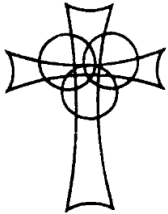


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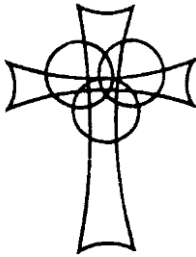
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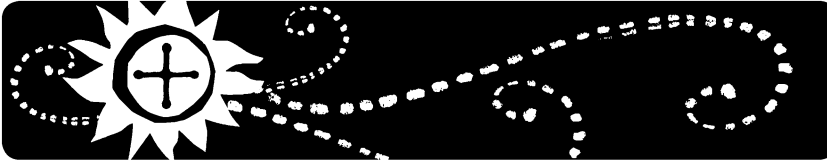
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The Ascension Of Our Lord

Observed
The Seventh Sunday of Easter
MAY 17, 2026

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

Almighty God, Your only Son was taken into the heavens and in Your presence intercedes for us. Receive us and our prayers for all the world, and in the end bring everything into Your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign 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 on the Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord

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

✘ *In the Name of Jesus Christ* ✘

✘ **The Preparation** ✘

The Flute & Piano Prelude

“A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing”

The Words of Welcome

The Congregation rises.

The Opening Hymn

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 493

“A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing”

1 A hymn of glo - ry let us sing! New
2 The ho - ly ap - os - tol - ic band Up -
3 To them the shin - ing an - gels cry, “Why
4 “You see Him now, as - cend - ing high Up

hymns through - out the world shall ring: Al - le - lu - ia,
on the Mount of Ol - ives stand. Al - le - lu - ia,
stand and gaze up - on the sky?” Al - le - lu - ia,
to the por - tals of the sky.” Al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia! Christ, by a road be - fore un -
al - le - lu - ia! And with His faith - ful fol - l’wers
al - le - lu - ia! “This is the Sav - ior,” thus they
al - le - lu - ia! “Here - af - ter Je - sus you shall

trod, As - cends un - to the throne of
see Their Lord as - cend in maj - es -
say; “This is His glo - rious tri - umph
see Re - turn - ing in great maj - es -

- P** Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace,
C **that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.** *Hebrews 4:15-16*
- P** Seeing we have a Great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us draw near with a true heart, in full assurance of faith and make confession to our heavenly Father.

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 110:1, 4-5; antiphon: Psalm 47:5

- P** God has gone up with a shout,
the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.
C **The LORD says to my Lord: "Sit at my right hand,
until I make your enemies your footstool."**
- P** The LORD has sworn and will not change his mind,
"You are a priest forever after the order of Melchizedek."
C **The Lord is at your right hand;
he will shatter kings on the day of his wrath.**
- 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** God has gone up with a shout,
the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.

The Kyrie Eleison:

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

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



C Lord, have mer - cy.

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.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

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



C Lord, have mer - cy.

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



C A - men.

Alleluia!

The Hymn of Praise

This Is the Feast

Refrain

C This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
 3 Sing with all 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 -

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

Final Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Salutation and Collect of the Day:



P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, as Your only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, ascended into the heavens, so may we also ascend in heart and mind and continually dwell there with Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

The Congregation is seated.

The First Reading

Acts 1:1-11

¹In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, ²until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³To them he presented himself alive after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God.

⁴And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, “you heard from me; ⁵for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

⁶So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?” ⁷He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. ⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” ⁹And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, ¹¹and said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Epistle

Ephesians 1:15-23

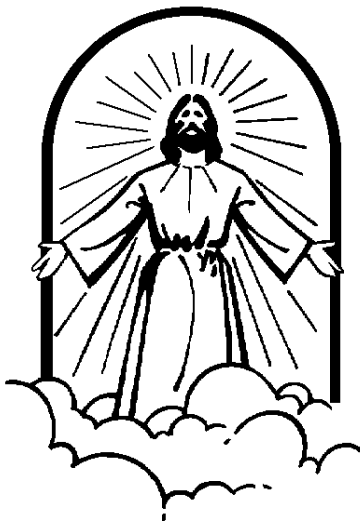
¹⁵For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, ¹⁷that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, ¹⁸having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might ²⁰that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. ²²And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, ²³which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Trinity Singers

“Celebrate Jesus”

The Congregation rises.

The Holy Gospel

Luke 24:44-53

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

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

⁴⁴Then [Jesus] said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.” ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, ⁴⁶and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”

⁵⁰Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. ⁵¹While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵²And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, ⁵³and were continually in the temple blessing God.

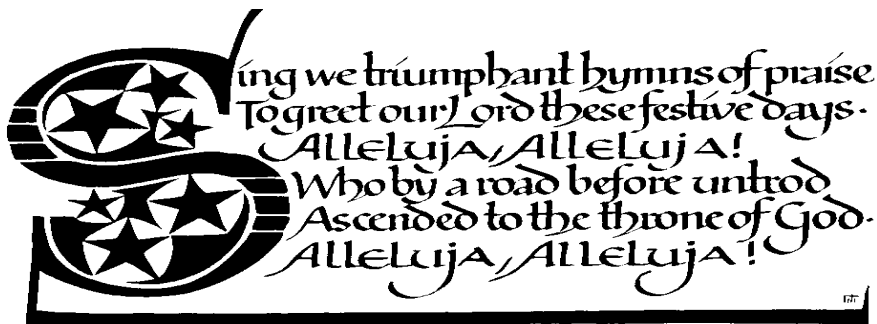
P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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 # 494

“See, the Lord Ascends in Triumph”



1 See, the Lord as - cends in tri - umph; Con - qu'ring King in
 2 Who is this that comes in glo - ry With the trump of
 3 While He lifts His hands in bless - ing, He is part - ed
 4 Now our heav'n - ly Aar - on en - ters With His blood with -
 5 He has raised our hu - man na - ture On the clouds to



roy - al state, Rid - ing on the clouds, His char - iot, To His
 ju - bi - lee? Lord of bat - tles, God of ar - mies, He has
 from His friends; While their ea - ger eyes be - hold Him, He up -
 in the veil; Josh - ua now is come to Ca - naan, And the
 God's right hand; There we sit in heav'n - ly plac - es, There with



heav'n - ly pal - ace gate. Hark! The choirs of an - gel voic - es
 gained the vic - to - ry. He who on the cross did suf - fer,
 on the clouds as - cends. He who walked with God and pleased Him,
 kings be - fore Him quail. Now He plants the tribes of Is - rael
 Him in glo - ry stand. Je - sus reigns, a - dored by an - gels;



Joy - ful al - le - lu - ias sing, And the por - tals
 He who from the grave a - rose, He has van - quished
 Preach - ing truth and doom to come, He, our E - noch,
 In their prom - ised rest - ing place; Now our great E -
 Man with God is on the throne. By our might - y



high are lift - ed To re - ceive their heav'n - ly King.
 sin and Sa - tan; He by death has crushed His foes.
 is trans - lat - ed To His ev - er - last - ing home.
 li - jah of - fers Dou - ble por - tion of His grace.
 Lord's as - cen - sion We by faith be - hold our own.

The Sermon

“Fulfiller of the Past and Hope of Things to Be”

Text: *Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 494*

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** When He ascended to the right hand of the Father, our Lord took His place as our own High Priest, to intercede for us with His blood. Therefore with boldness and confidence that He will both hear and answer, let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- P** Keep us, O Lord, from idle speculation and wonder; direct us to Your Word, where You continue to make Yourself known to us, and lead us to Your Sacraments, where You continue to deliver the gifts and grace of Your kingdom to us. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** hear our prayer.
- P** You have placed Jesus over all things and given Him the Name of salvation. Clothe us with Your Spirit and with power from on high that we may proclaim His kingdom here on earth and lift up His Name that all may believe. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** hear our prayer.

- P** Give to Your Church and to all her ministers every gift and fruit of the Spirit, that they may faithfully proclaim Your Word and administer Your sacraments and lead all Your saints in fulfilling their baptismal vocation to worship, witness, prayer, mercy, and service. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Give Your peace on earth that nations and peoples may live together in peace. Bless our President, our Governor, and all in authority over us. Keep us from squandering every resource and opportunity in order that we may serve others as You have loved and served us. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** We remember Your compassion for the sick and the suffering. Give patience and wisdom to all who practice the medical arts, that they may be instruments of Your healing grace to all the sick, the suffering, the grieving, the dying. We especially ask You to remember _____. Bless them and come to their aid according to Your good and gracious will in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Grant to us thankful hearts, that we may receive all that You have given us with gratitude and use wisely all that You have entrusted into our care, especially as we thank You for Your goodness to _____. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** According to Your promise, You never leave nor forsake us. Hear all of our needs and concerns for ourselves and for others, especially _____, and for all of the other petitions we entrust to You from the things silent and unspoken in our hearts and minds... Receive all of these prayers, and answer them all according to Your good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Bless our fellowship this day at the Table of the Lord and help us to receive with faith all that our Lord gives to us here so we may be united in heart and mind in Christ and empowered to love one another and all people in Your Name. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** You have given us all things in Christ and yet we are tripped up by our weakness and fear; grant us the courage to follow the blessed example of Constantine and Helena, and all the saints who have gone on before us by believing in Jesus Christ and making the holy confession of His Name unto the end. Then gather us, we pray, with all the elect to dwell with You in Your presence forevermore. 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 Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

The Sharing of the Peace:

P The Risen Lord now reigns at God's right hand. He is the Prince of Peace. Alleluia. The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

The Congregation is seated.

✠ The Service of the Sacrament ✠

The Hymn of Preparation

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 492

“On Christ’s Ascension I Now Build”



1 On Christ's as - cen - sion I now build The hope of my as -
 2 Since Christ re - turned to claim His throne, Great gifts for me ob -
 3 O grant, dear Lord, this grace to me, Re - call - ing Your as -



cen - sion; This hope a - lone has al - ways stilled All doubt and
 tain - ing, My heart will rest in Him a - lone, No oth - er
 cen - sion, That I may serve You faith - ful - ly In thanks for



ap - pre - hen - sion; For where the Head is, there as well I
 rest re - main - ing; For where my trea - sure went be - fore, There
 my re - demp - tion; And then, when all my days will cease, Let



know His mem - bers are to dwell When Christ will come and call them.
 all my thoughts will ev - er soar To still their deep - est yearn - ing.
 me de - part in joy and peace In an - swer to my plead - ing.

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The Congregation rises.

The Preface Dialogue:

P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P 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, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who after His resurrection appeared openly to all His disciples and in their sight was taken up into heaven that He might make us partakers of His divine life. Therefore 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*:

C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
 Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
 san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

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 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.



The Words of Our Lord:

P 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:

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:

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.



C A - men.

The *Agnus Dei*:

Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have
 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
 world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
 sin of the world; grant us peace.

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 During the Distribution:

"Day By Day" – The Trinity Singers

The Congregation rises.

The Post-Communion Canticle:

Thank the Lord



C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

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.



C A - - men.



The *Benedicamus* and Solemn Blessing for the Ascension:

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us bless the Lord!

C **Thanks be to God!**

P God the Father, who has given to His Son the Name above every name, strengthen you to proclaim Christ Jesus as Lord.

C **Amen.**

P God the Son, who is our Great High Priest passed into the heavens, plead for you at the right hand of the Father.

C **Amen.**

P God the Holy Spirit, who pours out His abundant gifts upon the Church, make you faithful servants of Christ our King.

C **Amen.**

P And the blessing, mercy, and grace of Almighty God, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever.

C **Amen.**

The Easter 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!**

Alleluia!

The Hymn to Depart

Lutheran Service Book Hymn # 525

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”



1 Crown Him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on His throne;
 2 Crown Him the vir - gin's Son, The God in - car - nate born,
 3 Crown Him the Lord of love. Be - hold His hands and side,
 4 Crown Him the Lord of life, Who tri - umphed o'er the grave
 5 Crown Him the Lord of heav'n, En - throned in worlds a - bove,



Hark how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns All mu - sic but its own.
 Whose arm those crim-son tro - phies won Which now His brow a-dorn:
 Rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, In beau - ty glo - ri - fied.
 And rose vic - to - rious in the strife For those He came to save.
 Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n The won-drous name of Love.



A - wake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee, And
 Fruit of the mys - tic rose, Yet of that rose the stem, The
 No an - gels in the sky Can ful - ly bear that sight, But
 His glo - ries now we sing, Who died and rose on high, Who
 Crown Him with man - y crowns As thrones be - fore Him fall; Crown



hail Him as thy match-less king Through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, The babe of Beth - le - hem.
 down-ward bend their won-d'ring eyes At mys - ter - ies so bright.
 died e - ter - nal life to bring And lives that death may die.
 Him, ye kings, with man - y crowns, For He is king of all.

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The Silent Worship

The Parish Announcements

The Postlude

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

✠ 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 Choir
The Flutist
The Parish Musician

The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel
Tracy Peele
Paul Ritter
Paul Ritter
The Trinity Singers
Susan Kennedy
Skip Hall



HE
ASCENDED
INTO HEAVEN

NOTES AND NEWS

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.

MPG MEMBERS ... Please mark your calendars—The Ministry Planning Group will be meeting **Next Sunday, May 24th**, following worship to tend to some congregation business matters.

CROP WALK ... We did it! Another season of CROP Walk has come and gone, and we showed up to take care of our hungry neighbors. Together we raised a total of **\$2,477** for people at home and abroad. I would like to thank our Trinity family for their continued support for this effort, and for coming together to make this happen! We have made a difference in the lives of hungry people. Thank you, Sarah Lydia

OUR 95th ANNIVERSARY YEAR! ... This year, we have the joy of celebrating the Lord's blessing on our dear Trinity Congregation through all of the years since our founding in 1931. As a part of our year-long celebration, we have the honor of having the Bishop and President of the Southeastern District of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, The Rev. Dr. William A. Harmon, to be with us and to deliver an Anniversary Message. Plan to be with us for worship on **Sunday, June 7th** for this special Divine Service where our Bishop will be the Preacher for the day. Following the service, there will be a celebratory Potluck meal for us to have the opportunity to share together in our joy and to greet Bishop Harmon. Please speak with Carole Dingess to help us coordinate our menu for this joyous time of fellowship.

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 **2026** 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 remains at **\$50.00**, mainly owing to delivery charges, which we hope will not increase. If you have any questions, please contact Rona by calling the church office or by email (trinity-elc-office@verizon.net).

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 kfu.org and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: @KFUOradio on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/kfu.org), [X](https://twitter.com/kfu.org), and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/kfu.org).

CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org: We're continuing our study of select Psalms on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 9 a.m. ET)! This week, we'll take a look at Psalms 108, 116, 117, 121, and 12. On Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 12 p.m. ET), we're diving into the book of Romans! Tune in as we unpack chapters 1-3. Don't forget to join us for Concord Matters this Saturday (May 23 at 11 a.m. ET)! We're studying the Power and Primacy of the Pope—the public confession of the Church matters!

THE LUTHERAN HOUR ... It's often said, "Misery loves company." Christ comes to us in our misery with God's love and mercy. Listen to the Lutheran Hour next Sunday, May 24, 2026, for this message from Lutheran Hour Speaker, the Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, "Misery Loves Company". The Lutheran Hour can be heard online on KFUO.org on Sundays at 12:30 PM and 5:00 PM, as well as on SiriusXM's Family Talk 131 channel on Sundays at 10:00 AM. For more ways to listen, to hear messages on demand, or for more information on this media ministry, visit the Lutheran Hour Ministries website at www.lhm.org, and click on "The Lutheran Hour" link. You can also view many of the other devotional and spiritual life materials provided by Lutheran Hour ministries as well.

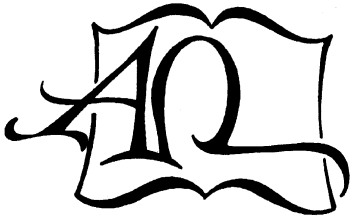
OTHER MEDIA MINISTRIES FOR YOUR LISTENING AND VIEWING ...

LUTHERAN PUBLIC RADIO lutheranpublicradio.org
24/7 internet radio station with *Sacred Music for the World*.

ISSUES, ETC issuesetc.org
A program of *Christ-Centered, Cross-Focused Talk Radio*.
Airs Monday-Friday from 4-6 p.m. ET, both on its website and on kfu.org.
Archived shows are also available to listen to at any time.

WORSHIP ANEW worshipanew.org
Weekly Lutheran Worship services online and devotions.





PREPARING FOR THE COMING SUNDAY ...

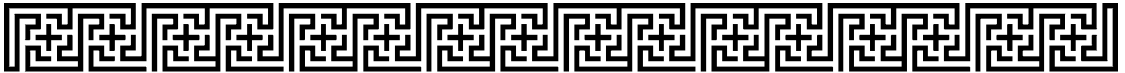
The Day of Pentecost

May 24, 2026

Scripture Readings: Numbers 11:24-30

Acts 2:1-21

John 7:37-39



PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 17 – 24

May Be Subject to Change

Today	<i>The Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord (Observed)</i>	
	<i>The Seventh Sunday of Easter</i>	
	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)
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
Next Sunday	<i>The Day of Pentecost – The Fiftieth Day of Easter</i>	
	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)



CHURCH STATISTICS



Sunday, May 10, 2026

Worship Attendance: 18; Communed: 18.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATISTICS FOR APRIL 2026:

General Offerings received (4 Sundays): \$11,209

General Offerings needed to meet the budget: \$11,148

Withdrawals from Thrivent (money market): \$0

Balance in Thrivent mutual funds: \$49,574 (as of 3/31/26)



✠ **O Christ, Hear Us!** ✠

Intercessions for the Week of May 17, 2026

Prayers for Continued Healing and Help

For Members of Our Trinity Family:

Julie & Kenny, Diane, Travis, Waymond, August, Tracy, Ernie, Paul, Angela, and Judy

For Those Who Have Asked of Our Prayers:

Luke, grandson of Charlie & Jean; Susan, relative of Gus & Betty;
Britnany, niece of Lynda; Juliet, mother of Ras-I; Linda, daughter of Gus & Betty;
Caron, former Concordia School Teacher; Jari, former Concordia Teacher;
Nathan, son of Art; Bernie, friend of Trinity; Robin, daughter of Vincent & Tracy;
Orbelina & Family, mother of former Concordia Students;
Kay & Bob, relatives of Carole; Kumar, co-worker's spouse of Joyce;
Craig, husband of Edith; Steve, father-in-law of Michelle; Denise, fiancée of Mark;
Raymond, brother of Joy; Daniel, 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;
Pat, mother of Kim; Sean, friend of Joyce & Dave; Eleanor, former Concordia Teacher;
Kelly, co-worker's spouse of Joyce; Leo, relative of Carole; Carolyn, daughter of Susan;
Ann, friend of Judy; Shirley, aunt of Kim; Eliot, pre-born son of Ryan & Ryann;
Kaylee, great-niece of Noel

Thanksgivings and Blessings

Paul & Verona Juhasz, and Earl & BreOnna Elias, who celebrate their wedding anniversaries this week.

Ja'Vonte Azaiah Best, a newborn baby boy born to Robin Peele, on May 7th.

Those Who Mourn

The Family of Sinkinesh Woldetensay Zenebe, sister of Anteneh Zenebe, who passed away on May 1st.

The Family of David Peele, who passed away on May 7th.

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.





***Celebrating the Gift of Ninety-Five Years of
God's Love and Grace!***

***...as it was in the beginning,
is now,
and will be forever.
Amen!***

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Sunday Mornings:

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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Church Web Site: www.tlcmr.org

The Reverend Peter A. Schiebel, Pastor



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