

Trinity Evangelical  
Lutheran Church



May 17, 2026  
7th 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, Oscar & Angie Smith, Erika Zaiser, Betty Moore, Kathy Gamler, Bill Brensinger, Becky Yescavage, Kathy Sell, Donna Day, Elaine Dotterer, Ralph Rothenberger, Anna Spencer, RuthAnn Goode, Pete Schmoyer, Mary Snyder, Linda Bewley, Mike Wyda, Marcia Auge, Millie Merkel, Ashley Essig, Vicki Mest, Mark Yarnall, Heather Johnson, Ruth Weiser and Greg Mest.

**Friends & Family:**

Michelle Hiriak, Linda Stark, Joyce Kemp, Linda Gilbert, Tanner Antalosky, David Panetta, Mel Harrington, Joyce Davidheiser, Rachel Lynam and Bill Coates.

**Families Of:**

Helene Kushnir and Robert McCarron.

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

Christopher Heffner, BillyRay Pearce, Jr., Noah Heydt, Ben Rhode, Steven Herbst, David Crews, Jeff Lydic, Seth Kurtz and Clinton Bowen.

**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 welcome Jenn McCarron as our Organist, while LaRue Sheetz is on vacation today.**

**Today's Worship Assistants:**

Ushers: Linda Brunner\* & Karen Irely  
Lector: Laura Moser  
Acolyte: Diane McElwee

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**Today we will be receiving a Free Will Offering for  
Geraniums for Pentecost.**

**The Altar Flowers** are presented to the glory of God by Ms. Linda Bewley, in Memory of her Son J. Keith Freese and also in Memory of Eugene & Erma Reidenauer by the Reidenauer Family.

**The Bulletins** are presented to the glory of God in Memory of Eugene & Erma Reidenauer by the Reidenauer Family.

**The Eternal Flame Candle** is presented to the glory of God by Dan & Kathy Kuser, in Memory of Alice Weller.

- (those who are able may stand)

**Prelude**

"Menuetto"  
W. A. 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# 158  
"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"


### **Greeting**

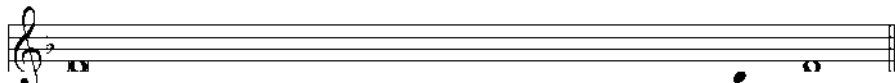
P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, The love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C And also with you.**

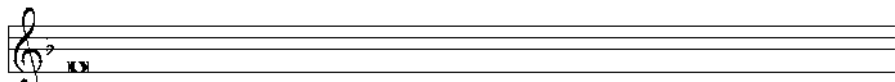


• **Kyrie**

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

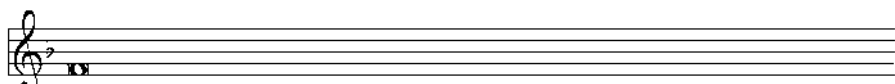
  
A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

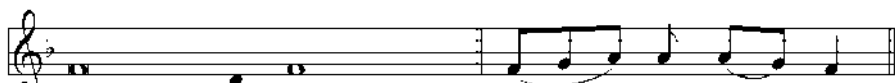
  
☩ Lord, have mer - cy.

  
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** O God of glory, your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other in suffering and in joy, that all the world may be drawn into your bountiful presence, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

**FIRST READING: Acts 1:6-14**

*Today's reading is part of the introduction to the narrative of the outpouring of the Spirit on Pentecost. These verses tell of the risen Lord's conversation with his disciples on the eve of his ascension, in which he promises that they will receive the power of the Holy Spirit.*

<sup>6</sup> When [the apostles] had come together, they asked [Jesus], "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" <sup>7</sup> He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. <sup>8</sup> But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." <sup>9</sup> When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup> While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. <sup>11</sup> They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

<sup>12</sup> Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. <sup>13</sup> When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying: Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. <sup>14</sup> All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

**PSALM: Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35**

<sup>1</sup> Let God arise, and let God's ene- | mies be scattered;  
let those who | hate God flee.

<sup>2</sup> **As smoke is driven away, so you should drive | them away;  
as the wax melts before the fire, so let the wicked perish at the  
pres- | ence of God.**

<sup>3</sup> But let the righteous be glad and rejoice | before God;  
let them also be mer- | ry and joyful.

<sup>4</sup> **Sing to God, sing praises to God's name; exalt the one who | rides the  
clouds;**

**I AM is that name, rejoice | before God!**

<sup>5</sup> In your holy habita- | tion, O God,  
you are a father to orphans, defend- | er of widows;

<sup>6</sup> **you give the solitary a home and bring forth prisoners | into freedom;  
but the rebels shall live in | desert places.**

<sup>7</sup> O God, when you went forth be- | fore your people,  
when you marched | through the wilderness,

<sup>8</sup> **the earth quaked, and the skies poured down rain, at the presence of  
God, the | God of Sinai,  
at the presence of God, the | God of Israel.**

<sup>9</sup> You sent a bountiful | rain, O God;  
you restored your inheritance | when it languished.

<sup>10</sup> **Your people found their | home in it;  
in your goodness, O God, you have made provision | for the poor.**

<sup>32</sup> Sing to God, O kingdoms | of the earth;  
sing praises | to the Lord.

<sup>33</sup> **You ride in the heavens, O God, in the | ancient heavens;  
you send forth your voice, your | mighty voice.**

<sup>34</sup> Ascribe pow- | er to God,  
whose majesty is over Israel; whose strength is | in the skies.

<sup>35</sup> **How wonderful you are in your holy places, O | God of Israel,  
giving strength and power to your people! | Blessed be God!**

**SECOND READING: 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11**

*Our faith in Christ does not make us immune from the scorn of others. Nevertheless, we are to resist the designs of evil when we experience disparagement from others because we trust God's grace will strengthen and guide us.*

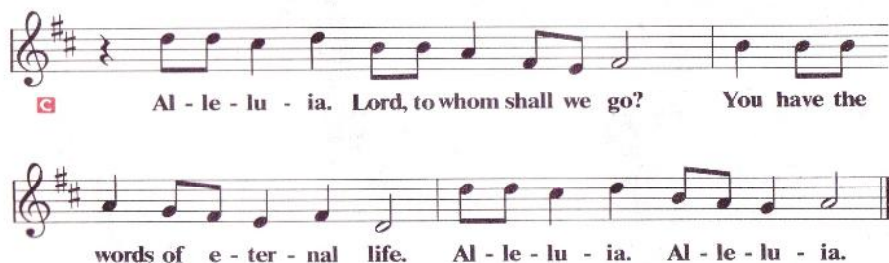
<sup>12</sup> Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. <sup>13</sup> But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. <sup>14</sup> If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.



<sup>5,6</sup> Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. <sup>7</sup> Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. <sup>8</sup> Discipline yourselves; keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. <sup>9</sup> Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. <sup>10</sup> And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. <sup>11</sup> To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

### GOSPEL: John 17:1-11

*On the night before his crucifixion, Jesus prays to his heavenly Father, asking that those who continue his work in this world will live in unity.*



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 seventeenth chapter.



Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

### Presentation of the Gospel by Heart

<sup>1</sup> After Jesus had spoken these words [to his disciples,] he looked up to heaven and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, <sup>2</sup> since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. <sup>3</sup> And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. <sup>4</sup> I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. <sup>5</sup> So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

<sup>6</sup> “I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. <sup>7</sup> Now they know that everything you have given me is from you, <sup>8</sup> for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them

and know in truth that I came from you, and they have believed that you sent me. <sup>9</sup>I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. <sup>10</sup>All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I have been glorified in them. <sup>11</sup>And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.



**Senior Choir Anthem**

“I Am His and He Is Mine”  
*J. Mountain*

**Sermon**

- **Hymn of the Day**

WOV# 719

“God Is Here”

- **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**

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"Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise"

**Postlude**

"The Glorious Triumph"

*G. Peterson*

*Reprinted from Sundays & Seasons 2026.*

**Today is the deadline for the June Newsletter**, please submit your information to Karen in the Church Office.

**Prayer Listing:** If you wish to make any changes to the Prayer List for the June Newsletter, please see Linda Ritter, Pastor Gene or contact the church office.

There will be a **new member group** meeting on Sunday mornings, May 17<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup>, 9:15AM in the pastor's office. If you are interested in joining Trinity, please speak to Pastor Gene.

Pastor Zaiser will be hosting an **evening Bible study** on Wednesday evenings until June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7-8:30PM, in the parlor. The subject will be the Gospel of John.

**Shoefly Pies & Sticky Buns:** Orders will be taken for 8 inch Shoefly Pies & Sticky Buns, thru June 5th. **Delivery on Sunday, June 7th.** Price is \$8.00 for Shoefly Pies & Plain Sticky Buns, \$9.00 for buns w/ nuts. All proceeds will to the General Fund. Order Forms will be available in the Parish Hall. Money is due with order. Any questions, please Linda Brunner.

**We will return to our Summer Worship Schedule on Sunday, June 7th**, worship will be at 9AM, there will be no Contemporary Worship Service or Sunday School during June, July & August. We will return to our regular schedule on Sunday, September 6th.

**Graduate Recognition Sunday will be held on June 7th.** Please contact 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.

**Trinity Hoagies:** "Hoagie Fundraiser" for the General Fund. 8" hoagies from Maurizio's Pizza (formerly Pappa Bernards) cost \$8.00. The hoagies will be ham, Italian and turkey (onion, no onion). There is a sign up sheet posted on the bulletin board. **Orders are due Sunday, June 14th and pick up on Friday, June 19th — 11:00AM-11:30AM. Please make checks payable to Dennis Schaeffer. Any questions, please see Dennis Schaeffer. Thank You for your support. Thank you also to Dennis Schaeffer for organizing this fundraiser.**

**Free Will Offerings** will be received the 3rd Sunday of every month, the next Free Will Offering will be Sunday, June 21st for Save the Children. Thank you for your support.

**The Summer Music Schedule Sign Up Sheet** is now posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex, if you would like to sing or play an instrument. Please sign up.

**Trinity Night at the Reading Phillies Game, Saturday, August 29th. Tickets \$43.00 includes the "All You Can Eat Buffet" Game Time 6:45PM, Gates Open 4:45PM. There is a sign up sheet posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. For more information, please see Dennis Schaeffer. PLEASE NOTE: THIS STADIUM IS CASHLESS.**

**You may sponsor Altar Flowers, the cost of the flowers has increased for (1) vase \$34.00 and (2) vases \$68.00, 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. If you wish to sponsor the bulletins, the cost is \$15.00 to offset the cost of printing.**

**Trinity's Gift Card Program** - Gift card orders are accepted before and after the church service the first Sunday of each month and distributed the second Sunday. Order forms for Redners, Giant and Raise Right (for other retail gift cards) are available in the narthex. The Raise Right order form is also available for download on Trinity's website. Payment must be submitted with your order. **Please make checks payable to Trinity Lutheran Church and include your phone number on your order form.** If you have any questions regarding this fund raising program please see Sharon Kemp, Kathy Kuser or Kurt Yescavage.

**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.

**Devotionals** are available in the rack in the Narthex. If you enjoy the devotionals, please make a donation to help offset the cost. Thank You.

**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.

**HOSPITAL INPATIENT STAY:** Please contact Pastor Gene if you are admitted to the hospital and would like a visit, due to privacy laws, the hospital no longer contacts the church.

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

Sunday, May 17th-           8:00 Cont. Worship Service  
                                   9:15 Sunday School  
   New Members Class  
                                   10:30 Worship Service  
 Wednesday, May 20th-   6:30 TLC Stitchers  
                                   7:00 Bible Study  
 Thursday, May 21st-     6:30 Sr. Choir Practice  
 Sunday, May 24th-**Pentecost**  
                                   9:15 Sunday School  
   New Members Class  
                                   10:30 Worship Service  
   w/Communion

**Next Week's Worship Assistants**  
**Sunday, May 24th:**  
**Pentecost**

Assisting Minister: Jenn McCarron  
 Server:           Waynette Shafer  
 Lectors:         Confirmands  
 Ushers:         Howard Shafer\* & Dennis Schaeffer  
 Acolyte:        Erika Zaiser  
 Crucifer:       Diane McElwee

**LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS:**  
**05/10/2026**

<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offerings</u>	
<u>Worship/S.S.</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>Hunger</u>
71/11	\$1,763.00	\$55.00
	<u>Benevolence</u>	<u>Bldg. Maint.</u>
	0	\$35.00



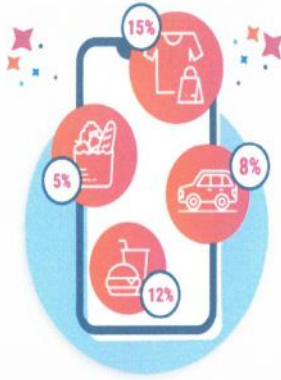
**Updates on Church Financial Status From The Finance Committee:**

The April-end monthly report from the Treasurers showed:

- The General Fund has a Negative Balance.
- During March 2026, the General Fund increased \$676 from \$-3071 to -\$2395
- Note: Compared to May 2025, we are in a significantly better financial position this year - let's keep it going and thanks to all for your continued financial support.

Please see the report and additional details including suggested action items from the Finance Committee in the Newsletter which is available by mail or on the church website.

Questions or input? Kindly reach out to a Finance Committee member as listed in the monthly newsletter, or chairperson Kurt Yescavage.



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## **Monthly Free-will Offerings 2026**

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

June 21 – Save the Children

July 19 – Samaritan’s Purse Shoe Boxes

August 16 – American Foundation for  
Suicide Prevention

September 20 – Boyertown Area Multi Service

October 18 – Eastern Berks Fire Dept.

November 15 – 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](http://www.StLukeGilbertsville.org)

## Readings for Personal Devotion



M Leviticus 9:1-11, 22-24  
T 1 Kings 8:54-65  
W John 3:31-36  
Th Numbers 16:41-50  
F 1 Peter 3:21--4:11  
Sa Psalm 131

### **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  
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its Ministers

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday  
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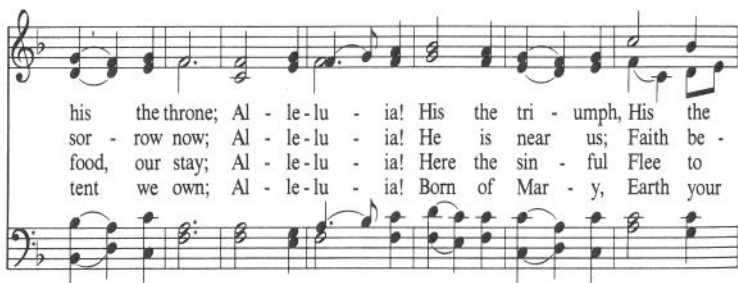
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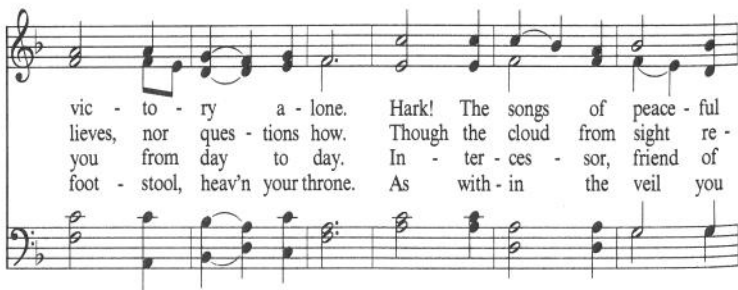
## Alleluia! Sing to Jesus



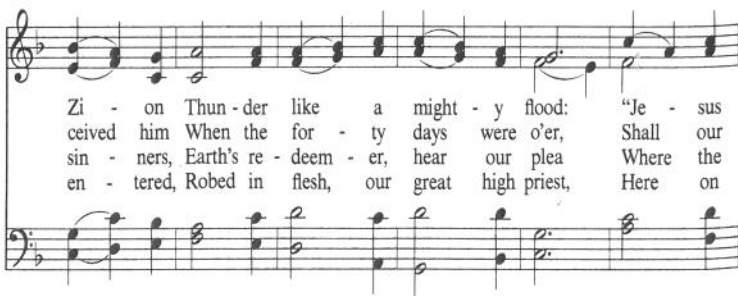
1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; His the scep - ter,  
 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans Are we left in  
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en, Here on earth our  
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om - nip - o -



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



vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful  
 lies, 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."

# God Is Here!

1 God is here! As we your peo-ple meet to of - fer  
 2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our life - long  
 3 Here our chil - dren find a wel-come in the Shep - herd's  
 4 Lord of all, of Church and king-dom, in an age of

praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea - sure  
 need of grace; here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit;  
 flock and fold; here as bread and wine are tak - en,  
 chance and doubt keep us faith - ful to the Gos - pel;

what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the  
 here the cross has cen - tral place. Here in hon - es -  
 Christ sus - tains us, as of old. Here the ser - vants  
 help us work your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's

world a - round us, all our var - ied skills and arts  
 ty of preach - ing, here in si - lence, as in speech,  
 of the Ser - vant seek in wor - ship to ex - plore  
 ded - i - ca - tion, all we have to give, re - ceive;

wait the  
 here, in  
 what it  
 we, who

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Here!

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wait the com - ing of the Spir - it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.  
here, in new - ness and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.  
what it means in dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.  
we, who can - not live with - out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

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## In the Presence of Your People

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ea - sure  
ul - pit;  
ak - en,  
ios - pel;

In the pres - ence of your peo - ple I will praise your name,  
for a - lone you are ho - ly, en - throned on the prais - es of Is - ra - el.  
Let us cel - e - brate your good - ness and your stead - fast love;  
arts  
speech,  
- plore  
- ceive;

may your name be ex - alt - ed here on earth and in heav'n a - bove.

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irregular



1 Thine the a - men thine the praise al - le - lu - ias an - gels raise  
 2 Thine the life e - ter - nal - ly thine the prom - ise let there be  
 3 Thine the tru - ly thine the yes thine the ta - ble we the guest  
 4 Thine the king - dom thine the prize thine the won - der full sur - prise  
 5 Thine the glo - ry in the night no more dy - ing on - ly light



thine the ev - er - last - ing head thine the break - ing of the bread  
 thine the vi - sion thine the tree all the earth on bend - ed knee  
 thine the mer - cy all from thee thine the glo - ry yet to be  
 thine the ban - quet then the praise then the jus - tice of thy ways  
 thine the riv - er thine the tree then the Lamb e - ter - nal - ly



thine the glo - ry thine the sto - ry thine the har - vest then the cup  
 gone the nail - ing gone the rail - ing gone the plead - ing gone the cry  
 then the ring - ing and the sing - ing then the end of all the war  
 thine the glo - ry thine the sto - ry then the wel - come to the least  
 then the ho - ly ho - ly ho - ly cel - e - bra - tion ju - bi - lee



thine the vine - yard then the cup is lift - ed up lift - ed up.  
 gone the sigh - ing gone the dy - ing what was loss lift - ed high.  
 thine the liv - ing thine the lov - ing ev - er - more ev - er - more.  
 then the won - der all in - creas - ing at thy feast at thy feast.  
 thine the splen - dor thine the bright - ness on - ly thee on - ly thee.





