



A Service of Holy Communion

April 17, 2022

Easter Sunday

Welcome to Trinity's gathered community!

We are together on-site and online!

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If you are at Trinity in person, please maintain appropriate distance and wear your mask, considering the fact that some of us may not be fully vaccinated or may have other vulnerabilities. We will celebrate Holy Communion as we have for the past year, with all participants holding their own bread and wine during the prayers and receiving communion in their seats. In this way, all participants on-site and online will share the same practice. If you are not on-site, rest assured that your presence online is felt and valued. **As you watch the Live Stream, feel free to add comments, likes, etc. to the comment section at any time! If you are on-site, feel free to use your mobile device to join the Facebook Live Stream to connect with other worshipers in the comment section. Just make sure your volume is all the way down!**

WiFi internet access is publicly available. Please feel free to log onto the "Trinity Open" network with the password "Welcome!"

Today, the nursery is open and available for the first time since the pandemic began. If your baby or toddler would be happier being able to crawl around and play in the care of our fully vaccinated nursery attendant, you can find the nursery by going through the door near the baptismal font in the front right corner of the church.

When we don't have to practice social distancing, the people of Trinity Church gather around a table piled high with spiritual food, and there is a place for you and everyone at the table, whatever your religious practice may be. For now, even though we are not standing shoulder to shoulder for communion, we are gathered in Spirit sharing the bounty of faith. Trinity Church is a metropolitan house of prayer, a community of worship and spiritual inquiry, welcoming all people. Recognizing our common brokenness, yet rejoicing in the reconciling love of God through Jesus Christ, we nurture one another in our spiritual life together.

Trinity Church is an Episcopal Church and a member parish of the Diocesan Partnership of Western New York and Northwest Pennsylvania in the United States and is a part of the Anglican Communion, which is based in England but found worldwide. If you would like to learn more about Trinity, see all our contact information on the last page.

PRELUDE

"LA PRIMAVERA" (SPRING) BY ANTONIO VIVALDI

OPENING HYMN

"WELCOME HAPPY MORNING"



1 "Wel - come, hap - py morn-ing!" age to age shall say:
3 Months in due suc - ces - sion, days of length-en-ning light,
5 Thou, of life the au - thor, death didst un - der - go,
6 Loose the souls long pris - oned, bound with Sa - tan's chain;



1 hell to - day is van - quished, heaven is won to - day!
3 hours and pass - ing mo - ments praise thee in their flight.
5 tread the path of dark - ness, sav - ing strength to show;
6 all that now is fal - len raise to life a - gain;



1 Lo! the dead is liv - ing, God for ev - er - more!
 3 Bright - ness of the morn - ing, sky and fields and sea,
 5 come then, true and faith - ful, now ful - fill thy word,
 6 show thy face in bright-ness, bid the na - tions see;



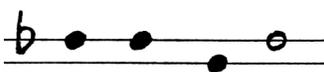
1 Christ their true Cre - a - tor, all his works a - dore!
 3 Van - quish - er of dark - ness, bring their praise to thee.
 5 'tis thine own third morn - ing! rise, O bur - ied Lord!
 6 bring a - gain our day - light: day re - turns with thee!

Refrain

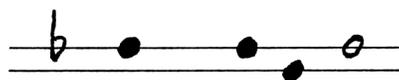


"Wel - come, hap - py morn - ing!" age to age shall say.

LIGHTING THE NEW FIRE



The Light of Christ!



Thanks be to God!

Sing 3 times.

INTROIT

"Now is the Hour of Darkness Past" by Daniel Pinkham

Alleluia!
 Now is the hour of darkness past;
 Christ hath assumed His reigning power.
 Behold the great accuser cast down from the skies,
 To rise no more. Alleluia!

Nobody set out to write The Bible. The Hebrew Scriptures were created over many centuries by many people to record the Jewish People's experience of God. The same is true of the Christian Scriptures, some of which were letters written to a specific audience in response to specific needs—and were then found to be helpful to the faithful even after fulfilling their original purpose.

FIRST READING

ISAIAH 65:17-25

“ I am about to create new heavens and a new earth!
 The things of the past will not be remembered or come to mind!
 Be glad and rejoice forever and ever in what I create,
 because I now create Jerusalem to be a joy and its people to be a delight!
 I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people;
 no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it or the cry of distress.
 No longer will there be in it an infant who lives but a few days,
 or old people who do not live out their days.
 They die as mere youths who reach but a hundred years,
 and those who fall short of a hundred will be thought accursed.
 At last they will live in the houses they build,
 and eat the fruit of the vineyard they plant.
 They will not build for another to inhabit;
 they will not plant for another to eat.

The Bible readings are taken from The Inclusive Bible: The First Egalitarian Translation by Priests for Equality.

For the days of my people will be like the days of a tree,
and my chosen ones will enjoy the fruit of their labors.
They will not labor in vain or bear children doomed to die;
for they and their descendants are a people blessed by God.
Even before they call upon me, I will answer;
and while they speak, I will hear.
The wolf and the lamb will feed side by side;
the lion will eat straw like an ox.
Serpents will be content to crawl on the ground;
they will not injure or destroy in all my holy mountain,"
says the Lord.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

ECHO

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give Praise to his Name.

Spread the good news o'er all the earth:

Jesus has died and has risen.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give Praise to his Name.

MIDDLE READING

Off course from the frail music sought by words
And the path that always claims the journey,
In the pursuit of a more oblique rhythm,
Creating mostly its own geography,
The mind is an old crow
Who knows only to gather dead twigs,
Then take them back to the vacancy
Between the branches of the parent tree
And entwine them around the emptiness
With silence and unfailing patience
Until what was fallen, withered and lost
Is now set to fill with dreams as a nest.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

ECHO

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give Praise to his Name.

**Come, let us praise the living God,
joyfully sing to our Savior.**

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give Praise to his Name.

*The Middle Reading
fills the role of a
Bible reading, but
it doesn't come
from the Bible. It is
our way of trying
to listen for God's
ongoing word as it
is spoken outside the
limits of the Bible.
Most often, we turn
to contemporary
poets for this
reading.*

*John O'Donohue
(1956-2007) from
the Burren Region
of County Clare,
Ireland, began
writing poems
during his college
years. Ordained
in 1982, John
retired from public
priestly ministry
in 2000, living in
a remote cottage
in Connemara. He
devoted himself
full-time to writing
and a life of public
speaking.*

"THOUGHT WORK" BY JOHN O'DONOHUE

On the first day of the week, at the first sign of dawn, the women came to the tomb bringing the spices they had prepared. They found the stone rolled back from the tomb; but when they entered the tomb, they didn't find the body of Jesus.

While they were still at a loss over what to think of this, two figures in dazzling garments stood beside them. Terrified, the women bowed to the ground. The two said to them, "Why do you search for the Living One among the dead? Jesus is not here; he has risen. Remember what Jesus said to you while still in Galilee—that the Chosen One must be delivered into the hands of sinners and be crucified, and on the third day would rise again." With this reminder, the words of Jesus came back to them.

When they had returned from the tomb, they told all these things to the Eleven and the others. The women were Mary of Magdala, Joanna, and Mary the mother of James. The other women with them also told the apostles, but the story seemed like nonsense and they refused to believe them. Peter, however, got up and ran to the tomb. He stooped down, but he could see nothing but the wrappings. So he went away, full of amazement at what had occurred.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

ECHO

"Hallelujah Changes"



Hal-le - lu jah, Hal-le lu jah, Hal-le - lu jah, Hal-le - lu jah!

SERMON

THE REV. MATT LINCOLN

MUSICAL REFLECTION

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We are not alone, we live in God's Creation.

We believe in God:

**who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.**

The four Gospels hold the core of Christian spiritual wisdom, reflecting the earliest stories and images of Jesus. Like all Scripture, they are not definitive prescriptions but narrative stories requiring endless interpretation.

The sermon invites your curiosity and thoughtfulness about the theme of worship, and is intended to evoke your thoughts rather than direct them. A recording of the sermon is posted to the parish website each week, usually by Tuesday.

This affirmation comes from the United Church of Canada. Like the Nicene Creed that it reflects, it is an expression of faith intended as a symbol of solidarity with other Christians throughout history but not as a pledge of allegiance required for membership.

**We trust in God.
We are called to be the Church:
to celebrate God's presence,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus,
crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.
We are not alone. Thanks be to God.
Amen.**

COMMUNITY PRAYER

Let us pray.

Beloved, from the origin of our species, you fitted us with a grand vision for abundant life and community that most often exceeds our grasp: We bring before you today our desire for peace, our confession of neglect, and our promise to uphold the dignity of every human being. And we affirm our trust: **neither things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, can separate us from the love of God.**

Gracious God, your intimate presence and the depth of your love have the power to heal us: We bring before you today our grief and sorrow, our illness and wounds, our addictions and compulsions, and a host of needs we dread to mention. And we affirm our trust: **neither death, nor life, nor rulers, nor powers, nor anything else in all creation, will separate us from your love, O God.**

Beloved, we know that you have a dream for us, and that when we are living into it, the abundance of your grace is palpable: Grant us open hearts and open minds to know that what was old is being made new, what was locked away is being released, and what was cast down is being raised up. And we affirm our trust: **neither things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, can separate us from the love of God.**
Amen.

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Now would be a great time to add a comment to the Live Stream!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“BABA YETU”

TEXT: SWAHILI ADAPTATION OF THE LORD'S PRAYER BY CHRIS KIAGIRI

MUSIC BY CHRISTOPHER TIN

TENOR SOLOIST: JOHN CLAYTON

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HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Eternal God, in the abundance of your love you have caused all things to be; from dust and spirit you have woven our humanity; in all our wanderings you never cease to call us to fullness of life.

You gave us Jesus, son of Mary, the bread of life broken for the world; he fed us and feasted with us, he healed us and suffered for us; **his dying and rising have set us free from the poverty of sin and the famine of death.** Therefore, with all whom you have made, cherished and called, with all who hunger for your kingdom and will not rest until all your children are fed, with the broken saints and redeemed sinners of all the ages, we take up the song of your praise:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are
full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na
in the high - est. Bless'd is the one who comes

This Eucharistic Prayer is adapted from Steven Shakespeare's Prayers For An Inclusive Church.

Sanctus from Deutsche Messe by Franz Peter Schubert.

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At the following words, everyone lifts their communion elements into view.

We ask that your Holy Spirit will fall upon us and upon these gifts that they may be to us the body and blood of our lord and brother, Jesus Christ; who, on the night that he was betrayed, gathered with his faltering friends for a meal that tasted of freedom.

Calling them to his table, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said: **“This is my body, which is given for you. Do this to remember me.”**

In the same way after supper, he took the cup, saying: **“This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, whenever you drink it, to remember me.”**

Therefore we proclaim him as creation’s host, transforming poverty into plenty in the reckless generosity of love.

Inspire us with the hope that one day death and greed will be no more and people without number will come from east and west, north and south to share the kingdom meal. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom and in whom in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory are yours, Author of blessings, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Now, as Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

**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,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The disciples knew the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread.

Were not our hearts burning within us as we walked along the road?

We are following a pattern of going back and forth between using an alternative interpretation of the Lord’s Prayer for a few weeks and then using the traditional Prayer Book version for a few weeks.

This version of the Lord’s Prayer is what many of us grew up learning. It is also the version shared at the end of many 12 Step meetings. Although it is important to stay fresh and engaged by the words of our prayers, it is also important to be reminded that we as individuals are part of a great cloud of witnesses who have been inspired to turn to God in prayer throughout the ages.

**Jesus revealed a new, personal sense of relationship with God by addressing God as something like “Papa.” Always feel free to use your most meaningful name for God in saying the Lord’s Prayer.*

RECEIVING COMMUNION

During a moment of quiet, all receive their bread and wine while remaining where they are. In a few minutes, someone will come by with a tray to collect your cup.

PRAYER FOR THE ROAD

Let us pray:

**Loving God,
we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and remembering the body of Christ,
which has been broken for the life of the world.
Now give us grace to trust that we are
a people forgiven, healed, renewed.
Give us the courage to proclaim your love to the world,
and to continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

*The Prayer
for the Road is
from Prayers
for an Inclusive
Church
by Steven
Shakespeare.*

BLESSING

Life is short. We do not have too much time to gladden the hearts of those who make the journey with us. So be swift to love. Make haste to be kind. And may the blessing of God, who made us, who loves us, and who animates and guides us be with you now and always. **Amen.**

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HYMN

“CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY”

1 Christ the Lord is risen to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 Let the Vic - tor's peo - ple sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 Love's re - deem - ing work is done, Al - le - lu - ia!
 4 Soar we now where Christ has led, Al - le - lu - ia!

Mor - tal tongues and an - gels say: Al - le - lu - ia!
 Where, O death, is now your sting? Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fought the fight, the bat - tle won, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fol - lowing our ex - alt - ed Head, Al - le - lu - ia!

Raise your joys and tri - umphs high, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Dy - ing once, Christ lives to save, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Death in vain for - bids Christ rise, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Made like Christ, like Christ we rise, Al - le - lu - ia!

Sing, glad heavens, and earth re - ply: Al - le - lu - ia!
 Where your vic - to - ry, O grave? Al - le - lu - ia!
 God has o - pened par - a - dise, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Al - le - lu - ia!

The unknown editor of Lyra Davidica wanted music with more movement and spirit than found in the grave, slow-paced psalm tunes, with one note to a syllable. Easter Hymn was among the first of a new popular style.

Tune: EASTER HYMN 7.7.7. with alleluias
 Arr. from Lyra Davidica, London, 1708

DISMISSAL

Go in peace, rejoicing in the power of the resurrection! Alleluia, alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

POSTLUDE

"PRELUDE & FUGUE IN G" (BWV 541) BY J.S. BACH

Our spiritual practice is renewed as we leave here and begin again to work the promises of the covenant.

EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

Kristine Caughell	In memory of my father, John Patinks
Joe Chamberlain	In memory of Don & Betty Chamberlain, Tim Chamberlain, and Don & Molly Lindquist
Chris Cuccia	In memory of Marie Cuccia
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Julie & Frank Rizzo	In honor of my parents Sandra & A Wayne Keller
Liz Schreier	In memory of Clare Silverman, Julia Marks, Susan Hoyt, and Varney Greene

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP HELPERS NEEDED If you are planning to attend the 10:30am Sunday service in person and would like to be involved with reading from the altar or greeting people at the door and helping direct them with what to expect, please sign up at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0c4fafa629a3f58-trinity2> If you are interested in being more involved but aren't interested in either of these roles, you can also help by bringing a device to connect to Facebook viewers and responding to comments during the service.

FREE BOOKS, PLEASE TAKE SOME HOME Please browse the bookshelf in the red carpet area and take home any books of interest. A new batch of books has replaced the old, so be sure to check out the bookshelves again.

The church is open by appointment for private prayer or meditation. Contact our parish administrator, Colleen O'Neill, at coneill@trinitybuffalo.org to schedule an appointment.

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TODAY'S WORSHIP TEAM

Liturgist: Leslie Charlier

Greeter: Larry Parks, Phoebe McKay, Joanne Sundell, Judy Fitzgerald

Readers: Jane Kearns, Mark Michaud, Carol Case Siracuse

Guest musician: Claire Fisher, violin; Nancy Baun, cello; John Hasselback III, trumpet;
Harry Fackelman, saxophone

Counters: Jane Kearns, Judy Fitzgerald

All services are in person AND online:

Sunday @10:30am

In-person worship while live streaming on Facebook and YouTube. The Sunday online Live Stream service remains accessible as a video recording on Trinity's [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#) pages after the service is over.

Sunday @7:00pm

Featuring poetry and jazz, in person in the Chapel and on Zoom. (No service tonight, however)

Wednesday @Noon

Prayer and holy conversation, in person and on Zoom.

Thursday @7pm

The wisdom and fellowship of 12-Step recovery, in person and on Zoom.

Email your request for a [link to the Zoom worship services here](#).

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