

Easter Saturday

April 19, 2025



Trinity Lutheran Church

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**Trinity is a welcoming faith community living together in God's love
to share the joy of Jesus Christ.**

To all who gather: We are Reconciling in Christ, which means we strive to ensure the welcome, inclusion, celebration, and advocacy for people of all sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions; and to work for racial equity and to commit to anti-racist work.

We welcome believers, seekers, and the curious, regardless of religious background. God makes no distinction based on race; ethnicity; immigration status; economic status; physical, mental, or developmental circumstances; or other life circumstances. God loves and welcomes all people. Therefore, we welcome all people to the life of Christ at Trinity.

From Pastor Rick: This community affirms its welcome by accepting me in this place. Diagnosed with Huntington's (HD), my progressing symptoms and neurodiversity are displayed publicly. The uncontrolled movements (chorea) may limit my functionality, or appear in other ways; yet, it is an opportunity to learn and love alongside one another. HD is part of me, but I am not defined by the diagnosis. As for all of us, I am defined as child of God.

Guests and Visitors: All are invited to receive the bread and wine of Holy Communion (gluten free wafers and juice are available). Your offering is your presence in worship. Please fill out a welcome card and place it in the offering plate as you leave. Don't forget your 'Sweet Treat' plate from the welcome desk!

Worship Note: The red hymnal *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* (ELW) page numbers are found in the front while song numbers are in the back. If you have any questions about worship or Trinity, our clergy or welcome table hosts are happy to help.

Parents and Caregivers: God's children of all ages are welcome in worship. If helpful, please use the Family Break Room outside the worship space or a "Worship Activity Bag" - available near the welcome table. On Sunday, if needed, we offer a fully trained Nursery; staffed by Tiffany K. and Zoe K.

Special needs: Hearing-assistance devices are available during our services. Holy Communion can also be brought to the seats of those who are unable to come forward. Our Welcome Table Hosts can help with any of these special needs.

Restrooms are located on the east (Men's & Family/gender inclusive/Handicapped accessible) and west (Women's) sides of our Fellowship Hall, through the double doors.

TRINITY'S CLERGY LEADERS

Deacon Katie Kline & Pastor Rick Reiten

IN MINISTRY TODAY

Musician: Clinton Ellerbe

Worship Assistant: Sherry Albertson-Clark

Communion Prep: Sherry Albertson-Clark

Fellowship Host:

Welcome Table:

Bread Baker: Dan Merz

Please stand as you are able

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Resurrection

PRELUDE

"They Could Not"
Clinton Ellerbe, Soloist

Ron Harris & Claire Cloninger

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GREETING

L: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

C: Christ is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

GATHERING HYMN

"Halle, Halle, Hallelujah, Jesus Is Alive & Christ The Lord is Risen Today"

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(Sing Twice)

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.

(Sing Twice)

CHORUS

$\text{♩} = 150$

C



Hal - le - lu - jah!

Je - sus is a - live,

5



death has lost its vic - t'ry and the grave has been de - nied;

9



Je - sus lives for - ev - er, He's a - live,

He's a - live!

(Sing one time)

$\text{♩} = 90$

*(Optional chords
in parentheses)*



1. Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day.

Al - le - lu - ia!

5



Where, O death, is now thy sting?

Al - le - lu - ia!

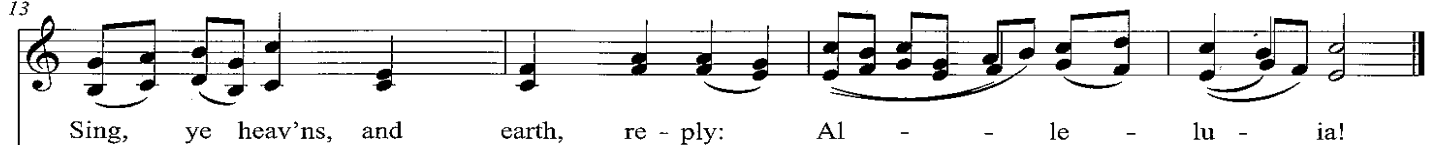
9



Made like Him, like Him we rise.

Al - le - lu - ia!

13



Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, re - ply:

Al - le - lu - ia!

THANKSGIVING FOR LIFE

- L: Just as God's work of creation never ends, Our lives in Christ are renewed every day. Let us give thanks together for the life given to each of us. We give you thanks for leading your people.
- C: **We give you thanks for guiding us along this journey.**
- L: We give you thanks for restoring our minds and spirits.
- C: **We give you thanks for healing our brokenness.**
- L: We give you thanks for feeding our bodies and quenching our thirst.
- C: **We give you thanks for children, grandparents, brothers and sisters.**
- L: We give you thanks for connecting all of humanity together.
- C: **We give you thanks for life in Christ through your Holy Spirit, for your never ending promise through Jesus' death and resurrection, for our mission to care for one another and all creation, for your calling us to be your hands and feet of peace and justice in the world.**
- L: Loving God, with joy and unending praise we raise our voices to you, as together we sing, "Alleluia! Jesus is risen!"
- C: **Jesus is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

KID'S MESSAGE

Deacon Katie

GOSPEL

LUKE 24:1-12

L: The Gospel according to Luke the Twenty-fourth chapter.

¹But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. ²They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³but when they went in, they did not find the body. ⁴While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. ⁵The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. ⁶Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." ⁸Then they remembered his words, ⁹and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹²But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

MESSAGE

Deacon Katie

HYMN OF PRAISE

"Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia"

WOV #678

vs 1 & 5

W: Bernard Kyamanywa;

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M: Tanzanian traditional Public Domain



1 Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia.



Re - joice and praise him, al - le - lu - ia.



For our re - deem - er burst from the tomb,



e - ven from death, dis - pel - ling its gloom.

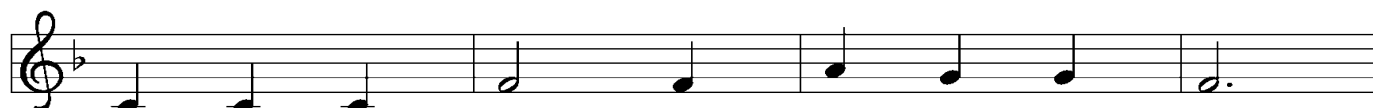
Refrain



Let us sing praise to him with end - less joy.



Death's fear - ful sting he has come to de - stroy.



Our sin for - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!



Je - sus is liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

5 Christ has arisen to set us free.
Alleluia, to him praises be.
Jesus is living! Let us all sing;
he reigns triumphant, heavenly king.
Refrain

MAASAI CREED

We believe in the one High God, who out of love created the beautiful world and everything good in it. God created humans and wanted humans to be happy in the world. God loves the world and every nation and tribe on the earth. We have known this High God in the darkness, and now we know God in the light. God promised in the Bible, that God would save the world and all nations and tribes.

We believe that God made good this promise by sending the son, Jesus Christ, a human in the flesh, a Jew by tribe, born poor in a little village, who left his home and was always on safari doing good, curing people by the power of God, teaching about God and humanity, showing that the meaning of religion is love. He was rejected by his people, tortured and nailed hands and feet to a cross, and died. He was buried in the grave, but the hyenas did not touch him, and on the third day, he rose from that grave. He ascended to the skies.

We believe that all our sins are forgiven through him. All who have faith in Jesus confess their sins, be baptized in the Holy Spirit of God, live the rules of love, and share the bread together in love, to announce the good news to others until Jesus comes again. We are waiting for him. He is alive. He lives. This we believe. Amen.

The Maasai Creed composed in 1960 by the Maasai people—an indigenous African tribe of semi-nomads located primarily in Kenya and northern Tanzania of East Africa — in collaboration with Roman Catholic missionaries from the Congregation of the Holy Ghost. The creed seeks to confess the promise at the core of the Christian faith within the daily life of Maasai culture.

[Edited with inclusive language for Trinity Lutheran Church, 2025.]

SHARING OF THE PEACE

L: The peace of Christ be with you all.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING

*Our offering this Easter Saturday is our collective voice raised in praise of love for all God's gifts.
Thanks be to God.*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

L: 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.

C: Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

L: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts

C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

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

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

L: In the night...

...gave it to the disciples, saying:

C: **Take and eat, this is my body given for you.**

Do this in remembrance of me.

L: ...gave it for all to drink, saying:

C: **This cup is the new promise in my blood, shed for you and for all people, for the forgiveness of sin.**

Do this in remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, holy 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 & COMMUNION

COMMUNION

"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"

vs 1, 3 & 5

ELW #392

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1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter,

3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en, here on earth our

5 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter,



his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the
food, our stay; Al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to
his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the



vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful
you from day to day. In - ter - ces - sor, friend of
vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful



Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus
sin - ners, earth's re - deem - er, hear our plea where the
Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus



out of ev - 'ry na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood."
songs of all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
out of ev - 'ry na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood."

COMMUNION BLESSING

L: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May this communion meal move us towards: a regenerative way of living with the planet;
seeking peace with each other through welcome, mutual respect, and seeking common good;
distributing power to support the poor, oppressed, and young; and seeking purpose and
meaning through diverse spiritual communities. Amen.

BLESSING

L: 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.

C: Amen.

SENDING SONG

"Alleluia! Jesus is Risen!"

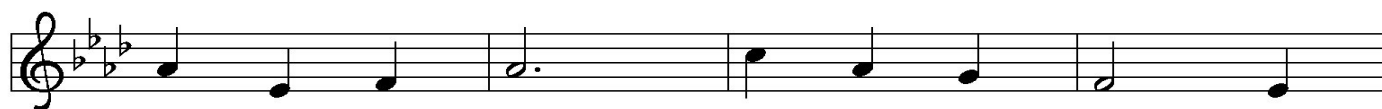
vs 1, 4 & 5

WOV #674

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1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en!

4 Weep-ing, be gone; sor - row, be si - lent:
5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er,



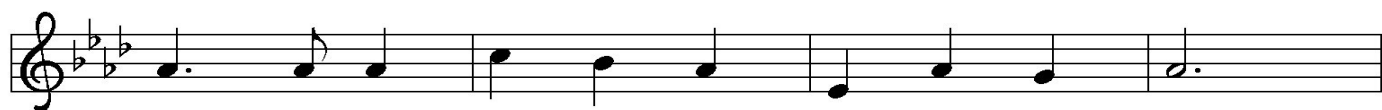
Trum - pets re - sound-ing in glo - ri - ous light!

death put a - sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright.
gold - en Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb,



Splen-dor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er!

Cher - u - bim sing: O grave, be o - pen!
riv - er of life, saints and arch - an - gels,



Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!

Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.
sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!



Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise.



Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

SENDING

L: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

L: Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

C: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

POSTLUDE

"Alleluia! Jesus is Risen!"

Reprised

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Arr. Clinton Ellerbe



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Visit our website at www.trinitylutheranfc.org

Consider joining us for worship or one of our ministry events.

Contact one of our pastors for a chat.

We believe we are not a complete community, and that God is calling new people to join us and to find their place at Trinity.

We invite you join us on the journey of faith!

Saturdays at 5p.m. (Livestreamed & Recorded for Viewing)

Sundays 10:30 a.m. (Livestreamed & Recorded for Viewing)

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