

Trinity UMC
Order of Worship
Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 21, 2024

Prelude by Grace in Harmony

*Awesome God
10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)
Our Song of Songs by Chris Werle*

Welcome and Announcements

Passing of the Peace

All exchange signs and words of God's peace.

Introit by Grace in Harmony

Cares Chorus

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship

The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he refreshes my soul.

He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies.

You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

(Psalm 23 NIV)

Hymn No. 128

He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought

He leadeth me O blessed thought
O words with heavenly comfort fraught
Whate'er I do where'er I be
Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me

Refrain:

He leadeth me He leadeth me
By His own hand He leadeth me
His faithful follower I would be
For by His hand He leadeth me

Sometimes 'mid scenes of deepest gloom
Sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom
By water's calm o'er troubled sea
Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me [*Refrain*]

Lord I would clasp Thy hand in mine
Nor ever murmur nor repine
Content whatever lot I see
Since 'tis my God that leadeth me [*Refrain*]

And when my task on earth is done
When by Thy grace the victory's won
E'en death's cold waves I would not flee
Since Thou through Jordan leadeth me [*Refrain*]

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Scripture Reading

1 John 3:16-24 (NIV)

¹⁶This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters. ¹⁷If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of God be in that person? ¹⁸Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.

¹⁹This is how we know that we belong to the truth and how we set our hearts at rest in his presence: ²⁰If our hearts condemn us, we know that God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. ²¹Dear friends, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God ²²and receive from him anything we ask, because we keep his commands and do what pleases him. ²³And this is his command: to believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and to love one another as he commanded us. ²⁴The one who keeps God's commands lives in him, and he in them. And this is how we know that he lives in us: We know it by the Spirit he gave us.

Special Music by Grace in Harmony

Did You Feel the Mountains Tremble?

Sermon

We Live in Him

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Hold Me Jesus

Hymn No. 408

The Gift of Love

Though I may speak with bravest fire
And have the gift to all inspire
And have not love my words are vain
As sounding brass and hopeless gain

Though I may give all I possess
And striving so my love profess
But not be given by love within
The profit soon turns strangely thin

Come Spirit come our hearts control
Our spirits long to be made whole
Let inward love guide every deed
By this we worship and are freed

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Prayers of the People

The 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, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering

Pennies With a Purpose Offering — *This offering benefits King George County School children.*

Offertory Music by Grace in Harmony

More Love, More Power

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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Affirmation of Faith No. 881

The Apostles' Creed, Traditional Version

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.

*universal

Hymn No. 2226

Bind Us Together

Chorus:

Bind us together Lord
Bind us together with cords
That cannot be broken
Bind us together Lord
Bind us together Lord
Bind us together with love

There is only one God
There is only one King
There is only one body
That is why we can sing

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Closing Prayer

Congregation Response

Danish Amen

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Humble Yourself

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