

**Trinity Lutheran Church**  
**Created to Praise**  
**June 1<sup>st</sup> , 2025**  
***Seventh Sunday of Easter***

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**GATHERING PRAYER**

*O God, our Redeemer and Savior, through Your mercy and grace You sent us the Christ and gave us hope, even against the powers of evil. Call us again to carry Your Gospel into all the world. In Christ we pray. Amen.*

**GATHERING MUSIC**

**PASTORAL WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Denise Kenworthy- Soles for Jesus

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

***“Lord of the Dance”***

***Trinity Ringers***

**TRINITY WELCOME**

**THOUGHTS FOR THE DAY**

*"Faith is a living, daring confidence in God's grace, so sure and certain that a man could stake his life on it a thousand times."*  
**-Martin Luther**

*"When helping others, do not look for a reward; if you are looking for rewards, don't help others."*  
**-Chinese Proverb**

*"What makes authentic disciples is not visions, ecstasies, biblical mastery of chapter and verse, or spectacular success in the ministry, but a capacity for faithfulness. Buffeted by the fickle winds of failure, battered by their own unruly emotions, and bruised by rejection and ridicule, authentic disciples may have stumbled and frequently fallen, endured lapses and relapses, gotten handcuffed to the fleshpots and wandered into a far county. Yet, they kept coming back to Jesus."*

**-Brennan Manning, The Ragamuffin Gospel**

**CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: If we must suffer, let it be for Jesus.

**People: If we are mocked, let it be for the Lord.**

Leader: If we are excluded, or hunted, or cast out from the midst of friends and family, let it be because our service to God upsets the comfortable order and calls all to repentance and service!

**People: Let us be God's people today.**

# PRAISE SONG

## "God We Gather as Your People"

1. God, we gath - er as your peo - ple to raise our song a -  
 2. Oh, we sing for all the chil - dren, that one day they be  
 3. Oh, we pray for all the young lives cut short by fear and  
 4. God, we're work - ing for the fu - ture when chil - dren far and

bove, and we dare to claim the prom - ise of your love.  
 free; and we sing for gen - er - a - tions yet to be,  
 shame, so a - fraid of who they are and whom they love.  
 wide can live their lives with dig - ni - ty and pride.

Though the day may not yet be here, we  
 that they nev - er have a rea - son to  
 May the mes - sage now be ban - ished that your  
 As they grow in strength and sta - ture, may they

trust it soon will be, when your chil - dren will be free. (sing v.2)  
 doubt that they are blest. May they, in your love, find rest.  
 love is for the few, may their faith in you re - new. (sing v.4)  
 join us hand in hand, as a - gainst all hate we stand.

Oh, may our hearts and minds be o - pened, fling the  
 church doors o - pen wide. May there be room e - nough for  
 ev - 'ry-one in - side. For in God, there is a wel - come, in  
 God we all be - long. May that wel - come be our song.

## OUR CONFESSION

**ALL:** Most Merciful God, we confess that we are often paralyzed by fear, holding back from taking action, fearing failure, judgment, or the unknown. We are afraid to speak, to serve, to make changes, and to trust in your will. We are sorry for our hesitancy, our timidity, and our lack of courage to follow your guidance. We ask for your grace to overcome this fear, to find strength in your love, and to act with boldness and faithfulness in all areas of our lives. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, we pray. Amen.

## CONFESSION RESPONSE

### *"If I Believe in Jesus"*

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in treble clef, key of D major (two sharps), and 4/4 time. It begins with a repeat sign. The lyrics are written below the staff, with some words split across lines. The melody is simple and repetitive, with a clear chorus structure. The lyrics are as follows:

If I be-lieve in Je - sus, do I need to fol - low Him?  
If I be-lieve in Je - sus, do I need to fol - low Him?  
'Cause if I'm gon - na fol - low Him, some things are bound to change.  
Time to go and some love my neigh - bor;  
Time to break and some bread with sin - ners;  
Time to help my home - less sis - ter;  
time to get down on my knees;  
time to weep for my bro - ken dreams;  
time to wash my bro - ther's feet;  
time to step out on the wa - ter  
time to help a wound - ed strang - er  
time to speak a - gainst in - jus - tice  
but I'm hav - ing some trou - ble with let - ting go of all of my things.  
but I'm hav - ing some trou - ble with lov - ing my en - e - mies.  
but I'm hav - ing some trou - ble con - front - ing the pow'rs that be.

## **BAPTISM**

*Linnea Mary Groth*

### **APOSTLE'S CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** *(sit)*

#### **THE READING**

**Acts 16:16-34**

*Acts of the Apostles contains some of early church history after the coming of the Holy Spirit. This New Testament book is sometimes called the book of signs and wonders which are shown here. An attempt is made to stop the Holy Spirit's work, but then the power of God is revealed, and the followers of the Jesus grow in number.*

One day as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a female slave who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you the way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

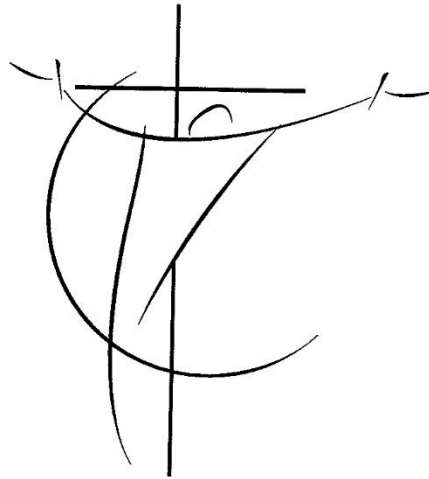
But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men, these Jews, are disturbing our city and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us, being Romans, to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. <sup>23</sup> After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. <sup>24</sup> Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken, and immediately all the doors were opened, and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. <sup>28</sup> But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night, he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them, and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

***MESSAGE***

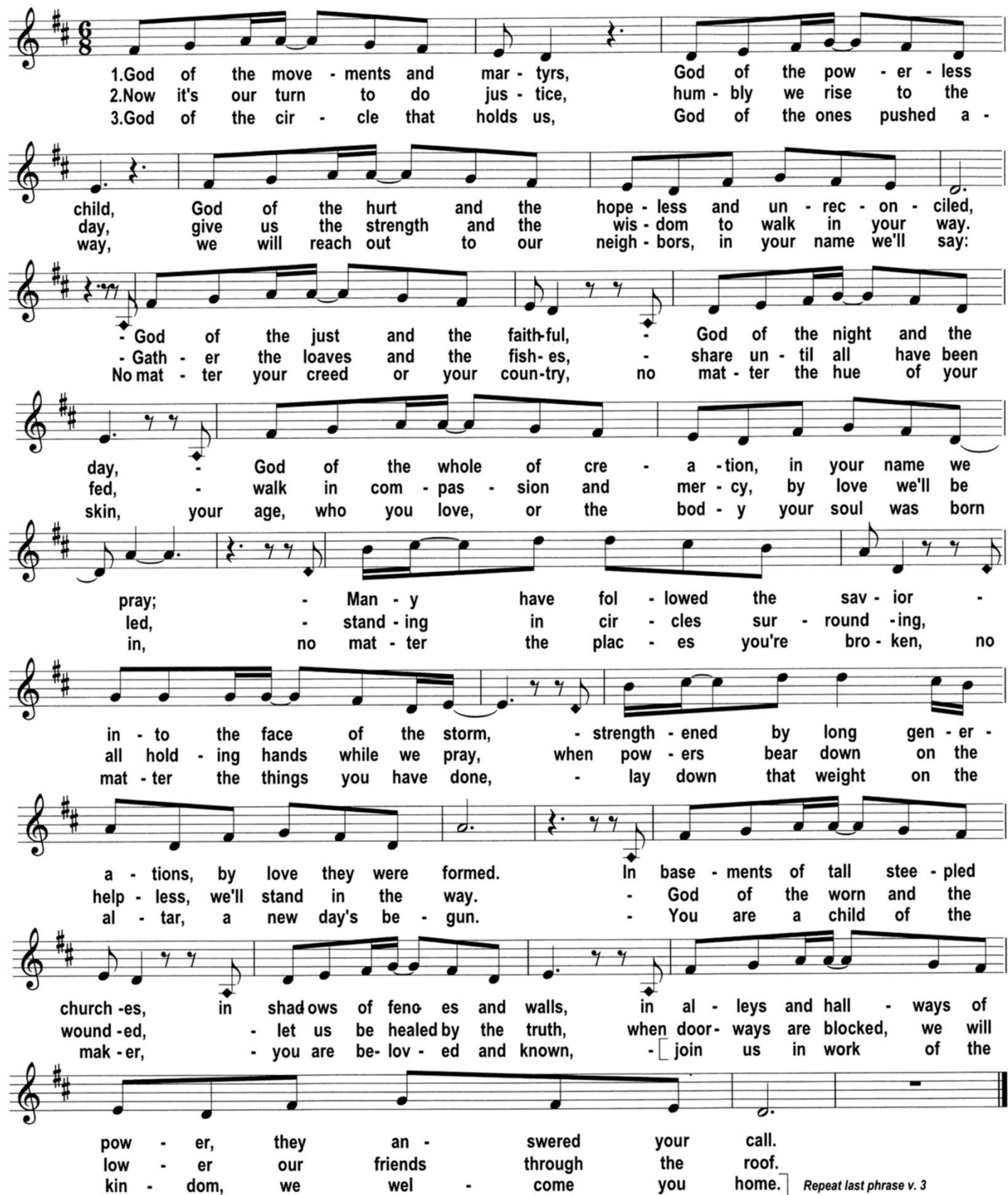
**"Don't Expect a Medal"**

**Pastor David Schoob**



# THE MESSAGE RESPONSE (Stand)

## "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 give of the hurt strength and the hope - less and un - rec - on - ciled,  
 day, we will reach out to the our wis - dom to walk in your way.  
 way, we will reach out to the 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: We come to this place of prayer,

**People: for here we can bring our hopes and dreams, our hidden fears, and the doubts we wear on our sleeves.**

Leader: We come to this place of grace,

**People: for here we learn compassion and joy, and discover how deeply we are loved.**

Leader: We come with these people called the church,

**People: to be blessed by the variety of gifts, to live as one for our God.**

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

### "May Love Rise Above"

The beau - ty and the blood - shed runs deep and wide from the  
The cour - age and the cau - tion, 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 wom - 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 - ing, but down 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 \_\_\_\_\_



## “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 -

geth - er down the road to God knows where.

## “We Are Called”

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

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

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

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

light hope for the king - dom, to live in the  
walk with each hope - less, so as sis - ters and  
of the cit - y of God!  
free - dom of the will be..... no more.  
blind - ness..... will be..... in love.  
broth - ers..... u - nit - ed

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.

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## THE COMMUNION BLESSING

### THE SENDING OUT

Leader: Life is not a dead end;  
It is a surprising journey to God.  
Say "Yes" to life;  
Laugh each day and unwind the threads of the world.  
Notice new life around each corner.  
Make new dreams and cultivate a glad heart!

All: **Christ is risen indeed!**  
**Amen!**

### THE SENDING SONG

#### *"Be Bold, Be Strong"*

Be bold! Be strong! For the  
Lord, your God is with you; Be bold! Be strong!  
For the Lord, your God, is with you.  
I am not a-fraid, I am not dis-mayed, 'Cause I'm  
walk-in' in faith and vic-to-ry. Come on and  
walk in faith and vic-to-ry, For the Lord,  
your God is with you.

### THE DISMISSAL

Leader: Go into God's world in peace and love to 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:** John and Denise Kenworthy

**Reader:** Haley Kordosky

**Communion Set Up:** Sue Kesy

**Communion Servers:**

**Vocalists:** Tony Brodzeller, Cyndee Bruder,  
Heather Peters, Phil Pierce

**Keyboard:** April Brodzeller

**Video:** Peter Nelson **Audio:** Greg Griffin

**Counters:** Shirl Curreri, Diane Ferstadt

**Coffee Hour:** Alyssa Brockman, Nancy Hanvey

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