

Trinity Lutheran Church

Easter Vigil
Saturday April 8, 2023
7:00 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 8, 2023 - 7:00 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, brothers, and siblings 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

The musical notation is written on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two lines of music. The first line contains the notes: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), D5 (quarter), E5 (quarter), D5 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter). The lyrics are: "Light of Christ, ris - ing in glo - ry, dis -". The second line contains the notes: F#4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), C4 (quarter), B3 (quarter), A3 (quarter), G3 (quarter), F#3 (quarter), E3 (quarter), D3 (quarter), C3 (quarter). The lyrics are: "pel the dark - ness of our hearts and minds." The piece ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

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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

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L: Rejoice, now, all heav'nly powers! Sing, choirs of angels!

Exult, all creation around God's throne!

Refrain:

Leader Assembly

Je - sus Christ is ris - en! Je - sus Christ is ris - en!

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.

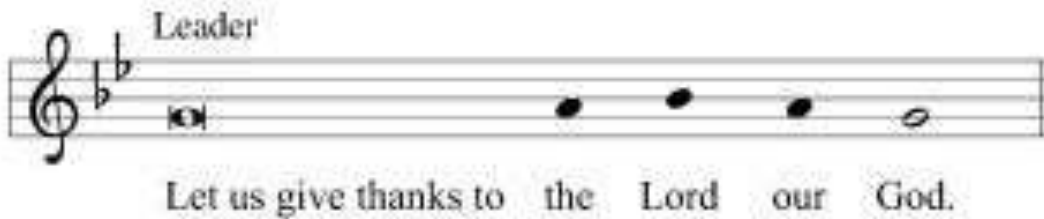
Rejoice, O holy church! Exult In Glory! The risen Savior shines upon you! **Refrain**

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



Leader: The Lord be with you. Assembly: And also with you.

The first line of musical notation is split into two parts. The left part, labeled 'Leader', contains the notes G4, A4, B4, C5, and D5. The right part, labeled 'Assembly', contains the notes E5, F5, G5, and A5. The lyrics 'The Lord be with you.' are aligned under the first part, and 'And also with you.' are aligned under the second part.



Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

The second line of musical notation is labeled 'Leader' and contains the notes G4, A4, B4, C5, and D5. The lyrics 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.' are aligned under the notes.



Assembly: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The third line of musical notation is labeled 'Assembly' and contains the notes G4, A4, B4, C5, and D5. The lyrics 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.' are aligned under the notes.

L: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that with heart and mind and voice we should praise God, and the Son, Jesus Christ, who redeemed us from bondage and freed us,



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

O God, you are the creator of the world, the liberator of your people, and the wisdom of the earth. By the resurrection of your Son free us from our fears, restore us in your image, and ignite us with your light, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and 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 ACS#1064

Earth Is Full of Wit and Wisdom



1 Earth is full of wit and wis - dom, sound - ing God's de - light - ed laugh,
2 Earth is full of wit and wis - dom, wo - ven in - to har - mo - ny.
3 Earth is full of wit and wis - dom: pen - guin, pla - ty - pus, and snail,



from the ti - ny ro - ly - po - ly to the tree - top - tall gi - raffe.
Ev - 'ry crea - ture has a pur - pose, ev - 'ry flow'r and bum - ble - bee.
cac - tus, sea slug, oak, and al - gae, from the mi - crobe to the whale.



All cre - a - tion sings in won - der; e - ven rocks and trees re - jice
Spi - der, hu - man, red - wood, geck - o, mon - key, chick - en, mouse, and snake
In this great and strange cre - a - tion, with a breath God gives us birth:



as they join the ring - ing cho - rus: ech - oes of our Mak - er's voice.
live with - in a sin - gle fab - ric: cloth that on - ly God could make.
born of soil to live as stew - ards, called to love and serve the earth.

Text: Adam M. L. Tice, b. 1979

Music: HOLY MANNA, W. Moore, *Columbian Harmony*, 1825; arr. hymnal version

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Silence for Reflection.

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 ELW #419

For All the Faithful Women

- 1 For all the faithful women
who served in days of old,
to you shall thanks be given;
to all, their story told.
They served with strength and gladness
in tasks your wisdom gave.
To you their lives bore witness,
proclaimed your pow'r to save.

- 2 We praise your name for Miriam,
who sang triumphantly
while Pharaoh's vaunted army
lay drowned beneath the sea.
As Israel marched to freedom,
her chains of bondage gone,
so may we reach the kingdom
your mighty arm has won.

- 3 O God, for saints and servants,
those named and those unknown,
in whom through all the ages
your light of glory shone,

we offer glad thanksgiving
and fervent prayer we raise
that, faithful in your service,
our lives may sing your praise.

Silence for reflection

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

Choir or cantor



1 Sure-ly God is my sal - va - tion, I will trust and shall not fear.
2 Thus with joy you shall draw wa - ter from sal - va - tion's wells and springs.
3 Tell the na - tions of God's glo - ry, make this known in all the earth.



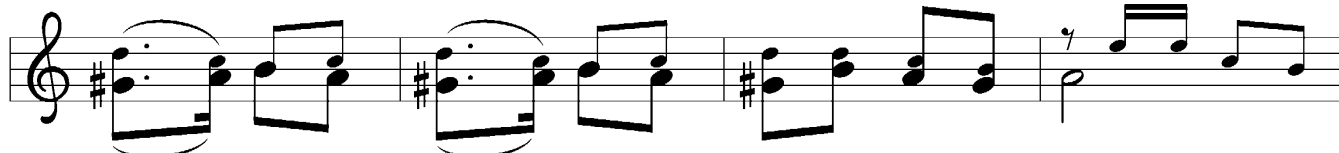
God the LORD is strong and might - y, my sal - va - tion true.
Sing your thanks to God Al - might - y for these won - drous deeds.
Praise the LORD, the God of Is - rael, call up - on God's name.

Refrain - All

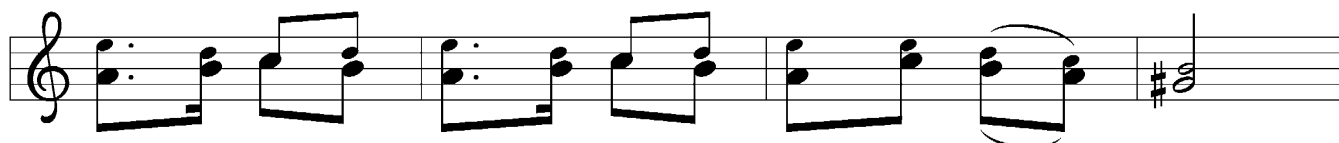


Shout a-loud and sing for joy, O Daugh-ter Zi - on!

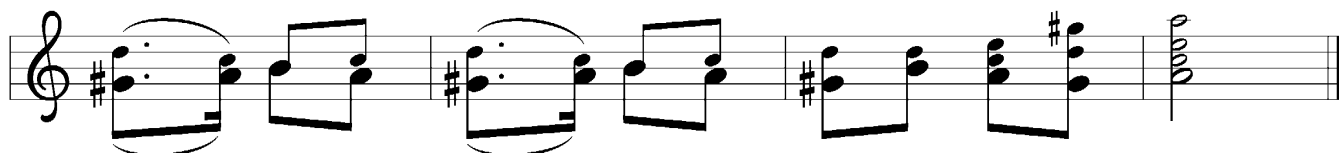
Sing ho-san-na!



Great in your midst is the LORD, the Ho - ly One!



Shout a-loud and sing for joy, O daugh - ter Zi - on!



Great in your midst is the LORD, the Ho - ly One!

Text: Zebulon M. Highben, based on Isaiah 12:2-6

Music: YISRAEL V'ORAITA, Hasidic tune, arr. Zebulon M. Highben

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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: Jonah 1:1- 2:1

The deliverance of Jonah

Now the word of the Lord came to Jonah son of Amittai, saying, "Go at once to Nineveh, that great city, and cry out against it; for their wickedness has come up before me." But Jonah set out to flee to Tarshish from the presence of the Lord. He went down to Joppa and found a ship going to Tarshish; so he paid his fare and went on board, to go with them to Tarshish, away from the presence of the Lord.

But the Lord hurled a great wind upon the sea, and such a mighty storm came upon the sea that the ship threatened to break up. Then the mariners were afraid, and each cried to his god. They threw the cargo that was in the ship into the sea, to lighten it for them. Jonah, meanwhile, had gone down into the hold of the ship and had lain down, and was fast asleep. The captain came and said to him, "What are you doing sound asleep? Get up, call on your god! Perhaps the god will spare us a thought so that we do not perish."

The sailors said to one another, "Come, let us cast lots, so that we may know on whose account this calamity has come upon us." So they cast lots, and the lot fell on Jonah. Then they said to him, "Tell us why this calamity has come upon us. What is your occupation? Where do you come from? What is your country? And of what people are you?" "I am a Hebrew," he replied. "I worship the Lord, the God of heaven, who made the sea and the dry land." Then the men were

even more afraid, and said to him, “What is this that you have done!” For the men knew that he was fleeing from the presence of the Lord, because he had told them so.

Then they said to him, “What shall we do to you, that the sea may quiet down for us?” For the sea was growing more and more tempestuous. He said to them, “Pick me up and throw me into the sea; then the sea will quiet down for you; for I know it is because of me that this great storm has come upon you.” Nevertheless the men rowed hard to bring the ship back to land, but they could not, for the sea grew more and more stormy against them. Then they cried out to the Lord, “Please, O Lord, we pray, do not let us perish on account of this man’s life. Do not make us guilty of innocent blood; for you, O Lord, have done as it pleased you.” So they picked Jonah up and threw him into the sea; and the sea ceased from its raging. Then the men feared the Lord even more, and they offered a sacrifice to the Lord and made VOWS.

But the Lord provided a large fish to swallow up Jonah; and Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.

Then Jonah prayed to the Lord his God from the belly of the fish.

Response Hymn

Jonah Prayed

The Congregation echoes the leader singing the larger, dark-print phrases.

Jo-nah prayed from the bel-ly of the fish, say-ing,

Jo-nah prayed from the bel-ly of the fish,

“Thank you, God; you saved me from death.

say-ing, “Thank you, God; you

You cast me to the

saved me from death. You cast me

mid-dle of the sea; and the waves rose

to the mid-dle of the sea; and the

and the bil-lows cov-ered me. As my

waves rose and the bil-lows cov-ered me.

life was ebb-ing a-way I re-

As my life was ebb-ing a-way

mem-bered you, my God; I lift-ed up my

I re - mem-bered you, my God;

prayer, and you an - swered me.

I lift-ed up my prayer,

and you

With grate - ful heart I will

an - swered me.

With grate-ful heart

pay my vows. De - liv - 'rance, LORD,

I will pay my vows.

De -

liv-'rance, LORD, be - longs to you!"

liv-'rance, LORD,

be - longs to you!"

longs to you!"

Text: Carolyn Jennings, based on Jonah 2:1-3, 7-9

Music: Carolyn Jennings

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Silence for Reflection

Prayer

O God of deliverance,
 you saved Jonah through the waters of death,
 and after three days you brought him to new life.
 Speak to us by this sign,

and call us to repentance,
that we may heed the voice of your risen Son,
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen**

Fifth 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 Hymn Song of the Three Children Rodger Petrich

The Congregation sings the Refrains (R) where marked. The Choir sings the verses.

L: All you works of the Lord, bless the Lord.



You angels of the Lord, bless the Lord;
you heavens, bless the Lord;
all you powers of the Lord, bless the Lord - **R**

You sun and moon, bless the Lord;
you stars of heaven, bless the Lord;
you showers and dew, bless the Lord - **R**

You winds of God, bless the Lord;
you fire and heat, bless the Lord;
you winter and summer, bless the Lord - **R**

You dews and frost, bless the Lord;
you frost and cold, bless the Lord;
you ice and snow, bless the Lord - **R**

You nights and days, bless the Lord;
you light and darkness, bless the Lord;
you lightnings and clouds, bless the Lord - **R**

Let the earth bless the Lord;
you mountains and hills, bless the Lord;
all you green things that grow on the earth, bless the Lord - **R**

You wells and springs, bless the Lord;
you rivers and seas, bless the Lord;
you whales and all who move in the waters, bless the Lord - **R**

All you birds of the air, bless the Lord;
all you beasts and cattle, bless the Lord;
all you children of mortals, bless the Lord - **R**

You people of God, bless the Lord;
you priests of the Lord, bless the Lord;
you servants of the Lord, bless the Lord - **R**

You spirits and souls of the righteous, bless the Lord;
you pure and humble of heart, bless the Lord;
let us bless the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit - **R**

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.**

+ + + HOLY BAPTISM + + +

PROCESSION TO THE FONT ELW #215

Blessed Be God, Who Chose You

PRESENTATION

God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

Sponsors: I present Kylin Rae Lock for baptism.

Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your child baptized into Christ?

Response: I do.

As you bring Kylin to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with her among God's faithful people,
bring her to the word of God and the holy supper,
teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,
place in her hands the holy scriptures,
and nurture her in faith and prayer,
so that she may learn to trust God,
proclaim Christ through word and deed,
care for others and the world God made,
and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help your Kylin grow in the Christian faith and life?

Response: I do.

Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Kylin in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help them live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Response: I do.

People of God, do you promise to support Kylin and pray for her in her new life in Christ?

We do.

(Stand)

PROFESSION OF FAITH

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?

Response:

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Response:

I renounce them.

Do you renounce 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.**

THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you. Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

(Sit)

BAPTISM

Kylin Rae Lock, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

**You belong to Christ,
in whom you have been baptized.
Alleluia.**

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

Sustain Kylin Rae Lock with 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.

Kylin, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

Amen.

WELCOME

Jesus said, I am the light of the world.
Whoever follows me
will have the light of life.

(Representative of the Congregation)

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share:

**join us in giving thanks and praise to God
and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

RESPONSE

Baptismal Hymn ELW #215

Blessed Be God, Who Chose You

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.

Refrain
Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

(Stand)

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

Rev. Dr. Carrie Carnes

(Stand)

Hymn of the Day ELW #379

Now the Green Blade Rises

Prayers of Intercession

On this most holy night, our Lord has acted. Raised with Christ, let us boldly offer our prayers for the whole people of God.

A brief silence.

Let your holy church rejoice, for Christ has risen! We rejoice with the newly baptized this night especially Kylin. Renew us all in our baptismal covenant and put your Spirit within us. Risen Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

All creation bears your image and sings your praise. Preserve the works of your hands—day and night, sea and land, plants and trees, birds, and every living creature. Inspire in us a renewed care for the world you have called very good. Risen Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

You shatter tyranny and oppression and liberate your people from bondage. Rise up with might against tyrants and dictators. Grant

wisdom to world leaders, that your reign of justice and freedom comes to all. Risen Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

You break the chains of death and bring us up from the grave. Enter places of despair and breathe new life where hope wanes. Reconcile fractured relationships. Rescue us from all that ensnares us. Enliven our dry bones so we can live. Risen Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

You give your people a heart of flesh in place of a heart of stone. Soften our hearts to the needs around us especially Marilyn, Roger, Darlene, Bill, and Dena. Strengthen the ministries of care of this congregation and turn us outward to love and serve our neighbors. Risen Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We know that Christ is raised and dies no more. With thanksgiving, we lift our voices with the saints of every time and place around God's eternal throne. Risen Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We offer to you these prayers as well as those we now name to you either aloud or in our heart.

Brief Silence.

Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

Amen.

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

(Sit)

+ + + MEAL + + +

(Stand)

Offering Prayer

Generous God,
in this meal you offer your very self.
We give thanks for these gifts of the earth.
In the breaking of this bread
reveal to us the Risen One.
In the pouring of this wine
pour us out in service to the world;
through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

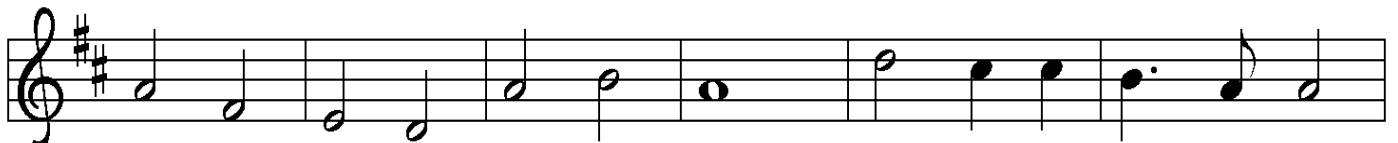
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

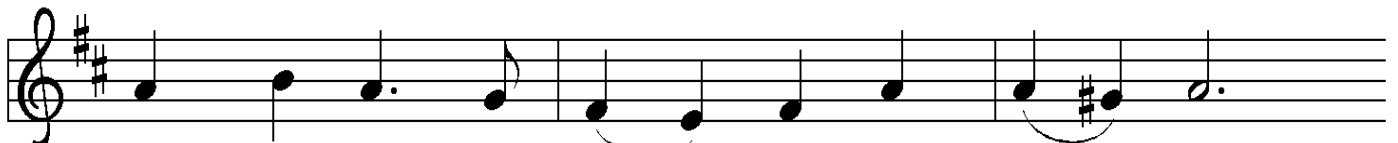
It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ,
the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin;
who in dying has destroyed death,
and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

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

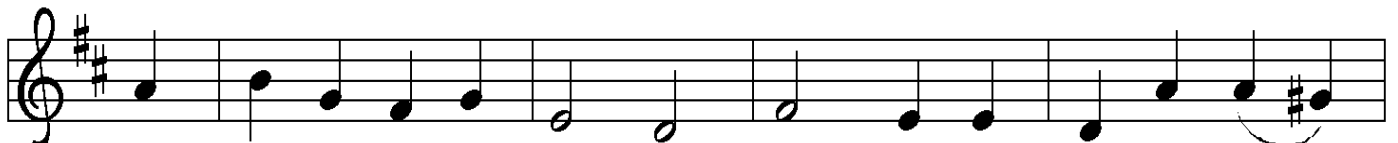
with earth and sea and all their creatures,
and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



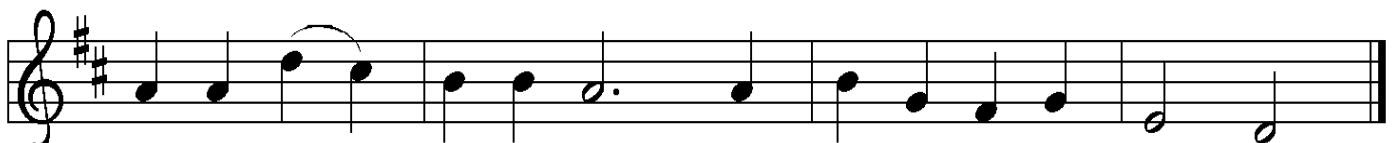
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes



in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Eucharistic Prayer

O God most mighty,
O God most merciful,
O God our rock and our salvation,
hear us as we praise,
call us to your table,
grant us your life.

When the earth was a formless void,
you formed order and beauty.
When Abraham and Sarah were barren,
you sent them a child;
When the Israelites were enslaved,
you led them to freedom.
Ruth faced starvation, David fought Goliath,

and the psalmists cried out for healing,
and full of compassion, you granted the people your life.

You entered our sorrows in Jesus our brother.
He was born among the poor,
he lived under oppression,
he wept over the city.
With infinite love, he granted the people your life.

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.

Remembering his death, we cry out Amen. **Amen.**
Celebrating his resurrection, we shout Amen. **Amen.**
Trusting his presence in every time and place, we plead Amen.
Amen.

O God, you are Breath: send your Spirit on this meal.
O God, you are Bread: feed us with yourself.
O God, you are Wine: warm our hearts and make us one.
O God, you are Fire: transform us with hope.

O God most majestic, O God most motherly,
O God our strength and our song,
you show us a vision of a tree of life

with fruits for all and leaves that heal the nations.
Grant us such life,
the life of the Father to the Son,
the life of the Spirit of our risen Savior,
life in you, 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

Come and know Christ,
broken and poured out for you.

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)

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.

Communion Music This Joyful Eastertide

John Leavitt

Post Communion Hymn ELW# 465

As the Grains of Wheat

(Stand)

Prayer after Communion

Gracious God,
in you we live and move and have our being.
With your word and this meal of grace,
you have nourished our life together.
Strengthen us to show your love
and serve the world in Jesus' name.

Amen.

+ + + SENDING + + +

Blessing

The God of all,
who raised † Jesus from the dead,
bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit
to live in the new creation.
Amen.

Recessional Hymn #391

This Joyful Eastertide

Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Risen One.
Thanks be to God.

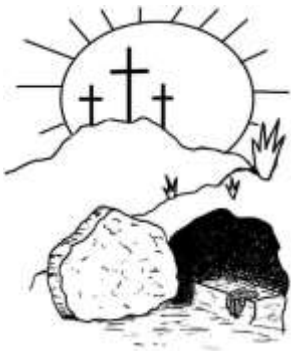
Postlude

This Joyful Eastertide

Paul Boumann

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As you leave, please take a moment to greet one another.



***You're Invited to* Easter Service**

Sunday, April 9th at 9:30 am

Worship Participants:

Audio: Brady Warner

Video: Brady Warner

Acolyte: Kylie Tapper

Ushers: John McClean, Harold Ziehr

Assisting Minister: Nick Elders
Readers: Sarah Brakenbury & Bill Sime
Wine Servers: Hillary Hoffman & Julie Wiegand
Percussion: Isaac Triplett
Closing Duties: Hillary Hoffman
Communion Setup: Hillary Hoffman
Organist: Bette Mohr
Director of Choirs: James Hutchings
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 people of all sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions, 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 racial equity, 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.