

I am the  
resurrection  
& the life

Trinity Church • April 4, 2021  
EASTER SUNDAY



# WELCOME

We are glad you could join us! We would love to connect with you and answer any questions you may have about Trinity. Scan below with your phone camera to leave us your contact information.



## WEEKLY SERVICES & MEETINGS

### SUNDAY

9:30am worship

Sunday School begins Apr. 11

No Jr. High Small Group Tonight

### TUESDAY

Women's Bible Study | 6:30pm\*  
(\*next gathering is Apr. 13)

### FRIDAY

Men's Bible Study | 6:30am  
Robinson Food Pantry | 5:50pm

### WEDNESDAY

Women's Bible Study | 9am & 7pm  
Men's Night | 8pm  
Sr. High Small Group | 7-8:30pm

### SATURDAY

Tharp Baby Shower | 10am

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# WORSHIPING THE GOD OF RESURRECTION LIGHT

## Devotional Preparation

Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay." — Matt. 28:1-6

"If the historical evidence makes it reasonable to believe Jesus rose from the dead, then it is illegitimate to suppress this evidence because all other men have remained in their graves." — William Lane Craig.

"Jesus has forced open a door that has been locked since the death of the first man. He has met, fought and beaten the King of Death. Everything is different because he has done so." — C.S. Lewis

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word. — 2 Thess. 2:16-17

## **A Post Resurrection Day Prayer** - Reverend Doctor Scotty Smith

*And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself. Luke 24:25-27 (ESV)*

*They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?" Luke 24:32 (ESV)*

Lord Jesus, of all your post-resurrection appearances (1 Cor. 15:3-7), my favorite is the visit you give to these forlorn friends on the road to Emmaus. I have much in common with them (Luke 24:13-35), for I too can be "foolish and slow of heart." Thank you for your tenacious tenderness, limitless patience, and steadfast love.

Keep doing for me what you did for our Emmaus Road brothers. Help me to see you everywhere in the Scriptures, for you are the main point and primary hero in the entire Bible. You're our Substitute to trust long before you're our example to follow. You lived in our place and you died in our place, and rose victorious for our justification. Hallelujah!

May Moses's words—especially the Law, constantly drive me to you. For you've fulfilled the demands of the law for us, and are now fulfilling the beauty of the law in us. We could sooner sneeze the sun into existence than we could earn our salvation by our works. Keep me free from every form of performance-based spirituality, Lord.

And, Jesus, keep convincing me that you are the resounding "Yes!" to every promise God has made through the prophets—not just with respect to your cross, but also to your crown (2 Cor. 1:20). Having risen from the dead, you are now making all things new. You are sovereign over every molecule and moment, every person and place. Faith, not fear, is the order of this day, and every day.

Jesus, give me an incurable case of "redemptive heartburn," like that which you ignited in the hearts of our Emmaus brothers. Keep showing me more of your glory and grace, that I might give you the adoration and allegiance of which you alone are worthy. So very Amen I pray, in your loving and transforming name.

# Prelude

# All Creatures of Our God and King

Arr. by Joe Brownlee

## Welcome and Announcements

## WE READY OURSELVES FOR WORSHIP

### Song of Preparation

### Resurrection Hymn

Words and Music by Stuart Townend and Keith Getty

D A/D G D/F# A

1 See, \_\_\_ what a mor - ning, glo - rious - ly bright, with the  
 2 See \_\_\_ Ma - ry weep - ing, "Where \_\_\_ is He laid?" As in  
 3 One \_\_\_ with the Fa - ther, An - cient of Days, through the

3 Bm G D/F# G D/A A D A/D

dawn - ing of hope in Je - ru - sa - lem; Fold - ed the grave clothes,  
 sor - row she turns from the emp - ty tomb; Hears \_\_\_ a voice speak - ing,  
 Spi - rit who clothes faith with cer - tain - ty, hon - our and bless - ing,

6 G D A/C# Bm G D/F# G D/A A A7/G

tomb \_\_\_ filled with light, as the an - gels an - nounce Christ \_\_\_ is ris - en! \_\_\_  
 call - ing her name; It's the Mas - ter, the Lord raised to life a - gain! \_\_\_  
 glo - ry and praise to the King crowned with pow'r and au - thor - i - ty! \_\_\_

9 D/F# A/G G D/F# G D/F# G D/F# G

See God's sal - va - tion \_\_\_ plan, wrought in love, borne in pain, \_\_\_ paid in  
 The voice that spans the \_\_\_ years, speak - ing life, stir - ring hope, \_\_\_ bring - ing  
 And we are raised with \_\_\_ Him, Death is dead, love has won, \_\_\_ Christ has

12 D/A A A/G D/F# A/G G D/F# G

sa - cri - fice, \_\_\_ ful - filled in Christ, the \_\_\_ Man, for He  
 peace \_\_\_ to us, \_\_\_ will sound till He ap - pears, for He  
 con - quered; \_\_\_ And we shall reign with \_\_\_ Him, for He

15 D/F# D D/A A D A/D

G/D	G	A
1, 2		

D
3

lives: Christ is ris - en from the dead! \_\_\_

## **\*Call to Worship—Matthew 28; Isaiah 48; Acts 2**

Leader: Rejoice! There is great news! Christ is risen!

**People: Christ is risen, indeed!**

Ensemble: Christ is risen, Alleluia!

Leader: Let all the earth proclaim the joy!

**People: Let all the heavens show forth in praise!**

Ensemble: Christ is risen, Alleluia!

Leader: Christ the Lord reign!

**People: Alleluia!**

Ensemble: Christ is risen, Alleluia!

## **WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD**

### **\*Songs of Adoration**

*Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*

Trinity Hymnal #277

*All Hail The Power of Jesus' Name*

Trinity Hymnal #296 (vv. 1, 3, 5, 6)

*Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. Let us therefore celebrate the festival, not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. — 1 Cor. 5:7-8*

# Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

Words and Music by Keith Getty, Matt Boswell, Jordan Kauflin, Matthew Merker, and Matt Papa

D                    Dsus                    D                    Dsus                    D                    Bm7

What is our hope in life and death? Christ a-lone, Christ a-  
 What truth can calm the trou-bled soul? God is good, God is  
 Un-to the grave, what shall we sing? Christ, he lives! Christ, he

A                    D                    A/C#                    Bm                    G                    D/A                    A

5 lone. What is our on-ly con-fi-dence? That our souls to him be-  
 good. Where is his grace and good-ness known? In our great Re-deem-er's  
 lives! And what re-ward will heav-en bring? Ev-er-last-ing life with

D                    F#m                    Bm                    Em7                    D/F#

9 long Who holds our days with-in his hand? What comes a-part from His com-  
 blood. Who holds our faith when fears a-rise? Who stands a-bove the storm-y  
 him. There we will rise to meet the Lord, then sin and death will be de-

G                    D/A                    A(F#A# Bm                    G                    D/A                    A                    D

13 mand? And what will keep us to the end? The love of Christ, in which we stand. —  
 trial? Who sends the waves that bring us nigh un-to the shore the rock of Christ? —  
 stroyed, and we will feast in end-less joy, When Christ is ours for-ev-er more. —

Bm G                    D                    A/C# A                    Bm                    D/F# G

18 — O sing hal-le-lu-jah Our hope springs e-ter-nal; O — sing hal-le-

D/F# G                    D/F# A                    G                    Bm A                    D

24 lu-jah! Now and ev-er we con-fess Christ our hope in life and death.

## \*Prayer of Adoration



## WE ENCOUNTER AND REJOICE IN THE AMAZING GRACE OF GOD

### **Call to Resurrection Faithfulness—John 20:24-29**

Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe." Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

Leader: People of God, rejoice and give thanks to God for His saving grace!

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Leader: Now may the peace of Christ be with you all!

**People: And also with you!**

# \*Song of Rejoicing

# Come Behold The Wondrous Mystery

Words and Music by Matt Boswell, Matt Papa, and Michael Bleecker



1. Come be - hold the won - drous my - stery, in the  
 2. Come be - hold the won - drous my - stery, He the  
 3. Come be - hold the won - drous my - stery, Christ the  
 4. Come be - hold the won - drous my - stery, slain by



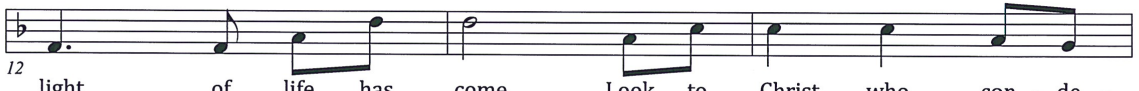
4 dawn - ing of the King. He the theme of hea - vens  
 per - fect Son of Man. In His li - ving in His  
 Lord u - pon the tree. In the stead of, ru - ined  
 death the God of life. But no grave could e'er re -



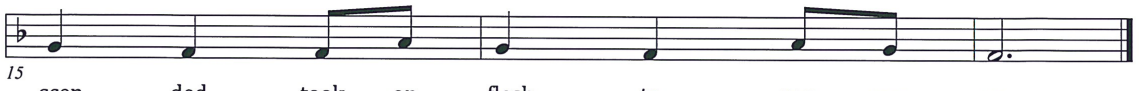
7 prai - ses, robed in frail hu - man - i - ty. In our  
 suf - fering, Ne - ver trace nor stain of sin. See the  
 sin - ners, hangs the lamb in vic - tor - y. See the  
 strain Him. Praise the Lord; He is a - love! What a



10 long - ing, in our dark - ness, Now the  
 true price and of bet - ter re - dem - tion, come to  
 fore - taste of de - li - verance. How the un -



12 light of life has come. Look to Christ, who con - de -  
 save the hell - bound man. Christ the great and sure - ful -  
 Fa - ry plan un - fold! Bring - ing ma - ny sons to  
 wa - ver - ing our hope! Christ in po - wer re - sur -



15 scen - ded took on flesh to ran - som us.  
 fill - ment of the un - law; in Him we stand.  
 glo - ry, grace as we will - sured, love un - told.  
 rec - ted as we will be when he comes.

*"The resurrection of Christ is something to shout about! It is an explosive event whose fall-out affects the whole human race." — Douglas Webster*

# WE HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE THE LORD

## **Pastoral Prayer**

## **Tithes and Offerings**

(Children ages 4yr to 2nd grade may be excused for Children's Church in the 1st/2nd grade classroom.)

## **Offertory Song** (Ensemble)      *What a Beautiful Name/Agnus Dei*

Words and Music by Keith Getty, Matt Boswell, Jordan Kauflin, Matthew Merker, and Matt Papa

## **Sermon**

"Is it Possible? Is it True? Does it Matter?"

Matthew 28

Rev. Chris Polski

For today's sermon outline scan here with your phone camera:



*"Death died when Christ rose!" — Annon.*

# \*Song of Response

## *In Christ Alone*

Words and Music by Stuart Townend and Keith Getty


G                    D                    G                    A                    D/F#



1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found, He is my  
 2. In Christ a - lone, who took on flesh, full - ness of  
 3. There in the ground His bod - y lay, Light of the  
 4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the

3


G    D/F# Em7    G/A                    D                    G                    D                    G



light, my strength my song; This Cor - ner - stone, this sol - id  
 God in help - less babe! This gift of love and right - eous -  
 world, by dark - ness slain; Then, burst - ing forth in glo - rious  
 pow'r of Christ in me; From life's first cry to fi - nal

6


A                    D/F#                    G    D/F# Em7    G/A                    D                    D/F#



ground, firm through the fierc - est drought and storm. What heights of  
 ness, scorned by the ones He came to save. 'Till on the  
 day, up from the grave He rose a - gain! And as He  
 breath, Je - sus com - mands my des - ti - ny. No pow'r of

9


G                    D/F#                    Asus    A                    D/F#                    G                    Bm7



love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when striv - ings  
 cross as Je - sus died, the wrath of God was sat - is -  
 stands in vic - to - ry, sin's curse has lost its grip on  
 hell, no scheme of man, can ev - er pluck me from His

12


Asus    A                    G                    D                    G                    A                    D/F#                    G    D/F# Em7    G/A



cease. My com - fort - er, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I  
 fied. For ev - 'ry sin on Him was laid; here in the death of Christ I  
 me; For I am His and He is mine, bought with the pre - cious blood of  
 hand; 'Til He re - turns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll

16

D                    Am7                    Em7                    D                    A7sus                    D



stand.  
 live.  
 Christ.  
 stand!

# \*Benediction

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Ladies, join for a new study, Women of the Word**-how to study the Bible with both our hearts and minds. If you are new to studying the Bible or have been at it for decades, everyone will take something away from this study and be better equipped to approach God's Word. Beginning Apr. 7th we will meet Wednesdays, either at 9am at Trinity or 7pm via Zoom (see weekly email for Zoom link). Pick up a schedule on the Welcome Table.

The **Tuesday Evening Women's Study** will meet Apr. 13th at 6:30pm for fellowship and coloring (bring your own dinner), followed by a study of the Book of James at 7pm (also available via Zoom).

**Men's Night** this Wed. at 8pm at Chris Freeman's (meets on the 1st & 3rd Wed. of each month).

**Men's Bible Study** this Fri. at 6:30am either in-person or via Zoom (see weekly email for Zoom link). The men are studying the Book of Acts.

**Sunday school classes** for all ages begin next week.

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If you do not receive our **weekly email updates** on Tuesday mornings, please send your email address to [amymitchell@trinitystlouis.org](mailto:amymitchell@trinitystlouis.org).

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There are **several easy ways to serve at Trinity**. Feel free to reach out to these ministry coordinators if you would like to get involved: **Ushers:** Paul Schaffer ([PaulSchaffer1012@gmail.com](mailto:PaulSchaffer1012@gmail.com)), **Children's Church:** Melissa Kocher ([medcalf.melissa@gmail.com](mailto:medcalf.melissa@gmail.com)), **Greeters:** Elisa Tharp ([elisa.f.tharp@gmail.com](mailto:elisa.f.tharp@gmail.com)), **Nursery:** Sarah Oehlerking, Deborah Moen, Alyssa Hall, and Ruth Harlow ([nursery@trinitystlouis.org](mailto:nursery@trinitystlouis.org)).

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**Easter Flowers:** The flowers used for our service today are **available for you to take home after the 9:30am service**. Donations to cover the cost can be dropped off in the church office.

## MENTORING MINISTRY

Interested in joining Trinity's mentoring ministry as a mentor? Sign up to take the next step using the following form and we will be back in touch with more details.





Trinity's ministries are organized around the core values in our purpose statement which reads: Trinity Church exists to **exalt** God's name, **establish** God's people, **equip** God's church and **engage** God's world, in the power of the Holy Spirit and for the sake of the Risen King, Jesus Christ.

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