



The Hand of the Lord Who
Freely Gives

from the series: "The Hand of the Lord"

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AS WE GATHER

In Jesus' Sermon on the Mount, He says, "Do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing" (Matthew 6:3). Jesus is emphasizing that our good works need not receive special recognition within ourselves, let alone the accolades of others. Jesus cuts right to the heart of our sin, knowing that our condition is so entrenched in us that we will manipulate even that which is good for our own pride. We ought to rend not simply our garments but also our hearts when confronted with this truth (Joel 2:12–13). But, like a master surgeon, Christ takes us in His hands, makes our hearts clean, and renews our spirits (Psalm 51). His hands were stretched out upon the cross, purely out of His divine love for us.

OPENING HYMN**IN THE CROSS OF CHRIST I GLORY****LSB 427*****INVOCATION**

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
 C **Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
 C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

***CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
 C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
 C **Amen.**

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P In peace let us pray to the Lord.
 C **Lord, have mercy.**
 P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
 C **Lord, have mercy.**

- P 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.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C **Amen.**

*SALUTATION

- P The Lord be with you.
- C **And also with you.**

*COLLECT OF THE DAY

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Joel 2:12–19

¹²“Yet even now,” declares the LORD,
 “return to me with all your heart,
 with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning;
¹³and rend your hearts and not your garments.”
 Return to the LORD, your God,
 for he is gracious and merciful,
 slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love;
 and he relents over disaster.
¹⁴Who knows whether he will not turn and relent,
 and leave a blessing behind him,
 a grain offering and a drink offering
 for the LORD your God?
¹⁵Blow the trumpet in Zion;
 consecrate a fast;
 call a solemn assembly;
¹⁶gather the people.
 Consecrate the congregation;
 assemble the elders;
 gather the children,

even nursing infants.
 Let the bridegroom leave his room,
 and the bride her chamber.
¹⁷Between the vestibule and the altar
 let the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep
 and say, “Spare your people, O LORD,
 and make not your heritage a reproach,
 a byword among the nations.
 Why should they say among the peoples,
 ‘Where is their God?’”
¹⁸Then the LORD became jealous for his land
 and had pity on his people.
¹⁹The LORD answered and said to his people,
 “Behold, I am sending to you
 grain, wine, and oil,
 and you will be satisfied;
 and I will no more make you
 a reproach among the nations.”

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL

Hebrews 12:2

- A O come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus,
 the founder and perfecter of our faith,
 who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame,
 and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

EPISTLE

2 Corinthians 5:20b—6:10

We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. ²¹For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

¹Working together with him, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. ²For he says,

“In a favorable time I listened to you,
and in a day of salvation I have helped you.”

Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. ³We put no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: by great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love; ⁷by truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸through honor and dishonor, through slander and praise. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 6:1–6, 16–21

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹[Jesus said:] “Beware of practicing your righteousness before other people in order to be seen by them, for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven.

²Thus, when you give to the needy, sound no trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may be praised by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. ³But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, ⁴so that your giving may be in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

⁵And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. ⁶But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. . . .

¹⁶“And when you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. ¹⁷But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, ¹⁸that your fasting may not be seen by others but by your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

¹⁹“Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, ²⁰but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

***APOSTLES' CREED**

C **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.**

HYMN

ROCK OF AGES

LSB 761

SERMON

THE HAND OF THE LORD WHO FREELY GIVES

OFFERING

***PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

After our petitions:

P let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

***LORD'S PRAYER**

C **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.**

***BENEDICTION**

LSB 183

HYMN TO DEPART

LORD, TAKE MY HAND AND LEAD ME

LSB 722

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Serving Our Lord

		March 9, 2025	March 16, 2025
Musician		Diane Streich	Merlin Simon
Cantor		Dave Workman	Andy Koch
Altar Guild		Roxanne and Gary Foley	Roxanne and Gary Foley
Elder(s)	8am	Sam Erdman	Sam Erdman and Andy Olson
	10:30am	Kurt Vallin	Open
Reader	8am	Jon Peterson	Andy Olson
	10:30am	Kurt Vallin	Keith Prusak
Usher Team	8am	Sam Erdman	Andy Olson
	10:30am	Open	Terry Stoerzinger
Greeter(s)	8am	Open	Open
	10:30am	Open	Open
Acolyte	8am	Joshua Jebin	Joshua Jebin
	10:30am	Mason Kolb and Dana Vallin	Kayla Arnold
Projection	8am	Jean Peterson	Jean Peterson
	10:30am	Tim Morris or Caleb Morris	Ben Swenson or Andrew Swenson
Live Stream	8am	Jim Nicklas	Jim Nicklas
Coffee Hour	9:15am	LWML	Open

COMING UP AT TLO — March 9, 2025 — March 16, 2025**FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT**

Sun	8:00*am	Worship
	9:15am	Education Hour for all ages
	10:30am	Worship
	12:30am	Peniel Evengelical Church
	6:00pm	Men's Basketball
Mon	10:00am	Adult Bible class
Tue	6:30pm	Privileged to Pray
	7:00pm	Elder meeting
	7:00pm	Trustee meeting
Wed	6:30am	Men's Bible Study
	9:00am	TLO Quilters - you're welcome to join in!
	4:00pm	Midweek confirmation class
	5:15pm	Lenten supper served by Washington DC Trip students
	6:30pm	Lent Worship with Holy Communion
Thur	6:00pm	Peniel events
	6:30pm	Board of Christian Education
Fri	9:00am	Women of the Word (WoW) Bible study
Sat	9:00am	Women's Bible study
	12:00noon	Feed My Starving Children - join us!
	2:00pm	Peniel events

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT - Grade 5-8 students sing at St. James, WSP

Sun	8:00*am	Worship with Holy Communion
	9:15am	Education Hour for all ages
	10:30am	Worship with Holy Communion
	12:30am	Peniel Evengelical Church
	6:00pm	Men's Basketball

*worship online at www.trinityloneoak.org**Mr. Stacy Sato called by Trinity Lone Oak**

At the March 2 Special Voters' Meeting, the voters unanimously voted to extend a call to Mr. Stacy Sato to serve as TLO School's Principal. Please keep Mr. Sato and his wife in prayer as he deliberates the call to TLO.



Ash Wednesday and Midweek Lent Series

Our Wednesday Lent Midweek worship services will provide us with a perfect chance to explore the extraordinary attributes of our Savior, Servant, and Friend, Jesus. It is a time to marvel at the many blessings we received when he laid down his life for us on the cross and then rose victorious from the grave. Each service in this series will dwell upon a different aspect of Jesus, our greatest Friend, and what each characteristic means to us as his followers and friends.

March 12 • Healer

Worship 6:30 pm | 5:15pm supper served by Washington DC 2026 Trip

March 19 • Listener

Worship 6:30 pm | 5:15pm supper served by TLO Quilters

March 26 • Encourager

Worship 6:30 pm | 5:15pm supper served by (open*)

April 2 • Protector

Worship 6:30 pm | 5:15pm supper served by WoW Bible study

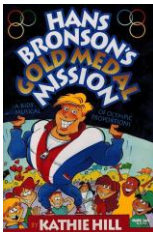
April 9 • Comforter

Worship 6:30 pm | 5:15pm supper served by (open*)

**Volunteer to serve supper by contacting the church office*

Meals sponsored in part by Thrivent Financial

Pick up Lenten devotions, Portals of Prayer and My Devotions in the narthex.



Hans Bronson's Gold Medal Mission

Wed. March 19 | 1:30pm | TLO Gym

Thur. March 20 | 6:30pm | TLO Gym

TLO's K- 4 students, under the direction of Mrs. Stephanie Vallin, presents this year's musical, Hans Bronson's Gold Medal Mission. As a guest speaker in Anytown, USA, Olympic contender Hans Bronson experiences a life-changing event with the help of three student reporters. Even though Hans is brawny and strong, he soon realizes that physical fitness is no substitute for the spiritual fitness a growing relationship with Jesus Christ can bring.



An Epic Australian Adventure
VBS at TLO
June 16-20, 2025
9:00 - 11:30am



We're going on an epic adventure through Australia, and you're invited! Jesus, who tells us "I am the way, and the truth, and the life" (John 14:6) will be our guide as we encounter amazing animals, lush landscapes, stunning sea life, and wondrous wilderness. Join the fun! Register today as a student or a volunteer at trinityloneoak.org/vacationbibleschool or use the QR code.



Camp Omega Summer Registration now open!

Camp Omega promises to leave life-changing spiritual marks on the hearts of God's people, as campers of all ages encounter creation, create community, and commune with Christ. Register at campomega.org



Concordia Academy Spring Musical

Concordia Academy presents its 2025 spring musical, *Guys and Dolls*, on March 7, 8, 14, and 15 at 7:00 pm and March 9 and 16 at 2:00 pm. TLO alum, Audrey Martin, is in the production. All seats are reserved. Get more information and purchase tickets at www.concordiaacademy.com/musical or call 651-484-8429.



Concordia Academy Summer Camps

Looking for unforgettable summer fun? Students entering Grades 1-12 can unleash creativity, develop skills, and have a blast at Concordia Academy Summer Camps. With more than 30 athletics, arts, and STEM camps for students entering Grades 1-12, there's something for everyone. Get all the details and register at www.concordiaacademy.com/camps.



Birthdays this week

- Mar 10 Kim Anderson, Tyler Blumke, Bill Breitinger
- Mar 12 Dale Goers
- Mar 13 Renata Rahn
- Mar 14 Jesse Kohn
- Mar 15 Daniel Schield, Jayne Stenstad

Anniversaries this week

- Mar 14 Ai and Wendy Nguyen

WEEKLY DEPOSITS: March 2, 2025

General Fund Income:		
Current and Mission Weekly Offering - supporting staff and operations	\$	15,351.61
(Our offering budget is \$9,330 per week)		
Building Reserve Fund - supporting monthly mortgage payments	\$	2,220.00
(Our offering budget is \$675 for per week)		
Tuition	\$	17,816.64
1883 Fund in memory of Greg Seeman	\$	20.00
1883 School Annual Fund - supporting TLO School	\$	5.00
Gala 2025	\$	1,725.32
Church and school fees	\$	3,777.61
Subtotal General Fund Income	\$	40,916.18
Special Purpose Income (not available for general fund spending)		
YTF2 - Yesterday, Today, Forever 2 initiative	\$	285.30
Amnion Pregnancy Center	\$	100.00
Chapel offerings - supporting Dakota Woodlands, Eagan	\$	39.72
General support of Rev. Tom Park in Taiwan	\$	N/A
Washington DC trip - 2026	\$	150.00
Young Investors stamps through Lutheran Church Extension Fund	\$	198.00
Subtotal Special Fund Income	\$	773.77



Thank you to everyone who kept last night's Gala in prayer. Details of our event will be shared in this space soon.



Winter Weather Closing

When winter weather forces closure of TLO Church, notice will be communicated in these ways:

- A notice will be posted on the home page of TLO's website, www.trinityloneoak.org.
- A recorded message at TLO's church number, 651-454-7235, will announce closure.
- An email will be sent. To check if you're on our email distribution list, contact the church office.
- Personal phone calls will be made to folks with limited computer access. Contact Jean in the church office, 651-454-7235, to be placed on the list to receive a phone call regarding winter weather closure.

Remember in Prayer



Trinity Lone Oak School:

Mr. Stacy Sato and his wife as he deliberates the call to serve as TLO's next principal

Mission Field:

Rev. Tom Park, Theological Educator in Taiwan is OUR missionary! TLO pledged to financially support him and to pray for him. This week pray for Pastor Park's language learning.

Those with Health Concerns:

- Carol Amos, sister of Karen Turnmire, recovering from hip surgery February 25
- Chuck Balzer, grandfather of Adeline Boland (gr 2) having many health issues
- Bonnie Bartz, TLO preschool aide, recovering from a broken hip
- Joanne Clark, recovering from extensive surgery
- Eddie and Pam Burdick
- Pam Carpenter, diagnosed with brain tumor
- Dixie Cliff
- Teresa Dornseif, sister-in-law of Alice, relief from pain and therapy after surgery
- David Frick, recovering from rotator cuff surgery
- Gloria, Jim Kohn's sister-in-law, continued prayers as she goes through chemo
- Silas Kohn, undergoing treatment for LCH until August 2025
- Joseph Labhart (Flannery's grandson) ongoing health concerns
- Marilou Larson, close cousin of Alice Dornseif, for the Lord's guidance and strength
- Gordy Moss, grandfather of Marie Lumives. Please pray for his healing after a fall
- David Nystrom - godson of Alice – continued prayers as he relies on his Lord for strength
- Char Timm, receiving palliative care at Heritage Senior Living
- Pastor Don Wilke, former TLO pastor, recovering after a serious fall

For Those Who Mourn:

- Michelle Koch and her family at the loss of her maternal grandmother, Jeanne Friske

Ongoing Prayers:

- Bestow Your grace on all nations of the earth. Bless especially our country, its inhabitants, and all who are in authority. Let Your glory dwell in our land that mercy and truth, righteousness and peace may abound in all places. We commend to You the care of our schools so that our children may grow in useful knowledge and Christian virtue and thus bring forth wholesome fruits of life.
- For TLO members and friends in care facilities or homebound
Donine Leatherby + Jeff Schaaf + Sharon Phelps, mom of Cindy Rahn
- Ryan Kroonblawd - 2nd Year Seminarian - Concordia Seminary - St. Louis, MO



Our weekly memory verse:

No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it. **1 Cor. 10:13**



Welcome Guests

We are glad you are here today! Here are a few things we thought you would like to know to help you feel at home with us today. If you are visiting please introduce yourself to our pastor, a greeter or an usher. We love to make new friends!

For those with small children, a nursery is available, located in the narthex, if you need a place to care for your child. Children's bulletins are in the narthex, or ask an usher.

Restrooms are located to the east end of the narthex near the main entrance.

Large print copies of the worship folder are available. Please ask an usher.



Trust Guys Ministries Presentation A Success!

Thank you so much to all those who were able to attend Dr. Parker's presentation on Trust. It was an amazing day to hear such an incredible message about trusting our great big God in all circumstances. What a great opportunity we have to wear our TRUST t-shirts in the community and boldly share that message of what it means to TRUST! GOD IS GOOD! Thank you again for coming! —Pinky Seeman ATTIC Youth Director



Congregation invited to Feed My Starving Children

Saturday, March 15 | 11:45am – 11:45pm | Eagan FMSC
20 spots are available for meal packing. TLO Congregation members are welcome. Please email pinky.seeman@tloschool.org if you'd like to help pack meals!