

Sunday, April 7, 2024 – Traditional Service with Holy Communion

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.

Second Sunday of Easter

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The Easter season is a week of weeks, seven Sundays when we play in the mystery of Christ's presence, mostly through the glorious Gospel of John. Today we gather with the disciples on the first Easter, and Jesus breathes the Spirit on us. With Thomas we ask for a sign, and Jesus offers us his wounded self in the broken bread. From frightened individuals we are transformed into a community of open doors, peace, forgiveness, and material sharing such that no one among us is in need.

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregation responds in bold print.

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

PRELUDE

"The Day of Resurrection"

Edwards

GATHERING

Please stand as you are able.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy. **Amen.**

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life.

Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers.

The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land.

In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.
By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people.
We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

"That Easter Day With Joy Was Bright"



Text: Latin hymn, 5th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt. Music: PUER NOBIS, European tune, adapt. Michael Praetorius, 1571–1621

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,
with joy we celebrate the day
of our Lord's resurrection.
By the grace of Christ among us,
enable us to show the power of
the resurrection in all that
we say and do,
through Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord,
who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and forever.
Amen.

Please be seated.



WORD

FIRST READING Acts 4:32-35

While the apostles testified to others about the resurrection of Jesus, the early Christian community shared what they owned or sold their possessions to help their fellow believers who were in need.

³²Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. ³³With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. ³⁴There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. ³⁵They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

Word of God. Word of Life. Thanks be to God!

PSALMODY Psalm 133

We will speak the Psalm responsively.

How good and pleasant it is to live together in unity. (Ps. 133:1)

¹How good and how pleasant it is, when kindred live together in unity!

²It is like fine oil upon the head, flowing down upon the beard, upon the beard of Aaron, flowing down upon the collar of his robe.

³It is like the dew of Hermon flowing down upon the hills of Zion.

For there the LORD has commanded the blessing: life forevermore.

SECOND READING

1 John 1:1--2:2

The opening of this letter serves as a reality check. The reality of God is light, but our confessed reality has been sin. God cleanses us from our sinful reality through Christ's death so that we live in fellowship with Christ and walk in God's light.

¹We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life - ²this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us - ³we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. ⁴We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

⁵This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. ⁶If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; ⁷but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

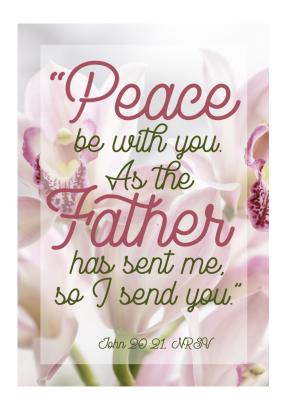
^{2:1}My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; ²and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Word of God. Word of Life. Thanks be to God!

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION





John 20:19-31

The story of Easter continues as the risen Jesus appears to his disciples. His words to Thomas offer a blessing to all who entrust themselves in faith to the risen Lord.

The Holy Gospel according to John, the 20th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." ²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S SERMON SERMON MUSIC MEDITATION

Pastor Barbara Barry

"The Lovely Name of Jesus"

Smith

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: God of grace, R: hear our prayer.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you!**















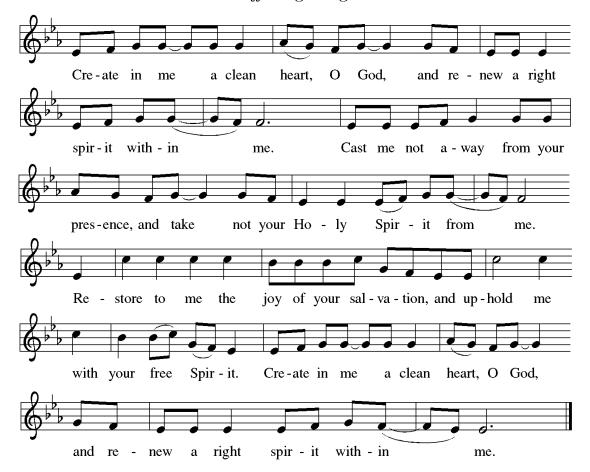


OFFERING

Thank you for your generous and faithful support. 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 five other ways to give as well: Text, Mail, Mobile, Automatic Transfer, and Online.

Contact the church office for details.

Create in Me a Clean Heart Offering Song



MEAL

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

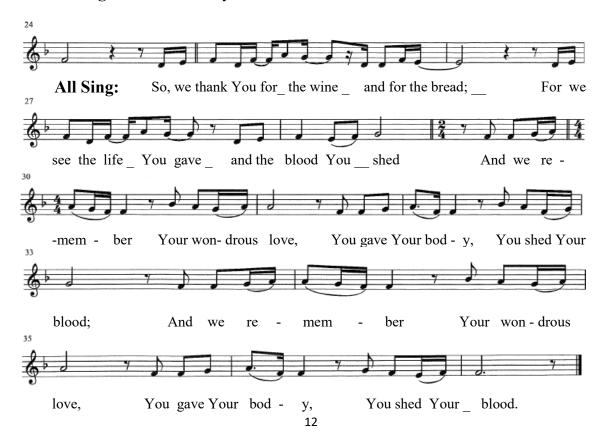
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Pastor sings: ...and as you drink it, remember Me...



THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, we pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

Please be seated.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread.
Come and eat at God's table.



COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION

God loves you! All 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 or juice from the tray.
Wine is red. Juice is white.

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

Please stand as you are able.

COMMUNION BLESSING POST COMMUNION PRAYER SENDING THE BENEDICTION



CLOSING HYMN ELW 385

"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!"



SENDING

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Please be seated.

POSTLUDE

"Rejoice, the Lord is King"

Smith

Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Martha Hoffman by Mike & Eileen (Hoffman) Meier.





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

LAST WEEKS ATTENDANCE:		
Maundy Thursday, NOON - March 28:	13	
Maundy Thursday, 7PM - March 28:	56	
Online views:	80	
Good Friday, 7PM - March 29, 2024:	85	
Online views:	142	
Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024:	171	
Online views:	196	

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS		
Preacher /Presider	Pastor Barbara Barry	
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Debbie Hile

Next week's Lessons:

| *April 14, 2024*

Acts 3:12-19

Psalm 4

1 John 3:1-7

Luke 24:36b-48



Nursery

THOUGHTS PRAYERS



We Pray For

FAMILY & FRIENDS

Family and Friends of Phyllis Dusman Sharon Emmons Doris Krieble

Curtis Alleman Joanne Forrester Greg Wilson
Diane Sterner Angela Krom Deb Hutsler

Kathy Hoffman Denny Alleman Thomas Clarke

Darlene Davies PJ Snider Brenda Zullinger

Kathy Largent Becky Morningstar Marlene Fisher

Barb Hardsock Judy Wrights Mary Royce

Donna Klenzing Paul Stockhausen Floss Sterner

Michele Phillips Shirley Shilling Curt Stambaugh

Lohn Soilhaman Charal Valley

John Seilhamer Denny Verner Cheryl Kelly
Bob Shannon Linda Remson Cameron

Jean Baughman Sue Lensbower

MEMBERS

Nancy Stehle Ronald Stepler Diane and Floss
Sterner Hazel Strait

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

**Names will normally be removed after <u>4 weeks.</u>

OFFERING

Total Budgeted Giving expected as of March 31, 2024: \$303,846.39 Amount received as of March 31: \$326,974.97 Thank You!

TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

STEWARDSHIP INTENT CARD DEADLINE

April 21st

Our goal is 100 cards returned.

IN APPRECIATION

Following Worship

You are invited to lunch on Sunday, April 28th.

Trinity is appreciative of your many gifts: time, talents, money, and prayer. We give thanks for your generosity. *Please RSVP as early as possible but no later than April 21st*.



Trinity Scholarship

Applications

Applications will be accepted until *April 15*, 2024

Applicants must be a member of Trinity

To apply for a scholarship:

Stop by the church office for an application

Call / email the church office

for an electronic copy.



Use your artistic and creative talents and design a

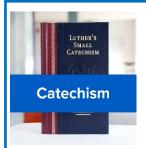
NEW LOGO FOR TRINITY!

Win a \$25 Gift Card!

Your design will be used on our website, printed materials, and social media. Open to ALL ages and abilities.

Submit your design to the office by June 3, 2024.

Top 5 designs will be given to the congregation for a vote.



The Confirmation 101 refresher class will be meeting TODAY in the Lounge at 9:00 AM

Join us for a discussion of the Lord's Prayer.

Come join us in deepening your understanding of the basics of faith and encounter Christ in exciting new ways.

THIS WEEK @ TRINITY			
Sunday - 4/7/24	9:00 AM	Learning for all Ages:	
		Confirmation 101 Refresher Class	
		Confirmation - Cloud 9	
		2nd to 5th Grade - Library	
		Preschool to 1st Grade - Nursery	
	10:00 AM	Worship - Sanctuary	
		Second Sunday of Easter	
Monday - 4/8/24	6:00 - 8:00 PM	Bible and Brew	
	6:00 - 7:00 PM	Boy Troop Committee Meeting - Scout Room	
	7:00 - 8:30 PM	Boy Troop - Scout Room	
Tuesday - 4/9/24	6:30 PM	Council - Lounge	
Wednesday - 4/10/24	5:15 PM	Yoga - Library	
	7:00 PM	Choir - Sanctuary	
Thursday - 4/11/24	5:00 - 8:00 PM	Dance Works - Social Hall	
	7:00 PM	Grief Share - Lounge	
Friday - 4/12/24	5:00 - 8:00 PM	Dance Works - Social Hall	
	6 - 8 PM	Cub Scouts - Scout Room	
	8 - 10 PM	Girl Troop - Scout Room	
Saturday - 4/13/24		National Scrabble Day	
Sunday - 4/14/24	9:00 AM	Learning for all Ages:	
		Scripture and Coffee - Lounge	
		Confirmation - Cloud 9	
		2nd to 5th Grade - Library	
	10:00 AM	Preschool to 1st Grade - Nursery	
		Worship - Sanctuary	
		Third Sunday of Easter	



SEWING GROUP

April 24, 2024 at 11 AM at Jean D.'s home. For more info call/email the church office.



April 20th Newsletter



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Vision

"Growing in God"

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"