

Trinity Church
April 21, 2024

WELCOME AND LITURGY OF GATHERING

Leader: Reading of [Psalm 2](#). This is the word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Trinity is fostering a haven of belonging where wanderers and wonderers gather to discover and embody the love of Jesus in the world.

COMMUNAL SINGING

Because He Lives

I believe in the Son
I believe in the risen One
I believe I overcome
By the power of His blood

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

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 can face tomorrow
Because He lives
Every fear is gone
I know He holds my life my future in His hands

Amen, Amen
I'm alive, I'm alive
Because He lives
Amen, Amen
Let my song join the one that never ends

God With Us

You've come to bring peace
To be love, to be nearer to us

You've come to bring life
To be light, to shine brighter in us
Oh Emmanuel, God with us

Our Deliverer, You are Savior
In Your presence we find our strength
Over everything, our redemption
God with us
You are God with us

You've come to be hope
To this world for Your honor and name

You've come to take sin
To bear shame and to conquer the grave
Oh Emmanuel, God with us

You are here and You are holy
We are standing In Your glory

COMMUNITY CONFESSION

Leader: God longs to take delight in us, but too often we disappoint with our hurtful words, the rejection of those around us, the love we hoard only for ourselves. Let us come to the One whose love is constant and true, as we pray together, saying,

ALL: Holy God, called to walk with the vulnerable, we run to catch up with the powerful. Asked to pray constantly for others, we are too busy bragging about ourselves. Challenged to notice and to care for those tossed aside by the world, we rush by with our to-do list in our hands. Have mercy on us, God who loves us completely. May we be the grace that a lonely person needs this week; may we be the hope the forgotten are looking for; may we be the peace that the broken

in spirit long for in every moment, even as Jesus, our Lord and Savior, has been our peace, our hope, our grace, and so much more in our lives.

Silence is kept

Leader: Today, in this moment, the word is very near to us. The word of forgiveness, the word of hope, the word of our God for all of us.

ALL: God's heart is open to us, pouring mercy, wonder, and peace into our lives. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Amen.

BLESSING AND PASSING THE PEACE

Adults: The Lord be with you!

Children and Kids Ministry Leader: And also with you!

During this time we greet one another, recognizing that we are all a part of the body, as PreK-5th grade children are led to their ministry space. Younger children and youth remain, and are welcome, in the Gathering. Materials for toddlers are available and we understand that their presence means they will be heard, no need to worry about their vocal contributions.

SERMON NOTES

By Jesus

Acts 4.5-12

-What invitation to *being known* do you sense the Spirit inviting you/us to, as a community of one heart, one soul?

[*For discussion prompts visit the series page here.](#)

LORD'S TABLE LITURGY

Leader: As we have the love of God made known at the Table, we proclaim that mystery we call faith:

ALL: Walking to his death, Christ entrusted his life to you; raised from the grave, Christ glorified in your love for him; standing in our midst at the end, Christ will gather us at your Table.

Leader: See what love God has for us as we are gathered around this Table of grace, and the Spirit of joy is poured out upon us in the gifts of the bread and the cup.

ALL: As siblings we take the broken bread and share it, that we would reach out to those who might otherwise be called strangers. As we share the cup of community, we would stand beside the lonely, the longing, and the forgotten, to pour God's gladness into their hearts.

Leader: Eat and drink – the Spirit of joy is poured out upon us in these gifts - the body of Christ broken for you and the cup of the new covenant shed for you.

**communion elements are gluten free, not allergen free*

RESPONSE & OFFERING OF WORSHIP

The [Offering Basket](#)

Prayer requests may be posted in the Zoom chat (Zoom participants) or written and placed in the offering basket.

What A Beautiful Name

You were the Word at the beginning
One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation
Now revealed in You our Christ

What a beautiful Name it is
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a beautiful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

You didn't want heaven without us
So Jesus, You brought heaven down

My sin was great, Your love was greater
What could separate us now

What a wonderful Name it is
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a wonderful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

Death could not hold You, the veil tore before You
You silenced the boast of sin and grave
The heavens are roaring the praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again

You have no rival, You have no equal
Now and forever, God You reign
Yours is the Kingdom, Yours is the glory
Yours is the Name above all names

What a powerful Name it is
Nothing can stand against
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

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What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Practices edited. We've edited our practices to more fully reflect who we are. We've added the [practices](#) of rest and receiving. As a reminder, *Trinity believes the values and beliefs we hold are best lived out in **practice** as we embody our mission and move toward our [vision](#).*

Our [sermon series page](#) is posted. Check it out to see where we're headed.

Baptism and Family Covenants. We plan to hold baptisms and family covenants on Sunday, June 2nd as a part of the Gathering. If you are interested in either or have questions, please contact Britney Yount at britney@indytrinity.org.

Equity Funds. Rolling submissions for 2023 Equity Funds will be accepted in phases: through May 7th and then again through November 5th. This [form](#) is to be used to submit proposals and **taken to Community Conversations scheduled for May 14th** and November 12th. After those conversations, more solidified proposals (discerned through the larger group conversation) will then be taken to the Leadership Team for final disbursement requests. We ask that you use this form to prepare for presenting at a Community Conversation or if you are unable to attend those Equity Funds conversations the proposal will be taken to the group in your absence. Please refer to your emails for additional information. If you didn't receive an email and would like to be on the list, please send an email to contact@indytrinity.org.

Special Gathering on Sunday, June 30th. Mark your calendars as we prepare for a special Gathering to include the Irvington Walk and Talk with Sampson Levingston at Through2Eyes, Sunday, June 30th. More details to come! Rain date is scheduled for Sunday, August 13th.

THE BENEDICTION

Leader: God's Breath of hope has torn open the shutters of our hearts,

ALL: So that we may love God with all our hearts and open them to all who long for grace and life.

Leader: Justice is the strong wind poured into us by the One who is Sibling to the forgotten.

ALL: We will go into the streets of our neighborhoods to serve.

Leader: A new community is being shaped by the Holy Spirit, made up of those from every place, every tongue.

ALL: We will join hearts with those we meet, we will learn songs of joy in new languages.

Leader: Go in peace.

(Some liturgies adapted from lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com and enfleshed.com)

COMMUNAL CONNECTION

Guide and Service Dog Training. As we welcome Guide/Service Dogs at Gatherings, please familiarize yourself with resources under on these two websites <https://www.guidedogs.com/resources/blindness-and-guide-dog-etiquette> and <https://www.guidedogsofamerica.org/best-practices-when-around-a-service-dog/> and discuss main points with those in your household. If you or anyone in your household has severe allergies or any fear of dogs, etc. please contact us (contact@indytrinity.org) so we can do our best to keep Gathering spaces welcoming for all.

Covid Guidelines: We are in a season of preparing for possible gathering changes due to the resurgence of Covid. Gatherings may look a little different according to the needs of our leaders if Covid affects them or their teams. We ask that everyone remain flexible if and/or when this is the case. **If a gathering is going to be virtual, we will send an email by 8am on Sunday**, or earlier. We are also asking that those who have tested positive or develop symptoms not attend the gathering in person, but join online via Zoom. If you have been exposed, you can follow the guidelines from the CDC by using this [calculator](#) to determine what are your best precautions to take.

Land Acknowledgement. We acknowledge that the land on which we gather for worship was stolen from Native peoples, who were driven out of the area and of their native lands by genocide, force (through broken treaties and laws imposed upon their nation), and systematic dispossession. The Myaamiaki, Kaskaskia, and Kickapoo peoples* and their sovereign Nations have cared for, and are deeply a part of, this land - past, present, and future. (ref: [Repudiation of the Doctrine of Discovery, Trinity Church](#))

Gathering Hosting Schedule. As an act of service and care, please join staff, leaders, and others from your parish in hosting Sunday Gatherings. These are great times to connect and welcome others to converse while serving as well. Arrival at 9:45am is great, 9:30am is super helpful for assisting with audio equipment and/or indoor set up. Cleaning up on the back end should only take 10-15 minutes. The hosting checklist is in the Trinity office. Thank you!

April

7th: Fishers

14th: Midtown/Downtown

21st: Broad Ripple

28th: North/Carmel

May

5th: Fishers

12th: Midtown/Downtown

19th: Broad Ripple

26th (Brunch): North/Carmel