

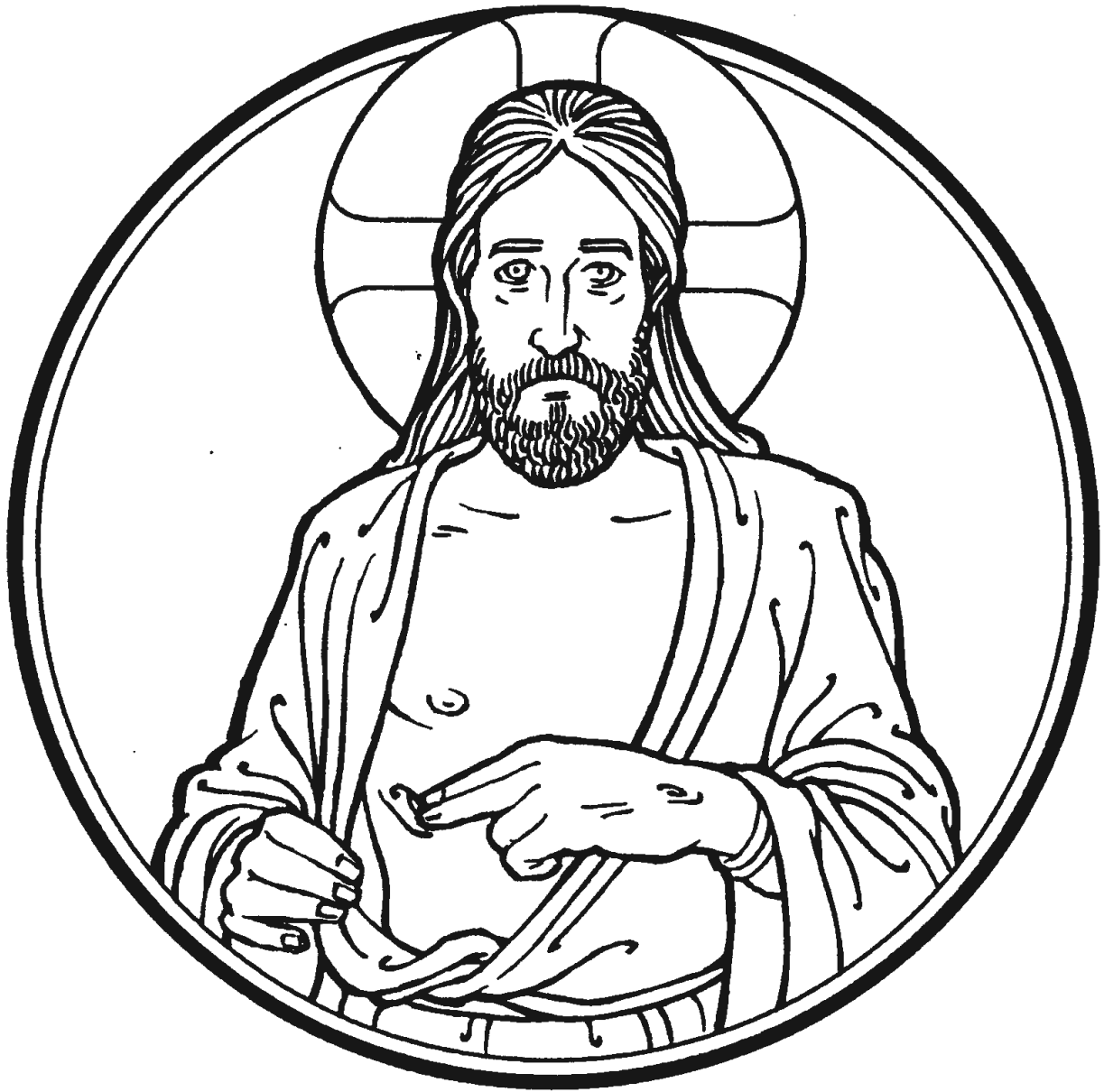


# TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

## THE DIVINE SERVICE

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The Second Sunday of Easter  
April 12, 2026 8:00 a.m. &  
April 13, 2026 6:00 p.m.



## A WORD OF CHRISTIAN WELCOME

*I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD!" Psalm 122:1*

GRACE, MERCY, AND PEACE be yours in the Name of our Crucified and Risen Lord Jesus Christ and a word of Christian welcome:

We are delighted the Holy Spirit has brought you to hear and receive the blessings of the Word of God with us in the Divine Service, our Lord's gracious serving of us in grace as we gather in worship. We hope to make you comfortable and know you might have a few questions. Trinity welcomes many guests who may not be familiar with Lutheran worship or our congregation. This service folder contains the order of worship for the Divine Service.

The Lord's Supper, that is, Holy Communion is administered at this altar according to the Lord's institution. Out of love for our Lord's Word and His instruction, we take seriously the spiritual care and welfare of those who commune at our altar. Please take a moment to read about worthy reception of the Lord's true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins on page 19.

### A SPECIAL WELCOME TO PARENTS WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

WE ARE BLESSED YOU ARE HERE. Children are a heritage from the Lord and full members of Christ's kingdom. Parents and their children are welcome to sit toward the front of the sanctuary so that the children can see and hear the service clearly. Don't worry, they won't bother the pastors. Here your children may watch the pastors, note the colors, and smell the candles. They'll be learning all we do revolves around the altar. Jesus promises to engage them with His Word and Spirit (St. Mark 10:13-16).

Engage your children through the Divine Service by teaching them the liturgy and the importance of hearing. Encourage them to speak the responses with you, "And with thy spirit!" and sing, Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy!" The children will follow your lead and they are very capable of learning challenging words. If you need help, look around: your brothers and sisters in Christ are delighted to assist.

The Family Room in the Narthex may be used if you need to step out, but please hurry back! Jesus desires children hear His Word in the Divine Service. To find this room, turn right after exiting the Nave and it is the first door on your right. A nursery is available with chairs, a single person restroom, a changing station, and busy bags with sensory toys. You'll be able to see and hear everything in the service from here.

Children's bulletins are available in the Narthex. These contain a simple presentation of the Sunday's themes and readings and serve as a teaching resource for the home.

## ✠ A PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP ✠

O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ, as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His Name. Amen.

*Prayers for worship preparation may be found inside the front cover of the hymnal.*

**Handbell Prelude**

**Bells' Call to Worship**

**Word of Welcome**

**Opening Hymn**

**LSB 905 Come, Thou Almighty King**

*The Congregation stands.*

**Easter Acclamation**

**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**C** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

## THE SERVICE OF PREPARATION

**Confession and Absolution**

*Matthew 28:19*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

*Psalm 124:8*

**C** who made heaven and earth.

**P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

*Psalm 130:3-4*

**C** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

**P** Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

*Luke 18:13*

**C** Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.



Gloria in Excelsis *(omitted Monday)*

Luke 2:14; John 1:29



**C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;  
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;  
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!  
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.  
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,  
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.  
Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—  
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

2 Timothy 4:22

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*The Congregation is seated for the Readings.*

## First Reading

Acts 5:29–42

<sup>29</sup>But Peter and the apostles answered, “We must obey God rather than men. <sup>30</sup>The God of our fathers raised Jesus, whom you killed by hanging him on a tree. <sup>31</sup>God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. <sup>32</sup>And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him.”

<sup>33</sup>When they heard this, they were enraged and wanted to kill them. <sup>34</sup>But a Pharisee in the council named Gamaliel, a teacher of the law held in honor by all the people, stood up and gave orders to put the men outside for a little while. <sup>35</sup>And he said to them, “Men of Israel, take care what you are about to do with these men. <sup>36</sup>For before these days Theudas rose up, claiming to be somebody, and a number of men, about four hundred, joined him. He was killed, and all who followed him were dispersed and came to nothing. <sup>37</sup>After him Judas the Galilean rose up in the days of the census and drew away some of the people after him. He too perished, and all who followed him were scattered. <sup>38</sup>So in the present case I tell you, keep away from these men and let them alone, for if this plan or this undertaking is of man, it will fail; <sup>39</sup>but if it is of God, you will not be able to overthrow them. You might even be found opposing God!” So they took his advice, <sup>40</sup>and when they had called in the apostles, they beat them and charged them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. <sup>41</sup>Then they left the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the name. <sup>42</sup>And every day, in the temple and from house to house, they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

*adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6*

**C** Christ has risen from the dead.

[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor.

He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

he has put all things under his feet.

## Epistle

1 Peter 1:3–9

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup>to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup>who by God’s power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup>In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, <sup>7</sup>so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. <sup>8</sup>Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and

rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, <sup>9</sup>obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*The Congregation stands for the Alleluia and Holy Gospel.*

### Alleluia and Verse *(omitted Monday)*



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



**C** These things are writ-ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



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

### Holy Gospel

*John 20:19–31*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>19</sup>On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.” <sup>20</sup>When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.” <sup>22</sup>And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld.”

<sup>24</sup>Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe.”

<sup>26</sup>Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” <sup>27</sup>Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe.” <sup>28</sup>Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” <sup>29</sup>Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”

<sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; <sup>31</sup>but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

## Nicene Creed

**C** I believe in one God, *Romans 10:10; Deuteronomy 6:4*  
the Father Almighty, *Matthew 6:9; Exodus 6:3*  
maker of heaven and earth *Genesis 1:1; John 1:1*  
and of all things visible and invisible. *Colossians 1:16*

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, *Romans 10:9*  
the only-begotten Son of God, *John 3:16; Matthew 16:16*  
begotten of His Father before all worlds, *John 1:2*  
God of God, Light of Light, *John 17:22; John 8:12; John 1:1*  
very God of very God, *Colossians 2:9*  
begotten, not made, *John 1:2*  
being of one substance with the Father, *John 10:30*  
by Whom all things were made; *Hebrews 1:2; John 1:3*  
Who for us men and for our salvation *1 Timothy 2:4; Romans 3:23*  
came down from heaven *John 6:41; Luke 15:20*  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary *Luke 1:34-35*  
and was made man; *John 1:14*  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. *Mark 15:25; John 19:16-18*  
He suffered and was buried. *John 19:1-3; Luke 23:5*  
And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures *1 Corinthians 15:4; Luke 24:6*  
and ascended into heaven *Acts 1:9*  
and sits at the right hand of the Father. *Acts 7:55*  
And He will come again with glory *Matthew 26:64*  
to judge both the living and the dead, *Acts 10:42; Matthew 3:12*  
Whose kingdom will have no end. *2 Peter 1:11*

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, *John 14:26; Genesis 1:2; Acts 2:38*  
the Lord and giver of life, *Genesis 1:2; John 3:6*  
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, *John 15:26*  
Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, *Mt 3:16-17; Lk 2:14*  
Who spoke by the prophets. *Ezekiel 11:5; 2 Peter 1:20-21*  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, *1 Peter 2:5; Ephesians 2:19-22*  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, *Ephesians 4:5; Acts 2:38*  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead *1 Corinthians 15:35-49; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18*  
and the life ✠ of the world to come. *Mark 10:29-30; Matthew 10:40-42*  
Amen. *Psalms 106:4*

*The Congregation is seated for the Hymn of the Day.*

**Children's Message**

**Hymn of the Day**

**Sermon**

**"Living Hope"**

**LSB 818 In Thee Is Gladness**

*1 Peter 1:3-9*

## Prayer of the Church

*The Congregation stands for The Prayer of the Church.*

*Each petition ends:*

**P** Lord, in your mercy,

**C** Hear our prayer.

### In Our Prayers

*For peace.*

*Those who are receiving palliative care:*

**Elsa Wiemerslage**

*Those who are recovering from surgery, illness, or injury:*

**Elke Beltz, Matthew Bultemeier, Norman Gephardt, Manny Harrison, George Rattelmuller, and Terry Simmons**

*Those who are contending with health or other issues:*

**Betty Brown, Dennis Elliott, Garry Francis, Amanda (Thieme) Livesay, Roberta Mangold, Jessica Murphy, Elizabeth Raisch, Rev. Dave Spotts, Anthony & Christine Warrington, Hope Wetzstein, and Ruthann Wunder**

*Those who are confined due to health issues:*

**Arla Benskin, Al & Jacqueline Hebard, Shirley Smith, and Fannie Wiechert**

*Those involved in managing the effects of cancer, including:*

**Wayne Armbrust, Lauren Brown, Jack Crawford, Carol Easterhaus, Nathan Eckhoff, Rochelle Gavin, Patty Gerke, Sylvia Glenn, Kevin Hughes, Pam Jones, Ali Korenberg, Mary Medlock, Debi Mirly, Rev. David Oberdieck, Rev. Aaron Sterling, Carolyn Trigg, and Lee Tubbesing**

*For:*

**Kaden Albert Remer-Phifer, son of Brandon & Melissa, who was born on April 6, 2026**

*If you desire to supply a regular intercession for the Prayer of the Church, please complete a Prayer Request Card located in your pew and place it in the offering box in the narthex. You may also contact the Church Office or visit the Submit a Prayer Request page on our website.*

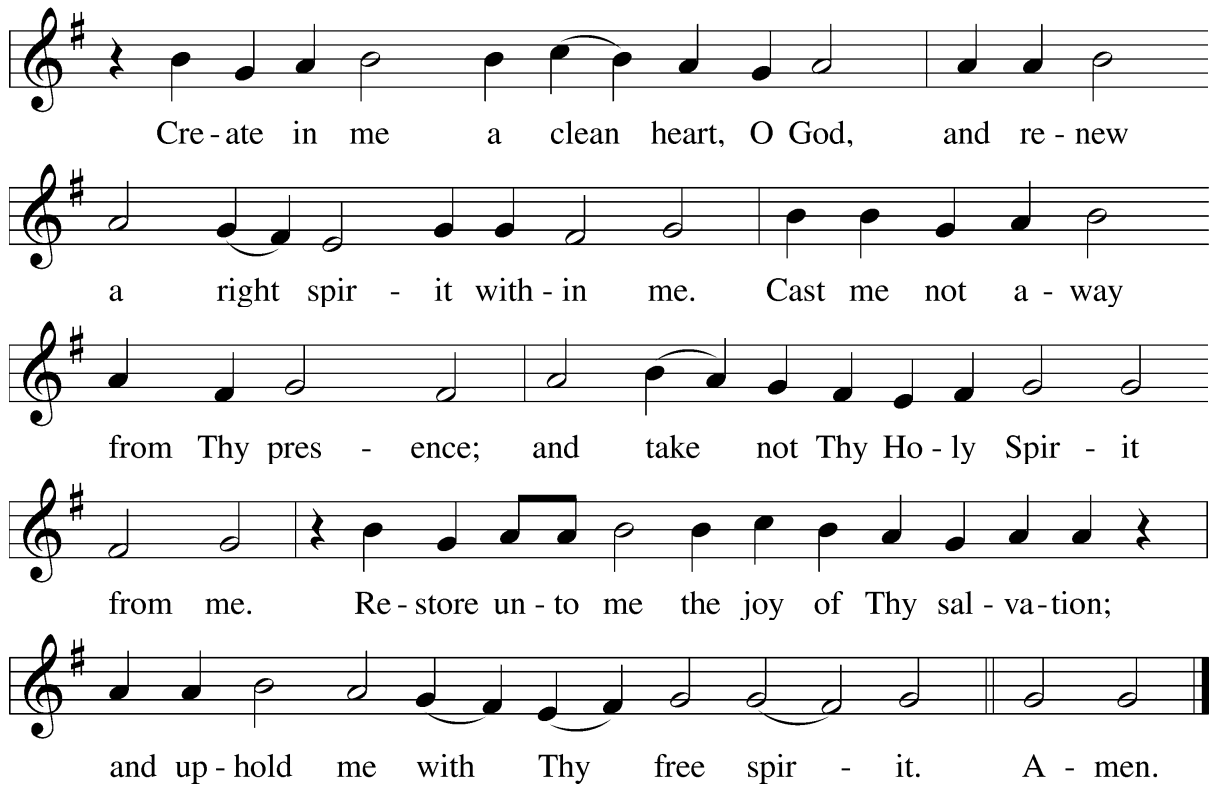
### Record of Attendance and Offerings

*Your presence is meaningful for us. Please take a moment to record your attendance in the red book at the end of your pew. Offerings may be placed in the collection box in the Narthex or online.*

*The Monday evening service continues with the Communion Hymn, #625.*

Offering & Offertory *(omitted Monday)*

Psalm 51:10-23



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new  
a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way  
from Thy pres - ence; and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion;  
and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

# THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

## Preface

*2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]*

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** We lift them to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus *(spoken Monday)*

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

**P** Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

For Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed. By His death, He has redeemed us from bondage to sin and death, and by His resurrection, He has delivered us into new life in Him.

Grant us to keep the Feast in sincerity and truth, faithfully eating His body given into death and drinking His life's blood poured out for our salvation until we pass through death to the promised land of life eternal.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

## Lord's Prayer

*Matthew 6:9-13*

**C** 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.

## The Words of Our Lord

*Matthew 26; Mark 14; Luke 22; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25*

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✠}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✠}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## Pax Domini

*John 20:19*

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

Agnus Dei (omitted Monday)

John 1:29

1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world a - way;  
You take the sin of the world a - way;  
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,  
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

*The Congregation is seated.*

## Distribution

**Holy Communion** *The Lord Jesus is concerned about the spiritual care of all who commune at His Altar (1 Corinthians 11:27, 28). Our pastors desire to care for all our guests according to the Lord's instruction and would desire a conversation with you (1 Corinthians 4:1; Hebrews 13:1) prior to communing. The altar is open to those who are members of our congregation or sister congregations of the LCMS and are not under church discipline (1 Corinthians 1:10; 5:4, 5; 10:17). If you are a guest today, please read Our Teaching and Belief Concerning the Lord's Supper on page 19.*

### Prayer for the Right Reception of the Lord's Supper

*Blessed Savior, Jesus Christ, You have given Yourself to us in this holy Sacrament. Keep us in Your faith and favor that we may live in You even as You live in us. May Your body and blood preserve us in the true faith to life everlasting. Hear us for the sake of Your name. Amen.*

**Distribution Hymn** *(Monday hymn)*      **LSB 625 Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread**

**Distribution Hymn**      **LSB 471 O Sons and Daughters of the King**

### Prayer of Thanksgiving after Receiving the Lord's Supper

*Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ my Lord. Amen.*

*The Congregation stands for the Dismissal.*

## Dismissal

- P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✝ in peace.
- C** Amen.

**C** 1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -  
 2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All  
 part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the  
 glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the  
 glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:  
 Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;  
 A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -  
 For as in the be - gin - ning, Is  
 to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your  
 now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -  
 peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.  
 sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Post-Communion Collect

- P** Let us pray.  
 O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

## Benedicamus

Psalm 103:1

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**C** Amen.

## Closing Hymn

LSB 921 On What Has Now Been Sown

## Postlude

### ✠ A PRAYER AFTER WORSHIP ✠

*Almighty and merciful God, I have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness of my sins and the assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. I thank You for this undeserved grace and You to keep me in faith until, with all Your saints, I inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.*

### SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY

**Preacher:** Rev. Brian Thieme

**Elders:** (8:00) David Attebery & John Frerking | (10:30) Mike Brame  
(Monday) Carey Smith

**Ushers:** (8:00) Hunter Kevil & Kyle Dickes | (10:30)

**Altar Guild:** Karen Niederjohn & Hillari Roberts

**Organist:** Bonnie Lawler

**Handbell Director:** Kimberly Walker

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## OUR TEACHING AND BELIEF CONCERNING THE LORD'S SUPPER

### **What is Holy Communion?**

Holy Communion, the Lord's Supper, or the Sacrament of the Altar is administered at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that along with the bread and the wine we receive the true Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus (Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 22:22-24; Luke 22:14-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26). Our Lord has shed His true blood and instituted His Supper for our benefit, that we might be joined to Him. We therefore take Him at His Word, believing and trusting in His gift and promise, without adding to or taking away from what He has said. This eating and drinking is a true participation, a communion, in the very same body and blood of Christ present on the cross of Calvary, not symbolic or representative (1 Corinthians 10:16). Through the gift of Communion, the Lord bestows on us the forgiveness of sins and strengthens our union with Him and with one another.

### **Who should receive the Lord's Supper?**

Our Lord desires that those who commune should know and believe what they are receiving in Holy Communion unto their benefit and not unto harm (1 Corinthians 11:29). Communicants should be instructed in God's Word so that they can properly examine themselves prior to communing (1 Corinthians 11:28), and should be united as one body in the faith (Acts 2:42; 1 Corinthians 1:10; 10:17). Our pastors and those gathered here desire and pray for your presence at this altar to receive the Lord's gifts. To achieve this unity in confession, our pastors desire a conversation with those who are not yet instructed or believe differently (belong to another church body or denomination) because Holy Communion is a public confession of agreement with all doctrine believed, taught, and confessed here. We also ask guests from other LCMS congregations to speak with the pastors before communing.

All who are communicant members in a congregation of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, those Lutheran churches that are in altar and pulpit fellowship with the LCMS and not under church discipline may commune here. All other guests are invited to come to the communion rail for a blessing from the Pastor. Please cross your arms at the rail to receive the blessing.

### **How do I eat and drink Christ's body and blood?**

Communicants may receive the host by having it placed directly into the mouth or by having it placed in the palm of the hand. If the communicant wishes to take the individual cup, please receive one from the tray as the elder comes to your place at the communion rail. Drink from the individual cup when the pastor comes to your place at the communion rail with the chalice and speaks the words of distribution. If the communicant wishes to receive the chalice wait for the individual cup to pass and the pastor will commune you from the chalice.

If an individual has a sensitivity to gluten, a special host is available. Please request this host from the pastor when he comes to your place. Alcohol-removed wine is also available in the pink glasses of the individual cup should an individual desire.

**The Lord's Supper may be received in the pew if needed. Please notify a Pastor, Elder, or Usher.**

# TRINITY WEEKLY NEWS

The Second Sunday of Easter • April 12, 2026

## WEEK AT A GLANCE

### Sunday, April 12

8:00 a.m. Divine Service  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School & Bible Study  
10:30 a.m. TLCLC Sunday (no communion)  
12:00 p.m. Life Team Lunch & Learn  
6:00 p.m. JCC

### Monday, April 13

9:00 a.m. Bible Study  
6:00 p.m. Divine Service

### Tuesday, April 14

5:30 p.m. Vesper Guild  
5:45 p.m. Pickleball  
6:00 p.m. Board of Directors

### Wednesday, April 15

9:00 a.m. TLCLC Chapel  
6:00 p.m. Life Team  
6:30 p.m. Lutheranism 101  
*Heather out of office*

### Thursday, April 16

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study  
9:00 a.m. TLCLC Chapel  
11:00 a.m. Communion @ Lenoir  
5:45 p.m. Pickleball  
6:00 p.m. Board of Evangelism  
6:30 p.m. Handbell Practice

### Friday, April 17

*Pastor's day off & Heather out of office*  
*Missouri District Pastors' Wives Retreat*

### Saturday, April 18

*Missouri District Pastors' Wives Retreat*

### Sunday, April 19

8:00 a.m. Divine Service  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School & Bible Study  
10:30 a.m. Divine Service  
6:00 p.m. JCC  
6:00 p.m. Choir Practice

## UPCOMING EVENTS

April 25 Missouri Life Summit  
May 3 Confirmation  
May 14 Ascension  
May 23 Women's Brunch

## FLOWER ANNOUNCEMENT

If you would like to sponsor the chancel flowers to celebrate a special occasion or in memory of a loved one, you may sign up on the flower chart outside the Church Office. Sponsors typically donate \$25 to the Altar Guild on their chosen week.

## LEARNING THE FAITH

### Lutheranism 101

- Wednesdays at 6:30 pm, beginning April 15
- Downstairs classroom (room 106)

In April we will begin a new session of Adult Catechism classes! Please contact the church office or Pastor Thieme to sign up. Members are welcome to join the class.

### Sunday Bible Study with Pastor Thieme

- Sundays at 9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall
- Studying: Malachi

### Monday Bible Study with Pastor Thieme

- Mondays at 9:00 am in Room 106
- Studying: 1 Corinthians

### Men's Bible Study

- Thursdays at 7:00 am in the Fellowship Hall
- Studying: 1 & 2 Samuel

### Junior Confirmation Classes

- Sundays at 6:00 pm

## DONATION REMINDER

When making a donation or fulfilling your promise to the **NARTHEX EXPANSION PROJECT** please indicate on your check or envelope **ACCOUNT 269**. We thank you for your ongoing support.

# SERVE AND ENCOURAGE

## Thank you!

The Youth Group & Board of Youth want to extend a huge thank you to everyone who helped, donated, and attended this year's Easter Breakfast! We loved sharing a German style breakfast with all of you, and are thankful for the time our church family worships and fellowships together. Thank you for supporting us!

## Altar Guild Serving Opportunity

If you have wanted to know and learn the behind the scenes of preparing for the Lord's Supper at Trinity, this is your opportunity. The Altar Guild is looking for several more people to join the guild. This is a rewarding and reverent way to serve in the worship services and please the Lord.

If you would like to learn more, want to observe, or have questions, please contact Betty Buchheit at dbuchheit305@aol.com or 573-823-2664. Thank You!

## Wanted: Sunday School Teachers & Subs

Our Sunday school is growing we are in need of more teachers and substitutes to teach the word of God to His children. Would you prayerfully consider giving of your time and talents to help in this mission. You can email the Board of Christian Education at trinityboce@gmail.com or speak with one of the board members: Karen Provost, Hillari Roberts, or Connie Coil. Blessings.

## Medium Vases Needed!

- The ladies on the altar flower committee are looking for extra medium-sized vases for bouquets.

## Men's Clothing Donations Wanted!

The Board of Social Ministry is looking for donations! The Boonville Correctional Center is in need of the following (gently used or new) items for male inmates to be given when released:

- Men's jeans, sweatpants, coats
- Men's shoes (sizes 9-12)

There is a collection box in the narthex. The clothing drive will run until the end of April.

If you have any questions, please contact the board at TrinityBOSM@gmail.com or text Jessica Kespohl at 573-356-1160.

## Women's Fellowship Time – Spring Brunch

- Saturday, May 23 at 10:00 am
- Fellowship Hall
- RSVP to Amanda Hakes 573-864-6757

The body of Christ is designed to serve and encourage one another as we toil here on earth awaiting the second coming of Christ. We want to connect the young and the experienced women of Trinity for a time of fellowship. We are seeking to share and receive encouragement and wisdom from fellow Lutheran women. We so hope you will attend.

We will also be collecting baby hygiene items to donate to My Life Clinic. Items needed at this time include baby soaps, baby lotions, and diaper creams.

## LIFE TEAM

### Save the Date: Lunch & Learn

- Topic: November vote on Amendment 3
- Speaker: Susan Klein from Missouri Right to Life
- Sunday, April 12, 2026 after the 10:30 service
- Fellowship Hall
- Lunch will be provided by the Life Team.

The Life Team would like to help us all learn, ask questions, and grow in understanding together as a church family. All are welcome!

*"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you." – Jeremiah 1:5*

### 2026 Missouri Life Summit

- Saturday, April 25, 2026
- Immanuel Lutheran Church, Rolla, MO

All are invited! Come and join your fellow MOLFLers at our annual Life Summit. The Summit will open at 9:30 with devotions, followed by a brief business meeting, followed by two presentations. The first presentation will be given by Dr. Jeff Gibbs, retired St Louis Seminary professor. He will speak on "Jesus Christ, our Sure Apologetic for Life". The second presentation will be by Susan Klein of MO Right to Life who will bring information about Amendment 3. Hope to see you there!

Attendance is free. Donations are accepted and baby items will be collected. To register, email lflofmo@gmail.com, or call or text 314-956-9240.

# LWML

LWML Columbia Zone Spring Rally  
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church  
Centralia, MO

Sunday - April 19, 2026  
Registration begins at 1:15 pm  
Rally begins at 2:00 pm

Registration fee \$3.00  
Refreshments to follow



Topic Speaker – Rev. Dave Spotts, Chaplain  
Mid-Missouri Lutheran Hospital Ministry

Ingathering – free will donation of cash/check to  
support the hospital ministry.

I was sick and you visited me....Matthew 25:36b

## 2026 Missouri District LWML Convention

- Cape Girardeau, Missouri
- June 12-14, 2026

Follow in the footsteps of the Saxon German immigrants who settled Perry County Missouri in 1839 before expanding into Cape Girardeau.

Plan to join other Lutheran Women in Mission at the biennial Missouri District convention, June 12-14, 2026, at the Drury Plaza Hotel and Conference Center in Cape Girardeau.

While in the area, you can visit buildings at the *Lutheran Heritage Center and Museum* in nearby Altenburg, Missouri. However, the host Zones (Altenburg, Cape Girardeau, Iron Mountain, and Jackson Bootheel) have planned numerous convention activities including Friday night's Worship service, Mission Walk, Mission Fair and Silent Auction. Plan to view various Exhibitors during breaks from convention business. Delegates will make decisions that affect the next biennium.

All convention attendees can register online at the convention link found at [missourilwml.org](http://missourilwml.org). Registration is online only. Early registration is \$200 and includes Saturday boxed lunch and Saturday banquet buffet.

After the online registration is completed, you will receive an email confirmation. That email will contain



links to three hotels. Booking one of the hotels through that link will provide you with a discount room rate. The last date to book rooms at a discount rate is May 10, 2026. After this date, the hotels will release the unreserved rooms to the general public.

Come and see how Lutheran Women in Mission are *Rooted* in service to our Savior!

## Scholarship Opportunity

### Eligibility

- a. Scholarships may be awarded to students studying for an LCMS church vocation (pastor, teacher, DCE, deaconess, etc.).
- b. Recipients must be attending an LCMS college, university, or seminary.
- c. Recipients must be a member of Trinity Lutheran Church.

### Application and Approval

- a. Potential recipients must submit a written letter of application to the Board of Directors between March 15 and April 15.
- b. Scholarships may be renewed annually if the recipient requests continued support by submitting a written letter of application to the Board of Directors.
- c. Applications for summer school scholarships will be considered.
- d. Scholarships and their specific amounts must be approved by the Assembly of Voters.

### Administration

- a. Scholarship checks will be written to the institution (or its appropriate subunit) on behalf of the recipient. Checks will not be written directly to the recipient.
- b. Scholarship checks will be disbursed to the institution within thirty (30) days of the beginning of the Fall, Spring, and Summer semesters.
- c. Scholarship funds will first be drawn from the budgeted line account item (account 617). If the budgeted account is depleted, funds may also be drawn from the dedicated LCEF scholarship fund (account 195).
- d. If the budgeted line account has a balance at the end of the fiscal year, the balance will be moved into the dedicated LCEF scholarship fund.
- e. Scholarship amounts awarded will depend on the number of applications received.

### Audio and Print Assistance

Hearing-assist and live-captioning devices are available for the hearing-impaired. If either device may assist in your hearing and meditation on the Word of God, the ushers will be able to offer assistance. The large print edition of the hymnal is also available. Please speak with an usher, elder, or pastor.



### Accessibility

For those who may not be able to or comfortable navigating the stairs to the lower level, a lift is located just outside the sanctuary overflow area. Ushers or church members are able to assist with operation of the lift.



### Recording

Trinity publishes a recording of worship services both on our website and on YouTube (TrinityCoMo). Sermons are also available on our website.



### Restrooms

Restrooms are located in the hallway off the sanctuary overflow area (facing forward toward the altar, the open area to the left). Proceed through the door in the overflow area and you will find the restrooms to your right. From the Narthex, proceed past the stairs and turn right once you pass through the wooden double doors.



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