



*Let this mind
be in you,
which was also
in
Christ Jesus
Philippians 2:5*

**Trinity Lutheran Church
Saturday, May 16, 2026
7th Week of Easter
The Christ Hymn**

*Indicates please stand as you are able

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

PRELUDE

"How Beautiful"

Twila Paris
arr. Lloyd Larson

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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 *"They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love"*

Peter Scholtes
©1996 F.E.L.Pub CCLI #26997

1. We are one in the Spirit
We are one in the Lord
We are one in the Spirit
We are one in the Lord
And we pray that all unity
May one day be restored

Chorus

And they'll know we are Christians
By our love by our love
Yes they'll know we are Christians
By our love

2. We will walk with each other
We will walk hand in hand
We will walk with each other
We will walk hand in hand
And together we'll spread the news
That God is in our land (chorus)

3. We will work with each other
We will work side by side
We will work with each other
We will work side by side
And we'll guard each man's dignity
And save each man's pride (chorus)

4. All praise to the Father
From whom all things come
And all praise to Christ Jesus
His only Son
And all praise to the Spirit
Who makes us one (chorus)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of love, With praise we celebrate Jesus, who humbled himself so that every knee should bend and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord. Amen.

WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE & OFFERING

Pastor Rick

GOSPEL READING

PHILIPPIANS 2:1-13

L: The Gospel according to Philippians 2

¹ If, then, there is any comfort in Christ, any consolation from love, any partnership in the Spirit, any tender affection and sympathy, ² make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³ Do nothing from selfish ambition or empty conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. ⁴ Let each of you look not to your own interests but to the interests of others. ⁵ Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, though he existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be grasped, ⁷ but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, assuming human likeness. And being found in appearance as a human, ⁸ he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. ⁹ Therefore God exalted him even more highly and gave him the name that is above every other name, ¹⁰ so that at the name given to Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. ¹² Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence but much more now in my absence, work on your own salvation with fear and trembling, ¹³ for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

L: The Good News of God.

C: **Praise be to God.**

SERMON

Pastor Rick

SONG OF THE DAY

"We All Are One in Mission"

ELW #576

Rusty Edwards

© 1986 Hope Pub OL #00400

M: Finnish folk tune; Arr. © 2006 Augsburg Fortress OL #58549

1. We all are one in mission;
we all are one in call,
our varied gifts united
by Christ, the Lord of all.
A single great commission
compels us from above
to plan and work together
that all may know Christ's love.

2. We all are called for service,
to witness in God's name.
Our ministries are different;
our purpose is the same:
to touch the lives of others
with God's surprising grace,
so ev'ry folk and nation
may feel God's warm embrace.

3. Now let us be united,
and let our song be heard.
Now let us be a vessel
for God's redeeming Word.
We all are one in mission;
we all are one in call,
our varied gifts united
by Christ, the Lord of all.

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.

rev. anna bladel, *Enfleshed*

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

FAREWELL & GODSPEED

Claire Pickereel

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

"In Christ There is No East or West" **ELW #650** John Oxenham,
M: African American spiritual;
adapt. Harry T. Burleigh, Public Domain

1. In Christ there is no east or west,
in him no south or north,
but one community of love
throughout the whole wide earth.

2. In Christ shall true hearts ev'rywhere
their high communion find;
his service is the golden cord
close binding humankind.

3. Join hands, disciples of the faith,
whate'er your race may be.
All children of the living God
are surely kin to me.

4. In Christ now meet both east and west,
in him meet south and north;
all Christly souls are one in him
throughout the whole wide earth.

SENDING

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

C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Prayer List

Members

Carol Arnold
Mary Ann Miller
Jack Hautaluoma
Mary Ann Armstrong
Marilyn Hartig
Polly Sersen
Tim Anderson
Eric Biedermann
Jean Purath
Shirley Garvin
Madyson Hopkins

Friends & Family

Immigrants detained by ICE

Bob Cushatt, friend of Patty Telleen

Ivy Hansen, niece of Bruce & Carrie Hansen
Julia Watkins and family, friends of Dan Merz
Robert Musselman, father of Sarah Sanchez
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
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 Heyse

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: Debbie Schwartz
Communion Prep: Debbie Schwartz
Welcome Table Host:
Fellowship Host:
Prayer Writer: Sara Mullarkey
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	Music Coord. & Organist
Tessa Espinosa	Chancel Choir Director
Clinton Ellerbe	Saturday Worship Leader
Austin Naylor	Bells of Trinity Director
Brenda Harju	TLC Preschool Director
	Financial Manager
Deana Andrist	Office Administrator
Amanda Backsen	Director of Communications & Volunteer Coord.
Claire Pickerel & Chad Carpenter	AV Technicians
Jennifer Reeve	Shared Children's Minister
Tiffany Klijewski	Nursery Coord.
Zoe Klaman	Shared Nursery Attendant

Staff Emails are available on our website

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR:

Monday (May 18)

12 pm Sermon Discussion-Fireside
6:30 pm NoCo Male Spirituality-Room 5

Tuesday (May 19)

5:30 pm Pub Theology V3 @ Odell's
6:30 pm Council-Room 2

Wednesday (May 20)

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

Friday (May 22)

10 am Quilting-Room 2

Saturday (May 23)

5 pm Saturday Worship

Sunday (May 24) Pentecost

10:30 am Worship
11:30 am Fellowship-Farewell TLC Preschool

Coming Up:

Monday May 25-Memorial Day
Offices Closed

Sunday, June 7
Outdoor Worship

June 8-11 9am-12pm
VBS-Step Right Up!

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So, how can you learn more about Trinity?

Visit our website at www.trinitylutheranfc.org

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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