

3 "In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young,
I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun.
When the evening gently closes in, and you shut your weary eyes,
I'll be there as I have always been, with just one more surprise."

4 "I was there to hear your bawling cry, I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold."

***Table Blessing**

***Prayer after Communion:** L: Let us pray: **C: Risen and Living Lord, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share your abundant mercy. Amen.**

***Benediction:** P: The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope ✠ bless you now and always. **C: Amen**

***Closing Hymn:** *Our Father, By Whose Name* ELW 640

1 Our Father, by whose name, all parenthood is known,
in love divine you claim, each fam'ly as your own.
Bless mothers, fathers, guarding well, with constant love as sentinel,
the homes in which your people dwell.

2 O Christ, yourself a child, within an earthly home,
with heart still undefiled, to full adulthood come:
our children bless in ev'ry place, that they may all behold your face
and, knowing you, may grow in grace.

3 O Holy Spirit, bind, our hearts in unity
and teach us how to find, the love from self set free;
in all our hearts such love increase, that ev'ry home, by this release,
may be the dwelling place of peace

***Dismissal:** L: And now may Jesus, the Good Shepherd, who has satiated all your needs and caused you to drink from the waters of eternal life, lead you forth to love and serve God and God's people with great joy. Go in peace, serve the Lord! **C: Thanks be to God!**

Postlude: *Raise the Song on High*

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Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 12, 2024

10:45am Worship

WELCOME TO TRINITY! Our worship is being livestreamed to our neighbors near and far on Facebook and YouTube, with full sanctuary video coverage of all leaders and worshippers.

HOLY COMMUNION: All are invited to the table!

Please fill in the Blue Form inside this bulletin so we may record your attendance, know your desire to be involved in our activities, receive your prayer requests and record your contact information.

**Please stand as you are able.*

Easter Greeting: P: Christ is Risen! **C: He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Welcome/Announcements

Prelude: *If With All Your Hearts* from "Elijah"

Mendelssohn

***Confession and Forgiveness**

L: In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

L: 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.

L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

(Silence is kept for reflection.)

L: 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.**

L: 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 ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

***Gathering Hymn:** *Loving Spirit* ELW 397

1 Loving Spirit, loving Spirit, you have chosen me to be
you have drawn me to your wonder, you have set your sign on me.

2 Like a mother you enfold me, hold my life within your own,
feed me with your very body, form me of your flesh and bone.

- 3 Like a father you protect me, teach me the discerning eye,
hoist me up upon your shoulder, let me see the world from high.
- 4 Friend and lover, in your closeness, I am known and held and blessed:
in your promise is my comfort, in your presence I may rest.
- 5 Loving Spirit, loving Spirit, you have chosen me to be—
you have drawn me to your wonder, you have set your sign on me.

***Apostolic Greeting**

L: 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!**

***Hymn of Praise** (ELW Setting 10)



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

***The Lord's Prayer 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.**

To receive communion, come forward using the center aisle. A communion assistant will place the bread in your hands. Then take an empty cup to be filled with wine or grape juice. If you would like the assistant to hold the cup for you while filling it, just point to the empty cups rather than taking one. Wine is in the silver chalices, and grape juice is in the tan chalices. As you return to your seat, place your empty cup in the silver tray on the pedestal. Children are welcome at the Table to receive the Sacrament or a blessing, as parents indicate. If your mobility is limited, notify us and assistants will bring the elements to you. Please note that Christ is fully present in each element, so you can take only the bread if you wish.

***Lamb of God** (ELW Setting 10)



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter - nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

Communion Hymn: *I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry* ELW 732

- 1 "I was there to hear your borne cry, I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.
I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;
in a blaze of light you wandered off, to find where demons dwell."
- 2 "When you heard the wonder of the Word, I was there to cheer you on;
you were raised to praise the living Lord, to whom you now belong.
If you find someone to share your time, and you join your hearts as one,
I'll be there to make your verses rhyme, from dusk till rising sun."

***The Exchange of Peace** L: The peace of the Risen Lord be with you always!
C: **And also with you!**

Offering: *A Mother's Heart*

Peterson

Offertory: *Doxology* ELW885

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Offering Prayer:** L: Let us pray. C: **Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen.**

***The Great Thanksgiving and Holy, Holy, Holy** (ELW Setting 10)

L: 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.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

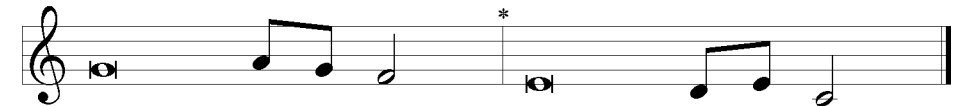
***Words of Institution:** P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave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

***Prayer of the Day** L: Let us pray. C: **Gracious and glorious God, you have chosen us as your own, and by the powerful name of Christ you protect us from evil. By your Spirit transform us and your beloved world, that we may find our joy in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

First Reading: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, "Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus—for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

L: Word of God, Word of Life. C: **Thanks be to God.**



***Psalm 1**

¹Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel | of the wicked,
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats | of the scornful!

²Their delight is in the law | of the LORD,
and they meditate on God's teaching | day and night.

³They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves
that | do not wither;
everything they | do shall prosper.

⁴It is not so | with the wicked;
they are like chaff which the wind | blows away.

⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when | judgment comes,
nor the sinner in the council | of the righteous.

⁶For the LORD knows the way | of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked shall | be destroyed.

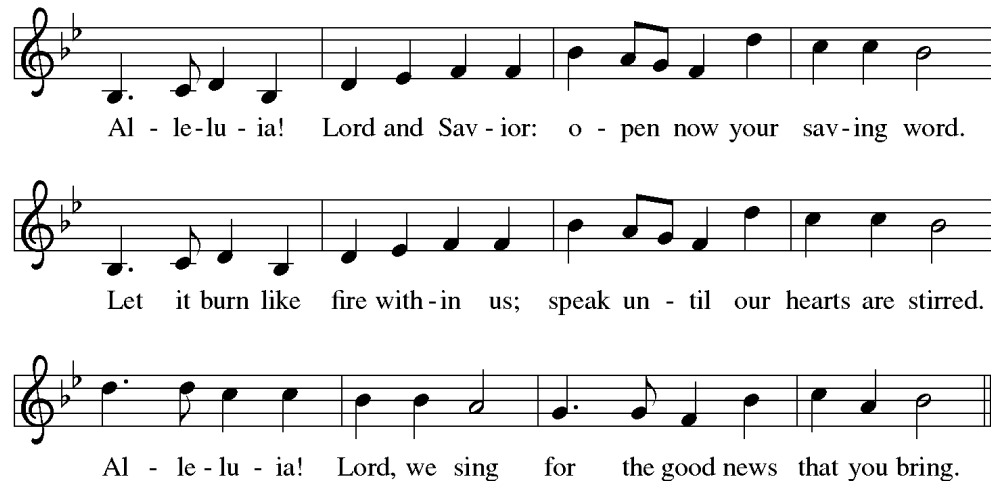
Second Reading: 1 John 5:9-13

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

L: Word of God, Word of Life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

*Gospel Acclamation (ELW Setting 10)



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.

Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.

Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

The gospel is announced: P: The Holy Gospel according to John, the 17th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 17:6-19

[Jesus prayed:] "I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name

that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth."

After the gospel is read: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children Gather at the Altar

Hymn: *Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth* ELW 735

- 1 Mothering God, you gave me birth
in the bright morning of this world.
Creator, source of ev'ry breath,
you are my rain, my wind, my sun.
- 2 Mothering Christ, you took my form,
offering me your food of light,
grain of life, and grape of love,
your very body for my peace.
- 3 Mothering Spirit, nurt'ring one,
in arms of patience hold me close,
so that in faith I root and grow
until I flow'r, until I know.

Sermon

Pastor Bobbie Blackburn

A Time of Silence for Meditation

Choir Anthem: *You Are Mine*

Haas/arr. Hayes
Trinity Singers

*Apostles' Creed

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 *Each prayer concludes:* Lord, in your mercy, **C: Hear our prayer.**