Welcome to Trinity!

We are glad you are here!



The Third Sunday of Easter Holy Communion

April 23, 2023 9:30 am

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.

A warm welcome to all who are visiting with us online today.

All Are Welcome At Our Lord's Table Of Grace. In, Through, And Under Bread And Wine We Receive The Real Presence Of Christ – God's Love Poured Out For Us – As Jesus Taught Us. Please Prepare Communion Elements Of Bread Or Crackers, Juice Or Wine For Your Household. As You Are Invited During The Meal Portion Of The Service, You May Partake Of The Elements Saying The Words, "The Body Of Christ Given For You, The Blood Of Christ Shed For You."

+ GATHERING +

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alleluia! Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! Alleuia!

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

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

P–Pastor *W–Women* M–Men **A–All**

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

A: Amen.

P: 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.

W: 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.

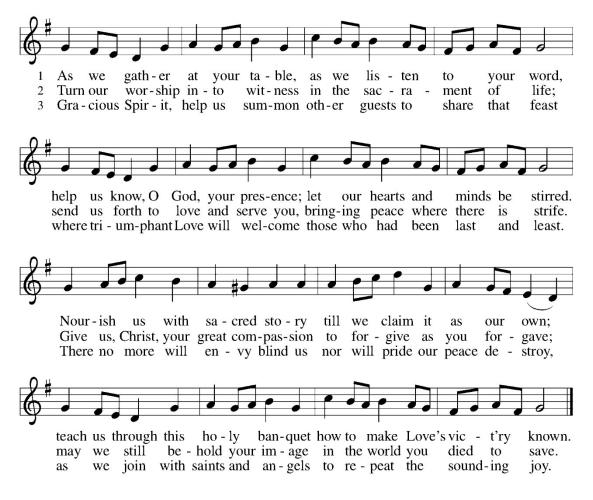
M: Glory to you for oceans and lakes, for rivers and streams. Honor to you for waters that wash us clean, quench our thirst, and nurture both crops and creatures. Praise to you for the life-giving water of baptism, the outpouring of the Spirit of the new creation.

A: 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.

P: 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.

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A: Amen.

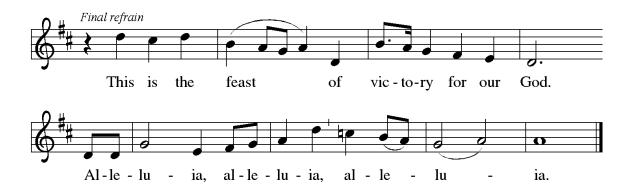


GREETING

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

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.**

+ WORD +

ANTHEM

Touch That Soothes and Heals Trinity Singers G. DeMey

CHILDRENS MESSAGE

We are in God's house today. We will learn and we will pray. Let us listen, let us sing. Gladly make our praises ring.

We are in God's house today. We will learn and we will pray. Let us listen to God's Word. Gladly do what we have heard.

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

^{14a}Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd],
 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."

³⁷Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" ³⁸Peter 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. ³⁹For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." ⁴⁰And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." ⁴¹So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 116:1-4, 12-19

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¹ I love the LORD, who has ^I heard my void	ce,	
and listened to my ^I supplication,		
² for the LORD has given ear to me		
whene- ver I called.		
³ The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave ¹ came upon me;		
I came to ^I grief and sorrow.		
⁴ Then I called upon the name ¹ of the LORD:		
"O Lord, I pray you, save my life."		
¹² How shall I re- ¹ pay the LORD		
for all the good things God has ¹ 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 ^I to the Lord		
in the presence of ¹ all God's people.		
¹⁵ Precious in your sight, O LORD,		
is the death of your servants.		
¹⁶ O LORD, truly I ^I am your servant;		
	ndmaid; you have freed me ^I from my	
bonds.		
¹⁷ I will offer you the sacrifice ¹ of thanks		
and call upon the name of the LORD.		
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¹⁸I will fulfill my vows ¹ to the LORD in the presence of ¹ all God's people,
¹⁹in the courts of ¹ the LORD's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. ¹ Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 1:17-23

¹⁷If 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. ¹⁸You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, ¹⁹but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. ²⁰He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. ²¹Through 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.

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

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GOSPEL: Luke 24:13-35

The Holy Gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹³Now 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, ¹⁴ and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, ¹⁶but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸Then 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?" ¹⁹He 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. ²¹But 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. ²²Moreover, 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. ²⁴Some 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."²⁵Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! ²⁶Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?"²⁷Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

²⁸As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. ²⁹But 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. ³⁰When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. ³²They 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?" ³³That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. ³⁴They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵Then 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.**

SERMON

Pr. Paul Collinson-Streng

Silence for reflection

HYMN OF THE DAY Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table

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NICENE CREED

With the whole church we confess our faith ... 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

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

A brief silence.

... Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

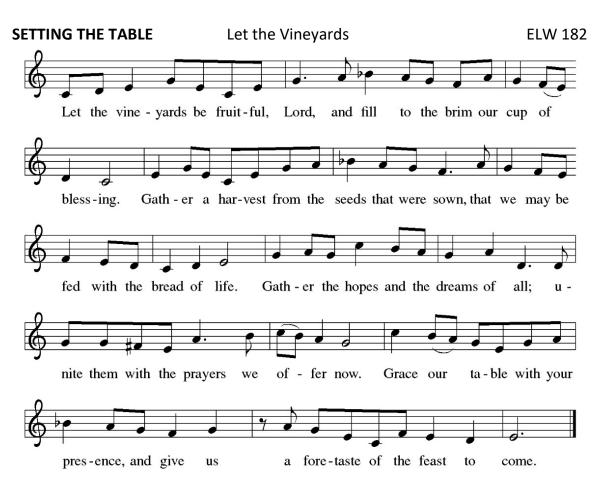
Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **Amen.**

PEACE

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

Please share a sign of God's peace with those around you. Children and youth are encouraged to come to the front to greet those worshiping with us online. Those watching online are welcome to wave back!

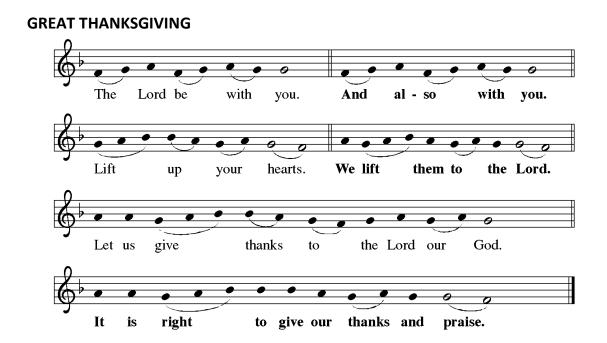
+ MEAL +



You may leave your offering in the plate at the entrance to the church after the service.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Generous God, 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.**



PROPER PREFACE AND SANCTUS

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;

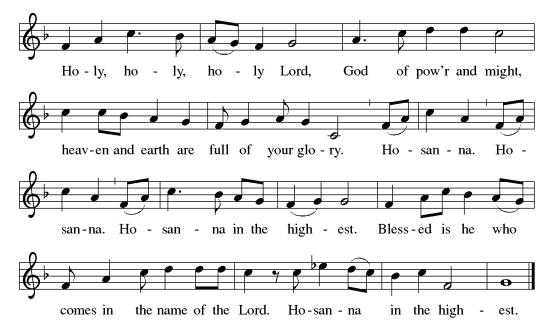
who in dying has destroyed death,

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:



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God. The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath. **We praise you, O God.**

Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.

We bless you, O God.

We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now. We thank you, O God.

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.

Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

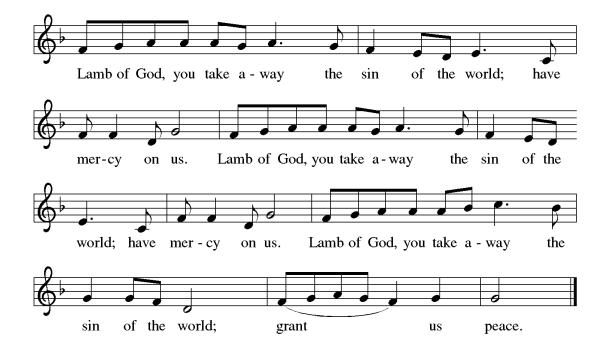
We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world.

Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us. Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

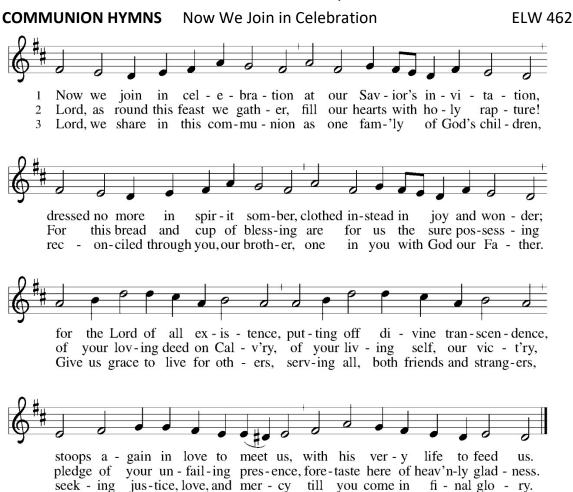
INVITATION Come and know Christ, broken and poured out for you.



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FIRST COMMUNION

Atticus, Grayson, and Logan D and Family Soren S and Family



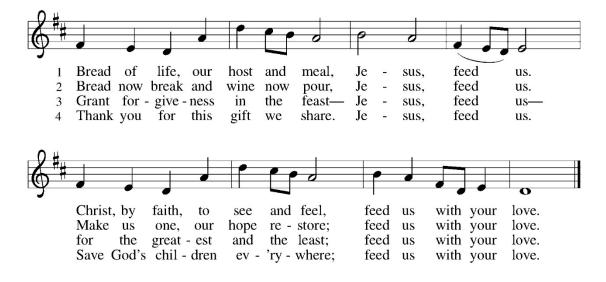
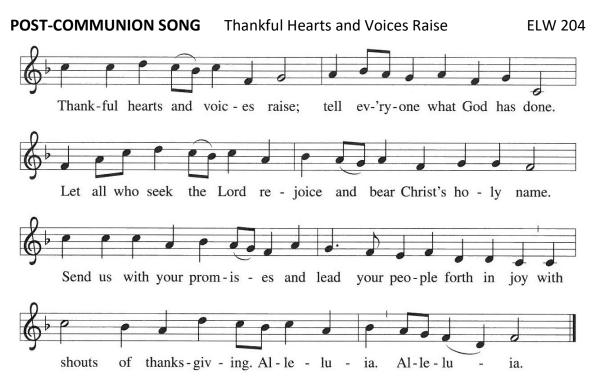


TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **Amen.**



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious God, 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.

LITANY OF FAREWELL

L: A church community is constantly changing...

P: I thank you for accepting my leadership and receiving me as interim pastor among you...

C: We receive with thankfulness the ministry you have offered us in the time we have shared. We are grateful for the time you have been with us and we forgive you for your shortcomings. We accept that you now leave us. Your presence among us will not be forgotten. .We also ask your forgiveness for our own shortcomings.

P: I graciously accept your gratitude...

L: Let us pray.

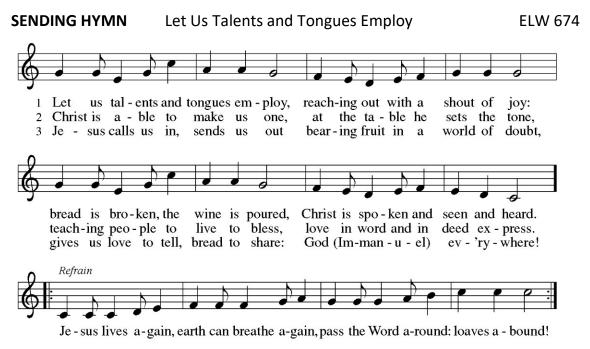
C: O God of all creation, whose love for all is trustworthy and true,

help each of us to trust the future which rests in your care. Guide us as we carry the learnings of the past months with us in new directions until that time when we are completely one with you and with one another. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

+ SENDING +

BENEDICTION

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. **Amen.**



DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is Risen! Christ is Risen Indeed! Alleluia! Go in peace. Serve the Risen One. Alleluia! Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

TWO MINUTE CONNECTION: Please take 2 minutes at the end of worship to speak with someone you don't know or don't know well. This will help everybody to get to know one another better and strengthen our community here at Trinity!

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Remember in Your Prayers THE CHURCH

our synod & bishops: Bishops Elizabeth E & Leila O our missionaries: Stephen D/Marta G, Cent. Amer our congregation: Trinity Church THE NATIONS: Afghanistan, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Irag, Israel, Korea, Mexico, Myanmar, Namibia, Palestine, Somalia, Spain/Cataluña, Sudan, Syria, Ukraine, United States, Venezuela THE SICK AND SUFFERING nursing/rehabilitation center/hospital Philip T (Manor Care Potomac) Yulie N (Village at Rockville) home Tigist G, Margo W, Lineth M, Isabel F, Gio S, Vimala P, Anya N, Pam B, Julie N family and friends* Lonnie B, friend of Carol B Donald B, brother of Marilyn C Rebecca E, online prayer request Members of Faith LC, Cambridge, MA, friends of Kim and Pam B Pastor Sarah F-M, friend of Anita S David G, friend of Tad and Vi D Tracey L, friend of Tom K and Sarah M Timothy K, friend of Len and Ani S John M, brother of Sarah M Peter M, brother of Sarah M Martha R (Sterling Care), friend of Trinity Karen and Harold S, friends of Pamela B Margarita SG, sister of Ana SG Family of Eduvigas T, cousins of Lineth M Amanda v L, *online prayer request*

Gerry W, friend of Tom K and Sarah M

first responders

Lisbeth N-D

Greta S & Linda A, sister & sister-in-law of Anita S Vanessa B, friend of Elizabeth & Ben R *For family and friends, prayer requests will be kept on the list for four weeks. After four weeks, please complete another card/call the office.

deaths

Eduvigas Torres + April 14, 2023, aunt of Lineth M

This Week at Trinity

Livestreamed services on Trinity YouTube channel https://www.youtube.com/@TrinityELCA/streams Sun, Apr 23, Third Sunday of Easter

Food Collection

- 9:30 am Holy Communion Worship Service (Coffee Hour to Follow)10:45 am Intergenerational Sunday School—
 - Emergency Cleanup Supplies Assembly

Thurs, Apr 27

- 7:30 pm Trinity Singers (Music Rm)
- Sun, Apr 30, Fourth Sunday of Easter

Food Collection

- 9:30 am Holy Communion Worship Service (Coffee Hour to Follow)
- 10:45 am Adult Forum (Rm 10)
- 10:45 am Children's Faith Formation (Rm 11)

Birthdays

24.	Anusha A	28.	Joshua B	
24.	Bjorn S	29	Alarich L	
25.	Leslie C			
Baptism Anniversaries				
26.	Eva S	27.	Sarah M	

27. Scott M 29 Marilyn C

Online offering is available via Paypal! See details on the Trinity website

http://www.trinityelca.org/give

Office Hours: Carol B will be our interim admin 9-3 Mon-Thurs. Please contact the office or a council member if you have a request for pastoral care.

Today is Pr. Paul's last Sunday with us. Thank you for walking with us during Trinity's transition!

Masks are now optional in the building.

Today we welcome Atticus, Grayson, and Logan D; and Soren S to this Holy Meal first shared by Jesus with his disciples. Atticus, Grayson, and Logan are the sons of Lisbeth and Gabriel D. Soren is the son of Eva and Topher S.



Intergenerational Sunday School | April 23 Interfaith Women's Center Dinner | April 30 Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting | May 7 Graduate Recognition | May 14 Monthly Food Collection | May 20 LVC Hike-a-Thon | May 20 Church Picnic | May 21

Quarterly Interfaith Women's Center Dinner

Our quarterly dinner for Interfaith Works Women's Center is Sunday, April 30th, serving 37 women. Items can be dropped off at Trinity on Sunday morning, April 30th. Alternatively, if you need to drop off items during the week, you may do that during office hours. Be sure to clearly mark the items for the Women's Center dinner. Disposable containers should be used. If you have questions, please contact Leslie S. at lcsjwm@verizon.net

Please review the menu below and consider providing an item: <u>https://bit.ly/3omLsPK</u>



FOOD COLLECTION

Monthly Food Collection | May 20| 9 - noon Thanks to the many congregation members who continue to support our monthly food drives to support Bethesda Help. We are also pleased that each month we welcome donations from members of the neighborhood. Each month we drop off between 300-500 pounds of food and 10-20 gift cards. Bethesda Help is very appreciative and recognizes Trinity each month in the BH newsletter.

Intergenerational Sunday School Buckets Project!

TODAY April 23 we will be putting together emergency clean-up buckets for people that have been affected by natural disasters. They will be sent to Church World Service (CWS). See Henry C with questions.



Enjoy music and support Bethesda Help

On Sunday April 30 at 2pm at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 6030 Grosvenor Lane, The



Tempo Giusto Ensemble and members of the Thalea Quartet and Talla Rouge will perform a concert of Bach concerti, Bruch's Romanze in F major, and Coleridge-Taylor's Novelletten. Admission is free, but donations are encouraged. 100% of proceeds will benefit Bethesda Help. Tempo Giusto musicians will match all donations. For more information see https://musicforfood.net/concerts/giustothale atalla-tf6nx



Call Committee Progress

Before a slate of candidates is provided by the Synod, the Call Committee must prepare a Ministry Site Profile (MSP). The MSP is a standardized form requiring basic statistical information, as well as in depth questions about the Congregation. The Call Committee has submitted the MSP to the Synod and it has been approved by the Bishop. We are optimistic we will receive a slate of candidates in the next few weeks. For more background on the development of the MSP, please see the April Trinitarian.

The Call Committee is excited to move onto the next step of the Call Process. We will keep the Congregation up to date on our progress. Please feel free to reach out to any of us with questions or concerns. We ask that you continue to keep our call process in your prayers.

Yours in Christ, The Call Committee

Take a hike for social justice. Lutheran Volunteer Corps is sponsoring a Hike-a-thon to raise money for social justice fellowships. The DC hike will be held on May 20, 11:00 am at the US National Arboretum. This hike is organized by LVC's Bon House and Sydney Johnson. For more information visit LVC's website at www.lutheranvolunteercorps.org

Alleluia Poster

A large coloring poster is available Sunday mornings during the Easter season. As the coloring prayer station seemed to be well attended, the poster is open for everyone to enjoy. You are invited to sit at the table, color for a bit and engage in conversation.



Congregational Meeting and Lunch

Sunday, May 7th will be our spring Congregational meeting and lunch immediately following worship. The theme for the



lunch will be "Salad Bar". Everyone is encouraged to bring a favorite salad to share. Be creative and think outside the box...or bowl!

Parish Picnic | Sunday, May 21st following worship

Come play in the sunshine (hopefully), share in conversation, and enjoy wonderful food. Along with a side or dessert, bring a blanket or lawn chair, and any yard games you would like to play.

A-M...side/salad N-Z...dessert



Serving in Worship Today Assisting Minister: Len S Cantor: Jon S Lector: David C Altar Guild: Margaret F Usher: Greg F Livestream Operators: Jeanine B, Mike M Tellers: Elizabeth and Ben R

<u>Staff</u>

Interim Pastor: Rev. Paul Collinson-Streng Interim Musician: Marcello Silva Office: Carol Bruno Handbell Choir: Marilyn Converse Custodian: Kathy Boone