

Jesus Prays for His Disciples



TRINITY  LUTHERAN
CHURCH

Graduate Blessing Sunday

May 17, 2026

9:00 am Service

Order of Worship

**stand as you are able*

Prelude

Joy Rundell

Welcome

***Thanksgiving for Baptism**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!
Amen.

Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Merciful God, you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come.
You lead us beside still waters. We thank you for the waters of creation: morning dew,
gentle rain, roaring waves. We thank you for the waters that nourish us.
Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness who accompanies us on our journeys.
We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection.
We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow.
Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows.
Break down barriers that divide us. Fill us with the breath of peace.
Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism, and for making us a new
creation. We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise, now and forever.
Amen.

***Gathering Hymn**

God Is Here!

Hymn #526

1. God is here! As we your people meet to offer praise and prayer,
may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share.
Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts
wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.
2. Here are symbols to remind us of our lifelong need of grace;
here are table, font, and pulpit; here the cross has central place.
Here in honesty of preaching, here in silence, as in speech,
here, in newness and renewal, God the Spirit comes to each.
3. Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd's flock and fold;
here as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us as of old.
Here the servants of the Servant seek in worship to explore
what it means in daily living to believe and to adore.
4. Lord of all, of church and kingdom, in an age of change and doubt,
keep us faithful to the gospel; help us work your purpose out.
Here, in this day's dedication, all we have to give, receive;
we, who cannot live without you, we adore you! We believe!

***Greeting**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Kyrie

Kyrie Eleison means "Lord have mercy."

Hymn #151

Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison.
Christe eleison, Christe eleison, Christe eleison, Christe eleison.
Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison.

Hymn of Praise

Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

Hymn #857

Lord, I lift your name on high. Lord, I love to sing your praises.
I'm so glad you're in my life, I'm so glad you came to save us.
You came from heaven to earth to show the way,
From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay,
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky;
Lord, I lift your name on high.

Prayer of the Day

O God of glory,

**Your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other in suffering and in joy, that all the world may be drawn into your bountiful presence, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.**

Quilt Blessing

Reading

John 17:1-11

Christ's Prayer for His Disciples

After Jesus had spoken these words to his disciples, he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed. I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you, for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you, and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one."

The Gospel of our Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message

Pastor Paul Lutter

Hymn of the Day

Christ, Our Peace

Repeat 3 times



Christ, our peace, you break down the walls that di - vide us;



Christ, our peace, come, make us one bod-y in you.

*Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

*Prayers of the Church

Congregational Response: Hear our prayer.

*Sharing of the Peace / Announcements

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

Offering

*Thank you for your continued financial support.
An offering plate can be found in the back of church as
you leave worship. Or give online at www.trin.org/give.*



Offertory Response

Lord, Be Glorified

Hymn #744

In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified;
in my life, Lord, be glorified today.

In your church, Lord, be glorified, be glorified;
in your church, Lord, be glorified today.

In your world, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.
In your world, Lord, be glorified today.

Holy Communion

*Words of Institution

*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;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power
and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

Distribution of Holy Communion

Please come forward for Holy Communion this morning by using the center aisle and returning by the side aisle. If you prefer, gluten free wafers are available on the center table and white grape juice is located in the inner circle of the tray.

*Closing Prayer

Heavenly Father,

You have met us here and filled our hearts with your truth, that we might rejoice in the abundance you provide. Send us now into the world as signs of your unbound presence, seeking the wholeness of the kingdom of God, and inviting all who hunger to come and see your glory. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*Benediction

God, who calls all things into existence, Jesus Christ, who redeems us, and the Holy Spirit, whose breath sustains creation, † bless you now and always. **Amen.**

***Closing Hymn**

Here I Am, Lord

Hymn #574

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Refrain: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? (*Refrain*)

3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? (*Refrain*)

Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude

Joy Rundell

In Our Prayers:

Steve Boylan, Frank Fritzke, Eddie Galbreath, Stacey Lewandowski,
Randy Feltmann (brother of Shirley Domjahn), Elyse Hirsch
(daughter-in-law of Kelly & Liz Hirsch), Aiko Landgraf (niece of Sue Magnuson),
Stacey Barta (niece of Bob & JoAnn Lohmann)
our missionary in Papua New Guinea, Rev. Andrew Ronnevik and family

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Paul Lutter, Interim Pastor
Chelsea Farniok, Children's Ministry
Joy Rundell, Accompanist

Congratulations to Trinity's Graduating Class of 2026

Riley Delaney, Carter Erickson, Griffin Guetzkow, Emily Hecksel,
Drew Isakson, Matthew Isakson, Jenna Kohls, Zachary Lohmann,
Eliza Rowan, Hannah Skahaug, Samuel Tronnes

Announcements

You are invited to enjoy conversation, cinnamon rolls and coffee following worship in the Fellowship Hall.

Graduate Blessing Sunday Today, we celebrate with, pray for, and bless our high school seniors as they prepare to graduate this spring. A special reception following worship will be held in honor of the Class of 2026!

Quilt Blessing Today, we dedicate quilts handmade by Trinity's Quilters before they are gifted to local shelters to provide warmth and dignity to our neighbors in need. While our primary mission is donation, any quilt on display in the Gathering Hall may be purchased to help fund future materials for this ministry. Please see a Quilter for details.

Vacation Bible School Kids ages 3 years old through 4th Grade are invited to "Rainforest Falls" VBS on June 15 - 18 from 5:30 - 7:30 pm. Sign up at trin.org/vbs.

Trinity OWLS (Older, Wiser Lutherans) The Trinity OWLS invite you for fellowship and conversation as we welcome the Carver County Historical Society on Thursday, May 21 at 10:00 am. Discover local history through stories and photos.

Memorial Day Community Service The Watertown American Legion Post 121 will hold a Memorial Day Service on Monday, May 25 at 10:00 am at the Watertown-Mayer High School Performing Arts Center to honor U.S. veterans. Refreshments will be served following program. All are welcome to attend.