# Trinity Lutheran Church Brewster, Ny



2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter Apríl 7, 2024 9:30 AM



**WELCOME** as we gather in the name of God! Whether we are physically present with one another or gathering remotely, we know that Christ is truly present in our midst.

We welcome our visitors today. If you are looking for a church home and want to know more about living together as Christians, please contact Pastor Boyd during the week.

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 for worship in person or through our social media channels. They may also contact the church office (<a href="mailto:trinlutheranoffice@yahoo.com">trinlutheranoffice@yahoo.com</a>) and/or Pastor Jen (<a href="mailto:revjedyer1@yahoo.com">revjedyer1@yahoo.com</a>).

You are invited to worship with us each week. There is a spoken in-person service on Thursdays at 12 noon and on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. as well as via Facebook Live on Trinity's Facebook page. Services may also be viewed on Comcast channel 21 at 11 am (note, they are a week behind). The service will be posted later on our YouTube page. The weekly bulletin is posted on our website:

Website: <a href="http://trinitybrewsterny.org">http://trinitybrewsterny.org</a>

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**PARENTS:** Please help your children follow the worship service, including standing up with the assembly. Thank you.

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#### INTRODUCTION

The last thing that Jesus does before ascending to heaven is to lay out for his apostles a witness roadmap—a framework that they can fall back on to remember how and why they will continue to share the good news of the Gospel. The most important thing about witness is that we never have to do it alone.

#### + GATHER +

Prelude: Partita on "Cast Away Fear" by Kenneth T. Kosche

Let us prepare ourselves to worship God together. You are encouraged to pray during the prelude for God's Spirit to infuse out time of worship and this community of faith.

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

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#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia

Now what?

Remember what Jesus told us.

Remember what Jesus did.

Remember that Jesus died...

And remember that wasn't the end of the story!

Christ has appeared to the disciples!

Christ has appeared at the table!

Christ has appeared alongside us!

And Jesus Christ has both gifts and work still to give.

So Friends, why are we still looking up?

That is where Jesus went.

But what did Jesus tell us to do?

Be his witnesses in the world.

So why are we still looking up?

Because we want to be with him.

Yet your call is not to stand staring up to heaven, but to start looking to those around you.

When we look at our neighbors, we will see Jesus.

Christ is not gone, but is all around us.

The time is now. The work is here. Jesus is with us.
Christ is risen! Alleluia!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia

**GATHERING HYMN: Alleluia! Sing to Jesus** ELW 392

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus; his the scepter, his the throne; Alleluia! His the triumph, his the victory alone. Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood: "Jesus out of ev'ry nation has redeemed us by his blood."

Alleluia! Not as orphans are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! He is near us; faith believes, nor questions how.
Though the cloud from sight received him when the forty days were o'er
Shall our hearts forget his promise: "I am with you evermore"?

Alleluia! Bread of heaven, here on earth our food, our stay; Alleluia! Here the sinful flee to you from day to day. Intercessor, friend of sinners, earth's redeemer, hear our plea Where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! King eternal, Lord omnipotent we own; Alleluia! Born of Mary, earth your footstool, heav'n your throne. As within the veil you entered, robed in flesh, our great high priest, Here on earth both priest and victim in the eucharistic feast.

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus; his the scepter, his the throne; Alleluia! His the triumph, his the victory alone. Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood: "Jesus out of ev'ry nation has redeemed us by his blood."

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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.** 

Hymn of Praise-This is the Feast



#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious God, You call us together in your presence and charge us with the task of bearing your love into a suffering world. Strengthen us for this work, that all might share equally in your reign of justice and peace. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

THE ASSEMBLY IS SEATED

Children's Sermon

Pastor Jennifer Boyd

# **Children's Song**

I am a C I am a C-H I am a C-H-R-I-S-T-I-A-N And I have C-H-R-I-S-T in my H-E-A-R-T and I will L-I-V-E E-T-E-R-A-N-L-L-Y

+ WORD +

**READING: Acts 1:1-14** 

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them over the course of forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. 'This', he said, 'is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.'

So when they had come together, they asked him, 'Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men

in white robes stood by them. They said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.'

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

Word of God, Word of Life
Thanks be to God

THE ASSEMBLY STANDS



GOSPEL: Mark 6:7-13

The Holy Gospel according to Mark the  $6^{\text{th}}$  chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, 'Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.' So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

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

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**SERMON** 

Pastor Jennifer Boyd

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**HYMN OF THE DAY I Love to Tell the Story ELW 661** 

I love to tell the story of unseen things above, Of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love. I love to tell the story, because I know it's true; It satisfies my longings as nothing else would do.

# Refrain

I love to tell the story: 'twill be my theme in glory To tell the old, old story Of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story: how pleasant to repeat What seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet! I love to tell the story, for some have never heard The message of salvation from God's own holy word. Refrain I love to tell the story, for those who know it best Seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest. And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song, I'll sing the old, old story that I have loved so long. Refrain

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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,

eternally begotten of the Father.

the only Son of God,

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

Trusting in the promise of the resurrection, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

# A brief silence.

O God, you send us out into the world to bear witness to your transformative love and justice. Give us the words to say and the opportunities to say them, that all might experience the fullness of your presence. God of new life, **In mercy, hear our prayer.** 

Creation witnesses to your power and glory, O God. Make us partners with the natural world, ever aware of our interdependence and committed to our mutual flourishing. God of new life, In mercy, hear our prayer.

Soften the hearts and minds of those who govern through fear and oppression and open them to partnerships with other nations for the benefit of all. God of new life, **In mercy, hear our prayer.** 

Be with those in our families, our lives, and community who suffer illness, trauma, grief, and all forms of pain and loss. We pause to pray especially for those we name now, aloud or in our hearts.... (pause). We also lift up in prayer Hayden, Jayne, Madeline, Karen, Joseph, Mackenzie, Loretta, John, Joseph, Rose and Kyle and for those who have no one to name them and those who do not know Christ's name. Help us to bear your healing love to them. God of new life, In mercy, hear our prayer.

Inspire, strengthen, and support missionaries in their work to build communities and contribute to the health and wellbeing of all they serve throughout the world. God of new life, **In mercy, hear our prayer.** 

We remember with gratitude the saints who carried your word into the world from the beginning of the church through to the present day. May we follow in their example to be open about our own faith that others might follow after us. God of new life, In mercy, hear our prayer.

Here other petitions may be offered silently, aloud or online in the comments.

*Pastor:* We place in your arms all for whom we pray, confident in your mercy and grace bestowed upon all people through Jesus Christ, our savior. **Amen.** 

#### SHARING OF PEACE

The love and peace of Christ be with you always

And also with you

You are invited to share a sign of peace with others. Please check with those around you if they are comfortable with a handshake, elbow bump or other physical signs before reaching out. Peace signs and humble bows are a healthy alternative.

THE ASSEMBLY IS SEATED

#### + MEAL +

#### **OFFERING**

As we receive the choir's offering of music, we invite you to share your own offering with Trinity by placing them in offering plate, mailing them to the church office or by donating online via our website:

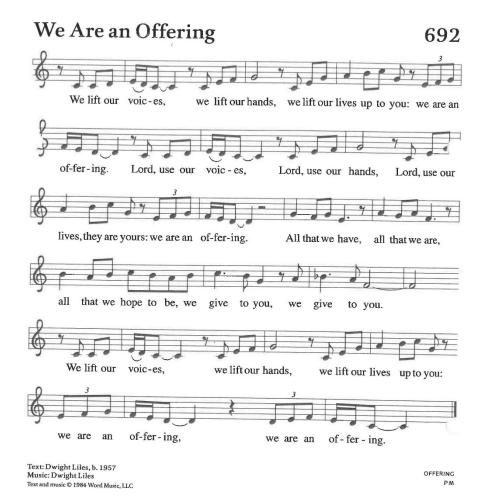


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Music During the Offering: "Witness" Spiritual arr. Jack Halloran

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#### OFFERING HYMN



#### **OFFERING PRAYER**

God the source of every good thing, we offer now our gifts and our tithes for the sake of bearing witness to your transformative work in the world. Accept these gifts as a sign of our commitment to the work to which you have entrusted us. Amen.

#### GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

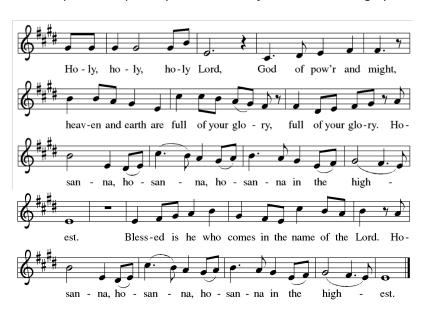
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### **Preface**

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:



## **Eucharistic Prayer**

Holy God, you alone are holy

#### You alone are God

The universe declares your praise

# Beyond the stars; beyond the seas

Within each cell; with every breath

# We praise you, O God

Generations bless your faithfulness

# Through the water; by night and day

Across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future

# We bless you, O God

We give you thanks for your dear Son:

## At the heart of human life; near to those who suffer

Beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now

#### We thank you, O God

In the night...do this in remembrance of me

Remembering his love for us

On the way, at the table, and to the end,

We proclaim the mystery of faith Christ has died.

#### Christ is risen!

# Christ will come again!

We pray for the gift of your Spirit

# In our gathering

Within this meal

# Among your people; throughout the world

Blessing, praise and thanks to you

Holy God, through Christ Jesus,

By your Spirit, in your church, without end. Amen

Gathered by the Spirit, we are bold to pray as Jesus taught us:

# 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,

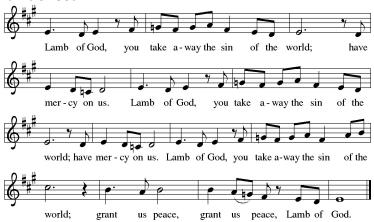
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

#### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The one who was taken up in the cloud is yet here at this holy table and invites you now to share with him the bread and wine of the new covenant. Come, for all is prepared. **Thanks be to God!** 

#### Lamb of God



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#### DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION AND BLESSINGS

All the baptized are welcome to feast in the Eucharist. You may receive only the bread or wine and still experience the full benefit of our Lord's meal. Those who do not receive bread or wine are invited to come for a blessing.

All members and visitors, please complete a Record of Communion card (in the pew racks) and hand it to an usher as you come forward.

Ushers will direct you to come forward at the appropriate time.

COMMUNION HYMN: All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly ELW 461

All who hunger, gather gladly; holy manna is our bread.

Come from wilderness and wand'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.

You that yearn for days of fullness, all around us is our food.

Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

All who hunger, never strangers; seeker, be a welcome guest.
Come from restlessness and roaming. Here in joy we keep the feast.
We that once were lost and scattered in communion's love have stood.
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

All who hunger, sing together, Jesus Christ is living bread.

Come from loneliness and longing. Here in peace we have been fed.

Blest are those who from this table live their days in gratitude.

Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955-1993

Music: W. Moore, Columbian Harmony, 1825; arr. hymnal version

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AFTER ALL HAVE RETURNED TO THEIR PLACES, THE ASSEMBLY STANDS.

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.** 

#### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Living God, as the disciples ate and drank with their risen Lord, We have been nourished with the very presence of Christ. Through this meal may we be strengthened to keep your word And to proclaim the power of your love in Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.** 

#### + SENDING +

THE ASSEMBLY SITS

**Mission and Ministry Announcements** 

THE ASSEMBLY STANDS

**BLESSING** 

**SENDING HYMN: Soon and Very Soon** ELW 439

Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!

No more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King! No more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King! No more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King! Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!

No more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King! No more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King! No more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King! Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!

Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!

Text: Andrae Crouch, b. 1945

Music: Andrae Crouch

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#### DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

You are the body of Christ raised up for the world.

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude: "O Perfect Love" by Kenneth T. Kosche

# Worship notes:

Portions of the worship service has been adapted by Pastor Jen from the following resources:

- Introduction, Call to Worship Prayer of the Day, Prayers of Intercession, Offering Prayer, Invitation to Communion (@ Clergy stuff)
- + Call to Worship, Resurrection prayer (written for BibleWorm by Rev. Teri Peterson)
- Other parts of worship are from the hymnals, Evangelical Lutheran Worship and All Creation Sings

#### **Music Note:**

Kenneth T. Kosche (b. 1947) is Professor of Music *emeritus* of Concordia University Wisconsin (Mequon, WI) where he directed the Concordia Chorale and touring choir, served as director of the parish music program, and taught conducting, choral literature, and composing/arranging to undergrads and graduate students in the Masters in Church Music degree program. A native Chicagoan, Kosche earned his B.S. in Music Education and M. S. degrees at the University of Illinois (Urbana-Champaign) and D.M.A. in Choral Music from the University of Washington (Seattle). A teacher for forty years, he taught first in public schools in Illinois before moving to Seattle for doctoral study. After a year teaching at the University of Wisconsin - La Crosse, he accepted his position at CUW in 1978. His colleagues at CUW honored him with the Faculty Laureate in 1999. He retired in 2009.

A parish musician at heart, Kosche has held minister of music positions in Illinois, Washington, and Wisconsin, serving various combinations as organist, choral director, and worship planner. In retirement, he serves Trinity Lutheran Church in Billings, Montana as organist and volunteer in other musical capacities, including at Trinity's elementary school. From 1979 through 1988 he directed the Lutheran A Cappella Choir of Milwaukee, relinquishing that role to devote more time to a then-growing family. His wife Rosemary (*nee* Harjes) and he are parents of adult church workers, Thomas (Lutheran school teacher in Billings, MT) and Anne (deaconess serving international students attending CMU in Mt. Pleasant, MI).



# Today's altar flowers are given by The O'Toole Family in loving memory of Gene Frazee.

# SCHEDULED TO SERVE: 2nd Sunday of Easter, April 7th

	Assisting Minister	Ushers	Acolyte
April 7th @	Joan Bradley	John Bertone	
9:30 AM	1	Bruce Markert	

# Let's Wish Happy Birthday To:

Tatiana Bettcher, April 7 Eric Halbekath, Jr., April 9 Jonathan Sciarra, April 10 Joanne Halbekath, April 12 Andrew Shore, April 12 Tyler O'Toole, April 13 Ariana Dzibela, April 14 Ryan Loftus, April 16 Dawn Torlish, April 16 Sharon Laird, April 20

Ann-Marie Palmo, April 20 Charles Germain, Jr., April 24 Loretta Christiano, April 27 Wyatt Torlish, April 27 Mary Beth Commisso, April 28 June Daniel, April 28 Rosanna Tempel, April 28 Maysen Edmondson, April 29 George O'Toole, Jr., April 29





# **WORSHIP SERVICES—April 2024**

The organ prelude and preparatory time for worship begins approximately ten minutes before each service.

Sun, April 7	(2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun of Easter)	Holy Communion 9:30 AM
Sun, April 14	(3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun of Easter)	Holy Communion 9:30 AM
Sun, April 21	(4th Sun of Easter)	Holy Communion 9:30 AM
Sun, April 28	(5 <sup>th</sup> Sun of Easter)	Holy Communion 9:30 AM

# A complete **CALENDAR** can be found at:

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PARENTS OF INFANTS AND YOUNG CHILDREN: Restless or unhappy children can be taken to the Narthex, where worship can be heard over speakers. Busy bags with activities are available in the narthex for our youngest worshippers. Please return the bags at the end of the service.

#### **Trinity Lutheran Church Mission Statement:**

As a people of God, we desire to experience the presence of God in our lives that we might be the presence of God in the lives of others.

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