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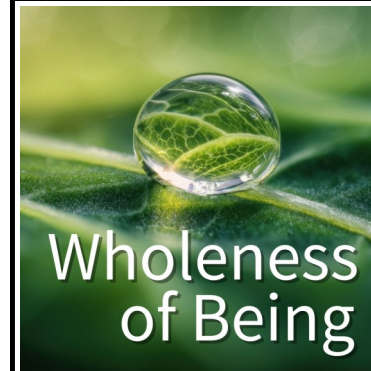
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# TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*A Welcoming Community of  
Compassion & Faith*

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 19, 2026

**PRELUDE**

*Prelude in G Major*

Felix Mendelssohn

**WELCOME TO TRINITY**

Bonnie Barber

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

*Easter People, Raise Your Voices*

Hymnal No 304

**OPENING PRAYER** (in unison)

O God who makes all things new,  
your love gathers all creation into communion,  
and your Spirit is drawing the world toward wholeness.  
Open our hearts to the presence of the risen Christ among us  
so that we may discover new life together in community,  
hope within wounded places, care for the earth,  
and freedom in self-giving love.  
As we find wholeness in you,  
help us to live as signs of your love in the world;  
through Jesus Christ, risen and living,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**INTERCESSORY PRAYER and THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*After each petition ending "God of resurrection,"  
please respond saying: "hear our prayer."*

**PRAYER RESPONSE**

*Lord Jesus Christ*

Lord Je-sus Christ, your light shines with-in us. Let not my doubts nor my dark-ness speak to me.

Lord Je - sus Christ, your light shines with-in us. Let my heart al-ways wel - come your love.

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

Nima Sudhakar

**SENDING SONG**

*Go With Them, Lord*

Go with them, Lord, and guide the way through this and ev - ery com-ing day, that

in Your Spir - it strong and true their lives may be a gift to You.

**PSALTER**

Psalm 116

Hymnal № 837

**SCRIPTURE READING**

John 20:19-31

**SERMON**

"Unstoppable Love" Rev. Dr. Brian C. Smith

**HYMN**

*O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go*

Hymnal № 480

**TRINITY WILMETTE THIS WEEK**

Garrett Heersche

**GIVING OUR TITHES and OFFERINGS**

**Offertory**

*Love Has Broken Down the Wall*

Mark A. Miller

Chancel Choir

Love has broken down the wall. Let us join our hearts as one. We're accepted as we are. Through love's power all is reconciled. Cast aside your doubts and fears. Peace and love, freely offered here; cast aside your doubts and fears. We will tear down the walls! We will tear down every wall! Love has called us, one and all. Love has broken down the wall.

**Doxology**

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Hymnal № 94

**PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

**CLOSING HYMN**

*Now the Green Blade Riseth*

Hymnal № 311

**BENEDICTION and CHORAL AMEN**

**POSTLUDE**

*Trumpet Voluntary*

John Stanley

*The flowers on the altar this morning are given in Celebration  
of the Thirtieth Anniversary of  
Rev. Dr. Brian C. Smith and Rev. Joseph A. Johnson.*