

*The Evangelical Lutheran Church
of the Holy Trinity
Greenville, Pennsylvania*

*The Third Sunday of Easter
April 18 and 19, 2026*

Welcome in the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ! If you come as a visitor today, we hope you will leave as a friend. We count it a privilege and a blessing to have you with us in worship. If you are not presently a member of any congregation, please feel welcome to gather with us around Jesus in this community of his disciples at Holy Trinity. Come and worship with us again!

We welcome and encourage children of all ages to be in worship. Sitting with children in a front pew and giving them the seat on the center aisle helps them to see and participate in our worship. For children who are present in worship, there are a variety of games, toys, puzzles, coloring supplies and snacks in the Kids' Prayground cabinet in the narthex near the coat rack. If children need a break, there is a TV set up downstairs in the nursery so parents can watch the worship live-stream. If you are visiting, an usher can help direct you to the nursery.

Invitation to Communion: Holy Communion is the body and blood of Jesus Christ by which our Lord is truly present to forgive sin and bring life and salvation. All baptized Christians who believe this promise are welcome to commune. Parents with children are encouraged to come to the altar together. Children who do not yet receive communion will receive the blessing of the Church from the Pastor.

Procedure for Communing: We will be using a form of processional communion. An usher will release each pew to come forward at a time to avoid a long line in the aisle. Pick up a communion cup on either side at the first pew. The pastor will place a host in your open palm. Turn to either the left or right side to the deacon or communion assistant to receive wine. After consuming the host and wine, pour any remaining wine into the container, then discard your cup. Children who have not yet received their First Holy Communion should come forward for a blessing.

Gluten-free wafers are available; let the pastor know when you come forward to receive.

Liturgy of Holy Communion, Saturday at 5:30 p.m. and Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

The assembly's responses are in bold type.

We prepare in prayer and holy silence.

Significance of the Day: Today's gospel begins with two disciples walking to Emmaus, overcome with sadness, loss, and disappointment. They had hoped Jesus, who was crucified, would be the one to redeem Israel! Yet the risen Christ walks with them and then opens their eyes in the breaking of the bread. Each Sunday our hearts burn within us as the scriptures are proclaimed and Christ appears to us as bread is broken and wine is poured. The story of Emmaus becomes the pattern of our worship each Lord's day.

Gathering

Prelude

Prelude on *Dunlap's Creek*

Michael Burkhardt

Thanksgiving for Baptism

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne
and to the Lamb!

Amen.

Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister continues.

Merciful God,
you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come.
You lead us beside still waters.
We thank you for the waters of creation:
morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves.
We thank you for the waters that nourish us, especially Pymatuning and Lake Erie.
Blessed are you.
You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness
who accompanies us on our journeys.
We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection.
We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow.
Blessed are you.
You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows.
Break down barriers that divide us.
Fill us with the breath of peace.
Blessed are you.
You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism,
and for making us a new creation.
We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise,
now and forever.
Amen.

Hymn

We Know That Christ Is Raised



1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
2 We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death.
3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life.
4 A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows



Em - braced by death, he broke its fear - ful hold,
Re - born, we share with him an Eas - ter life,
The Spir - it's fis - sion shakes the church of God.
as Christ's new bod - y takes on flesh and blood.



and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy.
as liv - ing mem - bers of our Sav - ior Christ.
Bap - tized, we live with God the Three in One.
The u - ni - verse re - stored and whole will sing:



Hal - le - lu - jah!

Text: John B. Geyer, b. 1932
Music: ENGELBERG, Charles V. Stanford, 1852-1924
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Hymn

Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en!
 2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter
 3 Je - sus the vine, we are the branch - es;
 4 Weep - ing, be gone; sor - row, be si - lent:
 5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er,



Trum - pets re - sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light!
 tell - ing the sto - ry to o - pen our eyes;
 life in the Spir - it the fruit of the tree;
 death put a - sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright.
 gold - en Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb,



Splen - dor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er!
 break - ing our bread, giv - ing us glo - ry:
 heav - en to earth, Christ to the peo - ple,
 Cher - u - bim sing: O grave, be o - pen!
 riv - er of life, saints and arch - an - gels,



Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!
 Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.
 gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.
 Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.
 sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!

Refrain

Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise.



Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

Easter Dialogue

Jesus Christ is risen from the dead.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

We are illumined by the brightness of his rising.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Death has no more dominion over us.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Kyrie

The musical score for the Kyrie is written in 8/8 time and consists of four staves. Each staff is divided into two parts: 'Cantor' and 'Assembly'. The lyrics are: Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son! Chris - te e - le - i - son, Chris - te e - le - i - son! Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son! Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son! Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son!

1
Cantor Assembly
Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, Ky - ri - e e - le - i -

5
Cantor Assembly
son! Chris - te e - le - i - son, Chris - te e - le - i -

9
Cantor Assembly
son! Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, Ky - ri - e e - le - i -

13
Cantor Assembly
son, Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son! Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son!

Prayer of the Day

O God, your Son makes himself known to all his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

The assembly is seated.

Word

First Reading

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

A reading from Acts:

14 But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them,

36 Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

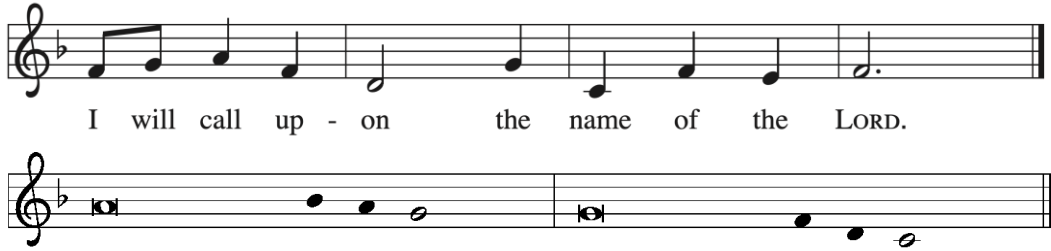
37 Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?” 38 Peter said to them, “Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. 39 For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.” 40 And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” 41 So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 116:1-4,12-19

*The Psalm will be spoken responsively on Saturday.
It will be sung responsively on Sunday.*



- 1 I love the LORD, who has | heard my voice,
and listened to my | supplication,
- 2 for the LORD has given | ear to me
whenev- | er I called.**
- 3 The cords of death entangled me;
the anguish of the grave | came upon me;
I came to | grief and sorrow.
- 4 Then I called upon the name | of the LORD:
"O LORD, I pray you, | save my life."**
- 12 How shall I re- | pay the LORD
for all the good things God has | done for me?
- 13 I will lift the cup | of salvation
and call on the name | of the LORD.**
- 14 I will fulfill my vows | to the LORD
in the presence of | all God's people.
- 15 Precious in your | sight, O LORD,
is the death | of your servants.**
- 16 O LORD, truly I | am your servant;
I am your servant, the child of your handmaid;
you have freed me | from my bonds.
- 17 I will offer you the sacrifice | of thanksgiving
and call upon the name | of the LORD.**
- 18 I will fulfill my vows | to the LORD
in the presence of | all God's people,
- 19 in the courts of | the LORD's house,
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. | Hallelujah! (R)**

A reading from 1 Peter:

17 If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile.

18 You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, 19 but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish.

20 He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. 21 Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

22 Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. 23 You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands as able.

Gospel Acclamation

The musical notation is for the Gospel Acclamation 'Alleluia'. It consists of two staves of music in 2/4 time. The first staff has three measures: the first measure is labeled 'Choir:' and contains the notes 'Al - le - lu - ia.'; the second measure is labeled 'All:' and contains the notes 'Al - le - lu - ia.'; the third measure is labeled 'Choir:' and contains the notes 'Al - le - lu - ia.'. The second staff has three measures: the first measure is labeled 'All:' and contains the notes 'Al - - le - lu - ia.'; the second measure is labeled 'Choir:' and contains the notes 'Al - le - lu - ia.'; the third measure is labeled 'All:' and contains the notes 'Al - le - lu - ia.'.

**Our hearts | burn within us
while you open to | us the scriptures.**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

13 Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, 14 and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. 15 While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, 16 but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. 17 And he said to them, “What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?” They stood still, looking sad. 18 Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?” 19 He asked them, “What things?” They replied, “The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, 20 and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. 21 But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. 22 Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, 23 and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. 24 Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.” 25 Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! 26 Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” 27 Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

28 As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. 29 But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them. 30 When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. 31 Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. 32 They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?” 33 That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. 34 They

were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!”
35 Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been
made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

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

The assembly is seated.

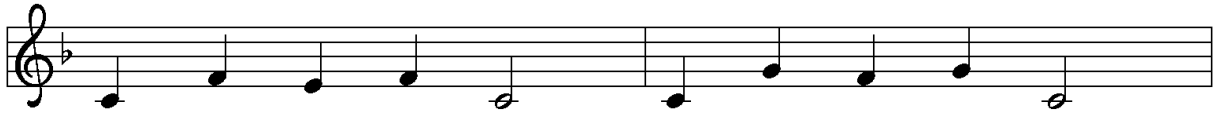
The Sermon

Pastor Brenda Martin

As the organ sounds the assembly stands to proclaim the word of God in song.

Hymn

Day of Arising



1 Day of a - ris - ing, Christ on the road - way,
 2 When we are walk - ing, doubt - ful and dread - ing,
 3 Lo, I am with you, Je - sus has spo - ken.
 4 Christ, our com - pan - ion, hope for the jour - ney,



un - known com - pan - ion walks with his own.
 blind - ed by sad - ness, slow - ness of heart,
 This is Christ's prom - ise, this is Christ's sign:
 bread of com - pas - sion, o - pen our eyes.



When they in - vite him, as fades the first day,
 yet Christ walks with us, ev - er a - wait - ing
 when the church gath - ers, when bread is bro - ken,
 Grant us your vi - sion, set all hearts burn - ing



and bread is bro - ken, Christ is made known.
 our in - vi - ta - tion: Stay, do not part.
 there Christ is with us in bread and wine.
 that all cre - a - tion with you may rise.

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 Music: RAABE, Carl F. Schalk, b. 1929
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Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
 the Father, the Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth,
 of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
 the only Son of God,
 eternally begotten of the Father,**

**God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
In accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the
dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation.

A brief silence.

Living Savior, just as you journeyed with the disciples to Emmaus, accompany us on our journey of faith. Gather us at your table, that we recognize you in the breaking of the bread. We pray for our bishops, Yeheil and Kristen; our pastors, staff members, musicians, worship leaders and council members. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Almighty God, you provide for the needs of all creation. Bless the fields that are being prepared for planting, and send favorable weather so that the soil may yield an abundant harvest. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

God of justice, where leaders abuse power, confront them and call them to repentance. Where there is corruption, bring integrity; where there is violence, sow peace. We pray for our president, Donald; our governor, Josh; and our local elected leaders, including our member, Trey. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Healing Savior, your resurrection brings hope to a hurting world. Heal those who are sick. Strengthen the weary, give courage to the despairing, and comfort the dying. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Gracious One, you have made us your own through the gift of baptism. Unite us in genuine love for one another and uphold this community in your name. We pray for our partners in faith: Jerusalem Lutheran Church in Bethlehem, and pastors Randall Frenz and Thomas Glasoe. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Eternal Light, we give thanks for all who have nurtured your church's life in ages past. We pray for those who not live in your presence: Pastor Roth, Shirley, Marilyn and Betty K. Bring us at last with them to the brightness of your glorious presence. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Are there others for whom we should pray?

P: God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

Amen.

Peace

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

*The people greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace saying,
"Peace be with you. And also with you."*

The assembly is seated.

Meal

Offertory Anthem

We walk by faith
arr. by Steve Repasky

We walk by faith, and not by sight;
No gracious words we hear
From Him who spoke as none ne'er spoke,
But we believe him near.

We may not touch His hands and side,
Nor follow where He trod;
But in His promise we rejoice,
And cry, "My Lord and God!"

Help then, O Lord, our unbelief;
And may our faith abound,
To call on you when you are near,
And seek where you are found.

That when our lives of faith are done,
In realms of clearer light,
We may behold you as you are,
With full and endless sight.

music: *Dunlap's Creek*
text: Henry Alford

The assembly stands as able.

Offertory Verse

Organ intro.

Let the vine-yards be fruit - ful Lord, — and fill to the
brim our cup of bless - ing. Ga-ther a har - vest from the seeds that were
sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Ga-ther the hopes and dreams of
all; u - nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

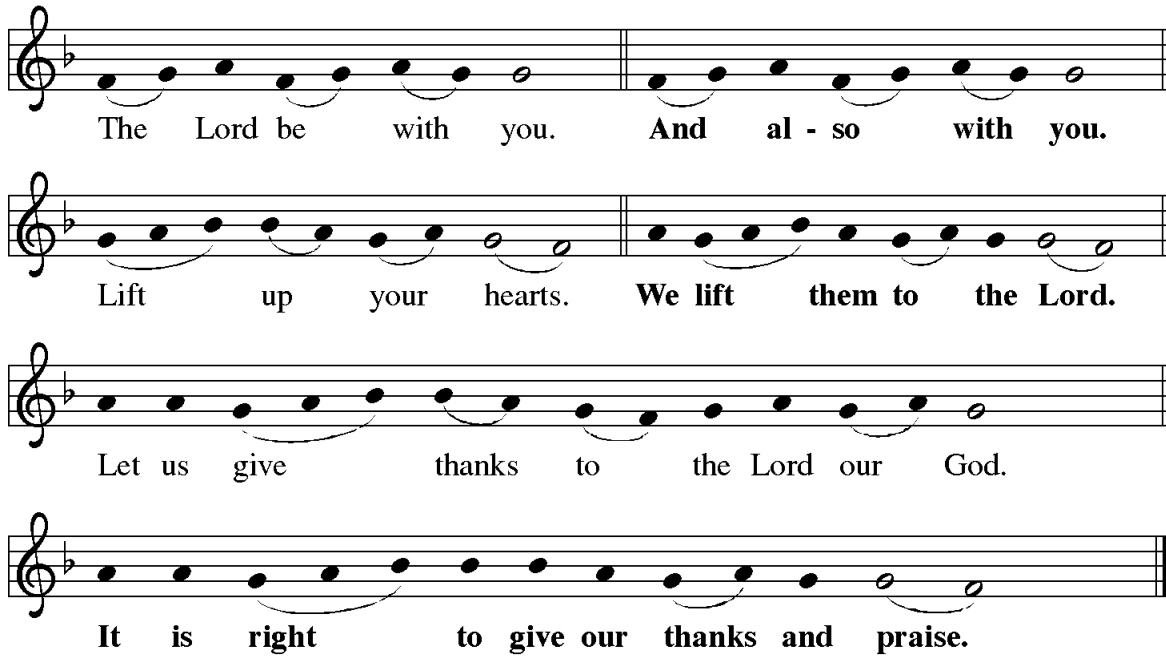
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Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

Great Thanksgiving



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

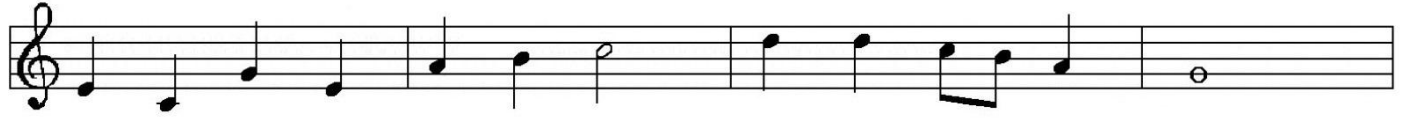
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

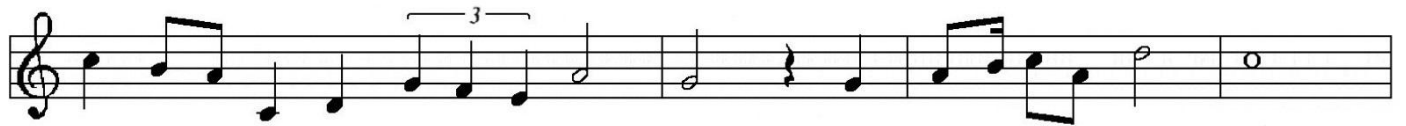
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ,
the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin;
who in dying has destroyed death,
and in rising has brought us to eternal life.
And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection,
with earth and sea and all their creatures,
and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san-na in the high - est.



Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high - est.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed are you, O God of the universe.
Your mercy is everlasting
and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.
Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.
Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.
Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness
to the land of milk and honey.
Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.
Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.
Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

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.

With this bread and cup
we remember our Lord's passover from death to life
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:



O God of resurrection and new life:
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Bless this feast.

Grace our table with your presence.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.

Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.

Breathe new life into us.

Send us forth,

burning with justice, peace, and love.

Come, Holy Spirit.

With your holy ones of all times and places,

with the earth and all its creatures,

with sun and moon and stars,

we praise you, O God,

blessed and holy Trinity,

now and forever.

Through him, with him, in him, in the u - ni - ty
of the Ho - ly Spir - it, all hon - or and glo - ry is
yours, al - might - y Fa - ther, now and for - ev - er. A - men

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.**

Breaking of Bread

Alleluia! Christ our passover is sacrificed for us,

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, for all is now ready.

Assembly is seated

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world,

grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

The Communion of the Faithful

Procedure for Communing: Approach the altar rail through the door to the front left, take a small glass from the tray and move to the furthest place open, kneeling if you are able, or standing. Receive the host either in your open palm or in your mouth; receive the wine poured into the small glass, saying "Amen" after receiving each. If you are unable to consume either the bread or wine, be assured that Christ is fully present for us in either element; reverence the body or blood of Christ by saying "Amen" when the host or the cup is presented. Leave by the right, placing your empty glass in the tray provided, and return to your pew.

Hymn

As We Gather at Your Table

1 As we gath-er at your ta - ble, as we lis - ten to your word,
 2 Turn our wor-ship in - to wit-ness in the sac - ra - ment of life;
 3 Gra - cious Spir - it, help us sum-mon oth-er guests to share that feast

help us know, O God, your pres-ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.
 send us forth to love and serve you, bring-ing peace where there is strife.
 where tri - um-phant Love will wel-come those who had been last and least.

Nour-ish us with sa - cred sto - ry till we claim it as our own;
 Give us, Christ, your great com-pas-sion to for - give as you for - gave;
 There no more will en - vy blind us nor will pride our peace de - stroy,

teach us through this ho - ly ban-quet how to make Love's vic - t'ry known.
 may we still be - hold your im-age in the world you died to save.
 as we join with saints and an-gels to re - peat the sound-ing joy.

Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944
 Music: IN BABILONE, *Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerenlities en Contradansen*, 1710; arr. Julius Röntgen, 1855-1932
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Hymn

Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless

1 Shep-herd of souls, re - fresh and bless your cho - sen
 2 We would not live by bread a - lone, but by your
 3 Be known to us in break - ing bread, but do not
 4 Lord, sup with us in love di - vine; your bod - y

6

pil - grim flock with man - na in the
 word of grace, in strength of which we
 then de - part; Sav - iour, a - bid - e with
 and your blood, that liv - ing bread, that

10

wil - der - ness, with wa - ter from the rock.
 trav - el on to our a - bid - ing place.
 us, and spread your ta - ble in our heart.
 heaven - ly wine, be our im - mor - tal food.

Common Praise 85

Text: James Montgomery (1771-1854), alt.

Music (ST. AGNES, CM): John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876).

The assembly stands as able.

Post-Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and preserve you unto eternal life.

Amen.

Post Communion Canticle

Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; _____ tell ev-'ry-one what God_ has done. _____

5
Let all who seek the Lord_ re - jice, _____ and proud - ly bear Christ's ho - ly name.

9
Lord, re - call your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with

13
shouts of loud thanks - giv - ing. _____ Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - - - ia!

Post-Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

God for whom we wait,

you come to us

in the broken bread and the cup we share.

Make us ready always

to welcome Christ into our hearts,

and send us forth to be your people in the world,

announcing your coming among us

in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray together, Our Prayer for These Times

O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sending

Blessing

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
Amen. *sung*

Hymn

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice!

1 Good Chris-tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;
 2 Good Chris-tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;
 3 Good Chris-tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;

give ye heed to what we say: Je - sus Christ is born to - day;
 now ye hear of end - less bliss: Je - sus Christ was born for this!
 now ye need not fear the grave; Je - sus Christ was born to save!

ox and ass be - fore him bow, and he is in the man-ger now.
 He has o - pened heav-en's door, and we are blest for - ev - er - more.
 Calls you one and calls you all to gain the ev - er - last - ing hall.

Christ is born to - day! Christ is born to - day!
 Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!
 Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

Text: Medieval Latin carol; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866
 Music: IN DULCI JUBILO, German carol, 14th cent.; arr. Robert L. Pearsall, 1795–1856

Dismissal



V. Let us bless the Lord, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
R. All: Thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Postlude:

Festival Alleluia

Dan Miller

Serving Saturday

Presiding Minister Pastor Brenda Martin

Organist Steve Repasky

Liturgical Deacon Jamin Wentling

Serving Today

Presiding Minister Pastor Brenda Martin

Director of Music Steve Repasky

Liturgical Deacon Sean Oros

Lector Don Achenbach

Head Usher Nikki Weaver

Live Stream Technician Tyler Martin-Call

Altar Guild Larry and Audrey John

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The Rev. Julia Fraser, retired, chaplain at St. Paul Homes

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This Week at Holy Trinity

Sunday April 19, 2026 *Third Sunday of Easter*

- 8:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 9:30 a.m. Liturgy of Holy Communion
- 7:00 p.m. AA Big Book Meeting

Monday, April 20, 2026

- 6:00 p.m. Fiber Arts Group

Wednesday April 22, 2026

- 6:00 p.m. Dance Lessons
- 6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday April 23, 2026

- 6:00 p.m. Dance Lessons
- 7:00 p.m. Happy Hour (zoom)

Saturday April 25, 2026

- 5:30 p.m. Liturgy of Holy Communion
(spoken)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday April 26, 2026 *Fourth Sunday of Easter*

- 8:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 9:30 a.m. Liturgy of Holy Communion
- 7:00 p.m. AA Big Book Meeting

Tuesday, April 28, 2026

- 7:00 p.m. Congregational Council

Wednesday April 29, 2026

- 6:00 p.m. Dance Lessons
- 6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday April 30, 2026

6:00 p.m. Dance Lessons
7:00 p.m. Happy Hour (zoom)

Saturday May 2, 2026

5:30 p.m. Liturgy of Holy Communion *with prayers for healing*
(spoken)

Good Shepherd April Request

The Good Shepherd Center's request for Holy Trinity for **April canned fruits, veges and beans.** Donations may be taken direct to the Food Pantry or placed in the marked box in the cloister. We also have a table in the administrative hallway for donations to be dropped off.

Second Mile Giving for April – Friends of Music

All Second Mile contributions received during the month of April will be given to the designated cause. Please use the envelopes marked for second mile that are in the narthex and the administrative hallway.

Please Pray For

Permission is necessary to add a person to the prayer list. Please ask before you call the office. Thanks.

Health and Healing:

Bonnie Long	Ken Buikema (cousin of Denise and Rich Hall)
Georgia Perkins	Charlene Miller (friend of Denise and Rich Hall)
Todd Holsinger (nephew of Billie and Dave Hollenbaugh)	Mary Rose Jones (friend of Jill Murrin)
Joyce Harris (sister of Judi Moinet)	Sheila Kretser (friend of Jill Murrin)
Peggy Wise (sister in law of Judi Moinet)	Lori Scotta (friend of Jill Murrin)
Maria (friend of Linda Armstrong)	Russell Morgan (father of Matt Morgan)
Diana and Donnie (friends of Rich and Denise Hall)	Stephen Call (brother of Tyler Martin-Call)
Kate Washill Martin (friend of Pastor Brenda)	Nancy (friend of Linda Armstrong)
Sherry (friend of Rich and Denise Hall)	Dillon (friend of Ed Pitcher & Beth Harpst)
John Myers (husband of Pastor Brenda)	Belle (granddaughter of Linda Bateman)

Christ's comfort for those who grieve the death of:

Pastor Martin Roth
Betty K. Junk
Marilyn Johnson

Pentecost Flowers

Help decorate the chancel for the Day of Pentecost by ordering a geranium.

An additional option is that donations may be made to the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America's "Disaster Response." All donations may be designated in memory or in honor of a loved one or in celebration of an event as indicated below.



All plants are \$6.50 each

You may take them home following the Service or leave them for outdoor planting around the church.

All orders must be turned into the Church Office by *Thursday, May 1, 2026.*

Envelope #: _____

I would like to order _____ geranium (s) at \$6.50 each.

I would like to donate \$_____ to ELCA "Disaster Response."

Total Amount enclosed: \$_____ (___ cash) (___ check)

Information for the Pentecost bulletin:

In honor of (living): _____

In memory of (deceased) _____

In celebration of (event) _____

Order placed by : _____ Envelope #: _____

____ I wish to take the plant (s) following the Sunday Service.

____ I wish to leave the plant (s) for the planting around the church.