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FOCUS Though Christmas may be our favorite, Paul reminds us that Easter is of “first importance.” If Christ had not arisen, our hope would be still locked in the tomb. Because He is risen, just as He said, we have hope of our own resurrection from the dead and look forward to the life everlasting, which death cannot touch. We come here today not simply to remember an event but to rejoice in the future made possible for us because of what happened. Before the world we confess that Jesus’ resurrection is not a hope but a fact witnessed by more than five hundred and on that fact God has built a future for us—one we anticipate now even as we wait to see it fulfilled.

WELCOME

*† The Invocation and Opening Sentences are led from the back of the nave;
the procession begins here and commences with the singing of the hymn.
Please stand and face the processional cross. †*

INVOCATION

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

OPENING SENTENCES

L Alleluia! Christ is risen!
C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!
L The stone has been rolled away! Alleluia!
C The crucified is risen! Alleluia!
L Christ has conquered death by the cross!
C He has come out of the tomb!
L Christ has risen and will not die again!
C Death has been swallowed up in victory!
L This is the day the lord has made!
C We will rejoice and be glad in it!



Alleluia! Christ is risen!



He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

OPENING SONG

“Christ the Lord is Risen Today (He is Not Dead)” Wesley/Parks/Arnold

Christ the Lord is risen today, alleluia; Sons of men and angels say, alleluia.

Raise your joys and triumphs high, alleluia;

Sing ye heavens and earth reply, alleluia.

Lives again our glorious King, alleluia; Where oh death is now thy sting, alleluia.

Dying once He all doth save, alleluia; Where thy victory oh grave, alleluia.

Chorus: He is not dead, He is alive! We have this hope in Jesus Christ

Love's redeeming work is done, alleluia;

Fought the fight the battle won, alleluia.

Death in vain forbids Him rise, alleluia;

Christ has opened paradise, alleluia. (*Chorus*)

Soar we now where Christ has led, alleluia; Following our exalted Head, alleluia.

Made like Him like Him we rise; alleluia.

Ours the cross the grave the skies, alleluia. (*Chorus x2*)

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PRAYER

SONG

“Sing and Shout”

Mhondera/Redman/Weeks

Your cross, Your cross, It draws me to Your heart

It makes my spirit sing, It makes my spirit sing

Your grace, Your grace, Oh I hear it call my name

I'm waking up to sing, I'm waking up to sing. Oh...

Your cross, Your cross, It draws me to Your heart

It makes my spirit sing, It makes my spirit sing

Your grace, Your grace, Oh I hear it call my name

I'm waking up to sing, I'm waking up to sing

Chorus: We will sing and shout yeah, Sing and shout

Open up our hearts and, Pour Your praises out (*Repeat*) Oh...

Because, because, Because Your love came down
It makes me want to sing, It makes me want to sing

Because, because, Because You call my name
I'm waking up to sing, Yeah I'm waking up to sing (*Chorus*)

What could be better than a grace, That washes all our shame away
What could be better than Your great love,
What could be better than a grace That leads us home and makes a way,
What could be better than Your great love (*Repeat*) (*Chorus x 2*)

What could be better than a grace, Washes all our shame away
What could be better than Your grace, Shout!

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OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 25:6-9

On 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.

⁷ And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. ⁸ He 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. ⁹ It 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

Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, ² and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. ³ For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁴ that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁵ and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶ Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷ Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸ Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹ For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰ But 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. ¹¹ Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 16:1-8

When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. ² And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³ And they were saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?” ⁴ And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. ⁵ And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. ⁶ And 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. ⁷ But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.” ⁸ And 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.

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

“God So Loved” Bergthold/Cash/Cash/Cash/Cash

Come all you weary, come all you thirsty
Come to the well that never runs dry
Drink of the water, come and thirst no more

Come all you sinners, come find His mercy
Come to the table, He will satisfy
Taste of His goodness, find what you're looking for

For God so loved the world that He gave us His one and only Son to save us
Whoever believes in Him will live forever

Bring all your failures, bring your addictions
Come lay them down at the foot of the cross
Jesus is waiting there with open arms

Chorus: For God so loved the world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save us
Whoever believes in Him will live forever
The power of hell forever defeated
Now it is well, I'm walking in freedom
For God so loved, God so loved the world

Praise God! Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him! Praise Him for the wonders of His love *(Repeat) (Chorus)*

Bring all your failures, bring your addictions
Come lay them down at the foot of the cross
Jesus is waiting God so loved the world

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Confession and Forgiveness

CONFESSION

- L** Friends in Christ, let us come before God with humble and sincere hearts, confessing our sins to God our Father, asking Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is from the Lord,
- C** **who made the heavens and the earth.** (Psalm 124:8)
- L** I said to myself, “I will confess my rebellion to the LORD.”
- C** **And you forgave me! All my guilt is gone.** (Psalm 32:5)
- L** O almighty God, merciful Father,
- C** **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal**

and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

ABSOLUTION

L Brothers and sisters in Christ, by His suffering, death and resurrection, Jesus Christ paid the penalty for all your sins. 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 Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Lord of the Church, praise to You for Your power revealed in the resurrection! Fill Your church with the power of Your love that is stronger than death. Send us to tell the good news wherever death holds sway. O resurrected and living Christ,

C **hear us as we pray.**

L Lord of the nations, praise to You for the peace made possible in the resurrection! Fill the nations with peace. Give wisdom and discernment to those in authority so that the decisions they make bring glory to You and benefit those whom they serve. O resurrected and living Christ,

C **hear us as we pray.**

L Jesus, our great physician, praise to You for the hope of Your resurrection! Fill all in need with hope: those who are dying, those who grieve, those who are afraid or confused, those who are sick or suffering (especially...) Assure them of Your promises. O resurrected and living Christ,

C **hear us as we pray.**

L Lord Jesus, Bread of Life, praise to You for the joy of Your resurrection! Fill us with joy as we come now to Your table at Your gracious invitation to eat and drink Your body and blood for the forgiveness of our sins. Through this meal, strengthen our faith so that our joy may be complete and we may be powerful witness to You, the Lord of Life!

Hear us, O Lord, for Your sake and as You have taught us to pray...

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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

COMMUNION SONG “Resurrecting” Brown/Brock/Ntlele/Furtick/Joye

The head that once was crowned with thorns is crowned with glory now
The Savior knelt to wash our feet, now at his feet we bow

The one who wore our sin and shame now robed in majesty
The radiance of perfect love now shines for all to see

Chorus: Your name, Your name is victory All praise will rise to Christ our king
Your name, Your name is victory All praise will rise to Christ our king

The fear that held us now gives way to him who is our peace
His final breath upon the cross is now alive in me (*Chorus*)

By your spirit I will rise from the ashes of defeat
The resurrected king is resurrecting me
In your name I come alive to declare your victory
The resurrected king is resurrecting me (*Repeat*)

The tomb where soldiers watched in vain was borrowed for three days
His body there would not remain, our God has robbed the grave
Our God has robbed the grave (*Chorus*)

By your spirit I will rise from the ashes of defeat
The resurrected king is resurrecting me
In your name I come alive to declare your victory
The resurrected king is resurrecting me The resurrected king is resurrecting me

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BLESSING

SERMON

“Love That Casts Out Fear”

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CLOSING PRAYER

BENEDICTION

DISMISSAL

L Go in peace and serve the Lord.

G Thanks be to God!

CLOSING SONG

“Amen (Because He Lives)”

*Tomlin/Carson/Cash/
Gaither/Ingram/Maher*

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*)

Because He lives I can face tomorrow Because He lives ev'ry fear is gone
I know He holds my life My future in His hand (*Chorus x2*)

Because He lives

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LITURGIST: *Rev. Timothy D. Smith, Associate Pastor*

ELDERS: *Seth Sneider, Skyler Lynn*

ACOLYTE:

TECH:

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!

BLENDDED WORSHIP SERVICES IN THE UPPER SANCTUARY—

5pm Saturday & 11am Sunday

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICES IN THE UPPER SANCTUARY—

8am & 9:30am Sunday

WORSHIP SCHEDULE—Holy Communion is celebrated on the 1st, 3rd, & 5th 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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