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Pentecost Day and the Ordination of Patrick Dale Preacher to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament

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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 memory of Patrick's mother, Tina Preacher.

Serving Today

Bishop Ginny Aebischer
Presiding Minister

Susan J. Crowell
Preaching

Patrick Preacher
Ordinand and Presiding at Table

Meagan Kim
Assisting Minister

Jim Parham
Organist and Choir Director

Cantor
Amanda Cook

Lectors
Richard Moose, Sadie Zhou

Prayers
John Beckford

Crucifer
Harper Roth

Acolytes/Streamers
Clayton Dykes, Ella Matson,
Christopher Clark

Exhorters
Emily Brown, Pat O'Neil,
Jaime Fivecoat, Merry Mulcahy,
Tori Hilbourn, Philip Wessinger,
Kellie Lisi, David Coffman

Installers
Mike Boliek, Matt Cobb,
Sherry Cochran

Ushers
Carol Elliot, William Bryant Jr.,
Calvin Harmon, Lani Ludian

Nursery
Beth Oswald, Melanie Wessinger

Praying for Possibilities
Lani Wise

Reception Planning Team
Sarah Weeks, Terri Sullivan,
Donna Robinson, Austin Blythe,
Carl Witherspoon, Kay Cook

Greeters
Mark Allen, Jo Lewis,
Lane Lewis, Chris Barsody,
Carolyn Wehle

Procession Coordinator
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God Welcomes All

PRELUDE

J.S. Bach: Prelude in D Major, BWV 532

WORDS OF WELCOME AND AFFIRMATION

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

The Assembly is invited to wave rainbow flags during the Processional Hymn.

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

1. A might - y for - tress is — our God, a sword and shield vic -
 2. No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -
 3. Though hordes of de - vils fill the land all threat - 'ning to de -
 4. God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes who

to - rious; who breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and
 ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom
 vour — us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they
 fear — it; for God a - lone fights by — our side with

wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe
 God a - bove e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?
 can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;
 weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,

has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might
 The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,
 in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;
 goods, hon - or, child or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,

he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
 God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
 God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
 they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

Starting an ordination with the Thanksgiving for Baptism proclaims from the first moment what Lutheran theology insists on: this day flows from that day. The font precedes the laying on of hands. The church is not creating a minister — it is recognizing and authorizing one whom God has already called. This also orients the whole assembly. Everyone is loved by God. Everyone is being sent. The ordination of one is a commissioning of all.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

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.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

O God beyond All Praising





and sing the love a - maz - ing that songs can - not re - pay;
its frag - ile bloom sur - ren - der to you, the Lord most high;
that we who know your fa - vor may serve you as our King;



for we can on - ly won - der at ev - 'ry gift you send,
but hid - den from all na - ture the e - ter - nal seed is sown -
and wheth - er our to - mor - rows be filled with good or ill,



at bless - ings with - out num - ber and mer - cies with - out end:
though small in mor - tal stat - ure, to heav - en's gar - den grown:
we'll tri - umph through our sor - rows and rise to bless you still:



we lift our hearts be - fore you and wait up - on your word,
for Christ, your gift from heav - en, from death has set us free,
to mar - vel at your beau - ty and glo - ry in your ways,



we hon - or and a - dore you, our great and might - y Lord.
and we through him are giv - en the fi - nal vic - to - ry.
and make a joy - ful du - ty our sac - ri - fice of praise.

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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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Gracious God, on this joyful day of Pentecost, we gather in the power of your Spirit, celebrating the unity and diversity of your Church. As our beloved Patrick is ordained into the ministry of word and sacrament, may the flames of your Holy Spirit ignite his heart with passion for justice and compassion for all your people. Pour out your Spirit upon us, that we may be inspired to break down the barriers that divide us. Help us to embrace your gift of belonging, welcoming each person

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

as a cherished member of the body of Christ. Inspire our actions to reflect your justice. Let it roll down like water—living streams that refresh and sustain. Support us as we carry the good news of your love to the marginalized, advocating for those who are often overlooked. Make us instruments of peace, embodying the spirit of inclusivity and grace that Pentecost celebrates. As we stand united in faith and purpose, may we remember that through your Spirit, we are called to witness and serve, creating a world where all belong and are valued. In the holy name of Jesus Christ, our Beloved. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

God Speaks to Us Through a Living Word

FIRST READING

A reading from Mary Oliver's Poem: *Wild Geese*

A poem was chosen as a reading for this day to mirror Trinity's monthly Queer-led Worship Service. Reading poetry in worship reminds us that God continues to speak in words, through nature, and in the midst of our gathering.

You do not have to be good.
 You do not have to walk on your knees
 For a hundred miles through the desert, repenting.
 You only have to let the soft animal of your body
 love what it loves.
 Tell me about despair, yours, and I will tell you mine.
 Meanwhile the world goes on.
 Meanwhile the sun and the clear pebbles of the rain
 are moving across the landscapes,
 over the prairies and the deep trees,
 the mountains and the rivers.
 Meanwhile the wild geese, high in the clean blue air,
 are heading home again.
 Whoever you are, no matter how lonely,
 the world offers itself to your imagination,
 calls to you like the wild geese, harsh and exciting --
 over and over announcing your place
 in the family of things.

This is Good News for All People.

Thanks be to God.

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.

PSALM

Psalm 118

Psalm Refrain

This is the day that the LORD has made;
 let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Psalm Tone



- ¹ Give thanks to the Lord, for the | Lord is good;
God's steadfast love en- | dures forever.
- ⁵ **In my distress I called | to the Lord,
who answered by set- | ting me free.**
- ⁶ The Lord is with me; I | shall not fear;
what can anyone | do to me?
- ⁷ **The Lord is with me | as my helper;
I will look in triumph on | those who hate me. R**
- ¹¹ They surrounded me, indeed they sur- | rounded me;
in the name of the Lord I | drove them off!
- ¹² **They surrounded me like bees and blazed like a | fire of thorns;
in the name of the Lord I | drove them off!**
- ¹³ I was pressed and pressed to the | point of falling,
but the Lord came | to my help.
- ¹⁴ **The Lord is my strength | and my song,
and has become | my salvation. R**
- ¹⁷ I shall not | die, but live,
and declare the works | of the Lord.
- ²¹ **I give thanks to you, O Lord, for you have | answered me
and you have become | my salvation.**
- ²² The stone that the build- | ers rejected
has become the chief | cornerstone.
- ²³ **By the Lord has | this been done;
it is marvelous | in our eyes.**
- ²⁴ This is the day that the | Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be | glad in it.
- ²⁹ **Give thanks to the Lord, | for the Lord is good;
God's steadfast love en- | dures forever. R**

SECOND READING

Acts 2:1-15

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

¹ When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵ Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

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

¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Fellow Jews[a] and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning.

Accompanied by Child Protection trained adults, children are invited to leave worship after the children’s sermon to go hear the scripture read in ways more appropriate for their age. Using lectionary stories heard in worship each Sunday, the children not only hear scripture, but enjoy a related activity such as a game, craft, or music. Children return to worship during the sharing of the peace and in time to participate in the celebration of Holy Communion.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

A Rainbow Celebration

GOSPEL PROCESSIONAL

Please stand as able.

Blessed Assurance

1 Bles-sed as - sur - ance, Je - sus is mine! Oh, what a fore - taste of glo - ry di - vine!

Heir of sal - va - tion, pur - chase of God, born of God's Spi - rit, washed in Christ's blood.

This is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais - ing my Sav - ior, all the day long:

this is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais - ing my Sav - ior all the day long.

The gospel is being read from Patrick’s Mother’s bible.

Though she is already with God, in raising Patrick in the faith she is present this day.

GOSPEL

Matthew 6:25-34

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew the sixth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁵ Jesus said, “That is why I am telling you not to worry about your life and what you are to eat, nor about your body and what you are to wear. Surely life is more than food, and the body more than clothing! ²⁶ Look at the birds in the sky. They do not sow or reap or gather into barns; yet your Holy Parent feeds them. Are you not worth much more than they are? ²⁷ Can any of you, however much you worry,



add one single day to your span of life? ²⁸ And why worry about clothing? Think of the flowers growing in the fields; they never have to toil or spin; ²⁹ yet I assure you that not even Solomon in all his royal robes was clothed like one of these. ³⁰ Now if that is how God clothes the wildflowers growing in the field which are there today and thrown into the furnace tomorrow, will God not much more look after you, you who have so little faith? ³¹ So do not worry; do not say, 'What are we to eat? What are we to drink? What are we to wear?' ³² It is the gentiles who set their hearts on all these things. Your Holy Parent knows you need them all. ³³ Set your hearts on God's dream first, and on God's saving justice, and all these other things will be given you as well. ³⁴ So do not worry about tomorrow: tomorrow will take care of itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Blessed Assurance

2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, glo-ri-ous vi-sions now burst on my sight;

an-gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love.

This is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav - ior, all the day long:

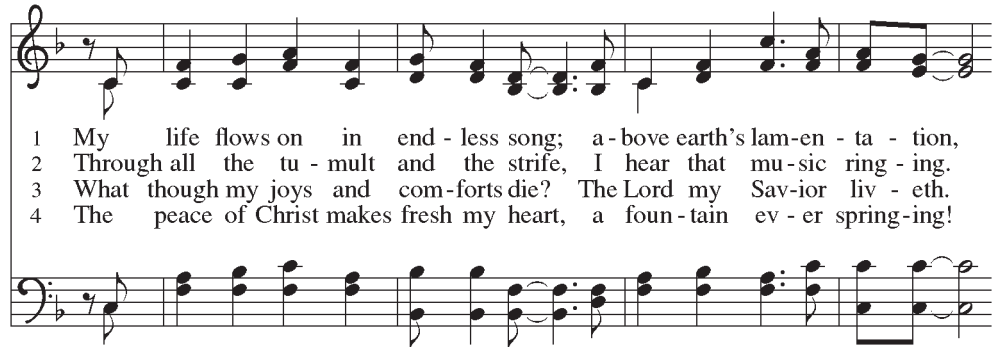
this is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav - ior all the day long.

On significant days of the Church year, the gospel is read from a central point among those gathered. This signifies not just the importance of these words, but that these words are especially for all people, no exceptions.

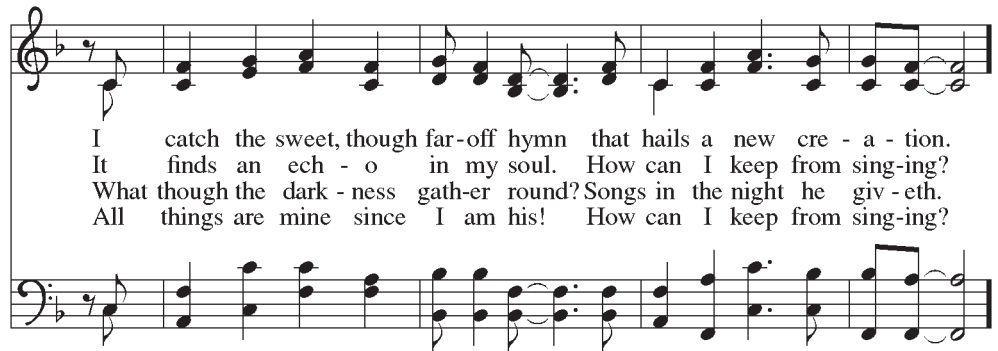
Please be seated.

HYMN OF THE DAY

My Life Flows On in Endless Song

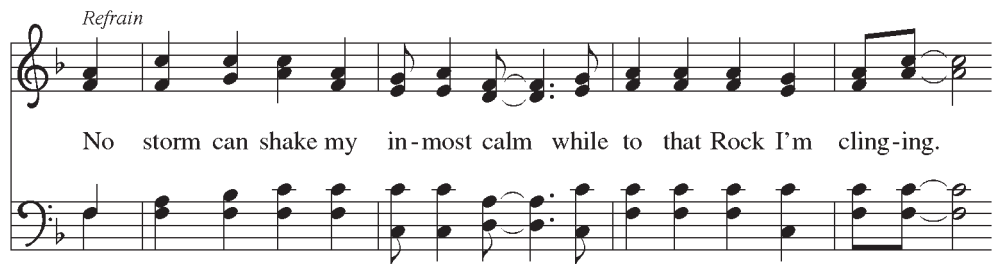


1 My life flows on in end - less song; a - bove earth's lam-en - ta - tion,
 2 Through all the tu - mult and the strife, I hear that mu - sic ring - ing.
 3 What though my joys and com-forts die? The Lord my Sav-ior liv - eth.
 4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun-tain ev - er spring-ing!

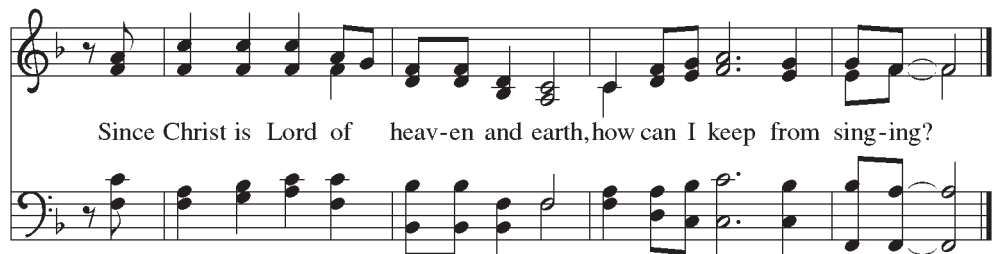


I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new cre - a - tion.
 It finds an ech - o in my soul. How can I keep from sing-ing?
 What though the dark - ness gath-er round? Songs in the night he giv - eth.
 All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from sing-ing?

Refrain



No storm can shake my in-most calm while to that Rock I'm cling-ing.



Since Christ is Lord of heav-en and earth, how can I keep from sing-ing?

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826-1899
 Music: HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING, Robert Lowry, alt.



APOSTLES' 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.**

PRESENTATION

We present for ordination to the ministry of word and sacrament Patrick Dale Preacher, who has been prepared, examined, and approved for this ministry and who has been called by the church to this ministry through the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Thanks be to God.

ADDRESS AND QUESTIONS

The Bishop addresses the candidate.

All baptized Christians are called to share in Christ's ministry of love and service in the world, to the glory of God and for the sake of the human family and the whole creation. According to apostolic usage you are now to be entrusted with the office of word and sacrament in the one holy catholic church by the laying on of hands and by prayer.

A reading from John: Jesus said, "Peace be with you. As the Holy Parent has sent me, so I send you. Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." (John 20:21-23)
A reading from Matthew: Jesus said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has

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.

The ordination rite begins with representatives of the calling congregation presenting the candidate for Ordination. The Bishop continues and presides at this rite as a sign of the handing down of this office. She places the mantle of ministry on the candidate's shoulders.

been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.” (Matthew 28:18-20)

A reading from First Corinthians: I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, “This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes. (1 Corinthians 11:23-26)

The Bishop addresses questions to the candidate.

Before the Triune God, to whom you must give account, and in the presence of this assembly, I ask:

Will you assume this office,
believing that the church’s call is God’s call
to the ministry of word and sacrament?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

The church in which you are to be ordained
confesses that the holy scriptures are the word of God
and are the norm of its faith and life.

We accept, teach, and confess
the Apostles’, the Nicene, and the Athanasian Creeds.
We also acknowledge the Lutheran confessions
as true witnesses and faithful expositions of the holy scriptures.

Will you therefore preach and teach in accordance with the holy scriptures
and these creeds and confessions?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you be diligent in your study of the holy scriptures
and faithful in your use of the means of grace?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you pray for God’s people,
nourish them with the word and sacraments,
and lead them by your own example in faithful service and holy living?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you give faithful witness in the world through word and deed,
that God’s love may be known in all that you do?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Almighty God, who has given you the will to do these things,
graciously give you the strength and compassion to perform them.

Amen.

Please stand as you are able.



HYMN OF INVOCATION

Ordained ministers and candidates for ordination are invited to come forward for the laying of hands.

Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading

Njoo kwetu, Roho mwema

Njo - o kwe - tu, Ro - ho mwe - ma, M - fa - ri - ji we - tu.
 1 Gra - cious Spir - it, heed our plead - ing, fash - ion us all a - new.
 2 Come to teach us, come to nour - ish those who be - lieve in Christ.
 3 Guide our think - ing and our speak - ing done in your ho - ly name.

Tu - fu - ndi - she ya mbi - ngu - ni, tu - we wa - tu wa - pya.
 It's your lead - ing that we're need - ing, help us to fol - low you.
 Bless the faith - ful, may they flour - ish, strength - ened by grace un - priced.
 Mo - ti - vate all in their seek - ing, free - ing from guilt and shame.

Refrain

Njo - o, njo - o, njo - o, Ro - ho mwe - ma.
 Come, come, come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.

Njo - o, njo - o, njo - o, Ro - ho mwe - ma.
 Come, come, come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.

4 Not mere knowledge, but discernment,
 nor rootless liberty;
 turn disquiet to contentment,
 doubt into certainty.

5 Keep us fervent in our witness,
 unswayed by earth's allure.
 Ever grant us zealous fitness,
 which you alone assure.

The laying of hands as the central gesture of ordination is ancient — it runs through the Hebrew scriptures, the epistles, and the early church — and it has carried the same meaning across millennia: blessing, authorization, and the invocation of the Spirit for a particular work. In Lutheran ordination, those who are already ordained gather and place their hands on the head of the one being ordained while the presiding minister prays. It is the tactile heart of the rite.

In Lutheran practice, the stole marks the one who has been called and ordained to preach the Word and administer the sacraments on behalf of the assembly. The stole is placed by people significant to Patrick's life in this world.

THANKSGIVING

The Lord is with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,
we bless you for your infinite love in Christ our Lord,
in whom we have redemption and forgiveness of sins
according to the riches of his grace.

We thank you that by his death your Son overcame death,
and that, raised by your mighty power, he gives us new life.

We praise you that, having ascended into heaven,
Christ pours out his gifts abundantly on the church,
making some apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers,
to equip your people for their work of ministry for building up the body of Christ.

All gathered around Patrick will begin the laying on of hands. Following a time of silent prayer, the Bishop prays aloud for the candidate:

Eternal God, through your Son, Jesus Christ,
pour out your Holy Spirit upon Patrick
and fill him with the gifts of grace for the ministry of word and sacrament.
Bless your servant's proclamation of your word and administration of your sacraments,
so that your church may be gathered for praise and strengthened for service.
Make Patrick a faithful pastor, patient teacher, and wise counselor.
Grant that in all things Patrick may serve without reproach,
that your people may be renewed and your name be glorified in the church;
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.

GIVING OF A STOLE

A stole is placed over Patrick's shoulders by Jonathan, Grayson, and Angie Preacher as the Bishop says:

Receive this stole as a sign of your work, and live in obedience to the Lord Jesus, serving his people and remembering his promise: "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

EXHORTATION OF CHARGES

The candidate stands. The following passages are addressed to the candidate.

Hear the words of prophets, apostles, and Jesus: Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called. (1 Timothy 6:11-12)



And again: Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you guardians, to feed the church of God, obtained with the blood of God's Only Begotten One. (*Acts 20:28*)

And again: Tend the flock of God that is in your charge, not under compulsion but willingly, not for sordid gain but eagerly. Do not lord it over those in your charge, but be examples to the flock. (*1 Peter 5:2-4*)

And again: Think of us in this way, as servants of Christ and stewards of God's mysteries. Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found trustworthy. (*1 Corinthians 4:1-2*)

And again: But now thus says the Lord: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you, and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. (*Isaiah 43:1-2*)

And again: I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Jesus Christ. (*Philippians 1:6*)

And Jesus said: "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last. If the world hates you, be aware that it hated me before it hated you." (*selections from John 15:12-18*)

And from a modern day prophet: True belonging doesn't require us to change who we are; it requires us to be who we are. (*Brenne Brown*)

The Bishop addresses the candidate:

Patrick, care for God's people, bear their burdens,
and do not betray their confidence.

So discipline yourself in life and teaching that you preserve the truth,
giving no occasion for false security or illusory hope.

Witness faithfully in word and deed to all people.

Give and receive comfort as you serve within the church.

And be of good courage, for God has called you,
and your labor in the Lord is not in vain.

BLESSING

The Assembly is invited to leave their pews, coming forward to lay hands upon the candidate. Those who cannot reach the candidate may lift their hands outward in prayer and touch the shoulder of a person nearby, forming a complete connection.

The Bishop continues:

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant,
make you complete in everything good so that you may do God's will,
working in you that which is pleasing in God's sight;
through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever. **Amen.**

Charges are given at an ordination to orient the candidate toward the responsibilities he is stepping into. For the ordinand, this is a moment of rare vulnerability — receiving, being named and charged before the people they will serve. The exhortation holds both the weight of what is being asked and the promise that they do not go alone. The exhorters represent the entire assembly: the ones who charge are also the ones who sustain.

All those gathered lay hands on the candidate as a reminder that this work is not done alone. Ministry is the work of the entire Body of Christ.

ACCLAMATION BY THE ASSEMBLY

The Bishop addresses the assembly:

Will you, assembled as the people of God and speaking for the whole church, receive Patrick as messenger of Jesus Christ, sent by God to serve all people, no exceptions, with the gospel of hope and salvation? Will you regard him as servant of Christ?

We will, and we ask God to help us.

Will you pray for him, help and honor him for his work's sake, and in all things strive to live together in the peace and unity of Christ?

We will, and we ask God to help us.

Let it be acclaimed that Patrick Preacher is a called and ordained minister of word and sacrament in the church of Christ.

Patrick has Christ's authority to preach the word of God and administer the sacraments, serving God's people as together we bear God's creative and redeeming love to all the world.

Amen. Thanks be to God.

The assembly may offer acclamation with applause and then return to be seated.

When an ordinand will serve the congregation where they are being ordained, it is appropriate to install them into the call on ordination day. This rite moves to the central places of worship and ministry to affirm that the ordinand is called to baptize, preach, and preside in this place.

INSTALLATION

The Bishop addresses the assembly:

Having been authorized by the church to install Patrick Preacher, our co-worker in the gospel, as Pastor of Queer Ministry and Belonging, I now ask for certification of this call.

A representative of the calling body addresses the presiding minister.

After prayerful deliberation, we, of Trinity Lutheran Church, have called Patrick Preacher as Pastor of Queer Ministry and Belonging. I now present Patrick for installation.

The Bishop addresses the minister of word and sacrament.

Patrick, in the presence of this assembly will you commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you carry out your duties in harmony with the constitutions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Patrick, the office of Pastor of Queer Ministry and Belonging is now committed to you in the name of the ✠ Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The installation continues with a procession to the places of Word and Sacrament.



The Bishop escorts the pastor to the place of baptism.

A representative of the congregation says:

Patrick, you have been called to be among us to baptize, to teach, and to forgive sins.

They proceed to the place of the word. A representative of the congregation says:

Patrick, you have been called to be among us to proclaim the good news.

They proceed to the place of the meal. A representative of the congregation says:

Patrick, you have been called to be among us to preside at the Lord's supper.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Please stand as able.

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and surrounded by a love greater than we can dream, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

For the holy catholic church, that, filled with your love, it may hunger for truth and thirst after righteousness. Grant a new vision to the church and its expression in the ELCA, that Queer people, women, and people of color will be seen as great in God's Kin-dom, and therefore worthy of ordained and lay ministry. Come Holy Spirit, **receive our prayer.**

For all members of the church, that they may serve you in true and godly lives. Grant this congregation, Trinity Lutheran Church, the resolve to continue doing the bold work of your inclusive gospel. Grant us courage to welcome those others have turned away, even when it shifts our ideas of what church and life together should be. Continue making this congregation a place where people are not just included, but where they most fully belong. Come Holy Spirit, **receive our prayer.**

For Patrick, called to the ministry of word and sacrament in the church, we pray. Sustain him by your Holy Spirit. Guide him in carrying out this ministry with joy and a spirit of bold trust to serve your people, build up your church, and glorify your name. Grant him increased faith in you and your purpose for the ministry you and your people call him to. Remind Patrick daily that just as you went to the cross for him and all people, you accompany him through all the joys and sorrows of a life in public ministry. Come Holy Spirit, **receive our prayer.**

For the family and close friends of Patrick, we pray. Support Jonathan and Grayson as their lives are transformed by the ministry they accept as part of your call. Strengthen their relationships, grant them plenty days of rest, and fill them with a determination for the gospel that will supersede the hardships likely to come their way as part and parcel of this work. Come Holy Spirit, **receive our prayer.**

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.

For all ministers of word and sacrament and all ministers of word and service, we pray. Inspire Yehiel our Presiding Bishop and Ginny our Synod's Bishop that, together with all those responsible for the care and nurture of your people, they may support the faithful in serving Christ. Encourage and comfort Susan and Jim as they continue to do the work you have called them to, now with Patrick as a rostered colleague. Build up a spirit of teamwork and collaboration that no enemy can destroy. Come Holy Spirit, **receive our prayer.**

For seminaries forming your people for service to the ministries of Word and Sacrament, and Word and Service: Bless and sustain Wartburg Theological Seminary, its professors, staff, students, and leaders. We give you thanks this day for that 172-year-old institution and the many ways it has transformed itself over the years to be place of learning. We pray continued transformation upon that beloved Castle and its people spread across the world. Continue fostering a greater depth of understanding of what it means to be a community of belonging, shaping leaders as co-workers of the inclusive gospel of Christ. Come Holy Spirit, **receive our prayer.**

For the whole of creation, we pray.

As this world groans, rejoices, and longs for renewal we pray that all you have made may flourish in right relationship, and that we may tend the earth with reverence, humility, and care. We thank you for trees standing tall and roses blooming among thorns. Teach us of your love by showing us the lotus, which grows in any condition, even in the mud. Make a home for eagles to thrive as their wings remind us of the way you carry us in your love – with broadness, strength, and certainty. Come, Holy Spirit, **receive our prayer.**

For all who suffer beneath the weight of this world, we pray. For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, the lonely, the forgotten and cast aside; for refugees and prisoners, and all whose lives are held in danger—that they may be protected, restored, and set free. We pray especially for those we name now on our lips or silently in our hearts ... Come, Holy Spirit, **receive our prayer.**

For those whom the church and the world have told to shrink, to hide, or to deny the truth of who they are, we pray. For our Queer and Transgender siblings, for women and all who resist patriarchal harm, for people of color, migrants, the incarcerated, and all who have endured abuse and exclusion—that your table may be known as wide, your welcome as real, and your justice as healing and restoring. Come, Holy Spirit, **receive our prayer.**

For the glorious company of all the saints, those who live and those who have died in faith, we pray. Today we especially remember Patrick's Mama, Tina Preacher, that she, now resting with God, through the mysteries of Christ, time, and space, is bearing witness to this day in which the one she raised in the faith becomes a minister of the very gospel she diligently taught him. We praise you for all the saints that their witness may give us courage until that day of Jesus Christ's return. Come Holy Spirit, **receive our prayer.**

Trusting in the greatness of your love as displayed on the cross, we pray these things in the name of our radical, protesting, brown-skinned, healing, and death-destroying Savior, Jesus Christ, who lives and dreams with you and the Holy Spirit as one God, now and forever. **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

This Little Light of Mine

Shannon Whitworth, soloist

Music: Traditional Spiritual arranged by Moses Hogan

Text: Traditional arranged by Moses Hogan

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

All through the night, I'm gonna let it shine.

My God gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine.

Hallelujah, children.

In my home, all over the world.

Oh let it shine, Oh let it shine, shine, shine.

Let it shine.

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.



OFFERTORY HYMN

Take My Life, That I May Be
Toma, oh Dios, mi voluntad

Refrain/Estribillo



To - ma, oh Dios, mi vo - lun - tad, y haz - la tu - ya, na -
 Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord,



da más; to - ma, sí, mi co - ra - zón
 to thee; take my mo - ments and my days;



y tu tro - no en él ten - drás. ten - drás.
 let them flow in cease - less praise. less praise.



1 *Que mi vi - da en - te - ra es - té*
 1 Take my hands and let them move
 2 Take my sil - ver and my gold,
 3 Take my voice and let me sing
 4 Take my will and make it thine;



con - sa - gra - da a ti, Se - ñor;
 at the im - pulse of thy love;
 not a mite would I with - hold;
 al - ways, on - ly for my King;
 it shall be no lon - ger mine;



que a mis ma - nos pue - da guiar el im -
 take my feet and let them be swift and
 take my in - tel - lect and use ev - 'ry
 take my lips and let them be filled with
 take my heart, it is thine own; it shall

Refrain/Estribillo



pul - so de tu a - mor.
 beau - ti - ful for thee.
 pow'r as thou shalt choose.
 mes - sag - es from thee.
 be thy roy - al throne.



OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray,

**Source of life, Word made flesh, and Spirit of renewal,
all that we have and all that we come from you.**

**Receive now these gifts we offer,
not as a payment or sacrifice,
but as a response to your abundant grace.**

**As you daily provide love for the lonely and hope for the weary,
use what we bring to share your mercy in a hurting world.**

**By your Spirit, bless these offerings and enliven them with possibility,
that they may become signs of your dream
where all are fed, all belong, and all are made new.**

**We pray these things in your name, our Triune God,
One in communion, Three in love.**

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 right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, unconquerable and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;
Who invites us to this Table because we are claimed in covenant;
Because we are still learning what covenant and togetherness means,
how it looks and moves and feels;
Because we long for liberation;
Because we thirst for justice;
Because we know the need—fierce and urgent—
for grace and freedom and nourishment in our flesh and our bones;
Because this is not a table belonging to the Church.
Thanks be to you, O God, this table doesn't belong to any institution.

And so in thanks for the wideness of your love,
we join all the choirs of angels,
the saints of heaven and earth,
to praise your name in your 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, 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, ho - san - na, 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 Holy Parent, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kin-dom 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 kin-dom, and the power,
and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come! Taste and see that the Lord is good! This table is set especially for 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.

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, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

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.

We Are a Rainbow

an Affirming hymn

mm=80

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of nine staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a tempo marking of mm=80. The first four measures of the first staff are whole rests, with chords G, C/G, D/G, and G written above them. The melody begins in the fifth measure. The lyrics are: "1. We're the light of all the world, coat of ma - ny co - hope to still be - face the storms of life, we are a cit - y on a hill, We're a can - dle on a stand l - ors, sewn from ma - ny dif - frent threads, co - v'ring all in warmth, in wel - in to - mor - row's bet - ter day, We are peace in a world we will ne - ver 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 shine a ray of hope cre - a - ted e - v'ry va - ried shade, In the rain - bow each of us in all the strug - gles that we face, We are love that blooms and grows we won't be fright - ened* a - ny more, As the mourn - ing night of tears that's burn - ing bright. Chorus: We are a rain - - - bow, can find a place. in e - v'ry heart. day. breaks in - to day.

The second staff continues the melody with lyrics: "we are a cit - y on a hill, We're a can - dle on a stand l - ors, sewn from ma - ny dif - frent threads, co - v'ring all in warmth, in wel - in to - mor - row's bet - ter day, We are peace in a world we will ne - ver be a - lone, For our God will be with".

The third staff continues with lyrics: "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,".

The fourth staff continues with lyrics: "be - neath a bush - el an - y more, We will shine a ray of hope cre - a - ted e - v'ry va - ried shade, In the rain - bow each of us in all the strug - gles that we face, We are love that blooms and grows we won't be fright - ened* a - ny more, As the mourn - ing night of tears".

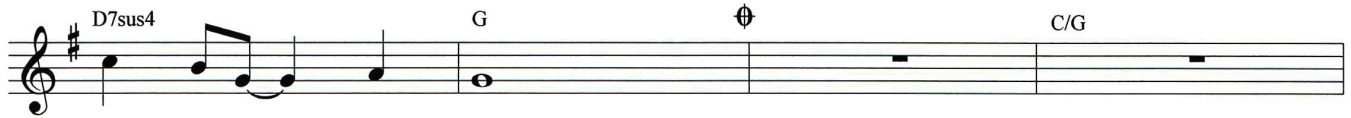
The fifth staff continues with lyrics: "that's burn - ing bright. Chorus: We are a rain - - - bow, can find a place. in e - v'ry heart. day. breaks in - to day.".

The sixth staff continues with lyrics: "sign of co - ve - nant and peace For the flood of tears will".

The seventh staff continues with lyrics: "fin - 'lly cease to be, Come shine your rain - - - bow,".

The eighth staff continues with lyrics: "splash your hues a - cross the sky, Paint the world in co - l - ors".

*alt: clobbered

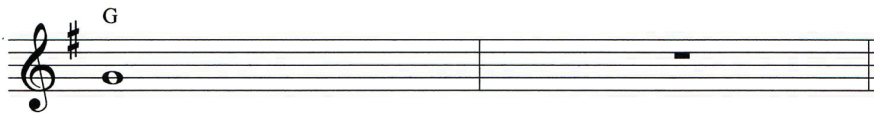


proud and bold and free.



1. We're a
2. We are
3. When we

Paint the world in colors proud and bold and



free.

Baptized and Set Free



1 We are peo - ple cre - at - ed, cho - sen by God.
2 We are fed and we're nour - ished, filled and re - freshed.
3 We are nour - ished by wa - ter, all liv - ing things,
4 Now with praise and thanks - giv - ing, we join the song.



Then we're washed, ev - er gent - ly, in mer - cy and love.
Then our hun - ger re - turns and a - gain we are blessed.
and by life that the Spir - it a - bun - dant - ly brings.
All are wel - come! We gath - er to sing loud and strong.



Sin has pow - er no more. Je - sus o - pened the door
For what - ev - er the need, God is great - er in - deed:
As we jour - ney toward home, may your pres - ence be known:
Not en - slaved, but set free! From now on, all will be



to a foun - tain bring - ing heal - ing, and whole - ness and more.
end - less o - cean, al - ways deep - er than all of our need.
pre - cious riv - er, ev - er - flow - ing, now car - ry us home.
one in Je - sus, one in wa - ter, bap - tized and set free!

On Eagle's Wings

Leader or All



1 You who dwell in the shel-ter of the Lord, who a-bide in this shad-ow for life,



say to the Lord: "My ref - uge, my rock in whom I trust!"

Refrain
All



And he will raise you up on ea-gle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn,



make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.

Leader or All



2 The snare of the fowl-er will nev-er cap-ture you, and fam-ine will bring you no



fear; un-der God's wings your ref-uge, with faith-ful-ness your shield.

Leader or All



3 You need not fear the ter-ror of the night, nor the ar-row that flies by



day; though thou-sands fall a - bout you, near you it shall not come.

Leader or All



4 For to the an-gels God's giv-en a com-mand to

I Am



1 I am the true vine;
2 I am the the good shep-herd.
3 I am the light of the world.



you are the branch - es.
you are the God's flock. You
I am the light of life. I



I a - bide in you, and
lis - ten to my voice. I
shine in the dark - ness dis -



you a - bide in me,
know you and you know me, and I
pers - ing the sha - dows of death, guid-ing



bear - ing the fruit of love.
lay down my life for you.
you with the light of love.



"And I will raise you up, and I will raise you



up, and I will raise you up on the last day."





Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

Lord, I lift your name on high; Lord, I love to sing your
prais - ses. — I'm so glad you're in — my life;
I'm so glad you came to save us. Your came from heav-en to earth
— to show the way, — from the earth — to the cross,
— my debt to pay, — from the cross — to the grave,
— from the grave to the sky; — Lord, I lift your name on high.

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.



Shine, Jesus Shine

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Shine, Je-sus, shine, — fill this land with the Fa-ther's glo-ry;



blaze, Spir - it, blaze, — set our hearts on fire.



Flow, riv-er, flow, — flood the na - tions with grace and mer-cy;



send forth your Word, — Lord, and let there be light!



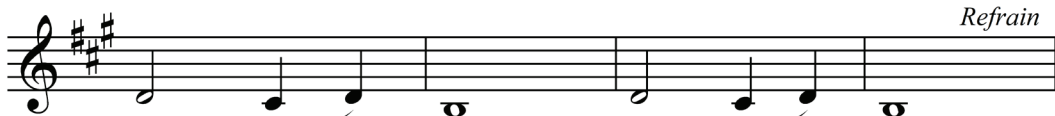
1 Lord, the light of your love is shin - ing, in the midst of the
2 As we gaze on your king - ly bright - ness, so our fac - es dis-



dark-ness, shin-ing; Je-sus, light of the world, shine up-on — us,
play your like-ness, ev - er chang-ing from glo - ry to glo - ry,



set us free by the truth you now bring us.
mir - rored here, may our lives tell your sto - ry.



Shine on — me, shine on — me:
Shine on — me, shine on — me:

After Communion, we give thanks for being part of the communion of God's life and for being fed so that we may go out to feed and serve others in our world.

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

Let us pray.

We give thanks to you, O God,
that you have refreshed us through this saving gift,
and we pray that through your mercy
you would strengthen us in faith toward you
and in fervent love toward one another;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

God Sends Us to Love and Serve the World

BLESSING

May the ✠ Creator hold you fast in a love that will not let you go,
the Christ fill you with grace upon grace and call you by name,
and the Spirit kindle in you a living flame of faith that works through love. **Amen.**



SENDING HYMN

Guide My Feet

1 Guide my feet, Lord, while I run this race.
2 Hold my hand, Lord, while I run this race.
3 Stand by me, Lord, while I run this race.
4 Guide my feet, Lord, while I run this race.

Guide my feet, Lord, while I run this race.
Hold my hand, Lord, while I run this race.
Stand by me, Lord, while I run this race.
Guide my feet, Lord, while I run this race.

Guide my feet, Lord, while I run this
Hold my hand, Lord, while I run this race,
Stand by me, Lord, while I run this race,
Guide my feet, Lord, while I run this race,

for I don't want to run this race in vain.

DISMISSAL

In the spirit of Pentecost,
be bold witnesses of God's love,
inviting others into belonging
to find hope, and to experience grace.
May our lives reflect the beauty of God's creation,
as we strive for justice, extend compassion,
and nurture a world where
everyone knows they belong to Christ.
Go in peace, beloved community.
Serve the Lord, and may the Spirit go with you!
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

J.S. Bach: Komm, Gott Schöpfer, heiliger Geist BWV 667

*Following worship, everyone is invited to gather
for a celebration brunch in the Gym.*

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Activities & Opportunities



May 24, 2026

Our Christian love, care, and concern is expressed to the family of Ashley Munoz at her death on May 15.

Hospital Patient Diana Munoz

The Church Office will be closed on Monday, May 25 for the Memorial Day holiday.

Adult Faith Exploration continues to meet each Sunday at 9:00 am in Rooms 12 and 13. Next week's class will be led by Anne Fagala.

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.

Week at a Glance

TODAY	MON, MAY 25	FRI, MAY 29	SUN, MAY 31
<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>	<p>Church Office Closed</p>	<p>10:00 am Mahjong Group</p>	<p>9:00 am Faith Exploration for Adults</p> <p>10:00 am Worship in the Gym and Live-stream</p> <p>11:30 am Wessinger Baby Celebration</p> <p>11:45 am Trinity Children and Youth</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.*



Please join the Trinity family for a baby celebration for **Matthew, Grace, and Benjamin Wessinger** as they anticipate the arrival of another baby boy

Sunday, May 31
11:30 am following worship in the Gym

Everyone is invited to bring a favorite children's book as a gift for the new baby.

Summer Sunday Fun Days

In Celebration of the Beloved Community at Trinity, please mark your calendars for this series of Sunday Fun Days!

June 14, July 5, August 5

Lunch will be served after worship on these Sundays followed by a fun activity for all!

HAPPY PRIDE MONTH

QUEER-LED WORSHIP AND BANNER BLESSING
IN THE SANCTUARY ON THURSDAY, JUNE 4 6:30 PM

TRINITY AT PRIDEFEST
SATURDAY, JUNE 6 12:00 - 4:00 PM
HAMPTON STATION

TRINITY'S ANNUAL PRIDE SERVICE
IN THE SANCTUARY ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24 6:30 PM
FEATURING THE GREENVILLE GAY MEN'S CHORUS

TRINITY AT UPSTATE PRIDE COLORS OF PRIDE
SATURDAY JUNE 27
BEGINS AT 11:00 AM ON SOUTH MAIN STREET