

**TRINITY  
LUTHERAN  
CHURCH**

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**Trinity Lutheran Church - Sixth Sunday of Easter**

3701 Jefferson Ave Midland, MI 48640

May 10, 2026, 11:00 am

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

Jesus says, "I will not leave you orphaned."

**We come longing to be held in love that does not let go.**

The Spirit comes to dwell within us—  
not distant, not absent, but alive in every breath.

**We come to receive the presence of God among us.**

Like a mother who gathers, comforts, and nurtures,  
God's love surrounds us and sustains us.

**We come to rest in that love and rise in its strength.**

Come, children of God—beloved, known, and never alone.

**We come to worship with open hearts.**

**GATHERING SONG**

*Blessed Assurance*

*Verse 1*

Come Holy Spirit my soul assure  
Relieve my fears that I no more  
May doubt the love of Christ for me  
That my debt is paid that I've been made free  
O Comforter in me reside  
When the tempter speaks be my faithful Guide  
Show Your promise is for me secured  
For the battle be my heav'nly sword

*Chorus*

Blessed assurance Jesus is mine  
Oh what a foretaste of glory divine  
Heir of salvation purchase of God  
Born of His Spirit washed in His blood

*Verse 2*

Illumine me with the Savior's light  
To dispel my thoughts in the blackest night  
In darkest hour to my soul reveal  
The wounds which all my sorrows heal  
Impress that seal His image leave  
And by Your pow'r to His grace I'll cleave  
Until faith be sight and prayer be praise  
When beholding Jesus face to face

*Chorus*

*Bridge*

This my story this my song  
Born of Spirit washed in blood  
This my story this my song  
In my Savior I belong  
(REPEAT)

*Chorus*

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## Mothers' Day Liturgy

Lord, on this day set aside to honor and remember mothers, we give you thanks for our mothers. We are grateful that you chose to give us life through them, and that they received the gift of life from your hands, and gave it to us. Thank you for the sacrifices they made in carrying us and giving us birth.

We thank you for the women who raised us, who were our mothers in childhood.

Whether birth mom, adopted mom, older sister, aunt, grandmother, stepmother or someone else, we thank you for those women who held us and fed us, who cared for us and kissed away our pain. We pray that our lives may reflect the love they showed us, and that they would be pleased to be called our moms.

We pray for older moms whose children are grown.

**Grant them joy and satisfaction for a job well done.**

We pray for new moms experiencing changes they could not predict.

**Grant them rest and peace as they trust you for the future.**

We pray for pregnant women who will soon be moms.

**Grant them patience and good counsel in the coming months.**

We pray for moms who face the demands of single parenthood.

**Grant them strength and wisdom.**

We pray for moms who enjoy financial abundance.

**Grant them time to share with their families.**

We pray for moms who are raising their children in poverty.

**Grant them relief and justice.**

We pray for step-moms.

**Grant them patience and understanding and love.**

We pray for moms who are separated from their children.

**Grant them faith and hope.**

We pray for moms in marriages that are in crisis.

**Grant them support and insight.**

We pray for moms who have lost children.

**Grant them comfort in the resurrection of Jesus Christ.**

We pray for moms who gave up their children for adoption.

**Grant them peace and confidence as they trust in your providence.**

We pray for adoptive mothers.

**Grant them joy and gratitude for the gift you have provided.**

We pray for girls and women who think about being moms.

**Grant them wisdom and discernment.**

We pray for women who desperately want, or wanted, to be moms.

**Grant them grace to accept your timing and will.**

We pray for all women who have assumed the mother's role in a child's life.

**Grant them joy and the appreciation of others.**

We pray for those people present who are grieving the loss of their mother in the past year.

**Grant them comfort and hope in Christ's resurrection.**

Gentle Christ, you promise we are never alone, not abandoned, not forgotten, not left to find our own way. You come to us in love that lingers, in presence that abides, in a Spirit that breathes life into weary hearts. Make us bearers of your love in the world, that no one we meet would feel alone or unseen. For you are with us—always. **Amen.**

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

### KIDS' PRAISE

*At this time children age 3 – grade 5 are now dismissed,  
at the parent's discretion, to the Chapel.*

### SECOND READING: 1 Peter 3:13-22

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*The author of 1 Peter encourages Christians to remain faithful even in the face of defamation and persecution. In baptism we are made clean to act in accordance with what is right.*

*The reading is concluded:*

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL ANNOUNCEMENT

The Holy Gospel according to John, the 14th chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

### GOSPEL: John 14:15-21

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*In final words to his disciples on the night of his arrest, Jesus encourages obedience to his commandments and speaks of the Spirit, who will be with them forever.*

*After the reading:*

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

### SERMON

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## HYMN OF THE DAY

*Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God*

*Verse 1*

Holy Spirit, living Breath of God  
Breathe new life into my willing soul  
Let the presence of the risen Lord  
Come renew my heart and make me whole  
Cause Your word to come alive in me  
Give me faith for what I cannot see  
Give me passion for Your purity  
Holy Spirit breathe new life in me

*Verse 2*

Holy Spirit, come abide within  
May Your joy be seen in all I do  
Love enough to cover ev'ry sin  
In each thought and deed and attitude  
Kindness to the greatest and the least  
Gentleness that sows the path of peace  
Turn my strivings into works of grace  
Breath of God, show Christ in all I do

*Verse 3*

Holy Spirit,  
from creation's birth  
Giving life to all  
that God has made  
Show Your power  
once again on earth  
Cause Your church  
to hunger for Your ways  
Let the fragrance  
of our pray'rs arise  
Lead us on the road  
of sacrifice  
That in unity  
the face of Christ  
May be clear  
for all the world to see

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### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

*Offer a sign of peace with those around you*

### GATHERING OF GIFTS FOR MISSION AND MINISTRY

## OFFERTORY

### *The Way, The Truth and The Life*

#### *Verse 1*

I will fix my eyes on Christ  
The one and only Way  
I will follow in His steps  
He leads me day by day

#### *Verse 2*

I won't trust in empty words  
That wash away like sand  
I have heard the Gospel truth  
And on that rock I stand

#### *Chorus*

I will follow the Son  
He goes before me  
Through death into glory  
Preparing the way  
'Til the day He returns  
I walk with assurance  
For I know the Way and the Truth  
and the Life

#### *Verse 3*

Now death has no claim on me  
My King rose from the grave  
As He rose so I will rise  
The Life has called my name  
The Life has called my name

#### *Bridge*

I will run the race with hope and faith  
No turning back He leads the way  
On that final day with thanks and praise  
I will run through Heaven's gates  
(REPEAT)

#### *Chorus 2x*

#### *Tag*

'Til the day He returns  
I walk with assurance  
For I know the Way  
and the Truth  
and the Life

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## OFFERING PRAYER

God of abiding love, you have given us more than we could ever earn, your presence, your Spirit, your very life within us. Receive these gifts we offer, and use them to nurture hope, to comfort the lonely, and to remind the world that no one is left orphaned in your care. Send us as bearers of your love, tender and strong, that through us, others may know they are held, seen, and never alone. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

## COMMUNION PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:  
**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

*Communion will be distributed by coming forward and receiving the bread and wine. The center cups (white) are non-alcoholic grape juice. Upon receiving, please put empty cups in baskets provided. If you prefer gluten free, please ask Pastor who is distributing. Please proceed up the center aisle returning to your seat via the side aisles.*

## COMMUNION SONG

*Clean*

*Verse 1*

Precious blood has left me forgiven  
Pure like the whitest of snow  
Powerful to make sin and shame retreat  
This covenant is making me whole

*Chorus*

So I will rise and lift my head  
For by His mercy my life was spared  
The highest Name has set me free  
Because of Jesus my heart is clean

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*Verse 2*

Purify my heart in Your presence  
Teach me to discover the joy  
Of holiness that forms  
as You draw me close  
In You what was lost is restored

*Chorus 2x*

*Ending*

Because of Jesus, my heart is clean

## BENEDICTION

May God the Creator, whose love gives us life and holds us fast, bless you with deep peace.

May Jesus Christ, who promises never to leave you, abide in your heart and guide your way.

May the Holy Spirit, who dwells within you, fill you with courage, compassion, and love.

✠ Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and always. **Amen.**

## SENDING SONG

*All The People Said Amen*

*Verse 1*

You are not alone if you are lonely  
When you feel afraid you're not the only  
We are all the same in need of mercy  
To be forgiven and be free  
It's all you got to lean on  
But thank God it's all you need

*Chorus*

And all the people said amen whoa  
And all the people said amen  
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends  
And all the people said amen

*Verse 2*

If you're rich or poor well it don't matter  
Weak or strong you know love is what we're after  
We're all broken but we're all in this together  
God knows we stumble and fall  
And He so loved the world  
He sent His son to save us all

*Chorus*

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are not alone, Christ lives in you.  
Go and share that love with the world.

**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

*Bridge*

Blessed are the poor  
in spirit who are torn apart  
Blessed are the persecuted  
and the pure in heart  
Blessed are the people  
hungry for another start  
For theirs is the kingdom  
the kingdom of God

*Chorus 2x*

*Ending*

And all the people said  
amen

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