

Trinity Lutheran Church & School

Second Sunday of Easter

Saturday, April 11, 6 PM | Sunday, April 12, 9 AM

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The ringing of the bell signals the beginning of worship. Please direct your attention to the Prelude offered for your personal worship preparation and silence all electronic devices.

Christ is risen—and the flame of the paschal candle by the baptismal font will remind us of this glorious truth throughout this joyful Easter season.

PRELUDE: (6:00)..... “An Evening Song of Praise” -Howard
(9:00)..... “Living Hope” -Wickham, *Forgiven*

WELCOME and GREETING OF ONE ANOTHER

During the Easter season we rejoice in our Lord’s resurrection, beginning and ending the Divine Service with the processional cross, symbol of our salvation.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: “This Joyful Eastertide”.....LSB 482



1 This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide A - way with sin and
2 Death's flood has lost its chill Since Je - sus crossed the

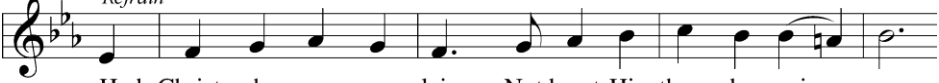


sor - row! My love, the Cru - ci - fied,
riv - er; Lov - er of souls, from ill



Has sprung to life this mor - row:
My pass - ing soul de - liv - er:

Refrain



Had Christ, who once was slain, Not burst His three-day pris - on,



Our faith had been in vain: But now has Christ a - ris - en, a -



ris - en, a - ris - en; But now has Christ a - ris - en!

Hymn continues on the next page

3 My flesh in hope shall rest
And for a season slumber
Till trump from east to west
Shall wake the dead in number:

ref Had Christ, who once was slain,
Not burst His three-day prison,
Our faith had been in vain:
But now has Christ arisen,
arisen, arisen;
But now has Christ arisen!

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CONFESSIO and ABSOLUTION..... Page 151

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

People: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: 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.

Pastor: 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.

People: Amen.

INTROIT.....*Psalm 105:1-5, 8; antiphon: 1 Peter 2:2-3*

Pastor: Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—

People: if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Pastor: Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;

People: make known his deeds among the peoples!

Pastor: Sing to him, sing praises to him;

People: tell of all his wondrous works!

Pastor: Glory in his holy name;
People: let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!


Pastor: Seek the LORD and his strength;
People: seek his presence continually!

Pastor: Remember the wondrous works that he has done,
People: his miracles, and the judgments he uttered.

Pastor: He remembers his covenant forever,
People: the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations.

*All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.*

Pastor: Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may
grow up to salvation—
People: if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

 KYRIE.....Page 152


Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord.
People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: 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.
People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let
us pray to the Lord.
People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
People: Amen.

 HYMN OF PRAISE: “This Is the Feast”.....Page 155

People: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.
This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Power, riches, wisdom, and strength,
and honor, blessing, and glory are His.
This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.
This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.
This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray...

Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord’s resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

FIRST READING.....Acts 5:29-42

²⁹But Peter and the apostles answered, “We must obey God rather than men. ³⁰The God of our fathers raised Jesus, whom you killed by hanging him on a tree. ³¹God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. ³²And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him.”

³³When they heard this, they were enraged and wanted to kill them. ³⁴But a Pharisee in the council named Gamaliel, a teacher of the law held in honor by all the people, stood up and gave orders to put the men outside for a little while. ³⁵And he said to them, “Men of Israel, take care what you are about to do with these men. ³⁶For before these days Theudas rose up, claiming to be somebody, and a number of men, about four hundred, joined him. He was killed, and all who followed him were dispersed and came to nothing. ³⁷After him Judas the Galilean rose up in the days of the census and drew away some of the people after him. He too perished, and all who followed him were scattered. ³⁸So in the present case I tell you, keep away from these men and let them alone, for if this plan or this undertaking is of man, it will fail; ³⁹but if it is of God, you will not be able to overthrow them. You might even be found opposing God!” So they took his advice, ⁴⁰and when they had called in the apostles, they beat them and charged them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. ⁴¹Then they left the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the name. ⁴²And every day, in the temple and from house to house, they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL..... *adapt. from Matt. 28:7; Heb. 2:7; Ps. 8:6*

Pastor: Christ has risen from the dead.

People: [God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor,

Pastor: He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

People: he has put all things under his feet.

EPISTLE.....1 Peter 1:3-9

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵who by God’s power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, ⁷so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. ⁸Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, ⁹obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(♪) ALLELUIA and VERSE (*stand*).....Page 156

**People: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia, alleluia.**

The Gospel is read in the midst of the gathered congregation, signifying the presence of the risen Lord Jesus among His people.

HOLY GOSPEL..... John 20:19-31

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 20th chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁹On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.” ²⁰When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.” ²²And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld.”

²⁴Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe.”

²⁶Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.”

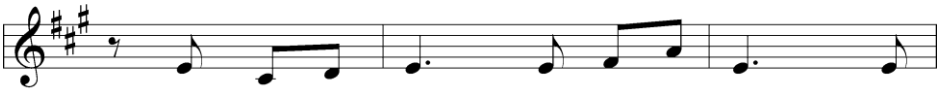
²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe.” ²⁸ Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” ²⁹ Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”

³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹ but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN: “We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight”..... LSB 720



1	We	walk	by	faith	and	not	by	sight,	No
2	We	may	not	touch	His	hands	and	side,	Nor
3	Help	then,	O	Lord,	our	un -	be -	lief;	And
4	For	You,	O	res -	ur -	rect -	ed	Lord,	Are
5	Lord,	when	our	life	of	faith	is	done,	In



gra -	cious	words	we	hear	From	Him	who	spoke	as
fol -	low	where	He	trod;	But	in	His	prom -	ise
may	our	faith	a -	bound	To	call	on	You	when
found	in	means	di -	vine:	Be -	neath	the	wa -	ter
realms	of	clear -	er	light	We	may	be -	hold	You



none	e'er	spoke,	But	we	be -	lieve	Him	near.
we	re -	joice	And	cry	"My	Lord	and	God!"
You	are	near	And	seek	where	You	are	found.
and	the	Word,	Be -	neath	the	bread	and	wine.
as	You	are,	With	full	and	end -	less	sight.

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SERMON: “Gamaliel's ‘If’”..... Acts 5:29-42

1. It was a challenge to _____.
2. It was a challenge to the _____ then.
3. It is a challenge to _____, as the _____ today.

What changes have taken place in the lives of the apostles compared to the way they were immediately after Jesus' crucifixion?

How can we have the same confidence that the Apostles had in proclaiming the Name of Jesus?

People: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING

(6:00)..... “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today” -arr. Brentwood

(9:00)..... “Because He Lives” -Maher
Forgiven

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

Out of love for our members and guests, and with sincere concern for the spiritual welfare of all, and in the desire to honor Christ our Lord and to be faithful to His Word, Trinity Lutheran Church abides by the ancient and biblical practice of closed Communion. All who are communicant members in good standing of Trinity Lutheran Church or of a sister congregation of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod are invited to come in true repentance to receive Christ’s body and blood in the fellowship of this altar. All others are welcome to gather at the altar rail with arms folded across your chest, indicating your desire to receive a word of blessing from the pastor.

(♪) PREFACE.....Page 160

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

(♪) SANCTUS.....Page 161

**People: Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow’r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING.....Page 161

Pastor: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD.....Page 162

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST.....Page 162

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

People: 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.

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

People: Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

(6:00)

“Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread”..... LSB 625

“Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain”..... LSB 487

(9:00)

“Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread”..... LSB 625

“He Is Lord”

He is Lord, He is Lord! He is risen from the dead and He is Lord!
Ev’ry knee shall bow, ev’ry tongue confess
That Jesus Christ is Lord. (*Repeat*)

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“Jesus Son of God”

Verse 1:

You came down, from heaven's throne
This earth You formed, was not Your home
A love like this, the world had never known
A crown of thorns, to mock your name
Forgiveness fell upon Your face
A love like this, the world had never known

Chorus:

On the altar of our praise
Let there be no higher name
Jesus Son of God
You laid down Your perfect life
You are the sacrifice
Jesus Son of God
You are Jesus Son of God

Verse 2:

You took our sin, You bore our shame
You rose to life. You defeated the grave
A love like this, the world has never known
(Repeat)

Chorus

Bridge:

Be lifted higher Than all You've overcome
Your name be louder Than any other song
There is no power That can come against Your love
The cross was enough, The cross was enough
The cross was enough, The cross was enough

Repeat Chorus and Bridge

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 CANTICLE (*Stand*): “Thank the Lord”.....Page 164

**People: Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev’ryone what He has done.
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.**

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT.....Page 166

Pastor: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

People: **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN

“In Christ There Is No East or West”.....LSB 653



1 In Christ there is no east or west,
2 With God there is no tribe or race;
3 So, broth - ers, sis - ters, praise His name
4 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith,
5 In Christ now meet both east and west;



In Him no south or north, But one great fel - low -
In Him we all are one. He loves us as His
Who died to set us free From sin, di - vi - sion,
What - e'er your race may be; Who serves my Fa - ther
In Him meet south and north. All Chris - tian souls are



ship of love Through-out the whole wide earth.
chil - dren through Our faith in His dear Son.
hate, and shame, From spite and en - mi - ty!
as His child Is sure - ly kin to me.
one in Him Through-out the whole wide earth.

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POSTLUDE



PRAY

without ✦ ceasing

*Rejoice always, pray without ceasing,
give thanks in all circumstances;
for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.
(1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)*

JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR THESE GENERAL & SPECIFIC NEEDS AT TRINITY

SPECIFIC PRAYER REQUESTS AT TRINITY

- Gratitude for the victorious resurrection of Jesus Christ and the hope and new life we have been given
- For our homebound members, in particular those with acute health issues: **Vonnie & Ron Andrie, Pat Campbell and Edna Bornstein**
- For relatives and friends of Trinity on active military duty

GENERAL CHURCH & WORLD CONCERNS

- Thanks for God's care through Word & Sacrament
- For opportunities to share Jesus with others
- For the Spirit-empowered readiness to love, confess, forgive, and be reconciled
- For persecuted Christians throughout the world, and for the conversion of their persecutors
- For the well-being of pregnant mothers and their preborn children, in both body and soul
- For an end to racism, terrorism, and every evil
- For our national, state, and local government leaders
- For all those who are chronically ill and suffering

PRAYERS FOR HEALING

- *Carole Anderson*
- *Penny Bebensee*
- *Nancy Engen*
- *Duane Goodwin*
- *Rod Kula's father, Darrell*
- *Ervene Nothwehr*
- *Jeremy Petersen*
- *Rhonda Petersen*
- *Sandy Poock*
- *Cole Rahne's grandfather, Robert*
- *Judy Rathje*
- *Bill Rosell*
- *Darlene Striegel*
- *Dell Votroubek*
- *Eloise Weiss*
- *Amy Wilkie*

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