## Mission Statement ~ Our Church Exists To:

Welcome all people into relationship with Jesus Christ Equip people with a vital, living faith, and Send us into the world to serve in Jesus' name



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## Welcome to Worship at Trinity

Welcome to Trinity Lutheran. Whether this is your first time worshipping with us or if you regularly attend we want you to know how glad we are that you have chosen to take time today to worship God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ here with us.

Worship is an act of surrender. It is an acknowledgement that we are creatures, not the creator. It is an admission that all we have is a gift given, not because we deserve it but because we are beloved. It is a time of praise – thanking God for being our God.

If you would like to grower deeper in your relationship with Jesus through Trinity Lutheran let us know – we would love to accompany you on your faith journey.



## **Introduction to the Day**

The gospel for the third Sunday of Easter is always one in which the risen Christ shares food with the disciples, meals that are the Easter template for the meal we share when we celebrate Holy Communion. In today's gospel, Jesus shares the disciples' food and shows them the meaning of his suffering, death, and resurrection through the scriptures, two important elements of our Sunday worship.

# We sing with joy. With joy and care, you are invited to sing the verses printed in this bulletin

and to enjoy the verses sung for you by the song leaders.

We do ask that you wear a face mask when you sing. If you need a mask, they are available in the narthex and at the Welcome Center.

#### <u>PRELUDE</u>

#### **WORDS OF WELCOME**

#### **GATHERING SONG**

"Borning Cry" Verse one and four sung by all. ELW #732

1. I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old. I rejoiced the day you were baptized to see your life unfold. I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well; In a blaze of light you wandered off to find there demons dwell."

(Song leaders will sing verses 2-3.)

4. I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old. I rejoiced the day you were baptized to see your life unfold.

#### SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

In baptism our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; by water and the Holy Spirit we are reborn children of God and made members of the church, the body of Christ. Living with Christ and in the communion of saints, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

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

As you bring (name) to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with him/her among God's faithful people, bring him/her to the word of God and the holy supper, teach him/her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in his/her hands the holy scriptures, and nurture him/her in faith and prayer,

so that your child 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 child grow in the Christian faith and life?

Sponsors, do you promise to nurture this child 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?

People of God, do you promise to support this child and pray for this child in their new life in Christ? We do.

#### PROFESSION OF FAITH

I ask you all 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?

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.

Blessed are you, O God, maker and ruler of all things. Your voice thundered over the waters at creation. You water the mountains and send springs into the valleys to refresh and satisfy all living things.

Through the waters of the flood you carried those in the ark to safety. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery to freedom. In the wilderness you nourished them with water from the rock, and you brought them across the river Jordan to the promised land.

By the baptism of his death and resurrection, your Son Jesus has carried us to safety and freedom. The floods shall not overwhelm us, and the deep shall not swallow us up, for Christ has brought us over to the land of promise. He sends us to make disciples, baptizing in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Pour out your Holy Spirit; wash away sin in this cleansing water; clothe the baptized with Christ; and claim your daughters and sons, no longer slave and free, no longer male and female, but one with all the baptized in Christ Jesus, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

#### **BAPTISM**

(Name), I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

Blessed be God.

the source of all life, the word of salvation, the spirit of mercy.

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 <u>name</u> 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.

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

#### **GIFTS OF WELCOME**

#### WORDS OF WELCOME

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.

#### **SONG OF JOY AND PRAISE**

"Jesus Loves Me"

ELW #595

Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so; little ones to him belong, they are weak, but he is strong.

Refrain:
Yes, Jesus loves me, yes, Jesus loves me.
Yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so.

The song leaders will sing additional verses.

Please join them for the refrain.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy and righteous God,

you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

#### FIRST READING: ACTS 3:12-19

After healing a man unable to walk, Peter preaches to the people, describing how God's promises to Israel have been fulfilled in Jesus. Through the proclamation of Christ's death and resurrection, God is offering them forgiveness and restoration in Jesus' name.

[Peter] addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

"And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

SONG "You Are Holy" ELW #525

(First time, song leaders. Second time, all)

You are holy, you are whole.
You are always evermore than we ever understand.
You are always at hand.
Blessed are you coming near.
Blessed are you coming here to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.
You are holy, You are wholeness, You are present.
Let the cosmos praise you, Lord!
Sing hosanna in the highest!
Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna to our God!

#### **PSALM: PSALM 4**

Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause;

you set me free when I was in distress; have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

"You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory;

how long will you love illusions and seek after lies?"

Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful;

the Lord will hear me when I call.

Tremble, then, and do not sin;

speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.

Offer the appointed sacrifices,

and put your trust in the Lord.

Many are saying, "Who will show us any good?"

Let the light of your face shine upon us, O Lord.

You have put gladness in my heart,

more than when grain and wine abound.

In peace, I will lie down and sleep;

for you alone, O Lord, make me rest secure.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

"Halle, Hallelujah"

ELW #172

Halle, halle, hallelujah. Halle, halle, hallelujah. Halle, halle, hallelujah. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. (repeat)

#### **GOSPEL: LUKE 24:36B-48**

In this account of an appearance after his resurrection, Jesus opens the minds of the disciples to understand him as Messiah. Jesus convinces them that he has been raised and sends them on a mission to proclaim the message of repentance and forgiveness.

Jesus himself stood among [the disciples] and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet.

While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."

#### **CHILDREN'S TIME**

MESSAGE Pastor Lee Herberg

### RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Dan and Kathy Paulson, Branden Nillers Laura Hoerner, Jeff Weigel

#### SONG OF THE DAY

"The Lord of the Dance"

The song leaders will sing the verses. Please join them for the refrain.

Dance, Dance wherever you may be.
"I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.
And I'll lead you all wherever you may be.
And I'll lead you all in the Dance, " said he.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please pray for: Emelia, Beverly, Adam, Mike, Bob, LaRayne, Donna, Connie, Brenda, Lanny, Isaac, Fran, Paul, Gary, Myrna, Jon

#### OFFERING MOMENT

#### **OFFERING MUSIC**

"Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring" Verse three only; sung by all. ELW #691

Our hopes and dreams, our toils and cares we lift in prayer before you. Lord, by your grace now come to us, as humbly we adore you.

#### **OFFERING PRAYER**

God of love,

you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table. Receive our lives and the gifts we offer. Abide with us and send us in service to a suffering world; for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

#### **BLESSING**

May our glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom to know and to love the risen Lord Jesus. The God of life, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SENDING MUSIC** 

"Build Us Up, Lord" *Verse one sung by all.* 

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter Luke 24:36b-48

He said, "You can see now how it is written that the Messiah suffers, rises from the dead on the third day, and then a total life-change through the forgiveness of sins is proclaimed in his name to all nations".

What excites you about the resurrection of Jesus?

Who can you share this story with?

ELW #670

Build us up, Lord, build us up; set in us a strong foundation.

Lead us to do your holy will; form and shape your new creation.

Build us up, Lord, build us up; as we guide and teach each other, help us to share your love with the world; ev'ry sister ev'ry bother.

Growing in Christ we plant seeds for the kingdom; we follow in faith what's begun!

Lord, set in our hearts the pow'r of your word to spread the news of your Son!

#### **DISMISSAL**

#### SENDING MUSIC CONTINUES

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR APRIL 18, 2021**

**RADIO BROADCAST/LIVE STREAM** is in memory of Mabel Keck, given by family.

#### TODAY WE CELEBRATE THE BAPTISMS OF:

(8:30 a.m.)

Jack Henry Larson, son of Jesse and Jenna Larson

(10:30 a.m.)

Oliver MaveRick Schuh, son of Desaray Schuh and Lance Mayhew

Maddox James Wilder Cruz Mayhew, son of Desaray Schuh and Lance Mayhew

**BEER AND HYMNS RETURNS!** - Beer and Hymns will resume on Monday, May 3rd and the first Monday of each month thereafter. It will be held from 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. in our outdoor Peace Chapel on our green space on 4th Street. Please bring you own chair or blanket.

**LUTHERANS IN LEATHER**— Monday, May 10. Please meet in the church parking lot at 6:00 p.m. We will have a short devotion, route planning, and go for a ride.

**BIBLE STUDY/CONNECT GROUP** - Join us Sunday Morning in the Community Center after the 8:30 a.m. service in person only for a time of fellowship and scripture. Also Monday nights at 6:30 p.m. in person or via Zoom. We are currently learning about Paul the Apostle. Email <a href="mailto:baumann@trinitybismarck.com">baumann@trinitybismarck.com</a> for a Zoom link. Contact Heather with questions.

**MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY** – Please consider using your gifts and talents to serve during one of our worship services. We are looking to increase the number of our tech team (sound, video, and projection) and our welcome team (usher, greeter and communion server).

Sign-up sheets available online at <a href="https://www.trinitybismarck.com/teamtrinity">www.trinitybismarck.com/teamtrinity</a>. Contact Heather with questions.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** - Join us June 13-16 from 6 to 8 p.m. for a fun week of games, crafts, Bible stories and more! For children age 4 to entering grade 5. Watch for more info & sign-up coming soon!

#### SUMMER YOUTH TRIP—CANOE TREKKER ADVENTURE -

August 1-6, 2021 for youth entering 8th – 12th Grade (graduating seniors see Gracia if interested). We're keeping it local this year with this unique experience of canoeing down the Missouri River beginning near the Garrison Dam. They will spend the night at campgrounds along the way. This trip is led by Camp of the Cross and Pastor Mark has been asked to be one of the leaders. Space is limited! See Gracia for more info.

TRINITY CAMPERSHIPS - Because we believe in the value of Christian Camping, Trinity Lutheran Church will provide scholarships of \$150 to anyone enrolled in Trinity ministries attending Bible Camp. To receive your campership, make sure you pick Trinity Bismarck as your home church when you register and then contact Gracia at Trinity: 223.3560 or <a href="mailto:gjohnson@trinitybismarck.com">gjohnson@trinitybismarck.com</a>. If you need further financial assistance to attend camp please see Gracia. Check out Camp of the Cross's summer camps at <a href="https://www.campofthecross.com">www.campofthecross.com</a>

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