

Nurturing a Living Faith with Open Hearts and Serving Hands

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Introduction to the Day

It is possible to hear in Jesus' high priestly prayer, a prayer he offered shortly before his death, the petitions of the ascended Christ for his own throughout history—to our day—and beyond. Jesus prays for us. In holy baptism we become believers in God, have our robes washed in the flood of Christ's forgiveness, and receive the gift of life forever with all the saints.

PRELUDE

WELCOME & SHARING OF PEACE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS		ACS pg. 8
OPENING SONG	"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus" Vs. 1. 3 & 4	ELW #392
GREETING/KYRIE	VS. 1, 5 & 4	ACS pg. 12
HYMN OF PRAISE		ACS pg. 12

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READING: ACTS 16:16-34

Those who had enslaved a girl and used her powers to tell fortunes threw Paul and Silas into jail for ordering the spirit to come out of her and consequently ruining their business. In prison, Paul and Silas bring the good news of the gospel to the jailer and his family.

¹⁶ One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. ¹⁷ While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." ¹⁸ She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

¹⁹ But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. ²⁰ When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews ²¹ and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." ²² The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. ²³ After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. ²⁴ Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

²⁵ About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. ²⁶ Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. ²⁷ When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. ²⁸ But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." ²⁹ The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. ³⁰ Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" ³¹ They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household."

7th Sunday of Easter June 1, 2025 8:30 a.m.



Welcome to Worship at Trinity Lutheran

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. 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. ³² They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. ³³ At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. ³⁴ He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 97 (Please read responsively). ¹ The LORD reigns; let the earth rejoice; let the multitude of the isles be glad. 2 ² Clouds and darkness surround the LORD, righteousness and justice are the foundations of God's throne. 3 ³ Fire goes before the LORD, burning up enemies on every side. 4 ⁴ Lightnings light up the world; the earth sees and trembles. 5 ⁵ The mountains melt like wax before the Lord of all the earth. 6 ⁶ The heavens declare your righteousness, O LORD, and all the peoples see your glory. 7 ⁷ Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods! Bow down before the LORD, all you gods. 8 ⁸ Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, because of your judgments, O LORD. 9 ⁹ For you are the LORD, most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods. 10 ¹⁰ You who love the LORD, hate evil! God guards the lives of the saints and rescues them from the hand of the wicked. 11 ¹¹ Light dawns for the righteous, and joy for the honest of heart. 12 ¹² Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous, and give thanks to God's holy name. 14	My thoughts on the scripture and message
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SECOND READING: REVELATION 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

The ascended Christ, hidden from our sight, promises to come again. We eagerly pray, "Come, Lord Jesus," with all who respond to this invitation.

¹² "See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. ¹³ I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

¹⁴Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. ¹⁶ "It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

¹⁷ The Spirit and the bride say, "Come."

And let everyone who hears say, "Come." And let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

²⁰ The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon."

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! ²¹ The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

"Halle, Halle"

ELW #172

GOSPEL: JOHN 17:20-26

Jesus prays that the life of his followers will be characterized by an intimate unity of identity with God. To be so identified with God means also to share in God's mission: to proclaim the word that will bring others into this same unity.

The holy gospel according to John, chapter 17, beginning with verse 20. Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus prayed:] ²⁰ "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹ that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²² The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, ²³ I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. ²⁴ Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

²⁵ "Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. ²⁶ I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

HYMN OF THE DAY

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was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made,

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;

of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

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 one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please pray for James, Terry, Dick, Wendy, Amy, Dennis, Rod, Renae, Hollis & Jim.

"Son of God, Eternal Savior"

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

OFFERING/OFFERING MUSIC

OFFERING PRAYER

Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world. Amen.

<u>GREAT THANKSGIVING</u>	ACS pg. 20
<u>"HOLY, HOLY"</u>	ACS pg. 20

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

LAMB OF GOD

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always. Amen.

SENDING SONG

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia! Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

<u>POSTLUD</u>E

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 1, 2025

WE EXTEND OUR CONGREGATION'S SYMPATHY to the families of:

- George Hertel his funeral will be Saturday, June 7th @ 1 p.m. at Trinity.
- Cathy Hanson her funeral will be Thursday, July 3rd @ 11:30 a.m. at Trinity.

RADIO BROADCAST/LIVE STREAM is in memory of Dolly G. Leer given by Julie Leer.

UNITED WAY PROJECT - United Way will be collecting wipes and diapers for soon to be and new mothers in our community. Trinity will be a collection site for this project. They are looking for volunteers to help pick up on June 16th. Volunteers can drop off the totes at the United Way office at 515 N 4th St. (across from Trinity). Email rachmarg3@gmail.com or call (701) -255-3601.

JUNE RE-ENTRY MEAL – June 5th – Sign up at the Welcome Center if you are available to volunteer or let Pastor Mark know at <u>narum@trinitybismarck.com</u>. Please arrive by 6pm to volunteer.

MISSION AND OUTREACH COMMITTEE - they are working so that Serving Hands will have projects again. In June, we will be helping Ronald McDonald House. We will be working on June 14th @ 9am. There are 2 options to help:

- 1. You can be on the crew to help clean up the outside of the house.
- 2. There will be a crew at the church in the kitchen making freezer meals.

All ages are welcome to help. Sign up at the Welcome Center or email Pastor Martha.

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