

# Trinity Moravian Church

March 22, 2020

Fourth Sunday in Lent

**Watchword for the Week:** Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long. Psalm 23:6

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

\*Hymn # 790 "Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer"

Children's Sermon

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Scriptures: 1 Samuel 16:1-13

Psalm 23

Ephesians 5:8-14

Leader: This is the Word of God for the People of God.

**People: THANKS BE TO GOD!**

Offering

Anthem

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Prayer

Gospel: John 9:1-41

Sermon: "But Now I See"

The Rev. John Jackman

\*Hymn # 769 "God Is My Strong Salvation"

Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude

THE REV. JOHN JACKMAN – PASTOR  
ROMAN BRADY – MUSIC DIRECTOR  
MATTHEW CATES - ORGANIST  
MADISON WHITE - YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES  
MINISTERS – ALL OF US

## TRINITY HAPPENINGS

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, LOGOS and all in-person worship services are temporarily suspended.

We will worship together each Sunday through our webcast – be sure to invite other friends to join us!"

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CALENDAR OR TO DONATE  
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[www.trinitymoravian.org](http://www.trinitymoravian.org)

**PRAYER**  
CHANGES  
**EVERYTHING**  
Don't be ANXIOUS,  
Pray instead.  
If God is for us, who  
can be against us?  
**HIS GRACE IS**  
**SUFFICIENT.** -PHILIPPIANS

## PRAYER CONCERNS

----- Members -----

Jeannine Allen  
Lee Bridgers  
"Corky" Carmichael  
Addie Carter  
Jan Clodfelter  
Jack Clowers  
Becky Fisher  
Sam Fort  
Nancy Foster  
Christi Hall  
Derek Hutchens  
Mary Ann Little  
Eddie Moore  
Shirley Morgan  
Lou Parrish  
Teresa Philly  
Mitzie Reavis  
Jane Reich  
Fred Walser  
Linda Walser  
Jennifer Williams

-----Friends -----

Bill Allen  
Dorothy Beaman  
Dawn Catlett  
Debbie Cohn  
Carol Earnhardt  
Jeff Harvey  
Kandy Jacks  
Scarlett Linville  
Jerry Locklair  
Willa Koontz  
Nellie Simpson  
Roland Spainhour  
Wayne Ward  
Cameron Williams

----- Military Service -----

CPO Michael R. Williams

## STEWARDSHIP - LAST WEEK

Volunteer Hours 129  
Worship In Person: 40  
Attendance: Webcast: 39

## (un)Packing for the Journey: The Past

I've known Tommy my whole life; in all that time, he never got along with his father. Oh, I'm sure that Mr. Poole was a nice enough guy, but fathers and sons don't always see eye to eye. And when a son starts to tally up his father's sins, that list can become very long, very quickly. For Tommy, it was all about the kind of person his father was: he was too rigid, too judgmental; he didn't keep his promises; he was prone to a sudden, sometimes violent, anger.

So how do you *not* become your father? Tommy thought the key was education. Mr. Poole was a window and siding salesman; he had never gone to college, and never intended to. But Tommy did. He worked hard for scholarships and worked hard for his degrees, eventually becoming an electrical engineer and landing a well-paying job.

Years later, Tommy called me to tell me that his wife and daughter were leaving him. When I asked him why, it was like hearing something echo through the years. "She said I was always judging her. That I never keep my word. And that she thinks I have anger issues, as well." I didn't know what to say—but Tommy said it for me. "Have I really become my father?"

It took time and counseling—and a lot of faith—but Tommy learned the more important ways to not be like his father. He is a happier person for it, and his family is together again.

Jesus told the blind man that we are not defined by the sins of our past. Where we come from has nothing to do with where Christ can lead us. But if we want to walk his path, we have to be ready to let go of the past.

*Reflections of a Moravian on John 9:1–41 (Blind Man)*

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# I am the light of the world

JOHN 9:5

