

I am the  
resurrection  
& the life

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# WE READY OURSELVES TO WORSHIP

"The relativism which is not willing to speak about truth but only about 'what is true for me' is an evasion of the serious business of living. It is the mark of a tragic loss of nerve in our contemporary culture. It is a preliminary symptom of death."

— Lesslie Newbigin

"A faith without some doubts is like a human body with no antibodies in it. People who blithely go through life too busy or indifferent to ask the hard questions about why they believe as they do will find themselves defenseless against either the experience of tragedy or the probing questions of a smart skeptic. A person's faith can collapse almost overnight if she failed over the years to listen patiently to her own doubts, which should only be discarded after long reflection." — Tim Keller

"My capacity for belief is not measured by my certainty but by my need. Faith is not my bringing the great questions of existence under my control; faith is turning to the Lord, in his all-sufficiency for my desperate need, to hear and receive what he has to say to me." — Ray Ortlund

"Surely, while we teach that faith ought to be certain and assured, we cannot imagine any certainty that is not tinged with doubt, or any assurance that is not assailed by some anxiety." — John Calvin

And Jesus said to him, "'If you can! All things are possible for one who believes.'" Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!" — Mark 9:23-24

And have mercy on those who doubt — Jude 22

"The doubter's doubt is faith; his temptation is belief, and it is a temptation that has not been entirely quelled, even in a secular age." — James K.A. Smith

"If you want to hear God's voice clearly and you are uncertain, then remain in His presence until He changes this uncertainty. Often much can happen during this waiting for the Lord. Sometimes, He changes pride into humility; doubt into faith and peace; sometimes lust into purity. The Lord can and will do it." — Corrie Ten Boom

"It seems to me that doubt is worse than trial. I had sooner suffer any affliction than be left to question the gospel or my own interest in it." — Charles Spurgeon

# WORSHIPING THE GOD WHO CONFRONTS & CALMS OUR DOUBTS

## Prelude

## Welcome and Announcements

## Song of Preparation

## Give Me Jesus

Fernando Ortega

$\text{♩} = 80$  C Am F<sup>2</sup>

1. In the morn - ing when I \_\_\_\_ rise, \_\_\_\_ in the morn - ing when I \_\_\_\_ rise, \_

4 C Am F Fmaj<sup>7</sup> F<sup>6</sup>

\_\_\_\_ in the morn - ing when I \_\_\_\_ rise \_\_\_\_ give me \_\_\_\_ Je \_\_\_\_

7 Dm G C

\_\_\_\_ sus. Give me Je -

10  $\text{♩}$  Em Am F C

- sus, \_\_\_\_ give me Je - sus. \_\_\_\_ You \_\_\_\_ can \_\_\_\_

14 F/A Last time to Coda  $\text{⊕}$  C/G F<sup>2</sup> C

have all \_\_\_\_ this world, \_\_\_\_ but give \_\_\_\_ me \_\_\_\_ Je \_\_\_\_ sus.

18 C<sup>sus</sup> C Am F

2. And when I \_\_\_\_ am \_\_\_\_ a-lone, \_\_\_\_ oh, and when I \_\_\_\_ am a-lone, \_  
3. And when I \_\_\_\_ come \_\_\_\_ to die, \_\_\_\_ oh, and when I \_\_\_\_ come to die, \_

22 C<sup>2</sup> C F<sup>2</sup> C/E

and when I am a - lone, give me Je -  
 and when I come to die, give me Je -

25 Dm<sup>7</sup> G<sup>sus</sup> C

- sus. Give me Je -  
 - sus. Give me Je -

1. 2. D.S. al Coda

**\*Call to Worship—Psalm 116:1-2, 17-19 (selected)**

Leader: I love the LORD, because he has heard my voice and my pleas for mercy.

**People: Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live.**

Leader: I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call on the name of the LORD.

**People: I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people,**

**All: In the courts of the house of the LORD, in your midst, O Jerusalem, Praise the LORD!**

**WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD**

**\*Songs of Adoration**

*Praise the Savior, Now and Ever*

Trinity Hymnal #243

*My Jesus, I Love Thee*

Trinity Hymnal # 648

**\*Prayer of Adoration**

# WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

## New Testament Reading—Luke 24:13-35

*The resurrected Christ meets two men on the road to Emmaus*

That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" And he said to them, "What things?" And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see." And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, but they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?" And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

**Reader:** The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of the Lord stands forever!

**People:** Thanks be to God!

# WE CONFESS OUR UTTER UNWORTHINESS BEFORE GOD

## **Call to Confession—1 Peter 1:22-23**

Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God.

## **Silent Confession and Lament**

# WE ENCOUNTER AND REJOICE IN THE AMAZING GRACE OF GOD

## **Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace—1 Peter:20-21**

He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for the sake of you who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

Leader: People of God, give thanks to God for the hope we have in Christ!

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Leader: Now may the peace of Christ be with you all!

**People: And also with you!**

# \*Song of Rejoicing

# 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

Stead, Kirkpatrick. Arr. by Page CXVI

**A** (2x add toms)  
C/G



11/39

(1x solo) **p** 'Tis so sweet to trust in Je - sus, just to take him at his word;  
1 voice) **mp** O how sweet to trust in Je - sus, just to trust his cleans - ing blood;



15/43

just to rest up - on his prom - ise; just to know, "Thus saith the Lord."  
just in sim - ple faith to plunge me 'neath the heal - ing, cleans-ing flood!



19/47

(2x sing notes) (Oh, \_\_\_\_\_ Oh) \_\_\_\_\_

**B** C/A C/G C/F



23/51

**p** Je - sus, Je - sus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er!  
**mf**



27/55

Je - sus, Je - sus, pre - cious Je - sus! O for grace to trust him more!

(add elec)



31/59

(1x no lead) **mp** And more, \_\_\_\_\_ and more \_\_\_\_\_  
(2x add cues) **mf**



35/63

And more, \_\_\_\_\_ and more \_\_\_\_\_



**C** (building)  
C/G C/F C

67

(add a voice) I'm so glad I learned to trust thee, pre-cious Je - sus, Sav - ior, Friend.  
(prime unison)

C/E C/F C

71

And I know that thou art with me, wilt be with me 'till the end.

C/A C/F C

75

(guys on bottom)

'Till the

C/A C/F C

79

end

**D** (big with drive)  
C/A C/G C/F

83/91 (all in)

**f** Je - sus, Je - sus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er\_ and\_ o'er!

C/A C/F C

87/95

Je - sus, Je - sus, pre - cious Je - sus! O for grace to trust him more!

C/A C/F C

99

(guys on bottom)

And more, \_\_\_\_\_ and more \_\_\_\_\_

C/A C/F

103

And more, \_\_\_\_\_ and more \_\_\_\_\_

WE HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE THE LORD

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Special Music**

*God's Highway*

Words and Music by Sandra McCracken

**Sermon**

"Seeing and Believing"

John 20:19-29

Rev. Nate Taylor

**\*Song of Response**

*My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*

Trinity Hymnal #521

**\*Benediction**

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Worship and General Church Information

**Please look for communication mid-week about ongoing activities at church. We will let you know if there is a change to any of the activities below.**

- **Adult Sunday school class:** Spiritual Formation in an Anxious Age — With the presence of a pandemic, grim economic news, stir-crazy isolation, and the quest for new routines, it can be easy to simply try to get by. The temptation is to press pause on our spirituality as many other aspects of life stand still. What if, instead, we took some time to ask ourselves, "Who am I becoming?" We're all scrambling to find practices that will sustain us through tough times, but what if we thought this way about all of life? We'll be asking what it means to cultivate the habits of love and disciplines of grace as we seek to be conformed to the image of Christ, even in the midst of a very anxious time. **Pastor Nate will be recording the lessons and distributing them via email and social media.**
- The **church office** is closed temporarily, but please don't hesitate to contact your elder or a staff member if you need anything.
- **All Bible Studies** will move to an online format for the next few weeks. Your ministry leader will reach out to you with more information.
- Did you know you can use the **Church Center app** for online giving, to sign up for events, connect with your small groups, bible studies, etc? Contact the church office for assistance.
- If you do not receive our **weekly email updates** on Tuesday mornings, please send your email address to [amymitchell@trinitystlouis.org](mailto:amymitchell@trinitystlouis.org).
- If you would like one of our **pastors stop by for a front porch visit** or to give you a phone call, please email [info@trinitystlouis.org](mailto:info@trinitystlouis.org)
- **Sign up for the Diaconal Care group** by going to Church Center, click the tab that says "Groups" then scroll till you find "Service," click that tab and search for diaconal care group.
- Now more than ever, it is important we stay in touch. **Please help us to keep our online directory up to date.** Pass along your contact info and picture to Amy Mitchell.

Trinity's ministries are organized around the core values in our purpose statement which reads: Trinity Church exists to **exalt** God's name, **establish** God's people, **equip** God's church and **engage** God's world, in the power of the Holy Spirit and for the sake of the Risen King, Jesus Christ.