



## Trinity Lutheran Church

Easter Vigil  
Saturday April 16, 2022  
6:30 pm

*This is the night of salvation! At the Vigil of Easter, we gather around fire, word, water, bread, and wine, proclaiming through story and song that ours is a God who continuously brings life out of death. On this night we experience again the heart of God's baptismal promise and the center of our faith: we are claimed and cleansed, renewed in the death and resurrection of Christ. We gather with all the saints of every time and place to celebrate the good news: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!*

**TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**

304 E. Ferris St., Galesburg, IL

*“the welcome place”*

**SERVICE FOR THE VIGIL OF EASTER**

April 16, 2022- 6:30 pm

*These sections comprise the Vigil of Easter:  
Gathering, Word, Holy Baptism, Meal and Sending.*

**+ + + GATHERING+ + +**

***All gather in silence.***

*All stand and turn to face the entrance of the sanctuary*

**Greeting**

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

**And also with you.**

**Welcome**

Sisters and brothers in Christ, on this most holy night when our Savior Jesus Christ passed from death to life, we gather with the church throughout the world in vigil and prayer. This is the Passover of Jesus Christ. Through light and the word, through water and oil, bread and wine, we proclaim Christ's death and resurrection, share Christ's triumph over sin and death, and await Christ's coming again in glory.

*The minister traces the inscription on the paschal candle.*

Christ, yesterday and today, the beginning and the ending.

To Christ belongs all time and all the ages;  
to Christ belongs glory and dominion now and forever. **Amen.**

*The presiding minister lights the paschal candle.*

The light of Christ, rising in glory, dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds.

*The people turn to follow the candle as it moves in procession.*

## Procession

### Light of Christ, Rising In Glory

S472

*The Refrain is sung once by the Leader immediately followed by the congregation singing it once.*

#### Refrain

Light of Christ, ris - ing in glo - ry, dis -  
pel the dark - ness of our hearts and minds.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the notes: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter). The second staff contains the notes: F#4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter). The lyrics are written below the notes.

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#### Vs. 1 Leader

At the birth of creation, you spoke: "Light!"

Now again you bring new life on this night. Light of Christ!

#### Refrain: Congregation, *sung twice*

#### Vs. 2 Leader

Guiding captives to freedom with a fi'ry light,

Once again you bring new life on this holy night. Light of Christ!

#### Refrain: Congregation, *sung twice*

#### Vs. 3 Leader

As your servants who sang within the furnace bright,

We now sing your salvation on this holy night. Light of Christ!

**Refrain: Congregation, *sung twice***

## Easter Proclamation

**S474**

L: Rejoice, now, all heav'nly powers! Sing, choirs of angels!  
Exult, all creation around God's throne!

**Refrain:**

The image shows a musical staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in a simple, rhythmic style. The first part is labeled 'Leader' and the second part is labeled 'Assembly'. Both parts consist of two measures of music. The lyrics 'Je - sus Christ is ris - en!' are written below the notes. The melody starts on a G4 note, moves to A4, Bb4, and C5 in the first measure, and then descends to Bb4, A4, and G4 in the second measure. The 'Assembly' part follows the same melody as the 'Leader' part.

L: Celebrate with exultation; and sound the trumpet of salvation.  
Rejoice, O earth, in shining splendor, radiant in the brightness of your  
King. **Refrain**

L: Christ has conquered! Glory fills you! Darkness vanishes forever.  
Rejoice, O holy church! Exult In Glory! The risen Savior shines upon  
you! **Refrain**

L: Let the place resound with joy, echoing the mighty song of all God's  
people.



This is the night, this is the night.

This is the night, this is the night.

L: this is the night you led the children of Israel out of slav'ry to freedom.

On this night all believers are renewed in grace, and restored again to holiness.

Oh, this is the night,

**C: this is the night,**

L: this is the night,

**C: this is the night,**

L: this is the night when Christ burst the chains of death, rising to life in triumph.

Oh, this is the night,

**C: this is the night,**

L: this is the night,

**C: this is the night,**

L: Night clear as day, putting wickedness to flight,  
washing sin away, restoring innocence to the fallen,  
joy to those who mourn, casting out hate, bring peace, and humbling pride.

Therefore, in this night of Grace, receive, O God, our praise and thanksgiving

for the light of the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
reflected in the burning of this candle.

Oh, this is the night,

**C: this is the night,**

L: We sing the glories of this pillar of fire

The brightness of which is not diminished even when its light is  
divided and borrowed.

for it is fed by the melting wax that the bees, your servants,  
have made for the substance of this candle.

Oh, this is the night.

**C: this is the night,**

L: We, therefore, pray to you, O God,

that this candle, burning to the honor of your name,

will continue to vanquish the darkness of night and be mingled with  
the lights of heaven.

May Christ the Morning Star find it burning, that Morning Star that  
never sets,

that Morning Star who, rising from the grave,

faithfully sheds light on the whole human race.

Oh, this is the night.

**C: this is the night,**

L: this is the night,

**C: this is the night,**

L: And we pray, O God, rule, govern, and preserve

with your continual protection your whole church,

giving us peace in this time of our paschal rejoicing,

through the same Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and forever.





## Prayer of the Day

Eternal giver of life and light, this holy night shines with the radiance of the risen Christ. Renew your church with the Spirit given us in baptism, that we may worship you in sincerity and truth and may shine as a light in the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*(Sit)*

**+ + + WORD + + +**

*The readings focus our attention on the Old Testament stories of creation and salvation. The symbolism of water and its relationship to death and salvation is completed in the Affirmation of Baptism which follows the readings.*

**First Reading: Genesis 1:1–2:4a**

*Creation*

First this: God created the Heavens and Earth—all you see, all you don't see. Earth was a soup of nothingness, a bottomless emptiness, an inky blackness. God's Spirit brooded like a bird above the watery abyss. God spoke: "Light!" And light appeared. God saw that light was good and separated light from dark. God named the light Day, he named the dark Night. It was evening, it was morning— Day One.

God spoke: “Sky! In the middle of the waters; separate water from water!” God made sky. He separated the water under sky from the water above sky. And there it was: he named sky the Heavens; It was evening, it was morning— Day Two.

God spoke: “Separate! Water-beneath-Heaven, gather into one place; Land, appear!” And there it was. God named the land Earth. He named the pooled water Ocean. God saw that it was good. God spoke: “Earth, green up! Grow all varieties of seed-bearing plants, Every sort of fruit-bearing tree.” And there it was. Earth produced green seed-bearing plants, all varieties, And fruit-bearing trees of all sorts. God saw that it was good. It was evening, it was morning— Day Three.

God spoke: “Lights! Come out! Shine in Heaven’s sky! Separate Day from Night. Mark seasons and days and years, Lights in Heaven’s sky to give light to Earth.” And there it was. God made two big lights, the larger to take charge of Day, the smaller to be in charge of Night; and he made the stars. God placed them in the heavenly sky to light up Earth And oversee Day and Night, to separate light and dark. God saw that it was good. It was evening, it was morning— Day Four.

God spoke: “Swarm, Ocean, with fish and all sea life! Birds, fly through the sky over Earth!” God created the huge whales, all the swarm of life in the waters, And every kind and species of flying birds. God saw that it was good. God blessed them: “Prosper! Reproduce! Fill Ocean! Birds, reproduce on Earth!” It was evening, it was morning— Day Five.

God spoke: “Earth, generate life! Every sort and kind: cattle and reptiles and wild animals—all kinds.” And there it was: wild animals of every kind, Cattle of all kinds, every sort of reptile and bug. God saw that it was good. God spoke: “Let us make human beings in our image, make them reflecting our nature So they can be responsible for

the fish in the sea, the birds in the air, the cattle, And, yes, Earth itself, and every animal that moves on the face of Earth.” God created human beings; he created them godlike, Reflecting God’s nature. He created them male and female. God blessed them: “Prosper! Reproduce! Fill Earth! Take charge! Be responsible for fish in the sea and birds in the air, for every living thing that moves on the face of Earth.” Then God said, “I’ve given you every sort of seed-bearing plant on Earth And every kind of fruit-bearing tree, given them to you for food. To all animals and all birds, everything that moves and breathes, I give whatever grows out of the ground for food.” And there it was. God looked over everything he had made; it was so good, so very good! It was evening, it was morning— Day Six.

Heaven and Earth were finished, down to the last detail. By the seventh day God had finished his work. On the seventh day he rested from all his work. God blessed the seventh day. He made it a Holy Day Because on that day he rested from his work, all the creating God had done.

This is the story of how it all started, of Heaven and Earth when they were created.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Response** Hymn #881

Let All Things Now Living

### **Prayer**

Almighty God you wonderfully created the dignity of human nature and yet more wonderfully restored it. In your mercy, let us share the divine life of the one who came to share our humanity, Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. **Amen.**

**Second Reading: Exodus 14:10-31; 15:20-21**

*Deliverance at the Red Sea*

As Pharaoh drew near, the Israelites looked back, and there were the Egyptians advancing on them. In great fear the Israelites cried out to the Lord. They said to Moses, “Was it because there were no graves in Egypt that you have taken us away to die in the wilderness? What have you done to us, bringing us out of Egypt? Is this not the very thing we told you in Egypt, ‘Let us alone and let us serve the Egyptians’? For it would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the wilderness.” But Moses said to the people, “Do not be afraid, stand firm, and see the deliverance that the Lord will accomplish for you today; for the Egyptians whom you see today you shall never see again. The Lord will fight for you, and you have only to keep still.”

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Why do you cry out to me? Tell the Israelites to go forward. But you lift up your staff, and stretch out your hand over the sea and divide it, that the Israelites may go into the sea on dry ground. Then I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians so that they will go in after them; and so I will gain glory for myself over Pharaoh and all his army, his chariots, and his chariot drivers. And the Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord, when I have gained glory for myself over Pharaoh, his chariots, and his chariot drivers.”

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on

their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt."

Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left.

Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the Lord did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses.

Then the prophet Miriam, Aaron's sister, took a tambourine in her hand; and all the women went out after her with tambourines and with dancing. And Miriam sang to them:

"Sing to the Lord, for he has triumphed gloriously;  
horse and rider he has thrown into the sea."

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Response

## "When Israel Was in Egypt's Land"

*All sing*



1. When Is - rael was in E - gypt's land,  
2. Thus saith the Lord, bold Mo - ses said, Let my peo - ple go,  
3. No more in bond - age shall they toil,



Op - pressed so hard they could not stand,  
If not I'll smite your first - born dead, Let my peo - ple go.  
Let them come out with E - gypt's spoil,



Go down, Mo - ses, 'Way down in E - gypt's land,

*Silence for reflection.*



Tell old Phar - oah, To let my peo - ple go.

## Prayer

O God, whose wonderful deeds of old shine forth even to our own day: By the power of your mighty arm you once delivered your chosen people from slavery under Pharaoh, a sign for us of the salvation offered to everyone by the water of baptism. Grant that all the peoples of earth may partake in the salvation of the

Israelites and together dance on the safe side of the sea, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

**Third Reading: Isaiah 55:1-11**

*Salvation freely offered to all*

Ho, everyone who thirsts,  
come to the waters;  
and you that have no money,  
come, buy and eat!  
Come, buy wine and milk  
without money and without price.  
Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,  
and your labor for that which does not satisfy?  
Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,  
and delight yourselves in rich food.  
Incline your ear, and come to me;  
listen, so that you may live.  
I will make with you an everlasting covenant,  
my steadfast, sure love for David.  
See, I made him a witness to the peoples,  
a leader and commander for the peoples.  
See, you shall call nations that you do not know,  
and nations that do not know you shall run to you,  
because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel,  
for he has glorified you.

Seek the Lord while he may be found,  
call upon him while he is near;  
let the wicked forsake their way,  
and the unrighteous their thoughts;  
let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them,  
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.  
For my thoughts are not your thoughts,

nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord.  
For as the heavens are higher than the earth,  
so are my ways higher than your ways  
and my thoughts than your thoughts.  
For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven,  
and do not return there until they have watered the earth,  
making it bring forth and sprout,  
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,  
so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;  
it shall not return to me empty,  
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,  
and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.  
Word of God, word of life.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **Response**

### **Hymn**

### **Surely God Is My Salvation**

*The song begins with the refrain sung by all. The Choir sings the verses.*



*Refrain*



Sure - ly God is my sal - va - tion;



I will trust and will not fear,



for the Lord is my strength and my pro - tec - tion,



and has be - come my sal - va - tion.

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Choir Verse 1: Joyfully you will draw water from the wells of salvation and you will say:

Give thanks to the Lord! Call on God's name!

And make known among nations what God has done! ***Refrain***

Choir Verse 2: Sing praise to God, for magnificent things God has accomplished!

Let all earth know!

Cry out, royal Zion! And sing for joy, for great in your midst is the Holy One!     **Refrain**

*Silence for reflection.*

### **Prayer**

Holy God, you created all things by the power of your Word, and you renew the whole earth by your Spirit. Give now the water of life to all who thirst for you, that, rejoicing in your covenant of mercy, we may bring forth abundant fruit, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

### **Fourth Reading: Daniel 3:1-29**

*Deliverance from the fiery furnace*

King Nebuchadnezzar made a golden statue whose height was sixty cubits and whose width was six cubits; he set it up on the plain of Dura in the province of Babylon. Then King Nebuchadnezzar sent for the satraps, the prefects, and the governors, the counselors, the treasurers, the justices, the magistrates, and all the officials of the provinces, to assemble and come to the dedication of the statue that King Nebuchadnezzar had set up. So the satraps, the prefects, and the governors, the counselors, the treasurers, the justices, the magistrates, and all the officials of the provinces, assembled for the dedication of the statue that King Nebuchadnezzar had set up. When they were standing before the statue that Nebuchadnezzar had set up, the herald proclaimed aloud, "You are commanded, O peoples, nations, and languages, that when you hear the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp, drum, and entire musical ensemble, you are to fall down and worship the golden statue that King Nebuchadnezzar has set up. Whoever does not fall down and worship shall immediately

be thrown into a furnace of blazing fire.” Therefore, as soon as all the peoples heard the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp, drum, and entire musical ensemble, all the peoples, nations, and languages fell down and worshiped the golden statue that King Nebuchadnezzar had set up.

Accordingly, at this time certain Chaldeans came forward and denounced the Jews. They said to King Nebuchadnezzar, “O king, live forever! You, O king, have made a decree, that everyone who hears the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp, drum, and entire musical ensemble, shall fall down and worship the golden statue, and whoever does not fall down and worship shall be thrown into a furnace of blazing fire. There are certain Jews whom you have appointed over the affairs of the province of Babylon: Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. These pay no heed to you, O king. They do not serve your gods and they do not worship the golden statue that you have set up.”

Then Nebuchadnezzar in furious rage commanded that Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego be brought in; so they brought those men before the king. Nebuchadnezzar said to them, “Is it true, O Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, that you do not serve my gods and you do not worship the golden statue that I have set up? Now if you are ready when you hear the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp, drum, and entire musical ensemble to fall down and worship the statue that I have made, well and good. But if you do not worship, you shall immediately be thrown into a furnace of blazing fire, and who is the god that will deliver you out of my hands?”

Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego answered the king, “O Nebuchadnezzar, we have no need to present a defense to you in this matter. If our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the furnace of blazing fire and out of your hand, O king, let him deliver us. But if not, be it known to you, O king, that we will not serve your gods and we will not worship the golden statue that you have set up.”

Then Nebuchadnezzar was so filled with rage against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego that his face was distorted. He ordered the furnace heated up seven times more than was customary, and ordered some of the strongest guards in his army to bind Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego and to throw them into the furnace of blazing fire. So the men were bound, still wearing their tunics, their trousers, their hats, and their other garments, and they were thrown into the furnace of blazing fire. Because the king's command was urgent and the furnace was so overheated, the raging flames killed the men who lifted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. But the three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, fell down, bound, into the furnace of blazing fire.

Then King Nebuchadnezzar was astonished and rose up quickly. He said to his counselors, "Was it not three men that we threw bound into the fire?" They answered the king, "True, O king." He replied, "But I see four men unbound, walking in the middle of the fire, and they are not hurt; and the fourth has the appearance of a god." Nebuchadnezzar then approached the door of the furnace of blazing fire and said, "Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, servants of the Most High God, come out! Come here!" So Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego came out from the fire. And the satraps, the prefects, the governors, and the king's counselors gathered together and saw that the fire had not had any power over the bodies of those men; the hair of their heads was not singed, their tunics were not harmed, and not even the smell of fire came from them. Nebuchadnezzar said, "Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, who has sent his angel and delivered his servants who trusted in him. They disobeyed the king's command and yielded up their bodies rather than serve and worship any god except their own God. Therefore I make a decree: Any people, nation, or language that utters blasphemy against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego shall be torn limb from limb, and their houses laid in ruins; for there is no other god who is able to deliver in this way."

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

# Response



**All:** 1. All you works of God, bless the Lord! All you an - gels now  
**Women:** 2. Sing, you sun and you moon a - bove, stars of heav - en, now  
**All:** 3. Frost of win - ter with song so cold, dews of sum - mer, your  
**Men:** 4. Hills and moun - tains, now sing his worth, all you green things that



bless the Lord, come, you heav - ens and powers that be,  
sing his love; dew and show - ers, you winds that blow,  
song un - fold; light and dark - ness, you day and night,  
grow on earth; seas and riv - ers, you springs and wells,



praise the Lord and his maj - es - ty.  
heat and fire, you ice and snow.  
clouds of thun - der, you light - nings bright:  
beasts and cat - tle, you birds and whales.

## Refrain



**All:**  
Raise your voic - es high, praise and mag - ni - fy,



all you works of God, bless the Lord!

5. Come, humanity, sing along,  
Sing, you people of God, a song;  
priests and servants, your Lord now bless,  
join, you spirits and souls at rest: *Refrain*
  
6. Bless the Lord, all you pure of heart;  
all you humble, his praise impart;  
God the Father and Son adore,  
bless the Spirit forevermore! *Refrain*

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*Silence for reflection.*

## **Prayer**

Almighty and eternal God, the only hope of the world, by the proclamation of your prophets you declare to us the word of salvation. By the grace of your Spirit increase the devotion of all the baptized, that, strengthened by your presence, we may withstand hardship and sorrow and be united with your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## **+ + + AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM + + +**

***The Congregation sings the Assembly Response each time. All verses of each line of music are sung before moving to the next line.***

## **Hymn #237**

Litany of Saints

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God, the powers of this world that rebel against God, and the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Response:

I renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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**

You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism: to live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

**I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.**

People of God, do you promise to support and pray for one another in your life in Christ?

**We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.**

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life. Stir up in your people the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and

understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence both now and forever. **Amen.**

### **New Testament Reading**    Romans 6:3-11

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The lights are raised, flowers are brought forward, we sing the first "Alleluias" of Easter, and the pastor's stole is changed from the Lenten purple to the white of Easter.*

(Stand)

**Gospel Acclamation #172**

"Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!"



## **Gospel: John 20:1-18**

The holy gospel according to John.

### **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But

go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*(Sit)*

**Sermon**

Pastor Carrie

*Silence for reflection.*

### **Prayers of Intercession**

On this holiest of nights, we offer prayers for ourselves, our neighbors, and our world.

*A brief silence.*

God of the ages, you have accompanied your people throughout history, delivering them from flood, fire, and famine. Inspire your church to tell the story of your unfailing love and presence. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

God of the cosmos, you declared your creation good. Make us mindful of the roles every plant and creature play in your creation and guide us in protecting and restoring our shared home. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

God of the nations, you desire justice in all lands. Raise up leaders who encourage us to step away from fear and distrust and increase our desire for collaborative peace. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

God of darkness, you keep watch as we labor through the night. Protect mothers in childbirth. Shelter all who have no safe place to lay their head. Give ample rest to any who cannot sleep due to fear, illness, or overwork. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

God of community, you knit your people together into one body through the waters of baptism. We pray for those newly baptized. Kindle faith in each person and renew our zeal to live out our baptismal promises. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

God of new life, you welcome the faithful dead with open arms and the assurance of new life. We give thanks for those who have died and rejoice that they have found rest in you. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

We offer to you these petitions and those we carry in our hearts, trusting in your abundant and ever-present mercy.

**Amen.**

**Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*(Sit)*

**+ + + MEAL + + +**

**Offering**

*(Stand)*

**Offering Prayer**

Blessed are you, O God,

ruler of heaven and earth.

Day by day you shower us with blessings.

As you have raised us to new life in Christ,

give us glad and generous hearts,

ready to praise you and to respond to those in need,

through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## **Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be 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, almighty and merciful God,

for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ,

the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin;

who in dying has destroyed death,

and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection,

with earth and sea and all their creatures,

and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

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

### **Eucharistic Prayer**

Blessed are you, O God of the universe.  
 Your mercy is everlasting  
 and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.  
 Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.  
 Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.  
 Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness  
 to the land of milk and honey.  
 Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.  
 Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.  
 Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed,

our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup  
we remember our Lord's passover from death to life  
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

O God of resurrection and new life:  
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us  
and on these gifts of bread and wine.  
Bless this feast.

Grace our table with your presence.

**Come, Holy Spirit.**

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.  
Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.  
Breathe new life into us.

Send us forth,  
burning with justice, peace, and love.

**Come, Holy Spirit.**

With your holy ones of all times and places,  
with the earth and all its creatures,  
with sun and moon and stars,

we praise you, O God,  
blessed and holy Trinity,  
now and forever.

**Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your Kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

### **Invitation to Communion**

The risen Christ dwells with us here.

All who are hungry, all who are thirsty, come.

*All are welcome to receive communion at Trinity Lutheran Church. If you wish to receive you may come forward as dismissed by the usher and will be given a wafer in the center aisle. Then you may take a small cup from the tray. Red wine is along the outside, and white grape juice is located in the center of the tray. Gluten free bread is also available. Place empty cups in the bowls located at the side aisle as you return to your pew. If you prefer to receive a blessing rather than communion, you may indicate that by crossing your arms over your chest as you come forward.*

*(Sit)*

### **Communion Hymn**

Simply Easter Suite  
At the Lamb's High Feast

John Leavitt  
John Ferguson

### **Prayer after Communion**

We give you thanks, generous God,  
for in this bread and cup

we have tasted the new heaven and earth  
where hunger and thirst are no more.

Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection,  
that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name.

**Amen.**

**+ + + SENDING + + +**

## **Blessing**

God, the Author of life,  
Christ, the living Cornerstone,  
and the life-giving Spirit of adoption,  
✠ bless you now and forever.  
**Amen.**

**Recessional Hymn #385**      Good Christian Friends, Rejoice & Sing!

## **Dismissal**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.  
**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**  
Go in peace. Tell what God has done.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**      Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing  
**Bernard Sanders**

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***You're Invited to***  
***Easter Service***  
**Sunday April 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am**  
Followed by our first Coffee Fellowship of 2022  
(Downstairs Immediately after Worship Service)



## **Worship Participants:**

Audio:

Video: Brady Warner

Acolyte: Stella Wiegand

Ushers:

Closing Duties: Hillary Hoffman

Communion Setup: Jen Robinson

Assisting Minister: Nick Elders

Readers: Sarah Brakenbury & Tom Simkins

Organist: Bette Mohr

Pastor: Rev. Carrie Carnes

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### **Vision Statement**

**Developing Disciples – Connecting to Christ**

### **Mission Statement**

**Led by the Spirit, we receive Christ's love, share God's forgiving grace, and reach out to welcome, encourage and serve all.**

### **Welcome Statement**

Members of Trinity Lutheran Church are freed by the Gospel to seek reconciliation and wholeness in a world that is frequently an unloving place. We extend welcome to ALL, including people of all gender identities and sexual orientations, whether believer, doubter, or seeker. In Christ's love we invite you, so that led by the power of the Holy Spirit we will join together to strive for justice, peace and love in all the earth.

### **Our Guiding Principles**

1. Jesus Christ is Lord and Savior.
2. We faithfully worship through Word and Sacrament.
3. We invite and welcome everyone.

4. We engage all generations in education and ministry.
5. We serve local and global communities.