

Trinity Evangelical



Contemporary Worship
Service

APRIL 21, 2024

4th SUNDAY OF EASTER

Good Morning and Welcome! We invite you to worship with us often, and ask if you need any assistance! If you are visiting us today, please sign the Guest Register in the Narthex, please include your address and phone number. Please place your offering envelope in the plate in the Narthex. Thank You!

Remember in your prayers:

Lynn Wolfgang, Lorna Shaner, Ricky Farrington, Angie Smith, Erika Zaiser, Brandon Stauffer, Betty Moore, Barbara Stewart, Kathy Gamler, Bill Brensinger, Richard Eck, Becky Yescavage, Caleb Walsh, BillyRay Pearce, Sr., Linda Bewley, Kathy Sell, Dennis Brooke, Alice Weller, Betty Hallman, Donna Day, Linda Allmendinger, Karen Essig, Elaine Dotterer, Jeff Reitnauer, Pete Schmoyer, Helen Heydt, Glenn Haas, Jerry Bryce, Suzanne Kerchner and Eileen Heffner.

Friends & Family:

Michelle Hiriak, Donald Hays, Linda Stark, Martha Van Parys, Kaiden Lanz, Ed McCarthy, John Groves, Gene Zaiser, Ilse Kirchheimer, Gene Mutter, Mary Alice Romig, Earl Guinther, Paul Burkhart, Steven Hudock and Jim Elko.

Families Of:

Elmer Gilbert and Jim Tribbett.

Also members, relatives and friends in the community who are serving in the military including:

Christopher Heffner, BillyRay Pearce, Jr., Michael McHugh, Ben Rhode, Steven Herbst, David Crews, Jeff Lydic, Jory Huie, Seth Kurtz, Clinton Bowen, Eli Abner, Benjamin Dirsra and Johnne Knepp.

Our sister congregation, the Marienkirche in Borna, Germany.
(Website: Kirche-bornaer-land.de)

Please note: Names of friends and family will be kept on the bulletin prayer list for one month. If still in need of prayers, these names will then appear in the newsletter prayer list. Names on the friends and family list will only be kept on the newsletter prayer list for one year. If you wish for names to remain longer, please speak to Pastor Gene, Linda Ritter or contact the Church Office. Thank you for helping us keep the prayer list current!

Members of the Worship Team

Angie Renninger Guitar
Kurt Yescavage Trumpet
Pastor Zaiser Guitar

Vocals By:

Mardell Blanford
Sharon Renninger
Janice Sheetz
Pastor Zaiser

April 21, 2024
4th Sunday of Easter

Today we will be receiving a Free Will Offering for Lutheran Disaster Relief.

The Altar Flowers are presented to the glory of God by Mrs. Dorothy Romig, in Memory of her Husband Marcus Romig and also by Mr. Randy Kehl, in Memory of Wife Susan.

The Bulletins are presented to the glory of God by Louise Wolfgang, in Memory of Ruth & Roger Yoder.

- **Opening Song** “All Your Promises” Pg. 3

Announcements, Concerns, Praises: a time for congregation to lift up prayer requests and thanks.

- **Confession and Forgiveness**

P: Loving God, we come before you this day to worship and praise you, yet we know that we have not always been the people you've wanted us to be. In our actions, our words, and our thoughts, we have often disappointed you by not loving and forgiving others as you would have us do. We come asking your forgiveness, knowing that you are merciful and loving, even when we are not.

C: **Dear Lord, have mercy on us. Do not count our wrongs against us, but rather forgive us for the sake of your son, Jesus Christ. Refresh our spirits, so that we can serve you and others as we ought to. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.**

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ died on the cross so that we might be forgiven. For his sake, God does not count our wrongs against us, but rather gives forgiveness and everlasting life to all who believe. Amen.

- **The Greeting**

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

Worship Songs

“Love the Lord”

“Every Move I Make” Pg. 15

“Better is One Day” Pg. 6

FIRST READING: Acts 4:5-12

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

'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;

it has become the cornerstone.'

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

GOSPEL: John 10:11-18**Presentation of the Gospel by Heart**

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

Sermon

- **Apostles Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy
Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.**

On the third day he rose again.

**He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the
Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen**

Prayer of the People

- **Closing Songs** “Light the Fire” Pg. 31
 “Trading My Sorrows” Pg. 47

- **Mission Statement and Sending**

P People of Trinity, what is our mission?

C We shall, as individuals and as a congregation, strive through
word, worship, and witness to further the kingdom of God by knowing
and sharing Christ’s Love in our hearts, in our homes, in His church, in
the community, and in the world.

- **Sending**

P Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C **Amen**

TODAY is the deadline for the May Newsletter , please submit your information to Karen in the Church Office.

Prayer Listing—If you wish to make any changes to the Prayer List, please contact Linda Ritter, Pastor Gene or the church office, in order for the change to be made in the May Newsletter.

Free Will Offerings will be received the 3rd Sunday of every month for various organizations. The next Free Will Offering will be Sunday, May 19th for geraniums for Pentecost. Thank you for your support.

Coffee Hour—There will only be 2 more Coffee Hours for this season, April 28th and May 26th until the fall season. The Fellowship Committee is looking for volunteers, there is a sign up sheet posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

The Mother/Daughter Banquet will be Saturday, May 11th, with Special Entertainment by Marian Gehman, a ventriloquist. Tickets: Adults \$15.00, Children \$7.00 (ages 10 and under). Dinner will be served at 6:00PM. Doors open at 5:30PM. To purchase tickets, please see LaRue Sheetz, Mardell Blanford or the church office Monday-Thursday 9AM-2PM.

The Oley Lutheran Cluster is planning a Mission Trip May 20th - May 25th to Eastern Kentucky. Anyone interested in attending, please see Pastor Gene.

Social Ministry provides meals for shut-ins/members who are in need of meals. If a meal is needed, please contact Kathy Kuser at 610-754-6293.

Need a ride? We have volunteers in the congregation who are willing to provide transportation to medical appointments, etc., for those who can't find a ride. Please contact Pastor Gene 610-322-0901 if you need a ride or would like to volunteer as a driver.

Trinity Gift Card Program —Orders will be taken before and after the church service the first Sunday of the month and will be distributed at church the second Sunday of the month. Order forms for Redners, Giant, and Scrip will be available at church and the Scrip order form is also found on Trinity's website. Please note: Weis Markets cards (\$25, \$100) can be ordered through Scrip for those who physically shop at the store. Weis cards cannot be used for online orders. KOHL'S GIFT CARDS CANNOT BE USED TO PAY YOUR KOHL'S CHARGE. We apologize for any inconvenience. Payment must be submitted with your order; checks should be made out to Trinity Lutheran Church. Be sure to include your phone number on your order form.

You may sponsor Altar Flowers, the cost is \$32.00 for one vase and \$64.00 for 2 vases, please contact Mary Snyder. **If you wish to sponsor flowers and that date is not available, you can always sponsor an extra bouquet of flowers for \$40.00. When sponsoring flowers, please use a flower envelope found in the rack in the narthex or clearly mark the envelope “Flowers”. If you sponsored flowers in the past but no longer wish to, please let Mary Snyder 610-473-8885 or the church office know. **You may also sponsor the bulletins for \$15.00 per week, this helps offset the cost of printing them.****

WAWA Hoagie Coupons Available 1st Sunday of the month at the Scrip Table or see Dan Ritter or Kathy Kuser. Coupons are also available in the church office Monday—Thursday, 9:00AM-2:00PM. Tickets are \$5.00. This project benefits the Social Ministry.

Scout Troop 511 Hoagie Sales: Orders are due by the 2nd Tuesday of the month (May 14th) pick up will be on the 3rd Wednesday of the month (May 22nd) at Trinity 10:30-11:30AM. 8” Hoagies are made from Dan’s Deli, Cost \$6.50. There are ham w/onion, ham no onion, turkey w/onion, turkey no onion, Italian w/onion, Italian no onion, cheese hoagie w/onion, cheese hoagie no onion, mayo, Italian dressing, no tomatoes, no lettuce, no cheese. There is a sign up sheet posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. For more information, please contact Dennis Schaeffer at 610-369-1628.

Scout Troop 511 Country Meats Fundraiser—Beef Stick \$1.50. There are Sweet BBQ, Sweet Annie Brown, Beef Teriyaki, Ghost Fire, Hot Cajun, Mango Habanero, Sweet Maple Bacon, Original Smoked Hickory, Country Delight, Pepperoni, Old #9, Sweet Fire, Pickle Stick, Buffalo Style. There is a sign up sheet posted on the bulletin board. For more information, please contact Dennis Schaeffer at 610-369-1628.

Trinity's events for the upcoming week:

Sunday, April 21st- 8:00 Cont. Worship Service
 9:15 Sunday School
 10:30 Worship Service
 w/Communion

Monday, April 22nd- 6:30 Scouts

Tuesday, April 23rd- 6:30 Scouts

Wednesday, April 24th- 6:30 TLC Stitches

Thursday, April 25th- 6:30 Sr. Choir Practice

Sunday, April 28th- 9:15 Sunday School
 10:30 Worship Service

**Next Week's Worship Assistants:
 Sunday, April 28th**

Ushers: Cathy Yoder* & Janice Sheetz
 Lector: Sheila Eddinger
 Acolyte: Jennifer MacDonald

**LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS:
 04/14/2024**

<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offerings</u>		
<u>Worship/S.S.</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>Hunger</u>	<u>Scrip</u>
71/12	\$2,240.00	\$60.00	\$550.00
	<u>Benevolence</u>	<u>Bldg. Maint.</u>	
	\$20.00	\$110.00	

THE
CREATIVE

PATH
TO

\$\$\$\$\$ RAISERIGHT (SCRIP)

FOR

YOUR

CHURCH
FAMILY



PLAN! WHEN? END OF PREVIOUS MONTH. WHAT? EVERYDAY ESSENTIALS (CVS, Staples, Walmart, WAWA, cards) GROCERIES (Giant, Redners, Walmart, Target, Visa cards) BIRTHDAYS (Amazon, Starbucks, Gap, Old Navy, Macy's cards) HOME IMPROVEMENTS (Home Depot, Lowes, Ace Hardware cards) VACATIONS (Hotels, Airlines, Cruises, Fuel cards) ANNIVERSARY'S (Long Horn Steakhouse, Macy's, AMC theater cards)

IMPLEMENT! FILL OUT THE FORM! WRITE A CHECK OR BRING CASH! TURN IN AT THE SCRIP TABLE ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH! COLLECT YOUR CARDS THE SECOND SUNDAY!

GET CREATIVE! THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX! ADD'L GIFT CARDS ON THE WEBSITE raiseright.com

Monthly Free-will Offerings 2024

A free-will offering is scheduled for the third Sunday of each month. They are as follows:

April 21 –	Lutheran Disaster Relief
May 19 –	geraniums for Pentecost
June 16 –	In Ian’s Boots
July 21 –	Samaritan’s Purse Shoe Boxes
August 18 –	Save the Children
September 15 –	Boyertown Area Multi-Service
October 20 –	Eastern Berks Fire Dept.
November 17 –	Elf Bags (Multi-Service)
December –	No free-will offering. Thank you for supporting the various Christmas giving opportunities.

**The Community Clothing Rack
Schedule**

1st Wednesday

Donations Accepted

2nd, 3rd & 4th Wednesdays

Shoppers Welcome

2nd Thursday

Shoppers Welcome

6:00PM-8:00PM

5th Wednesday

CLOSED

Hours

1:00PM-4:00PM

Summer Hours Only

June-August

9:00AM-12:00PM

Closed on all major holidays.

In the case of inclement weather,

Refer to Boyertown Area School district closure.

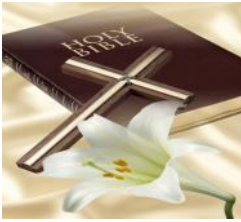
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Readings for Personal Devotion



M Genesis 48:8-19
T 1 Chronicles 11:1-9
W Mark 14:26-31
Th Micah 7:8-20
F 1 Peter 5:1-5
Sa Psalm 95

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

The Rev. Dr. Eugene C. Zaiser, DMin.,
Pastor

Ms. LaRue Sheetz, Director of Music
Mrs. Karen J. Smith, Parish Secretary
Mrs. Catherine M. Yoder, Sexton
The Members of this Congregation are
its Ministers

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday
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All Your Promises

By Andrew Smith

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name
Your words are true, Your mercy does not change
All Your promises are precious, reviving our faith
Every one of them will be fulfilled one day

Chorus:

Oh... all Your promises are "Yes" and "Amen" in
Jesus

Your promises are true.

All Your promises are "Yes" and "Amen" Lord
Jesus

We'll keep running after You

We will run, we will run and not grow weary
We will rise upon the eagle's wings
In the presence of the Lord our spirits will soar
Till we one day gaze upon our King

Chorus

Bridge:

But my foot had almost slipped, O Lord, I'd
almost lost my way
Till I entered the house of the Lord, and heard
Your sweet Spirit say

Chorus

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(continued)

Chorus:

Open up the doors and let the music play.
Let the streets resound with singing.
Songs that bring Your hope,
And songs that bring Your joy.
Dancers who dance upon injustice.

Did you feel the mountains tremble?
Did you hear the oceans roar?
When the people rose to sing of
Jesus Christ the risen One.

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Every Move I Make

By David Ruis

Every move I make, I make in You
You make me move, Jesus
Every breath I take, I take in You
Every step I take, I take in You
You are my way, Jesus
Every breath I take, I take breathe in You

Waves of mercy, waves of grace
Everywhere I look I see Your face
Your love has captured me
Oh my God, this love, how can it be?

La, la, la, la, la, la, la.....

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Better is One Day

By Matt Redman

How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord Almighty.
My soul longs and even faints for You.
For here my heart is satisfied, within Your presence.
I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings.

Chorus:

Better is one day in Your courts,
Better is one day in Your house,
Better is one day in Your courts
Than thousands elsewhere. (Repeat)
(Than thousands elsewhere.)

One thing I ask and I would seek; to see Your beauty,
To find You in the place Your glory dwells.

Chorus

Bridge:

My heart and flesh cry out for You, the living God;
Your Spirit's water for my soul.
I've tasted and I've seen, come once again to me;
I will draw near to You, I will draw near to You.

Chorus

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Light the Fire

By Bill Maxwell

I long to praise You
 But I fall to my knees.
 My spirit is willing
 But my flesh is so weak.

Chorus:

Guys

So light the fire
 In my soul
 Fan the flame
 Make me whole
 Lord, You know
 Just where I've been
 All: So light the fire in my heart again!

Girls

Light the fire
 in my weary soul
 fan the flame
 make my spirit whole
 Lord, You know
 where I've been

Your Spirit renews me
 As Your healing begins.
 You breathe new life right through me
 Like a mighty rushing wind.

Chorus

Trading My Sorrows

By Darrell Evans

I'm trading my sorrows,
I'm trading my shame.
I'm laying them down for the joy of the Lord.
I'm trading my sickness,
I'm trading my pain,
I'm laying them down for the joy of the Lord.

Yes, Lord, yes, Lord. Yes, yes, Lord.
Yes, Lord, yes, Lord. Yes, yes, Lord.
Yes, Lord, yes, Lord. Yes, yes, Lord. Amen!

I am pressed but not crushed,
Persecuted not abandoned,
Struck down but not destroyed.
I am blessed beyond the curse,
For his promise will endure
That his joy's gonna be my strength.

Though the sorrow may last for the night,
His joy comes with the morning.

