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WELCOME

A Reconciling
in Christ
and a
Stephen Ministry
congregation of the
Evangelical Lutheran
Church in America

Welcome to Trinity!

Holy Communion

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 21, 2024



The image of the good shepherd shows us how the risen Christ brings us to life. It is the relationship between the shepherd and the sheep, one of mutual knowledge and love that gives the shepherd authority. The shepherd's willingness to lay down his life for the sheep shows his love. First John illustrates what it means to lay down our lives for one another by the example of sharing our wealth with any sibling in need.

We are glad you are here!

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

Alleluia, Christ is risen!
Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Stand

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
the wellspring of grace,
our Easter and our joy. **Amen.**

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Immersed in the promises of baptism,
let us give thanks for what God has done for us.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning
your voice thundered over the deep
and water became the essence of life.

Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers.

The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day.
Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea
into freedom's land.

In a desert pool the Ethiopian official
entered your boundless baptismal life.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John
and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection
you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love,
freeing us to live as Easter people.

We rejoice with glad hearts,
giving all honor and praise to you,
through the risen Christ, our source of living water,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen**

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

1 The King of love my shep - herd is, whose good - ness
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my ran - somed
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but yet in
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear

fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
 soul he lead - eth and, where the ver - dant
 love he sought me, and on his shoul - der
 Lord, be - side me, thy rod and staff my

I am his and he is mine for - ev - er.
 pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
 gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
 com - fort still; thy cross be - fore to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;
 thine unction grace bestoweth;
 and, oh, what transport of delight
 from thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so, through all the length of days,
 thy goodness faileth never.
 Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
 within thy house forever.

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.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

ELW Setting Three


Refrain



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



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb



who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.


Refrain



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



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and

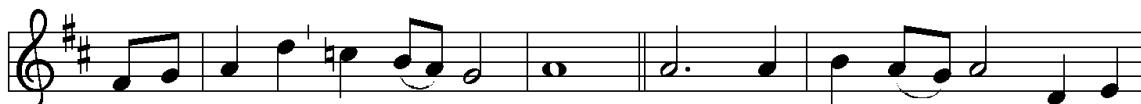


strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



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



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon-or,

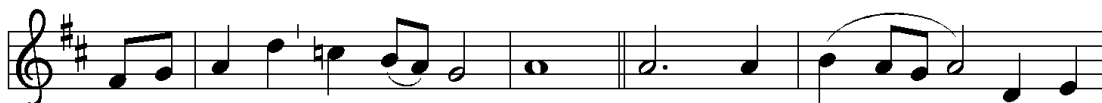


glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain



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



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was



slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Sit

+ WORD +

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 4:5-12

A reading from Acts.

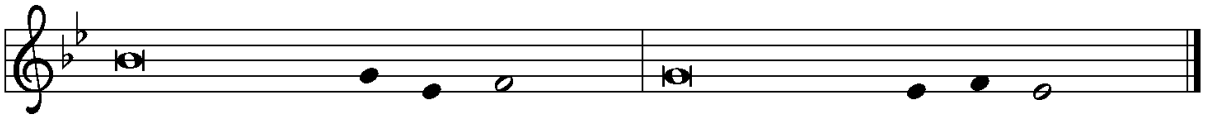
⁵The next day [the] rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, ⁶with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. ⁷When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, “By what power or by what name did you do this?” ⁸Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “Rulers of the people and elders, ⁹if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, ¹⁰let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. ¹¹This Jesus is

‘the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;
it has become the cornerstone.’

¹²There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.”

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.



The Lord ¹ is my shepherd;
I shall not ¹ be in want.

²**The Lord makes me lie down ¹ in green pastures
and leads me be- ¹ side still waters.**

³You restore my ¹ soul, O Lord,
and guide me along right pathways ¹ for your name's sake.

⁴**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall ¹ fear no evil;
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they ¹ comfort me.**

⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence ¹ of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is ¹ running over.

⁶**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days ¹ of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the ¹ Lord forever.**

SECOND READING: 1 John 3:16-24

A reading from 1 John.

¹⁶We know love by this, that [Jesus Christ] laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. ¹⁷How does God’s love abide in anyone who has the world’s goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? ¹⁸Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. ¹⁹And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him ²⁰whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. ²¹Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; ²²and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

²³And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. ²⁴All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW Setting Three



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ¹¹“I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. ¹⁴I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. ¹⁷For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. ¹⁸No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit

SERMON

Rev. Pauline Farrington

Silence for reflection

Stand



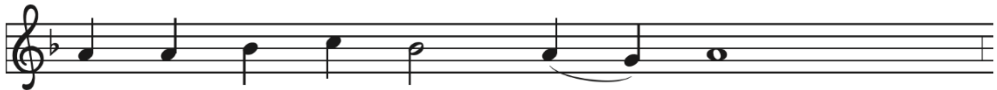
1 You, Lord, are both Lamb and Shep - herd.
 2 Clothed in light up - on the moun - tain,
 3 You, who walk each day be - side us,
 4 Wor - thy is our earth - ly Je - sus!



You, Lord, are both prince and slave.
 stripped of might up - on the cross,
 sit in pow - er at God's side.
 Wor - thy is our cos - mic Christ!



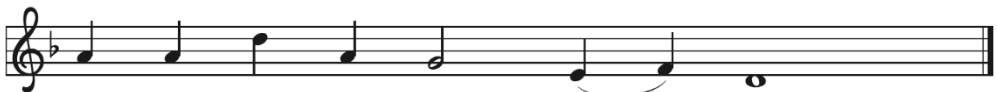
You, peace - mak - er and sword - bring - er
 shin - ing in e - ter - nal glo - ry,
 You, who preach a way that's nar - row,
 Wor - thy your de - feat and vic - t'ry;



of the way you took and gave.
 beg - gared by a sol - dier's toss,
 have a love that reach - es wide.
 wor - thy still your peace and strife.



You, the ev - er - last - ing in - stant;
 you, the ev - er - last - ing in - stant;
 You, the ev - er - last - ing in - stant;
 You, the ev - er - last - ing in - stant;



you, whom we both scorn and crave.
 you, who are both gift and cost.
 you, who are our pil - grim guide.
 you, who are our death and life.

Commissioning of Stephen Ministers

Pamela Bettcher

Fred Sanford

The following people have responded to the call of Galatians 6:2 to bear one another's burdens and, in this way, fulfill the law of Christ. Pamela Bettcher and Fred Sanford have completed 50 hours of study to become Stephen Ministers.

"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God. (2 Corinthians 1:3-4)

Stephen Ministry Leaders ask for commitment from those being commissioned. Then the leaders ask for commitment from the congregation.

Now, we ask you, members of Trinity, to open your hearts to the ministry of Pamela and Fred and to pray for them, that they may be effective servants of Christ. Are you prepared to meet this request?

If so, please respond, "Yes with the help of God."

Yes with the help of God.

Will you accept their ministry when you need help and allow these individuals to work with you as you face struggles in your life, that you might receive support and help from your fellow Christians?

Yes, with the help of God.

Pamela, may you share Christ's ever-abundant love with others so that they and you may grow in Christ's wholeness. (1 John 4:11, Ephesians 3:19)

Fred, may the Lord Jesus, who has graciously called you his disciple, now strengthen you by his Spirit for your ministry in and to his world (Acts 1:8)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

... God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living 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 worshipping with us online.

+ MEAL +

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

The Lord is My Shepherd
Trinity Singers

John Rutter

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

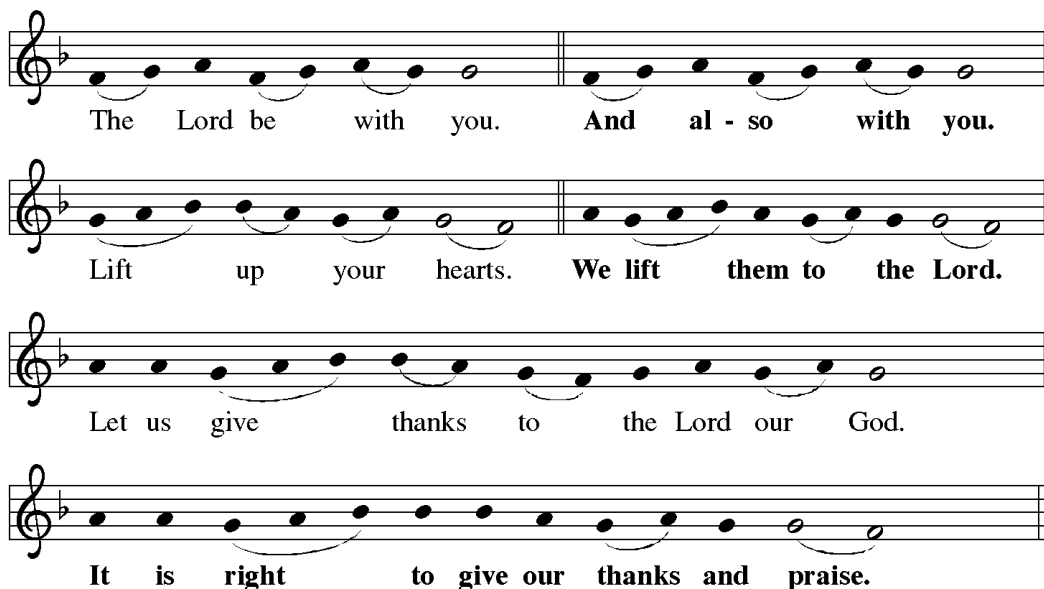
OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

ELW Setting Three



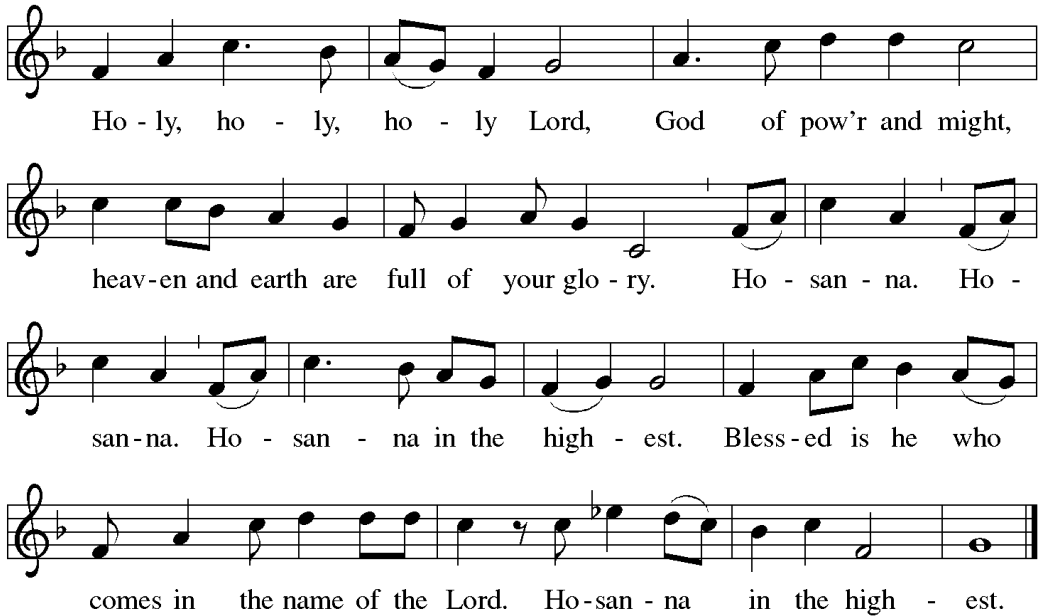
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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:

HOLY, HOLY

ELW Setting Three



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. 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.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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.

...words of blessing and promise...

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

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

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.

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

This is the table of the risen Christ where all people, without exception, are invited to commune!

Taste and see that the Lord is good!

As the usher indicates, you are invited to move toward the altar to receive the bread and wine.

Our bread is gluten-free, allergen-free, and vegan. You may eat the bread and then receive the wine by drinking from the first cup or having wine poured from the second cup.

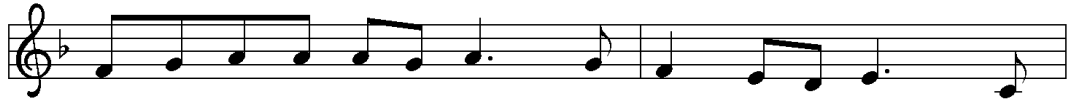
Should you choose to have the wine poured, please pick up an empty glass or, if you prefer, pick up a pre-filled glass of red grape juice from the table in the center aisle. Individually packaged elements are also available on a table just outside the sanctuary doors.

If you choose not to commune but would welcome a blessing, please come to receive a blessing spoken by the pastor.

Sit

LAMB OF GOD

ELW Setting Three



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.

COMMUNION HYMN

Have No Fear, Little Flock

ELW 764



1 Have no fear, lit - tle flock; have no fear, lit - tle
 2 Have good cheer, lit - tle flock; have good cheer, lit - tle
 3 Praise the Lord high a - bove; praise the Lord high a -
 4 Thank - ful hearts raise to God; thank - ful hearts raise to



flock, for the Fa - ther has cho - sen to
 flock, for the Fa - ther will keep you in
 bove, for he stoops down to heal you, up -
 God, for he stays close be - side you, in



give you the king - dom; have no fear, lit - tle flock!
 his love for - ev - er; have good cheer, lit - tle flock!
 lift and re - store you; praise the Lord high a - bove!
 all things works with you; thank - ful hearts raise to God!

The Lord's My Shepherd

ELW 778

1 The Lord's my shep-herd; I'll not want. He makes me down to lie
 2 My soul he doth re - store a - gain, and me to walk doth make
 3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill;
 4 My ta - ble thou hast rich - ly spread in pres - ence of my foes;
 5 Good - ness and mer - cy all my life shall sure - ly fol - low me,

in pas - tures green; he lead - eth me the qui - et wa - ters by.
 with - in the paths of righ - teous - ness, e'en for his own name's sake;
 for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me com - fort still;
 my head thou dost with oil a - noint, and my cup o - ver - flows.
 and in God's house for - ev - er - more my dwell - ing - place shall be;

He lead - eth me, he lead - eth me the qui - et wa - ters by.
 with - in the paths of righ - teous - ness, e'en for his own name's sake.
 for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me com - fort still.
 My head thou dost with oil a - noint, and my cup o - ver - flows.
 and in God's house for - ev - er - more my dwell - ing - place shall be.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **Amen.**

+ SENDING +

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stand

BENEDICTION

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The God of resurrection power,
the Christ of unending joy,
and the Spirit of Easter hope

✠ bless you now and always.

Amen.



1 Praise the Lord, rise up re - joic - ing, wor - ship, thanks, de -
 2 Scat - tered flock, one shep - herd shar - ing, lost and lone - ly,
 3 Sins for - giv - en, wrongs for - giv - ing, we go forth a -



vo - tion voic - ing: glo - ry be to God on high!
 one voice hear - ing, ears at - ten - tive to your word;
 lert and liv - ing in your Spir - it, strong and free.



Christ, your cross and pas - sion shar - ing, by this eu - cha -
 by your blood new life re - ceiv - ing, in your bod - y,
 Part - ners in your new cre - a - tion, seek - ing peace in



rist de - clar - ing yours the fi - nal vic - to - ry.
 firm be - liev - ing, we are yours, and you the Lord.
 ev - 'ry na - tion, may we faith - ful fol - l'wers be.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Gott, Durch Deine Güte Chorale Prelude

J.S. Bach

Remember in Your Prayers

THE CHURCH

our synod & bishops: Bishops Elizabeth E, Michael B and Leila O

our missionaries: Stephen D/Marta G, Cent. Amer

our congregation: Trinity Church

THE NATIONS: Afghanistan, El Salvador, Gaza, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Israel, Libya, Mexico, Morocco, Myanmar, Namibia, North Korea, Palestine, Somalia, Spain/Cataluña, Sudan, Syria, Ukraine, United States, Venezuela

THE SICK AND SUFFERING

nursing/rehabilitation center/hospital

Yulie N (Village at Rockville)

home

Isabel F, Tigist G, Lineth M, Anya N, Vimala P, Elizabeth R, Gio S, Margo W

family and friends*

Donald B, *brother of Marilyn C*

Elizabeth B, *mother of Mary B*

Gene B, *friend of Kim and Pam B*

James and Carlene B, *uncle and aunt of Carmen D*

Pam C, *sister of Mike M*

Sylvia DeV, *sister-in-law of Tad and Vi DeV*

Torsten D, *grandson of Thor and Nancy N*

Ellie F, *great niece of Pr. Pauline*

Josefa F-V, *friend of Len S*

Betsy G, *friend of Margaret F*

David G, *friend of Tad and Vi DeV*

Debbie G, *friend of Leslie S and Jim M*

Debbie G, *friend of Valerie M*

Julio Arias G, *friend of Ani and Len S*

Terry K, *brother-in-law of David and Leslie C*

Carol K, *mother of Jim K*

Mike K, *friend of David and Leslie C*

Susan K, *niece of Nancy and Thor N*

Anne L, *friend of Len S*

Randi L, *friend of Mike and Valerie M*

Agnes M, *friend of Barbara W*

Kathy M, *niece of Margaret and Greg F*

Lola M-B, *brother-in-law of Ana S-G*

Juan-Maria M-M, *friend of Len S*

Ditte R, *sister of Thor N*

Ursula R, *friend of Trinity*

Karen and Harold S, *friends of Pamela B*

Margarita S-G, *sister of Ana S-G*

George T, *friend of Leslie S and James M*

Victor V and family, *friends of Kim and Pam B*

Cheryl Van A, *friend of Cathy C*

Ray, Sue, and Brando W, *friends of Pam B*

first responders

Lisbeth N-D

Greta S & Linda A, *sister & sister-in-law of Anita S*

**For family and friends, prayer requests will be kept on the list for 4 weeks. To renew, please complete another card/call the office.*

This Week at Trinity

Livestreamed services on Trinity YouTube channel
<https://www.youtube.com/@TrinityELCA/streams>

Sun, Apr 21 The Fourth Sunday of Easter

9:30 am Holy Communion Worship Service

Stephen Ministry Commissioning

10:45 am Sunday School Classes and Adult Forum

Mon, Apr 22

9:00 am Organ Repair Begins

7:30 pm Heavenly Handbells

Tues, Apr 23

9:00 am Organ Repair

11:00 am Staff Meeting

Wed, Apr 24

9:00 am Organ Repair

Thurs, Apr 25

9:00 am Organ Repair

7:30 pm Trinity Singers

Fri, Apr 26

8:00 am Set up for Pr. Pauline's Installation

9:00 am Organ Repair

Sat, Apr 27

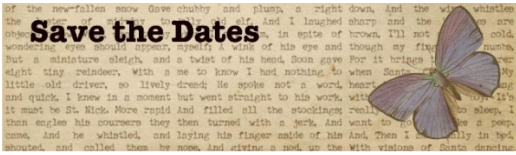
11:00 am Pr. Pauline's Installation

Sun, Apr 28 The Fifth Sunday of Easter

9:30 am Holy Communion Worship Service

Stephen Ministry Commissioning

10:45 am Sunday School Classes and Adult Forum



Pr. Pauline's Installation | April 27
Blood Drive | April 30
Semi Annual Congregational Meeting | May 5
Interfaith Women's Dinner | May 6



Birthdays

21	Dan S	24	Henry S M
24	Anusha A	25	Leslie C
24	Bjorn S		

Baptismal Anniversaries

21	Grayson D	26	Eva Stark
22	Michael V	27	Scott M
25	Nicklaus F	27	Sarah M

Adult Forum

Adult Forum will be returning to its study of Daniel Erlander's Manna and Mercy on Sunday and continuing this spring until we finish. We are now in the New Testament, having ended with the birth of Jesus prior to Easter. We will see how Jesus' ministry completes God's plan to mend the world.

Please join us in Room 10.

Organ Repair

David Storey, our organ builder, will be working Monday through Friday for several weeks. Access to the front of the church will be limited during the week. Please speak to Marcello S or Carmen D if you need to be in the church when the workers are present.

Blood Drive, April 30

Spring is a time of HOPE. Give HOPE this spring by donating blood. Trinity's next blood drive on Tuesday, April 30 from 1:30-6PM; the sign up is now open on the American Red Cross' website. Register online at www.redcrossblood.org and enter Sponsor ID: "TrinityLutheranNBethesda" or call 1-800-733-2767 to schedule your life-saving donation! In the past year,

If you have questions, please contact Margaret Fitzwilliam at gmfitzwm85@gmail.com



New Story Time for Our Youngest Members

This week we will be adding a new element to our faith formation practices and fellowship opportunities. In addition to Sunday School and Adult Forum after coffee hour, our youngest members can enjoy story time. We will be reading one or two stories and children are welcome to bring something of interest for show and tell. We are looking for a few more adult volunteers to share their favorite stories. If you are interested, please contact Margaret F or Valerie M



Help Us Build a Better Salad Bar for Interfaith Works Women's Center Dinner Monday, May 6, 2024

Trinity will provide dinner for 35 women on Monday, May 6th. When we provided dinner in February, the women shared how much they enjoy fresh salad. Listening to their feedback, we are providing a salad bar to deliver in May. The attached link is a sign up for some typical salad bar items, drinks and dessert, but we welcome you to add your favorite topping. You can add your special touch by adding it to the sign up in the Social Hall.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050E4CA-BA82F4-interfaith1>

All donations can be dropped off the morning of Sunday, May 5th. If you have questions, please reach out to Margaret F. at gmfitzwm85@gmail.com

WE NEED YOUR HELP!! The Nominating Committee is Seeking Candidates!!

Trinity relies on our Church community family to guide the decision making and activities for our Church. This year nominating committee is reaching out for those who are interested in leading our Church into the future, namely to serve on:

- Church Council: 3 year term, we do have a 1-year term to fill if you'd like to give Church Council a try; this group meets monthly
- Mission Endowment: 3 year term, you don't have to be a financial wiz to serve and this group meets only 4 times a year
- Synod Assembly: attend the assembly in 2024, as a representative of Trinity; Valerie M and Thor N attended last year if you want to learn more about the experience
- Nominating committee: 1 year term

Please reach out to this year's nominating committee if you have an interest in serving or have questions. We'll be reaching out to folks in the next month or so seeking candidates.

Yours in Christ,

Mary B
Sabrina R
Fred S
Susan S

Reception Following Pr. Pauline's Installation

Following Pr. Pauline's installation service on Saturday, April 27 at 11:00 am, we will be serving a selection of hors d'oeuvres along with some sweet items. You will notice that there is quite a variety on the list, plus an "Other" option. Where there are multiple slots for an item category, please indicate what you are bringing. Food items can be homemade or store bought. Several items, at the bottom of the list, will be provided by Trinity so no need to provide more.

Help is also needed for setting up the tables on Friday afternoon; the time to be worked out by those who are able to help. In addition, we will need help on Saturday. Please review the list at the link below and sign-up where you are able. If you have any questions about the reception, please reach out to Nancy J, Miriam M. or Valerie M.

Thank you and we hope to see everyone for the celebration!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050E4CA-BA82F4-48596947-pastor>

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Come Celebrate With Us

**The Holy Eucharist
With Installation of
The Rev. Pauline Farrington**

**Trinity Lutheran Church
North Bethesda, Maryland**

Saturday, April 27th, 11:00 a.m.

A light lunch reception will immediately follow.

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HELP WANTED!

The Worship Ministry Team Looking for a Few More Volunteers for Important Jobs on Sunday Mornings.

Communion Assistant (adult): This person assists the Pastor and the Assisting Minister with distributing the wine at communion. You will be needed only during the service on Sundays. You will need to be present in person.

Usher: We sometimes need a second usher for the services, so we'd like to have a few more volunteers. This person greets worshippers, assists them with getting bulletins and finding a seat, and answers questions. In the event of an emergency, you may be needed to assist the nursery attendant or worshippers. You will need to come to the service at least twenty minutes early. You will need to be present in person.

Online Greeter: This person monitors the online chat room as the service is live streamed. They greet online worshippers as they log in and identify themselves, respond to the prayers and other parts of the service in the chat, share God's peace with the folks watching online, and wish everyone a good week at the end of the service. The online greeter sometimes provides updates to the online worshippers in the event of technical difficulties with the audio and/or video on the live stream. You will need to log into the live stream five to ten minutes before the start of the service. While this is ideal for people who worship online, you can also do this while attending in person.

Welcomer: We like to have people work in teams for this role, and we need several more volunteers. This person greets everyone at the door as they arrive on Sunday mornings. They assist visitors with finding their way around the building, answer questions about Trinity, and introduce them to members who can provide more information about our programs. The welcomers work with the ushers to help settle everyone into their seats for the service, and to make sure that children's materials are made available to families. You will need to come to the service at least twenty minutes early, but you are not necessarily needed for the entire service. You will need to be present in person.

If you are interested in helping out in any of these roles, please contact Carmen in the office, or Mary B.



Pentecost Flowers

It's time to order flowers to decorate the sanctuary for the Pentecost service! If you wish to order, please fill out the following form and include it with your payment. Also, please indicate if you would like to donate your flowers or pick them up.

Please make checks payable to Trinity Lutheran Church and indicate 'Pentecost Flowers' in the memo line. The last day to order is Sunday, May 12.

Purchased by: _____

Pentecost Geraniums \$6.00 each

Number of Plants

Given in honor of _____

Given in memory of _____

Donate

Pick Up

Serving in Worship Today

Assisting Minister: Carol B

Lector: Margaret F

Altar Guild: Margaret F

Youth Communion Assistant: Stella B A

Usher: Julie N

Livestream Operators: Mike M and Greg F

Welcome Team: Angela B

Coffee Hour: Stephen Ministry

Tellers: Petra T and Jon S

Sexton: Julie N

Staff

Pastor: Pr. Pauline Farrington

Minister of Music: Marcello Silva

Office Administrator: Carmen Davis

Handbell Choir: Marilyn Converse

Nursery Attendant: Maraly Gonzalez

Custodian: Kathy Boone