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Welcome to Trinity!

A place of love, grace, and belonging, where all, without exception, are loved, honored, valued, affirmed, welcomed, and celebrated.

If we can make you feel more at home, please speak to an usher or greeter.

As disciples of Christ working for peace and justice in the world, we welcome, affirm, and embrace all people, without exception, into the fullness of God's love. We advocate for racial, gender, queer, and economic equity. We celebrate people of all cultures, ages, races, sexual orientations, gender identities, gender expressions, physical or mental abilities, socioeconomic statuses, appearances, family status, and citizenship as equally loved and valued in the eyes of God and in this community. All are invited to join us as we worship God, grow in faith, and strive to love and serve one another.

ADULTS & CHILDREN

Worship Bags are available in the Narthex or the Gym for children. Bags for preschoolers are tied with a white ribbon. Bags for elementary age children have no ribbon. After worship, used bags may be placed in the baskets next to the stands.

A nursery hosted by a member of the Trinity staff, Beth Oswald, as well as a small group of rotating volunteers who have been trained in Trinity's Child Protection Policy is available each Sunday morning beginning at 9:45 am to care for infants and toddlers who would prefer enjoying play time instead of attending 10:00 am worship. The nursery is located on the first floor of the Pence Building. Please reach out to a greeter or usher if you need assistance.

PRAYING WITH US

We encourage you to participate fully in our service, as you are comfortable. We invite you to read aloud the **bold text**. Wherever you see ✠, you are invited to cross yourself. Other actions are indicated during the service, but none are required.

LET'S GET CONNECTED

If you are new to Trinity, we are thrilled to have you here. If you would like to know more about this congregation and our ministry please share your contact information with us by filling out a Connection Card which can be obtained from the pew racks or baskets. Thank you for your presence among us.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of our beautiful community of faith and love by Angie McCormack.

Serving Today

Jim Parham

Presiding Minister and Preaching

Angie McCormack

Assisting Minister

Frank Griffin

Organist and Choir Director

Lector

Shannon Whitworth

Prayers

Vicki Rubenstein

Cantor

Richard Moose

Guitar

Duke Barsody

Percussion

John Beckford

Communion Assistant

Mike Boliek

Acolyte

Jenna Mast

Children's Worship Opportunity

Lara Wannemacher,
Stefani Robinson

Nursery

Beth Oswald, Karen Craig

Praying for Possibilities

Dexter Brecht

Refreshment Hosts

Kay Cook, Amanda Cook, JL Dykes

Greeters

Amanda Mast, Chris Mast,
Jenna Mast, Kylee Mast,
Geoff Reid, Julie Reid

Ushers

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God Welcomes All

PRELUDE

Up through Endless Ranks of Angels

by Donald Busarow

WORDS OF WELCOME AND AFFIRMATION

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Please stand as you're able.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Salvation belongs to our God who raised Jesus from the tomb, broke the chains of death, and continues to set us free.

Amen.

In the name of ☩ God our Holy Parent,

Christ who destroyed death,

and the Holy Spirit who grants us peace, we give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Celebrating with water, we give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning you created water before then creating us in your own image. You placed us in a well-watered garden with water as a life source. In the desert, you promised pools of water for the parched, and you gave us water from the rock. When we did not know the way, you sent the Good Shepherd to lead us to still waters. At the cross, you washed us from Jesus' wounded side. On this day, we gather with your people around the water of life.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

We praise you and thank you for creating each of us in your holy image. In Christ you welcome all parts of us. You welcome our brokenness, our doubts, our certainties, our Queerness, and our not-Queerness. You welcome us because you love us. In the waters of baptism we are defined by your grace and love.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Gathered around this water, remind us that you created each drop of water on this earth. You created the oceans we love to float in, the tears which sting our eyes, the water we wash ourselves clean with in showers, and the cool water we sip as sweet tea on a warm day. As you made water to take such numerous forms, so did you carefully and wonderfully make each of us to be unique in your infinite images. Just as water gets each of us equally wet, so does your love cover all of creation, without exception.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism,

and for making us a new creation. Claiming ourselves and each other as your people, we give you honor and praise through Jesus Christ, our living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing!



1 A hymn of glo - ry let us sing! New hymns through-out the world shall
2 The ho - ly ap - os - tol - ic band up - on the Mount of Ol - ives
3 To whom the shin - ing an - gels cry, "Why stand and gaze up - on the
4 "You see him now, as-cend-ing high up to the por-tals of the
5 O ris - en Christ, as-cend-ed Lord, all praise to you let earth ac -



ring: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Christ, by a road be - fore un -
stand, Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! and with his faith-ful fol-l'wers
sky?" Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! "This is the Sav - ior!" thus they
sky." Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! "Here - af - ter Je - sus you shall
cord: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! You are, while end-less ag - es



trod, as - cends un - to the throne of God.
see their Lord as - cend in maj - es - ty.
say, "this is his glo - rious tri - umph day!" Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le -
see re - turn - ing in great maj - es - ty."
run, with Fa - ther and with Spir - it one.



lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia!

Text: Bede, 673–735; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*
Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Köln, 1623
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GREETING

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit is with you all.

And also with you.



CANTICLE OF PRAISE

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Hail Thee, Festival Day!

Refrain

Hail thee, fes - ti-val day! Blest day to be hal-lowed for - ev - er;

day when our Lord was raised, break-ing the king - dom of death.

1 All the fair beau - ty of earth from the

death of the win - ter a - ris - ing! Ev' - ry good

Refrain

gift of the year now with its mas-ter re - turns:

2 Rise from the grave now, O Lord, the au - thor of

life and cre - a - tion. Tread-ing the path - way of

death, new life you give to us all:

The prayer of the day covers the wide variety of human longing and responsibilities of the church and humanity.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord is with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God of glory, your Only Begotten One Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other in suffering and in joy, that all the world may be drawn into your bountiful presence, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever

Amen.

Please be seated.

God Speaks to Us Through a Living Word

We follow a three year cycle of readings called a Lectionary. These are lessons being heard in congregations from many denominations throughout the world on this day.

A READING

Acts 1:6-14

A reading from Acts.

⁶ When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the sovereignty of Israel?” ⁷ He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that Abba God has set by divine authority. ⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” ⁹ When Jesus had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰ While Jesus was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two messengers in white robes stood by them. ¹¹ They said, “People of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

¹² Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day’s journey away. ¹³ When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying: Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. ¹⁴ All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.



PSALM

Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35

Psalm Refrain

Sing to God, who rides up - on the clouds.

Psalm Tone

The Psalm is a hymn or poem. The psalms cover the whole range of the relationship between God and God's people. The Book of Psalms, while a "book" of the Bible, consists of 150 hymns intended to be sung.

- ¹ Let God arise, and let God's ene- | mies be scattered;
let those who | hate God flee.
- ² **As smoke is driven away, so you should drive | them away;**
as the wax melts before the fire,
so let the wicked perish at the pres- | ence of God.
- ³ But let the righteous be glad and rejoice | before God;
let them also be mer- | ry and joyful.
- ⁴ **Sing to God, sing praises to God's name;**
exalt the one who | rides the clouds;
I Am is that name, rejoice | before God! R
- ⁵ In your holy habita- | tion, O God,
you are a loving parent to orphans, defend- | er of widows;
- ⁶ **you give the solitary a home and bring forth prisoners | into freedom;**
but the rebels shall live in | desert places.
- ⁷ O God, when you went forth be- | fore your people,
when you marched | through the wilderness,
- ⁸ **the earth quaked, and the skies poured down rain,**
at the presence of God, the | God of Sinai,
at the presence of God, the | God of Israel.
- ⁹ You sent a bountiful | rain, O God;
you restored your inheritance | when it languished.
- ¹⁰ **Your people found their | home in it;**
in your goodness, O God, you have made provision | for the poor. R
- ³² Sing to God, O kingdoms | of the earth;
sing praises | to the Lord.
- ³³ **You ride in the heavens, O God, in the | ancient heavens;**
you send forth your voice, your | mighty voice.
- ³⁴ Ascribe pow- | er to God,
whose majesty is over Israel; whose strength is | in the skies.
- ³⁵ **How wonderful you are in your holy places, O | God of Israel,**
giving strength and power to your people! | Blessed be God! R

CHILDREN'S SERMON

"All for One?" or "One for All?"

Please stand as able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -
- le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -
Hal - le - lu - jah.
lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

Music: Caribbean traditional; arr. Mark Sedio, b. 1954
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During worship, there is always a reading from a Gospel. We stand to indicate the importance we place on Jesus' words and actions.

GOSPEL

John 17:1-11

The Holy Gospel according to Saint John the seventeenth chapter.
Glorify to you, O Lord.

¹ After Jesus had spoken these words [to his disciples,] he looked up to heaven and said, "Abba God, the hour has come; glorify your Only Begotten One so that I may glorify you, ² since you have given me authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given me. ³ And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. ⁴ I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. ⁵ So now, Abba, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

⁶ "I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷ Now they know that everything you have given me is from you, ⁸ for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth



that I came from you, and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I have been glorified in them. ¹¹And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Abba God, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

Unity in the Chaos

HYMN OF THE DAY

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Please stand as able.

1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter,
 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans are we left in
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en, here on earth our
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om - nip - o -
 5 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter,

his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the
 sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is near us; faith be -
 food, our stay; Al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to
 tent we own; Al - le - lu - ia! born of Mar - y, earth your
 his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the

vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful
 lieves, nor ques - tions how. Though the cloud from sight re -
 you from day to day. In - ter - ces - sor, friend of
 foot - stool, heav'n your throne. As with - in the veil you
 vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful

Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus
 ceived him when the for - ty days were o'er, shall our
 sin - ners, earth's re - deem - er, hear our plea where the
 en - tered, robed in flesh, our great high priest, here on
 Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus

out of ev - 'ry na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood."
 hearts for - get his prom - ise: "I am with you ev - er - more?"
 songs of all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
 earth both priest and vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.
 out of ev - 'ry na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood."



APOSTLE'S CREED

God has made us God's people through our Baptism into Christ.
Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**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 Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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

A brief silence.

O God, your people sing praises throughout the church. By your Holy Spirit, inspire musicians, lay leaders, pastors, and bishops to proclaim the gospel of Jesus. Grant the body of Christ unity in love and courage in challenging times. Make us all one. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

God who refreshes the weary land, you send gracious rain upon your inheritance and make provision for the poor. Tend your creation with that same generosity — send gentle rains and warming sun, guard your beloved earth from disaster, and deepen our calling to be faithful stewards of all you have made. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Parent of orphans and defender of widows, God who gives the solitary a home and brings prisoners into freedom — stir in those who hold power a hunger for that same justice. Bring an end to laws legislated against the Queer, Transgender, women, the indiginous, and people of color. Awaken leaders in government, business, and education to the work of peace and equity, especially for those constantly pushed to the margins. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

In the Apostles' Creed, we respond to the proclamation of God's Word by confessing the faith that has been handed down through generations of Christians. We "believe" (from the Latin *credere*, meaning "to put one's heart into") as an act of trust in the story of God's creating love, redeeming work in Jesus Christ, and life-giving presence through the Holy Spirit. We say "I believe" not as an isolated individual, but as one held within the faith of the whole church, the Body of Christ, which supports and strengthens us when our own faith feels fragile. When it is not capitalized, the word "catholic" means universal—affirming that this faith belongs to the whole people of God, in all times and places.

The Prayers of Intercession are always responsive, because everyone gives voice to the supplications. We include prayers for others throughout the world, in our Synod, and those connected to our congregation.

Holy Parent, you have heard Jesus pray for protection of his followers. Extend that prayer now to all who suffer. Soothe the anxious, comfort the grieving, surround those living with cognitive decline and those who love them. Heal all who are sick, especially those we name now on our lips or silently in our hearts ... Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

You have called us to be witnesses to the ends of the earth, and you meet us in the communities where we gather in your name. Bless this community of faith, gathered here and especially those gathered via our livestream, that we may more fully know and love you by knowing and loving one another. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

You call your people to go forth as witnesses, trusting that your Spirit will lead them into what they cannot yet see. Walk with those whose high school graduation we are celebrating today. Bless Samuel Godfrey, Jax Jordan, Clark Lawrence, Jenna Mast, and Layten Woodward. Make a clear path for them and guide them with the gift of your love as they step into new futures you are creating. We pray also for Patrick Preacher as he graduates from Wartburg Seminary on this day. As each of these graduates step away from what has formed them and move toward what is still unfolding, give them courage for the unknown, companions for the road, and the deep assurance that they go nowhere you have not already gone. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Eternal life is to know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. Strengthen us through the witness of all the saints who have gone before us and hold us fast in the hope that nothing can pull us away from your love. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

BLESSING OF THE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

We invite our high school graduates to come and gather with us at the baptismal font:

Samuel Godfrey

Jax Jordan

Clark Lawrence

Jenna Mast

Layten Woodward

Your graduation from high school reflects hard work and dedication, and we are delighted to share in your accomplishments. This is a very significant milestone in your life.

As we recognize and celebrate this milestone in your lives, we gather here at the baptismal font as a reminder of who and whose you are. When you were baptized, you were claimed by God. God's gracious love was poured out on you and you became God's precious children.

As you continue in this baptismal journey of faith, be mindful of these words of Scripture:

Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go. Joshua 1:9

I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. Jeremiah 29:11



Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of God's power. Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

Ephesians 6:10

Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to God in heaven. Matthew 5:16

As you celebrate your achievements and prepare to begin new endeavors, we invite you to be mindful of your grounding in faith and of God's call upon your life.

As a token of our love and our hopes for you, we are gifting you with Trinity blankets. May they give you comfort and warmth on long trips and late nights. May they help you remember your place in this community of faith. May they remind you, that no matter how far away from us you are, you are always wrapped in God's warm and loving embrace.

Please stand as able.

Let us pray. Gracious God, we praise you for blessing us and claiming us as your own. We thank you for Samuel, Jax, Clark, Jenna, and Layten for the blessing they are to us. Be with them as they begin this new journey in life. Give them wisdom and discernment in decision-making; courage in the face of challenge; strength to confront temptation; comfort in distress; boldness to change the world for the good of all, and the peace that comes with the knowledge that you will never let them go. We ask this blessing upon each of them, in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ is with you always.

And also with you.

Please share with one another a sign of Christ's peace.

Please be seated.

God Invites Us to the Table

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Adult Choir

I Come with Joy

Music: Dove of Peace by W. Walker, arr. by Jim Parham

Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936

*I come with joy, a child of God, forgiven, loved, and free,
the life of Jesus to recall in love laid down for me,
in love laid down for me.*

*I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love in Christ's communion bread,
in Christ's communion bread.*

*As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud division ends.
The love that made us, makes us one, and strangers now are friends,
and strangers now are friends.*

The Peace has been exchanged in worship since the time of the first Christians. It is a profound act to offer the miraculous peace of God to one another before we join in communion with God and each other.

The Offertory is when we bring our gifts of bread, wine, money, and our very selves to present to God as our initial act of thanksgiving. This collection is a visible reminder that our whole lives are God's, and a part of what God has given us we give back in thanksgiving for all that we have and all that we are. Financial contributions can be placed in the offering plates during worship, mailed to the church, or given electronically by going to our website trinitylutheran.ws, by scanning the QR code, or texting TLCGIVE to 73256.



Together met, together bound by all that God has done,
we'll go with joy, to give the world the love that makes us one,
the love that makes us one.

OFFERTORY HYMN

Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia

1 Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia.
5 Christ has a - ris - en to set us free.

Re - joice and praise him, al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, to him prais - es be.

For our re - deem - er burst from the tomb,
Je - sus is liv - ing! Let us all sing;

e - ven from death, dis - pel - ling its gloom.
he reigns tri - um - phant, hea - ven - ly king.

Refrain
Let us sing praise to him with end - less joy.

Death's fear - ful sting he has come to de - stroy.



Our sin for - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!
Je - sus is liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

OFFERING PRAYER

Risen Christ,
**on this morning of hope that refuses to stay buried,
we bring our gifts —
imperfect, heartfelt, and alive with possibility.
You who destroyed the power of death
also break open our fear, our scarcity, our stinginess.
Plant in us a resurrection generosity,
that dares to imagine a world made new.
Bless these offerings, we pray,
that they may become shelter for the weary,
welcome for the stranger,
justice for the oppressed,
and belonging for all who have been told they are not enough.
May what we give today help build a community
where every body is honored,
every story is sacred,
and love rises again and again.
In the name of the Risen One,
who calls us into courage, compassion, and community. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord is with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

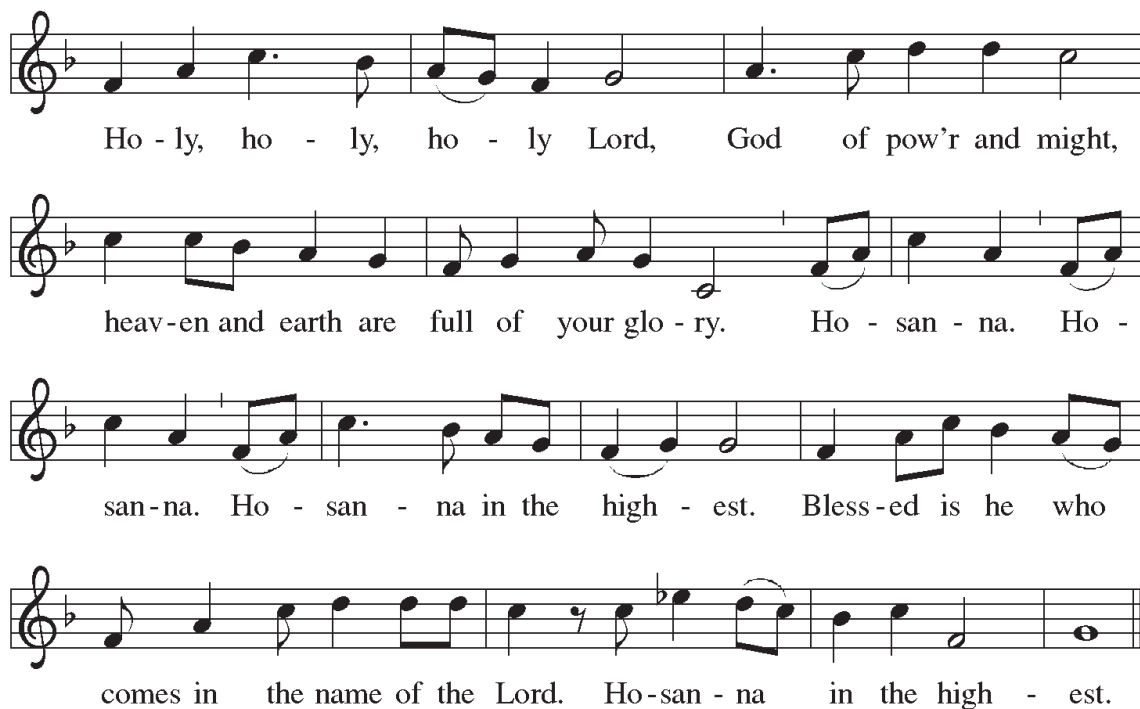
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed our joy and honor
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you,
O God of resurrection and new life.

In the rising of Jesus, you overturn the powers of death
and break open every tomb that holds your people captive.
You lift up the lowly,
restore the broken,
and call all people into the fullness of life.
You create each and every one of us in your image,
declaring every life beloved, valued, and celebrated.

Through your Spirit, you gather a people
to seek justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with you –
a community where no one is cast aside.
With all the witnesses of the resurrection,
We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

The Sanctus (holy, holy, holy) recalls the words of the prophet Isaiah, overwhelmed by the presence of God in the sanctuary, and these words were sung by the people as Jesus entered Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. The Sanctus reminds us that this is an offering of the whole creation, which joins in singing these praises.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

At the right time, you sent Jesus,
An open channel of light and love,
who turned water into wine,
rejection into welcome,
hunger into fullness,
and death into life.

On 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.
For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts
of bread and wine,
that they may nourish us to be your hands and heart in the world;
to feed the hungry,
welcome the stranger,
and reject evil in the world and in our own hearts,
until that day when all creation is made whole
and every tear is wiped away,
and God's kin-dom of peace and justice reigns over all the earth. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the table of grace. The gift of new life belongs to you...to ALL of you!
Thanks be to God.

Please be seated.

COMMUNION

All, without exception, are welcome at the table of God's grace and love. Both wine and grape juice are available in the split chalice— wine in the larger section and grape juice in the smaller section. Christ's grace and forgiveness is found in the bread, wine, and grape juice. Gluten free wafers are available.

At the direction of the ushers, worshippers are invited to move to the front of the center aisle to dip the wafer into the chalice to receive Communion by intinction.

The Lord's Prayer is the prayer that Jesus gave to his followers when they asked him to teach them to pray. It links our daily bread to the spiritual food we receive in Communion.

In an effort to further embrace Trinity's mission of welcome, affirmation, and hospitality, both wine and grape juice are available in the split chalice.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

We Come to the Hungry Feast

1 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a word of peace.
2 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a world re - leased
3 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry that the hun - ger cease,
To hun - gry hearts un - sat - is - fied the love of God is
from hun - gry folk of ev - 'ry kind, the poor in bod - y,
and know - ing, though we eat our fill, the hun - ger will stay
not de - nied. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
poor in mind. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
with us; still we come, we come to the hun - gry feast.

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Room at the Table

Piano introduction

Music and Lyrics: Carrie Newcomer



- 1 Let our
- 2 Too
- 3 No



hearts not be hard-ened to those liv - ing on the mar - gins. There is long we have wan - dered bur - dened and un - done, but there is mat - ter who you are, no mat - ter where you've been, there is



room at the ta - ble for ev - 'ry - one. This is room at the ta - ble for ev - 'ry - one. This is room at the ta - ble for ev - 'ry - one. Here and



where it all be - gins, this is how we ga - ther in. There is how it all be - gins. Let us sing the new world in. There is now we can be the be - loved com - mun - i - ty. There is



room at the ta - ble for ev - 'ry - one. room at the ta - ble for ev - 'ry - one. room at the ta - ble for ev - 'ry - one.

Chorus



There is room for us all, and no gift is too small. There is



room at the ta - ble for ev - 'ry - one. There's e -



nough if we share. Come on pull up a chair. There is



room at the ta - ble for ev - 'ry - one.

Finale ending



ev - 'ry - one. There is room at the ta - ble for ev - 'ry - one, for



ev - 'ry - one.

Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song

Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b.
1944

Music: BRIDEGROOM,
Peter Cutts, b. 1937

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1 Like the mur - mur of the dove's song, like the chal - lenge of her
2 To the mem - bers of Christ's bod - y, to the branch-es of the
3 With the heal - ing of di - vi - sion, with the cease - less voice of



flight, like the vig - or of the wind's rush, like the
vine, to the church in faith as - sem - bled, to our
prayer, with the pow'r to love and wit - ness, with the



new flame's ea - ger might: come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.
midst as gift and sign: come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.
peace be - yond com - pare: come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.

Thine the Amen

Text: Herbert F.
Brokering, b. 1926

Music: THINE, Carl F.
Schalk, b. 1929

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1 Thine the a - men thine the praise al - le - lu - ias an - gels raise
2 Thine the life e - ter - nal - ly thine the prom - ise let there be
3 Thine the tru - ly thine the yes thine the ta - ble we the guest
4 Thine the king - dom thine the prize thine the won - der full sur - prise
5 Thine the glo - ry in the night no more dy - ing on - ly light



thine the ev - er - last - ing head thine the break - ing of the bread
thine the vi - sion thine the tree all the earth on bend - ed knee
thine the mer - cy all from thee thine the glo - ry yet to be
thine the ban - quet then the praise then the jus - tice of thy ways
thine the riv - er thine the tree then the Lamb e - ter - nal - ly



thine the glo - ry thine the sto - ry thine the har - vest then the cup
gone the nail - ing gone the rail - ing gone the plead - ing gone the cry
then the ring - ing and the sing - ing then the end of all the war
thine the glo - ry thine the sto - ry then the wel - come to the least
then the ho - ly ho - ly ho - ly cel - e - bra - tion ju - bi - lee



thine the vine - yard then the cup is lift - ed up lift - ed up.
gone the sigh - ing gone the dy - ing what was loss lift - ed high.
thine the liv - ing thine the lov - ing ev - er - more ev - er - more.
then the won - der all in - creas - ing at thy feast at thy feast.
thine the splen - dor thine the bright - ness on - ly thee on - ly thee.



POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Please stand as able.

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Holy One,
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.**

God Sends Us to Love and Serve the World

BLESSING

May the ☩ Risen Christ meet you where you are and call you beyond where you thought you could go.
May this meal strengthen you
to practice resurrection in your daily living —
to seek justice, love your neighbor, welcome the immigrant, and widen the circle of belonging. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

Note: each verse is sung twice before returning to the refrain.

Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises

Haleluya! Pelo tsa rona

Refrain— sung twice each time

Ha - le - lu - ya! Pe - lo tsa ro - na, di tha -
Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your prais - es, all our

bi - le ka - o - fe - la. Ha - le - lu - ya! Pe - lo tsa
hearts are filled with glad - ness. Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your

ro - na, di tha - bi - le ka - o - fe - la. *End*
prais - es, all our hearts are filled with glad - ness.

1 Christ the Lord to us said: I am wine, I am bread,
2 Now he sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt,

Repeat stanza, then sing refrain

I am wine, I am bread, give to all who thirst and hun - ger.
strong in faith, free of doubt. Tell to all the joy - ful gos - pel.

Text: South African; tr. *Freedom Is Coming*, 1984

Music: HALELUYA! PELO TSA RONA, South African; arr. *Freedom Is Coming*

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace! Praise the Lord. Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Fanfare for a New Day by J. Wayne Kerr

Following worship, everyone is invited to gather for refreshments and fellowship on the front lawn in honor of our graduates

Having heard the Gospel and having been fed at communion, the final act of our common worship is the Dismissal. It is not an afterthought, but an integral part of the service. Jesus' final action on earth was to send his followers into the world to make disciples, baptizing and teaching them to obey all he had commanded. And so we are sent out into the world to proclaim the Good News and be Christ's hands and feet on earth.

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Activities & Opportunities



May 17, 2026

Please hold Patrick, Jonathan, and Grayson close in your prayers as Patrick graduates from Wartburg Theological Seminary in Dubuque, Iowa with a Master in Divinity degree today.

Pastor Crowell and Patrick Preacher are at Wartburg Seminary in Dubuque, IA this weekend celebrating Patrick's graduation.

Adult Faith Exploration continues to meet each Sunday at 9:00 am in Rooms 12 and 13.

Book Discussion. Please join Pastor Crowell for a discussion of the book *Theo of Golden* by Allen Levi on Thursday, June 18 at 10:00 am in Rooms 12 and 13 of the Activities Building. Anyone who loves reading and discussing books and is eager to make connections and build community is encouraged to attend. Reach out to Pastor Crowell at sjcrowell@trinitylutheran.ws with questions or to register for the event.

Greenville Organized for Accountable Leadership is enthusiastic that House Bill 4270, which will seal eviction filing records, has passed through the house and is now in the Senate for hearings. Thanks to support from GOAL, our sister organizations in Columbia and Charleston, and similar groups, the rapid progress of this proposed bill becoming law is unprecedented. All interested in what has been accomplished this cycle are invited to come to the Celebration and Investment Drive on June 11 at 6:30, hosted by Jubilee Baptist Church, 525 Old Rutherford Rd., Taylors. SC 29687.

Love Wins Fellowship Group. This group will meet on Thursday, May 21 at 6:30 pm in the Parlor to discuss the book *Feasting on Hope* by Hanna Miller King. For more information or to sign up to attend, contact Angie McCormack at 864-930-4026.

Week at a Glance

TODAY	WED, MAY 20	THURS, MAY 21	FRI, MAY 22	SUN, MAY 24
<p>9:00 am Adult Faith Exploration</p> <p>10:00 am Worship in the Sanctuary and Live-stream.</p> <p>11:30 am High School Graduates Reception</p> <p>11:45 am History Reading Group</p>	<p>6:00 pm Handbell Choir</p> <p>7:00 pm Adult Choir</p>	<p>6:00 pm Love Wins Group</p>	<p>10:00 am Mahjong Group</p>	<p>9:00 am Adult Faith Exploration</p> <p>10:00 am Worship and The Ordination of Patrick Preacher to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament in the Sanctuary and Live-stream.</p> <p>Brunch reception to follow in the Gym.</p>

Strategic Plan Kick-Off Event

The Trinity Beloved Community is invited to gather to enjoy a community meal and the kick-off of Trinity's Strategic Plan

Sunday, June 7 at 11:30 am following worship in the Multipurpose Room

Mark Tidsworth will be leading the event.

Everyone who loves and supports Trinity's mission and ministry is encouraged to attend.