

Closing Hymn, Shine Jesus Shine Clinton Ellerbe, Trinity
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Sending Pastor Rick Reiten, Trinity Lutheran

P: This is the day that God has made;
All: We will rejoice and be glad in it.
P. We will not offer to God;
All: Offerings that cost us nothing.
P. Go in peace and serve our God;
All: We will seek peace and pursue it.
P. Glory to the Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer,
All: As it was in the beginning is now and shall be forever.
Amen.

—George MacLeod, Iona, Scotland

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**301 Faith Partners**

Trinity Lutheran - Mary of Magdala, Ecumenical Catholic - St. Paul's Episcopal

**Resistance as Hope**  
Shared Service - February 15, 2026

**Trinity Lutheran Church**  
Pastor Rick Reiten  
Pastor Kaari Nieuwlandt



**Mary of Magdala,  
Ecumenical Catholic  
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Mother Rosean Amaral  
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## 301 Faith Partners

**We are three welcoming faith communities working together with the vision** *'Weaving a tapestry of love, hope and justice for the world.'*

### Our Mission - 'What we do'

301 Faith Partners is an inclusive community dedicated to be more, and do more together, while respecting individual gifts and traditions. We welcome all people and offer a spiritual refuge with opportunities for individual and collective growth. We commit to work for social justice and to protect all creation.

We have learned we can be more and do more together as ecumenical partners, building a truly helpful presence in the neighborhood and sharing in ministry, education and worship. Each church continues to be a unique entity retaining all the beliefs and practices of each of our faith traditions. We approach our partnership like a marriage between unique individuals. Our relationship with one another is not exhaustive - and the foundation of decision-making is love and respect grounded in the mission of Christ. This mission has a church - here at 301 E Stuart St.



This is the Body and Blood of Christ. This is the one who transforms the world. Blessed are we who are called to this meal. **All: Jesus, I am ready to receive you and by your invitation, I am here.**

An open invitation awaits all of you at this table where Jesus Christ is the host. An invitation to be Fed and to be loved without measure. Each one of you is a precious child of God. All are welcome, no exceptions.

*(Note: All the bread is gluten free so you may come up to any station for communion. The metal cups contain both red wine and white grape juice.)*

**Communion Distribution** Songs - Rain Down, The Cry Of The Poor - Mary of Magdala Choir

**Prayer after Communion** Mother Rosean Amaral, Mary of Magdala

Let us pray... Thank you, God, for nourishing us in your Sacrament and keeping us connected to you. Inviting God, give us grace to hear and respond to your invitation to be co-creators with you in the cause of justice and peace-making, through the practice of nonviolent resistance and the ministry of reconciliation. In Jesus' name we pray, **All: Amen**

**Final Blessing** Pastor Kaari Nieuwlandt, Trinity

Blessing of Hope - by Jan Richardson from The Cure for Sorrow: A Book of Blessings for Times of Grief

So may we know the hope  
that is not just  
for someday  
but for this day--  
here, now, in this moment  
that opens to us:  
hope not made of wishes  
but of substance,  
hope made of sinew, and muscle, and bone  
hope that has breath  
and a beating heart,  
hope that will not keep quiet  
and be polite,

hope that knows how to holler  
when it is called for,  
hope that knows how to sing  
when there seems  
little cause  
hope that raises us  
from the dead--  
not someday  
but this day,  
every day,  
again and  
again and  
again.



### Procession of the Bread and Wine

David Cloyd from Mary of Magdala and Mike Werner from St. Paul's

**Offertory Hymn** Choir Anthem - Choirs of St. Pauls and Trinity.  
Roll Down Justice by Mark Miller. Directed by Austin Naylor. Soloist is  
Tessa Espinosa.



### Preparation of the Gifts

(silently during song)

**P:** By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the divinity of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our humanity. Wash away my iniquity, cleanse me of my sin.

### Prayer over the Gifts

Pray my siblings in Christ, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, our Mother and Father. **All: May God accept the sacrifice at our hands, for the praise and glory of God's name, for our good and the good of all God's creation**

### EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

#### Words of Institution

May the love of God live within you.  
Let us open up our hearts.  
Let us give thanks to our loving God.

**All: And also within you.**  
**All: We open them up to God.**  
**All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

**Holy, Holy, Holy** (Sung) Mass of Mary of Magdalene, Bill and the Mary of Magdala Choir

**Memorial Acclamation** (Sung) Mass of Mary of Magdalene,

**AMEN** (Sung) Mass of Mary of Magdalene

### The Prayer of Jesus

Let us turn to the camera and pray with our siblings at home in the words our Savior gave us.



### Invitation to Communion

**Lamb of God** (Sung) Mass of Mary of Magdalene

## 301 Faith Partners Shared Service – February 15, 2026 Resistance as Hope

**Prelude Aria** by Michael Helman, The Bells of Trinity

**Welcome and Greeting** Mother Rosean Amaral, Mary of Magdala, Ecumenical Catholic  
In the name of Abba/Amma God of Jesus the Christ, and of the Holy Spirit, Sophia.  
**All: AMEN**

**Opening Hymn — Christ Be Our Light, #715** (Red Hymnal) Clinton Ellerbe, Trinity

**Opening Prayer** Pastor Kaari Nieuwlandt, Trinity  
(Adapted from Meta Herrick Carlson's "Courage" in Speak it Plain)

L: The world is filled with good reasons to hide  
C: to turn away or inward to preserve some distance and dignity.

L: But the struggle remains,  
C: and justice beckons our attention to come alive and together for the here and now.

L: The Spirit of God stirs, even in fear,

C: so we might keep moving through thresholds with hearts wide open to heaven revealed in good courage.

L: God of courage, as we gather as one community to worship you, fill us with courage that brings hope so that we might continue to work toward your liberation and justice in the world. Amen. **All: Amen**

**Confession/Reconciliation** Pastor Rick Reiten, Trinity Lutheran  
All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the minister begins

L: Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help, \* whose hope is in their God.

**All: Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; \* whose promise abides forever;**

L: Who gives justice to those who are oppressed \* and food to those who hunger.

**All: God sets the prisoners free and opens the eyes of the blind; \* God lifts up those who are bowed down;**

L: God loves the righteous and cares for the stranger; \* God sustains the orphan and widow but frustrates the way of the wicked.

C: God shall reign forever, \* your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Alleluia!



**Prayer of the Day**    *Lector Florian Hild, St. Paul's Prayer by Steven Shakespeare from Prayers for an Inclusive Church*

God who is faithful  
when all the foundations crumble:  
in the time of crisis,  
as holy places fall  
and nations stumble,  
give us the conviction

to bear witness to love,  
whatever the cost;  
through Jesus Christ, the Word and the  
Wisdom of God.  
**All: Amen**

**Kids' Message** - *Pastor Kaari Nieuwlandt, Trinity*

**First Reading**    **An excerpt from *The Rung of Hope***    *from Ladder To The Light, by Steven Charleston*  
*Lector Lynne Barnes, Mary of Magdala*

Hope arises when we embrace a sacred reality. That vision is not a dream, but a goal. What we project into our future through faith is not just the wishful thinking of dreamers out of touch with reality; it is the blueprint for a future our faith sees clearly before us. Hope is not a wish, but an intention. Most of us do not think of ourselves as heroic agents of change, but if we have enough hope in what we see, then we find the strength to make

change happen. When our hope is linked to the hope of others, we become even stronger. Hope builds on itself. It grows. The more we share in hope, the more we see the light, even in the darkness of the midnight hour.

Words Inspired by God.  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Responsorial Psalm 146: 2-9**    *Lector Margaret Wick, Trinity*

**L:** Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, \* for there is no help in them.  
**All: When they breathe their last, they return to earth, \* and in that day their thoughts perish.**

**L:** Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help, \* whose hope is in their God.  
**All: Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; \* whose promise abides forever;**

**L:** Who gives justice to those who are oppressed \* and food to those who hunger.  
**All: God sets the prisoners free and opens the eyes of the blind; \* God lifts up those who are bowed down;**

**L:** God loves the righteous and cares for the stranger; \* God sustains the orphan and widow but frustrates the way of the wicked.  
**All: God shall reign forever, \* your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Alleluia!**

**Gospel Acclamation**    **Halle Halle Halle**    *Carrie Hansen, Trinity*

**The Gospel Reading and Homily**    *Laurie Gudim, St. Paul's*

**L:** The Holy Gospel of our Savior, Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**All: Glory to you, Christ Jesus.**

Those who were around Jesus, realizing what was going to happen, said: “Rabbi, should we strike them with our swords?” One of them struck the attendant of the high priest cutting off an ear.

But Jesus said, “Stop! No more of this!” Then Jesus touched the attendant’s ear and healed it.

But to those who had come out against him—the chief priests, the chiefs of the Temple Guard and the elders—Jesus said, “Why do you come out with swords and clubs as if I were a robber? I was with you in the Temple every day, and you could have laid hands on me any time you wanted. But this is your hour—the triumph of darkness!”

The Good News of Jesus our Christ.  
**All: Praise to you, Jesus our Christ.**

**Creed** (*words on the screen*)    *Pastor Rick Reiten*

**Prayers of the People**    *Lector Florian Hild*    *St. Paul's*

**Our response is: God of a hopeful people, receive our prayers.**

God of hopeful resistance, we resist abuse and exploitation in the name of all oppressed women, immigrants, queer and other marginalized groups—and proclaim that justice and equality as human rights for all people is honored, we pray,  
**Response: God of a hopeful people, receive our prayers.**

Most Holy God who cares for prisoners, outcasts and strangers, be with all those who have lost their voices, their jobs, or

their freedom in this tumultuous time. Give us the courage to stand by all who suffer. Be with us also in our fears and our losses, we pray,  
**Response: God of a hopeful people, receive our prayers.**

God of wild grace, We have stripped and polluted Mother Earth by our greed. Guide us to resist more pillage of her incredible bounty so that our children and grandchildren unto the ages will have the beauty and bounty she offers, we pray,  
**Response: God of a hopeful people, receive our prayers.**

**The Peace**    *Mother Rosean*

**P:** The Peace of Christ be within you all.    **All: And also within you.**

**P:** I invite you to share a greeting of Christ’s peace, with our siblings at home and with each other in the Sanctuary.