

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sunday, May 07, 2023 – Traditional Service with Holy Communion

"Do not
let your
HEARTS
be troubled.
Believe
in
God,
believe also
in me."

John 14:1, NRSV

WELCOME TO ALL

Welcome to worship at Trinity Lutheran Church! We are glad you are here.
We are delighted to gather as one people in the name of the risen Lord Jesus,
in whose power over disease and death we take hope.
Please use this bulletin to participate in the liturgy
and take it with you when the service is ended.

Based on revised CDC guidance, we are no longer encouraging the wearing of masks for those attending worship, regardless of vaccination status. However, if you have symptoms, have tested positive for Covid or been exposed to someone with Covid-19, we ask that you do wear a mask. Please feel free to continue wearing a mask in worship for your safety, if desired. This guidance may change if our risk level changes.

Bathrooms are located down the hall from the side entrance to the sanctuary.
Children are always welcome during worship, but if desired,
there is a nursery in room 107 available for children ages birth to school age.

*Please be aware that we are streaming our services.
If you do not wish to be on camera please contact the church office.*

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*As we continue to celebrate the fifty days of Easter,
today's gospel includes Jesus' promise that he goes to
prepare a place for his followers in his Father's house.*

Our baptism commissions us to share Jesus' mission in the world.

*As 1 Peter reminds us, we are a holy people,
called to proclaim the one who called us out of darkness into light.
In words and deeds we bear witness to the risen Christ—our way, our truth, our life.*

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregation responds in bold print.

Please respect the silence of those around you preparing for worship.

PRELUDE

"The Strife is O'er"

Simone

Please stand as you are able.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
by whose hand we are given new birth,
by whose speaking we are given new life.

Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,
we are welcomed, restored, and supported
as citizens of the new creation.

Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Holy God,
holy and merciful,
holy and mighty,
you are the river of life,
you are the everlasting wellspring.

In mercy and might you have freed us from death
and raised us with Jesus, the firstborn of the dead.
In baptismal waters our old life is washed away,
and in them we are born anew.

Glory to you for oceans and lakes,
for rivers and streams.
Honor to you for waters that wash us clean,
quench our thirst, and nurture both crops and creatures.
Praise to you for the life-giving water of baptism,
the outpouring of the Spirit of the new creation.

Wash away our sin and all that separates us from you.
Empower our witness to your resurrection.
Strengthen our resolve in seeking justice for all.

Satisfy the world's need through this living water.
Where drought dries the earth, bring refreshment.
Where despair prevails, grant hope.
Where chaos reigns, bring peace.
We ask this through Christ,
who with you and the Spirit reigns forever.

Amen.

Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing

1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands
 4 Wom - en and men, in age and youth, can feel the
 5 Christ is a - live, and comes to bring good news to

emp... - ty ...to... the sky., Let streets and homes with
 Spir - it, hear the call, and find the way, the
 this and ev - 'ry age, till earth and sky and

prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.
 life, the truth, re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.
 o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

APOSTOLIC GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
 and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

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.

Please be seated.

Christ is Risen!

He is Risen indeed Alleluia!

WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 7:55-60

*Stephen was one of the seven men chosen by the apostles to serve tables
so that the apostles could be free to serve the word (Acts 6:1-6).*

Stephen does more than distribute food, however.

For his preaching of God's word, he becomes the first martyr of the faith.

⁵⁵Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. ⁵⁶“Look,” he said, “I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!” ⁵⁷But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. ⁵⁸Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. ⁵⁹While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” ⁶⁰Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.” When he had said this, he died.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

PSALMODY

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

We will speak the Psalm responsively.

Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit. (Ps. 31:5)

- ¹In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge;
let me never be put to shame;
deliver me in your righteousness.
- ²**Incline your ear to me;
make haste to deliver me.**
- ³Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,
for you are my crag and my stronghold;
for the sake of your name, lead me and guide me.
- ⁴**Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me,
for you are my tower of strength.**
- ⁵Into your hands I commend my spirit,
for you have redeemed me, O LORD, God of truth.
- ¹⁵**My times are in your hand;
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who persecute me.**
- ¹⁶Let your face shine upon your servant;
save me in your steadfast love.”



SECOND READING

1 Peter 2:2-10

*Christ is the cornerstone of God's saving work and the foundation of our lives.
We are God's chosen, holy people who continuously celebrate and
declare the mercy of God we experience through Jesus Christ.*

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

⁴Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and ⁵like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶For it stands in scripture:

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

⁷To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,
“The stone that the builders rejected
has become the very head of the corner,”

⁸and

“A stone that makes them stumble,
and a rock that makes them fall.”

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, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts 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.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with-in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.



GOSPEL

John 14:1-14

*On the night that he is to be arrested, Jesus shares final words with his disciples.
As the one through whom God is known,
he promises to go before them and act on their behalf.*

The Holy Gospel according to John, the 14th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the disciples: ¹“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. ²In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. 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, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to the place 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 know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

⁸Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” ⁹Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? 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; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹²Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

SERMON

Pastor Alan Wilson

ANTHEM

***“Declare Your Praise”
Senior Choir***

McDonald

Please stand as you are able.

APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Names of family & friends in prayer found on page 17.

A brief silence.

Response following each petition:

L: Hear us, O God.

R: Your mercy is great.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you!



OFFERING

*Thank you for your generous and faithful support during these extraordinary times.
Out of an abundance of caution, we are not currently passing the collection plates.
Instead, you may place your offerings in the plates provided
by the door as you enter or exit worship.*

If you prefer, Trinity offers 5 other ways to give as well:

Text, Mail, Mobile, Automatic Transfer, & Online. Contact the church office for details.

Create in Me a Clean Heart Offering Song

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your
pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me.
Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me
with your free Spir - it. Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God,
and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.

MEAL

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, 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.**



INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come and know Christ,
broken and poured out for you.
Thanks be to God.

Please be seated.



- 1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
- 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
- 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION

All baptized followers of Christ are welcome at the Lord's Table.

Communicants are ushered forward row-by-row.

Please open your hand and the pastor will place the bread in your hand.

Once you have eaten the bread, the communion assistant will offer you a cup of wine.

Please take the cup of wine from the tray.

After drinking the wine, you may return to your seat along the side aisle.

If you prefer, grape juice is available which you may request from the communion assistant.

Please stand as you are able.

COMMUNION BLESSING

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION

The Church's One Foundation

1 The church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;
 4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult of her war,
 5 Yet she on earth has u - nion with God, the Three in One,

she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.
 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;
 and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.

From heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,
 Oh, bless - ed heav'n - ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by your grace,

with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
 and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.
 that we, like saints be - fore us, may see you face to face.

SENDING

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Risen One.

Thanks be to God.

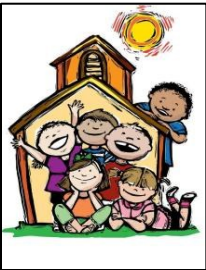
Please be seated.

POSTLUDE

“I know That My Redeemer Lives”

Mansfield

*Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God
and in loving memory of my beloved wife
“Philly Girl”
from her loving husband Robert Koenig.*



*The children's bulletins are given to the Glory of God,
and in honor of Trinity's children,
by Dave & Becky Morningstar.*

LAST WEEKS ATTENDANCE:

Sunday, April 30, 2023:	84
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Online views:	102
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Next week's Lessons:

Acts 17:22-31

Psalm 66:8-26

1 Peter 3:13-22

John 14:15-21



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Preacher /Presider	<i>Pastor Alan Wilson</i>
Organist	<i>Robert Eyer Jr.</i>
10 AM	
Ushers	<i>Don Grier Don Lensbower</i>
Acolyte	<i>Benjamin Atherton</i>
Lector	<i>Ray Brindle</i>
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Communion Prep	<i>Joyce McDonald</i>
Livestream Team	<i>Jason Brown</i>
Nursery	<i>Linda Hins</i>

IN OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS



We Pray For

FAMILY & FRIENDS

The family & friends of Barbara Bankert
The family & friends of Jerry Bitner
Richard & Gloria McCauley
Deb Hile
Joyce McDonald
Greg Wilson
Bob Kitzmiller
Dennis Alleman
Jim Cistone
Doug Price
Betty Leonard

Jerry Crist
Ray Guldin
Connie Renshaw
Bernice Conner
Bob Shannon
Doris Kriebel
Shirley Shilling
Deb Hutsler
Sue Lensbower
Thomas Clarke
Brenda Zullinger

Marlene Fisher
Mary Royce
Donna Shetter
Phyllis Dusman
Floss Sterner
Michele Phillips
Curt Stambaugh
Cheryl Kelly
Cameron

MEMBERS

Brian, Brittani, &
Carson Barrows

Jeff & Denise Barrows

Jean Baughman

Preston & Joan
Bellows

*****Names may be added / removed by calling the church office.***

*****Names will normally be removed after 4 weeks.***

OFFERING

Budgeted amount needed: \$8,072.12 Offering on: 04.30.23: \$4,399.87

Thank You!

TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

The SpiriTrust Lutheran Chambersburg Auxiliary 2023 Membership Drive

Membership Options

Regular	\$1—\$24
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Life Member	\$100 per person
Memorial	\$10 minimum per name
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Donation from Life Member



Be a Sponsor

SPONSORS NEEDED

*Sign-up on
bulletin board in hallway
or call the church office.*

Altar Flowers	\$40+
Children's Bulletins	\$3

TO JOIN SEE YOUR
CONGREGATION MEMBERSHIP
REPRESENTATIVE



NEW MEMBER CLASS

Interested in joining Trinity?
A New Member Class will be held
Sunday, May 21 following worship in the Lounge.
Please contact the church office if you are
interested.

THIS WEEK @ TRINITY

Sunday - 05/07	9:00 AM 9:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:00 AM	Sunday School for all ages - Library Confirmation - Cloud 9 Scripture & Coffee Worship - Sanctuary <i>5th Sunday of Easter</i>
Monday - 05/08	7-8:30 PM	Boy Troop - Scout Room
Tuesday - 05/09	6-9:00 PM	Church Develop. Task Force - Lounge
Wednesday - 05/10	5:30 PM 6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Yoga - Social Hall Council - Lounge Choir - Sanctuary
Thursday - 05/11	7:00 PM	Grief Share - Lounge
Friday - 05/12	5:30 PM 6-8 PM 8-10 PM	Discover Dance Works - Social Hall Cub Scouts - Scout Room Girl Troop - Scout Room
Saturday - 05/13		World Fair Trade Day
Sunday - 05/14	9:00 AM 9:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:00 AM	Sunday School for all ages - Library Confirmation - Cloud 9 Scripture & Coffee Worship - Sanctuary <i>6th Sunday of Easter</i> <i>Mother's Day</i>



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Mission Statement

"Seed - Planting and Growing in our Faith

Sow - Sharing the word of God with our community

Steward - Giving to all the love of God

Service - Showing the love of God with our community"