

Trinity Evangelical  
Lutheran Church



MAY 4, 2025  
3RD 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, Angie Smith, Erika Zaiser, Brandon Stauffer, Betty Moore, Barbara Stewart, Kathy Gamler, Bill Brensinger, Richard Eck, Becky Yescavage, BillyRay Pearce, Sr., Linda Bewley, Kathy Sell, Dennis Brooke, Betty Hallman, Donna Day, Linda Allmendinger, Karen Essig, Elaine Dotterer, Jeff Reitnauer, Glenn Haas, Jerry Bryce, Deanna Heydt, Ralph Rothenberger, Anna Spencer, RuthAnn Goode, Jennifer MacDonald, Pete Schmoyer, John Logan, Shirl Stone, Sherri Schaeffer, LaRue Sheetz, Oscar Smith, Andy Brensinger and Dan Ritter.

**Friends & Family:**

Michelle Hiriak, Donald Hays, Linda Stark, Martha Van Parys, Bill Hedl, Melissa Johnson, John McCarron, Dr. Amy Miller, Annette Stephen, Colton Lord, Chris Owens, Shawnn Blymiller, Naomi Bryson, Randy Sell, Joyce Kemp, Pete Trentacospte and Alan Manwiller.

**Families Of:**

Lorna Shaner, Albert Abram and Annabelle Burkert.

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

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

**Our sister congregation**, the Marienkirche in Borna, Germany.  
(Website: [Kirche-bornaer-land.de](http://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 normally 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!**

**This morning we share in the Sacrament of Holy Communion.** We invite everyone to the Lord's table who recognizes Christ's presence in His holy sacrament. We will be communing using the continuous method this morning. When the time comes, the usher will direct you forward—simply receive the bread from the Pastor and move to the side to the communion server to receive the wine (or grape juice). When you have received both elements, please return to your seat by the side aisle.

**May 4, 2025 – 3rd Sunday of Easter****Today's Worship Assistants:**

Assisting Minister: Diane McElwee  
 Server: Sheila Eddinger  
 Ushers: Dan Kuser\* & Bill Eddinger  
 Lector: Marcia Auge  
 Acolyte: Vicki Mest

**The Altar Flowers** are presented to the glory of God by Diane & Bob McElwee, in Honor of 39 years of Marriage and also in Memory of Colonel Glenn L. Wagner, USMC RET., by the Family.

**The Bulletins** are presented to the glory of God in Loving Memory of Colonel Glenn L. Wagner, USMC RET., by the Family.

**The Eternal Flame Candle** is presented to the glory of God by Karen Irely, in Honor of Our Anniversary.

- (those who are able may stand)

**Prelude**

"All the Way My Savior Leads Me with Minuet and Trio K.!"

*W. Mozart*

**Announcements and Concerns**

- **Confession and Forgiveness**

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

**C** **Amen**

**P** Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** **Amen**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

P Most merciful God,

**C we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen**

P Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen**

- **Processional Hymn** LBW# 520  
"Give to Our God Immortal Praise"
- **Greeting**

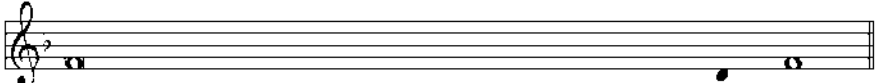
P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C And also with you.**

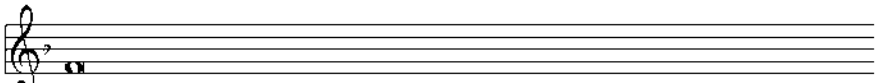


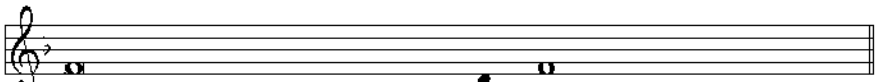
• **Kyrie**

  
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. ☩ Lord, have mer - cy.

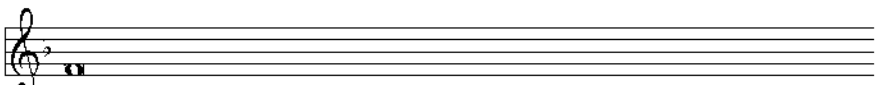
  
A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

  
☩ Lord, have mer - cy.

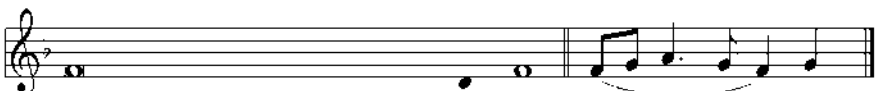
  
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,

  
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

  
☩ Lord, have mer - cy.

  
A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,

  
let us pray to the Lord. ☩ Lord, have mer - cy.

  
A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra-cious Lord. ☩ A - men

• Hymn of Praise



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,  
 al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. ¶ For the Lamb who was  
 slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.  
 This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.  
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

• Prayer of the Day

P The Lord be with you. C And al-so with you.

P Let us Pray . . .

**C O God, by the humiliation of your Son you lifted up this fallen world, rescuing us from the hopelessness of death. Grant your faithful people a share in the joys that are eternal; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

**FIRST READING: Acts 9:1-6 [7-20]**

*Saul (later called Paul) appears for the first time in Acts at the stoning of Stephen. He becomes an ardent persecutor of the Christian church. This reading recounts his blinding and conversion experiences on the way to Damascus.*

Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest <sup>2</sup>and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. <sup>3</sup>Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. <sup>4</sup>He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" <sup>5</sup>He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. <sup>6</sup>But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do."

[<sup>7</sup>The men who were traveling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. <sup>8</sup>Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. <sup>9</sup>For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

<sup>10</sup>Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." He answered, "Here I am, Lord." <sup>11</sup>The Lord said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, <sup>12</sup>and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." <sup>13</sup>But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; <sup>14</sup>and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name." <sup>15</sup>But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; <sup>16</sup>I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." <sup>17</sup>So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." <sup>18</sup>And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, <sup>19</sup>and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, <sup>20</sup>and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God."



**PSALM: Psalm 30**

I will exalt you, O LORD, because you have lift- | ed me up  
and have not let my enemies triumph | over me.

**<sup>2</sup>O LORD my God, I cried | out to you,  
and you restored | me to health.**

<sup>3</sup>You brought me up, O LORD, | from the dead;  
you restored my life as I was going down | to the grave.

**<sup>4</sup>Sing to the LORD, you ser- | vants of his;  
give thanks for the remembrance | of his holiness.**

<sup>5</sup>For his wrath endures but the twinkling | of an eye,  
his favor | for a lifetime.

**<sup>6</sup>Weeping may | spend the night,  
but joy comes | in the morning.**

<sup>7</sup>While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never | be disturbed.  
You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong | as the mountains."

**<sup>8</sup>Then you | hid your face,  
and I was | filled with fear.**

<sup>9</sup>I cried to | you, O LORD;  
I pleaded with | the Lord, saying,

**<sup>10</sup>"What profit is there in my blood, if I go down | to the pit?  
Will the dust praise you or de- | clare your faithfulness?"**

<sup>11</sup>Hear, O LORD, and have mer- | cy upon me;  
O LORD, | be my helper."

**<sup>12</sup>You have turned my wailing | into dancing;  
you have put off my sackcloth and clothed | me with joy.**

<sup>13</sup>Therefore my heart sings to you | without ceasing;  
O LORD my God, I will give you | thanks forever.

**SECOND READING: Revelation 5:11-14**

*The vision of John recorded in Revelation offers a glimpse of cosmic worship on the Lord's Day. At its center is "the Lamb who was slain."*

[John writes:] <sup>11</sup>Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, <sup>12</sup>singing with full voice,

"Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered  
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might  
and honor and glory and blessing!"

<sup>13</sup>Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing,

"To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb  
be blessing and honor and glory and might  
forever and ever!"

<sup>14</sup>And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

## GOSPEL: John 21:1-19

*The risen Christ blesses his followers, especially Peter, and welcomes them to a meal of fellowship and forgiveness.*

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twenty-first chapter

Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

## Presentation of the Gospel by Heart

After [he appeared to his followers in Jerusalem,] Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. <sup>2</sup>Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. <sup>3</sup>Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

<sup>4</sup>Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>5</sup>Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." <sup>6</sup>He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. <sup>7</sup>That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. <sup>8</sup>But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging

the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

<sup>9</sup>When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." <sup>11</sup>So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. <sup>12</sup>Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. <sup>13</sup>Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. <sup>14</sup>This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

<sup>15</sup>When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." <sup>16</sup>A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." <sup>17</sup>He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep." <sup>18</sup>Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." <sup>19</sup>(He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

P The Gospel of the Lord.



### Senior Choir Anthem

"Come Find Forgiveness and Love"

*D. Besig*

### Sermon

- **Hymn of the Day**

LBW# 158

"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"

- Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is,  
seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of  
the Father, God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from  
heaven, by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary,  
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius  
Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance  
with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the  
Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living  
and the dead, and his kingdom will have no  
end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the  
giver of life, who proceeds from the Father  
and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped  
and glorified. He has spoken through the  
prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic  
Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of  
sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen

• **The Prayer of the Church**

P Let us pray for the whole people of God, in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

*A brief silence.*

*After each portion of prayers:*

P Lord, in your mercy.

**C hear our prayer**

The prayers conclude:

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen**

• **Sharing of the Peace**

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

**C: And also with you.**

• **The Great Thanksgiving**

Musical notation for 'The Great Thanksgiving' consisting of four staves. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a common time signature. The lyrics are written below the notes.

P The Lord be with you ☩ And al - so with you.

P Lift up your hearts. ☩ We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

☩ It is right to give him thanks and praise.

• **The Proper Preface**

P It is indeed right and salutary...

(Here the minister continues with the preface appropriate to the day or season, concluding) ...we praise your name and join their

unending hymn:

Musical notation for 'The Proper Preface' consisting of four staves. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a common time signature. The lyrics are written below the notes.

☩ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:

Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

- **Eucharistic Prayer**

P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

- **The Lord's Prayer**  
(Sung by Choir & Congregation, See Insert)

☐ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

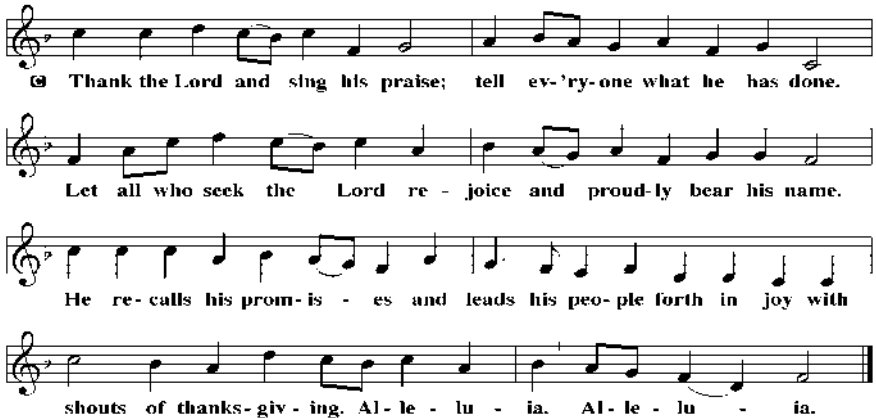
## Communion

### • Post-communion Blessing

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen

### • Post Communion Canticle



☩ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.  
 Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear his name.  
 He re- calls his prom- is - es and leads his peo- ple forth in joy with  
 shouts of thanks- giv - ing. Al- le - lu - ia. Al- le - lu - ia.

### • Post-communion Prayer

P Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen



- **Our Mission Statement**

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.

- **Benediction**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C **Amen, Amen, Amen**

- **Recessional Hymn** LBW# 428  
"O God of Earth and Altar"

- **Dismissal**

P Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

"Thine Is The Glory"  
*L. Dengler*

**Bibles are available in the rack in the Narthex for you to reference during worship. You may also take home to reference, please return when you are finished.**

**The Mother/Daughter Banquet will be Saturday, May 10th, with Special Entertainment by The Red Satins. 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 Mardell Blanford or the church office Monday-Thursday 9AM-2PM.**

**The deadline for the June Newsletter is Sunday, May 18th, please submit your information to Karen in the church office.**

**Prayer Listing-**If you wish to make any changes to the prayer list, please see Linda Ritter, Pastor Gene or contact the church office, in order for the change to be made in the June Newsletter.

**Starting Sunday, June 1st, we will return to our Summer Worship Schedule, 9AM Worship Service.** There will be no Contemporary Worship Service or Sunday School during June, July & August. **We will return to our regular worship schedule Sunday, September 7th.**

**Graduate Recognition Sunday will be June 1st.** Please call the church office and let us know of any members, friends, or loved ones who are graduating from high school, college, graduate school, basic training or any other academic or career training program.

**MUSIC SUNDAY is June 8th, please join us at the 9AM service, for a service of music with the choirs and various instrumentalists.**

**The Summer Music Schedule Sign Up Sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex, if you wish to share your talents during worship, please sign up.**

**Ott Funeral Home will be sponsoring a Heart Health Presentation by Tower Health on Wednesday, June 4th at 11AM at Walnut Woods, 35 N. Walnut Street, Boyertown. Light refreshments will be served. Please RSVP to 610-367-2345 by May 26th. Also a Blood Pressure Screening by Lehigh Valley Health Network on Monday, June 23rd at 11AM at their location 111 N. Reading Ave., Boyertown. Light refreshments will be served. Please RSVP at 610-367-2345 by June 16th.**

**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.**

**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.****

**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.**

**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.

**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 Tuesday, May 6th and pick up will be Wednesday, May 14th.** 8” hoagies are made from Dan’s Deli, **Cost is \$7.00.** 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.

**Thrivent T-Shirts are available for you to take on the table in the Parish Hall, please help yourself.**

**Trinity's events for the upcoming week:**

Sunday, May 4th-           8:00 Cont. Worship Service  
  w/Communion  
  9:15 Sunday School  
  10:30 Worship Service  
  w/Communion

Monday, May 5th-           6:30 Scouts

Tuesday, May 6th-          6:30 Scouts

Wednesday, May 7th-      6:30 TLC Stitches

Thursday, May 8th-        6:30 Sr. Choir Practice

Saturday, May 10th-       5:30 Mother/Daughter  
  Banquet

Sunday, May 11th-**Mother's Day**  
  9:15 Sunday School  
  10:30 Worship Service

**This Week's Worship Assistants:****Sunday, May 11th:**

Ushers:       Randy Kehl\* & Linda Brunner  
Lector:       Pat Beekley  
Acolyte:      Mark Sheetz

**LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS:****04/27/2025**

Attendance  
Worship/S.S.  
61/11

Offerings  
General       Hunger  
\$2,275.00      \$55.00

Benevolence Bldg. Maint.  
0               \$10.00

### **Monthly Free-will Offerings 2025**

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

May 18 – geraniums for Pentecost

June 15 – Save the Children

July 20 – Samaritan's Purse Shoe Boxes

August 17 –

September 21 – Boyertown Area Multi-Service

October 19 – Eastern Berks Fire Dept.

November 16 – Elf Bags (Multi-Service)

December – No free-will offering. Thank you for supporting the various Christmas giving opportunities.

**Thank you for your contributions to these special causes!**

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 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  
[raiserright.com](http://raiserright.com)

**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.  
CCR is a ministry of St. Luke Lutheran Church  
Our mission is to serve Jesus Christ by providing  
necessary clothing to the underserved.

[www.StLukeGilbertsville.org](http://www.StLukeGilbertsville.org)

## Readings for Personal Devotion



M Acts 12:1-19  
T Acts 26:1, 12-29  
W Luke 5:1-11  
Th Acts 11:19-30  
F Revelation 5:1-10  
Sa Psalm 121

### **Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church**

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Give to Our God Immortal Praise!

1 Give to our God im - mor - tal praise! Mer - cy and  
 2 He sent his Son with pow'r to save From guilt and  
 3 Give to the Lord of lords re - nown; The King of

truth are all his ways; Won - ders of grace to  
 dark - ness and the grave. Won - ders of grace to  
 kings with glo - ry crown. His mer - cies ev - er

God be - long; Re - peat his mer - cies in your song.  
 God be - long; Re - peat his mer - cies in your song.  
 shall en - dure When lords and kings are known no more!

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748  
 Tune: arr. John Hutton, d. 1793

DUKE STREET  
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Let Us with a Gladsome Mind

1 Let us with a glad - some mind Praise the Lord, for he is kind;  
 2 He with all - com - mand - ing might Filled the new - made world with light;  
 3 With the eye of pit - y, he Looked up - on our mis - er - y;  
 4 Let us then with glad - some mind Praise the Lord, for he is kind;

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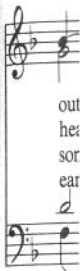
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## Alleluia! Sing to Jesus



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; His the scep - ter,  
 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans Are we left in  
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en, Here on earth our  
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om - nip - o -

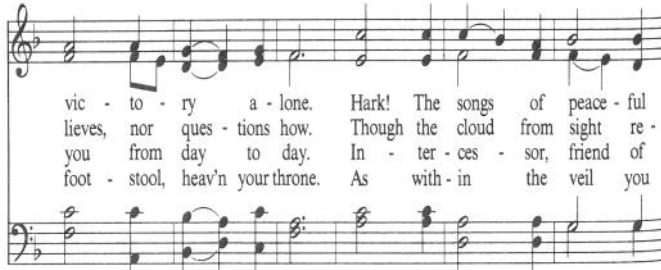


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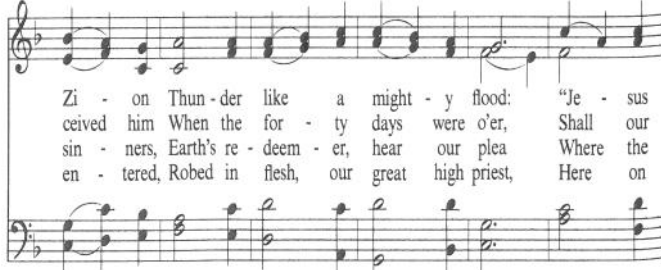


his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! His the tri - umph, His the  
 sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! He is near us; Faith be -  
 food, our stay; Al - le - lu - ia! Here the sin - ful Flee to  
 tent we own; Al - le - lu - ia! Born of Mar - y, Earth your

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vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful  
 lieves, nor ques - tions how. Though the cloud from sight re -  
 you from day to day. In - ter - ces - sor, friend of  
 foot - stool, heav'n your throne. As with - in the veil you



Zi - on Thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus  
 ceived him When the for - ty days were o'er, Shall our  
 sin - ners, Earth's re - deem - er, hear our plea Where the  
 en - tered, Robed in flesh, our great high priest, Here on

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out of ev - 'ry na - tion Has re - deemed us by his blood."  
 hearts for - get his prom - ise: "I am with you ev - er - more?"  
 songs of all the sin - less Sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.  
 earth both priest and vic - tim In the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.

5 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;  
     His the scepter, his the throne;  
 Alleluia! His the triumph,  
     His the victory alone.  
 Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion  
     Thunder like a mighty flood:  
 "Jesus out of ev'ry nation  
     Has redeemed us by his blood."

Text: William C. Dix, 1837-1898, alt.  
 Tune: Rowland H. Prichard, 1811-1887

## The Lord's Prayer

*And when thou hast shut thy door, pray to the Father...* — Matthew 6:6

MALOTTE

Albert Hay Malotte

Arranged by Fred Bock

Matthew 6:9-13

*Unison*

Our Fa - ther, which art in heav - en, hal - low - ed

The first system of musical notation for the first system of the song. It consists of a treble and bass staff in 4/4 time, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is in unison. The lyrics are: "Our Fa - ther, which art in heav - en, hal - low - ed".

be Thy name. Thy king - dom come,

The second system of musical notation. The melody continues from the first system. The lyrics are: "be Thy name. Thy king - dom come,".

Thy will be done on earth as it is in

The third system of musical notation. The melody continues. The lyrics are: "Thy will be done on earth as it is in".

heav - en. Give us this day our dai - ly

The fourth system of musical notation. The melody concludes with a double bar line. The lyrics are: "heav - en. Give us this day our dai - ly".

bread, and for-give us our debts as we for-give our

debt-ors. And lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion, but de-liv-er us from

e-vil, for Thine is the King-dom and the Pow-er and the

Glo-ry, for-ev-er. A-men.

# Christ, Rising

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## O God of Earth and Altar

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1 O God of earth and al - tar, Bow down and hear our cry;  
2 From all that ter - ror teach - es, From lies of tongue and pen,  
3 Tie in a liv - ing teth - er The prince and priest and thrall;



Our earth - ly rul - ers fal - ter, Our peo - ple drift and die;  
From all the eas - y speech - es That com - fort cru - el men,  
Bind all our lives to - geth - er; Smite us, and save us all;



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The walls of gold en - tomb us; The swords of scorn di - vide.  
From sale and pro - fa - na - tion Of hon - or, and the sword,  
In ire and ex - ul - ta - tion, A - flame with faith, and free,



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Take not thy thun - der from us, But take a - way our pride.  
From sleep, and from dam - na - tion, De - liv - er us, good Lord!  
Lift up a liv - ing na - tion, A sin - gle sword to thee.



CITY OF GOD  
11 10 11 P

© Text: Gilbert K. Chesterton, 1874-1936  
© Tune: English folk tune

KING'S LYNN  
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