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WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

Alleluia! Christ is risen! The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The Pastor and People of Trinity Lutheran are glad that you are joining us in worship today. We are an "Easter People." As such, we celebrate Christ's victory over sin and death not only one Sunday of the Year, but every Sunday! Jesus Christ is worshipped here as the Living Lord and is seen alive as He comes to us in His Word and Sacraments. We pray that you will discover the same Lord Jesus as you worship with us today.

PRAYER UPON ENTERING WORSHIP

O Lord God, You teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing. Pour into our hearts Your most excellent gift of love, that, made alive by Your Spirit, we may know goodness and peace, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CONCERNING HOLY COMMUNION

Lutherans believe that in this Sacrament the very Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ are present in, with, and under the physical elements of bread and wine. And this Sacrament is distributed to the Baptized of the Church who believe in the Presence of Christ in the Sacrament, sincerely repent of their sins, and desire to receive God's forgiveness in this Holy Meal. Those who are present at this celebration who are baptized, have been instructed in the meaning of this Supper, and believe likewise are welcome to commune with us at this Altar today. Anyone who desires, child or adult, may come forward to receive a blessing.

Persons who have questions about what Lutherans believe or have any spiritual concerns are asked to speak with an Usher so that they can direct you to the Pastor so that you may speak with him before communing.



The Divine Service of Word and Sacrament in the Season of Easter

Divine Service, Setting One Lutheran Service Book, Page 151ff

✤ In the Name of Jesus Christ ♣

✤ The Preparation ✤

Eastertide Music for Meditation

The Prelude

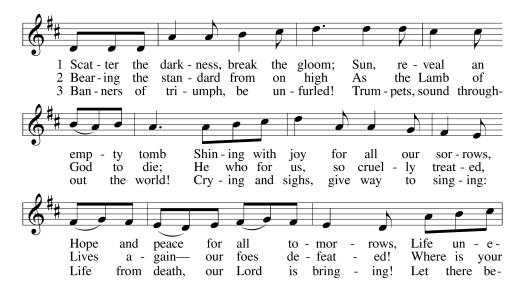
"Scatter the Darkness, Break the Gloom"

The Words of Welcome

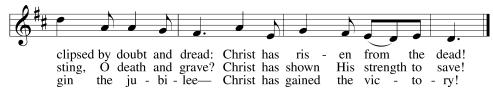
The Congregation rises.

The Opening Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 481 "Scatter the Darkness, Break the Gloom"



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The Invocation and Easter Acclamation:

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

■ In the Name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- **C** The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The Confession of Sins and Absolution:

- Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?
- C We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. Romans 6:3-4
- P Christ, having been raised from the dead, will never die again. The death He died, He died to sin, once for all. The life He lives, He lives to God. Knowing that we have been raised with Christ, let us confess our sins that our lives may be raised and renewed by the power of His forgiveness. *from Romans 6:9-11*

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.



- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy Name. Amen.
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the +→ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

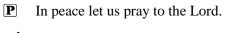
✤ The Service of the Word ✤

The Introit of the Day

Psalm 98:2-6; antiphon: verse 1

- P Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things! His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.
- C The LORD has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.
- P He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.
- C Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!
- Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody!
- C With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD!
- **C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- P Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things! His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

The Kyrie Eleison:





P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

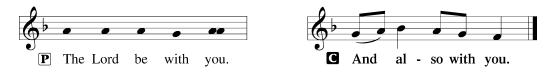


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The Hymn of Praise This Is the Feast Refrain This is the feast С of vic-to-ry for our God. 0 Al-le - lu ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu ia. -0 0. Wor-thy 1 – is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose 2 Pow rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and er, with all 3 Sing the peo - ple of God, and 4 Bless ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to 5 For the Lamb_ who was slain has be -0 0 blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. Refrain ing, and glo - ry bless hon - or, are His. Refrain in the hymn of join all cre - a tion: Stanza 4 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. Α men. Refrain His reign. Al - le - lu gun ia. Final Refrain Final Refrain This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. 0 Al-le - lu - ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-lelu ia. -

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The Salutation and Collect of the Day:



P Let us pray.

O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



The Congregation is seated.

The First Reading

Acts 11:1-18

¹Now the apostles and the brothers who were throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. ²So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcision party criticized him, saying, ³"You went to uncircumcised men and ate with them." ⁴But Peter began and explained it to them in order: ⁵"I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision, something like a great sheet descending, being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to me. ⁶Looking at it closely, I observed animals and beasts of prev and reptiles and birds of the air. ⁷And I heard a voice saying to me, 'Rise, Peter; kill and eat.' ⁸But I said, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing common or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' ⁹But the voice answered a second time from heaven, 'What God has made clean, do not call common.' ¹⁰This happened three times, and all was drawn up again into heaven. ¹¹And behold, at that very moment three men arrived at the house in which we were, sent to me from Caesarea. ¹²And the Spirit told me to go with them, making no distinction. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. ¹³And he told us how he had seen the angel stand in his house and say, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon who is called Peter; ¹⁴he will declare to you a message by which you will be saved, you and all your household.' ¹⁵As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them just as on us at the beginning. ¹⁶And I

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remembered the word of the Lord, how he said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' ¹⁷If then God gave the same gift to them as he gave to us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could stand in God's way?" ¹⁸When they heard these things they fell silent. And they glorified God, saying, "Then to the Gentiles also God has granted repentance that leads to life."

- **L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

The Epistle

Revelation 21:1-7

¹Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. ⁴He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

⁵And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." ⁶And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. ⁷The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Congregation rises.

The Gradual and Verse

adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6 Romans 6:9; John 14:23

- Christ has risen from the dead. [God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor.
- C He has given him dominion over the works of his hands; he has put all things under his feet.
- Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. Alleluia.
- C Alleluia. If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹²[Jesus said:] "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

¹⁶"A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me." ¹⁷So some of his disciples said to one another, "What is this that he says to us, 'A little while, and you will not see me, and again a little while, and you will see me'; and, 'because I am going to the Father'?" ¹⁸So they were saying, "What does he mean by 'a little while'? We do not know what he is talking about." ¹⁹Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, "Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, 'A little while and you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me'? ²⁰Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. ²¹When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. ²²So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- **C** Praise to You, O Christ.
- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- **C** The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The Congregation is seated.



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The Hymn of the Day Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 700 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" vine. of 1 Love di _ all loves ex - cel ling, Joy 2 Breathe. 0 breathe Thy lov Spir -In ing it to 3 Come, Al might de - liv er; Let у, to us 4 Fin ish Thy new then cre - a tion, Pure and --Fix heav'n. come down! Thy to earth in us 'ry bled breast; Let all in ev trou us -Sud all Thy life re - ceive; den ly re -less let be; Let see Thy spot us us hum ble dwell - ing, All Thy faith - ful mer - cies crown. find Thee in her - it; Let us Thy prom - ised rest. turn, and nev - er, Nev er - more Thy ples leave. tem great sal - va - tion Per fect - ly re - stored in Thee, Je sus. Thou art all com pas sion, Pure, un -Take а way the love of sin ning; Al pha Thee al Serve Thee we would be ways bless - ing, -Changed from glo in glo Till ry to ry, in bound -Vis with ed love Thou art; _ it us Ο be; End of and me ga faith, as Thy hosts bove, Pray and Thee as a praise heav'n we take our place, Till we cast our Thy En 'ry trem - bling heart. sal - va tion, ter ev -Set lib its be - gin ning, our hearts at - er - ty. with - out ceas ing, Glo Thy per fect love. ry in crowns be - fore Thee, Lost won - der, love, and praise! in

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The Sermon

God's New Creation

The Congregation rises.

The Nicene Creed:

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the

Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayer of the Church:

- **P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- Let us pray for the whole Church on earth; for all pastors, teachers, deaconesses, musicians and servants of Christ's people, that the Holy Spirit give us the joy of singing the new song, a hymn of resurrection victory in Christ our Savior. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- ▶ Let us pray for our Southeastern District, for John, our District President, for _____, our President-Elect, and for all those who lead us, that we may be strengthened and empowered to be co-workers together with the Lord in the work of mission which He has given us to be about. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.

▶ Let us pray for our congregation, the Mekane Yesus congregation, and for every Christian community of faith, that God make us outposts of the age to come, living already in this fallen world the joys of a life that death cannot destroy. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

▶ Let us pray for those who here in this place help us to sing the Lord's song of Good News—for Skip, our parish musician, for our choir, and for all those who share their musical gifts with us—that as we sing together of the wonderful deeds of God we may also have a glimpse and foretaste of the eternal singing yet to come. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

■ Let us pray for the President, the Congress and all who make, administer and judge our laws, that our common life might be conformed to the will of God. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

▶ Let us pray for the members of our armed forces and the civilians who assist them, that Christ would protect them and use them to secure peace and justice, and bring them home in safety to their families. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

▶ Let us pray for those who travel, for pregnant women and young mothers, for the lonely and afflicted, for those suffering from addiction, and for all those who stand in any need of body or soul, that our heavenly Father would protect, nourish, sustain and restore them. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

▶ Let us pray for those who are sick and those who suffer, especially _____, that they might be surrounded by God's love in Christ and healed according to His gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- **C** hear our prayer.

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Let us pray for all those who mourn the earthly passing of their loved ones, (especially _____,) that they may receive comfort and peace from the One who is our Resurrection and our Life. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- ▶ Let us pray that the Lord would hear and answer according to His will the needs and concerns of all those who have committed themselves to our prayers, especially remembering ______ and all those whom we name before the Lord in the silence of our hearts... Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Let us pray for those who come to the feast of Christ's Body and Blood this day, that preserved from unbelief and impenitence, they may receive forgiveness of all sin and experience a foretaste of the feast to come. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

▶ Let us give thanks to the Lord for Constantine and Helena, and all those who have fallen asleep in the sure hope of the resurrection to eternal life. And we pray that the Lord will also give us our portion in light with all of His saints. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- **C** Amen.

The Sharing of the Peace:

- The Risen Christ came and stood among His disciples and said, "Peace be with you." Then they were glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia. The Peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **C** And also with you.

The Congregation is seated.



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✤ The Service of the Sacrament ✤

The Hymn of Preparation Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 818 "In Thee Is Gladness" 1 In Thee is glad - ness A - mid all sad - ness, Je sus. 2 Since He is ours,___ We fear no pow - ers, Not of giv - en The gifts of shine of By Thee are sun _ my heart. earth nor sin nor death. He sees and bless - es In worst dis heav-en, Thou the Re-deem - er Our souls Thou true art. tress - es; He change them with Where-fore the can а breath. wak-est, Our bonds Thou break - est; Who trusts Thee sure - ly Has built se-His glo - ry With hearts and voic - es; All heav'n resto - ry Tell of cure-ly; He stands for - ev er: Al - le - lu - ia! Our hearts are joic - es In Him for - ev _ Al - le - lu - ia!We shout for er: pin - ing То see Thy shin ing, Dy - ing liv - ing or ness, Love Him and praise Him glad - ness, Tri-umph o'er sad sev - er: Al-le-lu-ia! To Thee are cleav - ing; Naught can us And still shall raise Him Glad hymns for - ev - er: Al-le-lu-ia!

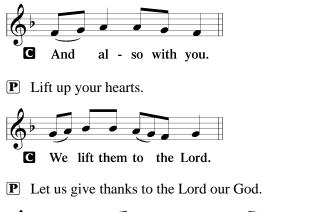
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The Preface Dialogue:

P The Lord be with you.



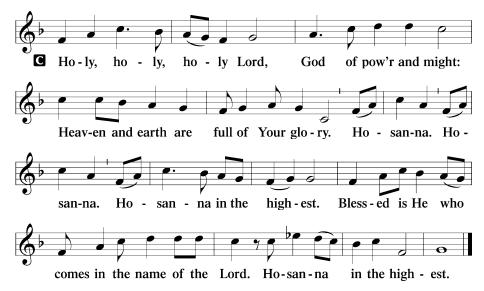


▶ It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:



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The Sanctus:



The Prayer of Thanksgiving:

Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His Body and His Blood on the cross. Gathered in the Name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His Body and drink His Blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.



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The Words of Our Lord:

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + Body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + Blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The Proclamation of Christ and the Lord's Prayer:

- As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- **C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your Body and Blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- C 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

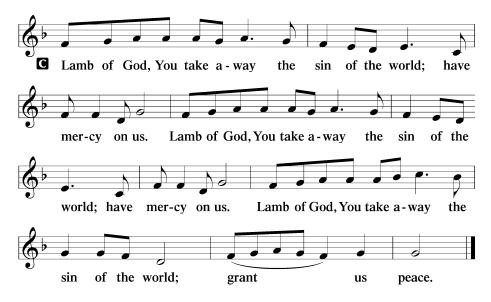
The Pax Domini:

P The Peace of the Lord be with you always.



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The Agnus Dei:



The Congregation is seated.

The Distribution of Holy Communion

Holy Communion is celebrated in this place in the joyful confidence that Jesus Christ Himself comes to us to give us in bread and wine His very Body and Blood to offer to us the forgiveness of sins. All Baptized Christians who have been instructed in the meaning of this Sacrament and confess with us Christ's Real Presence in this Holy Meal are welcome to commune with us at this Altar. A fuller explanation of what Lutherans believe concerning Holy Communion may be found on page one of this worship folder.

Holy Communion is distributed to the congregation in a continuous manner in front of the altar. Please follow the direction of the ushers to make your way to the Altar. The Sacrament is distributed in the following way...Please extend your hand to the Pastor to receive the Body of Christ. Christ's Blood is then received from individual cups from the assistant (wine and white grape juice are available). After receiving, please place your empty cup into the tray at the end of the communion rail and return to your seat by way of the side aisle. Children and those not wishing to receive the Sacrament are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing from the Pastor.

Music During the Distribution: "In Thee Is Gladness"

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After all have communed, the Pastor continues:

The Eucharistic Blessing:

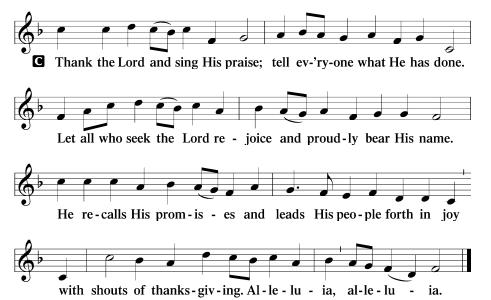
■ The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.

C Amen.

The Congregation rises.

The Post-Communion Canticle:

Thank the Lord



The Post-Communion Collect:

P Let us pray.

We give You thanks, almighty and merciful God, that You have refreshed us with Your Holy Sacrament; and we beseech You to pour out upon our hearts the Spirit of Your love, and to unite in peace those whom You have fed with the true Paschal Lamb, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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The Easter Acclamation and Benediction:

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

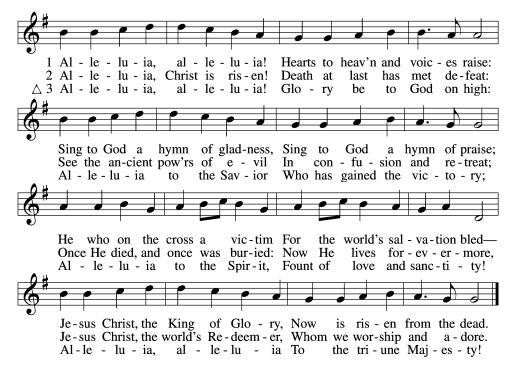
The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.



The Hymn to Depart

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 477

"Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven"



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The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

"Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven"

★ To God Be All Praise and Glory! ★

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THOSE WHO SERVE US THIS MORNING IN WORSHIP

The Celebrant & Preacher The Lector The Communion Assistant The Worship Assistant The Parish Musician The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel Waymond Joynes Helen Joynes Paul Ritter Skip Hall



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NOTES AND NEWS

COVID UPDATE ... We are happy to know that the COVID metrics in our local area have improved to the place that County officials have made the decision to lift the indoor mask mandate. The wearing of masks while in the church building is now optional, and you are free to wear or not wear them as you choose, or as your personal needs determine. We ask, in love for one another, that everyone continue to observe our "Stay Safe Rules" as printed in the bulletin and posted at the church entrances. Thank you all for your continued patience and loving concern for our Trinity Family during this time.

TODAY ... Our congregation's Ministry Planning Group (MPG) will be meeting following worship to tend to the matters of our life together in this place. If you have any questions or concerns that you would like the MPG to discuss or consider, please speak with Pastor, Helen Joynes, or any other member of the MPG to help us with items that need to be on our agenda.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR ... What principles are there to help us better hear what Scripture is saying? Listen to the Lutheran Hour with speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler next Sunday, May 22, 2022, for this message, "What the Bible is For", on WFAX 1220 AM or 100.7 FM at 11:00 AM and 10:00 PM, as well as at 5:00 AM and 6:00 PM on Saturdays. If you are out of the radio station's range you may listen on line to WFAX worldwide at WFAX.com. For more information on this media ministry, or to listen to messages on demand, visit the Lutheran Hour Ministries website at lhm.org, under "Media" and "The Lutheran Hour".

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHIES ... are extended to the family of Elizabeth "Betty" Holland, who passed away on May 6, 2022. Her Service of Victory will be held here at Trinity on Saturday, May 21st at 1:00 PM

OUR PRAYER LIST ... We are pleased to have an active ministry of prayer among us, attested by the weekly "O Christ, Hear Us" page in the bulletin, inviting us all to remember these persons and needs in our prayer during worship at Trinity and in our own personal prayers during the week. We kindly ask you to also help us keep this list current and up to date by letting us know of any changes or deletions which need to be made. To do this please contact Pastor or the church office with a note that can be placed in the offering basket at church, or with an email.

ALTAR FLOWERS ... The flower chart for 2022 is available for you to donate floral arrangements to adorn the Lord's Altar in honor of special occasions or in memory of loved ones. The chart can be found on the bulletin board in the narthex. The donation for a single arrangement is \$30.00. If you have any questions, please contact Rona by calling the church office or by email (trinity-elc-office@verizon.net).

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS ... In our weekly Prayer of the Church, the final petition is dedicated to all of the Faithful Departed who are now with the Lord and a part of the Church Triumphant. As a part of this remembrance, we recall by name the saints who are on the calendar of Feasts, Festivals, and Commemorations of our church and remembered during the current week. Some have asked for more information about these saints; so, biographies for each saint, along with a prayer and suggested Scripture readings, are now available for you on our church website.

THIS WEEK'S COMMEMORATION ...

May 21 Emperor Constantine, Christian Ruler, and his mother, Helena

Visit <u>http://tlcmr.org/worship/celebrating-the-saints/</u> where you can learn more about the cycle of saints' days on the church calendar and find the biographies for each saint listed by month.

COMPASSION CENTER NEWS... Our Compassion Center is open and is once again serving members of our community with their needs for food and clothing. Please see the full page announcement in the bulletin for more information. If you are able to volunteer during the Center's open hours, please contact Elma. Thank you all for your continued help and support and prayers.

In an effort to keep the cupboards full at the Compassion Center during this time of great need in our community we will continue to need your generous donations of food. All nonperishable foods are welcome, and especially needed items include:

Peanut Butter; Pasta; Pasta Sauce; Macaroni & Cheese; Canned Tuna and Chicken; Canned Fruit; Soup.

There is also a need for diapers, especially sizes 4, 5, and 6.

Donations can be dropped off at the Center during Center hours. And you can also leave your donations at church, and we will make sure that it is delivered to the Compassion Center. Thank you for your loving and generous support.

Elma Pervaiz, Coordinator, LMS Compassion Center, Hyattsville, MD

PREPARING FOR THE COMING SUNDAY ... The Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 22, 2022 Scripture Readings: Acts 16:9-15; Revelation 21:9-14, 21-27; John 16:23-33

Trinity Stay-Safe Rules

- ✤ If you are sick, PLEASE STAY HOME, and please get under a doctor's care.
- If you are over 65 or immunocompromised, please be careful, follow the rules here at church, or feel free to stay home with God's blessing and ours. (We'll be here when you are ready to come back to worship.)
- While in the church building, wearing of a mask is optional. In love and care for one another, use your best judgment with regards to current health guidelines as to whether or not you wear a mask.
- Physical Distancing Requirements have been lifted, so you are free to sit where and as you wish. Use your own best judgement as to how close you wish to sit to others.
- Wash your hands often. 20 seconds with soap and water. Hand sanitizer is available for you to use as well. Try not to touch your face.
- Cough and sneeze into a tissue or into your elbow.
- Please, no handshaking. Use an elbow bump or wave for now.
- All Worship materials are printed for each service. As we will not be reusing them, please take them home with you to recycle.
- Offerings will not be collected during the service. Please place your offering in the basket on the table in the rear of the nave, or continue to mail in your offering to the church office.
- Holy Communion will be distributed in a continuous fashion using individual wafers and cups. Please follow the direction of the usher to go forward and receive the Sacrament, and please keep a distance in line between persons.

Thank you all for your continued patience and concern for one another during this time.



Hyattsville Compassion Center

A shared ministry of Redeemer & Trinity Congregations and the Lutheran Mission Society

Ms. Elma Pervaiz, Center Coordinator Center Phone Number: 301-277-2302, ext. 23

We are happy to announce that our Compassion Center has reopened!

Our operating hours are: Monday: 10 AM – 4 PM Tuesday: 10 AM – 4 PM Wednesday: 10 AM – 2 PM

Food and Clothing Ministry is available by appointment during the center's open hours. Please call Elma to make arrangements for us to assist you.

The thrift center will be open during our operating hours with the following safety guidelines:

- Masks must be worn at all times
- Please observe social distancing
- Number of persons in the center at a time will be limited

In-Kind Donations for the thrift center are limited at this time owing to reduced staffing at the center. If you have donations, please contact Elma at the center before bringing your items during center hours.

PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 15 – 22 May Be Subject to Change

Today	The Fifth Sunday of Easter	
	8:30 AM	Bible Study
	9:30 AM	Worship Service with Holy Communion
		(at church in person and via Facebook Live)
	10:45 AM	Ministry Planning Group Meeting
	12:00 PM	EECMYM Worship (at church in person)
Monday	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
Tuesday	9:00 AM—Noon	Church Office Open
	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
Wednesday	9:00 AM—Noon	Church Office Open
	10:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Compassion Center Open
Thursday	9:00 AM—Noon	Church Office Open
Saturday	1:00 PM	Service of Victory for Betty Holland
Next Sunday	The Sixth Sunday of Easter	
	8:30 AM	Bible Study
	9:30 AM	Worship Service with Holy Communion
		(at church in person and via Facebook Live)
	10:45 AM	Trinity Singers Rehearsal
	12:00 PM	EECMYM Worship (at church in person)



CHURCH STATISTICS

Sunday, May 8, 2022

Worship Attendance: 18; Communed: 18.



🛎 O Christ, Hear Us! 🛎

Intercessions for the Week of May 15, 2022

Prayers for Continued Healing and Help

For Members of Our Trinity Family:

John, Diane, Carole, Julie & Kenny, Joseph, Diane, John Tyler, Elizabeth, Waymond, Alan, August, Clara, David, Ernie, Paul, and Angela

For Those Who Have Asked of Our Prayers:

Luke, grandson of Charlie & Jean; Betty, mother of Helen; Susan, relative of Gus & Betty; Joe, friend of Cullen; Britnany, niece of Lynda; Juliet, mother of Ras-I; Linda, daughter of Gus & Betty; Dennis & Caron, former Concordia School Teachers; Zoila, mother of David; Jeff, husband of Mary; Jari, former Concordia Teacher; Catelyn, step-granddaughter of Ernie; Ray, relative of Kim; Sandy, relative of Kim; Cherra, mother-in-law of Meghan; Nathan, son of Art; Helen, aunt of Judy; Susan, friend of Kim; Jim, uncle of Paul; Kathy, co-worker of Joyce; Bernie, friend of Trinity; Donna, friend of Gus; Manuel, father of David; Randy, friend of Pepper; Jim, friend of Judy

All those affected by or who are in fear of the Coronavirus Outbreak. For our Medical Community, First Responders, and other Workers who aid us in this time.

Thanksgivings and Blessings

Rebecca McCoyer, who celebrates her birthday this week. Paul & Verona Juhasz, who celebrate their wedding anniversary this week.

Those Who Mourn

The Family of Elizabeth Holland, who passed away on May 6th.

We Keep In Our Prayers

- ♥ Our Trinity family, our ministries, and our mission.
- ✤ Pastor Gugssa Biru and the people of the Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus in Maryland.
- ✤ For the Lord to continue to move the hearts of our Trinity Members to a deeper realization of our part in His mission to the world and to be *Ablaze!* with a desire to tell the Good News about Jesus with those whom we come into contact in our lives.

- ✤ For the work of our Compassion Center, for Elma Pervaiz, our center coordinator, and for Redeemer Lutheran and the Lutheran Mission Society, our mission partners.
- \blacksquare Our government leaders, and for the members of our armed forces.
- ✤ For peace and justice among the residents of our nation's cities and towns where there is unrest from fear and distrust.
- \clubsuit For an end to racism and bigotry in our nation and world.
- ♥ For all those still affected and recovering from the effects of natural disasters.
- ✤ For our brothers and sisters in Christ who suffer persecution for the faith and Name of Jesus, even to the point of shedding their blood.
- ✤ For peace in our world, especially in those places that are affected by war, oppression, or acts of terror.
- \clubsuit For all those we know who are sick, who grieve, and who are in any need of prayer.





Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church 4000 – 30th Street at the intersection of 30th Street and Bunker Hill Road Mount Rainier, Maryland 20712

Sunday Mornings: Adult Bible Study – 8:30 AM Worship with Holy Communion – 9:30 AM

Worship Services are livestreamed on Facebook Live For more information, please visit the church website.

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