

# Trinity Lutheran Church & School

## Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 27 & 28, 2024

6:00 PM Saturday | 9:00 AM Sunday

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*(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) **Hail Thee, Festival Day** -arr. Ashdown  
*Marilyn Mark, Associate Organist*

(9:00) **Remain in Me (I Am the Vine)** -Wanous  
*Forgiven*

### WELCOME and GREETING OF ONE ANOTHER

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN

**O Day of Rest and Gladness**

LSB 906

*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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## ✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

### INTROIT

*Psalm 145:1–2, 8,10, 21; antiphon: John 16:16*

Pastor: A little while, and you will see me no longer;

**People: and again a little while, and you will see me.**

Pastor: I will extol you, my God and King,

**People: and bless your name forever and ever.**

Pastor: Every day I will bless you

**People: and praise your name forever and ever.**

Pastor: The LORD is gracious and merciful,

**People: slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

Pastor: All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,

**People: and all your saints shall bless you!**

Pastor: My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD,

**People: and let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.**

*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: A little while, and you will see me no longer;

**People: and again a little while, and you will see me.**

## **KYRIE**

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## **HYMN OF PRAISE**

(6:00) **Gloria in Excelsis**

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(9:00) **This Is the Feast**

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## **SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY**

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## **FIRST READING**

**Acts 8:26-40**

<sup>26</sup>Now an angel of the Lord said to Philip, “Rise and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.” This is a desert place. <sup>27</sup>And he rose and went. And there was an Ethiopian, a eunuch, a court official of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who was in charge of all her treasure. He had come to Jerusalem to worship <sup>28</sup>and was returning, seated in his chariot, and he was reading the prophet Isaiah. <sup>29</sup>And the Spirit said to Philip, “Go over and join this chariot.” <sup>30</sup>So Philip ran to him and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, “Do you understand what you are reading?” <sup>31</sup>And he said, “How can I, unless someone guides me?” And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. <sup>32</sup>Now the passage of the Scripture that he was reading was this:

“Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter  
and like a lamb before its shearer is silent,  
so he opens not his mouth.

<sup>33</sup>In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?  
For his life is taken away from the earth.”

<sup>34</sup>And the eunuch said to Philip, “About whom, I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?” <sup>35</sup>Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture he told him the good news about Jesus. <sup>36</sup>And as they were going along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, “See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?” <sup>38</sup>And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. <sup>39</sup>And when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord carried Philip away, and the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. <sup>40</sup>But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he passed through he preached the gospel to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

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 4:1-11

<sup>4</sup>Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, for many false prophets have gone out into the world. <sup>2</sup>By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, <sup>3</sup>and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you heard was coming and now is in the world already. <sup>4</sup>Little children, you are from God and have overcome them, for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world. <sup>5</sup>They are from the world; therefore they speak from the world, and the world listens to them. <sup>6</sup>We are from God. Whoever knows God listens to us; whoever is not from God does not listen to us. By this we know the Spirit of truth and the spirit of error.

<sup>7</sup>Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. <sup>8</sup>Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. <sup>9</sup>In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so

that we might live through him. <sup>10</sup>In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. <sup>11</sup>Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

**Pastor:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

**ALLELUIA and VERSE** (*Stand*)

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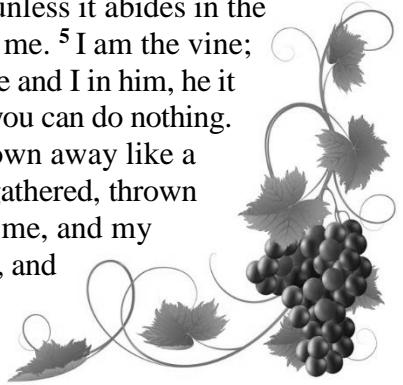
**HOLY GOSPEL**

**John 15:1-8**

**Pastor:** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 15<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**People:** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

**15** “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. <sup>2</sup>Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. <sup>3</sup>Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. <sup>4</sup>Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. <sup>5</sup>I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. <sup>6</sup>If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. <sup>7</sup>If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. <sup>8</sup>By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples.



**Pastor:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

(6:00) **CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

**HYMN**

**Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray**

LSB 663

**SERMON**

*Pastor Dolde*

**John 15:1-8**

(6:00) **APOSTLES' CREED**

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(9:00) **NICENE CREED**

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## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

### **OFFERING**

(6:00) **Hear Us Now, Our God and Father -arr. Sedio**

(9:00) **Create in Me a Clean Heart**



## **✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠**

(9:00)

*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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## DISTRIBUTION HYMNS *(Sit)*

### **In Christ Alone**

In Christ alone my hope is found,  
He is my light, my strength, my song;  
this cornerstone, this solid ground,  
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease.  
My comforter, my all in all,  
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,  
fullness of God in helpless Babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
scorned by the ones He came to save.  
'Til on that cross as Jesus died,  
the wrath of God was satisfied.  
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid;  
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,  
Light of the world by darkness slain;  
then, bursting forth in glorious day,  
up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory,  
sin's curse has lost its grip on me;  
for I am His and He is mine,  
bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
this is the pow'r of Christ in me;  
from life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
'til He returns or calls me home,  
here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

CCLI Song # 3350395 IN CHRIST ALONE by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend 2001 Thankyou Music CCLI # 1048546

**O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee**

LSB 632

**O Living Bread from Heaven -arr. Ernst**

*Joy Ernst, piano*

**CANTICLE** (*Stand*)

**Thank the Lord**

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**POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

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**(6:00) LORD'S PRAYER, CONCLUDING COLLECT, &  
BENEDICTION**

**(9:00) BENEDICTION**

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**HYMN**

**Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won**

LSB 490

**POSTLUDE** (6:00) **Trumpet Tune in C -Weber**



# PRAY

*without ✦ ceasing*

*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**

- **For Harrison Kpartipa's school project** in Liberia-West Africa
- 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

## **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*
- *Eloise Weiss*
- *Doran Welch*
- *Bobbi Wilkinson's nephew, Steve*