

**Trinity United Methodist Church
Worship for April 11, 2021
11:00 Service**

Welcome

Liturgist

Responsive Call to Worship

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L: We are here today because the weeping Mary of Magdala once said:

C: "I have seen the Lord!"

L: We are here because Jesus still comes into our locked spaces and says:

C: "Peace be with you. Receive the Holy Spirit."

L: We are here today like doubting Thomas who finally cried:

C: "My Lord and my God."

L: We are here like Peter, tempted to forget the call of Jesus:

C: "I'm going fishing."

L: We're here this morning because of Jesus, who asks us face-to-face:

C: "Do you truly love me?"

L: We gather here to whisper timidly.

C: "Yes, Lord, you know that we love you."

L: We are here as a congregation only because many faithful disciples have listened to Jesus' words:

C: "Do not be afraid. Do not be afraid! Go and tell, 'Jesus has been raised!' Alleluia! Christ is with us!"

Children's Moment

Kim Orrock

Special Music

Prayer

Rev. Dan

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. Amen.

Apostles Creed

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I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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.

Gloria

Pianist

Responsive Reading: Psalm 133

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L: How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity!

C: It is like the precious oil on the head, running down upon the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down over the collar of his robes.

L: It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion.

C: For there the LORD ordained his blessing, life forevermore.

Scripture: 1 John 1:1-2:2

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1 That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked at and our hands have touched—this we proclaim concerning the Word of life. **2** The life appeared; we have seen it and testify to it, and we proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and has appeared to us. **3** We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard, so that you also may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ. **4** We write this to make our joy complete.

5 This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. **6** If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth. **7** But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

8 If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. **9** If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. **10** If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word is not in us. **2** My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have an advocate with the Father—Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. **2** He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

Sermon

Rev. Dan Elmore

Offering & Announcements

Rev. Dan Elmore

Special Music

Benediction: *Unison Reading*

Rev. Dan Elmore

May the God who raised Jesus from the dead grant you grace, the Son who gave his life for you give you peace, and the Spirit who is with you day by day, inspire you to greater service both now and forever more. Amen

Postlude