

Trinity United Methodist Church

Thank you to those listed in the bulletin who participated in today's service.

We also thank:

Altar Guild: Vera Baker & Lee Vaughn

Attendance Taker: Nicole Baker

Carillonneur: Thomas St. Marie

Coordinators for Online Worship: Clara Lee and Jim Sharrard

Lenten Display: Ken Guerin

Liturgist: Cathy MacGovern

Liturgy: Sarah Are | A Sanctified Art LLC | sanctifiedart.org

Staff: Director of Music Ministry, Becky Rosendahl Isaacson, **Lead Pastor,** Rev. René Perez, **Associate Pastor,** Rev. Erin Newcomb-Moore

Ushers: Head Usher, Sheila Womble, **Assistant Head Usher,** Donald Cushing, also the usher volunteers who sign-up each week.

Videographer: Nic Odell **Overflow Room:** Brian Crawford

Reminders:

Easter Plants

This year we are doing things a little differently with the Easter plants. If you purchased a plant or plants, you can pick it/them up at the front steps of sanctuary following worship. If you would prefer to leave it/them, we have volunteers on hand to deliver the plants to members on our TLC list. Thank you for beautifying Trinity's altar this Easter.

Kids' Month

During the month of April, we're embarking on a new journey—a month dedicated to more kid/family friendly worship and formational opportunities. Want to know more? Pick up a brochure in the back of the church or visit <https://www.trinityspringfield.org/worship/kids-month/>.

Membership Class

Do you want to know more about God and about Trinity United Methodist Church? Starting April 24, 2021 we will be starting a new hybrid membership class (ZOOM and in-person) where you will be able to learn more about who we are as Christians and as United Methodists here at Trinity. You will be able to meet others who are on a similar journey of faith growing and faith finding. See the Thursday Thoughts email newsletter for information on how to register, or call the church office.



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Easter Sunday ~ April 4, 2021 ~ 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.

*Invited to stand ** See words to the right * See Insert

MEDITATION

“Slow down O my soul, don’t be so hasty, tomorrow has hope, you’ll see;
together, we’ll laugh out loud, we’ll learn to befriend those clouds,
hang in there, I promise, you’ll see. The Sun will Rise.” – Miriam Ratu –

Prelude: “Joy in the Morning” N. Sleeth
Wynton and Michael Jarvinen, trumpets, Kevin Barker, timpani

Welcome & Announcements

Dance Movement Choir: "First Light" K. MacLeod
Director: Amelia Hays-Rivest

Introit: “On the Third Day” A. Pote
Sonja Funk, soprano and Holly Joy Pearson, alto
Cathy MacGovern and Karen Sheffield, handbells

*Call to Worship: **

Unison Prayer: **

The Lord’s Prayer: **

Hymn: “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today” Easter Hymn

Scripture: John 20:1-18 (NRSV)

Response Music: “Tomorrow Shall Be My Dancing Day” B. Chilcott

Sermon: “The Sun Rises”

Closing Response: “All Things New” C. Courtney

Benediction

Postlude: “Hallelujah Chorus” G. F. Handel

WORDS TO FOLLOW ALONG

- **Bold Items Are the Congregation’s Part**

Call to Worship: Worship (*Inspired by Joanne C. Brown/ Nancy C. Townley for Ministry Matters*).

L: While it is still dark

P: We dance our way into the sunrise of Jesus’ resurrection!

L: There is no more need to fear. The darkness will soon come to an end.

P: Out of the darkness comes the most amazing story ever: new life is possible!

L: So, we run to the tomb to see for ourselves. And it is true. Christ is risen.

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen, indeed. New life is possible!

Unison Prayer: (*By Nancy C. Townley for Ministry Matters, modified*)

God of new life and possibilities, be with us this day as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. Let the light of your love flood into our lives and through us to all those who have been captured by darkness, that the light may give them healing, freedom and hope. As we witness the surprise of the women at the tomb, the appearance of the Savior to Mary, and her good news brought to the disciples, let us remember that this good news exists for us today. Darkness does not win. Death is not victorious. Christ is Risen! We are raised with Christ to a new life of hope and service. Fill our hearts with the joy of this good news, and let the excitement for serving burst forth from us, so that we may truly be the “Easter People” that you have called us to be. In the name of the Risen Lord, Jesus Christ. AMEN.

The Lord’s Prayer:

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.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.