

**Trinity Lutheran Church**  
**Created to Praise**  
**May 10, 2026**  
**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

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***GATHERING MUSIC***

***WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS***

***TRINITY WELCOME***

L: The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

***THOUGHTS FOR THE DAY***

*"The time is always right to do what is right"*

***-Martin Luther King Jr.***

*"The real voyage of discovery consists not in seeking new landscapes but in having new eyes."*

***-Marcel Proust***

*"The question is not 'Is God leading?' but rather 'Are we following?'"*

***-Anonymous***

***CALL TO WORSHIP (stand)***

L: Christ calls us to love not just in word, but in action.

**C: We gather to grow in faithful love.**

L: Christ's love calls us to welcome those pushed aside and forgotten.

**C: We follow Jesus by responding with love and making room at the table for all.**

L: The Spirit empowers us to break the chains of injustice and bring freedom to the oppressed.

**C: We commit to seek justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with God.**

L: Come, let us worship the living God.

**C: We come with joy and expectation.**

**PRAISE SONG**

**“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. chains. To Refrain

Break these chains. Break these chains. Break these chains. On - ly

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

L: Loving God,

**C: we admit that we don't always follow Jesus. We get distracted, self-focused, and hesitant to care for others. We miss opportunities to act with kindness and compassion. Forgive us and help us begin again.”**

**Assurance**

L: God meets you right where you are—with mercy, not judgment. Because of Jesus, you are forgiven and deeply loved. You are free to follow him and share that love with the world. **Amen.**

**RESPONSE**

**"Let It Be Said of Us"**

Let it be said of us that the Lord was our pas - sion, That with  
Let it be said of us: We were marked by for - give - ness, We were  
glad - ness we bore ev - 'ry cross we were giv - en; That we  
known by our love, and de - light - ed in meek - ness. We were  
fought the good fight, that we fin - ished the course  
ruled by His peace, heed - ing un - i - ty's call;  
Know - ing with - in us the pow'r of the ris - en Lord. Let the  
Joined as one bo - dy that Christ would be seen by all.  
cross be our glo - ry and the Lord be our song, By  
mer - cy made ho - ly, by the Spi - rit\_ made\_ strong. Let the  
cross be our glo - ry and the Lord be our song 'Til the  
like - ness of Je - sus be through us made known. Let the  
cross be our glo - ry and the Lord be our song.

**BAPTISM**

**Tatiana Lee Marie Farrior**

## ***THE APOSTLES' CREED***

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He 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.**

*Today we welcome Tatiana Lee into the family of Christ and celebrate this new life in Christ forever.*

**C: We welcome you in the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

## ***CHILDREN'S MESSAGE***

***Pastor Robb Kosky***

### **WORD**

P: God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

#### **First Reading**

*The first reading is Acts 17:22-31*

<sup>22</sup> Then Paul stood up in the meeting of the Areopagus. He said, "People of Athens! I see that you are very religious in every way. <sup>23</sup> As I walked around, I looked carefully at the things you worship. I even found an altar with To an Unknown God written on it. So you don't know what you are worshiping. Now I am going to tell you about this 'unknown god.'

<sup>24</sup> "He is the God who made the world. He also made everything in it. He is the Lord of heaven and earth. He doesn't live in temples built by human hands. <sup>25</sup> He is not served by human hands. He doesn't need anything. Instead, he himself gives life and breath to all people. He also gives them everything else they have. <sup>26</sup> From one man he made all the people of the world. Now they live all over the earth. He decided exactly when they should live. And he decided exactly where they should live. <sup>27</sup> God did this so that people would seek him. And perhaps they would reach out for him and find him. They would find him even though he is not far from any of us. <sup>28</sup> 'In him we live and move and exist.' As some of your own poets have also said, 'We are his children.'

<sup>29</sup> “Yes, we are God’s children. So we shouldn’t think that God is made out of gold or silver or stone. He isn’t a statue planned and made by clever people. <sup>30</sup> In the past, God didn’t judge people for what they didn’t know. But now he commands all people everywhere to turn away from their sins. <sup>31</sup> He has set a day when he will judge the world fairly. He has appointed a man to be its judge. God has proved this to everyone by raising that man from the dead.”

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

P: Please stand as you are able for the reading of the Gospel.

***The Gospel***

**John 14:15-21**

P: The holy gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>15</sup> “If you love me, obey my commands. <sup>16</sup> I will ask the Father. And he will give you another friend to help you and to be with you forever. <sup>17</sup> That friend is the Spirit of truth. The world can’t accept him. That’s because the world does not see him or know him. But you know him. He lives with you, and he will be in you. <sup>18</sup> I will not leave you like children who don’t have parents. I will come to you. <sup>19</sup> Before long, the world will not see me anymore. But you will see me. Because I live, you will live also. <sup>20</sup> On that day you will realize that I am in my Father. You will know that you are in me, and I am in you. <sup>21</sup> Anyone who has my commands and obeys them loves me. My Father will love the one who loves me. I too will love them. And I will show myself to them.”

***The Gospel Response:***

P: The gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

(You may be seated)

**MESSAGE**

***Pastor Robb Kosky***

**MESSAGE RESPONSE**      **“Take My Life that I May Be” vs 1,2,4**



Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord  
to thee; take my mo - ments and my days;  
let them flow in cease - less praise.  
1. Take my hands and let them move  
2. Take my sil - ver and let my gold,  
3. Take my voice and let me sing  
4. Take my will and make it thine;  
at the im - pulse of thy love;  
not a mite would I for thy with - hold;  
it shall be no long - er mine;  
take my feet and tel - lect them be swift and  
take my in - tel - lect and them use ev - 'ry  
take my lips, and let them be filled with  
take my heart, it is thine own; it shall  
beau - ti - ful for thee  
pow'r as thou shalt choose.  
mes - sag - es from thee.  
be thy roy - al throne.

**THE PRAYERS** (Please stand as you are able)

**P:** Trusting in the power of Christ’s resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation.

(Each petition ends: “Merciful God”. The congregation responds: “Receive our prayer”)

**P:** God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

**C: Amen.**

## MEAL

P: God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.



### ***THE OFFERING*** (*You may be seated*)

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

### **Offering Prayer** (*Please stand as you are able*)

P: Merciful God,

**C: accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus, Amen.**

### ***THE COMMUNION SENTENCES***

P: In beauty and mystery,

**C: We find the face of God.**

P: In the common and the ordinary,

**C: The love of Christ finds us.**

P: Hidden within the bread and the wine,

**C: Is the presence of God.**

P: Come and find new life in the meal,

**All: And share the joy of faith.**

P: 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***

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**All: 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.**

# INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Come to the table. Feast on God's goodness and mercy. All are welcome.

## THE DISTRIBUTION *(You may be seated)*

*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 celiac friendly individually packaged wafer/wine in the first pew.)*

## COMMUNION SONGS "They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love"

vs 1,3,4

1. We are one in the Spir - it, we are  
3. We will work with each oth - er, we will  
4. All praise to the Fa - ther, from

one in the Lord, We are one in the  
work side by side, We will work in the  
whom all things come, And all praise to Christ

Spir - it, we are one in the Lord, And we  
oth - er, we will work side by side, And we'll  
Je - sus, His on - ly Son, And all

pray guard - that all u - ni - ty may one day be re  
praise to the Spir - it who saves each one's  
- stored: And they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love, by our  
pride:  
one:

love, Yes, they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love.

## "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 but down be - low oh 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 \_\_\_\_\_

## "Here at the Table"



Christ is here, here at the ta - ble. Come gath - er and  
lay life's bur - dens down, here at the ta - ble, at the ta -  
ble where love and peace a - bound. Oh, oh, oh, oh.  
Bring your hun - ger, bring your won - der,  
Bring your sad - ness, bring your mad - ness,  
Bring your yearn - ing, bring your turn - ing,  
bring your thirst - ing heart. Bring your trou - bles,  
bring your si - lent shame. Bring your sigh - ing,  
bring your deep - est needs. Bring your doubt - ing,  
bring your strug - gles, bring all that you are.  
bring your cry - ing, bring all of your pain.  
bring your shout - ing, bring all to be freed.

### **THE COMMUNION BLESSING** (please stand as you are able)

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

P: Holy One,

C: through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus, Amen.

### **SENDING**

P: God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Go forth in love, reflecting Jesus in your words and actions, serving others with grace, humility, and courage.

C: Amen.

**THE SENDING SONG**

**"We Are A Rainbow"**

1. We're the light of all the world; we are a  
 2. We are coat of man - y col - ors, sewn from  
 3. We are hope to still be - lieve \_\_\_\_\_ in to -  
 4. When we face the storms of life \_\_\_\_\_ we will

cit - y on a hill; we're a can - dle on a stand  
 man - y dif - f'rent threads, cov - 'ring all in warmth, in wel  
 morrow's be - ter day. We are peace\_ in a world  
 nev - er be a - lone for our God\_ will be with

pro - claim - ing light, We will not hide our lamp  
 - come and in grace. God said, "let there be light,"  
 that's torn a - part. We are joy that will last  
 us on the way. Hand in hand, side by side,

be - neath a bush - el an - y - more. We will  
 cre - at - ed ev - 'ry va - ried shade. In the  
 in all the strug - gles that we face. We are  
 we won't be fright - ened an - y - more as the

shine a ray of hope that's burn - ing bright. We  
 rain - bow, each of us can find a place. We  
 love that blooms and grows in ev - 'ry heart. We  
 mourn - ing night of tears breaks in - to day. We

are a rain\_ - bow, sign of cov - e - nant and peace for the  
 flood of tears will fin - 'ly cease to be. Come shine your rain\_ - bow,  
 splash your hues a - cross the sky. (Paint the world in col - ors  
 proud and bold and free.) Repeat (tag) last time.

## ***THE DISMISSAL***

L: Go in peace. Praise the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*Please stay for a coffee hour following the worship service.*

### **WE THANK OUR WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

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