman with Scout Troop 26

blessing of scouts *We close our recognition with a blessing of the scouts.*

offering *The offering collected today supports the ministries of Trinity Lutheran Church. Our inclusive congregation has special commitments to the arts, addressing hunger and poverty in our community, and Christian education. Help us bring the healing love of God into the world by donating generously. To give online, scan the QR code.*



anthem at the offertory **Lead, Kindly Light**

Robert Lehman
(b. 1960)

*Lead, kindly light, amid the encircling gloom, lead thou me on;
the night is dark, and I am far from home; lead thou me on.
Keep thou my feet; I do not ask to see
the distant scene; one step enough for me.*

*I was not ever thus, nor prayed that thou shouldst lead me on;
I loved to choose and see my path; but now lead thou me on.
I loved the garish day, and, spite of fears,
pride ruled my will: remember not past years.*

*So long thy power hath blest me, sure it still will lead me on,
o'er moor and fen, o'er crag and torrent, till the night is gone,
and with the morn those angel faces smile,
which I have loved long since, and lost awhile.*

Please stand for the Presentation of the Offering

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presentation of the offering “Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God” (ELW 188)

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your
pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -
store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,
and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

The assisting minister leads us in prayer

offering prayer Let us pray.

Merciful God, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

MEAL

the great thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

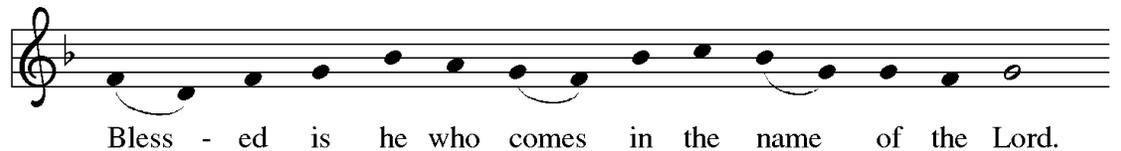
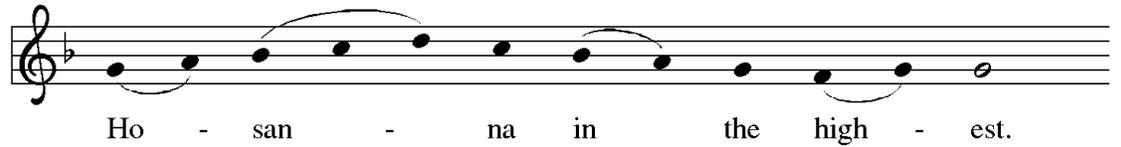
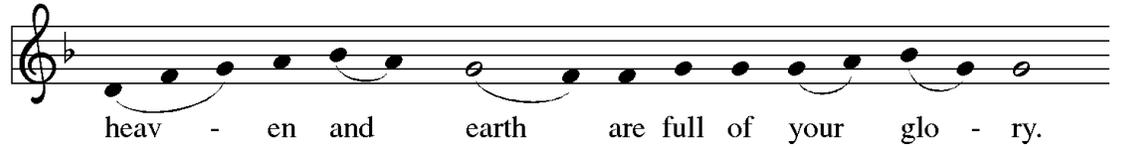
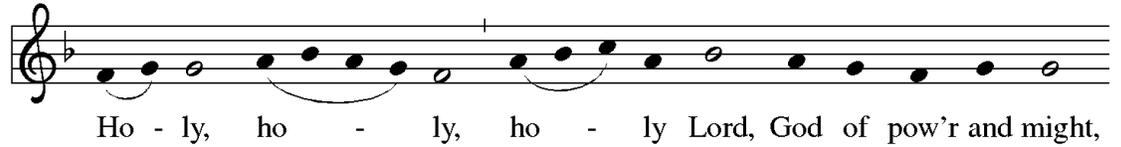
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

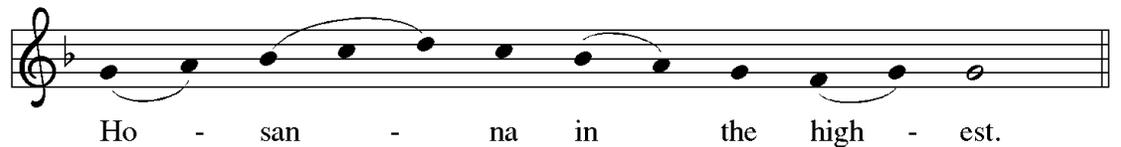
preface It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
 that we should at all times and in all places
 give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
 through our Savior Jesus Christ.
 You call your people to cleanse their hearts
 and prepare with joy for the paschal feast,
 that, renewed in the gift of baptism,
 we may come to the fullness of your grace.
 And so, with all the choirs of angels,
 with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
 we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

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sanctus



*the communion setting is
Evangelical Lutheran Worship
Setting Five*



thanksgiving at the table

Blessed are you, O God of the universe.
Your mercy is everlasting
and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.
Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.
Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.
Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness
to the land of milk and honey.
Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.
Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.
Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup
we remember our Lord's passover from death to life
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection and new life:
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Bless this feast.
Grace our table with your presence.
Come, Holy Spirit.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.
Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.
Breathe new life into us.
Send us forth,
burning with justice, peace, and love.
Come, Holy Spirit.

With your holy ones of all times and places,
with the earth and all its creatures,
with sun and moon and stars,
we praise you, O God,
blessed and holy Trinity,
now and forever.
Amen.

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the lord's prayer Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

invitation to communion Taste and see that the Lord is good.

All are welcome at Jesus' table of grace. We commune today at the kneelers at the front row of pews. Come forward to the kneeler closest to you via the center aisle, as indicated by the usher. You will receive the host from the pastor and wine or grape juice from the assistant. You may leave your used cup in the white bowls at the start of the side aisles as you return to your seats.

agnus dei

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy
on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace. A - men.

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communion hymn "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" (ELW 803)

1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross on which the
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the
3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sor - row and
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were a
prince of glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
death of Christ, my God; all the vain things that
love flow min - gled down. Did e'er such love and
pres - ent far too small; love so a - maz - ing,
count but loss and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748
Music: Lowell Mason, 1792-1872

After communion, all stand and receive the blessing

table blessing May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ † strengthen us and keep us in God's grace.
Amen.

nunc dimittis “Now Lord” (ELW 201)

In the season of Lent, we sing a special canticle called the Nunc Dimittis or the Song of Simeon

Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace: your word has
 been ful - filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion
 which you have pre - pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple:
 a light to re - veal you to the na - tions and the glo - ry of your
 peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son,
 and to the Ho - ly Spir - it, as it was in the be - gin - ning,
 is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

The Assisting Minister leads us in prayer

prayer after communion

Let us pray.

Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice; our alms, a making of peace; and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

blessing Almighty God, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
Amen.

sending hymn “Blessed Assurance” (ELW 638)

1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!
2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;
3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,

Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood.
an-gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love.
watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, filled with his good-ness, lost in his love.

Refrain

This is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long:

this is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748
Music: Lowell Mason, 1792-1872

dismissal **Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.**

postlude **Hilf Gott, daß mir's gelinge, BWV 624**

**J.S. Bach
(1685-1750)**

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IN OUR PRAYERS

Denise Melious, Johanna Reyes mother of missing person Mortimer Mekhai Wortman, Julie Little, the O'Loughlin friends and family, family and friends of Pat Zulch, Justin Solomon, Cindy Roberti, James Ciccolella, Sean Reardon, Lori Homan, Dianne Bombardi, Joseph Campitiello, Barbie Parker, Amy Fittapaldi, Vincent Pizzolo, Gonca Latif-Schmitt and her family, Rita Fowler, Josie Honus, David Dowling, Jörg and Madeline Dreusicke, Jasmine Drake, Joanna Smith, Maria Alvarez Castro, Friends and Family of Phillip Herbst, Angel Luis Rios, Marlies Meyer, Glen Danischewski, Ronnie Bero, Mary Bruno, Pennington Family, Carmen Cognetta, Deacon Margaret Ann O'Donnell, Migdalia Jimenez, Jessica Desens, Edith Piazza, Alice Evensen, Sean C. Sweeney, Janet A. Cleary, George Turner, and Christopher Jarrett

For those in our armed services, especially
Joshua Lentini, Sgt. George E Turner, and the US Army

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