Trinity Lutheran Church & School

Fourth Sunday of Easter April 20 & 21, 2024

6:00 PM Saturday | 9:00 AM Sunday Divine Service – Setting One, p. 151

(The ringing of the bell signals the beginning of worship. Please direct your attention to the Prelude offered for your personal worship preparation. Please also silence all electronic devices.)

PRELUDE

(6:00) Trumpet Tune in D -Johnson

(9:00) O Come and Sing unto the Lord -Parker Jacob Sprengeler, trumpet

WELCOME and GREETING OF ONE ANOTHER

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

(9:00 Singing begins with the trumpet.)

During the Easter season we rejoice in our Lord's resurrection, beginning and ending the Divine Service with the processional cross, symbol of our salvation.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

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LSB 711

★ SERVICE OF THE WORD ★

INTROIT

Psalm 23; antiphon: John 10:14, 15b

- Pastor: I am the good shepherd.
- People: I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life for the sheep.
- Pastor: The LORD is my shepherd;
- **People: I shall not want.**

Pastor: He makes me lie down in green pastures.

People: He leads me beside still waters.

Pastor: He restores my soul.

People: He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

- Pastor: Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me;
- People: your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- Pastor: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
- **People:** you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Pastor: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, **People: and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

- All: 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.
- Pastor: I am the good shepherd.
- People: I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life for the sheep.

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Acts 4:1-12

FIRST READING

4 And as they were speaking to the people, the priests and the captain of the temple and the Sadducees came upon them, ² greatly annoyed because they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. ³ And they arrested them and put them in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. ⁴ But many of those who had heard the word believed, and the number of the men came to about five thousand.

⁵ On the next day their rulers and elders and scribes gathered together in Jerusalem, ⁶ with Annas the high priest and Caiaphas and John and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. ⁷ And when they

had set them in the midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" ⁸ Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, ⁹ if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, ¹⁰ let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well. ¹¹ This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. ¹² And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

adapt. from Matt. 28:7; Heb. 2:7; Ps. 8:6

- Pastor: Christ has risen from the dead.
- People: God the Father has crowned him with glory and honor,
- Pastor: He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;
- People: he has put all things under his feet.

EPISTLE

1 John 3:16-24

¹⁶ By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. ¹⁷ But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? ¹⁸ Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

¹⁹ By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before him; ²⁰ for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows everything. ²¹ Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; ²² and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. ²³ And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name

of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. ²⁴ Whoever keeps his commandments abides in God, and God in him. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

Pastor:This is the Word of the Lord.People:Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA and VERSE (Stand)

The Gospel is read in the midst of the gathered congregation, signifying the presence of the risen Lord Jesus among His people.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 10:11-18

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Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the tenth chapter.People: Glory to You, O Lord.

¹¹ I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹² He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³ He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. ¹⁴ I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵ just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶ And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. ¹⁷ For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. ¹⁸ No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take العديدة المعالية المعلية في المعلقة it up again. This charge I have received from my Father."

Pastor:	This is the Gospel of the Lord.				
People:	Praise to You, O Christ.				
HYMN	The King of Love My Shep	herd Is	LSB 709		
SERMO	N "The Good Shepherd"	Guest Past	or John Mueller		
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BLESSIN	NG OF A SANCTUARY		(gold insert)		
PRAYER OF THE CHURCH					
OFFERI (6:00)	NG The Lord's My Shepherd	-Wright			
(9:00)	Bread and Wine -Bl	аке			

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*** SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ***

Out of love for our members and guests, and with sincere concern for the spiritual welfare of all, and in the desire to honor Christ our Lord and to be faithful to His Word, Trinity Lutheran Church abides by the ancient and biblical practice of closed Communion. All who are communicant members in good standing of Trinity Lutheran Church or of a sister congregation of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod are invited to come in true repentance to receive Christ's body and blood in the fellowship of this altar. All others are welcome to gather at the altar rail with arms folded across your chest, indicating your desire to receive a word of blessing from the pastor.

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POSTLUDE (6:00) Trumpet Voluntary -Rowan					
(9:00) Fugue from BWV 552 ("St. Anne") -J. S. Bach Jacob Sprengeler, organist					



It's Great to See You!

On Sunday, join us for Bible Study and Sunday School at 10:30 am (Adult Bible Class will be led today by Pastor John Mueller) then a celebration lunch at 11:30 am in the fellowship hall.



Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR THESE GENERAL & SPECIFIC NEEDS AT TRINITY

SPECIFIC PRAYER REQUESTS AT TRINITY

- Gratitude for the gift of salvation that Jesus won for us
- Patience, discernment and clarity in the Lord's plans during the call process for our future school principal and teachers
- Guidance and support for Trinity's School Board
- For relatives and friends of Trinity on active military duty
- For the loved ones of Alan Rathje whom God called home to Himself—that they would grieve in confident hope of the resurrection

GENERAL CHURCH & WORLD CONCERNS

- Thanks for God's care for us through Word & Sacrament
- For opportunities to share Jesus with those God places in our lives
- For the Spirit-empowered readiness to love, confess, forgive, and be reconciled
- For persecuted Christians throughout the world and for Spirit-empowered readiness for us all to bear the cross as we confess Christ
- For the well-being of pregnant mothers and their preborn children, in both body & soul
- For an end to racism, terrorism, and every evil
- For our national, state, and local government leaders
- For all those who are chronically ill and suffering

PRAYERS FOR HEALING

- Faye Allen's nephew, Joel
- Darrell Axtell
- Steve Balster
- Edna Bornstein & her son, Robin George
- Karmindy Catlin
- Elizabeth Cooper
- Donna Cross
- Grant Funston
- Eldred Gerhold
- Ron Henderson
- Kelsey Lakamp's father
- Don Maeder
- Mike Robertson
- Chris Rosell & her family: Bill, Paul, Ross, & Amanda
- Daniel Shaw
- Carol Stellwagen
- Mary Steven's cousin, Ella
- Michael Tighe
- Eloise Weiss
- Doran Welch
- Bobbi Wilkinson's nephew, Steve



Blessing of a Sanctuary

- P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- P: Beloved in the Lord, by the mercies of Almighty God the sanctuary of Trinity Lutheran Church has been refurbished. It is fitting that we now implore the continued blessing of our gracious triune God upon this house of worship gratefully dedicated to His glory alone.
- P: The LORD of hosts is with us;
- C: the God of Jacob is our fortress. Psalm 46:7, 11
- P: How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!
- C: My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD. Ps. 84:1-2a
- P: In every place where I cause My name to be remembered
- C: I will come to you and bless you. Exodus 20:24b
- P: Behold, the Lamb of God,
- C: who takes away the sin of the world! John 1:29
- P: Behold, I am with you always,
- C: to the end of the age. *Matthew* 28:20b
- P: For I am not ashamed of the gospel,
- C: for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes. *Romans* 1:16a
- P: All the men and women, the people of Israel, whose heart moved them to bring anything for the work that the LORD had commanded by Moses to be done
- **C: brought it as a freewill offering to the LORD.** *Exodus 35:29*
- P: And whatever you do, in word or deed,
- C: do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. *Colossians 3:17*
- P: Whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just,
- C: whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable,
- P: if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise,
- C: think about these things. *Philippians 4:8*
- P: Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace,
- C: that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. *Hebrews* 4:16

P: Hear the Word of God from Luke chapter 19:

[Jesus] entered Jericho and was passing through. And behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus. He was a chief tax collector and was rich. And he was seeking to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was small in stature. So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was about to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today." So he hurried and came down and received him joyfully. And when they saw it, they all grumbled, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor. And if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

- P: Let us pray. Gracious Father, we thank You for sending Your Son, Jesus Christ, to seek and to save the lost. We praise You for His atoning sacrifice and His victorious resurrection. We acknowledge with gratitude the gifts You have given us in our Baptism. We give You glory and honor for strengthening our faith through the Absolution, the preaching of the Gospel, and the administration of the Lord's Supper for our benefit. Grant us always a due awareness of Your great and undeserved mercies toward us in Your Son, in whose name You have promised us the forgiveness of sins. Move us to gather with one another regularly in this Your holy house, where You are pleased to lavish Your bountiful gifts upon us. Receive our heartfelt thanks for the refurbishing and beautification of Your sanctuary, for indeed You Yourself have supplied the means and the will, the materials and the skill, the time and the devoted labor for the completion of this endeavor. We humbly implore Your continued presence among us here, until the day when we gather around Your heavenly throne, praising with united voice the name of our Redeemer, Jesus Christ the Lord, who, with You and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns forever and ever.
- C: Amen.
- P: The Lord Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless this sanctuary to the glory and honor of His name.
- C: Amen.