

**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!!

Opening Song

"My Redeemer Lives"

The musical score is written for a single voice part in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It begins with a key signature change from G major to E-flat major (three flats) and a 4-measure rest. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the staff. The score includes a chorus section marked with a box labeled 'CHORUS'. The lyrics are: 'I know He res-cued my soul, His blood, He cov-ered my sin, I be-lieve, I be-lieve, My shame, He's tak-en a-way, my pain is healed in His name, I be-lieve, I be-lieve, I'll raise a ban-ner; my Lord has con-quered the grave! My Re-deem-er lives! My Re-deem-er lives! My Re-deem-er lives! My Re-deem-er lives! You lift my bur-den, I rise with You, I'm danc-ing on this mount-ain-top to see Your King-dom come. Repeat CHORUS 2X'.

I know He res - cued my soul, His blood, He
cov - ered my sin, I be - lieve, I be - lieve
My shame, He's tak - en a - way, my pain is
healed in His name, I be - lieve, I be - lieve.
I'll raise a ban - ner; my Lord has
con - quered the grave! My Re - deem - er lives! My Re -
deem - er lives! My Re - deem - er lives! My Re -
deem - er lives! You lift my bur - den,
I rise with You, I'm danc - ing on this mount
- tain - top to see Your King - dom come. Repeat CHORUS 2X

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

"Christ Is Risen"

Christ is ris - en, sing al - le - lu - ia!

Christ is ris - en, sing al - le - lu - ia! O - pen wide the door is stand - ing.

From the grave new life is spring - ing. He was dead, now he's liv - ing!

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

The musical score is written on four staves in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#) and a time signature of 6/8. The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics written below the notes. The piece begins with a repeat sign and ends with a double bar line.

“Lord, I Lift Your Name on High”

The musical score is written on eight staves in treble clef, with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is simple and repetitive, using eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words split across lines. The score begins and ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

Lord, I lift Your name on high.

Lord, I love to sing Your praises.

I'm so glad You're in my life.

I'm so glad you came to save us.

You came from heav - en to earth, to show the way

From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay;

From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky

Lord, I lift Your name on high.

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.

Confession Response

“Christ is Living”

ACS #934 (verse 1)

1. Christ is liv - ing! Gone with sor - row! Tears and ter - ror, be no more.

Death and grave, you now are noth - ing; Christ is free of ev - 'ry pow'r.

Why then seek the liv - ing Sav - ior in the haunts of death and fear?

Christ is ris - en! Shout the good news so that all the world may hear.

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

Message Response

"Resurrection Hymn"

1. See what a morn - ing, glo - rious-ly bright, with the
2. See Mary - y weep - ing, "Where is He laid?" as in
3. One with the Fath - er, An - cient of Days, through the

dawn - ing of hope in Je - ru - sa - lem.
sor - row she turns from the emp - ty tomb,
Spir - it, who clothes faith with cer - tain - ty.

Fold - ed the grave - clothes; tomb filled with light, as the
hears a voice speak - ing, call - ing her name. It's the
Hon - or and bless - ing, glo - ry and praise to the

an - gels an - nounce, "Christ is ris - en!"
Mas - ter, the Lord, raised to life a - gain!
king, crowned with pow'r and au - thor - i - ty.

Chorus

See God's sal - va - tion plan, wrought in love, borne in pain, paid in
The voice that spans the years, speak - ing life, stir - ring hope, bring - ing
And we are raised with Him, death is dead, love has won, Christ has

sac - ri - fice; ful - filled in Christ, the Man, for He
peace to us, will sound 'til He ap - pears, for He
con - quered. And we shall reign with Him, for He

1., 2. 3.
lives: Christ is ris - en from the dead.
lives: Christ is ris - en from the dead.
lives: Christ is ris - en from the 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.

The musical notation is written on two staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with many notes tied across measures. The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words split across lines.

1. Oh, Your grace so free wash-es o-ver
2. It's Your end-less love pour-ing down on
me. You have made me new. Now life be-gins with You.
us. You have made us new, now life be-gins with You.

"He Has Been Raised"

Lost and fright - ened, feel - ing sad - ness, some - one you loved has
We are strug - gling, we are wond - 'ring, can we walk the

gone a - way. Seek - ing an - swers, find - ing quest - tions.
streets of faith? We are loved and we're for - giv - en.

Could it be true what the peo - ple of say?
Why don't we trust in these arms of grace?

He has been raised. He is not here. Can you be - lieve your ears?

Let go of all your hurts and fears. Je - sus is a - live.

1. *Fine* 2. Our mourn - ing and weep - ing have
turned to re - joic - ing, the stones from our tombs have been *D.S. al fine*
rolled a - way. Life has come from death to - day now!

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in treble clef. It begins in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, with some rests. The lyrics are written below the staff, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes. The score includes a repeat sign with first and second endings. The first ending is marked '1. Fine' and the second ending is marked '2.'. The piece concludes with a double bar line and the instruction 'D.S. al fine'.

“Because He Lives”

1. God sent His Son — they called Him Je - sus; He came to
 2. How sweet to hold a new - born ba - by, And feel the
 3. And then one day I'll cross the riv - er; I'll fight life's

love, heal and for - give. He lived and died
 pride and joy he gives; But great - er still
 fi - nal war with pain. And then, as death

to buy my par - don; An emp - ty grave is there to
 the calm as - sur - ance: This child can face un - cer - tain
 gives way to vic - t'ry, I'll see the lights of glo - ry

prove my Sav - ior lives. Be - cause He lives
 days be - cause He lives.
 and I'll know He reigns.

I can face to - mor - row; Be - cause He lives, all fear is

gone. Be - cause I know — He holds the fu - ture,

And life is worth the liv - ing just be - cause He lives.

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

“Rise O Church Like Christ Arisen” 1,2, & 4

1. Rise, O church, like Christ a - ris - en, from this meal of
2. Rise, trans - formed and choose to fol - low af - ter Christ, though
3. Rise, re - mem - ber well the fu - ture God has called us
4. Ser - vice be our sure vo - ca - tion; cour - age be our

love and grace; may we through such love en - vis - sion
wound - ed, whole; bro - ken, shared, our lives are hal - lowed
to re - ceive; pres - ent by God's lov - ing nur - ture,
dai - ly breath; mer - cy be our des - ti - na - tion,

whose we are, and whose, our praise. Al - le - lu - ia,
to re - lease and to con - sole. Al - le - lu - ia,
Spir - it - ed then let us live, Al - le - lu - ia,
from this day and to our death. Al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia; God the won - der of our days.
al - le - lu - ia; Christ, the pres - ent, past, and goal.
al - le - lu - ia; Spir - it, grace by whom we live.
al - le - lu - ia; Rise, O church, a liv - ing faith.

The Dismissal

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

WE THANK OUR WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

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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.

OUR *Welcome* IS WIDE OPEN

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 attendee. Occasional attendee. 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