

PRELUDE Julie Aanenson & Greta Johnson
WELCOME
HYMN “Let Justice Flow Like Streams” ELW #717
THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM by Clark Olson-Smith

What treasure do we have in these waters?
What difference does it make to be baptized into Christ?
Jesus is like water: always seeking the lowest point.
To be baptized is to be changed—once for all and again every new day—into people who go down to the bottom instead of trying to climb to the top.
This is the path of healing and transformation. We know it when rock bottom becomes our new foundation.
As Richard Rohr says, “the view from the top of anything is distorted by misperception, illusions, fear of falling, and a radical disconnection from the heart.”*
From below, I see clearly—reality, resilience, healing, who I really am, who God really is.
Jesus calls us to be where he is—near the poor, the sinner, the suffering, and the enemy. That’s not just to help them, but to "let them help us in ways we never knew we needed."
Baptism is this call in our lives.
Baptism gives us this Spirit to go into the depths and not to stay just on the surface of things. Down into grief. Down into love. Baptism shows us who we’ve always been and who we will always be—a beloved child of an endlessly strong and wise Mother, an endlessly gentle and loving Father. **Baptism brings us back home.**
When we are at home in God, we don’t even need to be afraid of what we have done or what others have done to us. Need, desire, doubt, resistance, rebellion are no threat. We can include them. We can include everyone and everything and exclude nothing and no one.
Because God wastes nothing, not even sin. Because in Christ, all things hold together.
This is the treasure in these waters. This and every other promise of goodness, mercy, and life. You are baptized into the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

CHOIR ANTHEM: ROLL DOWN JUSTICE

PRAYER by Sara Bessey

HYMN: “LET STREAMS OF LIVING JUSTICE” VERSE 1 ELW #710
BELLS ANTHEM LIVE A HUMBLE Video from Work of the People

REFLECTION - Harriet Tubman from Holy Troublemakers and Unconventional
Saints by Daneen Akers

HYMN: “LET STREAMS OF LIVING JUSTICE” VERSE 2 ELW #710

CHOIR ANTHEM: ANGELS UNAWARE Video from Work of the People

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM ELW PG. 234

HYMN: “LET STREAMS OF LIVING JUSTICE” VERSE 3 ELW #710

APOSTLES CREED

OFFERING “Here I Am Lord” Flutes and Keys

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION Adapted from Prayers by Laura Jean Truman

BELLS ANTHEM: MAKE ME AN INSTRUMENT

READER: DAVE ANDERSON

CHOIR ANTHEM: KINGDOM OF PEACE

BENEDICTION

May we dream of a world made new,
Where together we shout for justice,
And as one we fight against oppression.
May we dream of a world made new,
Where together we seek God’s righteousness
And as one we sing God’s praise.
May we dream of a world made new,
Where together we climb God’s mountain,
And as one we enter the promised land.
May we dream of a world made new,
Where together we proclaim the good news of God’s kingdom,
And as one we enjoy its peace, and abundance and love.

HYMN: GOD OF JUSTICE, LOVE, AND MERCY SEE INSERT

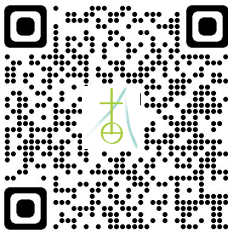
DISMISSAL: L: We are Disciples of Christ..... A: Called to grow in faith and action!
POSTLUDE Greta Johnson

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Worship Helpers: Accompanist: Greta Johnson & Julie Aanenson Technology: Bill Simmons  
Ushers: Mike and Jan Hokanson Reader: Terry Carlisle Song Leader: Denise Hemerick  
Communion Assistants: Pat Hochgraber (2)  
Trinity Choir Director: Tom Young Bell Choir Director: Terri Hutchinson  
Instrumentalists: Doug Dunham, Terri Hutchinson, Dotz Johnson, Clare Miller, Tim Siewert, and  
Carol Turner  
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PRAYERS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ▶ **Today we pray for:** Sara Moen, Elaine Brattland, Erlene & Fran DeCock, Karl Hagen, Bob Hoover, Mary Thompson, Dick & Kathie Lundeen, Katie Gaugert, Clarice Hanson, Faye Johnson, DeAnn Gottsman, Megan (Wes & Betty Jo Sorenson’s daughter), Kathryn (Dorothy Hoover’s niece), Cheryl (Fran Leland’s daughter), Margaret (Marty Breitzman’s mother) and all of our service connected personnel and their families, serving here and abroad in any capacity
- ▶ **Please call the church office if you or someone you know will be or is in the hospital.**
- ▶ We are looking for Ushers, Greeters, Communion Servers and more for the summer months. If serving Jesus through one or more of these roles would give you joy, please do not hesitate to contact Pr. Megan or the office.
- ▶ **COMING IN MAY**
 - ▶ **Food, Fun, & Fellowship** – Tuesday, May 20, 11:30 am.
This is a SALAD pot-luck. Bring a salad to share! All are welcome!
 - ▶ **Spring Clean Up Day!** Wed. May 21, starting at 4:00 pm.
No experience necessary!
- ▶ **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Registration closing soon!!** Programs available for Age 3 – 5th grade. June 16-19, 2025. Sign-up at www.trinitylutherandl.org, by May 28. Food donation list is available in the Gathering Space. Contact Laura if you are interested in volunteering!

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*Welcome to Worship*  
*May 18, 2025 9:00 am*



## Live a-Humble

Refrain:

Live a-humble, humble,

Humble yourselves, the bell's done rung,

Live a-humble, humble,

Humble yourselves, the bell's done rung.

Glory and honor! Praise King Jesus!

Glory and honor! Praise the Lord!

Glory and honor! Praise King Jesus!

Glory and honor! Praise the Lord!

Live a-humble, humble,

Humble yourselves, the bell's done rung,

Live a-humble, humble,

Humble yourselves, the bell's done rung.

1 Watch that sun, how steady it runs,  
Don't let it catch you with your work undone. [Refrain]

2 Ever see such a man as God?  
He gave up His Son for to come and die.  
Gave up His Son for to come and die,  
Just to save my soul from a burning fire, [Refrain]

## God of Justice, Love, and Mercy

God of justice, love, and mercy.  
Pour your wisdom on our souls;  
By your all-sustaining power  
Keep our spirits strong and whole.  
Lift our eyes to see your vision  
Of a world in urgent need;  
Grant us courage, then, to follow.  
Bringing comfort with each deed.

God of justice, love, and mercy  
With compassion let us care;  
As we come in humble weakness,  
May your strength be ours to share.  
Press our hearts to know the struggle  
Of the ones we cannot see;  
Brothers, sisters, all who suffer,  
May Your kindness set them free.

God of justice, love and mercy,  
Send us out and make us bold.  
As we strive for your high calling,  
Let our hands your mercies hold.  
You have blessed us with abundance,  
Gifts to share with those in need;  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
May we follow as You lead.

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Gifts to share with those in need;  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
May we follow as You lead.