



THE TRUMPETER

Trinity Lutheran Church, LCMS

February 2026

As we move into February, the Church enters the season known as Pre-Lent, sometimes called Gesimatide. These weeks serve as a quiet transition from the joy of Epiphany into the more solemn season of Lent. Rather than rushing us toward ashes and fasting, Pre-Lent invites us to slow down and listen.

During these Sundays, our attention shifts from seeing Christ's glory to hearing His Word more closely. Jesus begins to speak plainly about His coming suffering, death, and resurrection. The Gospel readings remind us again and again that faith does not come from effort, preparation, or resolve, but from hearing what Christ says and trusting His promise.

You may notice that the tone of worship begins to change slightly during this season. Pre-Lent is not yet Lent, but the Church gently turns our eyes toward the cross. This is done carefully and patiently, allowing Christ's Word to prepare our hearts before the disciplines of Lent begin. The Church has long recognized that repentance grows best where the Word has already taken root.

Pre-Lent teaches us that following Christ begins with listening. Jesus tells His disciples where He is going before He arrives there, so that they may follow Him in faith rather than confusion. By the time Lent comes, we are not entering something unfamiliar or unexpected, but walking a path Christ has already laid before us and explained through His Word.

It is my prayer that this season will be a blessing to you—a time to hear, to trust, and to be grounded again in the promises of Christ, who goes willingly to Jerusalem for our salvation.

In Christ's love,
Pastor

Sunday Schedule

8:30 am Worship Service
with
Holy Communion

9:45 am Sunday School and
Adult Bible Study

On KLMJ, 104.9...

7:30 am The Lutheran Hour
10:15 am Radio Broadcast

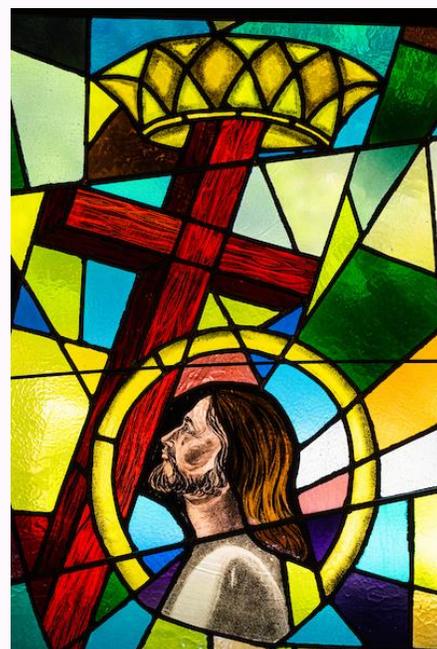


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