***Trinity United Methodist Church***

April 9th, 2023 ~ 10:30 a.m. DIGITAL EASTER BULLETIN

David Vallelunga, Pastor; Kathy Eckart, Guest Organist;

Christina Wong, Zoomologist; Caroline Fairchild, Violinist

PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Dave

Pastor: Christ is risen! All: **CHRIST IS RISEN, INDEED!**

CALL TO WORSHIP

The celebration of Life has come again,

**AND TOGETHER WE PROCLAIM OUR SHARED FAITH, THAT CHRIST IS RISEN FROM THE DEAD!**

Our high and holy day has come,

**ANOTHER CHANCE TO DELIGHT IN GOD’S REDEEMING ACTIONS!**

In song and in prayer, in word and in deed,

**WE EMBRACE THE SAVING LOVE OF THE LORD THIS DAY! AMEN!**

HYMN # 302, vs. 1-4 “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

**Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!  
Earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia!  
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!  
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!**

**Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!  
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!  
Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia!  
Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia!**

**Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!  
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!  
Once he died our souls to save, Alleluia!  
Where's thy victory, boasting grave? Alleluia!**

**Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!  
Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!  
Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia!  
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!**

A TIME FOR THE CHILD IN ALL OF US (10:30) Pastor Dave

OUR LORD’S PRAYER *(Following the prayer, the children should remain in worship.)*

SONG # 162 “Alleluia, Alleluia”

**Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,  
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to His name!**

**Jesus is Lord of all the earth. He is the King of creation.**

**Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,  
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to His name!**

**Spread the good news o’er all the earth. Jesus has died and has risen.**

**Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,  
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to His name!**

*PASTORAL PRAYER*

**We have been crucified with Christ. Now we shall live forever.**

**Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,  
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to His name!**

**Come, let us praise the living God, joyfully sing to our Savior.**

**Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,  
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to His name!**

GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 28:1-10 Liturgist

HOMILY “Leaving the Tomb of Fear” Pastor Dave

DOXOLOGY # 94 and \*PRAYER OF CONSECRATION Liturgist

WE PREPARE FOR HOLY COMMUNION “Let There Be A Feast”

*Let there be a feast! The celebration begin! For we who were dead have been brought back to life, once lost, we have been found!*

WE COME TO THE LORD’S TABLE *(We will come forward to receive the sacrament. If you cannot come forward, please signal the ushers, and they will bring communion to you. Please commune at the altar rail, kneeling or standing, and please stay as long as you wish.)*

PRAYER OF GRATITUDE Pastor Dave

CLOSING HYMN # 308 “Thine Be the Glory”

**Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son;  
endless is the victory thou o’er death hast won.  
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,  
kept the folded grave clothes where thy body lay.**

**Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son;  
endless is the victory thou o’er death hast won.**

**Lo! Jesus meets thee, risen from the tomb;  
lovingly he greets thee, scatters fear and gloom.  
Let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,  
for our Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting.**

**Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son;  
endless is the victory thou o’er death hast won.**

**No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life!  
Life is naught without thee; aid us in our strife.  
Make us more than conquerors, through thy deathless love;  
bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above!**

**Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son;  
endless is the victory thou o’er death hast won.**

\*BLESSING

\*POSTLUDE