

# Nurturing a Living Faith with Open Hearts and Serving Hands

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# 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 each Sunday. In today's gospel, Jesus both shares the disciples' food and shows them the meaning of his suffering, death, and resurrection through the scriptures, the two main elements of our Sunday worship.

## PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

"Oh How Good It Is" CCLI #6399212

On screen

# <u>WELCOME</u>

### **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS** 

**OPENING SONG** 

"All Are Welcome" Dakota Road Music, used by permission. On screen

# PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

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.

### GOSPEL: LUKE 24:36b-48

Eli Hatlestad, reader

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.

The holy gospel according to Luke, chapter 24, beginning with verse 36b. Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>36b</sup>Jesus himself stood among [the disciples] and said to them, "Peace be with you." <sup>37</sup>They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. <sup>38</sup>He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? <sup>39</sup>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." <sup>40</sup>And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. <sup>41</sup>While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" <sup>42</sup>They gave him a piece of broiled fish, <sup>43</sup>and he took it and ate in their presence.

<sup>44</sup>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." <sup>45</sup>Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, <sup>46</sup>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, <sup>47</sup>and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup>You are witnesses of these things."

The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ. Welcome to Worship at Trinity Lutheran

**3rd Sunday of Easter** 

April 17th, 2024

6 p.m.

Whether this is your first time worshipping with us, or if you regularly attend, we are very glad that you are with us! Today, we gather to worship God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The church is not a building – it is you, the people. So "church," thanks for showing up today. If you look around what you will see are imperfect people. Some with smiles, some with broken hearts, some with secrets they are ashamed to share... and yet all of us together are the "church."

We are thankful you are here. Through God's Holy Spirit we pray you hear a word of grace and hope today.

#### HYMN OF THE DAY/OFFERING

"The Servant King" CCLI #78897 On screen

#### APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.\* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Hands for prayer, hands for care and giving, hands to fold, hands to hold on tight. Hands to touch, hands in such thanksgiving, hands to praise, hands to raise on high. Hands for Prayer, *refrain* Marsh Drege

Please pray for James, Ellen, Morgan, Tom, Denell, Terry, Michelle, Leona and Knut.

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#### 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.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **BLESSING**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope + bless you now and always. Amen.

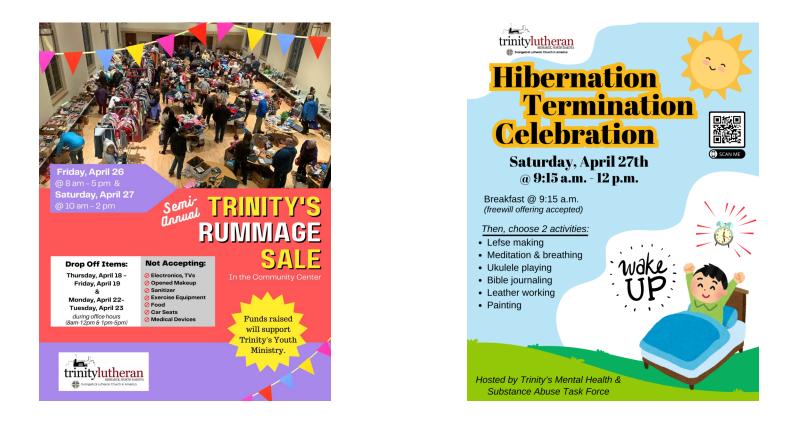
#### SENDING SONG

#### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news. **Thanks be to God.**  "In Christ Alone" CCLI #3350395 On screen

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My thoughts on the scripture and message





# THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

#### Wednesday 4-17

2:30 PM - Upstairs Bible Study in Room 212
5 PM - Meal in Fellowship Hall
6 PM - Worship in Sanctuary

# <u>Thursday 4-18</u>

9:30 AM - Thursday Morning Circle in Conference Room

#### Saturday 4-20 8 AM - Men's Grou

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#### Sunday 4-21

8:30 AM - Worship in Sanctuary 10:30 AM - Worship in Sanctuary

# Tuesday 4-23

9 AM - Quilters in Quilters' Room

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 2024

**WE EXTEND OUR CONGREGATION'S SYMPATHY** to the family of Larry Mickelson, father of Chrisann Striefel. Please keep their family in your prayers.

RADIO BROADCAST/LIVE STREAM is in memory of Julius & Alta Burzloff, given by family.

RUMMAGE SALE SETUP - Rummage sale setup starts TODAY after worship. Any & all help is appreciated!

**TRUST FUND SCHOLARSHIPS** - Applications are available on our website and in the office. Applications are **due Tuesday**, **April 30<sup>th</sup>**. Contact Heather for questions.

### PROJECT UPDATES FUNDED BY THE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN:

As of April 11<sup>th</sup>, the crews installing the fire detection system estimate they have completed half of the installation. The new panel is operational at this point. Detectors and alarms have been installed in the office area, the second floor education area, the quilters' room, and the lower youth room. The crew is currently working to run conduit in the Fellowship Hall, kitchen, bathrooms and hallways in that area. Once those areas are complete, the crew will move into the Community Center and Sanctuary. Thanks again for your support of this project!

Another Capital Campaign funded project has taken a huge step forward. Crews have completed installing almost 300 LED lights in the Fellowship Hall, kitchen, quilters' room, lower youth room and various hallways. Thanks to volunteer labor from an electrician and numerous helpers, the project which was initially estimated to cost \$40,000, will cost about \$3,500. The huge savings came as we realized we did not need to replace the light fixtures just the bulbs. Add to this, the fact that there were no labor costs and you end up with significant financial savings. Savings like this are hopefully going to allow us to complete all of the projects identified in the capital campaign.

**VENDOR FAIR BRAINSTORMING** - Trinity has hosted a Vendor Fair & Family Fun event for the past 2 years. There is plenty of room to grow or reimagine this event. We would like to hear from you if you hope to see us do this again or if you have ideas on how we might better engage with the community in a similar type of event. A brainstorming group will meet on Monday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 5:15 p.m. in the Conference Room. Please see Klarissa if you have any questions or input.

**HIBERNATION TERMINATION CELEBRATION** - Our Mental Health and Substance Abuse Task Force is sponsoring a morning of fun on April 27th. Come meet new people and learn a new hobby or skill. The event starts @ 9:15 a.m. with breakfast. Then, you can choose to attend two different hobby/skill workshops including: lefse making, mediation & breathing, ukulele playing, bible journaling, leather working and painting.

**NEW MEMBER CONVERSATION** - Are you interested in learning more about Trinity Lutheran and what it means to be a member? Pastor Mark will host a conversation in the Conference Room on Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup> @ 9:30 a.m.

**TAMALE MAKING** - Come join us in learning how to make tamales. The class will be on Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> (Cinco de Mayo) following the 10:30 am service. There is room for 20 participants, and you will get to take some tamales home! The class is free. Please sign-up in the narthex or email Pastor Martha if you would like to sign up.

**CANOE/KAYAK SUMMER TRIP** - There is still room on this summer's Canoe/Kayak adventure down the Missouri. We will leave the morning of Thursday, July 25<sup>th</sup>, and arrive in Bismarck on the afternoon of July 27<sup>th</sup>. The cost is only \$50. To register, email Pastor Mark at <u>narum@trinitybismarck.com</u>

**ONLINE GIVING** - Giving has never been easier! Open your camera on your phone and scan the QR code. It will take you right to Trinity's online giving site. You can choose to give via credit card or bank account. Try it out today!



# <u>Your Gifts</u>

Mar-24		Month Actual	Year-to- date Actual
<u>Mai -24</u>	INCOME	Actual	uate Actual
	Contributions	\$57,609.00	\$174,544.00
	Other Income	\$2,473.00	\$28,211.00
	Transfer	\$300.00	\$900.00
	Total Income	\$60,382.00	\$203,655.00
	EXPENSES Income less	\$60,018.00	\$196,588.00
	expenses	\$364.00	\$7,067.00

**Electronic Giving** - Trinity offers the option of Electronic Giving as a simple way to contribute. This would allow you the freedom from worry or concern whether you are out of town, on vacation or wondering how to budget your contributions. Giving forms are available in the office, at the Welcome Center or on Trinity's website.

We have also updated and simplified our website <u>www.trinitybismarck.com</u> in aiding you to give towards Trinity's Capital Campaign. The GIVE PLUS area on the left allows you to give a recurring or one-time donation using a credit card. If you have questions or need assistance with electronic giving, please feel free to call Heather Baumann @ 223-3560. Thank you again for your continued financial support.