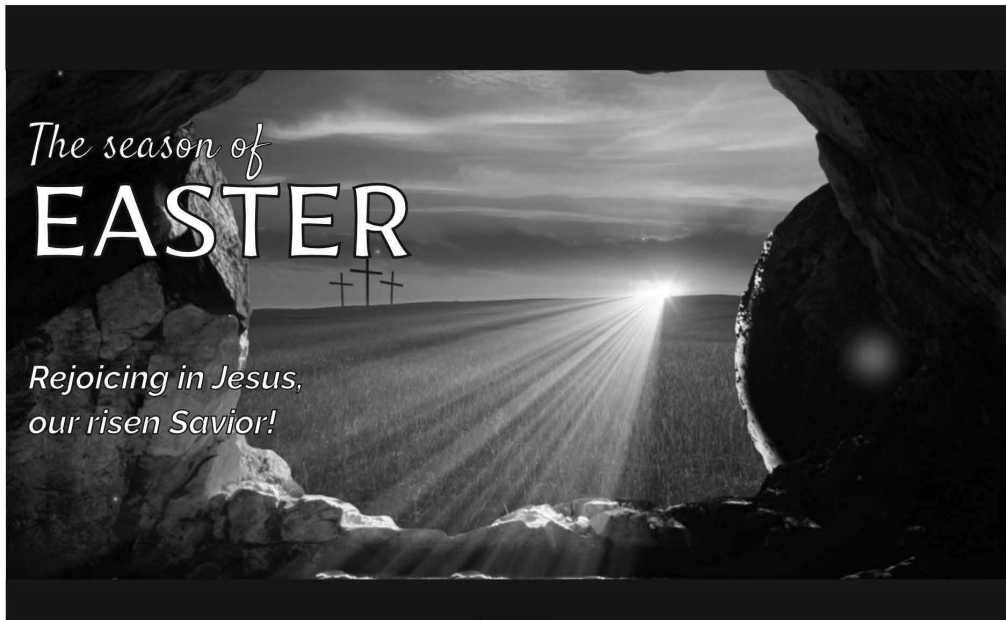


April 18, 2021

Easter 3
Cross and Comfort



"With one mind and one voice we glorify God the Father."









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Welcome to Worship!

	<p>To the friends who know us, we renew our welcome; to the visitor we welcome you most sincerely; and to those seeking a church home we offer fellowship in Christ and the opportunity to actively join in sharing the Good News: Jesus Christ our Savior was born in Bethlehem, crucified on Calvary and risen from the grave for all people.</p> <p><i>Please sign our guest register.</i></p>
	<p>If you need to leave the service temporarily, the audio-video of the service is broadcast in the Gathering Room. A rest room is located in the hallway across from the elevator. As you exit the sanctuary turn to your left – go through the short hallway and turn right. The baby changer is located inside the restroom.</p> <p><i>Please note that the last four pews are reserved for parents with small children.</i></p>
	<p>Regarding standing for hymns or readings – At various times during the worship service the congregation is invited to stand. If this gets to be too difficult – <i>please feel free to remain seated.</i></p>
	<p>We are a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod (ELS), a national church body in fellowship with the WELS. We hold to the Bible as the inspired, inerrant Word of God and that we are justified before God by grace for the sake of Jesus Christ through faith.</p>
	<p>Trinity Lutheran Congregation supports a private Elementary School (Preschool through Grade 8). We teach all subjects from a Christian perspective as we prepare children for life in this world and the next. If you desire more information, please contact our Principal, Mr. Jim Speerschneider, Email at mrjim@trinityels.org or Phone at School (262)-675-6627.</p>
	<p>In order to maintain a reverent atmosphere for worship and praise, please make sure all cell phones and other electronic devices are put on "silent," or, better yet, turned off.</p>

Remember Your Offerings!

- Your offerings are important to YOU:
"Honor the LORD with your wealth" (Proverbs 3:9, EHV)
 - Your offerings are important to GOD:
"Jesus responded, 'Were not ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? Was no one [else] found to return and give glory to God...?'" (Luke 17:17–18, EHV)
 - Your offerings are important to the CHURCH:
"On the first day of every week, each of you is to set something aside in keeping with whatever he gains, saving it up at home, so that when I come, no collections will need to be carried out." (1 Corinthians 16:2, EHV)
- Leave your offerings in the collection areas in the entryway or Gathering Room,
or use the link above to give digitally. ↑**



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Call to Worship • Easter 3

[Psalm 66:1-2 (EHV)]

PASTOR Today we pray to the God who is not dead, but lives! Though we will bear many crosses as we live in this sinful world, may He strengthen us to patiently endure our sufferings because they are merely temporary—for the “little while” of our earthly lives—and that He is always using them for our eternal good.

“Shout praise to God, all the earth! — Alleluia!

CONGREGATION Make music to the glory of his name! Make his praise glorious! —
Alleluia!”

First Hymn • “Rejoice, the Lord is King”

[ELH 376]

1. Re - joice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King a - dore;
 2. Je - sus, the Sav - ior reigns, The God of truth and love;
 3. His king - dom can - not fail; He rules o'er earth and heav'n;

Mor - tals, give thanks and sing, And tri - umph ev - er - more:
 When He had purged our stains, He took His seat a - bove:
 The keys of death and hell Are to our Je - sus giv'n:

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; Re - joice; a - gain I say re - joice!

-Stand-

Confession of Sins

[ELH p 41, alt]

P *Let us confess our sins to God and pray:*

We poor sinners confess to You, O God, not only that we have been conceived and born in sin, but also that throughout life we have often and in many ways offended You, our Lord and Maker, in thought, word and deed. In Your perfect justice, You should reject and condemn us for all eternity.

G **Therefore we come before You with sorrowful hearts, dreading Your holy justice and terrorized by everlasting death. Our sins are a great enemy and we should hate them in every way as long as we live.**

P *But merciful God, You still grant us in this hour to be reminded of Your fatherly goodness. According to the promise of Your Word we run to You—our infinitely merciful God—for refuge. We pray to You for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your only-begotten Son, our Brother, who was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification. We beg You, dearest Father, to forgive our sins through faith, which the Holy Spirit increases in our hearts so we are fully assured of Your grace.*

G **We therefore pray You, O Lord, through Your servant to declare to us the forgiveness of all our sins. We poor sinners are willing to forgive all who have offended against us. We earnestly desire to grow in true godliness. Help us, O God, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Prayer for Mercy ~ Kyrie Eleison

[Mark 10:47]

The musical notation consists of three staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff begins with an 'Introduction' and is followed by the lyrics 'O God the Fa-ther in heav-en, have mer-cy up-on us.' The second staff continues with 'O God the Son, Re-deem-er of the world, have mer-cy up-on us.' The third staff concludes with 'O God the Ho-ly Ghost, true Com-fort-er, have mer-cy up-on us.' The lyrics are written in German with hyphens for syllables and English below them.

Introduction **G** O God the Fa-ther in heav-en, have mer-cy up-on us.

O God the Son, Re-deem-er of the world, have mer-cy up-on us.

O God the Ho-ly Ghost, true Com-fort-er, have mer-cy up-on us.

Forgiveness of Sin ~ Absolution

☞ *Hear the holy and comforting Word of our Lord:*

He says, "Come to me all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." "For God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life." Indeed, "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved."

Lift up your hearts! By the authority of God and of my holy office, I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son ☩ and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Song of Praise ~ Gloria

[Luke 2:14, John 1:29 • text: ELH 35, alt. • tune: CW 69]



☞ All glo - ry be to God on high Who has our world be - friend - ed!

To us no harm shall now come by, The strife at last is end - ed.

God shows His grac - ious will to men, And peace shall dwell on

earth a - gain. O thank Him for His good - ness!

Prayer of the Day • Easter 3

☞ *The Lord be with you, His people.*

☞ **And with your spirit as you minister to us.**

☞ *Let us pray:*

Heavenly Father, You graciously allow us to undergo disciplinary correction through the crosses we bear in our lives. We ask You to send Your Holy Spirit to help us endure our difficulties in the light of Christ's own suffering in our behalf. Help us remember that our temptations and afflictions are only a temporary thing—a little while—in this life, until You bring us to the eternal salvation of heaven.

☞ **We pray this through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our living Lord, who reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. Amen.**

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-Be seated-

Second Lesson • 1 Peter 2:11–20



Peter reminds us that a Christian life is one of humility, denying the soul-destroying temptations of our sinfulness, and submitting to others out of reverence for Christ.

Dear friends, I urge you, as aliens and temporary residents in the world, to abstain from the desires of the sinful flesh, which war against your soul. ¹²Live an honorable life among the Gentiles so that even though they slander you as evildoers, when they observe your noble deeds, they may glorify God on the day he visits us.

¹³Submit to every human authority because of the Lord, whether to the king as the supreme authority ¹⁴or to governors as those who have been sent by him to punish those who do what is wrong and to praise those who do what is right. ¹⁵For this is God's will: that you silence the ignorance of foolish people by doing good. ¹⁶Do this as free people, and do not use your freedom as a cover-up for evil, but use it as servants of God. ¹⁷Honor everyone. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the king.

¹⁸Slaves, submit to your masters with total respect, not only to those who are good and kind but also to those who are harsh. ¹⁹For this is favorable: if a person endures sorrows while suffering unjustly because he is conscious of God. ²⁰For what credit is it to you if you receive a beating for sinning and patiently endure it? But if you suffer for doing good and endure it, this is favorable with God. (EHV)

-Stand-

Gospel Acclamation • Easter 3

[Luke 24:26 (EHV)]

☐ Alleluia, alleluia. Did not the Christ have to suffer these things and to enter his glory? Alleluia!



Gospel • John 16:16–22

Jesus is starting to prepare His disciples for the time when He leaves them physically. After His ascension, they will only connect with Jesus through His means of grace.

[Jesus says,] “In a little while you are not going to see me anymore, and again in a little while you will see me, because I am going away to the Father.”

¹⁷Therefore some of his disciples asked one another, “What does he mean when he tells us, ‘In a little while you are not going to see me, and again in a little while you will see me,’ and ‘Because I am going away to the Father?’” ¹⁸So they kept asking, “What does he mean by ‘a little while’? We don’t understand what he’s saying.”

¹⁹Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him about this, so he said to them, “Are you trying to determine with one another what I meant by saying, ‘In a little while you are not going to see me, and again in a little while you will see me’?” ²⁰Amen, Amen, I tell you: You will weep and wail, but the world will rejoice. You will become sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn to joy. ²¹A woman giving birth has pain, because her time has come. But when she has delivered the child, she no longer remembers the anguish, because of her joy that a person has been born into the world.

^{22a}“So you also have sorrow now. But I will see you again. Your heart will rejoice, and no one will take your joy away from you.” (EHV)

P *This is the Gospel of our Lord.*



-Be seated-

Chief Hymn • “Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me?”

[ELH 377]

1. Why should cross and tri - al grieve me? Christ is near With His cheer;
 2. Though a heav - y cross I'm bear - ing And my heart Feels the smart,
 3. God oft gives me days of glad - ness; Shall I grieve If He give

Nev - er will He leave me. Who can rob me of my heav - en
 Shall I be de - spair - ing? God, my Help - er, who does send it,
 Sea - sons, too, of sad - ness? God is good and tem - pers ev - er

That God's Son For my own To my faith has giv - en?
 Well He knows All my woe And how best to end it.
 All my ill, And He will Whol - ly leave me nev - er.

Sermon • John 16:16-22

No One Will Take Your Joy Away From You

1. First, “A Little While” for _____

2. Then, an Eternity for _____

-Stand-

Confession of Faith ~ Nicene Creed

☞ *Having heard the Word of God, we confess our holy faith using the words of the Nicene Creed:*

☞ I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven And was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary And was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven, And is seated at the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spoke by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

-Confirmation is 10:30am-

***Rite of Confirmation**

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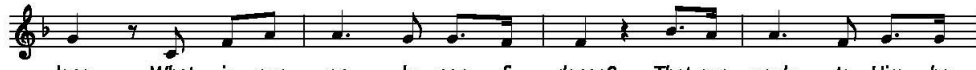
Marissa Denise Lutzow

Benjamin James Pasbrig

Alia Nicole Schoofs

***Confirmation Anthem**

(Children:) 1. What is our hope in life and death? Christ a - lone, Christ a -
 (Children + Faculty:) 2. What truth can calm the trou - bled soul? God is good, God is
 (All:) 3. Un - to the grave, what shall we sing? "Christ, He lives! Christ, He



lone. What is our on - ly con - fi - dence? That our souls to Him be -
 good. Where is His grace and good - ness known? In our great Re - deem - er's
 lives!" And what re - ward will heav - en bring? Ev - er - last - ing life with



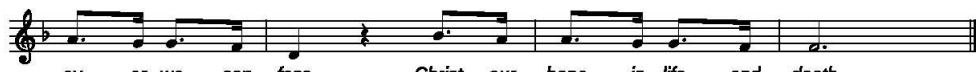
long. Who holds our days with - in His hand? What comes, a - part from His com -
 blood. Who holds our faith when fears a - rise? Who stands a - bove the storm - y
 Him. There we will rise to meet the Lord, Then sin and death will be de -



mand? And what will keep us to the end? The love of Christ, in which we stand.
 trial? Who sends the waves that bring us nigh Un - to the shore, the Rock of Christ?
 stroyed, And we will feast in end - less joy, When Christ is ours for - ev - er - more.



O sing Al - le - lu - ia! Our hope springs e - ter - nal; O sing Al - le - lu - ia! Now and
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ev - er we con - fess Christ our hope in life and death.
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Reception of Offerings and Prayer



Offerings are brought by those who are thankful to God for saving them through Jesus. Before the service starts we collect the offering in the designated areas in the entryway and Gathering Room. For those who wish to give digitally, please use the link to our digital giving platform to the left, or consult our Church Website: www.trinityels.org

Prayer of the Church

[ELH p 48-49, at]

☞ *Heavenly Father, may Your will be done in this world.*

☞ **May the governments You have established run well for the benefit of Your people.**

☞ *May Your pure Word which is taught by Your holy Church be preserved in every place.*

☞ **May many more people enter into Your kingdom by faith.**

☞ *Keep us, who are gathered here, in the true faith.*

☞ **As You re-created us in our Baptisms, we pray that You continue to enlighten us through Your Word, and strengthen us through Your holy Supper.**

☞ *In Your mercy... [special petitions]... In Christ's name we pray.*

☞ **Lord, in Your mercy hear our prayer.**

☞ *Hear us, Lord, as we give You our private petitions.*

-Silence for private prayer-

☞ *We ask this all in the name of Jesus Christ.*

☞ **Amen.**

PART 3: THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

Questions and prayers for preparing for the Lord's Supper are found in the black hymnal pp. 38-40.




FOR OUR GUESTS: Please note that Trinity practices "Close Communion" (or "Membership Communion"). This means we only Commune with people who believe and teach the same doctrine which we do (ELS or WELS). This is necessary


because Christ commands us to be unified as a congregation (Ephesians 4:3; 1 Corinthians 10:16–17). He warns that—much like abusing a powerful medicine—those who improperly receive Holy Communion receive Divine judgment rather than blessing (1 Corinthians 11:27, 29). And, contrary to the way many congregations practice today, “Close Communion” is the ancient practice of the Christian church (Acts 2:42). Therefore, if you are a guest with us today, please speak with the pastor BEFORE the service to find out how our “Close Communion” practice affects you.

Great Thanksgiving


[2 Tim 4:22, Col 3:1, Ps 136]

 *The Lord be with you, His people.*


 **And with your spirit as you minister to us.**

 *Lift up your hearts in joy.*

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

 *Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.*

 **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

 *It is truly good and right... evermore singing Your praise:*

Song of Saints and Angels ~ Sanctus

[Is 6:3, Mt 21:9 • text: Rev. Arden Mead • tune: CW 492]



 Lo, the heav'n - ly host re - joic - es: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!"

Lo, God's peo - ple join their voic - es: "God of hosts, by all a - dored,

Heav'n and earth pro - claim Your glo - ry!" Blest is He who comes our King!

Let ho-san - nas spread the stor - y, Heav - en's prais - es ech - o - ing.

Lord's Prayer

[Lk 11:2-4; Mt 6:9-13]

☩ 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.

Words of Institution

[Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25;
Through these words, the presence of Our Lord's Body and Blood is effected in our midst.]

☩ Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night... in remembrance of me.

Song to the Lamb ~ Agnus Dei

[Jn 1:29 • ELH p. 55]

☩ O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-
on us. O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world,
have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world, grant us Your peace. A - - - men.

-Be seated-

Distribution

[Communicants come forward at the direction of the ushers.
During the Distribution, the congregation sings the following hymn(s)]

"I Come, O Savior, To Your Table"

[CW 310, alt.]

1. I come, O Sav-ior, to Your ta-ble, For weak and wea-ry is my soul;
 2. O grant that I in man-ner wor-thy May now trust sole-ly in Your Word,
 O Je-sus, You a-lone are a-ble To sat-is-fy and make me whole.
 And, conscious of the sin be-fore me, Look on-ly un-to You, O Lord.
 (Refrain:) Lord, may Your bod-y and Your blood Be for my soul the high-est good.

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| <p>3. Unworthy though I am, O Savior,
 Because I have a sinful heart,
 Yet You Your lamb will banish never,
 Nor will Your faithfulness depart. <i>(Refrain)</i></p> | <p>6. Weary am I and heavy laden,
 With sin my soul is sore oppressed.
 Receive me graciously and gladden
 My heart, for I am now Your guest. <i>(Refrain)</i></p> |
| <p>4. Oh, let me loathe all sin forever
 As death and poison to my soul,
 That I through willful sinning never
 May see Your judgment take its toll! <i>(Refrain)</i></p> | <p>7. You here will find a heart most lowly
 That feels unworthy in Your sight,
 That duly weeps o'er sin, yet solely
 Your merit pleads, as it is right. <i>(Refrain)</i></p> |
| <p>5. Your heart is filled with fervent yearning
 That sinners may salvation see
 Who, Lord, to You in faith are turning;
 So let me, too, come trustingly. <i>(Refrain)</i></p> | <p>8. By faith I call Your holy table
 The testament of Your deep love;
 For by Your gift I now am able
 To know the heart of God above. <i>(Refrain)</i></p> |

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| <p>9. What higher gift can we inherit?
It is faith's bond and solid base;
It is the strength of heart and spirit,
The covenant of hope and grace. <i>(Refrain)</i></p> <p>10. This feast is manna, wealth abounding
Unto the poor, to weak ones pow'r,
To angels joy, to hell confounding,
And life for me in death's dark hour. <i>(Refrain)</i></p> <p>11. Your body, giv'n for me, O Savior,
Your blood which You for me have shed—
These are my life and strength forever,
By them my hungry soul is fed. <i>(Refrain)</i></p> <p>12. With You, Lord, I am now united;
I live in You and You in me.
No sorrow fills my soul; delighted,
It finds its peace on Calvary. <i>(Refrain)</i></p> | <p>13. Who can condemn me now? For surely
The Lord is near, who justifies.
No hell I fear, and thus securely
With Jesus I to heaven rise. <i>(Refrain)</i></p> <p>14. Though death may threaten with disaster,
It cannot rob me of my cheer,
For He who is of death the Master
With help and strength is always near.
<i>(Refrain)</i></p> <p>15. My heart has now become Your dwelling,
O blessed, holy Trinity.
With angels I, Your praises telling,
Shall live in joy eternally. <i>(Refrain)</i></p> |
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-Stand-

Prayer of Thanksgiving

☞ *Let us give thanks and pray:*

We thank You, Lord God Almighty, that You have refreshed us with Your Holy Supper. We pray that through it, You would mercifully strengthen us in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another.

☞ **We pray this through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.**

God's Final Blessing ~ Benediction

[Num 6:24–26]

☞ *The Lord bless you and keep you... and give you peace ☩ .*

☞ **Amen.**

Closing Hymn •

-8:00am-

“Lord, Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray” [text: ELH 311 • tune: ELH 50]

4. One bread, one cup, one body, we
Live lives in Christian unity,
Your love proclaiming till You come
To bring Your scattered loved ones home.
5. Lord Jesus Christ, we humbly pray
To keep us steadfast to that day
That we may be Your welcomed guest
When You spread out Your heav’nly feast.

-10:30am-

“Arm, These, Your Children” [text: ELH 508 • tune: ELH 50]

1. Arm these Your soldiers, mighty Lord,
With Shield of faith and Spirit’s Sword.
Forth to the battle may they go
And boldly fight against the foe.
2. With Banner of the Cross unfurled,
They overcome the evil world
And so, at last, from You receive
The palm and crown of victory.
3. Come, ever-blessed Spirit, come
And make Your servants’ hearts Your home.
May each a living temple be
A holy place for all to see.

-Be seated-

Worship Notes

- Preacher: Pastor Daniel J. Hartwig • 10:30 Service Assistant – Vicar Seth Krueger
- Organist: Donna Moll
- Ushers: Thursday - Group 7
Sunday – Group 2
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