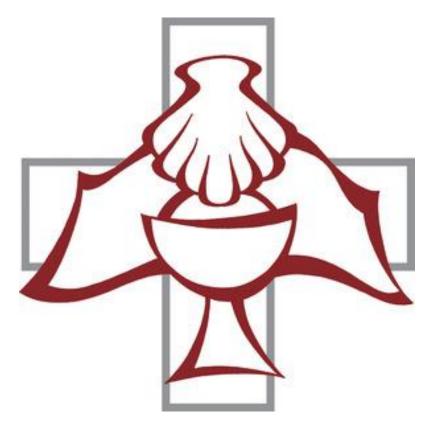
# **Trinity Lutheran Church**

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The Sixth Sunday of Easter & Confirmation

May 4 & 5, 2024

## Welcome, children of our Heavenly Father!

I Cor.10:16 calls our eating and drinking of the sacramental bread and wine an actual sharing in the body and blood of Christ. As we share this gift of the Savior, we also seek to be faithful to the confession of the Apostles' Doctrine, which Scripture says was shared by those who received the sacrament together. For this reason, **guests** who desire to commune are kindly asked to speak to the pastor or an elder.



In our prayers: Benny (grandson of Donna Ohrt), Yvonne (friend of Jean Janssen), Evelyn Bauer, Doris Benjamin (mother of Jane), Bernell Bohlmann, Lois Brenneisen, Cyndy Clapp, JoAnn Dickman, Margie Dominick, Violetta Donovan, Amy DuMontelle (friend of Deb Chmielowiec), Delbert Dummer (brother of Sharon), Bob English (father of Samantha Dehnnig), Ginger Hendrix (friend of Kim & Deb Weerts), Glen Hoffman (husband of Cassandra), Alan Janssen, Paul Johnson, Jeff & Jamie Jones (friends of Kamber Johnston), Gerald Kroesch, Darcy Lind (friend of Norma Bell), Lisa Lorang (granddaughter of Vinita Brutlag), Jean Mau, Les Naese (father-in-law of Brian Malone Jr.), Lynne Noffke, Tammie O'Connell (mother of Eric Meredith), Donna Ohrt, Roger Phillips, Brian Plenert (son-in-law of Don & Joanne LaChappell), Audrey Ruettger (mother of Lynne Noffke), Cooper Ruggles (great-grandson of Alan & Wanda Janssen and Deb & Tim Chmielowiec), Jeff Schultz (brother of Deb Chmielowiec), Justine Schultz (niece of Deb Chmielowiec), Jane Schwark, Rodney Schwark, Charlie Sherrill (*father of Cristin Kersten*), Nancy Snedecor, Alta Sorenson, Butch Sorenson, Chris Tanner (nephew of Nancy Varboncoeur), Mike Thomas, Sheri Thompson (aunt of Eric Meredith), Maritta Tolmer, Jason Warpet (cousin of Deb Chmielowiec), Lorraine Whitwell, and Donna Witheft.

For the family and friends of Greta Naese (*mother-in-law of Brian Malone Jr.*), that they may be filled with the hope of the resurrection of Christ Jesus, our Lord.

For all those that our Savior knows are in need, and those we name privately before our Lord.

## + ORDER OF WORSHIP—DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING ONE—LSB 151 + + CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

## Hymn of Invocation: A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

LSB 656

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

■ In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

- **C** Amen.
- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

## **C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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.
- 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.

## + SERVICE OF THE WORD +

Introit (Spoken responsively 1/2 verse by 1/2 verse) Psalm 66:1–2a, 17, 19–20; antiphon: Isaiah 48:20b

[With a voice of singing,] declare this with a shout of joy to the end of the earth. Alleluia.

### The LORD has redeemed his servant Jacob! Alleluia.

Shout for joy to God, all the earth;

sing the glory of his name.

I cried to him with my mouth,

and high praise was on my tongue.

But truly God has listened;

he has attended to the voice of my prayer.

Blessèd be God,

because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me! Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

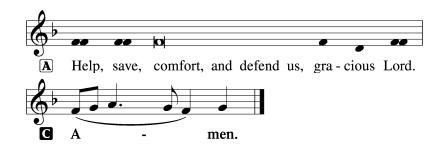
as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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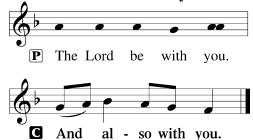
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This Is the Feast Refrain of This is the feast vic-to-ry for our God. С 0 al - le - lu - ia, Al-le - lu ia, al - le - lu ia. 1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was whose slain, 2 Pow wis - dom, and rich - es, strength, and er, 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and 4 Bless hon - or, glo - ry, and might ing, be to 5 For the Lamb\_ who was slain has be -0 0 God. Refrain blood set us free to be peo - ple of ing, and glo - ry are hon - or, bless -His. Refrain in the hymn of join all cre - a tion: Stanza 4 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. Α men. Refrain reign. Al - le - lu gun His ia. Final Refrain Final Refrain vic-to-ry for our feast of This is the God. 0 al-le-lu-ia, al-le-Al-le - lu ia, lu ia. --

Salutation and Collect of the Day



**P** Let us pray.

O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

## **Old Testament Reading**

Numbers 21:4–9

<sup>4</sup>From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. <sup>5</sup>And the people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food." <sup>6</sup>Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. <sup>7</sup>And the people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. <sup>8</sup>And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live." <sup>9</sup>So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

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

## Gradual

Liturgical Text; John 16:28

Alleluia. Christ, who has redeemed us with his blood, is risen and has appeared unto us. Alleluia.

## **C** I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father. Alleluia.

## Epistle

1 Timothy 2:1–6

<sup>1</sup>First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, <sup>2</sup>for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. <sup>3</sup>This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, <sup>4</sup>who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. <sup>5</sup>For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

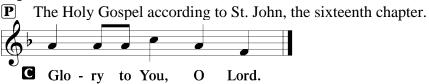
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Holy Gospel

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John 16:23–33

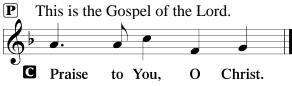


<sup>23</sup>[Jesus said:] "In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. <sup>24</sup>Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

<sup>25</sup>"I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. <sup>26</sup>In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; <sup>27</sup>for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. <sup>28</sup>I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father."

<sup>29</sup>His disciples said, "Ah, now you are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! <sup>30</sup>Now we know that you know all things and do not need anyone to question

you; this is why we believe that you came from God." <sup>31</sup>Jesus answered them, "Do you now believe? <sup>32</sup>Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with me. <sup>33</sup>I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."



Sit

Hymn of the Day: Lift High the Cross

LSB 837

## Sermon

## Stand

**Apostles Creed** 

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And 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.

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. Amen. **Confirmation** (Sunday – LSB 272)

### **Prayer of the Church**

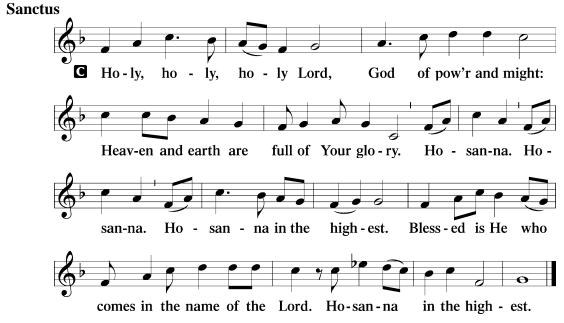
After each petition

- **P** ...let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.

#### + SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +



 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:



## 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

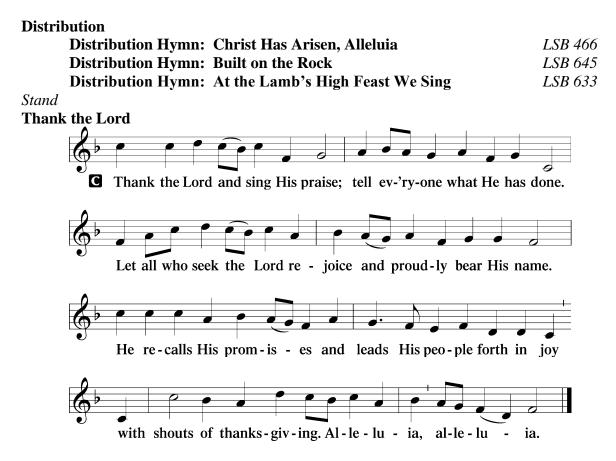
P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said:

"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."



Sit



### **Post-Communion Collect**

**A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.





## Hymn to Depart: Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer

LSB 918

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## Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

In Response to our Savior's Love						
Date/Weekend:	Sat.	Sun.	Total	Offerings: Operating	Missions	All Other Funds
April 21 <sup>st</sup>	44	99	143	\$ 5,972.00	\$ 525.00	\$ 90.00
April 21 <sup>st</sup> April 28 <sup>th</sup>	37	106	143	\$ 4,869.00	\$ 185.00	\$ 140.00
Sunday School			31	\$ 18.00		
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Average amount needed weekly to meet current Operating expenses\$ 5,800.00Average amount needed weekly to meet current Mission commitments\$ 692.00

Complete financial reports are given at Quarterly Voters' Meetings usually held on the third Sundays of January, April, July, and October. Please contact Diane in the church office if you need to pick up your offering envelopes, have offering envelopes issued or wish to be removed from the offering envelope list.

LCMS Stewardship Ministry Stewardship Thoughts – May 5 – Easter 6 1 Timothy 2:5–6 – "For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all." To be ransomed is to be bought back, to be purchased. We belong to God fair and square, not only because He created us, but now doubly so because we are ransomed. We belong to God: that's the beginning of thankfulness and generosity.

## Announcements

<u>Altar Flowers</u> are given to the glory of God by Trinity Lutheran Church in honor of our Confirmand.

**<u>Confirmation</u>** will be held this Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, during the 8:30am worship service. We pray God's continued blessings on our 2024 Confirmand, Victor William Brown.

<u>The Board of Education</u> will meet this Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am. Contact Heather Thurston with any questions or concerns.

**<u>Potluck</u>**: Trinity's Sewing Group will hold a potluck prior to quilting Tuesday, May 7th at 11:30am. Bring a dish to pass. Quilt tying/sewing will begin at 12:30pm. Gerald Kroesch's & Vinita Brutlag's May birthdays will be celebrated!

**Needed:** Strong arms & strong backs. We will be cleaning up/trimming the tree in the preschool play yard. Help would be appreciated to load/unload branches & limbs, raking etc. Please meet at church Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am. Contact the Council or Dan Shute with any questions.

**Sunday School**: The children will sing next Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup> during the 8:30am worship service. Regular season Sunday School will conclude Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>.



Little Lambs Registration: Our morning 4-year-old Pre-K class is currently full. A waiting list has been started and if there is sufficient enrollment, an afternoon class will be offered. The 3-year-old Pre-K class has openings at this time. You may pick up an application in the parish hall, church office, or from any member of preschool staff. Alternately, you may download an application to print at home from the preschool website: littlelambsherscher.org/enrollment. Spots are filled in the order complete registrations are received.

**Vacation Bible School - Celebrate the Savior June 3-7, 2024** We are excited for Vacation Bible School 2024! **Student and volunteer online registration is open! Go to: vbsmate.com/trinitylutheranherscheril** 

Volunteers, please sign up online if possible. It will really help with our planning and organizing. If you need help with the online process, please contact Heather or Diane.

You may contact our 2024 VBS Director, Heather Meredith with any questions. Phone/text: 815-573-1056 Email: hmj8706@yahoo.com



**Parish Hall:** We respectfully remind those that use the Parish Hall to please make sure the church kitchen, tables and chairs are clean and any food debris is swept up before you leave. Thank you.

## This week at Trinity Lutheran Church

Sunday 05/0	05 8:30am	Worship with Holy Communion & Confirmation
	9:30am	Sunday School & High School Bible Study
	9:45am	Sunday Adult Bible Study
	10:30am	Board of Education Meeting
Monday	8:00am	Devotion on Facebook Live
Tuesday	8:00am	Devotion on Facebook Live
	11:30am	Quilting/Sewing Group Potluck
	12:30pm	Quilting/Sewing Group
Wednesday	8:00am	Devotion on Facebook Live
	5:30pm	Children's Music Rehearsal
	7:00pm	Adult Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	8:00am	Devotion on Facebook Live
-	10:15am	Pre-K 3 year old Promotion
	6:00pm	Pre-K 4-year-old Graduation
Friday	9:30am	Little Lambs end of year party @ Golden's Gym
Saturday	9:00am	Tree Trimming/Clean-up in Preschool yard
	4:00pm	Saturday Adult Bible Study
	5:00pm	Worship with Holy Communion
Sunday 05/	12 8:30am	Worship with Holy Communion
-	9:30am	Sunday School & High School Bible Study
	9:45am	Sunday Adult Bible Study

	Cantor: Paul Johnson	1	
Elder/Communion	<i>ı</i> :	Next Week:	
	Jerry Brutlag (Sat.)	Chip Thurston (Sat.)	
	Joe Hart (Sun.)	Kim Weerts (Sun.)	
Usher Captain:	Van Schwark (Sat.)		
-	Bill Orr (Sun.)		
Altar Guild:	Sharon Dummer & Barb	Kruso	