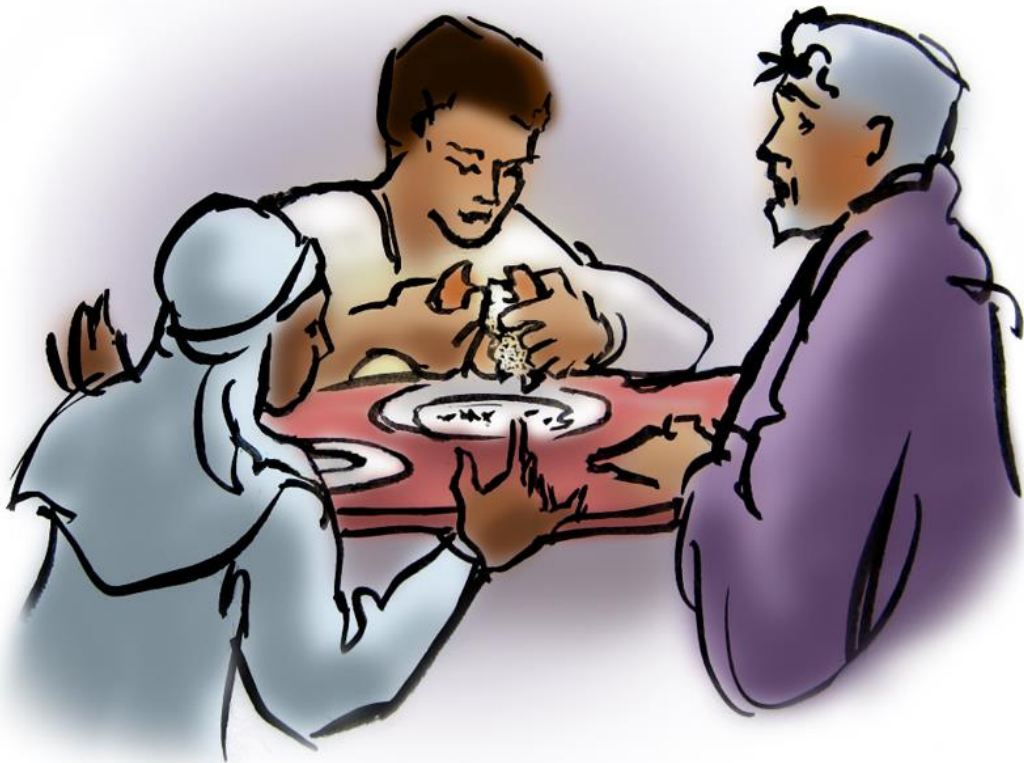


# *Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church*

April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023

Third Sunday of Easter



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.

- PRELUDE
- WELCOME
- ANNOUNCEMENTS
- PRAYER REQUESTS

*For sections with an \*, please stand as you are able*

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### **\*Thanksgiving for Baptism**

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

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God,  
by whose hand we are given new birth,  
by whose speaking we are given new life.

**ALL: Amen.**

L: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,  
we are welcomed, restored, and supported  
as citizens of the new creation.

Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Holy God,

holy and merciful,

holy and mighty,

you are the river of life,

you are the everlasting wellspring.

In mercy and might you have freed us from death  
and raised us with Jesus, the firstborn of the dead.

In baptismal waters our old life is washed away,  
and in them we are born anew.

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

Glory to you for oceans and lakes,

for rivers and streams.

Honor to you for waters that wash us clean,

quench our thirst, and nurture both crops and creatures.

Praise to you for the life-giving water of baptism,  
the outpouring of the Spirit of the new creation.

**ALL: Wash away our sin and all that separates us from you.**

**Empower our witness to your resurrection.**

**Strengthen our resolve in seeking justice for all.**

L: Satisfy the world's need through this living water.

Where drought dries the earth, bring refreshment.

Where despair prevails, grant hope.

Where chaos reigns, bring peace.

We ask this through Christ,  
who with you and the Spirit reigns forever.

**ALL: Amen.**

**\*OPENING HYMN: As We Gather at Your Table**

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.

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Music: IN BABYLONE, *Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerenlities en Contradansen*, 1710; arr. Julius Röntgen, 1855-1932  
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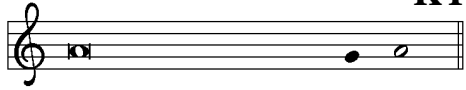
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**\*GREETING**

L: The grace of our LORD Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**ALL: And also with you.**

**\*KYRIE**



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



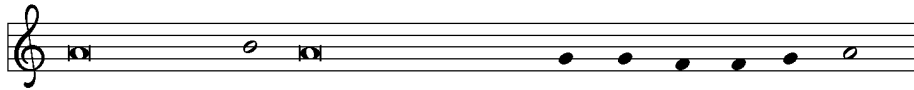
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

# \*HYMN OF PRAISE

*Refrain*

Assisting minister



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

All



1 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.

*Refrain*



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



2 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.

*Final refrain*



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.

## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: The Lord be with you.

**ALL: And also with you.**

L: 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.

**ALL: Amen.**

## FIRST READING: Acts 2:14a, 36-41

*Today's reading is the conclusion of Peter's sermon preached following the giving of the Holy Spirit to the apostles on the day of Pentecost. The center of his preaching is the bold declaration that God has made the crucified Jesus both Lord and Christ.*

L: <sup>14a</sup>Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd], <sup>36</sup>“Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

<sup>37</sup>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?” <sup>38</sup>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. <sup>39</sup>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.” <sup>40</sup>And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” <sup>41</sup>So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

L: The word of the Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM: 116:1-4, 12-19

*I will call on the name of the LORD. (Ps. 116:13)*

L: <sup>1</sup>I love the LORD, who has heard my voice,  
and listened to my supplication,

**ALL: <sup>2</sup>for the LORD has given ear to me  
whenever I called.**

L:<sup>3</sup>The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave came upon me;  
I came to grief and sorrow.

**ALL: <sup>4</sup>Then I called upon the name of the LORD:  
“O LORD, I pray you, save my life.”**

L: <sup>12</sup>How shall I repay the LORD  
for all the good things God has done for me?

**ALL:** <sup>13</sup>**I will lift the cup of salvation  
and call on the name of the LORD.**

**L:** <sup>14</sup>I will fulfill my vows to the LORD  
in the presence of all God's people.

**ALL:**<sup>15</sup>**Precious in your sight, O LORD,  
is the death of your servants.**

**L:** <sup>16</sup>O LORD, truly I am your servant;  
I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

**ALL:**<sup>17</sup>**I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving  
and call upon the name of the LORD.**

**L:** <sup>18</sup>I will fulfill my vows to the LORD  
in the presence of all God's people,

**ALL:** <sup>19</sup>**in the courts of the LORD's house,  
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!**

### **SECOND READING: 1 Peter 1:17-23**

*The imagery of exile is used to help the readers of this letter understand that they are strangers in a strange land. Christians no longer belong to this age. Through the death of Christ we belong to God, so that our focus, faith, and hope are no longer on such things as silver or gold.*

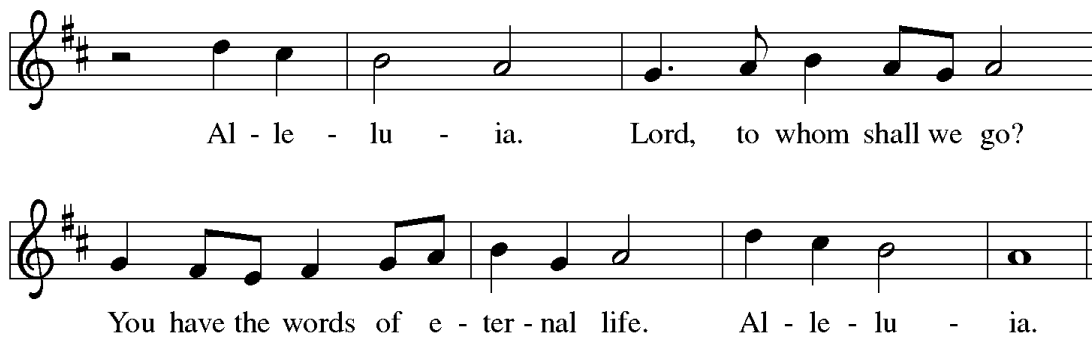
**L:** <sup>17</sup>If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. <sup>18</sup>You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, <sup>19</sup>but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. <sup>20</sup>He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. <sup>21</sup>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.

<sup>22</sup>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. <sup>23</sup>You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

**L:** The word of the Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

### **\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



**\*GOSPEL: Luke 24:13-35**

*The colorful story of Jesus' appearance to two disciples on the road to Emmaus answers the question of how Jesus is to be recognized among us. Here, he is revealed through the scriptures and in the breaking of bread.*

L: The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

**ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.**

L: <sup>13</sup>Now on that same day [when Jesus had appeared to Mary Magdalene,] two [disciples] were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup>and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup>While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, <sup>16</sup>but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup>And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. <sup>18</sup>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?" <sup>19</sup>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, <sup>20</sup>and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. <sup>21</sup>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. <sup>22</sup>Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, <sup>23</sup>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. <sup>24</sup>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." <sup>25</sup>Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! <sup>26</sup>Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" <sup>27</sup>Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

<sup>28</sup>As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. <sup>29</sup>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. <sup>30</sup>When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. <sup>31</sup>Then their eyes were opened,



and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. <sup>32</sup>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?” <sup>33</sup>That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. <sup>34</sup>They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!” <sup>35</sup>Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

**ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **CHILDREN’S TIME**

**SERMON: Pastor Rick Mollenkopf-Grill**

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY: Alleluia! Jesus is Risen!**

**Blue Book: 674**

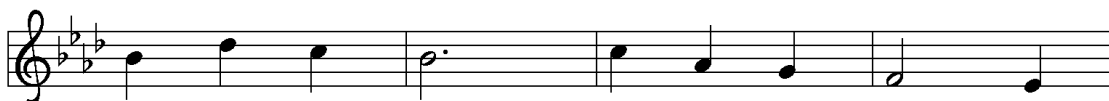
# Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!



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!

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## **\*NICENE CREED**

L: Let us confess our faith together using the words of the Nicene Creed:

**ALL:**

**ALL: 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**

L: United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*Each prayer ends with these words:*

L: Hear us, O God.

**ALL: your mercy is great.**

L: Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

**ALL: Amen.**

### **\*THE SHARING OF THE PEACE**

L: The peace of the LORD be with you always.

**ALL: And also with you.**

*\*You are invited to greet your neighbors with a sign of Christ's peace. Please be sure to have your neighbor's consent before sharing greetings with a handshake or other physical touch. Otherwise, sharing a wave, peace sign or a high-five are great ways to share the peace from a distance.*

### **\*OFFERING PRAYER**

*Any financial gifts you wish to give towards the ministry of Trinity may be placed in the offering plate at the rear of the worship space. We give thanks for your sharing of your offerings this and every day.*

L: Generous God,

**ALL: in this meal you offer your very self.**

**We give thanks for these gifts of the earth.**

**In the breaking of this bread**

**reveal to us the Risen One.**

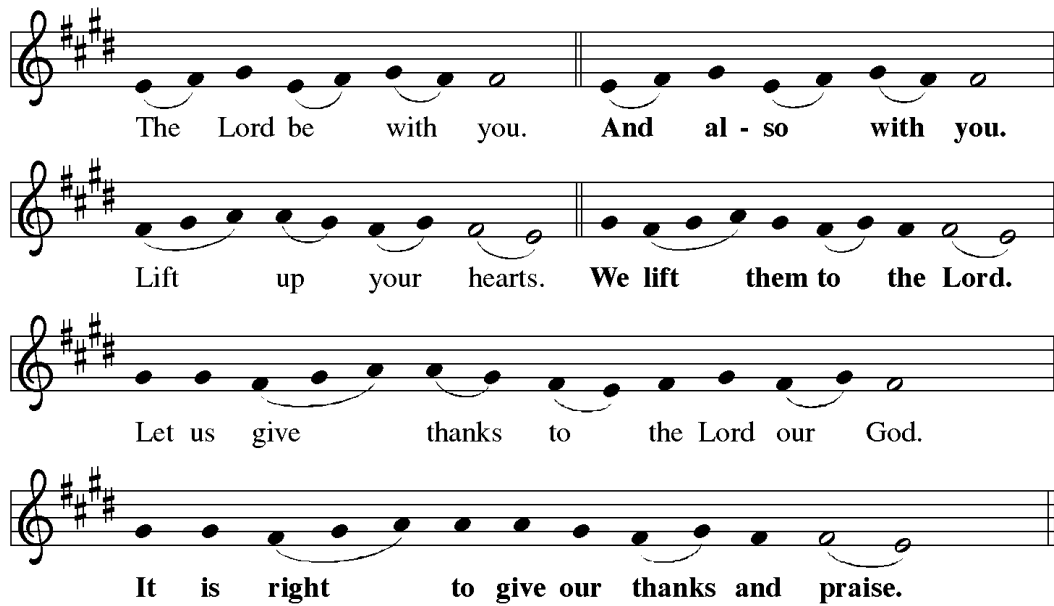
**In the pouring of this wine**

**pour us out in service to the world;**

**through Christ our Lord.**

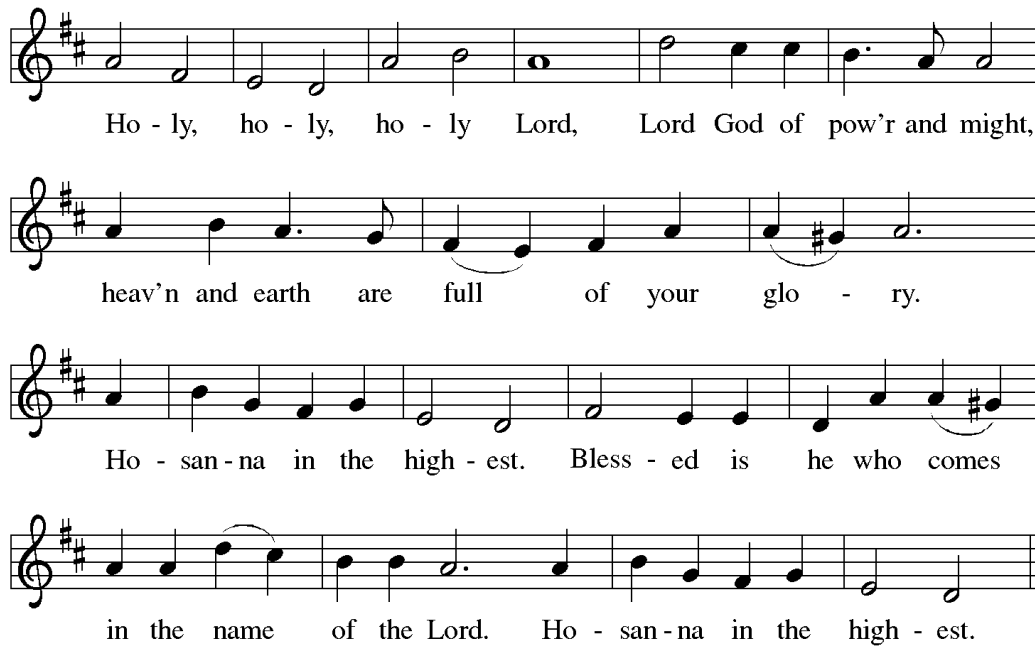
**Amen.**

## \*THE 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.

L: 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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,  
 heav'n 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.

L: 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.

**\*THE LORD'S PRAYER**

L: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**ALL: 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 TO COMMUNION**

L: Come and know Christ,  
 broken and poured out for you.

**THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION**

*The minister will give instruction on the distribution of communion.*

## COMMUNION HYMN: 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.

## COMMUNION HYMN: We Come to the Hungry Feast Green Book: 766

*To be sung during the distribution of communion - until distribution is complete*

## We Come to the Hungry Feast



1 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a word of peace.  
2 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a world re - leased  
3 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry that the hun - ger cease,



To hun - gry hearts un - sat - is - fied the love of God is  
from hun - gry folk of ev - 'ry kind, the poor in bod - y,  
and know - ing, though we eat our fill, the hun - ger will stay



not de - nied. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.  
poor in mind. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.  
with us; still we come, we come to the hun - gry feast.

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### \*POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

L: The body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen and keep you in God's grace, now and forever.

**ALL: Amen.**

### \*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

L: Gracious God,

**ALL: in you we live and move and have our being.**

**With your word and this meal of grace,  
you have nourished our life together.**

**Strengthen us to show your love  
and serve the world in Jesus' name.**

**Amen.**

### \*BLESSING

L: The God of all,

who raised † Jesus from the dead,

bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit  
to live in the new creation.

**ALL: Amen.**



**\*SENDING HYMN: Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ**  
**Blue Book: 754**

## Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ



1 Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy, reach - ing out with a shout of joy:  
2 Christ is a - ble to make us one, at the ta - ble he sets the tone,  
3 Je - sus calls us in, sends us out bear - ing fruit in a world of doubt,



bread is bro - ken, the wine is poured, Christ is spo - ken and seen and heard.  
teach - ing peo - ple to live to bless, love in word and in deed ex - press.  
gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Im - man - u - el) ev - 'ry - where!



Je - sus lives a - gain, earth can breathe a - gain, pass the Word a - round: loaves a - bound!

Text: Fred Kaan, b. 1929

Music: LINSTEAD, Jamaican folk tune; adapt. Doreen Potter, 1925-1980

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### **\*DISMISSAL**

L: Go in peace. Serve the Risen One.

**ALL: Thanks be to God!**

## **Office hours**

**Pastor Rick:** Tuesdays & Thursdays 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**Tracy:** Thursdays 9:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **Strength & Healing for:**

Anne Golpl – healing from cracked ribs  
Jeff Saylor – comfort for him & his family  
Kathryn Johannes – continued healing  
Bob Whiting – cancer  
David Styne – pancreatic cancer  
Harold Gardner – healing from fall  
Brenden David – safe deployment  
Helmut Bauder – healing from cataract surgery

## **The family & friends of:**

Wyatt Francis  
Betty Rehwaldt  
Herman Neutshlander  
Pastor Alan Griep

*Prayers are a powerful way to lift up people who are sick, injured or suffering for God's healing, and also to give thanks for good news. Trinity sees prayer as an essential ministry, and has several ways we pray for those in need, and for you to take part in those prayers:*

- 1. Trinity has a vibrant Prayer Chain ministry. Please contact Sue Kidder, our Prayer Chain coordinator, at 716-542-2095 anytime if you would like your prayer request(s) to be shared with our Prayer Chain group. Sue uses our OneCall phone system to share prayer requests with our group ASAP. Also, let us know if you would like to be a part of the Prayer Chain.*
- 2. Trinity maintains a prayer list in both the Sunday bulletin and the Beacon newsletter. Let us know about names you would like listed in the church office, or via the signup sheet at worship. Names remain listed for about a month unless you let us know otherwise.*
- 3. If you wish for names to remain anonymous, you can let us know privately. We also have a moment of silent prayer during worship to lift up any one person or situation too sensitive to share otherwise.*

**Counters:** April: MaryLou, May: Jennifer, June: Dale Kruschke

## **Thank You**

The family of Wyatt Francis would like to thank the congregation for their prayers, memorials & cards. Everything was greatly appreciated.

## **RIP Medical Debt Relief**

Thanks to everyone (including our Sunday School students!) who donated to the Synod's Lenten collection. We raised \$1,112 to help people pay their medical debts! That's the same as \$111,200 in retired medical debt.) Thank you for your generosity!

## **Worship Décor Committee**

Do you love coming in and seeing how beautiful the church looks on holidays? A lot of work by Laura Pingitore and Ronda Lauridsen goes into the florals & seasonal décor, and many hands make light work...so, we are looking to form a Worship Décor Committee with more volunteers, to assist in beautifying the church and planning the floral orders, etc. The group would not meet weekly, only before the important weeks (think Pentecost, Reformation, Christmas & Easter.) If you can help out please see Pastor Rick. We're planning to meet before Pentecost (May 28<sup>th</sup>.)

## **Bible Study**

Join us for Bible Study Wednesday evenings from 6:30-7:30.

## **Choir**

Choir is meeting Wednesdays at 7:30 all are welcome!

## **Sunday School**

**Our next Sunday School is TODAY. Our May dates are: May 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> and our last day will be June 11<sup>th</sup>.**

Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School: Sunday July 16-Thursday July 20<sup>th</sup>. It will run from 5:30-8pm each night, at Town Line Lutheran Church in Alden.

## **Adult Forum**

**Adult Forum Book Study: Tattoos on the Heart**

We wrap up our book discussion following Sunday worship at 10:45 am on April 30<sup>th</sup>.

## **Council & Committee Retreat**

Council members and anyone who is associated with a committee is invited to attend the Council & Committee retreat **from 8:30am – noon on May 20<sup>th</sup>**. We will start with a pot-luck breakfast before getting down to business.

## **Summer Worship and Picnic: Mark your Calendars**

Trinity is going back to Akron Falls Park for worship and fun and food! We'll have our Summer Worship and Picnic at the Brooklyn St. shelter in Akron Falls Park at 10:30 am on Sunday, July 16th!

## **Worship in Russell Park**

We will join with our siblings at Akron First United Methodist in the gazebo at Russell park on June 25 and August 27<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am.

## **Hope Haven**

Hope Haven is a non-profit inpatient chemical dependency rehabilitation program that provides an opportunity for WNY adults to overcome alcohol and substance abuse. They are in need of donations of the following items:

Magazines  
Journals or composition notebooks  
playing cards  
yarn  
crochet needles  
puzzle books  
adult coloring books  
colored pencils  
exercise equipment

To donate any of the following items, please contact Shannon Kern at 716-462-1212.

## **3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Bible**

Reminders about Trinity's new Third Grade Bible program:

- **May 7th:** Third Grade Bible workshop during Sunday School time for children and parents. We'll share some Bible basics, and ways you can use your Bible with your family.

- **May 21st:** Third Grade Bible Sunday when we'll present Bibles the children signed up for the program. Families are welcome to come and participate!