



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

THE DIVINE SERVICE

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The Third Sunday of Easter  
April 19 & 20, 2026



## 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 20.

### 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**

## SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM



✠ **Felicity Jean Laupp (8:00)** ✠

Daughter of Michael & Mari-Jean Laupp  
Sponsors: Rebekah Laupp and Kristene Walk



✠ **Eli Forest McAdams (10:30)** ✠

Son of David McAdams & Shelby Hudspith  
Sponsors: Aaron & Jordan Bedsworth  
Baptismal Liturgist: Rev. Allan Hudspith

**Baptismal Hymn**

**LSB 593 See This Wonder in the Making**

*During the final stanza of the hymn, the Candidate, Parents, and Sponsors, take their places around the Baptismal Font.*

*Please turn to page 268 in the hymnal.*

*The Baptismal party returns to their pews. The Service continues with the Opening Hymn.*

**Opening Hymn**

**LSB 474 Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen**

*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.

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

### Introit

*Psalm 133; antiphon: v. 1*

**P** Behold, how good and pleasant it is  
when brothers dwell in unity!

**C** It is like the precious oil on the head, running down on the beard, on the beard  
of Aaron,  
running down on the collar of his robes!

**P** It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion!  
For there the LORD has commanded the blessing, life forevermore.

**C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

**P** Behold, how good and pleasant it is  
when brothers dwell in unity!

Kyrie (*spoken Monday*)

Mark 10:47



**C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

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.

O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, 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 2:14a, 36–41

<sup>14</sup>Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, . . .  
<sup>36</sup>Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.”  
<sup>37</sup>Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?” <sup>38</sup>And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup>For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.”  
<sup>40</sup>And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, “Save yourselves from this crooked generation.” <sup>41</sup>So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

**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 1:17–25

<sup>17</sup>If you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one’s deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, <sup>18</sup>knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, <sup>19</sup>but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. <sup>20</sup>He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for your sake, <sup>21</sup>who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

<sup>22</sup>Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, <sup>23</sup>since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; <sup>24</sup>for

“All flesh is like grass  
and all its glory like the flower of grass.  
The grass withers,  
and the flower falls,  
<sup>25</sup>but the word of the Lord remains forever.”

And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

**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

Luke 24:13-35

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

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

<sup>13</sup>That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup>and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup>While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. <sup>16</sup>But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup>And he said to them, "What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad. <sup>18</sup>Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" <sup>19</sup>And he said to them, "What things?" And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, <sup>20</sup>and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. <sup>21</sup>But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. <sup>22</sup>Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, <sup>23</sup>and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. <sup>24</sup>Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see." <sup>25</sup>And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! <sup>26</sup>Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into

his glory?”<sup>27</sup> And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

<sup>28</sup>So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther,<sup>29</sup> but they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent.” So he went in to stay with them.<sup>30</sup> When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them.<sup>31</sup> And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight.<sup>32</sup> They said to each other, “Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?”<sup>33</sup> And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together,<sup>34</sup> saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!”<sup>35</sup> Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

**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.*

Hymn of the Day

LSB 879 Stay with Us

Sermon

*Luke 24:13-35*

## 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 recovering from surgery, illness, or injury:*

**Elke Beltz, Matthew Bultemeier, Carol Easterhaus, 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, 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 the family of:*

**Elsa Wiemerslage (family friend of Heather Asbeck) who lost her battle with cancer on April 15, 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.*

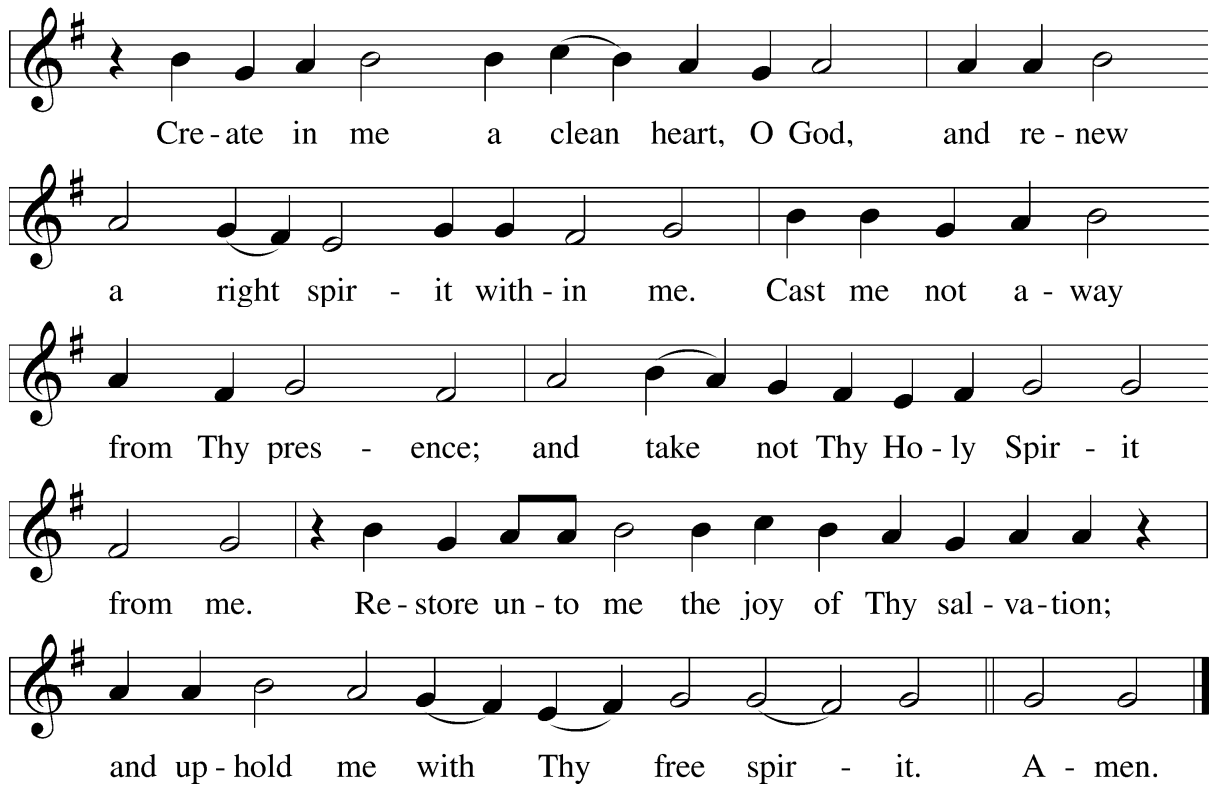
### Record of Attendance and Offerings

*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, #631.*

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)

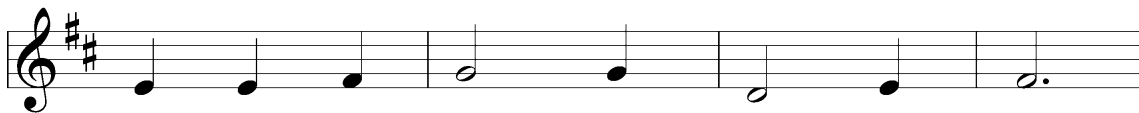
John 1:29



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 20.*

### 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 631 Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face**

**Distribution Hymn**                              **LSB 622 Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared**

### 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.  
Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; 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 352 Let the Earth Now Praise the Lord

## 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) Jim Cherrington & Ron Dicks | (10:30) Mike Brame & Carey Smith  
(Monday) Carey Smith

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

**Altar Guild:** Dianne Mirtz & Kimberly Walker

**Organist:** Joanna McDowell

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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 Third Sunday of Easter • April 19, 2026

## WEEK AT A GLANCE

### 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

### Monday, April 20

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

### Tuesday, April 21

- 5:45 p.m. Pickleball

### Wednesday, April 22

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

### Thursday, April 23

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 9:00 a.m. TLCLC Chapel
- 5:45 p.m. Pickleball
- 6:00 p.m. Board of Elders
- 6:30 p.m. Lutheran Ladies Having Fun
- 6:30 p.m. Handbell Practice

### Friday, April 24

*Pastor's day off & Heather out of office*

### Sunday, April 26

- 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 6 BOD reports due
- May 10 Mother's Day
- May 14 Ascension
- May 23 Women's Brunch
- May 24 Pentecost

## FLOWER ANNOUNCEMENT

The Altar flowers are given by Carol Clark in memory of her parents

## 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

### Welcome to Sunday School!

Please join us in Classroom 123 to open with joyful songs with an age-based Bible lesson to follow. We look forward to seeing you there!

- Time: Sundays from 9:30-10:15 am
- Locations:
  - Opening: Classroom 123 in the church basement
  - PreK-Kindergarten: Classroom 124
  - 1<sup>st</sup> -4<sup>th</sup> Grades: Classroom 123
  - 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grades: Classroom 106

### 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

## 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!

Rev. George Rattelmuller and family are thankful for the many prayers and cards with personal messages during his hospitalization and recovery. It means very much to us. God bless you all.

## Bulletin Blurbs

Submissions/announcements should be limited to 100 words or less and include the following information:

- Who: Group/committee/board involved
- What: Event
- When: Date and time/duration
- Where: Location
- A short description of event

Announcements will generally run for two weeks.

## 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](mailto: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.

# LWML

## 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.

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!

## LIFE TEAM

### 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 [lflfmo@gmail.com](mailto:lflfmo@gmail.com), or call or text 314-956-9240.

## 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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