

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

*Disturb us, Lord, when
We are too well pleased with ourselves,
When our dreams have come true
Because we have dreamed too little,
When we arrived safely
Because we sailed too close to the shore.*

*Disturb us, Lord, when
With the abundance of things we possess
We have lost our thirst
For the waters of life;
Having fallen in love with life,
We have ceased to dream of eternity
And in our efforts to build a new earth,
We have allowed our vision
Of the new Heaven to dim.*

*Disturb us, Lord, to dare more boldly,
To venture on wider seas
Where storms will show your mastery;
Where losing sight of land,
We shall find the stars.*

*We ask You to push back
The horizons of our hopes;
And to push into the future
In strength, courage, hope, and love.*

-Attributed to Sir Francis Drake, c. 1577

GATHERING MUSIC

TRINITY WELCOME

THOUGHTS FOR THE DAY

Power tends to corrupt and absolute power corrupts absolutely.

~John Dalberg-Acton (1st Baron Acton)

Power is of two kinds. One is obtained by the fear of punishment and the other by acts of love. Power based on love is a thousand times more effective and permanent than the one derived from fear of punishment.

~Mahatma Gandhi (Teacher and Leader of India)

Sooner or later, man has always had to decide whether he worships his own power or the power of God.

~Arnold J. Toynbee (Historian and Philosopher)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let us acknowledge the power that is not of this world, the power that is beyond our understanding, the power that sustains us and transforms us.

Congregation: Yes, let us acknowledge the power of God!

Leader: In the face of challenges and uncertainties, let us not fear, for we are not alone.

Congregation: No, we are not alone!

Leader: We are children of the One who holds the universe in His hands, the One whose power is boundless.

Congregation: The One whose power is boundless!

Leader: Let us lift our voices in praise, not for our own strength, but for the strength that comes from above.

Congregation: Let us lift our voices in praise!

Leader: Let us open our hearts to receive His power, His love, His grace.

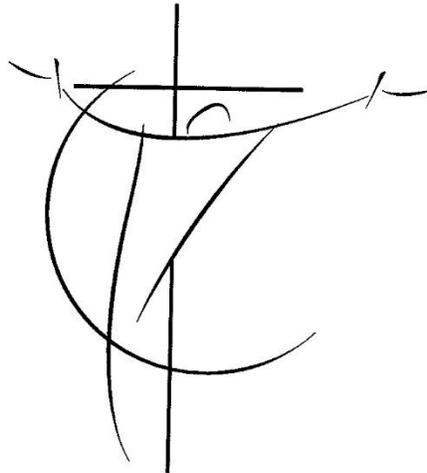
Congregation: Let us open our hearts.

Leader: Let us worship in spirit and in truth, knowing that in His power, we are truly free.

Congregation: In His power, we are truly free.

Leader: Let us worship!

Congregation: Amen.



PRAISE SONG

"May Love Rise Above"

The beauty and the blood - shed runs deep and wide from the
The cour - age and the cau - sion, it fills the air from the
The pro - mise and the pas - sion rings loud and strong as a
cen - ter of the city - y to the roll - ing coun - try - side. The
chil - dren on the play - ground to the worn an on the stairs. There's a
gen - er - a - tion search - es for a free - dom lov - ing song. Still the
heal - ing and the suff' - ring runs far and near. There is
calm up - on the wa - ter but down and be - low on the
mem - o - ries are haunt - ing, will they block the way? What can
hope for each to - mor - row but still so man - y fears.
anx - ious hearts are beat - ing, will this peace ev - er hold?
bring us all to - geth - er to start a brand new day?
Oh may love rise a - bove the moun - tains. May love rise a - bove
the plains. May love rise a - bove the ha - tred. May
love rise a - bove all the pain, rise a - bove it all,
oh _____ rise a - bove it all, oh _____

OUR CONFESSION

Leader: We bow before God our Maker and confess the state of our lives.

People: You have called us, O God, to follow your Son Jesus of Nazareth. We have not willingly followed his example of being servant to all. We find it hard to serve even those we love. We are more apt to seek revenge on those who hurt us rather than to serve and care for them. We want the greatness that the world promises: wealth, popularity, material goods and position. We are less ready to look for greatness in serving others as their slave. We have even tried to turn Jesus into a gloating conqueror rather than the loving Servant he truly was.

Forgive us and by the power of your Holy Spirit so fill us with the love of Jesus that we may truly follow in his footsteps and serve all we encounter. Amen.

Leader: God cares for all creation and God loves and cares for you. In the name of Jesus Christ you are forgiven and sent out to be servants to the world for which he died.

CONFESSION RESPONSE

“Your Kingdom Come”

Your king - dom come. Your king - dom come.
 Your king - dom come. Your king - dom come.
 Do I real - ly want your king - dom come?
 It is you see and I light in a trou - bled land.
 I can see the light in a child's eyes.
 When I see the light I turn and run
 We can close our doors or reach out our hands
 It is shin - ing still in the old and wise.
 from the truth, from the life, from the sac - ri - fice,
 to the high, to the low, to the in - be - tween;
 It's the hope, it's the love, stir - ring deep with - in;
 from the will that must be done.
 feel the the nail that scars we don't see.
 it's the love that con - quers sin.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE (sit)

THE EXTINGUISHING OF THE LENTEN CANDLE AND THE LENTEN SNAPSHOT - Pilate

Then they took Jesus from Caiaphas to Pilate's headquarters.* It was early in the morning. They themselves did not enter the headquarters,* so as to avoid ritual defilement and to be able to eat the Passover. So Pilate went out to them and said, 'What accusation do you bring against this man?' They answered, 'If this man were not a criminal, we would not have handed him over to you.' Pilate said to them, 'Take him yourselves and judge him according to your law.' The Jews replied, 'We are not permitted to put anyone to death.' (This was to fulfil what Jesus had said when he indicated the kind of death he was to die.)

Then Pilate entered the headquarters* again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' Jesus answered, 'Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?' Pilate replied, 'I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?' Jesus answered, 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.'

Pilate asked him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.' Pilate asked him, 'What is truth?'

After he had said this, he went out to the Jews again and told them, 'I find no case against him. But you have a custom that I release someone for you at the Passover. Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?' They shouted in reply, 'Not this man, but Barabbas!' Now Barabbas was a bandit.

Then Pilate took Jesus and had him flogged. And the soldiers wove a crown of thorns and put it on his head, and they dressed him in a purple robe. They kept coming up to him, saying, 'Hail, King of the Jews!' and striking him on the face. Pilate went out again and said to them, 'Look, I am bringing him out to you to let you know that I find no case against him.' So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them, 'Here is the man!' When the chief priests and the police saw him, they shouted, 'Crucify him! Crucify him!' Pilate said to them, 'Take him yourselves and crucify him; I find no case against him.' The Jews answered him, 'We have a law, and according to that law he ought to die because he has claimed to be the Son of God.'

Now when Pilate heard this, he was more afraid than ever. He entered his headquarters* again and asked Jesus, 'Where are you from?' But Jesus gave him no answer. Pilate therefore said to him, 'Do you refuse to speak to me? Do you not know that I have power to release you, and power to crucify you?' Jesus answered him, 'You would have no power over me unless it had been given you from above; therefore the one who handed me over to you is guilty of a greater sin.' From then on Pilate tried to release him, but the Jews cried out, 'If you release this man, you are no friend of the emperor. Everyone who claims to be a king sets himself against the emperor.'

When Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus outside and sat* on the judge's bench at a place called The Stone Pavement, or in Hebrew* Gabbatha. Now it was the day of Preparation for the Passover; and it was about noon. He said to the Jews, 'Here is your King!' They cried out, 'Away with him! Away with him! Crucify him!' Pilate asked them, 'Shall I crucify your King?' The chief priests answered, 'We have no king but the emperor.' Then he handed him over to them to be crucified.

THE MESSAGE RESPONSE

"God of the Movements and Martyrs"

1. God of the move - ments and mar - tyrs, God of the pow - er - less
 2. Now it's our turn to do jus - tice, hum - bly we rise to the
 3. God of the cir - cle that holds us, God of the ones pushed a -

child, God of the hurt and the hope - less and un - rec - on - ciled,
 day, give us the strength and the wis - dom to walk in your way.
 way, we will reach out to our neigh - bors, in your name we'll say:

- God of the just and the faith - ful, - God of the night and the
 - Gath - er the loaves and the fish - es, - share un - til all have been
 No mat - ter your creed or your coun - try, no mat - ter the hue of your

day, - God of the whole of cre - a - tion, in your name we
 fed, - walk in com - pas - sion and mer - cy, by love we'll be
 skin, your age, who you love, or the bod - y your soul was born

pray; - Man - y have fol - lowed the sav - ior -
 led, - stand - ing in cir - cles sur - round - ing,
 in, no mat - ter the plac - es you're bro - ken, no

in - to the face of the storm, - strength - ened by long gen - er -
 all hold - ing hands while we pray, when pow - ers bear down on the
 mat - ter the things you have done, - lay down that weight on the

a - tions, by love they were formed. In base - ments of tall stee - pled
 help - less, we'll stand in the way. - God of the worn and the
 al - tar, a new day's be - gun. - You are a child of the

church - es, in shadows of fen - es and walls, in al - leys and hall - ways of
 wound - ed, - let us be healed by the truth, when door - ways are blocked, we will
 mak - er, - you are be - lov - ed and known, - [join us in work of the

pow - er, they an - swered your call.
 low - er our friends through the roof.
 kin - dom, we wel - come you home.] Repeat last phrase v. 3

THE OFFERING *Please remember that your offerings of money, time and talents enable Trinity to “share the love and promise of God” through its ministries.*

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

THE COMMUNION SENTENCES

Leader: Blessed are you, O holy and mighty and merciful God, Creator of the universe. You watered the gardens, and you swept the desert. You called out a holy people to embody your love.

People: **There is still room. There is still time.**

Leader: You sent your prophets so that those who looked only to themselves would receive the gift of your creation with thanksgiving; and thus, in praising You, would find their true destiny.

People: **There is still room. There is still time.**

Leader: Still, we fought against Your love, pretending that Your bounty was our design. So, you sent your Son to open to us the way of heaven. And even in the midst of our betrayal, he took bread and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: “Take, eat, this is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

People: **There is still room. There is still time.**

Leader: Then 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.”

People: **There is still room. There is still time.**

Leader: O Holy One of Israel, O Word of hope to every generation, we lift our hearts to you in thanksgiving and wonder for Your great love for us. And we ask for Your Spirit to breathe life into our bodies as we feast at Your table. Fill our need so that we can go forth as living invitations, seeking nothing for ourselves, but desiring that Your will of grace be done. Creator, Savior, and Holy Spirit, bring us forth into the great kingdom’s dawn when everybody everywhere will know the fullness of Your love.

People: **THIS IS THE ROOM. THIS IS THE TIME. Amen.**

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread and 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.

THE DISTRIBUTION

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

When you receive the bread, you may either dip the wafer
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 have individually packaged gluten free wafer/wine.)

COMMUNION SONGS

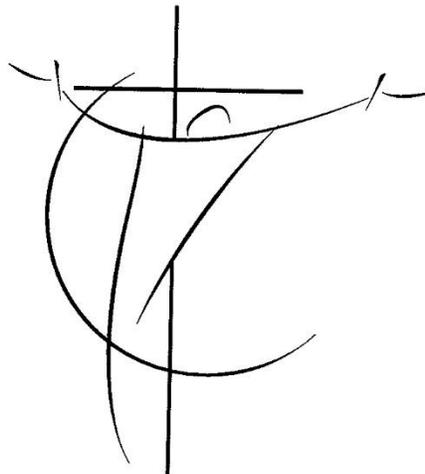
"Round the Table"

Come to - geth - er 'round the ta - ble. Come and taste the won - der,
a heal - ing touch and a deep con - nec - tion from the liv - ing
cen - ter of it all. Seek - ing mean - ing on the run
Bring a friend or en - e - my
Hear cre - a - tion groan for life.
you try and save the day. But all is read - y
or one you hold or blame. With each oth - er
Will hate and hun - ger cease? In the roar of
will you come? Love in - vites the way.
we are one, here in Je - sus' name.
vi - o - lence the world cries for peace.

"Break Our Hearts Again"

1. We pile up like dry bones, like or - phans gath - er - ing. In
(2. Our) moun-tains are crumb-ling like sand in - to the sea. Our
bur - den, we're bro - ken, our de - fens - es frac - tur - ing. So
riv - ers run dri - er than the rocks be - neath our feet. So
break__ our hearts a - gain. Stretch us 'til we bend.
Breathe new life on these tired bones and make__ us new a - gain. 2. Our
gain We lay our ar - mor down.__ We lay our ar - mor down.__ We
lay our ar - mor down.__ We lay our ar - mor down. We

Sing 3X, then Fine



“Break These Chains”

Wrapped in con - fu - sion, trapped in life's cage,
I hear you call - ing, call - in my name.

tied to the cra - dle and grave.
Why do I turn from you?

Cap - tive to ques - tions, shack - led by fear,
I keep on run - ning, run - ning a - way,

touch - ing the edge of faith. On - ly
far from your grace and truth.

Refrain
love can break these chains. On - ly love can break these chains. In this

whole world on - ly love can break these chains. chains. 1.,3. 2.

Break these chains. Break these chains. Break these chains. On - ly To Refrain

THE COMMUNION BLESSING

THE SENDING OUT

Leader: Go into the world as Jesus went, being a servant to all who were in need and you will find and share the blessing of God Almighty.

All: **Amen.**

THE SENDING SONG

"I Will Trust In You"

1. When I can't see dark - ness You, I
2. And when the dark - ness is
know You're here; When I can't feel You, I
clos - ing in, And I am run - ning a -
will not fear; I will trust in You and I
gainst the wind; I will trust in You and I
will not be a - fraid. And when the
will not be a - fraid. 'Cause when I'm
bat - tle is close at hand I know You're
stand - ing up - on that shore and all the
with me to help me stand; I will
bat - tles have gone be - fore, I will
trust in You and I will not be a - fraid
trust in You and I will not be a - fraid.
I will not be a - fraid. I will not be a -
fraid . I will trust in You, I will trust in You.

THE DISMISSAL

Leader: Go into God's world in peace to love and serve the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Following worship, please join us in the Heritage Room for a coffee hour.

WE THANK OUR WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Pastors: Pastor David Schoob, Pastor Cristy Schoob

Worship Assistant: Cheryl Scaffidi

Ushers: Steve and Jennifer Walth

Reader: Vern Hasenstein

Communion Set Up: Jill Hasenstein

Communion Servers: Nate Shubat

Vocalists: Patrick Budoff, Rick Gilbertson, Greg Griffin, Phil Pierce

Keyboard: Heather Peters

Percussion: Connor Scaffidi

Video: Mike Tikusis **Audio:** Sue Gilbertson

Counters: Cindy Tikusis, Linda Amacher

Coffee Hour: Sue Walker, Matthew Walker, Candy Sarauer

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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