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Pensacola, Florida

Welcome and Call to Worship

One: Jesus Christ's rising from the tomb heralds the dawning of life eternal

ALL: Today holds the possibility of life anew.

One: Open my eyes, Lord, to the signs of your resurrection,

All: and confirm in my heart the power of your amazing love! Alleluia!

HYMN 39 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, Jesus, our risen Lord, was made known to his disciples in the breaking of bread, and their eyes were opened; they comprehended who he was and the power he brought into their midst. Open the eyes of our hearts, that we may recognize his presence and draw strength from him, from you, by your Holy Spirit. Thank you for your faithfulness in all times, Lord. Bless us now and received our worship. Amen.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed

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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of the God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Passing The Peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Announcements and Concerns

Children's Moment

Prayer For Illumination Scripture: Ephesians 1:15-23

Hymn 451 "Open My Eyes, That I May See"

Scripture: Luke 24:13-35

Meditation: "Walking With Jesus into Our New Normal" Hugh Hamilton

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession (Adapted: Jen Pollock Michel, https://www.christianitytoday.com/ct/2020/april-web-only/prayers-for-pandemic-peak-covid-19-coronavirus-pray-20-more.html

Lord God, with your followers around the world, we pray for wisdom, guidance, support, and strength during this pandemic.

For the church, struggling with faith in the midst of global suffering: God, we believe in your willingness to heal and your power to do so. Help our unbelief.

For those who don't know Jesus yet but find their hearts stirred by spiritual curiosities and eternal longings: God, in your kindness, lead many to repentance and obedient faith in your Son.

For first responders and frontline health care workers, especially in epicenters of infection: God, reinforce their ranks and strengthen them with supernatural energy.

For companies with the ability and the mandate to manufacture much-needed protective equipment for our frontline health care workers: **God**, establish the work of their hands.

For transit workers, police officers, and other public servants working tirelessly, often without adequate protection: God, give them stamina every day and keep them from falling ill.

For nursing homes, rehabilitation centers, and other long-term care facilities: God, encourage the lonely residents and strengthen the staff members who help them. Prevent further spread of infection, and comfort families who can no longer visit their loved ones.

For the incarcerated, who are particularly vulnerable to the spread of this virus: God, give wisdom to prison officials. Protect inmates and staff from both violence and illness. Deliver them all from fear.

For men, women and children in abusive situations: God, restrain those who commit harm. Provide protection and rescue for victims and comfort them in their vulnerability.

For countries in the developing world: God, contain the spread of infection in our world's most densely populated and poorest cities. Spare countries already burdened with disease and chronic poor health.

For Asian Americans in the United States, Africans in China, and other people all over the world subjected to COVID-related racism and xenophobia: God, confront this evil with your swift justice, and deliver our brothers and sisters from cruelty.

For everyone anxious about the economic future—how they'll pay for housing, food, and essential medicines: God, connect them to sources of help through the church, the government, and the community. Enable them to look toward you for provision.

For small churches without cash reserves: God, keep their doors open, and urge your people to give generously.

For educators, forced to adapt curricula to online learning, and for students, forced to exercise more autonomy: God, make homes a place of curiosity, inquiry, and study. Give special help to children without regular access to the internet and other digital tools.

For college and university students, whose courses of study are changing, whose placements are canceled, whose graduation is uncertain: **God, show them that while life is uncertain, their trust is in you.**

For those disappointed by the cancellation of milestone celebrations like graduations, weddings, or baby showers: God, comfort them in their disappointments, and make it possible for them to gather again with friends and family.

For expectant mothers, who face the prospect of labor and delivery without the support team they'd planned for: God, deliver them from fear, and fill them with joy as they witness new life.

For churches, parachurch ministries, and other Christian organizations doing online ministry and discipleship: God, bless our imperfect digital efforts and continue to advance the kingdom of Jesus through your people.

For those dying alone in hospitals and for their loved ones: God, draw near to them and, by your mercy, let them encounter Christ, the friend who never leaves and never forsakes.

For those involved with politics at every level: God, help our elected officials as they allocate the necessary resources for combatting this pandemic. Help them to provide more tests. Help them to work collaboratively and communicate efficiently, setting aside partisanship for the common good.

For pastors and church leaders faced with the challenges of social distancing and new methods of ministry: God, help them to creatively imagine how to pastor their congregants and love their cities well.

For frontline health care workers, we thank you for their vocational call to serve us. We also pray:

God, keep them safe and healthy. Keep their families safe and healthy.

God, help them to be knowledgeable about the diagnosis and treatment of this disease, as well as the changing protocols.

God, help them to stay clear-minded in the midst of the surrounding panic.

God, deliver them from anxiety for their own loved ones (aging parents, children, spouses, roommates).

God, give them compassion for every patient in their care.

God, provide for them financially, especially if they fall ill and are unable to work. God, help Christians in health care to exhibit extraordinary peace, so that many would ask about the reason for their hope. Give them opportunities to proclaim the gospel.

God, we acknowledge that you spoke the world into being and continue to sustain it with your Word. We trust in your wisdom, power, and goodness. Help us at every opportunity to love as you loved and to serve as you serve. Give us courage to speak of our hope in Jesus Christ, and hear us as we pray together as he taught us (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.

Hymn 452

"Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord"

Benediction

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God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind. - 2 Timothy
1:7

WELCOME! To learn about Trinity's life and service or about becoming a member of Trinity, visit www.trinitypcola.org.

Online Worship: we continue our worship online.

Wednesday Night 5:30pm Devotions and Prayers. Email invites to you on Wednesdays lead you to our online Scripture, Devotion, and Prayer Prompts as we continue to pray for ourselves, our church, community, nation, and world. The devotions are then on our website under MEDIA - STORIES.

Masks to Protect You and Your Family from the Coronavirus: They are being made by Trinity members who are also making masks for hospice and health care providers. We can use help making more! If you can help make masks, or if you need masks for you and your family, call or text Sharon Oakes 850-449-0498, or email ssoakes49@hotmail.com.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY to several church families:

To family of **Ann Dees**, who died this week after a long illness. Love to **James** Dees, Laura Dees, Kenny Heffner, James & Jonathan Sanderson, Allen Dees, Greg, Julie, Ashley & Madalyn Majewski, and to Zane & Anghaarad Teague Dees.

To Bill Brogdon, after death of his brother, Bert Brogdon, in Granville, Texas, this week.

To Margie Sanders on death of her sister, Mary Cole, in Houston, TX this week.

To Susan Ragan following the death of her cousin, Casey Rhea, a physician in Louisiana who died of COVID-19 last week.

Love and prayers to Marie Kuhn, now under hospice care and her husband, Sidney, and to Justin and Kismet Dunkerley, their grandchildren, and all their loved ones.

View Trinity Facebook posts from our trinitypcola.org website. At the top right of our website pages, click on the circle icon with Facebook "f" and it will take you to Trinity's Facebook page where you may see recent postings, even if you do not have a Facebook account.

Financial support is still needed. Please submit your tithes and offerings by check (to Trinity Presbyterian Church, 3400 Bayou Blvd, Pensacola, FL 32503) or by online giving. Directions are on www.trinitypcola.org under the tab, "Giving."

Trinity Learning Center (TLC) remains closed for now. Discussions are being held as to when and under what operations TLC can reopen.

Church Offices are closed and the staff is working from home, checking in each morning by ZOOM meeting to coordinate communications and needed services, and meeting at Trinity only when necessary. Be assured, your phone calls and emails are forwarded to us.

Weekly updates and worship bulletins will be sent on Thursdays via Constant Contact emails.

CONCERNS OF THE TRINITY FAMILY

TRINITY MEMBERS John Arrich Joe and Mary Black **Betty Burrows** Jean Calvert Allyson Yarbrough Clay The Family of Ann Dees Pat Drlicka Jayne Felix Jeanne Franz **Kathy Franz Tom Gross** Sidney & Marie Kuhn **Melanie Haupt Earl Hawthorne Kenny Heffner** Mary Kennedy Don Kilpatrick Mitzie Massey **Paul Muller Bruce Olson Richard & Sue Peden Beverly Prewitt Jake & Lil Renfroe** Ed & Angie Shehee Steve Sims (son-in-law of Peggy Watson) **Bob Snyder**

TRINITY FRIENDS & FAMILY

James Allmon (father of Shari Trujillo)

Leilia Vannoy

Ruth White

Carl Williams

John Westberry

Don Allen (neighbor of Dona & Milton Usry) Eric Allen (request of Marge Shimmin) Meghan Andrasik (daughter of Sarah Andrasik) Carol Barrett (friend of Pat Griffin) Gretchen Barron (daughter of Jon & Karen Nagel) Jeannine Bartlett (sister of Faye Groves) Teresa Bradley (request of friends of Trinity) Rebecca Brashear (granddaughter of Peggy Watson) The Family of Bert Brogdon (brother of Bill Brogdon) Reese, Blake & Rebecca Brown

(request of Freddie Prettyman)

Terri Carroll (sister of Dan Prettyman) Lynn Carter (request of Joe & Mary Black) Irene Christian (request of Freddie Prettyman) The Family of Mary Cole (sister of Margie Sanders) Charles Couch (father of Tim Couch) Norman Cushon (friend of Marge Shimmin) Frank Cutrone (request of Jean Norman) Brad Daugherty (nephew of Sandra Buck) Ashlee Davidson (granddaughter of Brenda Summersell) Bill & Ann Delavan (request of Laura Lawrence) Anne Tuten Deas (request of Hal Tuten) Nathan Dille (friend of Diane Millas) Aaron Dobie (family of Mary Ruth Dobie) Ann Dobie (family of Mary Ruth Dobie)

David Dobie (family of Mary Ruth Dobie) Ethel Edwards (grandmother of Leah Harrison) Carl Enck (brother in law of Jim & Nancy Lemke) The Family of Fred Eugley (godfather of

Lori Prettyman) Marianne Fortuna (request of Jonathan Fortuna) Dorothy Foster (request of Linda Gamble) Sylvia & Todd Frank (request of Mary Ruth Dobie) Lance Gill (son of Elizabeth & Cam Massengill) Tom & Elaine Goddard (request of Mary Ruth Dobie) Kristen Gottschalk (niece of Barb & Allen Martensen) Peggy Groves (sister in law of Jack and Fay Groves) Mike Hendrix (father of Jeff Hendrix) Mike Heynie (friend of Tiffany Holloway) Judy Huddleston (sister in law of Jean Nickinson) Tina & Roger Jaskot (friends of Jon & Karen Nagel) Chris & Jenni Jennings (niece of Pat Drlicka) Katherine Lambert (cousin of Marshall Arrich) Ken & Liz Karr (friends of Sue Davis) Pat Langau (request of Dan Prettyman) Catlin Lassiter (niece of Jan Beck) Kristen Laughlin (niece of Jim Patteson) Harold Littlejohn (request of Jill Clark) Jerry Lolli (father of Ginnette Lolli) Richard & Melanie Mabe (friends of Gary Davidson) Lisa MacKendrick (request of Mary Ann Meier) André J. Marceau (friend of Charlie Gilroy) Amy Martin (niece of Anne Green) Billie Martz (request of Jean Nickinson) Casey McVey (cousin of Susan Ragan) Joe Meeks (request of Kathy Franz) Brian Miller (son of Anna Kay Shirah, TLC Director) Shirley Moore (sister in law of Gary Moore) Carolyn Morgan (mother of Sharon Robbins)

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