

Trinity Evangelical
Lutheran Church



May 11, 2025
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, 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, Colton Lord, Chris Owens, Shawnn Blymiller, Naomi Bryson, Randy Sell, Joyce Kemp, Pete Trentacospe, John MacNamara, Debie Reinhard, Cathy Bogert, Marlene Leiby, Mike Neibert and Verna & Kelly Pomar.

Families Of:

Annabelle Burkert and Allan Manwiller.

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)

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!

Today's Worship Assistants:

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

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Mother's Day

May God bless you with a beautiful Mother's Day!

The Altar Flowers are presented to the glory of God by Mr. Randy Kehl, in Memory of Susan Kehl and Martha Kehl.

The Bulletins are presented to the glory of God by Mrs. Kathy Murphy, in Loving Memory of her Father Steward R. Schaeffer.

The Eternal Flame Candle is presented to the glory of God by Karen Irely, in Memory of My Husband.

- (those who are able may stand)

Prelude "As the Deer with Fairest Lord Jesus"
M. Hayes

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# 448

"Amazing Grace"

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



̄ Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



☒ Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther:



We wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - men

• **Prayer of the Day**



P Let us Pray ...

C God of all power, you called from death our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep. Send us as shepherds to rescue the lost, to heal the injured, and to feed one another with knowledge and understanding; 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 9:36-43

When Dorcas, faithful minister to the widows of Joppa, fell ill and died, Peter raised her back to life through the power of prayer.

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity.³⁷ At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs.³⁸ Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay."³⁹ So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them.⁴⁰ Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up.⁴¹ He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive.⁴² This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord.⁴³ Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

PSALM: Psalm 23

The LORD | is my shepherd;
I shall not | be in want.

**²He makes me lie down | in green pastures
and leads me be- | side still waters.**

³He re- | vives my soul
and guides me along right pathways | for his name's sake.

**⁴Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall | fear no evil;**

for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they | comfort me.

⁵You spread a table before me in the presence of those who | trouble me;
you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is | running over.

**⁶Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days | of my
life,
and I will dwell in the house of the | LORD forever.**

SECOND READING: Revelation 7:9-17

Christ is the shepherd who leads his faithful to springs of the water of life. Christ is also the lamb who vanquishes sin and suffering, in whose blood the saints have washed their robes and made them white.

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

¹¹And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever!

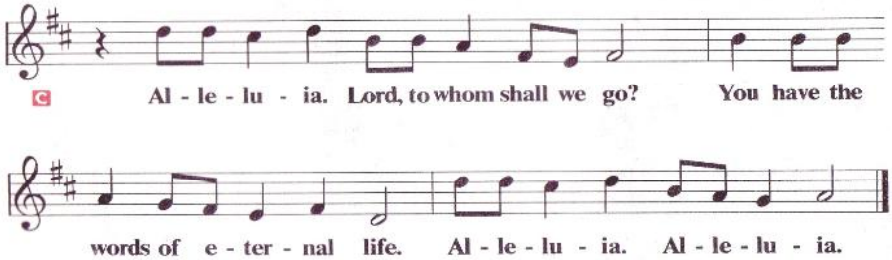
Amen."

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" ¹⁴I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

- ¹⁵For this reason they are before the throne of God,
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
- ¹⁶They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat;
- ¹⁷for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.

GOSPEL: John 10:22-30

Three times Jesus says that his sheep are secure; no one will snatch them from Jesus' or the Father's hands. The sheep have eternal life and so shall never perish.



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 tenth chapter.



Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

Presentation of the Gospel by Heart

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. ²⁴So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." ²⁵Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; ²⁶but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. ²⁷My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. ³⁰The Father and I are one."

P The Gospel of the Lord.



Men's Choir Anthem

"In the Garden"
C. Miles

Sermon

- **Hymn of the Day** LBW# 456
"The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

- **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

- **The Lord's Prayer**

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

- **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# 469

"The Lord of All Hopefulness"

Postlude

"Lord, Be Glorified"

M. Hayes

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Pastor Gene will be attending a Continuing Education Seminar on Monday, May 12th thru Wednesday, May 14th, in case of a pastoral emergency, please contact Pastor Rich Moore at St. Joseph's Hill Lutheran Church, Boyertown 610-401-5602.

A Special Thank You to the Men's Choir for sharing their talents with us this morning.

A Special Thank You to all who attended the Mother/Daughter Banquet, it was a wonderful evening! A HUGE THANK YOU Brian Blymiller, our chef and his kitchen helpers, Howard Shafer and Dennis Schaeffer for setting up all who helped clean up. Also Thank You to MaddyWyda for making the table centerpieces and to Waynette Shafer for making the favors, and also to Mardell Blanford and her committee for organizing this event. THANKS TO ALL OF YOU, IT WAS A HUGE SUCCESS!

Free Will Offerings will be received the 3rd Sunday of every month for various organizations. The next Free Will Offering will be Sunday, May 18th for geraniums for Pentecost. Thank you for your support.

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 The Ott Funeral Home, 111 N. Reading Ave., Boyertown. Light refreshments will be served. Please RSVP at 610-367-2345 by June 16th.

Trinity Night at the Reading Phillies Game, Sunday, August 17th. Tickets \$41.00 includes the “All You Can Eat Buffet” Game Time 5:15PM, Gates Open 3:15PM. There is a sign up sheet posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. For more information, please see Dennis Schaeffer.

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: 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.

Trinity's events for the upcoming week:

Sunday, May 11th-	Mother's Day	9:15 Sunday School
		10:30 Worship Service
Monday, May 12th-		6:30 Scouts
Tuesday, May 13th-		6:30 Scouts
		7:00 Church Council Mtg.
Wednesday, May 14th-		6:30 TLC Stitchers
Thursday, May 15th-		6:30 Sr. Choir Practice
Sunday, May 18th-		8:00 Cont. Worship Service
		9:15 Sunday School
		10:30 Worship Service
		w/Communion

This Week's Worship Assistants:

Sunday, May 18th:

Assisting Minister: Vicki Mest
 Server: Diane McElwee
 Ushers: Kay McGowan* & Bob McElwee
 Lector: Maddy Wyda
 Acolyte: Diane McElwee

**LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS:
05/04/2025**

<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offerings</u>		
<u>Worship/S.S.</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>Hunger</u>	<u>Scrip</u>
68/12	\$2,975.00	\$20.00	\$8,370.00
	<u>Benevolence</u>	<u>Bldg. Maint.</u>	
	\$75.00	\$85.00	

**CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE
STATISTICS:**

<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offerings</u>	
<u>Worship</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>Hunger</u>
23	\$1,465.00	\$55.00
	<u>Benevolence</u>	<u>Bldg. Maint.</u>
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Total Attendance
91

Total Offering
\$4,440.00

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 raiserright.com

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!

**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,

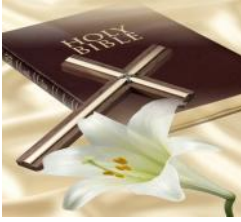
Refer to Boyertown Area School district closure.

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

Readings for Personal Devotion



M Ezekiel 37:15-28
T Ezekiel 45:1-9
W John 10:31-42
Th Jeremiah 50:17-20
F Revelation 6:1--7:3
Sa Psalm 100

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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5 If on earth my days be lengthen,
 God my weary soul will strengthen;
 All my trust in him I place.
 Earthly wealth is not abiding;
 Like a stream away it's gliding;
 Safe I anchor in his grace.

Text: Gesang-Buch, Nürnberg, 1676; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1829-1878, alt.
 Tune: Johann Löhner, 1645-1705, adapt.

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Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound 448

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1 A - maz - ing grace, how sweet the sound, That
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
 4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; His

Dm F Am F

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re-ieved; How pre - cious did that
 have al - read - y come; 'Tis grace has brought me
 Word my hope se - cures; He will my shield and

Bb F Dm F C7 .F

now am found; Was blind, but now I see.
 grace ap - pear The hour I first be - lieved!
 safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.
 por - tion be As long as life en - dures.


Text: John Newton, 1725-1807
 Tune: W. Walker, Southern Harmony, 1835

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The King of Love My Shepherd Is

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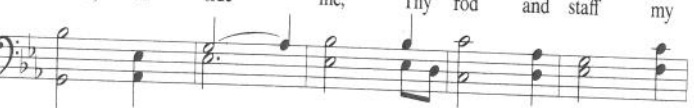

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1 The King of love my shep - herd is, Whose good - ness
2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, My ran - somed
3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, But yet in
4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill, With thee, dear

fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
soul he lead - eth And, where the ver - dant
love he sought me, And on his shoul - der
Lord, be - side me, Thy rod and staff my

I am his And he is mine for - ev - er.
pas - tures grow, With food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
gent - ly laid, And home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
com - fort still; Thy cross be - fore to guide me.



5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;
Thine unction grace bestoweth;
And, oh, what transport of delight
From thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so, through all the length of days,
Thy goodness faileth never.
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
Within thy house forever.

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5 Yet even though I suffer
The world's unpleasantness,
And though the days grow rougher
And bring me great distress,
That day of bliss divine,
Which knows no end or measure,
And Christ, who is my pleasure,
Forever shall be mine.

6 We were by God created
In his own time and place,
And by his Son persuaded
To follow truth and grace.
The Spirit guides our ways
And faithfully will lead us
That nothing can impede us.
To God be all our praise!

© Text: Ludwig Heimbold, 1532-1598; tr. Gerald Thomson, b. 1921
Tune: Christliche und Tröstliche Tischgesenge, Erfurt, 1572

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Lord of All Hopefulness

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1 Lord of all hope-ful-ness, Lord of all joy, Whose trust, ev-er
2 Lord of all ea-ger-ness, Lord of all faith, Whose strong hands were
3 Lord of all kind-li-ness, Lord of all grace, Your hands swift to
4 Lord of all gen-tle-ness, Lord of all calm, Whose voice is con-

child-like, no cares could de-stroy: Be there at our wak-ing, and
skilled at the plane and the lathe: Be there at our la-bors, and
wel-come, your arms to em-brace: Be there at our hom-ing, and
tent-ment, whose pres-ence is balm: Be there at our sleep-ing, and

give us, we pray, Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
give us, we pray, Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
give us, we pray, Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
give us, we pray, Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

© Text: Jan Struther, 1901-1953
Tune: Irish folk tune

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