# The Resurrection of Our Lord April 20, 2025



<u>OUR MISSION:</u> To make disciples for Jesus Christ, to baptize and to teach the faith, that all may know the hope of Jesus Christ and become responsible members of His church.

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### **INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY**

"The last enemy to be destroyed is death," Paul writes. Today Christ is risen, and we gather together with astonishment and joy. Christ is risen, and we have been set free from the bonds of death. Christ is risen, and we are forgiven. Christ is risen, and with the women at the tomb and Peter, we are amazed. Let us rejoice: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

### **PRELUDE MUSIC**

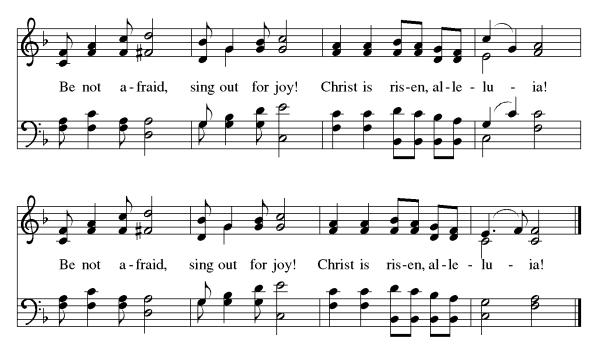
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- C Christ is risen indeed, alleluia!
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### **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

P Now, let us take a moment in silent reflection as we clear our hearts and minds for worship.

## WELCOME SONG **ELW 388**

Be Not Afraid



Text: Matthew 28:5; Taizé Community Music: BE NOT AFRAID, Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994 Text and music © Les Presses de Taizé, GIA Publications, Inc., agent. 7404 S. Mason Ave., Chicago, IL 60638. www.giamusic.com. 800.442.3358. All rights reserved. Used by permission.

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### GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Please rise.

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

- C Amen.

 P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

- C Amen.
- P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P Most merciful God,
- C we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.
  We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
  by what we have done and by what we have left undone.
  We have not loved you with our whole heart;
  we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
  For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.
  Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and
  walk in your ways,
  to the glory of your holy name.
  Amen.

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins.
As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

## GATHERING SONG ELW 365

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



Text: Latin carol, 14th cent., sts. 1–3; tr. J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708, alt.; Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, st. 4 Music: EASTER HYMN, J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708

## GREETING

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

- P Let us pray.
- C O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.
- P Please be seated.



### WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

#### FIRST READING: Acts 10:34-43

Peter crosses the immense religious and social boundary that separates Jews from Gentiles in order to proclaim the good news of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, so that God's forgiveness in Jesus' name would reach out to all people.

<sup>34</sup>Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup>but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup>You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. <sup>37</sup>That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: <sup>38</sup>how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. <sup>39</sup>We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; <sup>40</sup>but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, <sup>41</sup>not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup>He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup>All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

- L The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

#### Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

L <sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good; God's mercy endures forever.

C <sup>2</sup>Let Israel now declare, "God's mercy endures forever."

- L <sup>14</sup>The LORD is my strength and my song, and has become my salvation.
- C <sup>15</sup>Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!
- L <sup>16</sup>The right hand of the LORD is exalted! The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"
- C <sup>17</sup>I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD.
- L <sup>18</sup>The LORD indeed punished me sorely, but did not hand me over to death.
- C <sup>19</sup>Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.
- L <sup>20</sup>"This is the gate of the LORD; here the righteous may enter."
- C <sup>21</sup>I give thanks to you, for you have answered me and you have become my salvation.
- L <sup>22</sup>The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.
- C <sup>23</sup>By the LORD has this been done; it is marvelous in our eyes.
- L <sup>24</sup>This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- P Please rise.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



#### **GOSPEL:** Luke 24:1-12

- P The holy gospel according to Luke, the twenty fourth chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

Evidently expecting to find Jesus' corpse, some of the women among his followers go to the tomb with embalming spices. After a perplexing encounter with the empty tomb and angelic visitors, the women become the first to proclaim the amazing news of resurrection.

<sup>1</sup> On the first day of the week, at early dawn, [the women] came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. <sup>2</sup> They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, <sup>3</sup> but when they went in, they did not find the body. <sup>4</sup> While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. <sup>5</sup> The 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. <sup>6</sup> Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, <sup>7</sup> that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." <sup>8</sup> Then they remembered his words, <sup>9</sup> and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. <sup>10</sup> Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. <sup>11</sup> But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. <sup>12</sup> But 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.

- P The gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.
- P Please be seated.

### **SERMON** The Reverend Karen Nelson, Pastor

P Please rise.

### SERMON HYMN ELW 376

Thine Is the Glory



Text: Edmond Budry, 1854–1932; tr. R. Birch Hoyle, 1875–1939 Music: JUDAS MACCABAEUS, George Frideric Handel, 1685–1759

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

P Let us confess our faith with the words of the Apostles' Creed.

С I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.\* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

- L Let us pray.
- L God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need. *A brief silence*.
- L Kindle new life in your church. Encourage all who seek creative ways to share the good news of Christ's resurrection. Bless mission developers and new ministries, that their work plants seeds that flourish. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.
- L Nourish new life in all of creation. Shower forests and grasslands, deserts, and mountains with life-giving rains. Grant us delight in your glory that shows forth in all that grows this season. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.
- L Empower new life among the nations. As you raised Jesus from the dead, bring new hope for peace and reconciliation in places of war and strife. Raise up leaders who are steadfast in their commitment to justice and transformation. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.
- L Bring new hope among all who are in need, especially neighbors without homes or food, and those whose housing or food supply is at risk. Bring healing to all who are fearful, ill, or grieving

We especially pray for those who are unable to be with us today: Sandy, Dot, Nancy, Joe & Diane.

For those in need of God's healing love and strength: Charles, Steve, Mike, Richard, Joan, Peggy, Anna, Marita, Tilly, Heather, Kylar, Susan, Tom, Leslie, Al, Brenda, Lynne, Melissa, Lorraine, Margarita, Sandra, Nancy, Kim, and Bob.

For those in need of God's guidance, protection and strength. Meg & Shelly In gratitude for God's abundance.

For those who are grieving the loss of a loved one: For Lynne Schell upon the death of her sister.

For those who serve and protect our nation: Jordan, Brian, Craig & Eve.

And for those who we hold in our hearts, and those whose needs are known only to you God.

God of grace,

#### **C** hear our prayer.

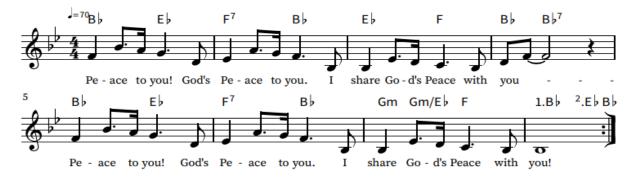
- L Loving God, we pray for this community of faith and for your Spirit in our midst. Feed us at your Easter table and fill us with your wisdom, that we may serve and care for others. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.
- L Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.
- C Amen.

## **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

- P Please rise.
- P The peace of Christ be with you always.
- C And also with you.

While we sing, you may turn to those sitting closest to you to offer, and receive, the peace and reconciliation which is possible only through Christ.

#### Peace



P Please be seated.

### **OFFERTORY MEDITATION MUSIC**

### OFFERING

God has blessed us in so many ways. We offer our gifts as a demonstration of our gratitude. And we pray God will use these resources to help us address the needs of our neighbors.

**Offering by online giving:** Make a gift to the general fund at <u>https://secure.myvanco.com/L-YR6Z/home</u>



Bill pay option with your local bank orBy Mail:Trinity Lutheran ChurchPO Box 340Fairview Village, PA 19409

P Please rise.

## **OFFERING PRAYER**

P 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.

C Amen.

## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **C** It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

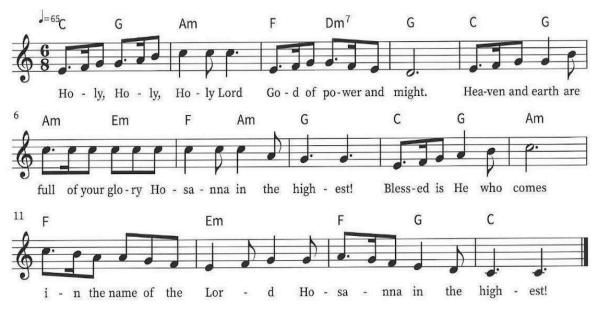
And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection,

with earth and sea and all their creatures,

and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

### SANCTUS



### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

> Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

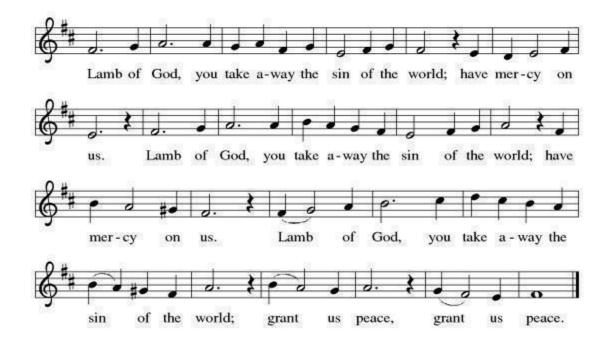
## LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

 C 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.

P Please be seated until the invitation.

### LAMB OF GOD



## COMMUNION

- P The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.
- C Amen.

To receive Holy Communion please come by the center aisle to the pastor to receive the bread (wafer) and then proceed to the communion assistant for intinction (dipping your wafer in the wine) and then eat, then return to your seat by the side aisle.

Non alcoholic wine is used at all services. A gluten free wafer is available, simply tell the Pastor when you approach.

If you are not communing and desire a personal blessing please come to Pastor with your hands at your sides.

P Please rise.

## **COMMUNION BLESSING**

- P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you forever in his grace.
- C Amen.

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

 P 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.

C Amen.

### SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

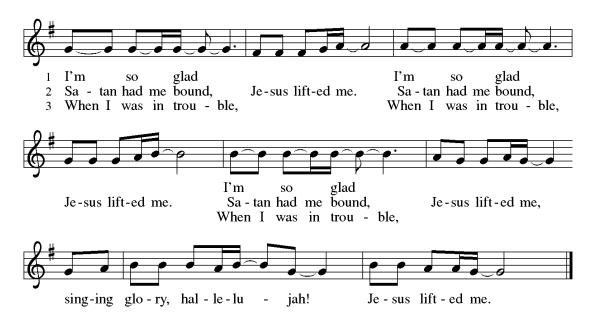
## BLESSING

#### 

C Amen.

## SENDING SONG ELW 860

I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me



Text: African American spiritual Music: JESUS LIFTED ME, African American spiritual

## DISMISSAL

- P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

## ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

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#### Announcements:

- Welcome to all who are visiting us today. Please complete a purple visitor's card (found on the clipboard in the pew chair in front of you) and place it in the offering plate. Thank you for taking the time to worship with us today.
- There will be no food drive today.
- Congregational Meeting Sunday, April 27th following worship. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss and get congregational approval for the "PAVE THE WAY" capital campaign to mill and pave the driveway and parking areas. This is a large, but necessary, undertaking and we need your support.
- PLEASE LEND A HAND FOR COFFEE SET UP OR CLEAN UP! Open set up dates: May 4th, 11th, 18th & 24th. Open clean up dates: May 4th, 11th, 18th & 24th.
- Come join us on Thursday, April 24th at 10AM to make gift card holders for the TCNSK teachers. RSVP to Jan Contino 610 324 2003 by April 21st.
- Here we go again!! Come on out to the Eagleville Taphouse on Wednesday April 30th to help us earn a little money to cover expenses for the Country Fair! Twenty percent of your food purchases, either dine in or take out all day, will be given to Trinity. Have fun with fellow Trinitarians and enjoy some good food. Bring your friends and family and the flyer for your waitress. This cannot be combined with any other offers. We hope to see you there!!
- Ladies join the Juliets for lunch on Wednesday May 7th at noon at Buttercup Bistro. The restaurant is located at 735 W Main Street, Trappe, PA. Call or text JoAnn Sorom at 610-721-6493 to RSVP.
- Council Corner Congregational Council wants to give a huge thank you to Ron and his son Kevin for the work they did to remount the Jesus statue in our sanctuary where it belongs. It looks beautiful! Thanks again for your continuing service at Trinity.
- Do you have a special skill to share? Are you creative? Consider donating the skill or service for the raffle baskets at the Country Fair! You can offer your handyman skills or gardening skills and we can build a basket around that for you. What about a shore house to donate for a week or weekend? If you enjoy walking dogs, you can offer one dog walking session that we can put into a basket of dog items? We appreciate your creativity to help us to have a successful country fair this summer!!

- Trinity folks had a fun time at the Community Clean Up day on Saturday 4/12 at Limerick Community Park. Bob Graves, Karl Schafer, Karen Mendenko, Craig Moyer and his son Jeff represented Trinity and were in a team collecting litter from a tributary of the Perkiomen creek and around the park itself. The Trinity crew collected about 10 trash bags along with piping, vinyl siding, and many baseballs, softballs and golf balls! The most rewarding part was seeing all the trash removed and hearing the people at the park and in cars passing by thanking them for their help.
- For Pastoral emergencies please call 610-584-8411 extension 2 and leave a message for Pastor Nelson. This voicemail is being monitored for emergencies.



Serving Sunday, 4/20	
Lector	Craig Moyer
Greeter	Priscilla Myers
Communion Assistants	Rick & Chris Cole
Ushers	Jim Sorom & Karl Schafer
Coffee Hour	Emma Birkmire & Lynn Chialastri
Building Opener	Rick Cole
Altar Guild	Linda Stone
Counting Team	Dave Stone, Lori Peltier, Meg Smith
Serving Sunday, 4/27	
Lector	Drina Ditzler
Greeter	Lori Peltier
Communion Assistants	Lynn Chialastri & Marilou Doughty
Ushers	Brenda Aslin & Michael Martorelli
Coffee Hour	Karl Schafer & Anne Meibohm
Building Opener	Karl Schafer
Altar Guild	Ann Dungan
Counting Team	Dave Stone, Lori Peltier, Meg Smith

## This Week at Trinity

#### Sunday, April 20

10:00 AM – Worship

#### Monday, April 21

Trinity Country Nursery School Spring Break

Church Office Closed

2:30 PM- Outside Vendor Kitchen Rental

6:30 PM -Aerobic Rhythmics - Hall

#### Tuesday, April 22

8:30 AM -2 PM -Trinity Country Nursery School 6:30 PM - Church Council

#### Wednesday, April 23

8:30 AM -2 PM -Trinity Country Nursery School 6:30 PM – Aerobic Rhythmics – Hall 7:00 PM -Evening Prayer on Zoom 7:30 PM -Aerobic Rhythmic - Hall

#### Thursday, April 24

Soup Kitchen at St. John's 8:30 AM -2 PM -Trinity Country Nursery School 10:00 AM - TAG Crafts 1:00 PM -TAG Cards & Games 7:00 - 7:45 - Bell Choir Rehearsal -Sanctuary 7:45 - 8:30 - Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary

#### Friday, April 25

8:30 AM -2 PM -Trinity Country Nursery School

#### Saturday, April 26

8:00 AM – Car Club – Narthex

Upcoming Events

#### <u>Sunday, April 27</u> Congregational Meeting - Following Worship

<u>Wednesday, April 30</u> Dine & Donate at the Eagleville Taphouse



In honor of all who serve at Trinity by Kristin Stoeber. In memory of her parents, Ed & Jean Meibohm, by Anne Meibohm. In memory of Bill Jeffries by Sally Jeffries. In honor of Trinity's volunteers by Marilou Doughty. In honor of their granddaughter, Mira Graves, by Bob & Trish Graves. In honor of her grandchildren by Betty Kratz. In memory of her son, Mark Flanigan, by Judy Flanigan. In memory of Jean, Irma & John Erickson by Ann Dungan. In memory of Betty & Warren Dungan by Ann Dungan. In honor of their church family by John & Janelle Krais. In memory of Darlene E. Wargo by the Fry Family. In memory of A. Shannon Pintkowski by the Fry Family. In memory of Barbara & John Cressman by Wilmer Cressman. In honor of their children & grandchildren by Jim & JoAnn Sorom. In memory of loved ones by Jim & JoAnn Sorom. In memory of her grandmother, Mrs. Beatrice Bennett, by Georgia Burnett. In memory of Madge & Fred Askonas by Leslie Askonas. In memory of their parents by Vince & Liz Gallenti. In memory of Joe Hemsley, Paul Procacci & Rocco Scapicio by Karl & Kathleen Schafer. In honor of their children Dan & Ali by Dave & Linda Stone. In memory of their parents by Dave & Linda Stone. In honor of their grandchildren, Brady & Blake Burgoon by Lynne & Peter Schell. In memory of Arthur & Dorothy Moyer, Randy & Leslye Blackwell, Joseph & Christina Volpe by Craig Moyer. In memory of Henry & Charlotte Brunhofer by Joann Brunhofer. In memory of their sisters, Diane, Carolyn, Helen & Linda, by John & Alma Nowmos. In memory of Charles (Huck) Kline by Margaret Kline. In memory of their brothers, George, Don & Tim, by Paul & Priscilla Myers.