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**FOCUS** "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts?" (Luke 24:38). These are questions our risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ asked of His disciples in another resurrection appearance after that first Easter morning. They are questions that could also be asked of us numerous times in our daily lives as we face trouble and doubts. Yet as Jesus kept on appearing, He kept on showing them Himself, and more than that, He continued to teach and remind them that all that was written was fulfilled in and through Him. Though we cannot physically touch His hands and side, each time we gather, Jesus continues to speak to us, affirming His work, the Word fulfilled, and the worth of humanity for whom He came. Amid troubles and doubts, through Christ, we can "see what kind of love the Father has given to us" (1 John 3:1).

## WELCOME

### OPENING SONG

#### "My Lighthouse"

*Rend Collective*

In my wrestling and in my doubts In my failures You won't walk out  
Your great love will lead me through You are the peace in my troubled sea whoa oh  
You are the peace in my troubled sea

In the silence You won't let go In the questions Your truth will hold  
Your great love will lead me through You are the peace in my troubled sea whoa oh  
You are the peace in my troubled sea

*Chorus:* My Lighthouse, my Lighthouse Shining in the darkness  
I will follow You oh My Lighthouse, my Lighthouse  
I will trust the promise You will carry me safe to shore  
Safe to shore, safe to shore, safe to shore.

I won't fear what tomorrow brings With each morning I'll rise and sing  
My God's love will lead me through You are the peace in my troubled sea whoa oh  
You are the peace in my troubled sea (*Chorus*)

*Bridge:* Fire before us You're the brightest  
You will lead us Through the storms (hey) (x4)

(*Chorus*)

## INVOCATION

- L** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

## OPENING SENTENCES

*Psalm 16:11b; 30:1-3*

- L** Alleluia! Christ is risen!  
**C** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!  
**L** In Your presence there is fullness of joy;  
**C** at Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.  
**L** I will extol You, O LORD, for You have drawn me up  
**C** and have not let my foes rejoice over me.  
**L** O LORD my God, I cried to You for help,  
**C** and You have healed me.

## PSALM

*Psalm 4*

- L** Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness!  
**C** You have given me relief when I was in distress.  
**L** Be gracious to me and hear my prayer!  
**C** O men, how long shall my honor be turned into shame?  
**L** How long will you love vain words and seek after lies?  
**C** But know that the LORD has set apart the godly for himself;  
**L** the LORD hears when I call to him.  
**C** Be angry, and do not sin;  
**L** ponder in your own hearts on your beds, and be silent.  
**C** Offer right sacrifices, and put your trust in the LORD.  
**L** There are many who say, "Who will show us some good?"  
**C** Lift up the light of your face upon us, O LORD!  
**L** You have put more joy in my heart than they have when their grain and wine abound.  
**C** In peace I will both lie down and sleep; for you alone, O LORD, make me dwell in safety.

## PRAYER

### FIRST READING

*Acts 3:11-21*

While he clung to Peter and John, all the people, utterly astounded, ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's.<sup>12</sup> And when Peter saw it he addressed

the people: “Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk?”<sup>13</sup> The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him.<sup>14</sup> But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you,<sup>15</sup> and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses.<sup>16</sup> And his name—by faith in his name—has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all.<sup>17</sup> “And now, brothers, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers.<sup>18</sup> But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer, he thus fulfilled.<sup>19</sup> Repent therefore, and turn back, that your sins may be blotted out,<sup>20</sup> that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus,<sup>21</sup> whom heaven must receive until the time for restoring all the things about which God spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets long ago.

## **EPISTLE**

*1 John 3:1-7*

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him.<sup>2</sup> Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is.<sup>3</sup> And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.<sup>4</sup> Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness.<sup>5</sup> You know that he appeared in order to take away sins, and in him there is no sin.<sup>6</sup> No one who abides in him keeps on sinning; no one who keeps on sinning has either seen him or known him.<sup>7</sup> Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous.

## **HOLY GOSPEL**

*Luke 24:36-49*

As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, “Peace to you!”<sup>37</sup> But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit.<sup>38</sup> And he said to them, “Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts?<sup>39</sup> See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.”<sup>40</sup> And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet.<sup>41</sup> And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, “Have you anything here to

eat?" <sup>42</sup> They gave him a piece of broiled fish, <sup>43</sup> and he took it and ate before them. <sup>44</sup> Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled." <sup>45</sup> Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, <sup>46</sup> and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, <sup>47</sup> and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup> You are witnesses of these things. <sup>49</sup> And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."

## 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 worshipped 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.**

## A SPECIAL MESSAGE for the CHILDREN

### SONG

**"Jesus Loves Me"**

*Tomlin*

I was lost; I was in chains; the world had a hold of me;  
My heart was a stone; I was covered in shame When He came for me

*Pre Chorus:* I couldn't run, couldn't run from His presence  
I couldn't run, couldn't run from His arms

*Chorus:* Jesus, He loves me! He loves me. He is for me.  
Jesus, how can it be? He loves me. He is for me!

It was a fire deep in my soul; I'll never be the same  
I stepped out of the dark and into the light When He called my name  
(*Pre Chorus/Chorus*)

He holds the stars and He holds my heart With healing hands that bear the scars  
The rugged cross where He died for me My only hope my ev'rything

Jesus, He loves me! He loves me. Oh, Jesus, how can it be? He loves me. He is for me!  
He loves me, He loves me He loves me, He is for me  
My God, it's amazing, oh Jesus loves me!

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## Confession and Forgiveness

**L** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

**L** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

**L** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

## PRAYERS of the CHURCH

**L** Rejoicing in the resurrection of Jesus Christ, let us pray for the whole church and for all people according to their needs.

Lord, in Your love You have called us as Your own, gathered us together, and enlightened us by Your Spirit through Your Word. We pray for all people of the world, that the Easter joy that shines by Your radiance, our risen Savior, Jesus Christ, would arise in the hearts and minds of all people. Grant all Your people the needs of body and life by the daily bread You provide, and keep all from harm. O resurrected and living Christ,

**C** **hear us as we pray**

**L** Lord of all care, give comfort to those who face troubles in this life in their spiritual, emotional, and mental need. Give healing according to Your will for those who face physical trials, [*including . . .*]. Grant peace to all who mourn, that Your Easter victory would point beyond earthly death and the grave to the promises assured forevermore. O resurrected and living Christ,

**C** **hear us as we pray**

**L** Lord of all provision, look with favor upon our land and all in authority that they lead with wisdom and compassion for all. Be with those who serve and defend from harm, and those who work to keep communities safe and in order. Bless all vocations that all would see their work for others as joyful service to You and Your creation. O resurrected and living Christ,

**C** **hear us as we pray**

**L** Grant Your Spirit that our eyes always be open to see Your love for us through Your Word and Means of Grace, that as we live as children of God we love as we have been loved and confidently witness and proclaim the Easter joy within us to all. O resurrected and living Christ,

**C** **hear us as we pray**

**L** In the hope of new life in You, O Christ, we raise our prayers, trusting in Your never-ending mercy and love.

**C** **Amen.**

## The LORD'S PRAYER

**C** 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.

## SONG

**"Do It Again"** *Brown/Brock/Redman/Furtick*

Walking around these walls, I thought by now they'd fall  
But you have never failed me yet

Waiting for change to come, knowing the battle's won  
For you have never failed me yet

*Chorus:* Your promise still stands, great is your faithfulness, faithfulness  
I'm still in your hands, this is my confidence, "You've never failed me yet"

I know the night won't last, Your word will come to pass  
My heart will sing your praise again  
Jesus you're still enough, keep me within your love  
My heart will sing your praise again (*Chorus*)

I've seen you move, You move the mountains And I believe I'll see you do it again  
You made a way where there was no way And I believe I'll see you do it again  
(*Repeat*) (*Chorus*)

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## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**COMMUNION—** \* *Gluten free wafers are available upon request.*

**COMMUNION SONG**    "**Once and for All**"    *Tomlin/Cash/Ingram/Maher*

Once and for all, the Father's love He is the light in the darkness  
Who took on flesh and took our place The weight of the world on His shoulders  
The weight of the world on His shoulders

*Chorus:*    We believe our God is Jesus We believe that He is Lord  
We believe that He has saved us From sin and death, once and for all

Once and for all, our debt is paid There on the cross it is finished  
The Lamb of God, for us was slain Up from the grave He is risen  
Up from the grave He is risen (*Chorus*)

Jesus, Jesus, God from God, Light from light You are our salvation  
Jesus, Jesus, God from God, Light from light Your Kingdom is forever (*Repeat*)  
(*Chorus 2x*)

From sin and death, once and for all Once and for all

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## BLESSING

## SERMON

**"A Time of Restoration"**

*Rev. Timothy D. Smith*



## CLOSING PRAYER

## BENEDICTION

## DISMISSAL

- L** Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- C** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!
- L** Go in peace and serve the risen Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God!

## CLOSING SONG

**“Everyday”**

*Houston*

What to say, Lord? It's You who gave me life  
And I can't explain just how much You mean to me  
Now that You have saved me Lord. I give all that I am to You,  
That ev'ryday I can be a light that shines Your name.

Ev'ryday Lord, I'll learn to stand upon Your Word.  
And I pray that I, That I may come to know You more,  
That You would guide me in ev'ry single step I take,  
That ev'ryday I can be Your light unto the world.

*Chorus:* Ev'ryday, it's You I'll live for. Ev'ryday, I'll follow after You.  
Ev'ryday, I'll walk with You, my Lord.

Ev'ryday Lord, I'll learn to stand upon Your Word.  
And I pray that I, That I may come to know You more,  
That You would guide me in ev'ry single step I take,  
That ev'ryday I can be Your light unto the world. (*Chorus x2*)

It's You I live for ev'ryday. It's You I live for ev'ryday. It's You I live for ev'ryday.  
(*Repeat*) (*Chorus*)

Ev'ryday, it's You I'll live for. Ev'ryday, I'll follow after You.  
Ev'ryday, I'll walk with You, It's you I live for ev'ryday.

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TECH: *5pm— ; 11am—*

## WELCOME TO TRINITY!

Your presence is very special to us. May your faith be strengthened and your life enriched as you join us in worship to God!

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### BLENDDED WORSHIP SERVICES IN THE UPPER SANCTUARY—

5pm Saturday & 11am Sunday

### TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICES IN THE UPPER SANCTUARY—

8am & 9:30am Sunday

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**WORSHIP SCHEDULE**—Holy Communion is celebrated on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month in the Upper Sanctuary. We invite those who have been instructed in the teachings of the Evangelical Lutheran Church to receive the Sacrament of the Altar. Others are asked to speak with a pastor before receiving the Sacrament. *Gluten free wafers are available upon request.*

**LARGE PRINT**—large print copies of the bulletin are available on the table in the Narthex, or you may ask the usher for one.

**CHILDREN'S BULLETINS**—for ages 3-6 years & 7-12 years old, are available on the table in the Narthex.

**NURSERY**—for children ages 3 & under. The upper level nursery located near the Narthex will be available for parent use on Sunday mornings. *Please Note: The upper level nursery will be unstaffed unless volunteers are available.*

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**—Sunday School is available for children 4 years old through 6th Grade at 9:30am on Sunday mornings during the school year. Christian Education courses for adults and young adults are held at 9:30am on Sunday mornings & various times throughout the week during the school year. Trinity is committed to Christian Education through the 4K-8 School, our Childcare (*infant—13 years*), and through our association with Wisconsin Valley Lutheran High School.

**RESTROOMS**—Narthex level across from the Library, lower level next to the elevator.

**JOINING TRINITY**—We invite you to become part of this Christian community! If interested in membership, please speak with an elder or pastor, and we will contact you.

### MISSION STATEMENT:

*To gather people who grow in faith and share Jesus with all.*

### VISION STATEMENT:

*To strive to be a mature and faithful congregation that is focused on our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.*



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