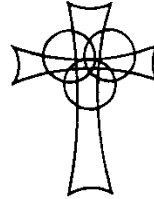


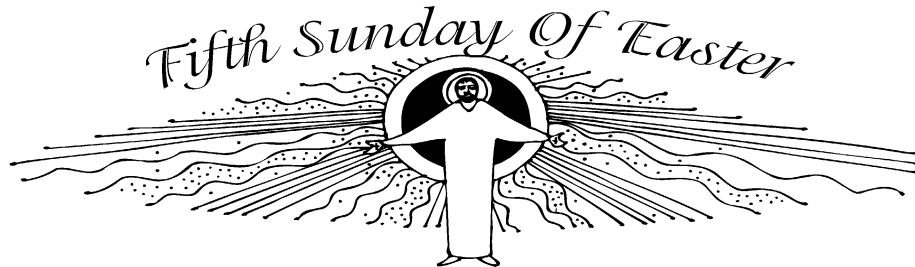
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WELCOME TO WORSHIP ONLINE!!!

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

We are glad that you are joining us online for 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 among us here as the Living Lord and He is seen alive as He comes to us through His Word and the Sacraments. We pray that you will see and meet the same Lord Jesus as you worship with us today.

A PRAYER AS WE GATHER

Almighty God, Your Son Jesus Christ is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Give us grace to love one another, to follow in the way of His commandments, and to share His risen life with all the world, for He lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



The Order of Morning Service Without Communion

*From Divine Service, Setting Three
Lutheran Service Book, Page 184ff*

Today's service may seem familiar to some as it follows the traditional outline of what was known to many as the "Page Five" service found in The Lutheran Hymnal. Because our worshipping online during this time prohibits us from our normal weekly celebration of Holy Communion, this seemed to be the most fitting order which allows us to follow our usual order of service that contains Confession and Forgiveness, Scripture, and Sermon, but without the celebration of the Service of the Sacrament.

✠ *In the Name of Jesus Christ* ✠

✠ The Preparation ✠

The Prelude

"The Day of Resurrection"

The Words of Welcome

The Opening Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 478

"The Day of Resurrection"

- 1 The day of resurrection!**
Earth, tell it out abroad,
The passover of gladness,
The passover of God.
From death to life eternal,
From sin's dominion free,
Our Christ has brought us over
With hymns of victory.

- 2 Let hearts be purged of evil**
That we may see aright
The Lord in rays eternal
Of resurrection light
And, list'ning to His accents,
May hear, so calm and plain,
His own "All hail!" and, hearing,
May raise the victor strain.

The Hymn continues on the next page...

3 Now let the heav'ns be joyful,
Let earth its song begin,
Let all the world keep triumph
And all that is therein.
Let all things, seen and unseen,
Their notes of gladness blend;
For Christ the Lord has risen,
Our joy that has no end!

△ 4 All praise to God the Father,
All praise to God the Son,
All praise to God the Spirit,
Eternal Three in One!
Let all the ransomed number
Fall down before the throne
And honor, pow'r, and glory
Ascribe to God alone!

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The Invocation and Easter Acclamation:

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

P 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:

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our Help is in the Name of the Lord,
C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

P Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His Name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved.

Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

C Amen.

✠ The Service of the Word ✠

The Introit of the Day

Psalm 30:1-5; antiphon: Psalm 149:1

P Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a new song,
his praise in the assembly of the godly!

C I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up
and have not let my foes rejoice over me.

P O LORD my God, I cried to you for help,
and you have healed me.

C O LORD, you have brought up my soul from Sheol;
you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.

P Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints,
and give thanks to his holy name.

C For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime.
Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

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 Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a new song,
his praise in the assembly of the godly!

Alleluia!

“Make Songs of Joy”

- 1 **Make songs of joy to Christ, our head;
Alleluia!
He lives again who once was dead!
Alleluia!**
- 2 **Our life was purchased by His loss;
Alleluia!
He died our death upon the cross.
Alleluia!**
- 3 **O death, where is your deadly sting?
Alleluia!
Assumed by our triumphant King!
Alleluia!**

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The Salutation and Collect of the Day:

- P** The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**

- 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.
C **Amen.**

The Epistle

1 Peter 2:2-10

²Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation— ³if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

⁴As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, ⁵you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶For it stands in Scripture:

“Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone,
a cornerstone chosen and precious,
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

⁷So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone,”

⁸and

“A stone of stumbling,
and a rock of offense.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

⁹But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Alleluia Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 484

“Make Songs of Joy”

**4 And where your victory, O grave,
Alleluia!
When one like Christ has come to save?
Alleluia!**

**5 Behold, the tyrants, one and all,
Alleluia!
Before our mighty Savior fall!
Alleluia!**

**△ 6 For this be praised the Son who rose,
Alleluia!
The Father, and the Holy Ghost!
Alleluia!**

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The Holy Gospel

John 14:1-14

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹[Jesus said:] “Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ²In my Father’s house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and

will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to where I am going.” ⁵Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” ⁶Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

⁸Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us.” ⁹Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? ¹⁰Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority, but the Father who dwells in me does his works.

¹¹Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else believe on account of the works themselves.

¹²“Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father. ¹³Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.”

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 Apostles’ Creed:

C 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 Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit;
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life † everlasting. Amen.

“Precious Lord, Take My Hand”

- 1 Precious Lord, take my hand,
Lead me on, let me stand;
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
Through the storm, through the night,
Lead me on to the light.
Take my hand, precious Lord; lead me home.**

- 2 When my way grows drear,
Precious Lord, linger near,
When my life is almost gone,
Hear my cry, hear my call;
Hold my hand lest I fall.
Take my hand, precious Lord; lead me home.**

- 3 When the darkness appears
And the night draws near
And the day is almost gone,
At the river I stand;
Guide my feet, hold my hand,
Take my hand, precious Lord; lead me home.**

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✘ The Service of Prayer ✘

The Prayer of the Church

- P** As newborn infants who long for the pure spiritual milk, so let us come before the Lord seeking His mercy with confidence that His grace will be sufficient for all our needs.

Almighty Father, everlasting God, Your Son has revealed You to us as a merciful Lord. Give to us Your Holy Spirit, that we may believe in Him whom You have sent and do the greater works He has told us we will do in His name. Lord, in Your mercy,

- C** hear our prayer.



P Lord God, You have promised to build up Your Church to be a holy priesthood, that Your people might offer the spiritual sacrifices of praise and thanksgiving acceptable to You. Bless Your Church and bring all congregations back together again. Bless all pastors who proclaim Christ to us. Bless all church workers and those preparing for full-time church vocations, that Your Church may be supplied with faithful leaders and servants of Your Word. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Heavenly Father, You have given us the wisdom of faith that through the Spirit we might know Your Son to be the way, the truth and the life. Bless all those who teach and all who learn, that the goal of our knowledge may be to know Christ and to make Him known. Do not let Your Word be bound, but let it have free course among us. Preserve those in isolation from idleness, and instead let our minds be renewed in Scripture and prayer. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Holy God, Your power brought all things into being and still You preserve what You have made. Bless our president, the Congress of these United States, our governor, and all elected and appointed civil servants so that they may honor You and Your purpose, establishing order and justice, encouraging virtue and protecting all life. Give wisdom and moderation to them in their leadership for the well-being of the nation. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Compassionate Father, You are not aloof from the needs of this body and life, and You have called us to love our neighbor in need and give aid to the poor. Give us courage and faith, that we may not fear sharing the resources You have supplied with those who live in want, especially the widow, the orphan and the unemployed. Let love be perfected among us to drive out selfish fears. Lord, in Your mercy,

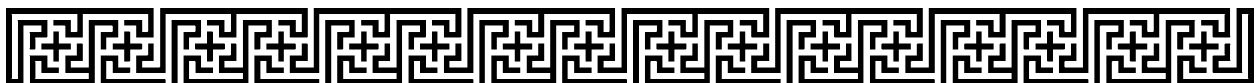
C **hear our prayer.**

P O merciful Father, You have compassion upon the sick and those in need and have promised not to ignore them in their afflictions. Turn back the pandemic across the globe, and give us relief. Bless the sick with healing, those who suffer with strength and patience, and the dying with peace. Hear us on behalf of those who have requested our prayers, especially _____. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Generous God, You open Your hand and provide for the needs of all the living. Receive our thanks along with _____ and all those who rejoice in Your goodness. May we ever have hearts which acknowledge You as the Giver of every blessing. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**



- P** Loving Father, Your ears are ever open and turned towards Your children when they pray. Hear our petitions for _____ and for all those who have asked for our prayers whom we lift to You from the silence of our hearts ... Receive all that for which we ask, and grant us that for which we pray in the Name of our Lord Jesus according to Your good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Eternal Father of an eternal mercy, You have raised up witnesses in every age and blessed us with those who endured suffering and even death in faithfulness to Christ. We give You thanks for these faithful saints and martyrs, and we pray You to make us strong when we face the day of test, that at length we may be brought with them into the joy of Your presence and the glory of everlasting life. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** We praise You, God, for Your goodness in hearing the prayers of Your people and granting us confidence to approach Your throne of mercy. Hear us now in the name of and for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, through whom, with whom and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is Yours, almighty Father, both now and forevermore.
- C** **Amen.**

The Blessing of Women on Mother's Day:

- P** Let us pray.
 Blessed are You, O Lord our God, Creator of heaven and earth.
 We give thanks to You for all the women of faith who have done Your will throughout the ages.
 We thank you for Rebekah, Leah, and Rachel, for Deborah and Esther,
 for Anna and Elizabeth, for Joanna and Susanna, for Lydia, Dorcas, and Phoebe,
 for Mary Magdalene, first witness of the Resurrection,
 and for Mary, the Blessed Mother of Our Lord.
 God of our ancestors in faith, we ask Your blessing upon the faithful women of this congregation, our sisters and friends, our spouses and daughters,
 our grandmothers and mothers.
 Bless them and all women who place their trust in You. Keep them steadfast in Your Word. Look with favor upon their lives in Christ.
 May they wait upon the Lord and renew their strength, soaring up with wings like eagles, running and not growing weary, walking and not becoming faint.
 We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C** **Amen.**
- P** The blessing of Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, descend upon all of our mothers, grandmothers, and mother-figures, and remain with them forever.
- C** **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer:

P Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold 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 Collect for the Easter Season:

P Let us pray.
O God, for our redemption You gave Your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross and by His glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of the enemy. Grant that all our sin may be drowned through daily repentance and that day by day we may arise to live before You in righteousness and purity forever; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

The *Benedicamus* and Benediction:

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

P Let us bless the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

P 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.
C **Amen.**



“Christ Be My Leader”

- 1 Christ be my Leader by night as by day;
Safe through the darkness, for He is the way.
Gladly I follow, my future His care,
Darkness is daylight when Jesus is there.**

- 2 Christ be my Teacher in age as in youth,
Drifting or doubting, for He is the truth.
Grant me to trust Him; though shifting as sand,
Doubt cannot daunt me; in Jesus I stand.**

- 3 Christ be my Savior in calm as in strife;
Death cannot hold me, for He is the life.
Nor darkness nor doubting nor sin and its stain
Can touch my salvation: with Jesus I reign.**

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The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

“Christ Be My Leader”

✠ *To God All Praise and Glory!* ✠

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NOTES AND NEWS

A BLESSED MOTHER'S DAY ... to all of the mothers, grandmothers, and mother figures in our Trinity Family and beyond! We thank God for the love and nurture you provide us and pray that the Lord will richly bless you just as you have blessed us. May your special day be filled with joy and every good thing.

ONLINE WORSHIP ... As the State of Emergency with its limits on public gatherings continues, we will also continue our worshipping together online. Please join us on Facebook, or through the link available on the church webpage to help those who are not on Facebook to join us. Also on the church webpage, you will find a link to the current worship service bulletin which you can view or print to aid your participation in the service. We hope that this method of “gathering together” will work for us until we are able to meet with one another in our dear church home again. If there are any problems, comments, questions, or even complaints, please contact Pastor by phone or email and let us know what we can try to do to be better.

OUR PRAYER LIST ... The weekly “O Christ, Hear Us” page in the bulletin is a listing of those we remember in prayer during worship at Trinity and for whom you are invited to pray for in your own personal prayers during the week. During this time when we will be publishing our weekly bulletin online, we will only list the persons we are praying for by their first names because of privacy concerns and laws, while we may continue to lift them up by full name in our spoken prayers. Pastor will continue to keep the list current and invites you to send him by email any new prayer requests, or to let him know of any changes or deletions which need to be made. The “full text” version of the Prayer List, as it would ordinarily be found in the bulletin, can be made available to Trinity members who request one by sending an email to Pastor.

FELLOWSHIP ON ZOOM ... We invite our Trinity Family to come together for a bit of “face time” with one another **this afternoon at 4:00 PM**. Information on how to connect was sent out in an email to members last Friday. If you did not receive this email, or would like to join us, please send an email to trinity-elc-pastor@verizon.net, and Pastor will forward the information to you so you can be with us.

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY ... We will be suspending our Adult Bible Study through this State of Emergency. If you would like to have a copy of the study guide that we normally use each week as a way to do your own personal study and devotion on the Weekly Scripture Readings, please visit www.cph.org where you will find among their special offerings during this crisis a free copy of the full season of “A Longer Look at the Lessons”, which is the guide we use as the basis of our Sunday Morning Studies.

MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY ... As we go through the Easter Season, Pastor will continue to lead our Midweek gathering with a time of Devotions and Bible Study. Our study, “The Days of Resurrection”, will look at the various accounts found in the Gospel and elsewhere in the New Testament of the events of Easter Day and the forty days that followed. You are welcome to join us online Wednesday Evenings at 7:00 PM as we go live from the Multi-Purpose Room.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR... Words matter. People matter. You matter to God, and He will stop at nothing to get your attention. Listen to Lutheran Hour Speaker, Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, and his message, “Words Matter”, next Sunday, May 17, 2020, on WMZQ 98.7 FM at 7:00 AM or on Sundays at 1:30 PM and 6:30 PM on WFAX 1220 AM. If you are out of the radio station’s range you may listen on line to WFAX worldwide at WFAX.com.

A REPORT ON OUR VIRTUAL CROP WALK FROM ART SIMON ...

Trinity has come through again with raising \$2,270.00 for the CROP Walk appeal!

Social distancing makes it very hard to get contributions from co-workers for our annual CROP Hunger Walk. But thanks to generous givers from within our congregation, we have collected \$2,270. Most of it was contributed online, but three checks made out to CROP Walk or Church World Service were sent to Art Simon who submits them to our CROP Walk treasurer.

Thank you, all you wonderful people! That goes, also, for those who in other ways are helping people who are struggling to get through this national crisis.

It’s not too late to help. To do so online, follow these steps:

1. Search Hyattsville Crop Walk
2. click Donate
3. click Team
4. Type Trinity Mt. Rainier
5. Enter Amount
6. Enter name and email address
7. Finish payment information

Or make a check out to Church World Service, and mail it to Art Simon, 15604 Peyton Court, Bowie, MD 20716.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

ANOTHER WAY TO HELP THE CROP WALK ... If you check out the Hyattsville CROP Walk web page, and you feel like venturing out for something different to eat other than cooking your own groceries, there will be a fundraiser at Franklin’s Restaurant in Hyattsville **tomorrow, May 11th from 11 AM to 9 PM**, where you can order take-out from their menu and by telling them that you are with the Hyattsville CROP Hunger Walk, a portion of your check will be donated to help hungry people. Please check the CROP web page for more information:

<https://www.crophungerwalk.org/hyattvillemd/>



OFFERING OF LETTERS ... Our annual Offering of Letters with Bread for the World to appeal to our government leaders for their continued remembering to help the hungry in our nation and world will continue this year, albeit from our homes. Art Simon will once again lead us in this effort, and more information on how we can participate in this effort will be available in next Sunday's bulletin.

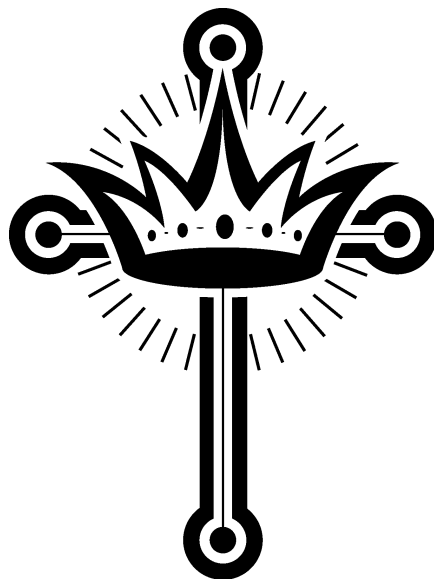
COMPASSION CENTER NEWS... Please be reminded that the Compassion Center continues to be closed. Please keep our workers in your prayers, as well as our clients who are facing extra struggles in this difficult and challenging time.

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

FROM YOUR CHURCH'S PUBLISHER ... Concordia Publishing House is assisting congregations and their members with materials to help sustain us spiritually during this time of quarantine that many find ourselves in. Please visit www.cph.org and check out their "Be Still and Know" section on their homepage which contains many free resources for devotion, learning, and worship.

ALTAR FLOWERS ... While we are away from gathering together for worship in person, we will not be ordering flowers from the florist. If you had scheduled a Sunday to donate Altar Flowers during this time when we are away, and have already paid for them in advance, we would like to still honor your gift by purchasing those flowers on a Sunday when we return to our regular worship. If you have any questions, please contact Rona by calling the church office or by email (trinity-elc-office@verizon.net).

PREPARING FOR NEXT SUNDAY ... The Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 17, 2020
Scripture Readings: Acts 17:16-31; 1 Peter 3:13-22; John 14:15-21



Continuing Announcements as We Continue to Go Together Through This Time of Crisis

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION ... With the limits placed on public gatherings it has become necessary for us to “think outside the box” on how we can best supply the blessings of the Lord’s Supper to our members until we are able to gather again for regular public worship.

Appointments can be made for individuals, families, or other groupings of no more than nine (9) people to meet with Pastor Schiebel at the church to celebrate and receive the Sacrament together. Please call the church office (301-864-4340) or email Pastor (trinity-ecp-pastor@verizon.net) and we’ll set up a mutually convenient time to be together for this time with the Lord and one another.

For those who are shut-in or who may be fearful of coming out in these days, please contact Pastor so we can have conversation together and—depending on health, conditions, and schedule—make arrangements to come and bring you Communion.

YOUR OFFERINGS TO TRINITY ... As the world around us seems to be shutting down and coming to a near standstill, we know from our own lives that the bills don’t stop finding their way into our mailboxes. And the same is true for our congregation as the costs of doing ministry continue, even in this time.

We ask you to please continue to remember Trinity and its ministry during this time both with your prayers and your ongoing financial support. You may send your offerings either by mailing them to the church office, or by bringing them with you to your “Communion Appointment”, or by giving them to Pastor when he makes a Communion call at your home. Our hope and plan is that we will continue to make a weekly deposit from the gifts we receive.

LOOKING AFTER ONE ANOTHER ... During this time, some of us may find ourselves at a place where we might need a little hand in getting things done, especially if you should find yourself having to stay home. If you could use some help with errands or shopping or a hot meal, please let Pastor or a MPG Member know and we’ll work at making arrangements to get the help you are needing.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS ... With the current orders from the Governor with regards to the closing of non-essential businesses, and out of caution and concern for our office staff, we have decided that the church office will only be officially open on an “as needed basis”.

Messages can still be left for Rona or Pastor by calling the church office and leaving a voicemail. The messages are checked either in the office or remotely daily.

Pastor will be in the building as regularly as schedule permits.

Thank you all for your patience and understanding as we work our best to continue serving our Trinity Family.

KEEPING IN TOUCH ... During this time, we want to be sure that we stay connected together, especially to help us keep informed with each other about our church family and what we are doing to get each other through this time spiritually. Please help us by noting the following...

- *Email and Phone:* It is important that we have correct and current contact information, especially phone numbers and emails. (And if you have us using a work email, please consider giving us your personal email to use.) Please be sure that the church office has that information. Most of the email notices that we send out will also be posted on our Facebook Page and Group, as well as on our website.
- *Facebook:* We are beginning to use Facebook more as a platform to get things out, especially with our videos of worship and devotions from Pastor. If you are on Facebook, please consider liking our Facebook Page and joining our Facebook Group—both are named “Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Mount Rainier, MD”. If you are not on Facebook, you can still look at the Facebook Page through the link available on the home page on our church website: www.tlcmr.org. We will send out reminder messages by email of “scheduled” Facebook Live events so you can join us on the livestream.
- *Website:* Please visit our website as much of what we post in emails and on Facebook will also be shared on the website as well. The website will also be where you will be able to “pick-up” your Sunday Bulletin to follow along with the worship services.

REACHING PASTOR ... In addition to being your spiritual leader and all-around nice guy in doing what he’s called to do in providing for the spiritual care we all certainly need at this time, he is also trying his best to become a learn at home “tech guru” as he manages the website, Facebook, and working “behind the camera” for videos we are doing. If you get a reply back to a comment you’ve made on Facebook, it’s most likely him. He will also continue to be available for you to contact in more “traditional” ways as well:

Church Office Phone: 301-864-4340 (If no one is in the office, we are able to check the church’s voicemail from where we are.)

Pastor’s Home Phone: 301-345-5592

Pastor’s Cell Phone: 202-288-0652

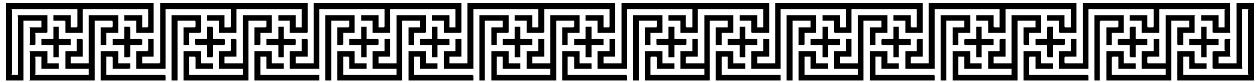
Pastor’s Email: trinity-elc-pastor@verizon.net

If he’s not readily available right at the moment that you call or text or email, just be patient, Pastor will get back in touch with you just as soon as he is able.

A FINAL WORD ... This entire situation is very fluid, with news and advisories changing every day. We are making the best of what has been brought to us, preparing as we are able to provide continued spiritual care for our Trinity Family. If things change with regards to orders from the government, we will do our best to change with them, keeping you informed on what we have to do and what we will be doing. We ask your continued patience, and together, with the Lord, we will get through this.

PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 10-17
Subject to Change

Next Sunday	<i>The Fifth Sunday of Easter</i>
	9:30 AM Worship Service via Facebook Live
	4:00 PM Fellowship on Zoom
Wednesday	7:00 PM Devotions and Bible Study via Facebook Live
Today	<i>The Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>
	9:30 AM Worship Service via Facebook Live



***May the Lord watch
between you and me,
when we are absent
one from another.***

Genesis 31:49 NKJV



✠ **O Christ, Hear Us!** ✠

Intercessions for the Week of May 10, 2020

Prayers for Continued Healing and Help

For Members of Our Trinity Family:

Diane, Julie & Kenny, Elizabeth, Joseph, Diane, Evelyn, Waymond, Alan, August, Clara, David, Paul, Sylvia, Angela, Priscilla, and David, Sr.

For Those Who Have Asked of Our Prayers:

Luke, grandson of Charlie & Jean; John, relative of Pastor; Dina, niece of Sylvia;
Betty, mother of Helen; Susan, relative of Gus & Betty; Joe, friend of Cullen;
Britnany, niece of Lynda; Juliet, mother of Ras-I; Kristie, co-worker of Joyce;
Giovanna, co-worker of Joyce; Linda, daughter of Gus & Betty; Sue, co-worker of Joyce;
Rosemary, sister-in-law of Sylvia; Nicole & daughter, Anya, co-worker of Joyce
Vicar Daniel, Lamb of God Lutheran, Landover Hills; Eric, homeless; Sandra, aunt of Kim;
Mary, cousin of Pastor; Steven, acquaintance of Tracy; Billie, friend of Rona & Paul;
Alan, cousin of Kim

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

Our mothers, grandmothers, and mother figures on this Mother's Day

Rebecca McCoyer, who celebrates her birthday this week.

Eric & Abrak Royal, Jimmie & Joyce Mayo, and Sam & Judy Welch, who celebrate their wedding anniversaries this week.

We Keep In Our Prayers

- ✠ Our Trinity family, our ministries, and our mission.
- ✠ For 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 Elma Pervaiz, our Center Coordinator, and for the work of our Compassion Center.
- ✠ 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.
- ✠ 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 the shedding of their blood.
- ✠ Prayers for peace in our world, especially in those places that are affected by war, oppression, or by acts of terror, and for those who find themselves in harm's way in the war on terrorism.
- ✠ All those we know who are sick, who grieve, and who are in any need of prayer.