

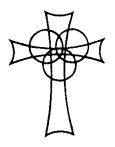


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# The Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ The Third Day of the Easter Triduum April 20, 2025

#### **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

God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for He is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as Your people toward the fullness of eternal life with You, through the same 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 Festival Divine Service of Word and Sacrament on the Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord

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**▼** In the Name of Jesus Christ **▼** 

## **▼** The Preparation **▼**

The Flute & Piano Prelude

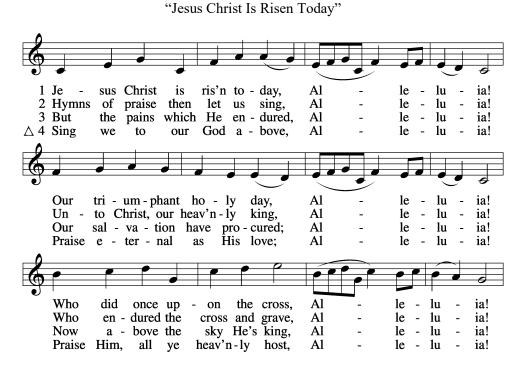
"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

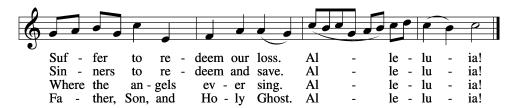
The Words of Welcome

The Congregation rises.

The Opening Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 457





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The Invocation and Easter Acclamation:

- **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 and Absolution:

- P Jesus our Lord, who was raised from the dead, was delivered for our trespasses
- **C** and raised again for our justification

from Romans 4:24-25

P Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed for us. Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

from 1 Corinthians 5:7-8

Silence is kept for a time of reflection and self-examination

- **P** Let us confess our sins to God our Father.
- 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:

Exodus 15:2a, 6, 13, 17-18; antiphon verse 1b

- I will sing to the Lord, for he has triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.
- The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation;
- P Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power, your right hand, O LORD, shatters the enemy.
- You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed; you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode.
- P You will bring them in and plant them on your own mountain, the place, O Lord, which you have made for your abode,
- the sanctuary, O Lord, which your hands have established. The LORD will reign forever and ever.
- 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 I will sing to the Lord, for he has triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.

## The Kyrie Eleison:

**P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**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.







The Salutation and Collect of the Day:





## **P** Let us pray.

Almighty God the Father, through Your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ You have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



The Congregation is seated.

## The Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 65:17-25

<sup>17</sup>"Behold, I create new heavens and a new earth. and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind. <sup>18</sup>But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy, and her people to be a gladness. <sup>19</sup>I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people; no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress. <sup>20</sup>No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not fill out his days, for the young man shall die a hundred years old, and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed. <sup>21</sup>They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

<sup>22</sup>They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat;

for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

<sup>23</sup>They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity,

for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the LORD, and their descendants with them.

<sup>24</sup>Before they call I will answer;

while they are yet speaking I will hear.

<sup>25</sup>The wolf and the lamb shall graze together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent's food.

They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain," says the LORD.

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

The Epistle 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

<sup>19</sup>If in this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.
<sup>20</sup>But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.
<sup>21</sup>For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.
<sup>22</sup>For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.
<sup>23</sup>But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ.
<sup>24</sup>Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power.
<sup>25</sup>For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet.
<sup>26</sup>The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

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

The Trinity Singers

"Easter Triumph"

The Congregation rises.

The Holy Gospel Luke 24:1-12

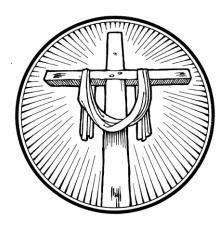
**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>On the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. <sup>2</sup>And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, <sup>3</sup>but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. <sup>4</sup>While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. <sup>5</sup>And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? <sup>6</sup>He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, <sup>7</sup>that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise." <sup>8</sup>And they remembered his words, <sup>9</sup>and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. <sup>10</sup>Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles, <sup>11</sup>but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. <sup>12</sup>But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home marveling at what had happened.

- **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!

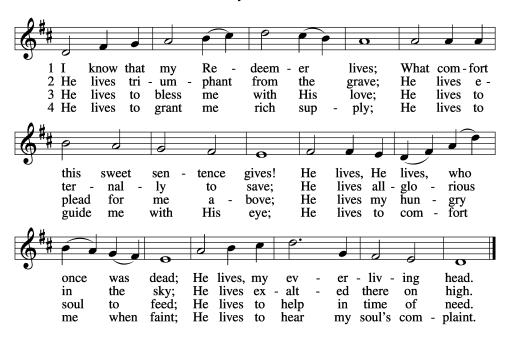
*The Congregation is seated.* 



#### The Hymn of the Day

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 461

"I Know That My Redeemer Lives"



- 5 He lives to silence all my fears; He lives to wipe away my tears; He lives to calm my troubled heart; He lives all blessings to impart.
- 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend; He lives and loves me to the end; He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing; He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.

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- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death; He lives my mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there.
- 8 He lives, all glory to His name! He lives, my Jesus, still the same; Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives: I know that my Redeemer lives!

The Sermon

Savior, Servant, Friend Jesus, Our Redeemer Text: Job 19:25-27

### **▼** The Service of Baptismal Renewal and Prayer **▼**

The Congregation rises.

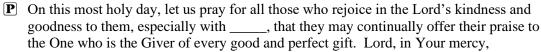
### The Renewal of Baptismal Vows:

- Through the Paschal mystery, dear friends, we are buried with Christ by Baptism into His death, and raised with Him to newness of life. I call upon you, therefore, now that our Lenten observance is ended, to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and all his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in His Holy Christian Church.
- **P** I, therefore, ask you anew: Do you renounce the devil?
- **C** Yes, I renounce him.
- **P** Do you renounce all his works?
- **C** Yes, I renounce them.
- **P** Do you renounce all his ways?
- **C** Yes, I renounce them.
- **P** Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?
- Yes, I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.
- **P** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son?
- Yes, I believe 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.
- **P** Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?
- Yes, 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.
- Is it your earnest purpose to continue steadfast in this faith and in the promise of your Baptism and, as a member of the Church, to be diligent in the use of the Means of Grace and prayer?
- **C** Yes, with the help of God.
- The almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen You with His grace to life everlasting. 

  Peace be with you.
- C Amen.

The Prayer of the Church:

- In the Name of our risen Lord Jesus Christ, who has conquered death and the grave for all the world, let us pray for the Church and for all people according to their needs.
- P On this most holy day, let us pray for the Holy Church of Christ throughout the world, that it may be strengthened to proclaim the message of freedom and new life in the Resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P On this most holy day, let us pray for Matthew and William, our Shepherds and Bishops in Christ, for Peter and Gugssa, our Pastors, and for all Pastors, Teachers, and Ministers of the Church, that their witness to the Crucified and Risen One may be richly blessed. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P On this most holy day, let us pray for all the newly baptized and for all who have renewed their baptismal promises, that the power of Christ's resurrection will send all Christians out to the world to be proclaimers of the Gospel of salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- P On this most holy day, let us pray for the world, that the redeeming Word of the Crucified and Risen Christ will reach its farthest corners and every inhabitant. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P On this most holy day, let us pray for all nations and their leaders, that the Lord might send His Spirit of peace upon our broken and fearful world and allow us to have a time of peace in this moment of our Paschal rejoicing. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P On this most holy day, let us pray for all who are in the darkness of despair or depression, for all who suffer from chronic pain, and for all who await the Lord's healing and life-giving touch in their lives, especially we remember \_\_\_\_\_, that God would grant them a full measure of His love and peace. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P On this most holy day, let us pray for those who have been standing in sorrow at the graves of loved ones, that they may be comforted with the blessed hope of everlasting life with all who share in Christ's Resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.



- C hear our prayer.
- P On this most holy day, let us pray for all those who have committed themselves to our prayers, especially \_\_\_\_\_ and all those whom we name before the Lord in the silence of our hearts... We ask that the Lord would indeed hear their prayers and grant them all that they need according to His will. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P On this most holy day, let us pray for all those who will come to the Lord's Table to joyfully feast upon the Body and Blood of our True Paschal Lamb, our Lord Jesus Christ. And we ask the Lord that He would bless our reception of this Holy Meal and grant to us its wondrous benefits of forgiveness, life, and salvation. Lord, in Your mercy.
- C hear our prayer.
- P On this most holy day, let us give thanks to the Lord for all the faithful saints of God who now live forever in the glorious presence of the Risen Christ. And we pray that we may continue forever faithful to our God until we too will join in sharing with them in the marriage feast of the Lamb which has no end. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Into Your hands, O Lord, we entrust all for whom we pray, confident of Your good will and compassion, made known to us through the mercy and merits of Your beloved Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for us and has risen gloriously from the dead, never to die again, and who now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- 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.

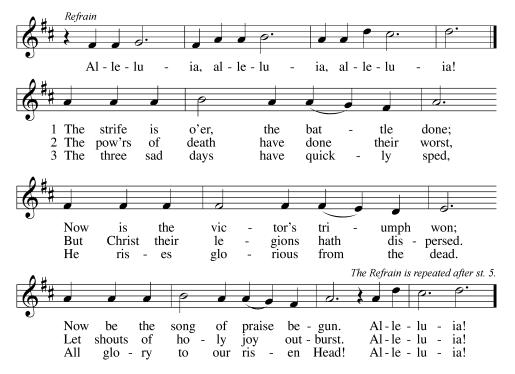
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#### **▼** The Service of the Sacrament **▼**

The Hymn of Preparation

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 464

"The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done"



- 4 He broke the age-bound chains of hell; The bars from heav'n's high portals fell. Let hymns of praise His triumph tell. Alleluia!
- 5 Lord, by the stripes which wounded Thee, From death's dread sting Thy servants free That we may live and sing to Thee. Alleluia! *Refrain*

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The Congregation rises.

The Preface Dialogue and Proper Preface of Easter:

**P** The Lord be with you.



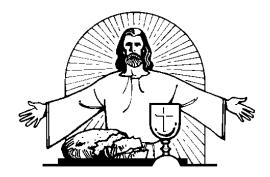
P Lift up your hearts.



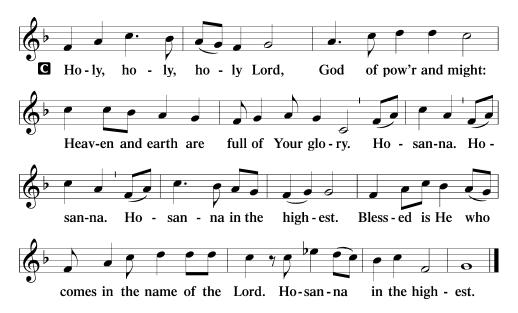
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



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:



The Sanctus:



## The Prayer of Thanksgiving:

- P 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 allavailing 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.

Allelia!

#### The Words of Our Lord:

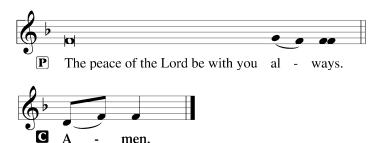
Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + Body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

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 He Blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

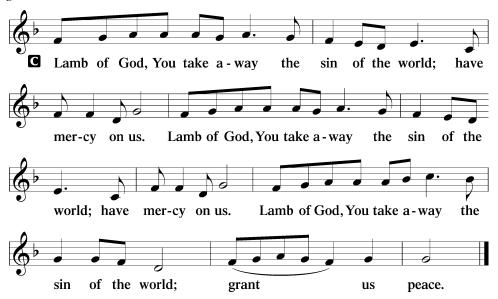
The Proclamation of Christ and the Lord's Prayer:

- P 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:
- 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*:



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 at the chancel rail. Please follow the direction of the ushers to make your way to the Altar. You may kneel or stand as you feel comfortable. The Sacrament is distributed in the following manner...Please extend your hand to the assistant to receive the Body of Christ. Christ's Blood may be received in one of two ways, using that which you feel most comfortable: 1) individual cups containing wine and white grape juice will be offered by the Pastor, or 2) drinking from the chalice. Children and those not wishing to receive the Sacrament are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing.



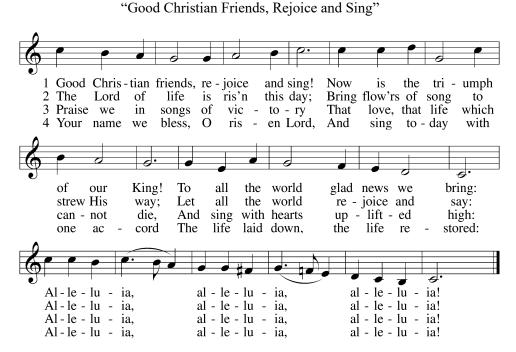
#### Music at the Distribution

The Trinity Singers

"Easter Anthem"

The Distribution Hymn

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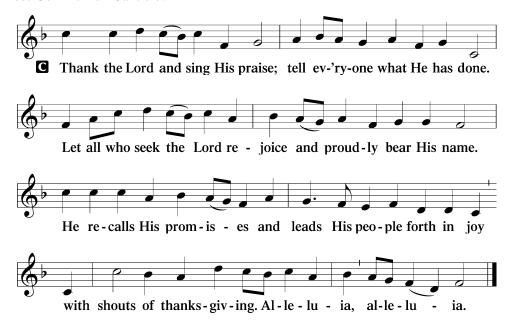
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## The Congregation rises.



#### The Post-Communion Canticle:



## The Post-Communion Prayer:

## **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.



Cellelina!

The Benedicamus and Solemn Blessing of Easter:

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- P Let us bless the Lord!
- **C** Thanks be to God!
- May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us His children through the resurrection of His Son our Lord, bestow on you the riches of His blessing.
- C Amen.
- May God, who through the water of Baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ forever.
- C Amen.
- P May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance.
- C Amen.
- P And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the 

  → Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever.
- C Amen.

#### The Dismissal:

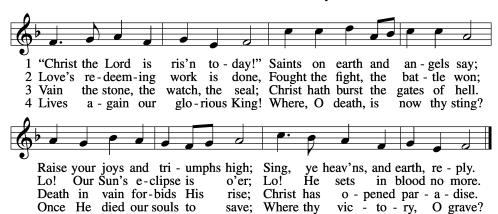
- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- **C** The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!
- P Go in peace to love and to serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!
- C Thanks be to God! Alleluia, alleluia!



## The Hymn to Depart

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 469

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"



- Soar we now where Christ has led;
   Foll'wing our exalted Head.
   Made like Him, like Him we rise;
   Ours the cross, the grave, the skies.
- 6 Hail the Lord of earth and heav'n! Praise to Thee by both be giv'n! Thee we greet triumphant now: Hail, the resurrection, Thou!

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The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

Christ Jesus, Victor! Christ Jesus, Ruler! Christ Jesus, Lord and Redeemer!

### **▼** Those Who Serve Us This Day In Worship **▼**

The Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel

The Lector: Tracy Peele

The Communion Assistant: George Kurtzweil
The Worship Assistant: Helen Joynes

The Choir: The Trinity Singers
The Flutist: Susan Kennedy

The Parish Musician: Skip Hall

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#### **NOTES AND NEWS**

EASTER FLOWERS ... Thank you to all of our members and friends who so generously donated towards the beautifying of our Lord's Altar and Sanctuary this Easter. A listing of donors and their dedications can be found following today's announcements in this bulletin.

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS ... Copies of the Lutheran Service Book in Large Print are available for use during worship for those who may have need of them. You may find them on the literature table at the rear of the sanctuary, and please return them there following the service.

EASTER THANKS ... Not only are we thankful and grateful for the blessing of our Lord's Resurrection, we are also thankful for all those who have made these days of remembrance and celebration of our Salvation so memorable. Thanks go to Rona Juhasz, our dedicated church office secretary, for all of the extra efforts that are called for in this week. Thank you to our Altar Guild, Communion Assistants, and Lectors for their assistance in preparing and carrying out this week's Liturgies. Thank you to Helen Joynes and Sarah Lydia McCoyer, for their service as our Worship Assistants in helping us provide our livestream. Thanks to Skip Hall, our faithful Parish Musician, our Trinity Singers, and our instrumentalists for helping us to hear and sing the New Song of joy in our Redeemer. Thank you to Carole Dingess and to those who helped to provide for our Easter Fellowship Breakfast before worship today. And thanks to all of our faithful worshipers who, having traveled with the Savior in these days of Passion, Cross, and Resurrection, can rejoice in the believer's hope in the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Easter peace and blessings to one and all!

SPECIAL GIVING OPPORTUNITY DURING HOLY WEEK ... In this season of remembering God's mercy shown to us in our Lord Jesus, we are moved to share that same love and mercy to others. Please remember the following "mercy opportunity" that we have in this season:

Maundy Thursday Help By Phone Offering: Remembering our Lord Jesus' command to "Love one another", we continue our tradition of collecting a special offering for the work of Help By Phone, our local assistance agency. On Maundy Thursday, this special collection was taken at the door. But it is not too late for you to contribute. You may also give to this offering today. (Please be sure to notate your gift as being for Help By Phone, or use the special "Love Offering" envelope found in your box set)

AN EASTER WEEK RESPITE ... Following the busy days of Lent and Holy Week, Pastor will be taking some time away this week for personal renewal and refreshment. While he will not be in the church office, you can still reach him by phone or email. He will be checking both his email and the church office phone for messages during the week.

CROP WALK ... It's our opportunity and responsibility to care for our neighbors, and CROP Walk is the perfect opportunity! Now is the time to reach out to friends, families, neighbors, and coworkers in spreading the word and fundraising. Let's involve more people in the fight against hunger so that we can feed more hungry people. Join the congregation and other walkers on **Sunday May 7th 1-4pm at Lake Artemesia**, or online at: <a href="https://events.crophungerwalk.org/crophungerwalks/team/trinity-lutheran-mt-rainier-md">https://events.crophungerwalk.org/crophungerwalks/team/trinity-lutheran-mt-rainier-md</a> (The link is also available on the home page of Trinity's website), and see Sarah Lydia for details on joining the team, donating, or helping out in other ways (<a href="mailto:slmccoyer@gmail.com">slmccoyer@gmail.com</a>, 202-507-2344).

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 **2025** is now 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 now **\$50.00**, the increase owing mainly to delivery charges. If you have any questions, please contact Rona by calling the church office or by email (<u>trinity-elcoffice@verizon.net</u>).



TRINITY'S SERVICES ONLINE ... For five years now, we have provided a livestream of our worship services and they have been well-received by members and friends of Trinity, as well as by those who have "found" us online. We have also been able to leave an archive of these services, devotions, and Bible Studies on our church Facebook Page for those who may have wanted to view them later. Facebook has recently made changes to their video storage policies which allows live videos to remain on a page for 30 days. This change has already begun to be implemented, and Facebook is allowing those who have "old" videos to have time to download and archive these videos off of the platform. We are in the process of moving these videos into storage offline, and if there is a particular service that you would like to "keep for memory's sake", please know that now would be the time to download and save it for yourself. In a few months, only those videos that have been recently recorded will be available for viewing on our Facebook Page, and older videos will no longer be linked in our group or page. Please know that even with this change on the part of Facebook, we will continue to offer our worship services online for our Trinity Family.

#### LUTHERAN RADIO ONLINE AND ON THE AIR FOR YOU THIS WEEK:

**KFUO Radio**, the broadcast voice of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, shares Christ for you anytime, anywhere on **KFUO.org** via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. Find programs on demand at **kfuo.org** and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: **@KFUOradio** on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>X</u>, and <u>Instagram</u>.

**CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org:** Christ is risen! Alleluia! Sharper Iron (weekdays at 9:00 a.m. ET) continues its study through 2 Samuel, picking up with chapter 17. On Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 12:00 p.m. ET), we've just begun a new series in the book of Genesis! Join us as we study chapters 5-9. Don't forget to tune in to Concord Matters this Saturday (April 26 at 11:00 a.m. ET) for a discussion of repentance as found in the Smalcald Articles. Find your favorite programs on demand at <a href="mailto:kfuo.org">kfuo.org</a> or in the KFUO Radio app!

THE LUTHERAN HOUR ... When Jesus shows up, it's no longer "us vs. them," because Jesus is for everyone, even if everyone is not yet for Jesus. Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday, April 27, 2025, for this message from Lutheran Hour Speaker, Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, "Through Locked Doors", locally 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 online to WFAX worldwide at WFAX.com. The Lutheran Hour can also be heard online on KFUO.org on Sundays at 12:30 PM and 5:00 PM. 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".

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 FEASTS, FESTIVALS, AND COMMEMORATIONS...

During Easter Week, any feasts, festivals, or commemorations which fall in this time are transferred to be celebrated during the week following the Second Sunday of Easter so that the days of Easter Week can be kept as a time of special rejoicing in our Lord's Resurrection.

Visit <a href="http://tlcmr.org/worship/celebrating-the-saints/">http://tlcmr.org/worship/celebrating-the-saints/</a> 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 serving members of our community with their needs for food and clothing. 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 ongoing time of need in our community, we will continue to need your generous donations of food. All non-perishable foods are welcome, and especially needed items include:

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

Clothing donations are also welcome. There is a need for boys' and men's clothing, especially pants.

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 they are delivered to the Compassion Center. Thank you for your loving and generous support.

Center Hours: Mondays & Tuesdays: 10 AM – 4 PM

Wednesdays: 10 AM – 2 PM

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

Center Phone Number: 301-277-2302, ext. 23

#### PREPARING FOR THE COMING WEEK ...

Readings are provided for each day in Easter Week for your own devotions as well as those which will be used at worship next Sunday.

Easter Monday, April 21, 2025 Exodus 15:1-18; Psalm 100; 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8; Luke 24:13-35

Easter Tuesday, April 22, 2025 Daniel 3:8-28; Psalm 2; Acts 13:26-33; Luke 24:36-49

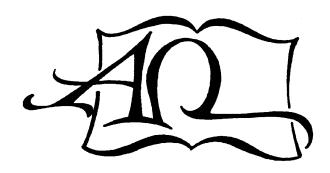
Easter Wednesday, April 23, 2025 Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Psalm 61; Colossians 3:1-7; John 21:1-14

Easter Thursday, April 24, 2025 Acts 2:14, 22b-32; Psalm 16:8-11; Matthew 28:9-15

Easter Friday, April 25, 2025 Acts 2:36-41; Psalm 33:18-22; John 20:11-18

Easter Saturday, April 26, 2025 Acts 4:1-21; Psalm 118:14-24; Mark 16:9-15, 20

The Second Sunday of Easter, April 27, 2025 Acts 5:12-20; Revelation 1:4-18; John 20:19-31



## EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS 2025

We thank the following for helping to adorn our Lord's Altar and House this Easter with the gift of Lilies.

Annabelle Glasgow in Memory of Jean Elias

Rachel & Skip Hall in Honor of their families

Paul & Verona Juhasz in Memory of Departed Loved Ones

Gus Kruelle in Memory of Betty Kruelle

Vincent & Tracy Peele in Honor of loved ones here and in Memory of loved ones gone to be with the Lord

Joy Sandíford in Memory of Jean Elias

Pastor & Kim Schiebel in Honor of their 24th Wedding Anniversary and in Memory of Departed Loved Ones

Shirley Simon to the Glory of God

Sam & Judy Welch to the Glory of God



## PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 20 – 27

May Be Subject to Change

Today The Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord – Easter Day

8:00 AM Easter Fellowship Breakfast

9:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion

(at church in person and via Facebook Live)

12:00 PM EECMYM Worship (at church in person)

Monday Easter Monday

10:00 AM – 4:00 PM Compassion Center Open

Tuesday Easter Tuesday

9:00 AM—Noon Church Office Open

10:00 AM – 4:00 PM Compassion Center Open

Wednesday Easter Wednesday

9:00 AM—Noon Church Office Open

10:00 AM – 2:00 PM Compassion Center Open

Thursday Easter Thursday

9:00 AM—Noon Church Office Open

Friday Easter Friday
Saturday Easter Saturday

Next Sunday The Second Sunday of Easter

9:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion

(at church in person and via Facebook Live)

12:00 PM EECMYM Worship (at church in person)





#### CHURCH STATISTICS

Palm Sunday, April 13, 2025

Worship Attendance: 20; Communed: 18.

Statistics for Services during the Easter Triduum will be published in the April 27<sup>th</sup> Bulletin.

#### MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATISTICS FOR MARCH 2025:

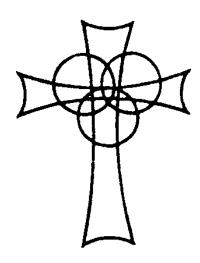
General Offerings received (5 Sundays): \$11,781

General Offerings needed to meet the 2025 budget: \$14,938

Withdrawals from Thrivent (money market): \$8,500

Remaining Balance in Thrivent mutual funds (as of 3/28/25):\$44,977

For January through March, we're about \$8,570 behind in the offerings we need to meet the budget for the year, including the sidewalk repairs and donations received for the sidewalk. In March, we paid \$1,200 for snow removal for the entire season (much better than last year, thanks to the new company Vincent found!), and \$13,678 for the sidewalk. Thanks as always for your contributions!



## **※** O Christ, Hear Us! ❖

## Intercessions for the Week of April 20, 2025

## **Prayers for Continued Healing and Help**

For Members of Our Trinity Family:

John, Delores, Julie & Kenny, Diane, Travis, Waymond, August, 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; Britnany, niece of Lynda; Juliet, mother of Ras-I;

Linda, daughter of Gus & Betty; Dennis & Caron, former Concordia School Teachers;

Jari, former Concordia Teacher; Catelyn, step-granddaughter of Ernie;

Nathan, son of Art; Bernie, friend of Trinity; Robin, daughter of Vincent & Tracy;

Doris, mother of Vincent; Orbelina & Family, mother of former Concordia Students;

Phillip & Amanda and Family, friends of Michelle; Kay & Bob, relatives of Carole;

Kumar, co-worker's spouse of Joyce; Craig, husband of Edith; Virginia, mother of Sam;

Steve, father-in-law of Michelle; Denise, fiancée of Mark; Lori, friend of Carole;

Aidan & Family, friends of Joyce; Raymond, brother of Joy;

Nancy & Family, sister of Vincent; Daniel, friend of Cullen; Donald, friend of Cullen;

Mr. Emanuel, husband of Shelda; Mary, former Concordia Teacher;

Laura, granddaughter of Gus & Betty; Jim, friend of Michelle;

Millie, co-worker of Joyce; Dale, son of Gus; Daisy Jane, daughter of Kyle & Samantha; Pat, mother of Kim

## Thanksgivings and Blessings

Kyle Simpson, Oliver Varona, and Kristina Pfeifer, who celebrate their birthdays this week.

Peter & Kimberly Schiebel, who celebrate their wedding anniversary this week.

## 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.
- ► 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.
- **▼** Our government leaders, and for the members of our armed forces.
- For all those affected and recovering from the effects of natural disasters.
- For peace and reconciliation that brings an end to racism and bigotry in our nation and world.
- For calm, civility, and peace in our nation's political and social discourse.
- For peace in our neighborhoods and for an end to violence.
- ₹ For the students, teachers, and staff in our educational institutions.
- For all those we know who are sick, who grieve, and who are in any need of prayer.



## Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

4000 – 30<sup>th</sup> Street at the intersection of 30<sup>th</sup> Street and Bunker Hill Road Mount Rainier, Maryland 20712

## **Sunday Mornings:**

Worship with Holy Communion – 9:30 AM

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

Church Office Phone: 301-864-4340 Church Web Site: www.tlcmr.org The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel, Pastor



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