Trinity Lutheran Church Brewster, NY



May 11, 2025 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 (trinlutheranoffice@yahoo.com) and/or Pastor Jen (revjedyer1@yahoo.com).

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: http://trinitybrewsterny.org

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/Trinity-Lutheran-Church-Brewster-NY-160570420670756.

YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEBfzqqPTuf8fe3PjPr21gA?view_as=subscriber

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

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INTRODUCTION

Philip was called by the Holy Spirit into the wilderness to meet an Ethiopian Eunuch. When the eunuch learned from Philip that Jesus was the Messiah that Isaiah was talking about, he asked to be baptized.

+ GATHER +

Prelude: "Christ Unser Herr zum Jordan kam" Marcel Dupre

Welcome and Announcements

THE ASSEMBLY STANDS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Christ is risen—

He is risen indeed! Hallelujah!

Our God meets us where we are,

And brings to us good news of great joy.

We are filled with the Holy Spirit,

And strengthened to share the good news with others.

One step at a time,

the Spirit calls us to follow.

Not with the whole plan or map,

just one thing at a time.

Faithfully we go,

trusting that more will be revealed.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

As we walk in our journeys of faith, we are Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism and clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning you created us in your image

And placed us in a well-watered garden

In the desert, you promised pools of water for the parched

And you gave us water from the rock

When we did not know the way,

You sent the Good Shepherd to lead us to the still waters

At the cross, you washed us from Jesus' wounded side

And on this day, you shower us again with the water of life

We praise you for you salvation through water

For the water in this font, and for all water everywhere

From the salt waters of the Atlantic ocean

To the flowing waters of the Hudson

From the shores of our reservoirs and lakes

To that which we use in our homes

Bathe us in your forgiveness, grace and love

Satisfy those who thirst

Quench those who long for your love

And give to all the life only you can give

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ,

Our living water,

In the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen

GATHERING HYMN: All Who Believe and Are Baptized (ELW 442)

All who believe and are baptized shall see the Lord's salvation; baptized into the death of Christ, they are a new creation. Through Christ's redemption they shall stand among the glorious heav'nly band of every tribe and nation.

With one accord, O God, we pray; grant us your Holy Spirit; Help us in our infirmity through Jesus' blood and merit. Grant us to grow in grace each day by holy baptism, that we may eternal life inherit.

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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.**



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious God,

We read your holy word

and often find ourselves confused.

Send your Holy Spirit into our community

that we might discern together what it is you are calling us to do.

Give us hearts of welcome to all our neighbors,

and make us examples of your love in action. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

THE ASSEMBLY IS SEATED

CHILDREN'S SERMON

CHILDREN'S SONG

ALLELU! ALLELU! ALLELU! ALLELUJAH!
PRAISE YE THE LORD!
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+ WORD +

Readings: Acts 8:26-39

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." This is a wilderness road. So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, the queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth.

In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth."

The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture he proclaimed to him the good

news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more and went on his way rejoicing.

Word of God, Word of Life **Thanks be to God**

THE ASSEMBLY STANDS



GOSPEL: Luke 24:44-47

The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 24th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.

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

THE ASSEMBLY IS SEATED

SERMON

PASTOR JENNIFER BOYD

THE ASSEMBLY STANDS

HYMN OF THE DAY: O Blessed Spring (ELW 447)
(Tune of O Waly Waly)

O blessed spring, where word and sign embrace us into Christ the Vine: here Christ enjoins each one to be a branch of this life-giving Tree.

Through summer heat of youthful years, uncertain faith, rebellious tears, sustained by Christ's infusing rain, the boughs will shout for joy again.

When autumn cools and youth is cold, when limbs their heavy harvest hold, then through us, warm, the Christ will move with gifts of beauty, wisdom, love.

As winter comes, as winters must, we breathe our last, return to dust; still held in Christ, our souls take wing and trust the promise of the spring.

Christ, holy Vine, Christ, living Tree, be praised for this blest mystery: that word and water thus revive and join us to your Tree of Life.

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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

Holy God, we are grateful that you hear our prayers and respond with mercy. Because of your great love for us, we do not lose heart. Hear now the prayers of this community. May they echo beyond our reach.

A brief silence

God, you sent Philip to reach out to someone who was seen as "other" and invite him into your family exactly as he was. Help us accept and love all people regardless of ethnic background or gender identity, just as you do. Holy and wonderful God, **Receive our prayer**

Your creation fills us with joy and wonder, from mighty mountains and crashing oceans to trickling streams and the softest breezes. Give us a heart of the care and preservation of all that you have made, so that it might be restored to wholeness. Holy and wonderful God, **Receive our prayer**

Be with students who are preparing for graduation. Relieve them of anxiety about final tests and the exciting but uncertain future. Bless them as they move toward this new chapter in their lives. Holy and wonderful God, **Receive our prayer.**

Send healing and comfort to all who face uncertainty in regard to their

health, whether physical, emotional, or spiritual. We pause to pray especially for those we name now, aloud or in our hearts.... (pause). We also lift up in prayer: Dior, Karen, Logan, Georgina, Mackenzie, The Myers Family, John, Franco, Ed, Debbie, Morgan, Pamela, Joe and the Levi Family ... and for those who have no one to name them and those who do not know Christ's name. Grant wisdom and compassion to all who provide their care. Holy and wonderful God, Receive our prayer

Be with those who are in times of transition of any kind—those moving, transitioning work life, adjusting to changing relationships, seeking health adjustments, and more. Help them know you are with them through everything going on in their lives, and give them patience and acceptance of whatever uncertainty they face. Holy and wonderful God, **Receive our prayer.**

We give you thanks for the gifts of mothers – those who gave birth to us, those who cared for us and those who came into our lives to provide the nurture we needed. We pray for those who find this day difficult due to estrangement, death or distance of any kind from their mothers or children. Just as a mother hen gathers her brood under her wings, gather all your children in your loving embrace. Holy and wonderful God, **Receive our prayer.**

Thank you for the faithfulness of others whose lives, though over, still impact us today. May we follow their examples in our own daily living. Holy and wonderful God, **Receive our prayer.**

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

Pastor: These and the prayers of all creation we lift to you, trusting in your everlasting love and grace that shone forth from that empty tomb and in the risen life of Jesus the Christ. **Amen.**

SHARING OF PEACE

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 peace of the Risen Christ be with you! And also with you!

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:

www.trinitybrewsterny.org



Anthem: "The Ethiopian Eunuch and Philip" Jannine Ingram

THE ASSEMBLY STANDS

OFFERING HYMN: We Are An Offering (ELW 692)

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.

Lord use our voices, Lord use our hands, Lord use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering.

All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering, we are an offering.

Text: Dwight Liles, b. 1957 Music: Dwight Liles

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OFFERING PRAYER

God of all, we remember that all we have is yours, and humbly ask that you would accept these gifts, returned to you from your own abundance, so that all people throughout the world would have enough. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

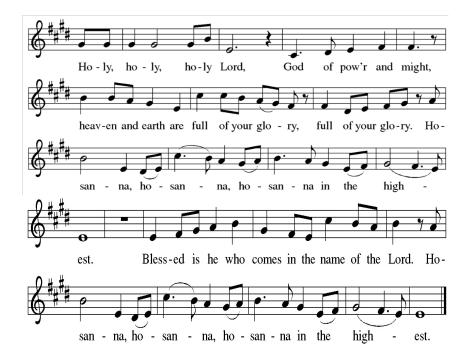
Lift up your hearts.

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

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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 in whose name the Ethiopian Eunuch was baptized in the desert now calls you to new life through this holy feast. Come and meet Jesus in the bread and wine that is his body and blood, and go forth in joy to proclaim the good news. **Thanks be to God**

Lamb of God



THE ASSEMBLY IS SEATED

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 #1: Crashing Waters at Creation (ELW 455)

Crashing waters at creation, ordered by the Spirit's breath, first to witness day's beginning from the brightness of night's death.

Parting water stood and trembled as the captives passed on through, washing off the chains of bondage, channel to a life made new.

Cleansing water once at Jordan closed around the one foretold, opened to reveal the glory ever new and ever old.

Living water, never ending, quench the thirst and flood the soul. Wellspring, source of life eternal, drench our dryness, make us whole.

Text Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955-1993

Music: Christian Witt

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Communion Hymn #2: By Your Hand You Feed Your People (ELW 469)

By your hand you feed your people Food of angels, heaven's bread For these gifts we did not labor By your grace have we been fed.

Refrain:

Christ's own body, blessed and broken Cup o'erflowing, life outpoured Given as a living token Of your world redeemed, restored. In this meal we taste your sweetness Bread for hunger, wine of peace Holy word and holy wisdom Satisfy our deepest needs. Refrain

Send us now with faith and courage To the hungry, lost, bereaved In our living and our dying We become what we receive Refrain

Text: Susan R. Briehl, b. 1952 Music: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

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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: On Our Way Rejoicing (ELW 537)

On our way rejoicing gladly let us go; Christ Our Lord has conquered; vanquished is the foe. Christ without, our safety; Christ without, our safety; Christ within, our joy; Who, if we be faithful, can our hope destroy?

Refrain:

On our way rejoicing, as we homeward move, Hearken to our praises, O Thou God of love!

Unto God the Father, joyful songs we sing; Unto God the Saviour, thankful hearts we bring; Unto God the Spirit, bow we and adore, On our way rejoicing, now and evermore. Refrain

Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811-1875, alt. Music: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879

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DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude: "Christum wir sollen loben schon" Marcel Dupre

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)
- + Thanksgiving for Baptism (All Creation Sings hymnal, ELCA)
- + Call to worship, (© 2025 Teri Peterson. Usage rights granted to BibleWorm subscribers at the LiturgyWorm Level and higher (https://patreon.com/biblewormpodcast):
- + Other parts of worship are from the hymnals, Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Lutheran Book of Worship and All Creation Sings

Music Notes:

Marcel Jean-Jules Dupré (1886 – 1971) was a French organist, composer, and pedagogue. Born in Rouen into a wealthy musical family, Marcel Dupré was a child prodigy. His father Aimable Albert Dupré was titular organist of Saint-Ouen Abbey from 1911 till his death and a friend of Aristide Cavaillé-Coll, who built an organ in the family house when Marcel was 10 years old. His mother Marie-Alice was a cellist who also gave music lessons, and his paternal uncle Henri Auguste Dupré was a violinist and violist. Both of his grandfathers, Étienne-Pierre Chauvière (maître de chapelle at Saint-Patrice in Rouen and an operatic bass) and Aimable Auguste-Pompée Dupré were also organists. Having already taken lessons from Alexandre Guilmant, Dupre entered the Paris Conservatoire in 1904, where he studied with Guilmant, Louis Vierne and Charles-Marie Widor In 1914, Dupré won the Grand Prix de Rome for his cantata *Psyché*. Dupré became famous for performing more than 2,000 organ recitals throughout Australia, the United States, Canada and Europe.

Jeannine S Ingram is a music researcher and composer of the Winston-Salem Moravian Collegium Musicum.

SCHEDULED TO SERVE: 4th Sunday of Easter

	Assisting Minister	Ushers	Acolyte
May 11th 9:30 AM	Jo-Ann Nestor	Don Icken Michelle Zabko	JP Maston



Today's altar flowers are given by Pastor Jen in loving celebration of all mothers, especially her own, Elaine Berg and Marilyn Dyer & also in loving memory of Michael's birthday (today would've been his 67th)- miss

you every day Also given by Kathie Ruhs in honor of all mothers everywhere and in joyful love and celebration of her granddaughter Jenna's twentieth birthday today. Happy Birthday to my wonderful Jenna and may God always bless you!

Let's Wish Happy Birthday To:

Erik Markert	May	11
Christopher Sciarra	May	12
Nelida Guinyard	May	15
Tyler Hansen	May	15
Michael Stringer	May	15
Halsey Tuthill	May	15
John Bertone, Jr.	May	18
James Ulrich	May	18
Fred Fendt	May	20
Joanne Icken	May	20
Robert Briggs, Sr.	May	22
Rylan Carpenter	May	23
Heather Hargrave	May	23
Diana Kolar	May	23
Matthew Kolar	May	23
Christopher Donova	n May	/ 24
Donald Icken	May	25
Alicia McKeon	May	28
Claire Brusie	May	30
Kristen Stoecker	May	31



WORSHIP SERVICES—May2025

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

Sun, May 11	(4th Sun of Easter)	Holy Communion 9:30 AM
Sun, May 18	(5th Sun of Easter)	Holy Communion 9:30 AM
Sun, May 25	(6th Sun of Easter)	Holy Communion 9:30 AM

A complete CALENDAR can be found at: www.trinitybrewsterny.org

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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Notes & Images of faith: Use this blank space to write down and/or drawthings that caught your attention during worship. Was there a line

in the Bible readings or a hymn that spoke to you? Was there something that happened that you want to remember? Or maybe a prayer came to mind for you? Write or draw it here. Share it with others (as well as Pastor Jen)