

Worship at Trinity Lutheran Church (online edition)
May 10, 2020



Welcome to this new way of gathering together! While we cannot be physically present with one another, we know that as we gather in God's name, Christ is truly present.

Each Sunday, we will gather at 9:30am via Facebook Live. It will later be posted on our YouTube page (https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBfzqqPTuf8fe3PjPr21gA?view_as=subscriber)

If you know of others who are in need of signs of God's love and grace, who are curious and/or questioning, who would like to experience the peace of Christ – please invite them to join us “live” and/or to visit our Facebook page or YouTube channel.

If anyone needs to talk to someone amidst this time of anxiety, please feel free to contact Pastor Jen via the church office and/or her personal email (see end of document for emails).

Our weekly emails are also posted on our website <http://trinitybrewsterny.org/wordpress/>.

Listed here is the basic order of worship so that you are able to follow along. We have included links to the hymns picked by Franklyn that you may either listen to now or later.

*Congregational responses are in **bold** that you are invited to read aloud wherever you may be worshipping. Though I cannot hear you, we know that we are speaking together from where we all are for God's ears and attention.*

At the end of this document, you will find additional links for other service opportunities and brief announcements.

Setting up: Set aside some sacred space where you are to worship and prayer. Light a candle (or more), set out your Bible and/or a cross. Spend a few moments in silence before you begin.

Introduction: The church in Corinth that Paul founded struggled because of divisions within their churches. But Christ still had and has a message of hope for all willing to hear it.

WELCOME

You are invited to comment below the video if there are particular prayers that you would like to lift up and have others pray about during the week.

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

This new day is fresh with possibility to encounter the Living Christ.

With bright eyes, let us search.

This new day is fresh with possibility to understand the Living Christ.

With engaged minds, let us ponder.

This new day is fresh with possibility to be moved by the Living Christ.

With compassionate hearts, let us feel.

This new day is fresh with possibility to respond to the Living Christ.

With solid devotion, let us follow.

This new day is fresh with possibility to serve the Living Christ.

With humble intention, let us act.

This new day is fresh with possibility to praise the Living Christ.

With strong voices, let us sing.

With each new day, we are called to draw closer to the Living Christ, yet, we find ourselves lost and searching and so we pause in silence and self-examination, preparing our hearts to confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

Risen Lord, **We see the miracle of your resurrection, yet so often live as though we are still lost in our sins. We rely on our own feeble will, we stay mired in the past, and we refuse that which is too uncomfortable or unfamiliar. Forgive us, and open our hearts again to your freedom. Amen.**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow—Christ is arisen! We have a new life, and the old has fallen away. Rejoice that we are truly forgiven, and go out and proclaim the grace that is free and given to all, in the name of the Father, and of the Risen Son and of the Holy Spirit, **amen.**

GATHERING HYMN “How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord” (ELW 580)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3TfSz3BR6Tg>

- 1) *How clear is our vocation, Lord, when once we heed your call
to live according to your word and daily learn, refreshed, restored
that you are Lord of all and will not let us fall.*
- 2) *But if, forgetful, we should find our yoke is hard to bear;
If worldly pressure fray the mind and love itself cannot unwind
Its tangled skein of care: our inward life repair.*
- 3) *We marvel how your saints become in hindrance more sure;
Whose joyful virtues put to shame the casual way we wear your name,
And by our faults obscure your pow’r to cleanse and cure.*
- 4) *In what you give us, lord, to do, together or alone,
In old routines and ventures new, may we not cease to look to you,
The cross you hung upon, all you endeavored done.*

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GREETING

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord, You have made it clear that you desire your Church to be united. Break down the walls which separate us and build us back up again as one body in Jesus Christ, through whom we pray, **amen.**

READING Acts 18:1-4

After this Paul left Athens and went to Corinth. ²There he found a Jew named Aquila, a native of Pontus, who had recently come from Italy with his wife Priscilla, because Claudius had ordered all Jews to leave Rome. Paul went to see them, ³and, because he was of the same trade, he stayed with them, and they worked together—by trade they were tentmakers. ⁴Every sabbath he would argue in the synagogue and would try to convince Jews and Greeks.

Word of God, Word of life **Thanks be to God!**

READING: 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

¹⁰ Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you should be in agreement and that there should be no divisions among you, but that you should be united in the same mind and the same purpose. ¹¹For it has been reported to me by

Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. ¹²What I mean is that each of you says, 'I belong to Paul', or 'I belong to Apollos', or 'I belong to Cephas', or 'I belong to Christ.' ¹³Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? ¹⁴I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) ¹⁷For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

¹⁸ For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Word of God, Word of life **Thanks be to God!**

If you have instruments (or pots & pans), you are invited to play them during this song.



The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of three staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: Hal-le, hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah. Hal-le, hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah. Hal-le, hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah. Hal-le, hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah. Hal-le, hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah. Hal-le, hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah.

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HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 9:34-35

The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 9th chapter **Glory to you, O Lord**

³⁴But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. ³⁵He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.'

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

TIME WITH CHILDREN

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY "Goodness Is Stronger Than Evil (ELW 721)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s1ydJ4JTEYw>

Goodness is stronger than evil; love is stronger than hate
Light is stronger than darkness; life is stronger than death
Vic'try is ours, vic'try is ours, through God who loves us.
Vic'try is ours, vic'try is ours, through God who loves us.

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NICENE CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
He suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

(You are invited to share in the comments, in your own gatherings and in your thoughts additional prayers)

We pause in this time of prayer and humbly place before you all that is in our hearts and minds as we pray for the church, the world, and all those in need

A brief silence.

Regardless of background, opinion, theology or ability, we all belong to you, O Lord. Speak over our stubbornness and certainty that we are right, and show us instead what it looks like to practice a radical love which truly listens to and respects others. Uniting God, **Hear our prayer.**

Your creation is a perfect model of the interdependence we all share as your children. When we fail to acknowledge our fundamental connections, everyone and everything suffers as a consequence. Bring us back to ourselves, to each other, and to you. Uniting God, **Hear our prayer.**

Bless all who celebrate Mother's Day, and give strength and guidance to all who parent or mentor the young. Be with those who are separated from their mothers due to distance, death or estrangement, particularly during this health crisis; offer them your comforting grace. As you tend and care for us, so may we look after those who are depending on us. Uniting God, **Hear our prayer.**

Send the power and comfort of your healing Spirit to all those whom we know need it, for all those who name before you now....(pause) **and for all those who have no one to name them.** Uniting God, **Hear our prayer.**

Together with all your saints in light, we join our voices in praise to the one who forgives, redeems, and joins us all in one eternal fellowship. Uniting God, **Hear our prayer.**

Silence for additional prayers to be offered

Pastor: May all these things be granted in the name of our Savior Jesus, who earnestly prayed that we might all be one, **amen.**

SHARING THE PEACE

The Peace of the Christ be with you always **And also with you**

(you are invited to share the peace with those who are with you, by commenting below as well as by calling/sending a message of peace to someone)

OFFERING *(You are invited to listen to this song as our “anthem” for this week. You are also encouraged to continue to share your offering with Trinity by mailing them to the church office or by donating online via our website: www.trinitybrewsterny.org)*

ANTHEM: “Amazing Love” Graham Kendrick
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xrU145d4cKY>

OFFERING PRAYER

Serving you is the greatest honor, O Lord. Receive these gifts as signs of our gratitude to be part of your fellowship, and fellow workers in your kingdom, for the sake of the world which you love. In Jesus’ name, **amen.**

INVITATION TO SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

We may not be able to touch each other during the peace, but we are still called to bring the peace of Christ to the world.

We may not share a common cup, but we are filled to the brim with the Spirit of God.

We may not be gathered in the same place for worship, but we will pray and praise God wherever we are and in whatever circumstances we find ourselves.

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

**Jesus, may all that is you flow into us.
May your body and blood be our food and drink.
May your passion and death be our strength and life.
Jesus, with you by our side enough has been given.
May the shelter we seek be the shadow of your cross.
Let us not run from the love which you offer
but hold us safe from the forces of evil.
On each of our dyings shed your light and your love.
Keep calling to us until that day comes
when, with your saints, we may praise you forever.
Amen.**

May we find deeper and deeper meaning in becoming the Body of Christ during this extraordinary time.

LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

MISSION & MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN "In Christ There Is No East or West" (ELW 650)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IxGOEhEXA3k>

- 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 everywhere 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.*

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DISMISSAL

Go, in peace. Christ is with you. **Thanks be to God!**

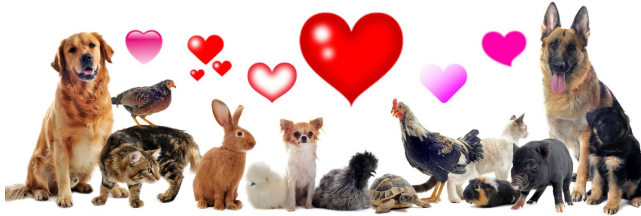
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Worship Notes: parts of today's worship are adapted from: Gathering litany (Rev. Christine Sobania Johnson, <http://freshlysqueeze dliturg y.blogspot.com/>), Confession, Prayer of the Day,

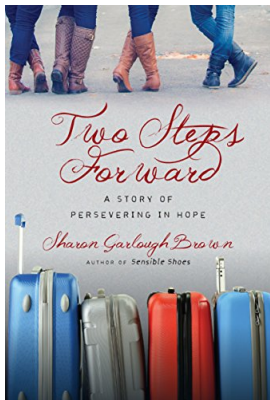
Offering Prayer, Prayers of intercession (Clergy staff resources); Spiritual Communion (Rev. Kim Lille, Rev. Roger Berner, S. African prayer book)

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Announcements



“Essential Pets of Trinity”: We are putting together a video to share the gift of our pets as an essential part of our “care teams” in our own daily lives. Our former office manager, Lorna O’Hanlon has offered to put it together for us. Please contact Pastor Jen to be a part of this project.



Faith Book Club will meet again on Monday, May 18th (7pm). The next book is “Two Steps Forward: a story in persevering in hope” by Sharon Garlough Brown. It is the sequel to the previous book we read by her. All are invited to join us.

Newsletter: Since we are sending out regular updates, we will not have a newsletter for May. If there is information that you need, please feel free to contact the church office (trinelutheranoffice@yahoo.com) and/or Pastor Jen (revjdye1@yahoo.com)

Food Pantry: As the need grows for those in our community, you are invited to drop off items for Putnam CAP’s food pantry. You may either drop them off here at Trinity or at the CAP office on Main Street in Brewster. You can find an updated list of their current needs on their website:

<http://putnamcap.org/index.html>

Putnam Dept. of Health is hosting a Food donation drive on Saturday, May 16th (9am -1pm). See flyer on last page.



Synod Virtual Choir: The Synod is putting together a virtual choir (I've already signed up). They'll send you instructions, the sheet music and a recording of the music (without voices) to listen to while you video yourself singing. Then it will all be blended together. If you need any help with the recording, please let Pastor Jen know. Here is the link to sign up

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfpcRbPPH6H-atguAZJn2drFO3ioNIUK3QVWufI8_hNaSC_Kg/viewform

Zoom Gatherings: Each of the gatherings use the same password (410002), but different meeting ids; see below for each of the links. *If you need the links at any time, please contact Pastor Jen (revjedyer1@yahoo.com) or call/text 518-231-4633)*

Weekly gatherings

Monday (5pm) Praying together (Meeting ID: 785 777 354)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/785777354?pwd=NnJsNmZLQzJDVk1iWHBNdIRCdEJYdz09>

Wednesdays (7pm) Bible study Meeting ID: 346 900 784)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/346900784?pwd=RnBtMEo4QUhQOG9veEZjRVNwMkd2QT09>

Fridays (10am) Thread & Yarn group (Meeting ID: 890-6099-7152)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89060997152?pwd=cW15NTthGVzA5YUdsYWdKVGVJYdVBkUT09>

Sundays 10:30am Sunday School (Meeting ID: 435 263 0119)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4352630119?pwd=YXo0a241ZkJMMThKb1FSbm5ITEZqUT09>

10:30am **Affirmation** (contact Charlie Germain for link)

12:00noon **Coffee Hour/Fellowship** (Meeting ID: 435 263 0119)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4352630119?pwd=YXo0a241ZkJMMThKb1FSbm5ITEZqUT09>

Offering

You are also encouraged to continue to share your offering with Trinity by mailing them to the church office or by donating online via our website: www.trinitybrewsterny.org

Additional Resources

www.mnys.org The Metro NY Synod office will be offering weekly worship opportunities

www.elca.org Stay up to date on how the Church continues to serve across the country

In Our Prayers

We are particularly mindful of so many who are in need of prayers during this time. You are invited to contact Pastor Jen to add specific names to this list:

Prayers of Healing

John Reed (friend of Doris O'Toole)
Michael Masucci (Lauren Baldanza's youngest son)
Robert Peters (father of Stephen Peters)
Pastor Marv Henk

Prayers for those serving in the medical community

Jeannette Baldanza (Dept. of Health)
Lauren Icken (EMT)
Eric Klammer (FDNY)
Lisa Schuldt (Westchester Medical)
Jeff Von Bargaen (Putnam Hospital)

Prayers for essential workers

Justin Larocchia (Corrections)

Prayers of the Wider Church

Bishop Elizabeth Eaton (Presiding Bishop of the ELCA) and ELCA staff
Bishop Paul Egensteiner (Bishop of Metro NY Synod) and synod staff
Mother Gladys Diaz (deployed Asst. to Bishop for our area)

Prayers for families who have had loved ones die

Families of

Additional Prayers

For college students and professors as their semesters draw to a close

Helping Our Neighbors in Need

Drive-Thru Food Drive

Benefitting Each Community's Local Food Pantry

Saturday, May 16

9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Brewster - Brewster Village Hall, 50 Main Street

Carmel - Knight of Columbus Hall, 10 Fair Street

Cold Spring - Cold Spring Bandstand, 2 Main St.

Kent - Kent Town Hall, 25 Sybils Crossing

Mahopac - Michael Geary Roller Rink, 740 Route 6

Patterson - Patterson Town Hall, 1142 Route 311

Putnam Valley - Putnam Valley Senior Center, Town Park

Items Needed

- Juice (Non-Refrigerated)
- Rice
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Pasta
- Spaghetti Sauce
- Cereal
- Canned Beef Stew
- Canned Tuna or Chicken
- Diapers (all sizes) / Wipes
- Toiletries
- Personal Hygiene Products
- Paper Products
- Cleaning Products
- Canned Fruit
- Crackers

For more information and other locations,
call 211 or visit uwwp.org/fooddrive

We are all in this together.

