*CLOSING HYMN Our Father

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

That Easter morn, at break of day; French hymn arr. James Clemens

Congregation remains seated

Liturgist
Ushers
Communion Servers
Director of Music
Pastor

Barb Pratt Glenn and Marta Mojzer, Allison Schuler Keith Harring, Marta Mojzer, Joleen Goens Davis McKinney Rev. Tom Dunlap

Bolded words are read by the congregation. *Indicates please stand as you are able.

Welcome: to all who worship with us this morning, especially our visitors! If you have a joy or concern that you would like to share with the congregation, please use the yellow card in the pew pocket and place it in the offering plate. These will be shared with the congregation during our "Joys and Concerns." Please fill out the worship registration pad found in the pew, and pass it to the person next to you. Once the form is completed the last person to receive the form places the form in the offering plate.

We hope you feel at home at Trinity, and that you will join us again. We invite you to consider becoming part of our church family.

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Worship leaders in plain type/ Congregation in bold type

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

GATHERING MUSIC

Blest Be the Tie That Binds by Johann Naegeli arr. Marilynn Ham

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you. *And also with you!*

INTROIT #526

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Rejoice in God and give thanks to God's holy name.

God is Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end.

All creation is subject to God's rule and reign.

We bring our prayers and praise to God most high.

Come, all who hunger, all who thirst;

Be nourished and renewed in this time of worship.

We bring our joys and sorrows, fullness and needs.

We come to praise God in all things.

*OPENING HYMN #620

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

CALL TO CONFESSION

written by Rev. Tom Dunlap

Let us come before the Lord our Maker with hearts that are open to examination, trusting that whatever we find that is stained can be made clean and new again.

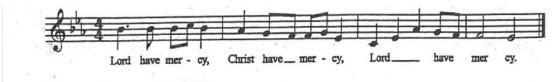
PRAYER OF CONFESSION

written by Rev. Tom Dunlap

God of creation, God of eternity: Our lives are short and they are complicated. We face many situations where we are tempted to compromise our ideals in the service of meeting our basic needs. Sometimes we triumph and sometimes we fail. Where we have fallen short of the faith we profess to believe in, forgive us and remind us that in our own Baptism, promises were made that we need to keep working on. Let us not take these vows lightly. We are grateful for your love!

MINUTE OF SILENT PERSONAL CONFESSION Let us sing to the Lord...

KYRIE—All Sing



DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

We have an advocate with God—Jesus Christ, the righteous one—who offered his life in love to save the world from sin. This is the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

In Remembrance by Dana Mengel

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #591

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Children's Sermon

(The children will be dismissed to Children's Church after the Children's Moment.)

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Jesus Loves the Little Children

Jesus loves the little children, All the children of the world.

Red, and yellow, black, and white, They are precious in His sight,

Jesus loves the little children of the world

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of all who doubt and believe, by the gift of your Spirit enable us to hear with our ears, to see with our eyes, and to touch with our hands your Word of life—Jesus Christ—our Lord and our God. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Deuter on omy 26:1-2; 8-12

Acts 4:32-37

SERMON *Sharing the Wealth*

Rev. Tom Dunlap

MOMENT FOR REFLECTION

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He arose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Remember the first believers—who shared one heart and soul, held their possessions in common, and distributed them to all in need. In that same spirit, let us present our offerings at the feet of the risen Lord.

MUSICAL OFFERTORY

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come by George Elvey

arr. Gail Smith

*DOXOLOGY Hymn #609

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures high and low.
Alleluia. alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Holy God, we give you thanks and praise for light and life and love, and—above all—the presence of the living Lord among us. By your Spirit who breathes within us, strengthen our faith, use our gifts, and work in our lives to bear witness to the resurrection of Christ our Lord, in whose name we pray. **Amen.**

JOYS AND CONCERNS

SEALING THE WORD

SACRAMENT OF THE LORDS' SUPPER (see insert)

The Lord's Table is open to all who profess faith in Jesus Christ.

Baptized children are invited to partake with their parents' blessing.

Please eat the bread when you receive it, symbolizing your personal relationship with Christ. Hold the cup until all have been served, symbolizing our unity in Christ.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

[Clergy expressions; Congregation response]

THE INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER Written by Rev. Tom Dunlap

We come today to drink from the Spring of Living Water.

We come because we need nourishment of our souls.

We come because life is hard and we need to connect

We come because our spirits long for your affection and love.

In this bread and in this wine, we seek your goodness and healing mercy.

Thank you for being here, for your eternal and abiding presence in our lives.

HYMN OF PREPARATION #494 (all 5 verses) Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)

Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this Sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your eternal kingdom. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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