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Celebrate God's love

Nurture relationships with God and one another

Serve our community and world, as we share the light of Christ



Believing that all persons are created in God's image and are of sacred worth, that Jesus' message was one of inclusion of those rejected by mainstream society, and that each member makes inherent and valuable contributions to the Body of Christ, we of Trinity Church welcome into this congregation people of every age, race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, socio-economic condition, family structure, and physical or mental ability.



7:00 p.m. **SANCTUARY**

WELCOME

PRELUDE: “Prelude in D Minor for Solo Cello” J.S. Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: Here is the man!

People: Jesus, accused of being a criminal. Jesus, who threatens the religious establishment.

Leader: Here is your King!

People: The ruler of a Kingdom that is not from this world. The ruler who threatens the power of the empire.

Leader: Here is the man!

People: Who witnesses to the truth. Who gives no answer.

Leader: Here is your King!

People: Jesus, son of Mary. Jesus, son of God.

ALL: Jesus, the one we have gathered to worship.

HYMN: “Beneath the Cross of Jesus” UMH# 297

PRAYER OF LAMENTATION:

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ was lifted high upon the cross so that he might draw the whole world to himself. We pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

MUSICAL RESPONSE: “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

PROCLAMATION OF THE PASSION STORY

SCRIPTURE READING: John 18: 1-11 & John 18-12-27

MUSICAL RESPONSE: “God Gives the Song” C. Courtney

SCRIPTURE READING: John 18: 28-40

HYMN: “Ah, Holy Jesus” UMH# 289

SCRIPTURE READING: John 19: 1-16a

MUSICAL RESPONSE: “O Sacred Head Now Wounded” (vs. 1,2,4) J. Raney

SCRIPTURE READING: John 19: 16b-27 & John 19: 28-42

HYMN: “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” UMH# 298

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERING OF MOVEMENT & DANCE: “Branches of Shadow” arr. H. Win

MUSICAL RESPONSE: “Were You There”

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: “Sarabande in G Minor” J.S. Bach
(Please remain seated during the Postlude.)

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We are thankful for David Belew, Teri LaFleur, Holly Joy Pearson, and Karen Sheffield who are sharing their musical gifts during this period of transition to keep the chancel choir, children's choirs, and handbell choir programs active.

Accompanist: Steve Hays

Organist: Vera Baker

Cellist: Mark Fraser

Soloist: Herb Menzel

Special thanks to the Chancel, Handbell, & Dance Movement Choirs

Dance Movement Choir Director: Amelia Hays-Rivest

Ushers: Margo Sweetland and Judy Wing

Easter Weekend Opportunities:

Saturday, April 19, 2025 (All Are Welcome!)

Easter Activities: 10:00 a.m. in the Trinity Gallery and Café

Easter Egg Hunt: 11:00 a.m. on Trinity's Front Lawn

Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025

Easter Breakfast: 8:30-10:00 a.m. in Asbury Hall

Easter Grand Service: 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary