



Trinity Lutheran Church  
Saturday, April 11, 2026  
Camp Weekend/Easter 2  
Thomas

\*Indicates please stand as you are able

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### GATHER

#### \*CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS\*

L: Loving God, we gather today to confess that we have failed to extend our kindness to the poor and to the hungry.

C: **We have accumulated enough wealth for our comfort and have been insensitive to the needs of the weak of our community. Forgive us, for we have comfortably closed our eyes to the cry of our neighbor. We have preached to the hungry your Word, without sharing our bread. We cling to our possessions, rather than to you. We keep a distance between Christian and non-Christian. We have failed to exercise the values of equality and justice.**

L: God, we seek your grace and mercy to forgive us. Unite our hearts to share our resources and stand for justice for all people. Through Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

#### \*GATHERING SONG\*

*"The Lord of the Dance"*

Sydney Bertram Carter

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1. I danced in the morning  
When the world was begun  
And I danced in the moon  
And the stars and the sun  
And I came down from heaven  
And I danced on the earth  
At Bethlehem  
I had my birth

## *Chorus*

Dance then 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

2. I danced for the scribe  
And the Pharisee  
But they would not dance  
And they wouldn't follow me  
I danced for the fishermen  
For James and John  
They came with me  
And the Dance went on (*Chorus*)

3. I danced on the Sabbath  
And I cured the lame  
The holy people  
Said it was a shame  
They whipped and they stripped  
And they hung me on high  
And they left me there  
On a Cross to die (*Chorus*)

4. I danced on a Friday  
When the sky turned black  
It's hard to dance  
With the devil on your back  
They buried my body  
And they thought I'd gone  
But I am the Dance  
And I still go on (*Chorus*)

5. They cut me down  
And I leapt up high  
I am the life  
That'll never never die  
I'll live in you  
If you'll live in me  
I am the Lord  
Of the Dance said He (*Chorus*)

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY\***

**God of resurrection, Your son, Jesus, awed his followers by appearing among them. With awe we also celebrate his resurrection and rejoice in eternal life. Amen.**

**WORD**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE & OFFERING**

**Tyler Stewardson**

**GOSPEL READING**

**JOHN 20:19-31**

L: The Gospel according to John chapter 20

<sup>19</sup>When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>20</sup>After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." <sup>22</sup>When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." <sup>24</sup>But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." <sup>26</sup>A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>27</sup>Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." <sup>28</sup>Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" <sup>29</sup>Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." <sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup>But these are written so that you may continue to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SONG OF THE DAY

"Messiah"

Larry Olson

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1. Someone's shouting from the desert  
Someone's shouting from the sea  
Someone's shouting from the mountain  
Someone's shouting from the valley

*Chorus*

Messiah

Come and be our King

Messiah

Come and be our King

2. Someone's shouting from the city  
I am young I am cold  
Someone's shouting from the country  
I am lonely I am old (*chorus*)

3. Someone's shouting I am broken  
Someone's shouting make me whole  
Someone's shouting come and change me  
Someone's shouting save my soul (*chorus*)

**\*CREED\***

L: We believe in God

**C: who is older than eternity  
and younger than our next breath;  
who is beyond describing  
yet knows us all by name;  
who inspires faith  
yet cannot be contained by religion.**

- L: We believe in Jesus Christ,  
Flesh of our flesh, bone of our bone;
- C: He came in the body  
To give worth to every human life.  
He touched the untouchable,  
Loved the unlovable  
And endured slander, persecution and death.**
- L: We believe that God's Kingdom comes on earth  
Through Christ's suffering love.
- C: He rose from the grave as living proof  
That what is laid down in faith  
Will be raised in glory.  
He ascended to heaven  
To be present at all times to all people.**
- L: We believe in the Holy Spirit,
- C: Who leads us into truth and freedom,  
Who gives good gifts to all God's children,  
Who works through prayer and politics,  
Through justice, care of creation  
And the healing of all nations.**
- L: We celebrate the potential god has given:
- C: The life in our bodies,  
The yearning in our souls,  
The promise of good things in store  
For those who love and serve their maker.**

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**\*PRAYERS\***

- P: Merciful God.
- C: Receive our prayer.**

**\*SHARING OF THE PEACE\***

- L: The peace of Christ be with you all.
- C: And also with you.**

**\*OFFERING\***

*If you have a monetary offering, please place in the plate as you leave worship today,  
or use this code to give electronically.*



**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER\***

L: Thank you, God, for the air.  
Thank you, God, for families that we can share with in good times and bad times.  
Thank you, God, for the gifts of other families, friends, visitors, and strangers.

C: **Amen.**

**MEAL**

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING\***

L: Beloveds. Beloveds. Beloveds.

We come to this Table because we are claimed in covenant Because we are still learning  
what covenant and togetherness means  
how it looks and moves and feels  
Because we long for liberation  
Because we thirst for justice

Because we know the need—fierce and urgent—  
for grace and freedom and nourishment in our flesh and our bones  
Because this is not a table of a Lutheran table.  
This is Christ's table  
and you are invited to bring your whole lives  
and all are welcome here. Period.

Because we remember:  
On the night he was arrested  
while the powers and principalities  
of Empire, and supremacy, and dominance raged,  
Jesus— a brown skinned, radical, healer, community organizer, insurrectionist—  
gathered people, invited their fears and longings, invited people into radical solidarity,  
justice-love-in-action, healing of and in the world to which, for which, he gave his life over  
and over and over.

Jesus took bread broke it, shared it, and said:

C: **Take and eat: this is my body.**

**The bread of new life.**

**Share this, and remember.**

L: Then Jesus took the cup, blessed it, gave thanks for it, and said:

C: **Take and drink: this is the power of my life-blood.**

**The salve of salvation. The cup blessing.**

**Share this, and remember.**

L: And so, we do.

We remember. We offer. We receive.

And we share in this nourishing feast.

Because we know how to nourish each other in ordinary and extraordinary ways.

Because we need each other

and we need this sacrament, this visible sign of life-giving grace, flowing and overflowing.

So, come. Come. Come.

**\*LORD'S PRAYER\***

Creator God 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**

**\*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\***

Holy, holy, holy, in the wine and in the bread, in every open table, in solidarity. Holy in each embrace that heals and brings peace. Amen.

**SENDING**

**\*BLESSING\***

L: May the abundant and unending grace of God, the love of God that doesn't tire, that was shown to our forebearers and the whole generation of the whole clan, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be upon you forever.

C: Amen.

**\*SENDING SONG\***

*"Peace, Love and Joy"*

1. I've got peace like a river  
I've got peace like a river  
I've got peace like a river, flowin' in my soul  
I've got peace like a river in my soul

Chorus

Jeee-su-u-us (3 times)

Jesus is the peace in my soul, in my soul

2. I've got love like an ocean  
I've got love like an ocean  
I've got love like an ocean, flowin' in my soul  
I've got love like an ocean in my soul.

Chorus

Jeee-su-u-us (3 times)  
Jesus is the love in my soul, in my soul

3. I've got joy like a fountain  
I've got joy like a fountain  
I've got joy like a fountain, flowin' in my soul  
I've got joy like a fountain in my soul.

Chorus

Jeee-su-u-us (3 times)  
Jesus is the joy in my soul, in my soul

4. I've got peace like a river  
I've got love like an ocean  
I've got joy like a fountain, flowin' in my soul  
I've got joy like a fountain in my soul.

**\*SENDING\***

**P:** Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

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

**POSTLUDE**

To watch a recorded service, go to <https://www.youtube.com/@trinitylutheranFC>  
Or visit our website and click on "To view recorded services click HERE!"

# Prayer List

## Members

**Pastor Paul Schairer**  
**Mary Ann Miller**  
Jack Hautaluoma  
Mary Ann Armstrong  
Marilyn Hartig  
Polly Sersen  
Tim Anderson  
Eric Biedermann  
Jean Purath  
Shirley Garvin  
Madyson Hopkins

## Friends & Family

**Julia Watkins and family, friends of Dan Merz**  
**Robert Musselman, father of Sarah Sanchez**  
Chuck Dorr, father of Deana Andrist  
Luke Crosby, relation of Katie & Tasha Barron  
Wendy Thomaschow, sister of Amy Jo Martinson  
Tae, family of Clinton Ellerbe  
Amy Oduor, daughter of Clinton Ellerbe  
Joe Burt, brother-in-law of Clinton Ellerbe  
Jennifer & Dale Barnett, friends of Marilyn Morrissey  
Susie Kragmeier, daughter of Kate Stieben  
Beth Barnett, daughter of Carolyn & Eric Biedermann  
Erin Slocum, daughter of Patty & Don Heys

**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 gluten free bread and wine of Holy Communion (juice is also 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.

### In Ministry Today

**Worship Assistant:** Sherry Albertson-Clark  
**Communion Prep:** Sherry Albertson-Clark  
**Welcome Table Host:**  
**Fellowship Host:**  
**Prayer Writer:** Pat Wiedower  
**Bread Baker:** Dan Merz  
**Flower Arrangement:** Volunteers from  
St Paul's Episcopal

### Trinity's Clergy Leader:

Pastor Rick Reiten & Pastor Kaari Nieuwlandt

### Trinity's Staff:

Carrie Hansen	<b>Music Coord. &amp; Organist</b>
Tessa Espinosa	<b>Chancel Choir Director</b>
Clinton Ellerbe	<b>Saturday Worship Leader</b>
Austin Naylor	<b>Bells of Trinity Director</b>
Brenda Harju	<b>TLC Preschool Director</b>
Brenda Moore	<b>Financial Manager</b>
Deana Andrist	<b>Office Administrator</b>
Amanda Backsen	<b>Director of Communications &amp; Volunteer Coord.</b>
Claire Pickerel	<b>AV Technician</b>
Jennifer Reeve	<b>Shared Children's Minister</b>
Tiffany Klijewski	<b>Nursery Coord.</b>
Zoe Klaman	<b>Shared Nursery Attendant</b>

*\*Staff Emails are available on our website\**

### THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR:

#### **Monday (April 13)**

9:30 am Trinity Readers-Fireside  
12 pm Sermon Discussion-Fireside  
6 pm Property  
6:30 pm (5) NoCo Male Spirituality

#### **Tuesday (April 14)**

9 am 301FP Admin Mtg-Fireside  
4:30 pm Birdhouses for Habitat-Room 2  
6:30 pm Exec Council

#### **Wednesday (April 15)**

5:15 pm Bells of Trinity-Room1  
6:30 pm Chancel Choir-Choir Room

#### **Thursday (April 16)**

9:30 pm Bible Study-Room Room 2  
5:30 pm Pub Theology V3

#### **Friday (April 17)**

10 am Quilting-Room 2

#### **Saturday (April 18)**

8-4pm Palestinian Cultural Festival  
5 pm Saturday Worship

#### **Sunday (April 19)**

9 am Adult Forum-Room 2  
9 am Confirmation-Room 8  
9 am Sunday School-Room 3  
9 am Youth Group-Room 6  
10:30 am Worship  
11:30 am Fellowship  
11:35 am Faith Formation-Fireside  
11:35 Worship & Music

### Coming Up:

**Saturday, April 18 8am-4pm**  
Palestinian Cultural Festival

**Saturday, April 25 10am-12pm**  
Clothing Drive for Habitat ReStore

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

Contact one of our clergy 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)

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



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