

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Sunday, April 21, 2024



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*Our Mission Statement for Trinity Lutheran Church & School is:
"Teaching, Living, Caring, and Serving as the Family of Christ."*

WELCOME!

We welcome all who have joined us this day, as we worship the Almighty God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. If you would like more information about Trinity, our mission, or becoming a member, please speak with Pastor Tonn, or the Elder on duty. Thank you, and may the Lord bless your worship with us today as God touches your life with His love!

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Take time before the service to prepare and examine your heart for this sacred event. If you need assistance, or cannot come up to the altar, please ask an Usher for help, or for Communion to be brought to you at your seat. White grape juice is available at the center of the trays of individual cups, and gluten free wafers are available for those who desire those options.

STATEMENT OF FAITH AND PRACTICE REGARDING HOLY COMMUNION

We believe that we must properly examine ourselves before partaking, as 1 Corinthians 11:27 reveals, "... whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the Body and Blood of the Lord." As such, we ask that you search your heart to see if you believe that through this Sacrament our Savior gives us His very Body and Blood in His "real presence" for the forgiveness of sins. Our Lord invites to this meal those who trust in His words, repent of all sins, and willingly demonstrate His love and forgiveness of others as He has shown it to us. Because this Sacrament is also a statement of our unity in Christ, we ask that those who desire to receive the Lord's Supper, and have not previously communed at our altar, please speak to the Pastor or the Elder of the week before doing so.

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THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Prelude + Candle Lighting + Ringing of the Bell + Greeting

OPENING HYMN “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia”

LSB 463



1 Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day; Al - le - lu - ia!
2 For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 Hail, the vic - tim un - de - filed, Al - le - lu - ia!
4 Chris - tians, on this ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!



Chris-tians, has - ten on your way; Al - le - lu - ia!
Sin - less in the sin - ner's stead. Al - le - lu - ia!
God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled, Al - le - lu - ia!
All your grate - ful hom - age pay; Al - le - lu - ia!



Of - fer praise with love re - plete, Al - le - lu - ia!
Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Al - le - lu - ia!
When con - tend - ing death and life, Al - le - lu - ia!
Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Al - le - lu - ia!



At the pas - chal vic - tim's feet. Al - le - lu - ia!
Now He lives, no more to die. Al - le - lu - ia!
Met in strange and awe - some strife. Al - le - lu - ia!
Now He lives, no more to die. Al - le - lu - ia!

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INVOCATION AND OPENING SENTENCES

*John 12:26; Ephesians 4:15**Psalm 25:1–3, 5, 10; 106:48*

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Jesus said: “If anyone serves Me, he must follow Me; and where I am, there will My servant be also. If anyone serves Me, the Father will honor him.”

People: Speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into Him who is the head, into Christ.

Pastor: To You, O Lord, I lift up my soul. O my God, in You I trust.

People: Indeed, none who wait for You shall be put to shame.

Pastor: Lead me in Your truth and teach me, for You are the God of my salvation.

People: All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep His covenant and His testimonies.

Pastor: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting!

People: And let all the people say, "Amen!" Praise the Lord!

CONFESION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Let us confess our sins to God, our Father.

People: O Lord God Almighty, we confess that we are sinful human beings by nature and by deed. We have not always put You first. We have not followed in the ways You have set forth for us. We have not always been thoughtful caretakers of Your creation and have not shared its bounty on all occasions. We have not kept our thoughts, words, and deeds fully pure and honorable. We have sinned in ways we know and in ways we do not even recognize. We have not honored those in authority and have failed to encourage them. We have not completely put the best construction on all things and on all people. Have mercy on us, O Lord. Forgive us all our sins, and finally by Your grace, bring us to everlasting life. Amen.

Pastor: The almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all our sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

KYRIE ~ *Lord, Have Mercy*

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Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

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



C Lord, have mer - cy.

Pastor: 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.

Pastor: 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.

Pastor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



C A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE ~ *This Is the Feast*



A This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



C Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,



whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.



Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength and



hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are His.



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

lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of
 God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:
 Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might be to
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.
 This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,
 for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun His reign.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who call us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

Acts 4:1-12

And as they were speaking to the people, the priests and the captain of the temple and the Sadducees came upon them, greatly annoyed because they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. And they arrested them and put them in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. But many of those who had heard the

word believed, and the number of the men came to about five thousand. On the next day their rulers and elders and scribes gathered together in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest and Caiaphas and John and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. And when they had set them in the midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well. This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

1 John 3:16-24

By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth. By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before him; for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. Whoever keeps his commandments abides in God, and God in him. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

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Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



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Pastor/Choir: We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me.

All: 🎵 Alleluia...

HOLY GOSPEL

John 10:11-18

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 10th chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

NICENE CREED

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

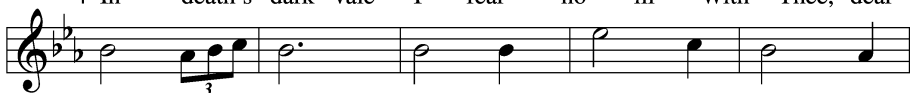
the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the 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.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

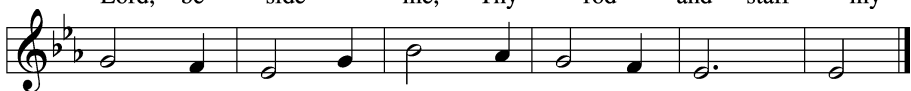
HYMN OF THE DAY "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" LSB 709



1 The King of love my shep - herd is, Whose good - ness
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, My ran - somed
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, But yet in
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill With Thee, dear



fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
 soul He lead - eth And, where the ver - dant
 love He sought me And on His shoul - der
 Lord, be - side me, Thy rod and staff my



I am His And He is mine for - ev - er.
 pas - tures grow, With food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
 gent - ly laid And home re - joic - ing brought me.
 com - fort still, Thy cross be - fore to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight; Thine unction grace bestoweth;
 And, oh, what transport of delight from Thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never;
 Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise within Thy house forever!

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SERMON

What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all His ben - e-fits to
 me? I will of-fer the sac-ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing and will
 call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-
 va-tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my
 vows to the Lord now in the pres - ence of all His peo - ple, in the
 courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary... evermore praising You
 and saying:

SANCTUS ~ *Holy, Holy, Holy*

Tune: LASST UNS ERFREUEN

♪ Sing holy, holy, holy Lord – the God on high by all adored:
Holy Father, risen Savior, and Holy Spirit, yet one Lord.
Hosanna, in the highest sing. From the Father He is coming
With His blessing. Alleluia, alleluia!

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, O Lord our God... Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

LORD'S PRAYER

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 WORDS OF OUR LORD

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

PAX DOMINI ~ *The Peace of the Lord*

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

AGNUS DEI ~ *Lamb of God*

Tune: LASST UNS ERFREUEN

♪ Christ, Lamb of God, now ris'n above, grant us Your mercy here in love.
You have paid for all the world's sin and now beside the Father reign
Where saints and angels praise Your name. Christ, have mercy;
Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy, grant us Your peace. Alleluia!

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THE DISTRIBUTION & HYMNS

Anthem: "Blessed Saviour"

arr. Ortize & Clampett

"The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want"

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"Lamb of God"

LSB 550

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE ~ *Thank the Lord*

Tune: LASST UNS ERFREUEN

♪ Thank we the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.

Thus do we share, and His name bear.

Now He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy,
shouting praises with thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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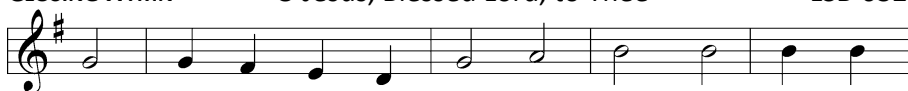
POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

"O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee"

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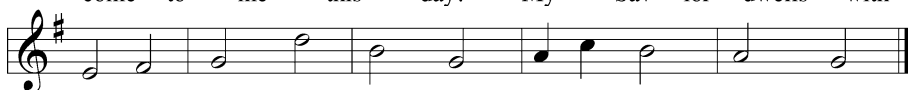


1 O Je - sus, bless - ed Lord, to Thee My heart - felt

2 Break forth, my soul, for joy and say: What wealth is



thanks for - ev - er be, Who hast so lov - ing -
come to me this day! My Sav - ior dwells with -



ly be - stowed On me Thy bod - y and Thy blood.
in my heart: How blessed am I! How good Thou art!

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