



**Resurrection Reality:
We Have a Meaningful Message to Share**

Third Sunday of Easter

April 14, 2024



Trinity Lutheran Church is a family because God welcomed us into his family. Our mission is to grow closer to God, to our brothers and sisters in Christ, and to share this sense of belonging with the surrounding community, welcoming more souls into the family of God.

Third Sunday of Easter

A platitude is a statement aimed at helping soothe some sort of emotional unease. “What doesn’t kill you makes you stronger.” Or “Life is a mystery.” Or “Good things come to those who wait.” While platitudes may be well-intentioned, at best they come off as trite. And since platitudes provide no real help, they can actually make a situation worse. Tell the one whose heart is shattering, “Life is a mystery.” They won’t appreciate your platitude or you.

The resurrection gives believers the ability to offer more than platitudes. We have a meaningful message to share—of repentance, of forgiveness, of peace, of power. The reality is we have something important to say to every single person that God brings into our sphere of influence. And our risen Savior gives us the courage and power to share that meaningful message.

May God bless your worship.

Serving in Worship

Preacher

Organist

Pastor Matthew Langbartels

Hannah Langebartels

† Order of Service †

Hymn

453, *The Tomb Is Empty*
Choir sings v. 1& 2

- 1 The tomb is empty, is empty!
Come and see where once the body lay.
Can it be true, be true,
that Jesus Christ is raised to life today? (Refrain)

Ref Sing alleluia! Sing alleluia!

- 2 The tomb is empty, is empty!
Come and hear these words of life and peace:
“He is not here, not here.
He lives again in all your Galilees.” (Refrain)

- 3 The tomb is empty, is empty!
Come and touch the stone and folded shroud.
Christ lives indeed, indeed. Alleluia!
Believers, shout aloud. (Refrain)

- 4 The tomb is empty, is empty!
Come and meet the risen Christ our Lord
in whom we have, we have our victory,
in whom is life restored. (Refrain)

- 5 The tomb is empty, is empty!
Go and serve all people who long to be free!
Raise those who sleep, who sleep in tombs of fear,
and give them eyes to see! (Refrain)

Please stand

In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Confession

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If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

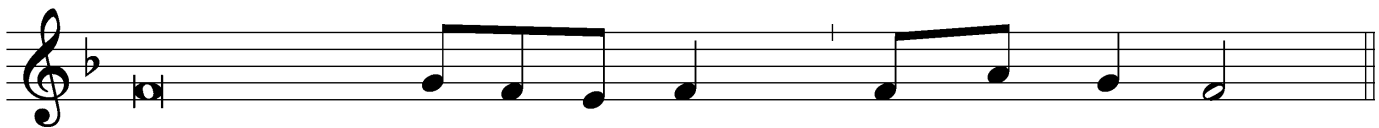
with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

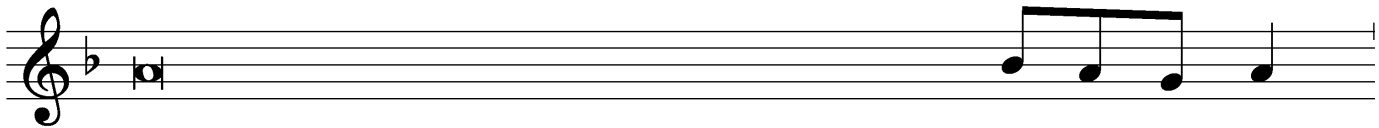
Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy



In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



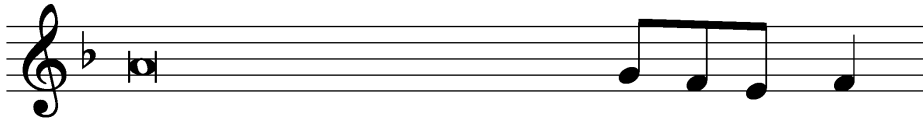
For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



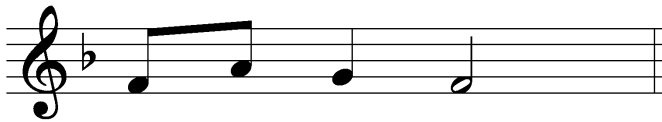
Lord, have mer - cy.



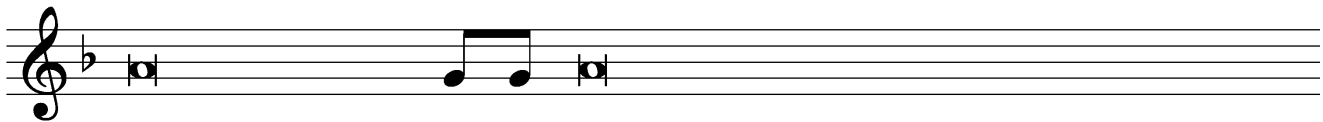
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



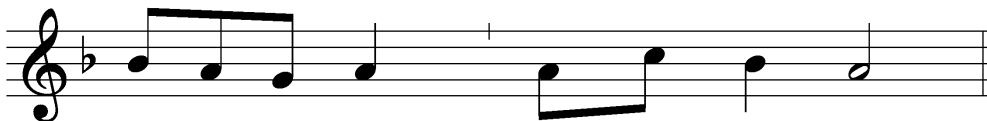
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



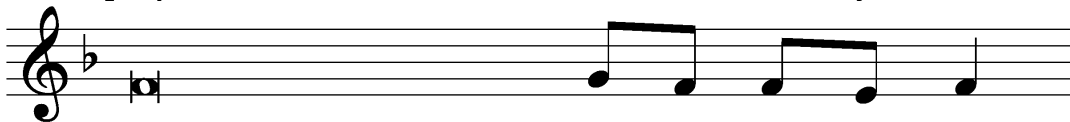
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men.

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Glory Be to God on High

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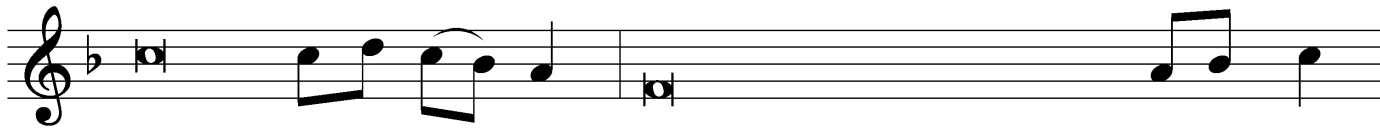
Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



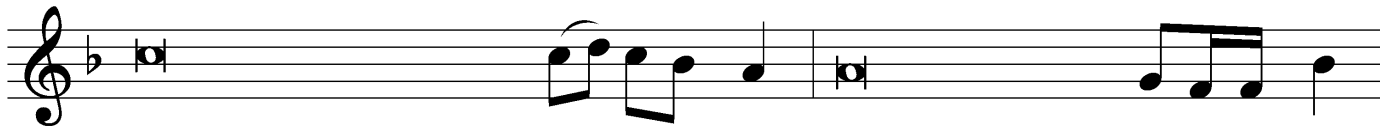
We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



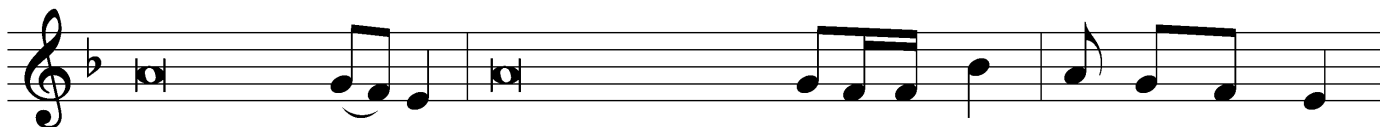
we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



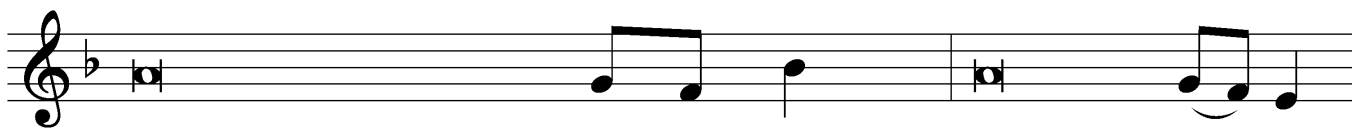
God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;



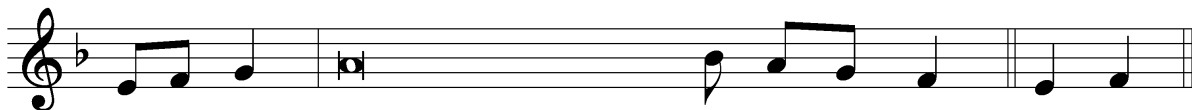
have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.



You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.



For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the



Ho-ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

O God, by the humiliation of your Son, you lifted up this fallen world from the despair of death. By his resurrection to life, grant your faithful people

gladness of heart and the hope of eternal joys; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Please be seated

First Reading

Acts 3:11–20

Peter healed a crippled beggar, drawing a large crowd. Peter used that opportunity to share a meaningful message about the one the people of Jerusalem asked Pilate to crucify.

¹¹While the man held on to Peter and John, all the people were astonished and came running to them in the place called Solomon’s Colonnade.

¹²When Peter saw this, he said to them: “Fellow Israelites, why does this surprise you? Why do you stare at us as if by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk? ¹³The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus. You handed him over to be killed, and you disowned him before Pilate, though he had decided to let him go. ¹⁴You disowned the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you. ¹⁵You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead. We are witnesses of this. ¹⁶By faith in the name of Jesus, this man whom you see and know was made strong. It is Jesus’ name and the faith that comes through him that has completely healed him, as you can all see.

¹⁷“Now, fellow Israelites, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did your leaders. ¹⁸But this is how God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, saying that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord, ²⁰and that he may send the Messiah, who has been appointed for you—even Jesus.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Day

150C, Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

Choir: 1st refrain and verses, Cong: All other refrains

Refrain

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

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

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

le - lu - jah. jah. jah.

Verse

1 Praise God in this ho - ly place, ev - 'ry na - tion, ev - 'ry race.

Come, make joy - ful mu - sic to the LORD.

Sound the trum - pet, sound it clear; sound it for the world to hear.

Come, make joy - ful mu - sic to the LORD. Refrain

Verse



2 Ev - 'ry-thing that breathes now praise; sing your songs, let voic-es raise.



Come, make joy - ful mu - sic to the LORD.



Play the cym-bals, play the lute; play the tim - brel, play the flute.



Come, make joy - ful mu - sic to the LORD.

Refrain

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Second Reading

1 John 1:5—2:2

St. John summarizes the meaningful message we have heard and been called to declare: God is light.

⁵This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. ⁶If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth. ⁷But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

⁸If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. ⁹If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word is not in us.

¹My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have an advocate with the Father—Jesus Christ, the

Righteous One. ²He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Gospel Acclamation

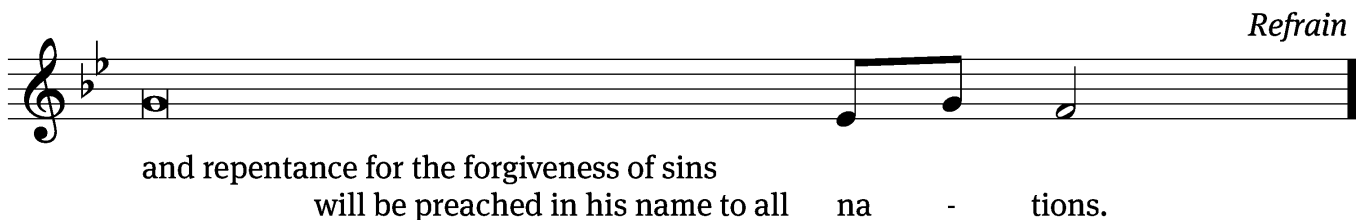
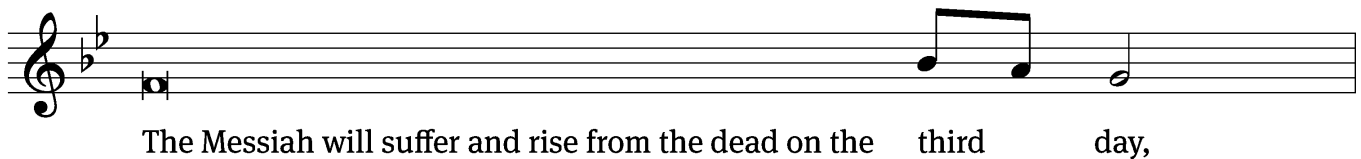
Luke 24:46,47



Refrain



Tone



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Gospel

Luke 24:36–49

The risen Savior gives us peace. He also gives us a mission. We are to share the message of repentance and forgiveness.

³⁶While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.”

³⁷They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost. ³⁸He said to them, “Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds?

³⁹Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have.”

⁴⁰When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet. ⁴¹And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, “Do you have anything here to eat?” ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate it in their presence.

⁴⁴He said to them, “This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms.”

⁴⁵Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. ⁴⁶He told them, “This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Please be seated

Hymn of the Day

459, Christ the Lord Is Risen Again

- 1 Christ the Lord is ris'n again;
Christ has broken death's strong chain.
Hark, the angels shout for joy,
singing evermore on high:
Hallelujah!
- 2 He who gave for us his life,
who for us endured the strife,
is our Paschal Lamb today.
We too sing for joy and say:
Hallelujah!
- 3 He who bore all pain and loss
comfortless upon the cross
lives in glory now on high,
pleads for us, and hears our cry:
Hallelujah!

4 He whose path no records tell
has descended into hell;
he the strong man armed has bound
and in highest heav'n is crowned.
Hallelujah!

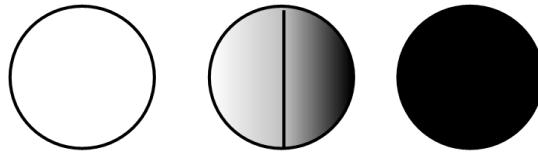
5 He who slumbered in the grave
is exalted now to save;
now through Christendom it rings
that the Lamb is King of kings.
Hallelujah!

6 Now he bids us tell abroad
how the lost may be restored,
how the penitent forgiv'n,
how we, too, may enter heav'n.
Hallelujah!

Sermon

1 John 1:5—2:2

Live in the Light



Please stand

Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and became truly human.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who in unity with the Father and the Son

is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

Please be seated

Friendship Registers & Communion Announcement

When filling out the Friendship register for communion, please include those communing on one line, and those not communing on a separate line. Thank you.



Offering

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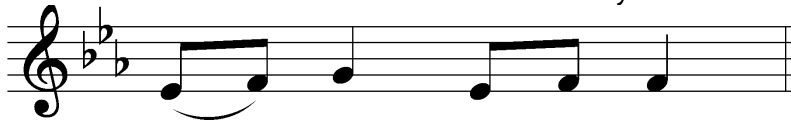
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Preface

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The Lord be with you.



And al - so with you.



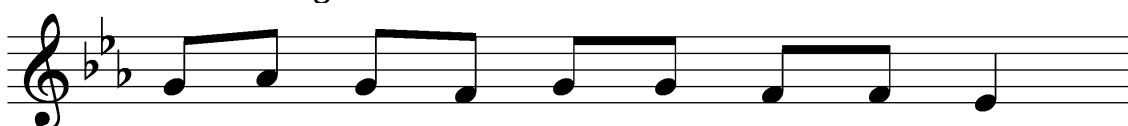
Lift up your hearts.



We lift them up to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who by his willing sacrifice on the cross took away the sins of the world and by his glorious resurrection restored everlasting life. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy

CW 167



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:

heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san - na, ho -
 san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he,
 bless - ed is he, 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.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

We give thanks to you, O God, through your dear Son, Jesus Christ, whom you sent to be our Savior, our Redeemer, and the messenger of your grace. Through him you made all things; in him you are well pleased. He is the incarnate Word, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. To fulfill your promises, he stretched out his hands on the cross and released from eternal death all who believe in you.

As we remember Jesus' death and resurrection, we thank you that you have gathered us together to receive your Son's body and blood. Send us your Spirit, unite us as one, and strengthen our faith so that we may praise you in your Son, Jesus Christ. Through him, we glorify and honor you, O God our Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
 hallowed be thy name,
 thy kingdom come,
 thy will be done**

on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my † body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my † blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
Amen.

O Christ, Lamb of God

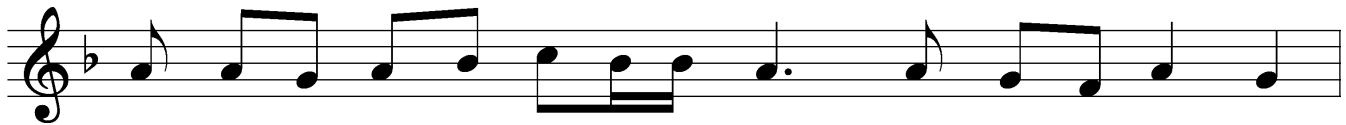
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O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;



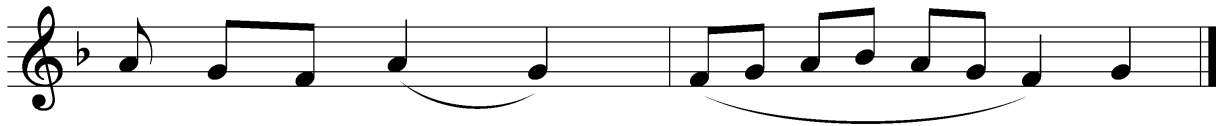
have mer-cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us your peace. A - men.

Please be seated

Distribution

Communion is an expression of unity and agreement in faith. We ask if you are not a member of Trinity, please speak with pastor before you publicly express such unity.

Distribution Hymns 462, Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain

- 1 Come, you faithful, raise the strain
of triumphant gladness!
God has brought his Israel
into joy from sadness,
loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke
Jacob's sons and daughters,
led them with unmoistened foot
through the Red Sea waters.
- 2 See the spring of souls today:
Christ has burst his prison,
and from three days' sleep in death
as a sun has risen;
all the winter of our sins,
long and dark, is flying
from his light, to whom we give
laud and praise undying.

3 Now the queen of seasons, bright
with the day of splendor,
with the royal feast of feasts,
comes its joy to render;
comes to gladden faithful hearts
which with true affection
welcome in unwearied strains
Jesus' resurrection!

4 For today among his own
Christ appeared, bestowing
blessèd peace, which evermore
passes human knowing.
Neither could the gates of death
nor the tomb's dark portal
nor the watchers nor the seal
hold him as a mortal.

5 Alleluia! Now we cry
to our King immortal,
who, triumphant, burst the bars
of the tomb's dark portal.
Come, you faithful, raise the strain
of triumphant gladness!
God has brought his Israel
into joy from sadness!

469, Welcome, Happy Morning

1 "Welcome, happy morning!"
age to age shall say;
"Hell today is vanquished;
heav'n is won today!"
Lo, the dead is living,
God forevermore!
Him, their true Creator,
all his works adore. (Refrain)

Ref “Welcome, happy morning!”
age to age shall say;
“Hell today is vanquished;
heav’n is won today!”

2 Maker and Redeemer,
life and health of all,
God from heav’n beholding
human nature’s fall,
of the Father’s Godhead
you, the only Son,
mankind to deliver
manhood did put on. (Refrain)

3 Source of all things living,
you came down to die,
plumbed the depths of hell to
raise us up on high.
Come, then, true and faithful,
come, fulfill your word;
this is your third morning—
rise, O buried Lord. (Refrain)

4 Free the souls long prisoned,
bound with Satan’s chain;
all that now is fallen
raise to life again.
Show your face in brightness;
shine in ev’ry land
as in Eden’s garden
when the world began. (Refrain)

Please stand

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

Amen.

Please be seated

Hymn

746, I Love to Tell the Story
V. 1,6,2

1 I love to tell the story
of unseen things above,
of Jesus and his glory,
of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story
because I know it's true;
it satisfies my longings
as nothing else can do. (Refrain)

Ref I love to tell the story;
'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story
of Jesus and his love.

2 O wonderful redemption!
The price for sin is paid,
salvation is accomplished,
my heart is unafraid,
for God has raised Christ Jesus
to show the work was done;

his glorious resurrection
declared the vict'ry won! (Refrain)

3 I love to tell the story,
for those who know it best
seem hungering and thirsting
to hear it like the rest.
And when in scenes of glory
I sing the new, new song,
'twill be the old, old story
that I have loved so long. (Refrain)

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Announcements

If you are planning on sending in your own picture to use in our directory PLEASE talk to Paula. She has a form you need to sign to give permission so the studio can use it. Picture's must be received in our email no later than Tuesday, April 16th, it must be accompanied with the completed form. Email-secretary@trinitycoleman.org

Upcoming Meetings after Church (10:45):

Today, April 14th - Ministry Update- All Trinity members are encouraged to attend.

- Basement update
- Preschool Flooring
- Relocation of some Rooms in Education Building

April 21st - Church Council Meeting

April 28th - Trinity Voter's Meeting-

- Council to have permission to hire
- Budget for relocation of rooms

Please remember to take your Easter lilies home.

Sunday School Teacher's Meeting will be Thursday, April 18th at 6 pm.

Pastor will be away at conference on April 23rd & 24th .

Preschool Rummage Sale is May 9th, 10th & 11th . Please start dropping off donations on May 1st , no sooner. Volunteers needed! On Monday, May 6th through Wednesday May 8th help is needed for sorting and setup. Thurs May 9th & Friday(am) May 10th help is needed during the sale.

Items to donate- Dishes, Books, Furniture, Kids Clothes, Adult Clothes, Baby Clothes,

Housewares, Holiday Decorations, Toys, Sporting goods , Etc....

Flyers with more information are at the back of the Church and posted on the Office bulletin board. Thank you.

Attendance 4/7: 110

Offering 4/7: \$ 4,925.14

General Fund Balance as of 4/7: \$46,941.02

This Week at Trinity...

Sun. 14 th	Mon.15 ^t	Tues.	Wed. 17 th	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat. 20 th
8:15 Sunday School & Bible Study				6 pm Sunday School Teacher's meeting		
9:30 Worship Service						
10:45 Ministry Update						
2 pm Young Christian bowling at Lena						

Acknowledgments

Setting One from Christian Worship

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