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PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

God, you call to us. You call us away from not caring. You call us away from selfish living. You call us beyond ourselves. You call us to love you. Fill us with a deeper love for you and your beloved children. In the way of Christ. Amen.

GATHERING MUSIC

PASTORAL WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRINITY WELCOME

THOUGHTS FOR THE DAY

To fall in love with God is the greatest romance; to seek him the greatest adventure; to find him, the greatest human achievement.

~Saint Augustine

Intense love does not measure, it just gives.

~ Mother Teresa

CALL TO WORSHIP:

L: So, Jesus asks us, "Do you love me?"

C: Of course, Lord, you know that we love you.

L: Then Jesus says, "Be sensitive and caring of my world." Once again, Jesus asks, "Do you love me?"

C: Certainly, Lord, we do love you.

L: Then Jesus says, "Share your resources with those who have little or nothing." For a third time, Jesus asks, "Do you love me, friends?"

C: How many times do we need to tell you, Lord, before you believe us? We have said that we love you; what more do you want?

L: Then Jesus says, "Reach out to the least, last, lost, and lowest of this earth. Give your life to spread my love. Are you willing to do that? Beginning now? Today? Are you?"

C: Yes. Well... maybe?

PRAISE SONG

"Your Love is Everlasting"

1. Since time be - gan, through cen - tu - ries, God's
2. A moth - er's womb, a brand new life. God's
- 3. Signs of hope, a voice of peace. God's

love is ev - er - last - ing. To dis - tant un - known
love is ev - er - last - ing. An emp - ty tomb, the
love is ev - er - last - ing. The pro - phet's cry for

gal - ax - ies God's love is ev - er - last - ing.
ris - en Christ. God's love is ev - er - last - ing.
war to cease, God's love is ev - er - last - ing. For the

Splen - dor springs forth 'cross the land. God's love is ev - er - last
Weep - ing may last for the night. God's love is ev - er - last
down and out and high and proud, God's love is ev - er - last

- ing. A - bun - dance, shar - ing hand in hand. God's
- ing. But joy breaks forth with morn - ing light. God's
- ing. Come, all you peo - ple, shout out loud God's

love is ev - er - last - ing. Your
love is ev - er - last - ing.
love is ev - er - last - ing.

love is last - ing, your love is ev - er - last - ing. Your
love is last - ing, your love is ev - er - last - ing.

OUR CONFESSION

All: The way you call us again and again to follow you, O God, is so persistent. Do we love you enough to follow you with our whole being? Strengthen our hope of following you. Increase our resolve of discipleship. Let the way we live reflect dedication to you. Through Christ. Amen.

CONFESSION RESPONSE**“Open My Heart”**

0 - pen my heart to your love, oh God.
 Heal - er my of na - tions and bro - ken hearts,
 0 - pen my heart to your love, oh God.

0 - pen are my the eyes path to way to your grace.
 you are my the eyes path to way to your peace.
 0 - pen my the eyes path to way to your grace.

0 - pen my life to re - ceive your word. Send
 Sing - er of my life in the face of death, may
 0 - pen my life in the re - ceive your word. Send

wis - dom and cour - age to fol - low your way.
 we be your ves - sels so love will in - crease.
 wis - dom and cour - age to fol - low your way.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE *(sit)***THE GOSPEL READING****John 21:1-19**

This is another resurrection appearance of Jesus which is included in the biblical book of John. It follows the one we heard last week, also to His disciples, and especially then to disciple doubting Thomas.

After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, “I am going fishing.” They said to him, “We will go with you.” They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach, but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, “Children, you have no fish, have you?” They answered him, “No.” He said to them, “Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some.” So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, “It is the Lord!” When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he had taken it off, and jumped into the sea. ⁸But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, “Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.” So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them, and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, “Come and have breakfast.” Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, “Who are you?” because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Feed my lambs.” A second time he said to him, “Simon son of John, do you love me?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Tend my sheep.” He said to him the third time, “Simon son of John, do you love me?” Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, “Do you love me?” And he said to him, “Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.” (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, “Follow me.”

MESSAGE *“How Much Do You Love Me?”* **Pastor David Schoob**

THE MESSAGE RESPONSE

“Great God Your Love Has Called Us” vs 1,2,4

1. Great God, your love has called us here,
 2. We come with self in flicted pains
 4. Then take the towel, and break the bread,
 as we, by love, for and love were made.
 of bro - ken trust and cho - sen wrong,
 and hum - ble us, and call us friends.
 Your liv - ing like - ness still we bear,
 half - free, half and - bound by in - ner chains,
 Suf - fer and serve till all are fed,
 though marred, dis - hon - ored, dis - o - beyed.
 by so - cial for - ces swept a - long,
 and show how grand - ly love in - tends
 We come, with all our heart and mind
 by pow'rs and sys - tems close con - fined,
 to work till all cre - a - tion sings,
 your yet to call seek - ing all hear, hope your for to love hu - man - kind.
 to fill all worlds, to crown all things.

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: Gather round the table.

All: Touch a mystery,

Leader: In places we cannot see

All: and in the common and the ordinary,

Leader: The risen Lord is there,

All: And will never leave us;

Leader: We come to experience this truth,

All: As we share this bread and wine.

Leader: 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.”

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

"For Everyone Born"

1. For ev - ery - one born, a place at the ta - ble,
 2. For wom - an and man, a place at the ta - ble,
 3. For young and for old, a place at the ta - ble,
 4. For just and un - just, a place at the ta - ble,
 5. For ev - ery - one born, a place at the ta - ble,

for ev - ery - one born, clean wa - ter and bread,
 re - vis - ing the roles, de - cid - ing the share,
 a voice to be heard, a part in the song,
 a - bus - er, a - bus - ed, with need to for - give,
 to live with - out fear, and sim - ply to be,

a shel - ter, a space, a safe place for grow - ing,
 with wis - dom and grace, di - vid - ing the pow - er,
 the hands of a child in hands that are wrin - kled,
 in an - ger, in hurt, a mind - set of mer - cy,
 to work, to speak out, to wit - ness and wor - ship,

for ev - ery - one born, a star o - ver - head. And
 for wom - an and man, a sys - tem that's fair.
 for young and for old, the right to be - long.
 for just and un - just, a new way to live.
 for ev - ery - one born, the right to be free.

God will de - light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice and
 joy com - pas - sion and peace; yes,
 God will de - light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice, jus - tice and joy.

“Look Who Gathers at Christ’s Table”

1. Look who gath - ers at Christ's ta - ble! Hear the sto - ries
 2. Clouds of light sur - round the ta - ble; an - cient fol - low -
 3. Their sad sto - ries are re - peat - ed in a thous - and
 4. Bring your joy and bring your sad - ness, and pre - pare to

that they bring. Some are weep - ing, some are laugh - ing;
 ers ap - pear, saints are con - fess - ing how they wrest - led
 dif - f'rent ways, but they share one thing in com - mon:
 be sur - prised by the host whose hands are wound - ed,

some have songs they want to sing. Oth - ers ask why
 with their guilt, their doubt and fear. Pe - ter tells of
 they all end in thanks and praise for the host who
 who will o - pen wide your eyes when he bless - es

they're in - vite - ed, bur - dened by the wrong they've done.
 his de - ny - ing Christ was ev - er in his sight;
 has in - vit - ed north and south and east and west
 bread and breaks it - truth and man - na from a - bove! -

Christ in - sists they all are wel - come.
 Paul re - lates his fruit - less ef - forts
 to con - verge a - round this ta - ble,
 and then pass - es wine that wak - ens

There is room for ev - 'ry - one.
 to ob - lit - er - ate the light.
 where all life is fed and blest.
 in your heart the taste of love.

"Gather Us In"



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness
2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old who
3 Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will take the
4 Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,



van - ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
yearn for your face; we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,
bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters,
light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.
called to be light to the whole hu - man race.
call us a - new to be salt for the earth.
now is the king - dom, and now is the day.



Gath-er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath-er us in, the
Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty, gath-er us in, the
Give us to drink the wine of com-pas - sion, give us to eat the
Gath-er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath-er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,
proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,
bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion
make us your own; gath-er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,



we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.
give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.
lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.
fire . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

THE COMMUNION BLESSING

THE SENDING OUT

Leader: Here is the divine promise: Receive again, from God's energy, the life you considered alienated, lost, broken. Share again that life of love with the whole universe -- the truth of God's acceptance and reconciliation -- a message that most of the world still waits to hear -- in the name of God the Parent, God the Child, God the Spirit.

C: Amen.

THE SENDING SONG

"We Are Called"

1. Come!
2. Come!
3. Sing!

Live O - in pen a, the your new light! heart! song!

Shine Show Sing with the joy mer and cy the love of the in be
your..... that great day when all those will be

Lord! fear! one! We God are are will called called reign, to to be be and we'll

light hope for for the the king - dom, to so live in the and
walk with each hope - less so as sis - ters and

free - dom of the cit - y of no God!
blind - ness..... will be..... of no more.
broth - ers..... u - nit - ed in love.

We are called to act with jus - tice; we are

called to love ten - der - ly; we are called to

serve one an - oth - er to walk

hum - bly with God.

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

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Coffee Hour: Cyndee Bruder, Marcia Vrankin

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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