

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Third Sunday of Easter

April 26, 2020

Gathering Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

P (Pastor) In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C (Congregation) Amen.

P God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Most merciful God,

C we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Gathering Hymn "With High Delight Let Us Unite" ELW 368

1 With high delight let us unite
in songs of sweet jubilation.
You pure in heart, all bear your part,
sing Jesus Christ, our salvation.
To set us free forever, he
is ris'n and sends to all earth's ends
good news to save ev'ry nation.

3 Let praises ring; give thanks, and bring
to Christ our Lord adoration.
His honor speed by word and deed
to ev'ry land, ev'ry nation.
So shall his love give us above,
from misery and death set free,
all joy and full consolation.

2 True God, he first from death has burst
forth into life, all subduing.
His enemy now vanquished see;
his death has been death's undoing.
"And yours shall be like victory
o'er death and grave," says he, who gave
his life for us, life renewing.

Apostolic Greeting

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

P O God, your Son makes himself known to all his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C Amen.

First Reading: Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 (Read Together)

1I love the LORD, who has heard my voice,
and listened to my supplication,
2for the LORD has given ear to me
whenever I called.
3The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave came upon me;
I came to grief and sorrow.
4Then I called upon the name of the LORD:
“O LORD, I pray you, save my life.”
12How shall I repay the LORD
for all the good things God has done for me?
13I will lift the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the LORD.
14I will fulfill my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all God’s people.
15Precious in your sight, O LORD,
is the death of your servants.
16O LORD, truly I am your servant;
I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.
17I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving
and call upon the name of the LORD.
18I will fulfill my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all God’s people,
19in the courts of the LORD’s house,
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:17-23

Gospel Reading: Luke 24:13-35

Sermon Pastor Jerry O’Neal

Hymn of the Day “Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing” ELW 389

- 1 Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.
The cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring.
Love, drowned in death, shall never die.
- 2 Christ is alive! No longer bound
to distant years in Palestine,
but saving, healing, here and now,
and touching ev’ry place and time.
- 3 In ev’ry insult, rift, and war,
where color, scorn, or wealth divide,
Christ suffers still, yet loves the more,
and lives, where even hope has died.
- 4 Women and men, in age and youth,
can feel the Spirit, hear the call,
and find the way, the life, the truth,
revealed in Jesus, freed for all.
- 5 Christ is alive, and comes to bring
good news to this and every age,
till earth and sky and ocean ring
with joy, with justice, love, and praise.

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Prayers of Intercession (*After the lay worship leader says, “Lord, in your mercy” the congregation says, “hear our prayer.”*)

Sharing of the Peace

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

Opportunity of Giving

(If you would like to give electronically, you may:

1. *Text the amount you wish to give to (219) 402-1863,*
2. *Download the ELCA Giving App from Google Store or Apple Play, or*
3. *Go to our website www.holytrinitylutheranchurch.com and click on the green “Give” button.*

OR

You can mail your offering to the church at:

900 W. White River Blvd

Muncie, IN 47303

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Offering Prayer

L Merciful God, our ordinary gifts seem small for such a celebration, but you make of them an abundance, just as you do with our lives. Feed us again at this table for service in your name, in the strength of the risen Christ.

C **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

L Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

All 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.

Benediction

P "Barocha" - Michael Card

C **Amen.**

Sending Hymn

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!" ELW 369

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| 1 Christ the Lord is ris'n today; Alleluia!
Christians, hasten on your way; Alleluia!
offer praise with love replete, Alleluia!
at the paschal victim's feet. Alleluia! | 3 Christ, the victim undefiled, Alleluia!
God and sinners reconciled, Alleluia!
when contending death and life, Alleluia!
met in strange and awesome strife. Alleluia! |
| 2 For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Alleluia!
sinless in the sinner's stead. Alleluia!
Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Alleluia!
now he lives, no more to die. Alleluia! | 4 Christians, on this holy day, Alleluia!
all your grateful homage pay; Alleluia!
Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Alleluia!
now he lives, no more to die. Alleluia! |

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Dismissal

L Christ is risen, just as he said.
Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

C **Thanks be to God!**