CREATED TO PRAISE EASTER SERVICE 9:30 a.m. April 20th, 2025

Trinity Lutheran Church West Bend, Wisconsin

Gathering Music

Trinity Easter Welcome

Pastor: Christ is Risen

People: Christ is risen indeed

Celebration Song

"Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! Unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia! Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! Our salvation have procured; Alleluia! Now above the sky he's king, Alleluia! Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as his love; Alleluia! Praise him all you heav'nly host, Alleluia! Father Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

Thoughts for the Day

Where man sees but withered leaves, God sees sweet flowers growing.

Albert Laighton

"Do not abandon yourselves to despair. We are the Easter people and hallelujah is our song."

Pope John Paul II (Karol Wojtyła)

Pastor: Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!!



Call to Worship

- P. Children, why are you weeping?
- C. For a lost loved one.
- P. For the death of a dream.
- C. For failing health.
- P. For broken relationships.
- C. Out of loneliness and isolation
- P. For people without food, shelter.
- C. For the state of the world.
- P: An idle tale about an empty tomb
- C: And a missing body.
- P: Improbable.
- C: Unlikely.
- P: Yet it was the testimony of the women;
- C: It was confirmed by the disciples.
- P: It means life is different,
- C: Love is stronger than death,
- P: Forgiveness flows,
- C: Healing happens,
- P: People change,
- C: Hope is renewed.
- P: Christ is risen!
- C: He is risen indeed!

Praise Songs





We Confess Our Own Good Fridays

L: Holy, living God, we struggle to silence our active minds, put aside our "to-do" lists and rest our spirits in this moment. *(Moment of Silence)*

Move into the busy spaces and know our hearts, we pray. (Moment of Silence)

In this day of celebration and new life, we are mindful that we hold on to what is familiar and habitual. Forgive us for preferring ways of negativity and death to the adventure and joy you offer us each moment. Pardon us for reacting in fear when we hear or see things we do not understand. Grant us new life as you have gifted us with Christ's resurrection. Teach us what it means to be transformed this very day, as forgiven and holy people.

C: Amen.

We Hear the Good News of Easter

L: Today brings the best news of all...Jesus lives! Jesus died a cruel death on the cross for the sin of the whole world. His body was placed in a borrowed tomb and on the third day he came back to life to defeat death for all time. Christ offers us this new life as our very own. Our sin is forgiven because Jesus lives. We no longer need to fear death as we look forward to living for all eternity with him. Jesus lives! Praise God for the good news of Easter.



Children's Message

The Easter Story John 20:1-8

Early in the morning on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone was moved away from the entrance. She ran at once to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, gasping for breath. "They took the Master from the tomb. We don't know where they've put him."

Peter and the other disciple left immediately for the tomb. They ran, neck and neck. The other disciple got to the tomb first, outrunning Peter. Stooping to look in, he saw the pieces of linen cloth lying there, but he didn't go in. Simon Peter arrived after him, entered the tomb, observed the linen cloths lying there, and the kerchief used to cover his head not lying with the linen cloths but separate, neatly folded by itself. Then the other disciple, the one who had gotten there first, went into the tomb, took one look at the evidence, and believed. No one yet knew from the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead. The disciples then went back home.

But Mary stood outside the tomb weeping. As she wept, she knelt to look into the tomb and saw two angels sitting there, dressed in white, one at the head, the other at the foot of where Jesus' body had been laid. They said to her, "Woman, why do you weep?"

"They took my Master," she said, "and I don't know where they put him." After she said this, she turned away and saw Jesus standing there. But she didn't recognize him.

Jesus spoke to her, "Woman, why do you weep? Who are you looking for?"

She, thinking that he was the gardener, said, "Sir, if you took him, tell me where you put him so I can care for him."

Jesus said, "Mary."

Turning to face him, she said in Hebrew, "Rabboni!" meaning "Teacher!"

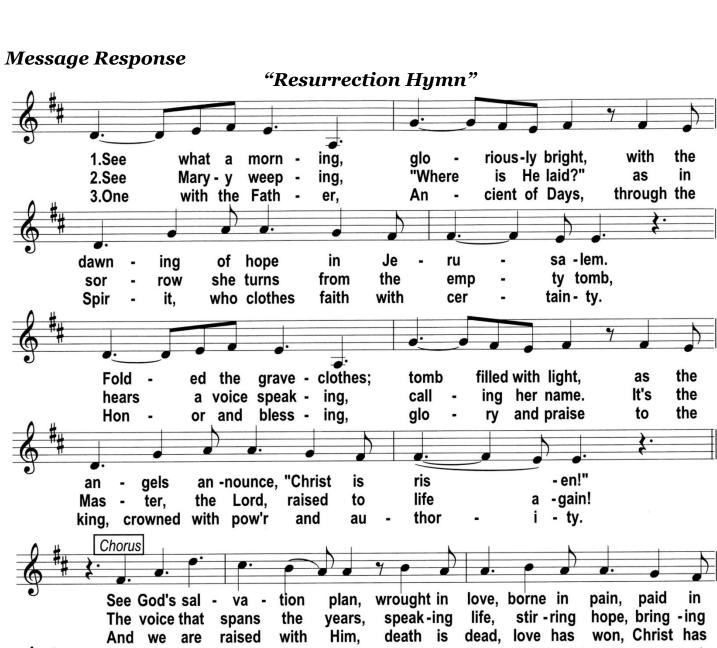
Jesus said, "Don't cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go to my brothers and tell them, 'I ascend to my Father and your Father, my God and your God."

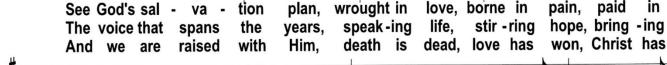
Mary Magdalene went, telling the news to the disciples: "I saw the Master!" And she told them everything he said to her.

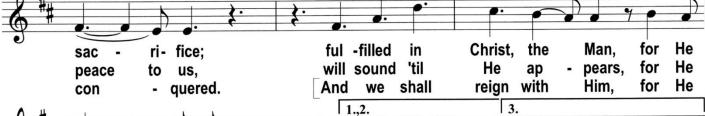
Easter Message

"Why do you weep?"

Pastor Cristy Schoob







Christ is ris - en from the dead. lives: dead. Christ is ris - en from the lives:

ris - en the lives: Christ is from

dead. Repeat last chorus and tag.

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.

Prayers of the People

Easter Celebration of Holy Communion

- L: We are a resurrection people!
- C: We come to share in the table Jesus has prepared for us. We come to lean on the power that brings new beginnings out of painful endings.
- L: We are Easter people!
- C: Just as we share his death, we share his life. We are freed to live without fear. We, too, will be raised from death to life.
- L: We are Good News people!
- C: The body and blood of Jesus is a very real presence among us. We come to the table to find forgiveness, healing, acceptance, and strength.
- L: Our Lord Jesus, on the night in which he was betrayed took bread, and gave thanks. He broke it and gave it to his disciples saying, "Take and eat, this is my body given for you. Do this to remember me." Again after supper he took the cup, he 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 to remember me!" Following our Lord's command and responding to our need for forgiveness, we come!

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.

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 bread in the first chalice of wine or the second chalice of grape juice.

Indicate to the Pastor if you need gluten-free wafers.

(We also have individually packaged gluten free wafer/wine.)

All who believe that we meet Jesus Christ in the bread and wine are invited to join us at the table.

Distribution Songs

"Death Was Arrested"

Alone in my sorrow and dead in my sin, lost without hope and no place to begin, Your love made a way to let mercy come in when death was arrested and my life began.

Ash was redeemed, only beauty remains, and my orphan heart was given a name.

My mourning grew quiet, my feet rose to dance when death was arrested and my life began.

Chorus v.1

Released from my chains, I'm a pris'ner no more.

My shame was a ransom He faithfully bore.

He cancelled my debt, and He called me His friend when death was arrested and my life began.

Chorus v. 1 & 2

Our Savior displayed on a criminal's cross.

Darkness rejoiced as though Heaven had lost.

But then Jesus arose with our freedom in hand.

That's when death was arrested and my life began.

That's when death was arrested and my life began.

Chorus v. 1 & 2

Oh, we're free, free, forever we're free. Come join the song of all the redeemed. Yes, we're free, free, forever amen, when death was arrested and my life began.

When death was arrested and my life began.

Yes, when death was arrested and my life began.







Easter Blessing

L: Now may the body and blood of our risen Savior strengthen you, keep you in his grace and from this day forward fill you with new and abundant life. .

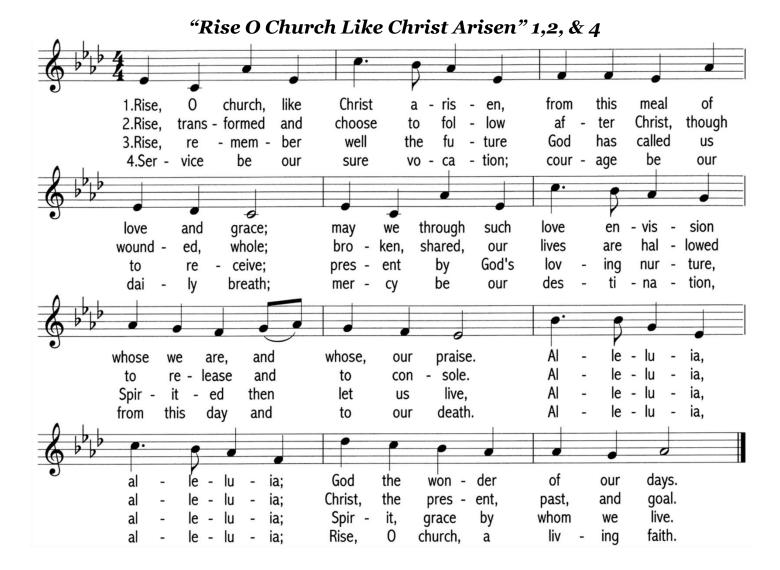
C: Amen.

The Sending Out

L: Go forth, fear not! God walks with you! God sustains you! Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Sending Song



The Dismissal

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

WE THANK OUR WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Pastors: Pastor David Schoob, Pastor Cristy Schoob

Ushers: Charlotte Butzler, Tom Bulin

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Communion Set Up: Vern and Jill Hasenstein

Vocalists: Linda Amacher, Paul Anderson,

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Easter Greetings!

May each of you, as you have worshipped here, sense the marvels of God's love seen in the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. May His presence dwell with us always.

We would be very grateful if guests would kindly fill in this registration slip and place it in the offering plate as you leave. Should you not have a church home, we would take this opportunity to invite you to become a member of Trinity.

To all who have participated in making these festive services possible, we express our appreciation and thanks.

VISITOR REGISTRATION

Name	
Address	
City	Zip
Telephone Number	Email
	I am a visitor.
	I am interested in becoming a member of Trinity.
	I would like to receive the newsletter.
	I would like a pastor to call.

The Easter Garden

Ruth Abel and family- In memory of John Abel
Anita Bayliff -In memory of Bob and Gerry Karvoit
Bob and Sue Bietsch- In gratitude for all our blessings
Tom Bulin -In memory of my daughter, Heide Bulin Noonan
Randy Crass -Thank you to everyone who helped in my recovery
Ralph Crass -In memory of Carlos & Ethel Crass, my father and mother
Shirl Curreri- In memory of my husband, Tony
Roy and Judy Dricken -In memory of Randy Dricken
Karyn Espen -In memory of Andy Espen, Eileen Miotke,
and honor of Kathy Schneider

Rosemary Fink -In memory of my daughter, Pamela Lynn, and husband, Ron Katie and Dusty Flunker

The Hanvey Family- In memory of Grandma Pat, In memory of Mom (Grammy) **Patricia Harter** -In loving memory of Dan Harter, Mr &Mrs Elmer Harter

and Mr & Mrs Richard Behrends

Jill and Vern Hasenstein- In memory of Sheila Werner and Mary Rowinski Dawn Herdt -In memory of Jim Herdt, Pearl J Hash, Roy & Lila Anderson Susie Kelnhofer

Loretta Lloyd- In Memory of our loving Dad, Robert P Schmidt The Mildbrandts & Schlossers- For God's many blessings Ellie Muraski -In memory of loved ones we have lost

Danielle Passwaters

Carol Peters- In memory of Robert (Bob) Peters
Carrie and Phil Pierce- To the Glory of God!
Ronny Polinski -In memory of Dad, Curt Johnson and Rurik and Bjorn Johnson
Bev Ritger -In memory of Carlos and Ethel Crass
Mary Immekus & Rudd Family - In love and memory of our parents,
Don & Joann Rudd

Helene Schrankler - In memory of Jerry Schrankler **Carl & Betty Schweiger-** In memory of John Dale Rogers, son of Betty, step-son of Carl

Sharon Sutton- In memory of loved one Jerry, Dan, & Nick
Pat, Renee, and Lucy Thacker- In honor of our wonderful church family
Leon Vore -In memory of Dick and Ether Vore
Dee Washa- In memory of Geoff

Annie Wiedmeyer- In memory of Eugene and Noretta Wiedmeyer Laura & Jay Younglove -In honor of the Children's & Youth Ministry teams

Thank you to everyone who donated flowers to adorn the altar. You are welcome to take home your plant after the 9:30 Easter Service.



Skeptic. Cynic. Certain. Believer. Confident. Fearful. Doubter. Seeker. Questioner. Latino. Black. Asian. White. Indigenous. Immigrant. Any combination of ethnic or racial identities. Female. Male. Straight. Gay. Bisexual. Transgender. Questioning. Rich. Poor. Middle-class. Barely making it. Able bodied. Specially abled. Disabled. Young. Old. In-between. Married. Single. Divorced. Awaiting trial. Served time. On probation. Tired. Worn. Hopeful. Employed. Unemployed. Workaholic. Slacker. Anxious. Depressed. Confused. Centered. Inked. Pierced. Both. Life long follower of Jesus. Regular attender. Occasional attender. Curious onlooker. Don't quite fit the box. Need a prayer right now. Trinity is a faith community where we believe in God's love, grace and mercy-illustrated most clearly through Jesus Christ. We believe we are all children of God, created in God's image and equal in God's sight. We believe God loves us just as we are and way too much to let us stay this way. We are called to live in God's light and be transformed, not through judgment but through unconditional love. We believe God's love is all-inclusive and is stronger than the pressure to be perfect regardless of whatever labels we carry. Saint. Sinner. Democrat. Republican, Independent, Libertarian, Green, Socialist, Apolitical, Addicted, Recovering, We don't care what religion or denomination you are. We are all Human. We are all Flawed. We are all Beloved. -You are welcome here.

come as you are.

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Weekly Worship Services

Saturday 4:00 pm Liturgical Worship Service Sunday 9:30 am Created to Praise Service Sunday 9:30 am Children's Ministry