

Holy Trinity United Methodist Church

Easter Sunday—April 9, 2023

9:30am

Theme: Living the 'Good Enough' Life

Prelude

Welcome

Opening Prayer (unison)

ALL: God of mystery and might, your wondrous love always seems to catch us off guard. We come to the tomb looking for death, but find life instead. As we behold the glory of our salvation, take us back to that moment of discovery – when grief and loss gave way to a glimmer of hope. Before we shout our alleluias, remind us of the moment when despair was transported into glimpses of new possibilities. In the holy awe of Easter morning, we take a moment of silent gratitude that Christ calls us each by name.

Pause in silence

Leader: Shout it from the mountaintop:

ALL: CHRIST IS RISEN! ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN INDEED!

*Song of Praise "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" Hymnal #302

*Greeting

Leader: Shout for joy.

People: The tomb is empty.

Leader: Clap your hands.

People: Death is cheated.

Leader: Dance and sing.

People: Christ is risen!

ALL: CHRIST IS RISEN INDEED!

Children's Message

Anthem "Yahweh" Chancel Choir

Prayer Song "Christ Is Risen" (verse 1) Hymnal #307

Prayers of the People/Our Lord's Prayer

Prayer Song "Christ Is Risen" (verse 2) Hymnal #307

Gospel Reading John 20:1-18

*Hymn "The Easter Song" W&S #3090

Sermon "The Good Gardener" Pastor Chad Gilbertson

*Hymn "Come, Share the Lord" TFWS #2269

Holy Communion

(please bring your offering forward and place it in the plates/baskets in the front pew as you come for Communion)

Announcements

*Benediction (unison)

**And now, may the God who loves all of creation,
especially the gardens we call our lives,
and Jesus, our companion along this crooked path called life,
and the Holy Spirit, who loves to improvise in surprising ways,
go with you, dwell among you, and give you joy. Amen.**

*Hymn "He Lives" (verse 1 and refrain) Hymnal #310

Postlude

Worship Leaders

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This Week:

Monday, Apr. 10	9:30am 7:00pm	AA (Parsonage) AI-Anon (Parsonage)
Tuesday, Apr. 11	2:00pm 3:30pm 6:30pm 7:00pm	United Women in Faith (Fellowship Hall) I Team Meeting Core Team Meeting Co-Dependents Anonymous (Parsonage)
Wednesday, Apr. 12	8:30am 7:00pm	Moment of Prayer for Holy Trinity Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, Apr. 13	6:00pm	Veterans AA (Parsonage)
Sunday, Apr. 16	9:30am 10:30am	Worship/Live-Stream (Affirmation Sunday) Sunday School

Prayer Requests:

Victims of the school shooting in Nashville
Those affected by spring storms in the South and Midwest
The family of John McKean who passed away at home on Sunday, March 26
A friend of Kay Young's in South Dakota, whose son died by suicide

Thank you for Contributing Lilies to our Easter Worship:

Liz & Jim Weninger *in memory of* Marty & Beulah Weninger and Bob & Jeanne Wolff
Sandy Hjermvick *in memory of* Jim Hjermvick Jim Helgerson & Lori Boynton
Lois Burkart *donation to UMCOR in memory of* Bob & Dianne Banitt, Clarence &
Thelma Omacht and Violeta Briceño