



6th Sunday of Easter

May 22, 2022



Welcome to Trinity Church

We are committed to being a loving and welcoming community centred in the good news of Jesus. We invite you to join us for worship and to take up your place with us on our journey. We'd be glad of your presence and grateful for your company!

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Trinity Community Worship † 9:30 am

Gathering

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Dismissal	<i>Alleluia! Christ is risen.</i> Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia! <i>Go in peace. Tell what God has done.</i> Thanks be to God.
Postlude	Come Down, O Love Divine – <i>Thomas Keesecker</i>

Serving Today

Presiding Minister:	Rev. Tanya Varner
Assisting Minister:	Lois Smith
Usher:	Diane Godfrey
Musicians:	Jamie Courtney, Keith Thompson, Handbell Ensemble
Technology:	Matt Brubacher

We acknowledge that we gather for worship on the traditional territories of the Neutral, Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee, and Mississauga peoples.

Gathering Song.....What is This Place

1 What is this place where we are meet - ing? On - ly a house, the
 2 Words from a - far, stars that are fall - ing, sparks that are sown in
 3 And we ac - cept bread at this ta - ble, bro - ken and shared, a

earth its floor. Walls and a roof shel - ter - ing peo - ple,
 us like seed: names for our God, dreams, signs and won - ders
 liv - ing sign. Here in this world, dy - ing and liv - ing,

win-dows for light, an o - pen door. Yet it be-comes a bod - y that lives
 sent from the past are all we need. We in this place re - mem-ber and speak
 we are each oth-er's bread and wine. This is the place where we can re - ceive

when we are gath - ered here, and know our God is near.
 a - gain what we have heard: God's free re - deem-ing word.
 what we need to in - crease: our jus - tice and God's peace.

First Reading.....Acts 16:9-15

⁹During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, “Come over to Macedonia and help us.”

¹⁰When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

¹¹We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, ¹²and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. ¹³On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. ¹⁴A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. ¹⁵When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, “If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.” And she prevailed upon us.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading..... Revelation 21:10, 22—22:5

¹⁰And in the spirit [one of the angels] carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

²²I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. ²³And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. ²⁴The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. ²⁵Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. ²⁶People will

bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. ²⁷But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

^{22:1}Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ²through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. ³Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; ⁴they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. ⁵And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

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Gospel Acclamation



Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

Gospel John 14:23-29

The holy gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

²³Jesus answered [Judas (not Iscariot),] “Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. ²⁴Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

²⁵“I have said these things to you while I am still with you. ²⁶But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. ²⁷Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. ²⁸You heard me say to you, ‘I am going away, and I am coming to you.’ If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. ²⁹And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.”

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Hymn of the Day Come Down, O Love Divine

1 Come down, O Love di - vine; seek thou this soul of mine
 2 Oh, let it free - ly burn, till world - ly pas - sions turn
 3 Let ho - ly char - i - ty mine out - ward ves - ture be,
 4 And so the yearn - ing strong, with which the soul will long,

and vis - it it with thine own ar - dor glow - ing;
 to dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;
 and low - li - ness be - come mine in - ner cloth - ing—
 shall far out - pass the pow'r of hu - man tell - ing;

O Com - fort - er, draw near; with - in my heart ap - pear
 and let thy glo - rious light shine ev - er on my sight,
 true low - li - ness of heart, which takes the hum - bler part,
 no soul can guess Love's grace till it be - come the place

and kin - dle it, thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.
 and clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.
 and o'er its own short - com - ings weeps with loath - ing.
 where - in the Ho - ly Spir - it makes a dwell - ing.

Prayers of Intercession

Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of new life, open your church to the unexpected ways your Spirit is at work. Guide bishops, pastors, deacons, and lay leaders in their visioning, partnership, and planning. Surround us with your peace. With the worldwide ecumenical community, today we pray especially for the churches of the Indian Ocean Islands: Comoros, Madagascar, Maldives, Mauritius, and Seychelles.

O Risen Christ, **hear our prayer.**

Give a vision of increase and abundant harvest for farmers, laborers, guest workers, and gardeners who are beginning their growing season. Join their efforts with the goodness of creation to feed all living things.

O Risen Christ, **hear our prayer.**

Shine your light of wisdom and peace among nations. When those in power seek to assert dominance over others, confound their ways and make them yield to your humble authority.

O Risen Christ, **hear our prayer.**

Give safe haven to those who seek healing, liberation, or peace. We pray especially for Susan, Paul, Janice, Art, Cliff, Anne, John, Michelle, Merva, Paula, Dan, Josiah, Bob, Manfred, Hans, Anne, and those we name aloud or in the silence of our hearts. [a pause] Create places filled with hospitality where hurting people find your loving presence and wholeness.

O Risen Christ, **hear our prayer.**

Uphold the work of ministries and organizations in our communities who assist people experiencing homelessness, citizens returning from prison, and all marginalized people, especially oneROOF and House of Friendship. Accomplish your will through their efforts.

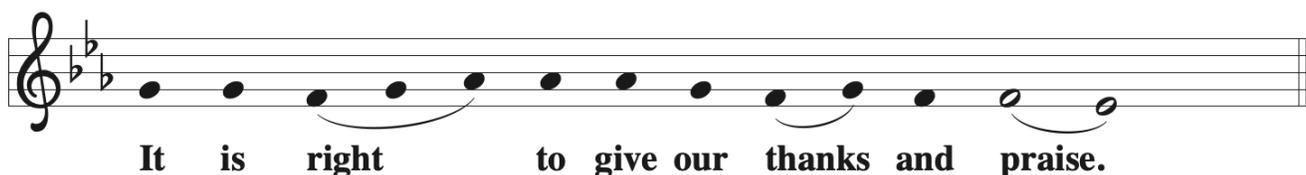
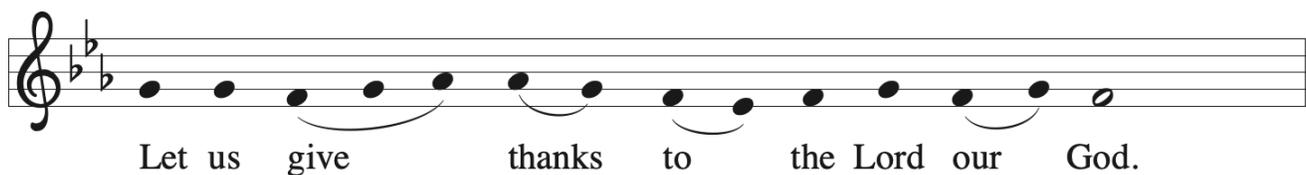
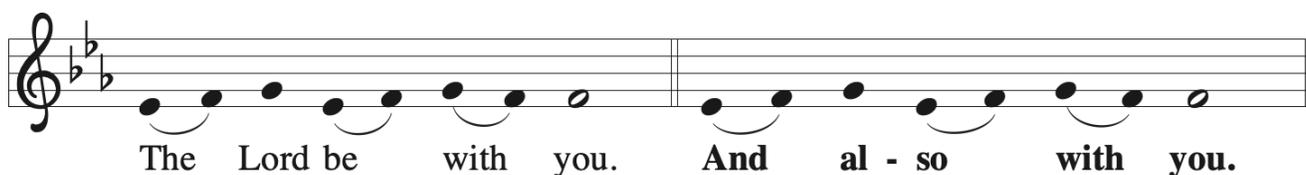
O Risen Christ, **hear our prayer.**

Assemble your people at rivers, streams, and fonts, where we remember our baptism and welcome others into the communion of saints. Gather us with those who have died when we meet together at your river of life.

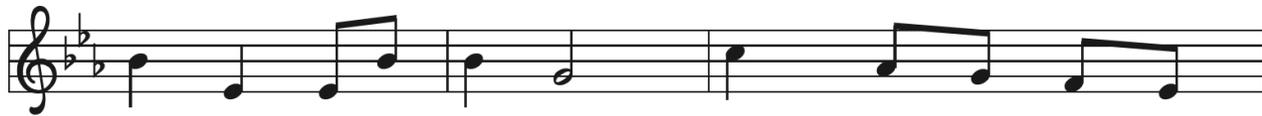
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In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

Dialogue



Holy, Holy, Holy



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and



God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the



Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

Communion Song..... Be Known to Us

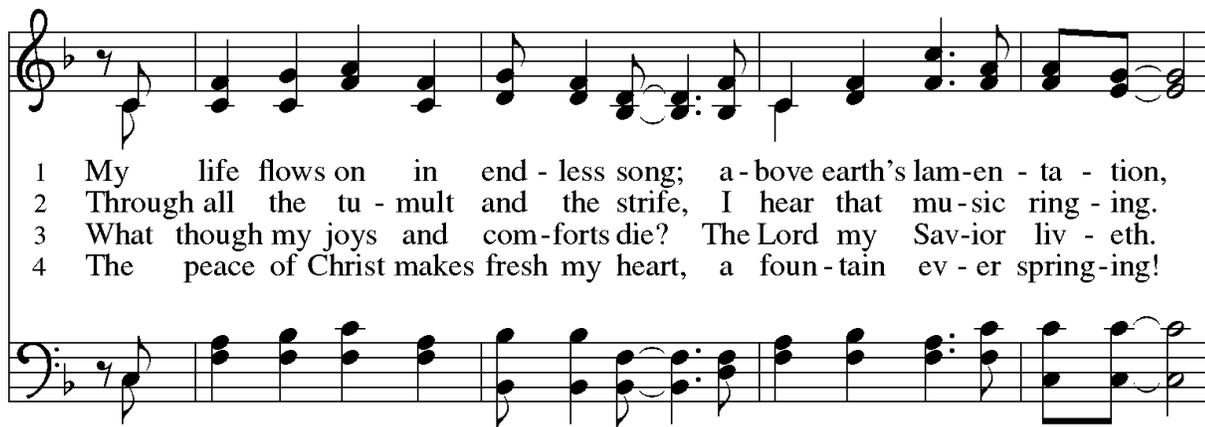
Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

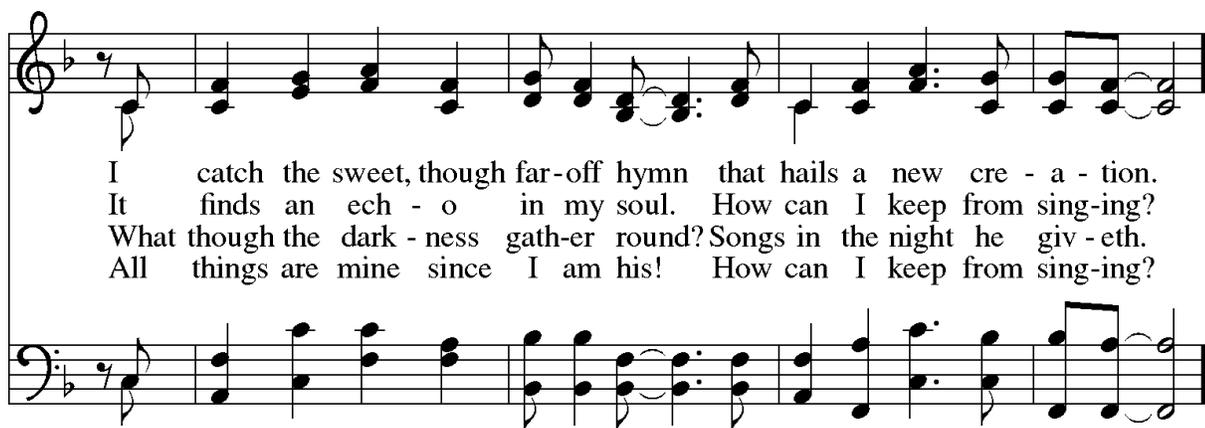
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Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Sending Song..... My Life Flows on in Endless Song

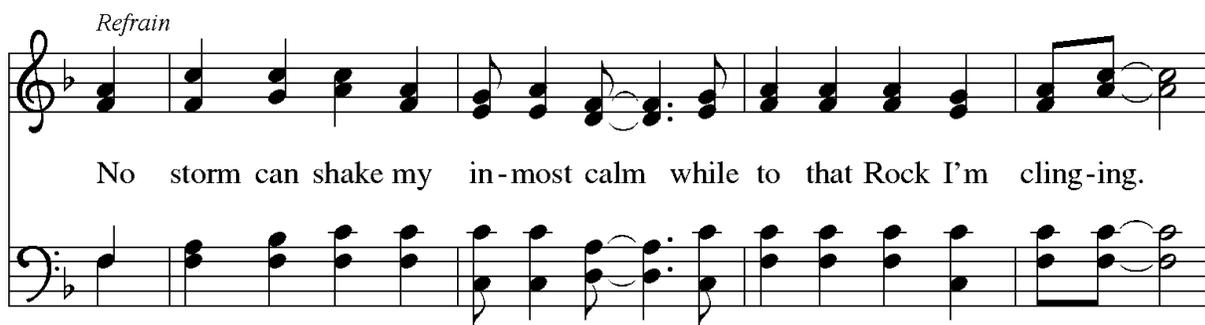


1 My life flows on in end - less song; a - bove earth's lam - en - ta - tion,
2 Through all the tu - mult and the strife, I hear that mu - sic ring - ing.
3 What though my joys and com - forts die? The Lord my Sav - ior liv - eth.
4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun - tain ev - er spring - ing!



I catch the sweet, though far - off hymn that hails a new cre - a - tion.
It finds an ech - o in my soul. How can I keep from sing - ing?
What though the dark - ness gath - er round? Songs in the night he giv - eth.
All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from sing - ing?

Refrain



No storm can shake my in - most calm while to that Rock I'm cling - ing.



Since Christ is Lord of heav - en and earth, how can I keep from sing - ing?

Announcements

+ COVID-19 Precautions for In-Person Worship

Everyone is required to **wear a mask** for the duration of the worship service. We're **quietly singing** the hymns and songs. During the **sharing of the peace**, please remain in your seat to share a sign of peace with those around you. The **offering will be collected** by an usher. **Holy Communion** will be offered as bread alone: an usher will come to your pew, and you may then proceed down the centre aisle to the pastor; after receiving your wafer, please return to your pew to eat your wafer, removing one side of your mask.

+ New Member

We're glad to officially welcome **Mary Hasenpflug and Lynn Perrin** as new members at Trinity! Mary and her daughter Lynn have been worshipping with us in-person for several months and have now made it official with a transfer of membership.

+ Pillows for oneROOF

Trinity supports the work of oneROOF Youth Services who provide safety and support to youth who are experiencing homelessness, or who are at risk of homelessness, in Waterloo Region. We're pleased to share that we met our goal to raise funds to purchase a set of 18 **medical grade pillows** for their shelter! Any additional donations that we receive towards this project will go directly to oneROOF to be used where needed most.

+ Worship in the Park

On Sunday, June 12th, Trinity joins the churches of the Nith Valley Ministry Area (our local Lutheran congregations) for an **outdoor worship service in Stratford**. We'll meet for worship at 11:00 am at Upper Queen's Park Bandshell, 55 Queen Street. Be sure to bring a lawn chair and consider packing a lunch to enjoy in the park after worship. In the event of inclement weather, there is an onsite facility at the park where we can host the worship service. Trinity will not offer in-person or online worship on June 12th.

+ Sunday to Sunday

22 – Sunday	9:30 am	Hybrid Worship + 6 th Sunday of Easter
	10:30 am	In-Person Fellowship (outdoors)
23 – Monday		Victoria Day (Church Office Closed)
24 – Tuesday	10:30 am	Bible Study
	5:00 pm	Karate
26 – Thursday	9:30 am	Music Together
28 – Saturday	9:15 am	Music Together
	7:30 pm	A/A – Open Meeting
29 – Sunday	9:30 am	Hybrid Worship + 7 th Sunday of Easter
	10:30 am	In-Person Fellowship (outdoors)

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