

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 3, 2026

Worship 10:30 AM

Gather

Prelude "Song for Strings" Lionel Lackey

Welcome and Announcements

Choral Introit "Here in This Place" (*Renew*, #14) Martin Haugen

Praise

Prepare for Call to Worship

****Call to Worship**

Leader: We are God's household, crafted by the Architect of creation:

**People: our hearts a shelter for the outcast;
our hands open to the stranger.**

Leader: We are God's people, created in the divine image:

**People: to tell others of God's love,
to offer mercy as freely as we have received it.**

Leader: We are God's children, called to give of ourselves:

**People: chosen to serve the lost and lonely,
gifted to minister to a hurting world.**

All: Amen.

Leader: Our opening hymn is "Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers!"

****Hymn (#231 vss. 1 & 3) "Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers"**

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Prepare

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Lord God, you made the hearts of the disciples glad with the knowledge of the resurrection of Jesus, your Son. Forgive us, because like them, we find the truth of Easter so hard to believe; forgive us that we are so easily downcast, and given to despair; forgive us that, although we claim to live by the resurrection faith, we so often appear to believe that suffering is simply a tragedy and that death is the end; forgive us that we take so much convincing of the hope that you give to the world. When we cannot believe your Word of new life, forgive us, and fill us with your joy. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

**Congregational Response

“Christ Arose!”

Robert Lowry

**Up from the grave he arose; with a mighty triumph o'er his foes;
he arose a victor from the dark domain, and he lives forever, with his saints to reign.
He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!**

**Passing the Peace

The Peace of Christ be with you! — *And also with you.*

Listen

Children's Message

Anthem

“Pour Out Your Spirit”

Dennis Allen

Prayer of Illumination

First Scripture Lesson

John 11:17, 22-27 (NRSVU)

Psalm Reflection Video

Psalm 31:1-5, 24

Second Scripture Lesson

Mark 16:1-7 (NRSVU)

Sermon

“RISEN: Why Easter Masters!”
The Greatest Comeback in History!

Respond

Hymn (insert)

“I Am the Life”

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Offering

Prayer of Dedication

**Easter Doxology

“That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright”

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**O Jesus, King of gentleness, do all our inmost hearts possess,
And we to you will ever raise, the tribute of our grateful praise.**

Pastoral Prayer (Please be seated.)

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Choral Benediction

“Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace” (*Renew*, #295)

Para. James Quinn/American Folk Tune/Harm. R. Schulz-Widmar

Benediction

Christ is risen! — *He is risen, indeed!*

Postlude

“Air” from *The Water Music*

G. F. Handel
arr. for organ by Carl McKinley

**Please stand as you are able and comfortable.

Leaders in and for Worship Today

Preaching Today	Rev. Ronnie Osborn
Liturgist	Carol Virkler
Organist/Pianist	Rev. Bruce Jeffries
Director of Music	J. West
Audio-Visual Technicians	Rob Humfeld, Karen Neely, Bob Winkelmann
Greeter	Marge Veum
Ushers	Sarah Blanton, Seth Krause

Announcements

AFTER-WORSHIP RECEPTION: Please join us in the Fellowship Hall after worship today for light refreshments and conversation with church friends.

FROM THE ORGANIST: "Song for Strings" is a reference to a family of pipes on a pipe organ, which are imitated electronically on electric organs. There are basically four families of pipes: Principals or Diapasons - These are foundational stops unique to the organ, the traditional organ sound, and are medium scaled pipes (the consistent length and diameter of pipes to create certain sound). The second family is the Flutes. These are wide-scaled pipes and can be made of either wood or metal. The third family of pipes are the Strings. They are thin-scaled pipes. These are the quietest pipes on the organ. Diapasons, Flutes and Strings are flue pipes, or big tuned whistles. The fourth family is the Reeds. While air is needed for the reed stops, the inner mechanism requires a metal reed that works similarly to a mouthpiece on a clarinet. "*Song for Strings*" utilizes just the string stops on this organ.

TWO SPECIAL OPPORTUNITIES: For the first time in many years, Missouri Union Presbytery will host the Co-Moderators of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), the Reverends Tony Larson and CeCe Armstrong, for four days in May. In addition to the May 19 meeting of the presbytery, several special events have been planned during their visit so that more members from our churches can meet and interact with the Co-Moderators: **Saturday evening, May 16, 5:30-8:00 p.m.** – All women in the presbytery are invited to gather at First Presbyterian-Columbia for dinner and conversation with Co-Moderator Tony Larson. There is no charge for the meal, but **reservations are mandatory and must be made by noon on May 6.** Please use the link sent out in the Friday email or contact the church office. Carpooling from Trinity can be arranged as needed. We have 4 Trinity women registered so far.

Monday, May 18, 2:00-7:00 p.m. – Trinity will host Rev. Larson and Rev. Armstrong. In the afternoon, they will lead a workshop called “Discernment, Leadership, and Call”. The event will conclude with dinner. For this event, there is a \$15.00/participant fee, and once again, reservations are required and must be received by May 6 at noon.

Church Meetings and Activities This Week: (A calendar of all events taking place at Trinity is available on the church website.)

Monday, May 4:

7:00 p.m. – Pastor Nominating Committee

Tuesday, May 5:

5:00 p.m. - Evening Circle – Rm. 12 followed by dinner at Addison's South at 6:15 p.m.

Wednesday, May 6:

12:00 p.m. – Afternoon Circle (lunch in the Fellowship Hall) and Bible study lesson 9

6:00 p.m. – Choir Supper in Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal in Choir Room

Thursday, May 7:

7:00 p.m. – Worship Committee Meeting (Zoom)

Friday, May 8:

9:30 a.m. – Women's Coffee Club (Love Coffee, 15 Bus. Loop 70 E)

1:30 p.m. – Mahjong Group - FH