

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

537 Grand Avenue

Billings, Montana

Saturday Evening Worship

April 3, 2021

5:00pm

AS WE GATHER

The day of our Lord’s Resurrection is a glorious day! Jesus’ death and resurrection changes our world; it changes our lives; it changes the power of death and gives us victory in Christ. On that early Easter morning, the angels declare it succinctly, “He has risen; he is not here.” That concise message seems foolish to the world, but to us who are being saved, it is more precious than gold! May this good news of Jesus’ resurrection fill you with life, hope, and joy today, and every day. Christ is Risen! He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

About Holy Communion

The Lord’s Supper is celebrated at Trinity in the confession and glad confidence that, as Jesus says, He gives His very Body and Blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins. There is nothing symbolic nor is there any magical transformation in this Supper. Our Lord invites to His table those who are truly repentant and trust Him for salvation. Because those who partake of the Lord’s Supper unworthily do so to their soul’s harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the Christian faith, which is confessed at this altar, any who are not members of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked to speak with one of the pastors. Visitors who have previously spoken with one of our pastors, and who received permission to commune, need not seek permission for subsequent visits to our altar.

Pre-Service

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

Jesus Christ is ris’n today, Alleluia!

Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!

Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!

Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
Unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains which He endured, Alleluia!
Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!
Now above the sky He's king, Alleluia!
Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
Praise eternal as His love; Alleluia!
Praise Him, all ye heav'nly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

Opening Song *Crown Him (Majesty)*

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne.
Hark! How the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for me,
And hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

**Chorus: Majesty! Lord of all! Let ev'ry throne before Him fall!
The King of kings, O come adore our God who reigns forevermore!**

Crown Him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave,
And rose victorious in the strife for those He came to save.
His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high,
Who died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die. (*Chorus*)

All hail Redeemer hail, for He has died for me!
His praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity!
All hail Redeemer hail, for He has died for me!
His praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity! (*Chorus*)

**Praise God who reigns forevermore!
You're the God who reigns forevermore!**

Invocation

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Psalm 51:17

P: On the cross Jesus said, “It is finished,” and on Easter our Father in heaven acknowledged the sacrifice complete by raising our Savior from death. Forgiveness is available to all who call out to God in Jesus’ name. Let us therefore confess our sins.

Silence for reflection on the Word of God and our sinful condition.

P: Heavenly Father,

C: we confess that we have not walked in newness of life. We have failed to love You with all that we are and have, and we have not always remembered the new life You bestowed on us in Baptism.

P: Lord Jesus,

C: we confess that we have not always sought the things that are above. We have failed to love our neighbors with our thoughts, words, and deeds.

P: O Holy Spirit,

C: we have not always relied on Your power to amend our sinful lives. Create in us clean hearts and renew a right spirit within us, for we call out to You in Jesus’ name.

P: Christ has paid for all our sins. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, You will not despise. As a called and ordained servant of Christ I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

The Scripture Readings

Old Testament

Isaiah 25:6-9

⁶On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined. ⁷And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. ⁸He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. ⁹It will be said on that day, “Behold, this is our God; we

have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.”

Epistle

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

¹Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, ²and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

³For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁴that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

Gospel

Mark 16:1-8

¹When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. ²And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³And they were saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?” ⁴And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. ⁵And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. ⁶And he said to them, “Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. ⁷But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.” ⁸And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

We Confess our Christian Faith: (The Nicene Creed)

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen

Song

Amen (Because He Lives)

I believe in the Son. I believe in the Risen One.

I believe I overcome by the power of His blood.

Chorus: Amen, amen! I'm alive, I'm alive because He lives!

Amen, amen!

Let my song join the one that never ends because He lives.

I was dead in the grave. I was covered in sin and shame.
I heard mercy call my name. He rolled the stone away. **(Chorus)**

I can face tomorrow, because He lives, ev'ry fear is gone.
I know He holds my life, my future in His hand. **(Chorus 2x)**

Message ***“Who Will Roll Away the Stone?”*** *Mark 16:1-8*

The Prayers and the 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.

The Words of Institution

The Distribution

O Come To The Table

Are you hurting and broken within,
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin?

Jesus is calling.

Have you come to the end of yourself?
Do you thirst for a drink from the well?

Jesus is calling.

CHORUS: O come to the table.

The Father's arms are open wide.

Forgiveness was bought with

The precious blood of Jesus Christ.

Leave behind your regrets and mistakes.

Come today there's no reason to wait.

Jesus is calling.

Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy.

From the ashes a new life is born.

Jesus is calling.

CHORUS 2X

Oh what a Savior.

Isn't He wonderful.

Sing alleluia, Christ is risen.

Bow down before Him,

For He is Lord of all.

Sing alleluia, Christ is risen. (**REPEAT VERSE**)

CHORUS 2X

Bear your cross as you wait for the crown
Tell the world of the treasure you've found

We Believe

In this time of desperation when all we know is doubt and fear,
There is only one foundation: we believe, we believe.
In this broken generation, when all is dark, You help us see.
There is only one salvation; we believe, we believe. (*Chorus*)

**Chorus: We believe in God, the Father. We believe in Jesus Christ.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, and He's given us new life.
We believe in the crucifixion. We believe that He conquered death.
We believe in the resurrection, and He's coming back again. We
believe.**

So, let our faith be more than anthems, greater than the songs we sing.
In our weakness and temptations, we believe, we believe! (*Chorus 2x*)

Lord, I Lift Your Name On High

Lord, I lift Your name on high. Lord, I love to sing Your praises.
I'm so glad You're in my life. I'm so glad You came to save us. (*Chorus*)

**Chorus: You came from heaven to earth to show the way,
From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay.
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky;
Lord, I lift Your name on high.**

(Repeat whole song and sing chorus one more time.)

Prayer

Benediction

Closing Song **My Redeemer Lives**

I know He rescued my soul, His blood has covered my sins,
I believe, I believe.
My shame He's taken away, my pain is healed in His name,
I believe, I believe.
I'll raise a banner, 'cause my Lord has conquered the grave.

**Chorus: My Redeemer lives, my Redeemer lives,
My Redeemer lives, my Redeemer lives.**

(Repeat verse and chorus from above)

You lift my burdens, I rise with You.

I'm dancing on this mountaintop,
To see Your kingdom come. (*Chorus x 2*)

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Knowing Christ and Making Him Known

*Empowered by the Holy Spirit through His Word and Sacraments,
Trinity Lutheran Church and School
is committed to preparing people who are being shaped for service,
passionately proclaiming the Father's grace and forgiveness through Jesus Christ.*