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Lutheran Church

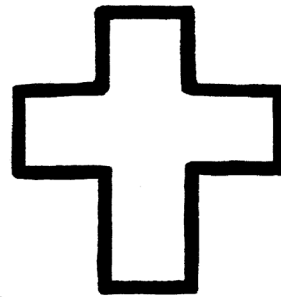
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Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

5th Sunday in Easter

May 2, 2021

10:00 am



GATHERING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

BAPTISM

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Please stand.

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God, the powers of this world that rebel against God, and the ways of sin that draw you from God?

I renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

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.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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.

THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks...in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

Please be seated.

BAPTISM

Benjamin James, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Let us pray... in your presence, both now and forever.

Amen.

Benjamin James, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

Amen.

WELCOME

Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven. Let us welcome the newly baptized.

We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share:

join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

Please stand.

GATHERING SONG— “All Creatures Worship God Most High”



All crea-tures, wor-ship God most high! Sound ev - 'ry voice in earth and
All who for love of God for - give, all who in pain or sor - row



sky: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Sing, broth - er sun, in splen-dor
grieve: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Christ bears your bur-dens and your



bright; sing, sis - ter moon and stars of night:
fears; still make your song a - mid the tears: Al-le - lu - ia, al-le -



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

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

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray...

Amen.

Please be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING

A reading from Acts 11:1-18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, “Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?” Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, “I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As

I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 148

¹ Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise him in the heights!

² **Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his host!**

³ Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars!

⁴ **Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!**

⁵ Let them praise the name of the LORD, for he commanded and they were created.

⁶ **He established them forever and ever;**

⁷ Praise the LORD from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps,

⁸ **fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling his command! he fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.**⁹ Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!

¹⁰ **Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds!**

¹¹ Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!

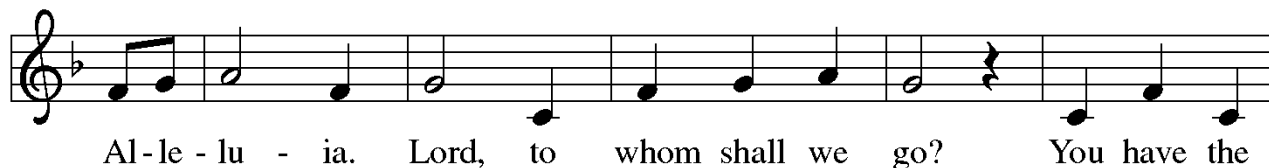
¹² **Young men and women alike, old and young together!**

¹³ Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is exalted; his glory is above earth and heaven.

¹⁴ **He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his faithful, for the people of Israel who are close to him. Praise the LORD!**

Please stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION





GOSPEL— 1 John 13:31-35

The Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[When he had gone out, Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, ‘Where I am going, you cannot come.’ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”]

The Gospel of the Lord.

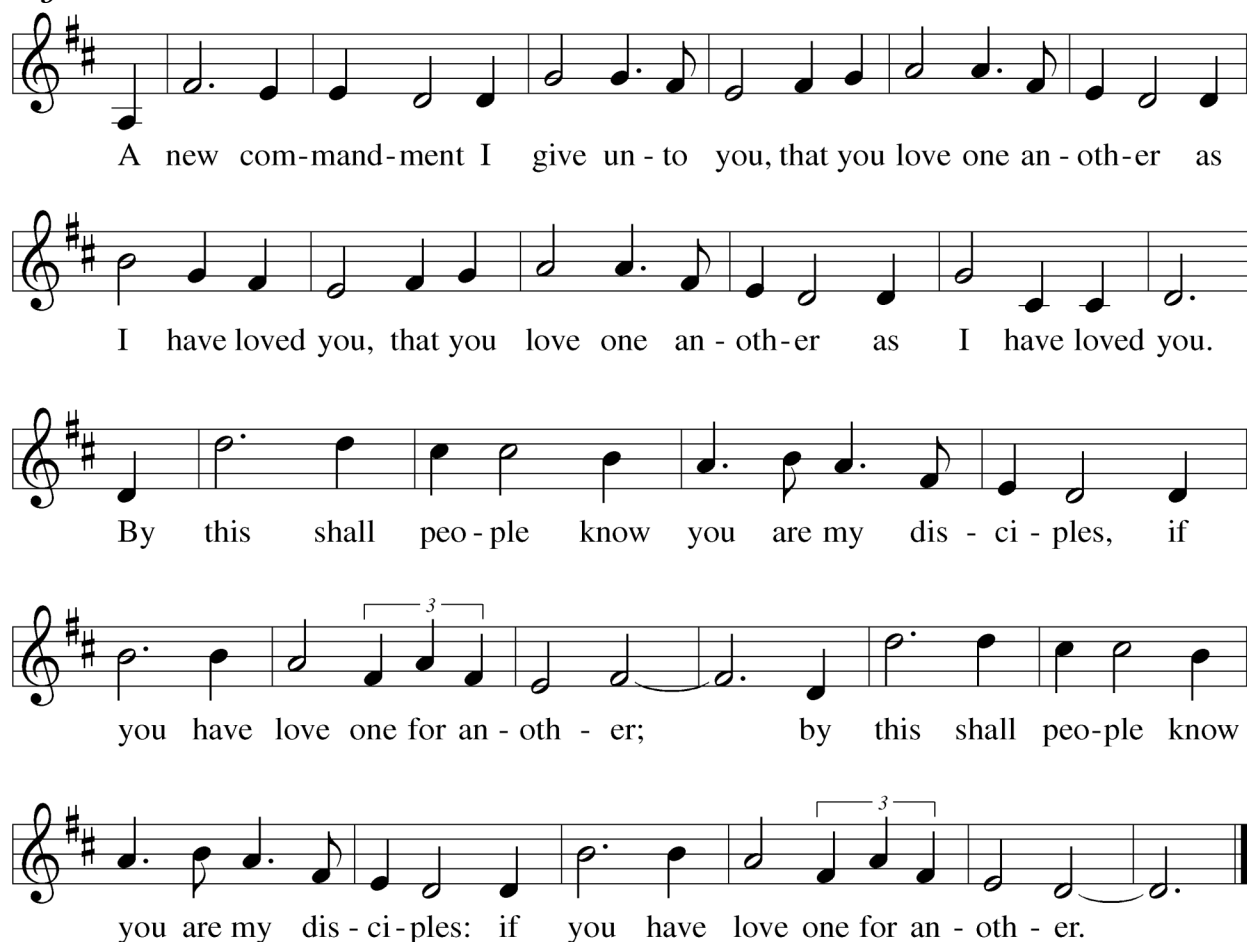
Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

WORD IN SONG—“A New Commandment”

Sing twice



CHILDREN’S SERMON

Please stand.

PRAYERS

Let us pray... Hear us O God,

Your mercy is great.

In the hope of new life in Christ, we raise our prayers to you, trusting in your never-ending goodness and mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Please be seated.

OFFERING ANTHEM—“Take Time to Be Holy”

arr. Lloyd Larson

Please stand.

OFFERING PRAYER

God of love,

you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table. Receive our lives and the gifts we offer. Abide with us and send us in service to a suffering world; for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ. Amen.

MEAL

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 God thanks and praise.

It is indeed right . . . We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us 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.

INVITATION

The risen Christ invites us to this table. Come, eat and be satisfied.

Thanks be to God.

Please be seated.

COMMUNION

All who wish to receive communion are welcome. You may receive communion from the Pastor or in your seat.

Please stand.

COMMUNION BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his peace.

Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Wellspring of joy, through this meal you have put gladness in our hearts. Satisfy the hunger still around us, and send us as joyful witnesses, that your love may bring joy to the hearts of all people, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

BENEDICTION

May our glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom to know and to love the risen Lord Jesus. The God of life, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

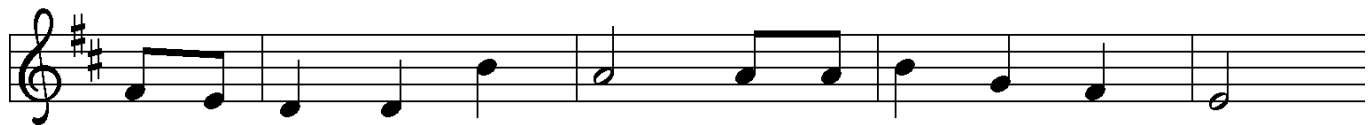
SENDING SONG— “Baptized and Set Free”



We are peo - ple cre - at - ed, cho - sen by God.
Now with praise and thanks - giv - ing, we join the song.



Then we're washed, ev - er gent - ly, in mer - cy and love.
All are wel - come! We gath - er to sing loud and strong.



Sin has pow - er no more. Je - sus o - pened the door
Not en-slaved, but set free! From now on, all will be



to a foun-tain bring-ing heal-ing, and whole-ness and more.
one in Je - sus, one in wa - ter, bap - tized and set free!

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to welcome all to worship, grow and serve.

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE—“He Leadeth Me! O Blessed Thought”

arr. Mark Hayes

Welcome to Holy Trinity

Chris Stoxen, *Pastor*

Bernie Carl, *Pastor of Caring Ministry*

Luis Ochoa, *Youth & Outreach Ministry Director*

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The Oragami Cranes that are hung in the sanctuary represent those who have joined the church triumphant since the beginning of COVID 19. These are our friends and family whom we miss. The Oragami Crane is a symbol that represents souls being taken to heaven. While they are missed here we know they are in the arms of Jesus.

May 2nd

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

Email _____

Comments/Requests

- ☐ I am a visitor
- ☐ Add me to the mailing list
- ☐ I have a prayer request
- ☐ I am interested in membership
- ☐ I would like a pastoral visit
- ☐ I am going to the hospital
- ☐ Change of address
- ☐ Add me to the prayer email list
- ☐ I need a name tag

Please pray for:

Illness: Lois Miller; Kismet Weiss's friend, Julie; Kolleen Couch's friends Mike Unruh & family; Leroy Rohrbach; Ruth Bartling; Sandra Fischer; Julee Christian's great nephew, Brook Adams; Carolan Quenneville's friend, Jack & Char Sommerfield; Melinda Tarver's aunt, Eunice Toney; Linda Legreid; Mary Larsen's niece, Mindy Monteith and great niece, Ginny Mae; Anita Schebler's friend, Marty Smith; Marlene Marxman's granddaughter; Margie Probstfield; Sandra Fischer's friends, Maddie & Beth; Carolan Quenneville's sister-in-law, Phyllis Hosfelt; Tina Lindsay's niece, Jane Crawford; Marlene Marxman's relative, Marti; Ann Schieber's relative, Angie Schieber;

Surgery: Carolyn Gloe

Other: Sandra Fischer's cousin, Steve;

If you have prayer requests, please email judi@htlutheran.com.