

GATHERING MUSIC

PASTORAL WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRINITY WELCOME

THOUGHTS FOR THE DAY

*We are created for a purpose Every one of us. We are not a mistake! I am not a mistake!
You are not a mistake!*

~Lori Fuller

*God calls us to disrupt the idea that we are Americans or Palestinians or Israelis. God
calls us to remember that we are ALL human beings and children of God.*

Every human being deserves to be safe and free!"

~Rev. Sally Azar

*God doesn't want our bland conformity. God loves our unique personalities! And God's
images shines through the you that is truly you. That is that you that God set free.*

~Drew Tucker

*Instead of being bound by the expectations of others, contorting myself into the most
uncomfortable positions for their approval – I found myself chasing the freedom of
expression that God intended for all of creation.*

~Keats Myles-Wallace

*To be named is to be loved. And to be loved is to be seen. And to be seen is to know that
the full you, the shiny you, the messy you, the confused you, the strong you, the
awkward you, the everything you – is so deeply and wildly loved. Is so deeply and wildly
enough.*

~Emily Harkins

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: People of God, this is the day that that Lord has made.

C: Thanks be to God!

L: You are created in the image of God.

C: We are created to be loved.

L: You are created to be brave.

C: We are created to be truth-tellers.

L: You are created to be authentic.

C: We are created to be free to serve others.

L: You are created to be disruptive at tables where injustice is revealed.

C: We are created to be disciples who follow Jesus.

L: People of God, welcome to worship.

PRAISE SONG

“Let This Be A Place”

Let this be a place, Lord where he - roes are fash - ioned;
filled with your fire, Lord, fueled with your pas - sion.
Ev - ery - day peo - ple, walk - ing with cour - age in - to the
1. night, bring - ing the light of a new day.
Lord you have called the young and na - ive, skep - tics and cyn - ics, who
hard - ly be - lieve. Lord, you have called the wea - ry and old,
mak - ing the tim - id, cou - ra - geous and bold.
Dar - ing to face all e - vil and wrong, tell - ing the truth with a
voice clear and strong; Dar - ing to live out the words that we say;
show - ing the world a more ex - cel - lent way Let this be a
2. night, bring - ing the light of a new day;
in - to the night, bring - ing the light of a new day.

THE CONFESSION

L1: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

L2: Holy God, you gather us together as your people.

A: We are created to be brave in the face of our fears.

L1: Help us. Remind us of your mercy. Hear our broken words...

L2: For the days we are afraid to show up

C: Forgive us.

L1: For the days we are afraid to speak up.

C: Forgive us.

L2: For the days we are afraid to welcome someone others have ignored.

C: Forgive us.

L1: For the times we are afraid to tell our own story or listen to someone else tell theirs.

C: Forgive us.

L2: For the times we are afraid to be honest.

C: Forgive us.

L1: For the times when we are afraid to challenge what is accepted.

C: Forgive us.

L2: For the times we are afraid to follow you.

C: Forgive us.

L1: Dear friends... God created you to be loved, to tell the truth, to be free to live the fullness of this life God offers to you. By God's grace you have been saved from every broken promise, every assumption of privilege, every ignored invitation. In the name of Jesus your sins are forgiven.

C: Thanks be to God! Amen.

CONFESSION RESPONSE "Make Me An Instrument" vs 1,2

Make me an in - stru - ment of your love. Let me be a
chan - nel from a - bove. Make me an in - stru - ment of your love,
an in - stru - ment of your love.
When a friend is in need of an op - en heart,
When some - one is hun gry, when some - one is cold,
let me be there, oh let me be there, When a
let me be there, oh let me be there, When
friend is lost with no - where to go, let me be there.
some - one needs help to car - ry their load, let me be there.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (sit)

THE LESSON

Psalm 139:7-16

The Old Testament book of Psalms describes feelings humans have about God as another being. These translated verses, from one of the 150 Psalms, is done by Eugene Peterson (THE MESSAGE), suggest God is not distant or far away but present and intimate.

Is there any place I can go to avoid your Spirit?
to be out of your sight?
If I climb to the sky, you're there!
If I go underground, you're there!
If I flew on morning's wings
to the far western horizon,
You'd find me in a minute
you're already there waiting!

Then I said to myself, “Oh, he even sees me in the dark!
At night I’m immersed in the light!”
It’s a fact: darkness isn’t dark to you;
night and day, darkness and light, they’re all the same to you.

Oh yes, you shaped me first inside, then out;
you formed me in my mother’s womb.
I thank you, High God—you’re breathtaking!
Body and soul, I am marvelously made!
I worship in adoration—what a creation!
You know me inside and out,
you know every bone in my body;
You know exactly how I was made, bit by bit,
how I was sculpted from nothing into something.
Like an open book, you watched me grow from conception to birth;
all the stages of my life were spread out before you,
The days of my life all prepared
before I’d even lived one day.

The Gospel

Matthew 22:36-40 36

Here is Jesus’ reply to a question asked by a lawyer, from the Jewish religious party called the Pharisees, about what commandment of God is most important.

“Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?” He said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.”

MESSAGE

“Created to Be...”

Pastor Cristy Schoob

THE MESSAGE RESPONSE (stand)

“Psalm 139”

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in the key of D major (indicated by two sharps) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics printed below the notes. The score includes various musical notations such as rests, slurs, and repeat signs. The lyrics are: "You have looked deep in - to my heart Lord and you know all a - bout me. When I work, when I rest my head Lord, you are there all a - round me. Ev - 'ry - thing I do, ev - 'ry - where I go, be - Where could I hide? Where could I go? Your fore I speak, my words you know. Your arms pro - tect from eyes they see. Your Spir - it knows. From high - est heav'ns to ev - 'ry side, your know - ledge is far, far be - yond my mind. depths of death, Lord, you will be there for my ev - 'ry breath. You knit me to - geth - er in my mo - ther's womb. I praise you Lord for all you do." The score ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

You have looked deep in - to my heart Lord and you know all a -
bout me. When I work, when I rest my head Lord,
you are there all a - round me. *Fine*
Third time to Coda
Ev - 'ry - thing I do, ev - 'ry - where I go, be -
Where could I hide? Where could I go? Your
fore I speak, my words you know. Your arms pro - tect from
eyes they see. Your Spir - it knows. From high - est heav'ns to
ev - 'ry side, your know - ledge is far, far be - yond my mind.
depths of death, Lord, you will be there for my ev - 'ry breath.
Coda
You knit me to - geth - er in my mo - ther's womb. I
D.C. al Fine
praise you Lord for all you do.

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THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

L: Created to be loved by God, transformed by the hope of the resurrection and the friendship of the Holy Spirit, let us pray... Holy God, you create us to be your people. You search us and know us and call us by name. We come, this day, with the joys and challenges that surround us in this life. We are thankful for new friendships and moments of reconnection with others, with ourselves, and with you. Thank you for creating us to be brave in the face of our fears. Hear our prayers, O God, and remind us...

C: That we are created to be your hope in the world.

L: You are always ready to welcome us and expect us to come as we are now, today, in this moment. You invite us to come to you without the masks we wear for the world. You welcome us despite our mistakes, missteps, misjudgments, and misunderstandings. You encourage us to reveal our authentic selves so that we may live in the fullness of your creative glory. Help us to speak when others are silent. Help us to meet the needs others ignore. Thank you for creating us to be authentic in a world that offers mask and mirror to deceive us and each other. Hear our prayers, O God, and remind us...

C: That we are created to be your hope in the world.

L: Gracious God, you create us to be free. By your death on the cross and your resurrection you give us freedom to not do anything we want to do, but you create us to be free to serve each other with love. Without the world's rules or obligations or expectations, we are free to live our lives for you. By your love, you free us to be everything you want us to be. Thank you for creating us to be free from all that holds us back for your promise of life. Hear our prayers, O God, and remind us...

C: That we are created to be your hope in the world.

L: You call us to follow your example of disruption, that we might learn a new and better way to live in this world together. Out of your deep love for us, you disrupt the old systems of corruption, racism, sexism, and greed to awaken in us the recognition of the worth and dignity of each person created in your image. Thank you for creating us to be disruptive at tables where injustice and inequality are revealed. Hear our prayers, O God, and remind us...

C: That we are created to be your hope in the world

L: Help us to dream and imagine our lives fully created in your image. Teach us to follow your example that in you we are created to be brave, living authentic lives, serving freely, following in your footsteps of disruption, sending us out to be disciples reflecting your love to all the world. In the name of Jesus we pray,

C: Amen.

THE COMMUNION SENTENCES

L2: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L1: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

L2: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise

L1: Holy God, we praise you. Let the heavens be joyful, and the earth be glad. We bless you for creating the whole world; for your promises to your people Israel, and for Jesus Christ in whom your fullness dwells. Born of Mary,

C: Jesus creates us to be.

L2: Eating with sinners,

C: Jesus creates us to be brave.

L1: Guiding his children

C: Jesus creates us to be authentic.

L2: Visiting the sick,

C: Jesus creates us to be free.

L1: Dying on the cross,

C: Jesus creates us to be disruptive.

L2: Rising from the dead,

C: Jesus creates us to be disciples.

L1: 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 thanksgiving we take this bread and this cup and proclaim the mystery of faith.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

L1: Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us that this meal may be a communion of the body and blood of our Lord. Make us one with Christ and with all who share this feast.

Unite us in faith; encourage us in hope; inspire us to love, that we may serve as your faithful disciples until we feast at your table in glory. We praise you, eternal God through Jesus your Word made flesh, in the holy and life-giving Spirit now and forever.

C: Amen. Come Holy Spirit.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

The table is now ready. It is the table of company with Jesus, and all who love him. It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world, with whom Jesus identified himself. It is the table of communion with the earth, in which Christ became incarnate. So come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed; come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here. All is ready.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE FAMILY MEAL. (Sit)

All who celebrate Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are invited to commune today.

*When you receive the bread, you may either dip the bread
in the first chalice of wine or the second chalice of grape juice*

Please indicate to the pastor if you need a gluten free wafer.

We also now have individually packaged gluten free wafer/wine in the front pews.

SONGS DURING DISTRIBUTION

"Borning Cry"



- 1 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.
- 2 "When you heard the won-der of the Word I was there to cheer you on;
- 3 "In the mid-dle a - ges' of your life, not too old, no lon - ger young,



I re - joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un - fold.
you were raised to praise the liv - ing Lord, to whom you now be - long.
I'll be there to guide you through the night, com-plete what I've be - gun.



I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;
If you find some-one to share your time and you join your hearts as one,
When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es in and you shut your wea - ry eyes,



in a blaze of light you wan-dered off to find where de-mons dwell."
I'll be there to make your vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun."
I'll be there as I have al - ways been, with just one more sur - prise."



- 4 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.



I re - joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un - fold."

"Everybody's Got Something To Offer"

Ev - 'ry - bo - dy's, got some - thing to of - fer; young and old, the
 prince and the pau - per. Ev - 'ry - bo - dy's got
 some - thing to of - fer in the name of the Lord.
 To the lost and the low - ly ones the mes - sage, it is clear;
 To the be - liev - ers gath - ered here the mes - sage it is true;
 we have all got a gift to give, our hands, our hearts, our tears.
 we have all got a gift to give in all we say and do.

"Dance Together"

1. We have gath - ered from far and near. Lord, you've
 2. We have trou - bles, we all have flaws We're not
 drawn us, You've brought us here Friends al - read - y and friends to
 wor - thy to heed your call We cry, "Leave us! Lord, go a
 be. Sis - ters, bro - thers, be - com - ing fam - il - y. Let us
 - way." But you say, Take my hand and dance with me to - day!"
 dance, dance to - geth - er, with love and laugh - ter and with - out fear. Hold - ing
 hands with the Cre - a - tor at the cross - roads of our years. Dance to -
 geth - er down the road to God knows where. 1. 3 2. where.

So here's the mo - ment dis - tilled in time to leave this
 fish - ing and these boats be - hind Trade things fa - mil - iar for things un
 known. Lord we of - fer up our lives, and fol - low down Your road, Let us
 dance, dance to - geth - er, with love and laugh - ter, and with - out
 fear. Hold - ing hands with the Cre - a - tor at the
 cross - roads of our years. Dance to - geth - er down the
 road. For ev - er on Your road_ Dance to -
 aeth - er down the road to God knows where.____

THE BLESSING (stand)

THE SENDING OUT

L: Let us pray...Lord God, we who do new things, sometimes feel afraid,

C: So make us brave

L: We who live this life as a full gift from you, are often challenged,

C: So make us authentic.

L: We who serve others, sometimes are held back,

C: So make us free.

L: We who trouble the systems of this world as it is, invite anger.

C: So make us disruptive.

L: Now send us out created to be your disciples in the world that we may tell the story of your love.

C: Amen.

THE SENDING SONG

"Ubuntu"

(pronounced "oom-BOON-too")

Chorus



U - bun- tul U - bun- tul
shar- ing our vi - sions and dreams. U - bun- tul where
jus- tice flows like a life giv - ing stream. The
peo- ple to - geth- er join - ing our hearts and our
hands to wel - come the strang - er and cher - ish the friend and to
work for the peace of the land and so we do lifel

Verses (echo song leader)

1. ... Sisters and brothers ... made for communion ... bound to each other ... one holy union
... Drawn by a vision ... drawn by desire ... drawn to the circle ... round God's holy fire,
2. ... Called now we follow ... Jesus our brother ... Who gathers his children ... just like a mother
... Tenderly holding ... this new creation ... Making and molding ... a new holy nation,
3. ... This is our vision ... life's in the sharing ... Holding back nothing ... dreaming and daring,
... To live this communion ... that breaks us and binds us
... Holds us and heals us ... frees us and finds us

Bridge



1. Made by God's po - wer to live as God's own;
2. Marked by the wa - ter and giv - en our name,
3. God, give us cour - age to do what we say,
made to be seen and be heard and to be known!
moved by God's Spir - it, re - vived by hol - y flamel
Christ, give us strength for the liv - ing of these days.

THE DISMISSAL

Leader: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please join us for our coffee hour after the 9:30 service today.



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Trinity Lutheran Church is located on the original and ancestral homelands of the Ho-Chunk and Potawatomi people. As such, we wish to give thanks for their presence here since time immemorial. We also recognize and honor all our Indigenous siblings who have and continue to call this land their home. It is our sincere desire that this acknowledgement initiates an ongoing instructive, and constructive journey toward respect, truth and healing regarding colonialism, the church community, and inclusivity for all children of the Great Spirit. We commit ourselves as God's children to pray for our indigenous siblings, to pray for God's blessings on them and for strength for them and for us as we work together for justice, dignity, respect and peace for all the diverse people of the land.

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