

Trinity Lutheran Church
Created to Praise
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7th Sunday of Easter

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GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Member Welcome

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Kevin and Lisa Streekstra

Sponsor: Ron Wicke

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Blessing of the Blankets

TRINITY WELCOME

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

THOUGHTS FOR THE DAY

At the end of life we will not be judged by how many diplomas we have received, how much money we have made, how many great things we have done. We will be judged by; I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat, I was naked and you clothed me. I was homeless, and you took me in.

Mother Teresa (Founder of the Sisters of Charity)

"As you grow older, you will discover that you have two hands, one for helping yourself, the other for helping others."

-Maya Angelou

"We cannot live only for ourselves. A thousand fibers connect us with our fellow men; and among those fibers, as sympathetic threads, our actions run as causes, and they come back to us as effects."

-Herman Melville

CALL TO WORSHIP (stand)

L: Jesus prayed that all his followers would be one.

C: In Christ, we are joined together in love and grace.

L: We are called not only to worship God, but to love one another.

C: We are called to treat all people with kindness, dignity, and compassion.

L: The glory of God is revealed in mercy, justice, and peace.

C: Together we seek to reflect Christ's love in the world.

L: God calls us to trust and to know that mercy is stronger than fear.

C: We place our trust in Christ, who guides and sustains us.

PRAISE SONG

"I Will Trust in You"

1. When I can't see You, I
2. And when the dark - ness is
know You're here; When I can't feel You, I
clos - ing in, And I am run - ning a -
will not fear; I will trust in You and I
gainst the wind; I will trust in You and I
will not be a - fraid. And when the
will not be a - fraid. 'Cause when I'm
bat - tle is close at hand I know You're
stand - ing up - on that shore and all the
with me to help me stand; I will
bat - tles have gone be - fore, I will
trust in You and I will not be a - fraid
trust in You and I will not be a - fraid.
I will not be a - fraid. I will not be a -
fraid. I will trust in You, I will trust in You.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Holy God,

C: we confess that we do not always live as one body in Christ.

We allow division, judgment, and selfishness to separate us from one another. Too often we forget that we belong to you and to each other. Forgive us, renew us, and draw us together in your love.

Assurance

L: Jesus prays for his people, saying that we belong to God and are held in God's care.

In Christ, we are forgiven, restored, and made one. God's mercy unites us as one body, one people, and one church. Through Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

Amen.

RESPONSE

"Open My Heart To Your Love"

The musical score is written for a single voice in 3/4 time. It consists of five staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "O - pen my heart to your love, oh God. Heal - er of na - tions to your and love, oh hearts, O - pen my heart to your love, oh God. you are the my eyes path to way to your grace. O - pen my life to re - ceive your word. Send Sing - er of my life in the face of death, Send O - pen my life to 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 wav." The score includes a treble clef, a 3/4 time signature, and a key signature of one flat (Bb). The lyrics are arranged in five lines, with some words split across lines. The final line of the score ends with a double bar line and a fermata over the final note.

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 1:6-14

⁶ Then the apostles gathered around Jesus and asked him a question. “Lord,” they said, “are you going to give the kingdom back to Israel now?”

⁷ He said to them, “You should not be concerned about times or dates. The Father has set them by his own authority. ⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you. Then you will tell people about me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria. And you will even tell other people about me from one end of the earth to the other.”

⁹ After Jesus said this, he was taken up to heaven. The apostles watched until a cloud hid him from their sight.

¹⁰ While he was going up, they kept on looking at the sky. Suddenly two men dressed in white clothing stood beside them. ¹¹ “Men of Galilee,” they said, “why do you stand here looking at the sky? Jesus has been taken away from you into heaven. But he will come back in the same way you saw him go.”

¹² The apostles returned to Jerusalem from the hill called the Mount of Olives. It is just over half a mile from the city. ¹³ When they arrived, they went upstairs to the room where they were staying. Here is a list of those who were there.

Peter, John, James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, Simon the Zealot and Judas son of James

¹⁴ They all came together regularly to pray. The women joined them too. So did Jesus’ mother Mary and his brothers.

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 17:1-11

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

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁷ After Jesus said this, he looked toward heaven and prayed. He said, “Father, the time has come. Bring glory to your Son. Then your Son will bring glory to you. ² You gave him authority over all people. He gives eternal life to all those you have given him. ³ And what is eternal life? It is knowing you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. ⁴ I have brought you glory on earth. I have finished the work you gave me to do. ⁵ So now, Father, give glory to me in heaven where your throne is. Give me the glory I had with you before the world began.

6 “I have shown you to the disciples you gave me out of the world. They were yours. You gave them to me. And they have obeyed your word. 7 Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you. 8 I gave them the words you gave me. And they accepted them. They knew for certain that I came from you. They believed that you sent me. 9 I pray for them. I am not praying for the world. I am praying for those you have given me, because they are yours. 10 All I have is yours, and all you have is mine. Glory has come to me because of my disciples. 11 I will not remain in the world any longer. But they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them safe by the power of your name. It is the name you gave me. Keep them safe so they can be one, just as you and I are one.

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

“Glorify Thy Name”

1. Fa - ther, we love You, we wor - ship and a - dore You,
 2. Je - sus, we love You, we wor - ship and a - dore You,
 3. Spir - it, we love You, we wor - ship and a - dore You,

Glo - ri - fy Thy name in all the earth__

Glo - ri - fy Thy name.____ Glo - ri - fy Thy name,

Glo - ri - fy Thy name in all the earth.____

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: God has called us to be the church in the world.

C: We worship as our witness to the world of our commitment to God.

P: God feeds us with bread and wine.

C: God nourishes us for our ministry in the world.

P: Let us worship the risen Christ, who is present in this sacrament.

C: Let us worship Jesus the Christ, who called us to take this sacrament in memory of him.

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

“Leaning In”

1. We pray for the lone - ly ones know - ing
 2. We pray for the wound - ed ones know - ing
 4. We pray for the dy - ing ones know - ing

that some of us are lone - ly, and
 that some of us are wound - ed, and
 that some of us are dy - ing, and

we pray for the heart - bro - ken ones know - ing
 we pray for the re - gret - ful ones know - ing
 we pray for the new - ly born ones know - ing

that some of us are heart - bro - ken.
 that some of us are re - gret - ful.
 that some of us are ar - riv - ing.

All - - our hearts and minds are lean - ing in with

clear in - ten - tion, join - ing in your way of

love in the world.
 heal - ing in the world.
 love in the world. A - - - men.

"His Banner Over"

His ban - ner o - ver me is love, His
ban - ner o - ver me is love; And He
takes me to His ta - ble of love
and He takes me to His ban - quet - ing
ta - ble of love. *Song ending.* Sure - ly His
good - ness and mer - cy shall fol - low me,
all of my life I will dwell in the
house of the Lord, of the Lord.

The musical score is written in 4/4 time and consists of ten staves. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line and repeat dots.

"Thy Word"

Thy Word is a lamp un - to my feet and a light un - to my path.

1. When I feel a - fraid think I've lost my way, still You're there right be -
2. I will not for - get Your love for me and yet my heart for - ev - er is

side wan - der - ing. me. And noth - ing will I fear as
le - sus be my guide and

long as You are near. Please be near me to the end
hold me to Your side, and I will love you to the end

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

"Build Your Kingdom Here"

1. Come, set Your rule and reign in our hearts a -
2. (We) seek Your King - dom first. We hun - ger and we
3. (Un) - leash Your King - dom's pow'r, reach - ing the near and

gain. In crease in us, we pray. Un - veil why we're made. Come
thirst; re - fuse to waste our lives, for You're our joy and prize. To
far. No force of hell can stop Your beaut - y chang - ing hearts. You

set our hearts a - blaze with hope, like wild - fire in our
see the cap - tive's heart re - leased; the hurt, the sick, the
made us for much more than this. A - wake the King - dom

ver - y souls. Ho - ly Spir - it, come, in - vade us now.
poor at peace. We lay down our lives for Heav - en's cause.
seed in us. Fill us with the strength and love of Christ.

1. Sing v. 2 | 2.,3. To chorus

We are Your church. We need Your pow'r in us. 2. We
We are Your church. We pray re - vive this earth.
We are Your church. We are the hope on earth.

Build Your King - dom here. Let the dark - ness fear. Show Your
might - y hand. Heal our streets and land. Set Your church on
fire. Win this na - tion back. Change the at - mos - phere. Build Your
King - dom here, we pray. 2 | 1. Sing v. 3 | 2. Repeat chorus

3. Un - Build Your

THE DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Praise the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please stay for an Ice Cream Social following the worship service.

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