

Alleluia!
Christ is
risen!

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EASTER SUNDAY

8:00 A.M. & 10:30 A.M. SERVICES

Today's Theme: Christ is risen! Jesus is alive, and God has swallowed up death forever. With Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome, we may feel astonished and confused, unsure of what to make of the empty tomb. But this is why we gather: to proclaim, witness, praise, and affirm the liberating reality of Christ's death and resurrection. In word and feast, we celebrate God's unending love, and depart to share this good news with all the world. Alleluia!

Welcome all visitors! We welcome all who worship with us. May the joy of Christ's presence and the power of the Holy Spirit fill you with peace and hope! We are honored by your presence and trust that you will join us in the praise and worship of God. Please sign our guest book in the narthex. If you are interested in church membership, please give your name and telephone number to Pastor Rankin.

Welcome to the Eucharist! All who seek to follow Jesus and who seek the gifts Jesus offers us are invited to share in this sacrament of Holy Communion. *Children are invited to receive communion at the discretion of their parents/guardians. If a child wants to receive a blessing, they are asked to fold their hands.*

Prayer as you enter: *God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*



CATCH THE VISION & SHARE THE JOY



TRINITY U.C.C. VISION STATEMENT:

All will know the love of God through the teachings of Jesus!!

Trinity U.C.C. is called by God to:

--Share God's love with our community

--Serve God's children

--Bring healing and wholeness to those in need

--Share the Gospel in liturgy, music and study

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE (10:30)

Rock-a My Soul (African-American Spiritual)

Canticle Ringers

arr. Valerie W. Stephenson

(8:00 & 10:30)

Easter Fanfares for Organ

Robert Adams

LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The joy and peace of God be with you all.

And also with you.

May the light of Christ, rising in glory, illumine our hearts and minds. Christ is our light.

Thanks be to God!

RESPONSE

Easter People, Raise Your Voices

1. Eas - ter peo - ple, raise your voic - es, sounds of heaven in
 earth should ring. Christ has brought us heav - en's choic - es;

The musical score consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The key signature is one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the vocal line.

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heaven - ly mu - sic, let it ring. Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Eas - ter peo - ple, let us sing.

The image shows a musical score for two voices (Soprano and Bass) and piano accompaniment. The music is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "heaven - ly mu - sic, let it ring. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Eas - ter peo - ple, let us sing." The score consists of two systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line.

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Let us pray together.

Almighty God, pour out your abundant blessing on this lighted candle, so that all who share in your holy mysteries may be filled with your grace and spiritual blessings. Once we were in darkness, but since we have become the Lord's people, we are in the light. Help us to live as people who belong to the light, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *Christ the Lord is Risen Today*

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CALL TO WORSHIP

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM AND INVITATION TO THE TABLE

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.(sung)

Christ has been raised from the dead. "O death, where is your victory? O grave, where is your sting?"

Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia! Christ our Passover is offered for us.

Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God's table.

CONFESSION OF SINS

CALL TO CONFESSION

Easter morning takes us by surprise, awakening us to the doubt and despair that have been rooted in our lives.

Let us draw near to God and confess our sins in silent prayer.

(SEATED OR KNEELING)

SILENT CONFESSION OF SINS

CONFESSION OF SIN

By our baptism into the death and resurrection of Christ, God has raised us to new life. Let us now confess to God our sins and all that waits for resurrection in our lives.

God of love, in our failure to keep your commandments we have clung to the old life of sin within us. We have not loved you with our whole heart, nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. Free us from the power of sin, guide us by your Spirit, and help us in our weakness, that we may live as your children, restored to new life; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

KYRIE

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us. (sung)

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us. (sung)

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us. (sung)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND CHORAL AMEN

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

ADORATION AND PRAISE

PRAISE VERSICLE and RESPONSE

Praise the Lord!

The Lord be praised!

Let us sing praise to God!

PRAISE RESPONSE

Halleluja (sing twice)



Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - ja. Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - ja.

Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - ja. Hal-le - lu-ja, hal - le - lu - ja.

COLLECT FOR EASTER DAY

Let us pray the collect together.

Almighty God, through your only Son you overcame death and opened for us the gates of everlasting life. Give your continual help; put good desires into our minds and bring them to full effect; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

LET THE CHILDREN COME (*Children thru second grade are invited to go to the nursery (10:30 service) located by the elevator on the second floor following the children's sermon.*)

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 10:34-43

Peter crosses the immense religious and social boundary that separates Jews from Gentiles in order to proclaim the good news of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, so that God's forgiveness in Jesus' name would reach out to all people.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

THE PSALTER

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24



This is the day that the Lord_ hath_ made! Re-joyce! Re-joyce, and be ex-ceed-ing glad!



This is the day that the Lord_ hath_ made! Re-joyce! Re-joyce! Hal-le - lu - jah!

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O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!
Let Israel say, 'His steadfast love endures forever.'

The Lord is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation.
There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the Lord does valiantly;

The right hand of the Lord is exalted; the right hand of the Lord does valiantly."

I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord.

The Lord has punished me severely, but he did not give me over to death.
Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.
I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.
This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

ALL: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Repeat Refrain

THE SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

The core of Christian faith and Paul's preaching is the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. As the crucified and risen Christ appeared to the earliest of his followers, so we experience the presence of the Risen One in the preaching of this faith.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

THE HOLY GOSPEL

St. Mark 16:1-8

The resurrection of Jesus is announced, and the response is one of terror and amazement.

Glory be to You, O Lord.

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THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD

Praise be to You, O Christ.

#498

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

SERMON “The Promise: The Risen Lord Goes Ahead of Us!” Pastor Rankin

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

HYMN

The Strife is O'er

#173

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became fully human. 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, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, and 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.

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

PEOPLE'S OFFERING

CHOIR ANTHEM *Rejoice, Salvation's Come!* Words by John A. Dalles
Original Tune by S. J. Vail, adapted and arranged by Glenn L. Rudolph

Why am I thankful every day?

Because I know salvation is found along Christ's upward way, my source of jubilation!

Refrain:

My happy heart will soar above, because of Jesus' wondrous love!

Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice salvation's come!

And should my way be hard to find, with shadows deep around me,
I trust the One who's good and kind, Yes, Christ the Lord has found me!

Refrain

Come happy ones from all around, of every land and nation,
And revel in salvation's sound: Join in the celebration!

Refrain

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CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Scherzo from Five Pieces for Organ* Healey Willan

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

OFFERING RESPONSE *Doxology* #551

OFFERING DEDICATION

Living God, in Christ's resurrection you have raised up new life for the world.
Receive what we offer, that others might have life through the gifts you have entrusted to us to use and share. We pray in the name of the risen Christ. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to God Most High.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Holy God, we praise and bless you for creation and the gift of life and for abiding love which brings us close to you, the source of all blessing. We give you thanks that in the fullness of time you sent Jesus, born of Mary, to live in our midst, to share in our suffering, and to accept the pain of death at the hands of those whom Jesus loved. We rejoice that in a perfect victory over the grave you raised Christ with power to become sovereign in your realm. We celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit to gather your church by which your work may be done in the world and through which we share the gift of eternal life. With the faithful in every place and time, we praise with joy your holy name.

SERAPHIC HYMN

#522

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

We boldly proclaim: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

THE PRAYER OF OUR LORD

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE HOST & POURING OF THE CUP

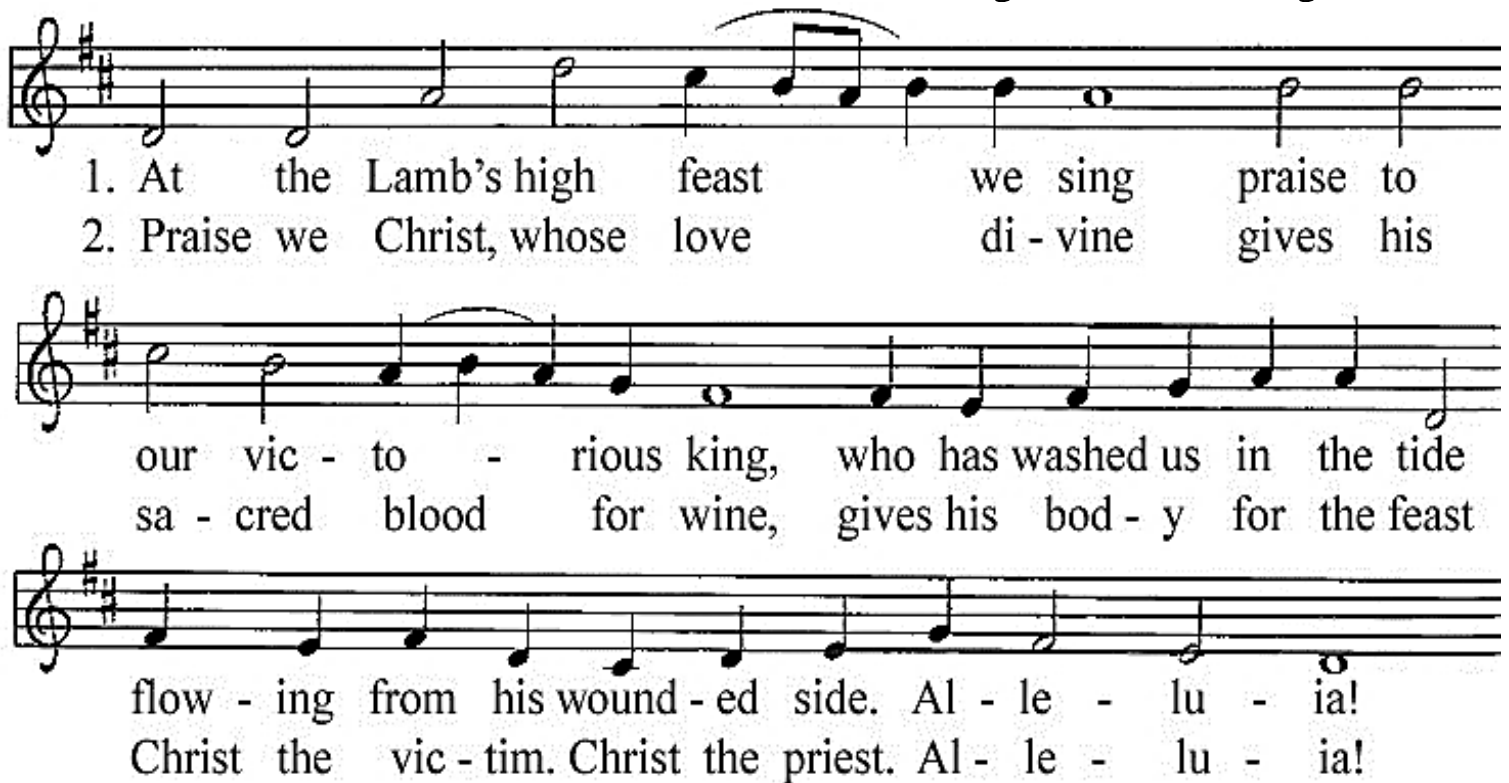
As this grain was once scattered in the fields, and has come together in one bread, so we, with different needs and hopes, come together as one, for we share one bread.

The Bread of Life, broken for us.

The cup which we share is the cup of the New Covenant written in our hearts and witnessed by Jesus.

The Cup of Blessing, poured out for us and for the many.

RESURRECTION ACCLAMATION *At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing*



1. At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to
2. Praise we Christ, whose love di - vine gives his

our vic - to - rious king, who has washed us in the tide
sa - cred blood for wine, gives his bod - y for the feast

flow - ing from his wound - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!
Christ the vic - tim. Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!

*(Those who wish to come forward will be invited by the pastor. The pastor will serve you the host, saying, "The Body of Christ." You reply, "Amen!" The assistant will present you with the cup, saying, "The Blood of Christ." You reply, "Amen!" Grape juice is in the chalice with the cross and wine is in the other chalice. If you need the pastor and assistant to come to you, please indicate that to someone near you or the pastor. If you do not wish to come forward, you are invited to use the packaged elements in the narthex and commune in your pew. The pastor will offer a blessing everyone has communed. **Children are invited to receive communion at the discretion of their parents/guardians. If a child wants to receive a blessing, they are asked to fold their hands.**)*

SILENT PRAYER BEFORE RECEIVING THE EUCHARIST

I do not presume to come to your Table, Lord Jesus, trusting in my own righteousness, but in your great mercy. I am not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you, Lord, have promised always to have mercy. Therefore, I ask you to have mercy upon me and to enable me to receive your real life and presence through this Sacrament of Holy Communion. Fill all of us with the gift of your Holy Spirit so that we may grow in love for you and for each other. Cleanse us of all sin. Increase our love for you and all your people. Enable us to know that you are here and that you invite us to enter into a deeper and fuller union with you, our Lord and our God. In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

HYMN DURING COMMUNION

This is The Feast of Victory

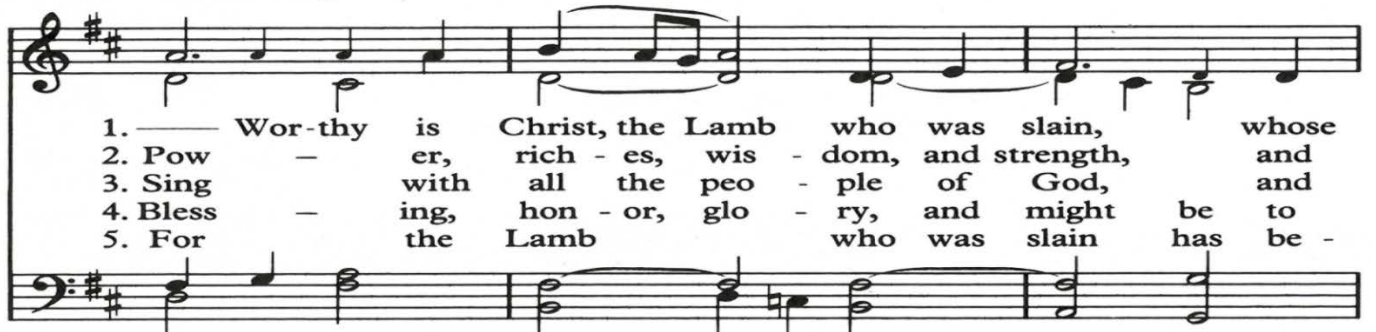
Antiphon (Unison)



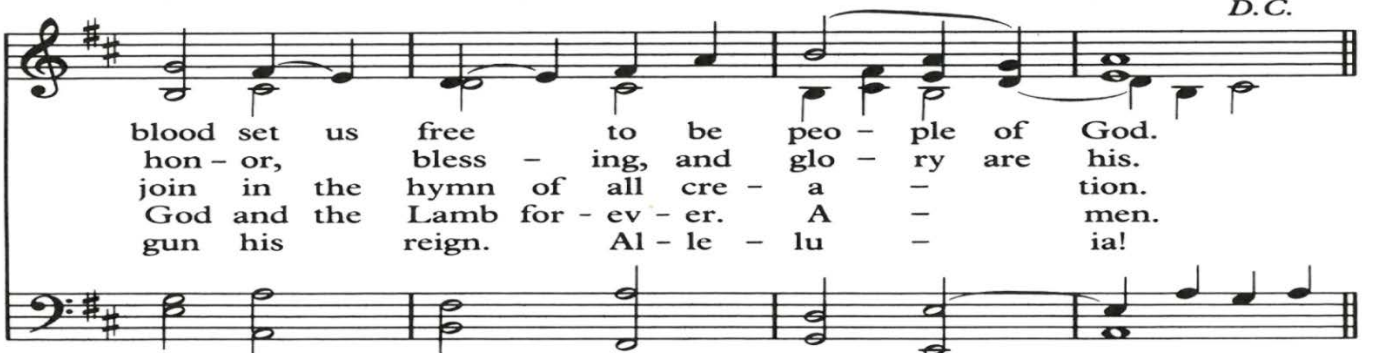
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!



1. — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
 2. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
 3. Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
 4. Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
 5. For the Lamb who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.
 hon-or, bless-ing, and glo-ry are his.
 join in the hymn of all cre-a-tion.
 God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.
 gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia!

D.C.

Final Antiphon



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

SILENT PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING THE EUCHARIST

I bow before you, Lord Jesus, in awe and wonder. You have blessed me with the gift of your life and presence. I am not worthy, but you invite me to come to be washed, loved, and empowered. For this great gift, I thank you with my whole being. As you live in me, mold me and transform me so that I may be a sign of your presence and a vessel through which your love touches the persons I encounter. May my heart and soul and all my words and actions give glory and praise to you, my Savior and my Redeemer. In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

POST COMMUNION PRAYERS

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

Holy God, we pray for the body of Christ, the church. Where the church is persecuted, protect it. Where the church is privileged, grant it humility. Where the church is fractured, heal it. Guide us all to embody Christ's love in the world. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Life-giving God, we pray for the earth, your good creation. Join our prayers with branches lifted in praise and roaring waters of new life, that together we may proclaim Easter hope. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Merciful God, we pray for all peoples and nations. Free oppressed communities from occupation, exploitation, and abuse. Teach leaders your way of justice. Empower peacemakers and all who work to end violence and strife. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Loving God, we pray for people everywhere who long for good news. Roll away the stones that keep people from living with dignity and wholeness. Breathe new life and hope into people struggling to make it through each day. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Loving God, we pray for this community of faith and for your Spirit in our midst. Feed us at your Easter table and fill us with your wisdom, that we may serve and care for others. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

SILENT PRAYER

Let us pray together.

Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

CLOSE OF WORSHIP

HYMN

Thine is the Glory

1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end - less is the
2 Lo, Je - sus meets thee, ris - en from the tomb! Lov - ing - ly he
3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with-

vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment
greet thee, scat - ters fear and gloom; let his church with glad - ness
out thee; aid us in our strife; make us more than con - qu'rors,

rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes
hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;
through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

Refrain
where thy bod - y lay.
death hath lost its sting! Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring
to thy home a - bove.

Son; end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won!

RESPONSIVE BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN (8:00)

Go in peace. Proclaim the resurrection. Alleluia, alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

(10:30 AM) **BENEDICTION RESPONSE** *Hallelujah Chorus* Handel

POSTLUDE *In You is Joy* J. S. Bach

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chancel Flowers are given by **Scott Owens**. “Happy Birthday, Jane!”

The Worship Aids are given by **John & Kayla Brennan** in honor of our military overseas who are not with their families this Easter.

Ministering Today

Pastor/Celebrant Rev. Dr. Christopher Rankin
Lector/Assistant (8:00) Jeff Hackenberger (10:30) Sue Bowman
Money Counters Bud & Kathy McCarty, Jeff Hackenberger, John Shelsky
Greeters (10:30) Dottie Schadt, Cherie Cataldi
Monetary Ushers (8:00) Charlene Cristy, (10:30) **Zach Baynard**, Jane Starr,
John Bailey, Denise Huggins, Dottie Schadt, Tim Geiger,
Lon Wible, Dan Otthofer
Altar Guild Karen Olley, Beth Bossert
Building Trustee John Shelsky
Nursery (10:30) Jodi Keller, Sandy DeLong
Trinity Bread (10:30) Charlene Cristy
Ministries **Card** Adult Sunday School Class
Called to Care Anne Rankin
Visitation Dottie Schadt

Attendance for Sun., March 24 8:00–19 10:30–88 **TOTAL – 107**
Sunday School 19
Holy Wednesday Service 19

Happy Birthday!

Today – Marge Burger, Jane Owens
Tuesday – Cindy Olena
Wednesday – Lori Daly, Jordyn Schuessler
Thursday – Rosemary Mindeer
Saturday – Sammy Minder

This Week at Trinity Church

(Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-2 p.m.)

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| Today | 8:00 AM – Eucharist 9:15 AM – Easter Breakfast 10:30 AM – Eucharist |
| Monday | 7:00 PM – Choir/8:15 PM Bells/No Preschool |
| Thursday | 7:15 PM – Preschool Board |
| Saturday | 8:30 AM - Mulching 7:00 PM – Alanon/8:00 PM - AA |
| Sunday | 7:45 AM – Eucharist 9:00 AM – Sunday School 10:00 AM – Koinonia 10:30 AM – Worship |

PRAYERS FOR GOD’S HEALING PRESENCE

MEMBERS

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|---------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Joan Sensenig | Hillary Bossert-Davis | George & Ellie Latsha |
| Nancy Enders | Denise Huggins | Hedwig Hunsicker |
| Bob & Marlyn Wible | Don & Pat Miller | Nancy Patton |
| Dr. Janet Harriger | Joann Peck | Harry Himelwright |
| The Lehman family | Mary Lou Shaab | Scott & Jane Owens |
| Donna Wolf & Family | Donna Zirkel | Carmen & Jerry Richards |
| Stan & Pat Seachrist | Sam Minder III | Lainie Christensen |
| Rev. Dave & Mid Gockley | Hank Fox | Pastor Harry Royer |
| Rev. Bob & Nancy Musser | Mary Witmer | Rev. Ken Trauger |
| Betty Tyndall and family | Michael McDonough | Kathleen Sensenig Adams |
| Rev. Bob & Judie Bistline | Ron Becker | Danielle Huggins Holbein |
| Rev. Jere & Judy Chapman | The Fischer Family | Dr. Blaine Connor |
| Joann & Dawn Garvin | Shelly Family | Ken & Phyllis Zimmerman |

FAMILY & FRIENDS

The family of Justin Shiffer (friend of Pat & Stan Seachrist)
The family of Elisabeth Fuhrman (friend of Paula Dennes)
Kurt McEllhemmey (relative of Betty Tyndall)
Mary Ann Hess (friend of Betty Tyndall)
Grace Collier (friend of Pat & Stan Seachrist)
Robert Smiley (father-in-law of Steve Gold)
David Brown (nephew of Shelley & Mike Wagner)
Marshawn Howse (grandson of Dave & Noreen Trostle)
Elizabeth Trostle (mother of Dave Trostle)
Norma Mallard (friend of Gail Kogut)

Tom Chapman (brother of Rev. Jere Chapman)
Annette Stork (niece of Pat Sensenig)
Logan Davis (husband of Hillary Bossert-Davis)
Brian & Liz Culp (son and daughter-in-law of Rev. Jere & Judy Chapman)
Jean Weglarz (neighbor of Rev. Bob & Judie Bistline)
Melby Bush (friend of Joan Sensenig)
Harvey & Dianne Sick (friends of Judy Chapman)
Aaron Flickinger (nephew of Pat & Joan Sensenig)
Deb Olley Heagy (daughter of Jack & Karen Olley)
Tom Riley (friend of Bud McCarty)
Rev. Loy Garber (former seminarian)
Roland Anderson and family (friends of John & Kayla Brennan)
Gina McCarty (daughter-in-law of Bud & Kathy McCarty)
The Bruno family (friends of Blaine Connor)
John Martin (brother-in-law of Dolly & John Barr)
Kelly Quick (friend of Rev. Dr. Rich & Lainie Christensen)
Marianne Gible (friend of Trinity)
James Malone & family
Tom & Elaine Lichtenwalner (parents of Mike Lichtenwalner)
Janet Owens (sister-in-law of Scott & Jane Owens)
Chad Zirkel (son of Donna Zirkel)
Jordan Sensenig (grandson of Pat & Joan Sensenig)
Don Pfeiffer (husband of Denise Pfeiffer)
Jake & Jean Otthofer (parents of Dan Otthofer)
The Martin family
Robert Richards (brother of Jerry Richards)
Ronald Himelwright (grandson of Brenda & Harry Himelwright)
Barry Richards (son of Jerry & Carmen Richards)
Tyler Miller (grandson of Iris DeMaio)
Joan Kalbach (mother of Dr. Cathy Hoshauer)
Jim & Kathy Long (friends of Jerry & Carmen Richards)
John Siebern (Bob Siever's brother-in-law)
Jo Jo Richards & family (Carmen & Jerry's granddaughter-in-law)

EASTER MORNING BREAKFAST: The Parish Life Committee is organizing the Easter breakfast on March 31 from 9:15-10:00 a.m. Look for the sign-up sheet on the table across from the church office. There will obviously be no Sunday School classes that day!

THE APRIL PARISH POST is available in the information racks on both floors of the church building.

DEVOTIONALS: The April-June edition of These Days are available on the table across from the church office or on the lower level by the portico entrance. **Lenten devotionals are available on the table across from the church office.**

MYSTERY READERS : Trinity Preschool is looking for Spring Mystery Readers for March and April. Please contact the Preschool through the church office or Email: preschool@trinityeastpete.org to schedule a time to read a book to a preschool class. It's a fun way for Trinity members to support and be part of our preschool.

**THANK YOU
FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

\$8 per Sub Coupon

Sign up sheet on table across from the office



**TRINITY PRESCHOOL
SUB SALE**

We would like to thank you for supporting our fund raiser. When you redeem your coupon at S. Clyde Weaver you get to choose from at least seven sub varieties:

**Sweet Bologna · Ham · Italian · Turkey
Roast Beef · Chicken Salad · Tuna Salad**

BREAD OPTIONS:

white sub roll • bread • tortilla wrap

CHOICE OF YOUR CONDIMENTS:

mayonnaise • mustard • creamy horseradish • olive oil • vinegar

CHEESE OF YOUR CHOICE:

American • Provolone • Swiss

YOUR CHOICES OF VEGETABLES:

lettuce • tomatoes • onions • marinated onions • sweet peppers
banana peppers • hot peppers • black olives • pickles
salt • pepper • herb mix • Parmesan

Please make checks payable to: **TRINITY PRESCHOOL**

CHURCH MULCHING: The Property Committee is looking for volunteers on **Saturday, April 6 @ 8:30 am** to mulch the church property. We will be doing this in conjunction with the Trinity Preschool families and the Scout troop. Look for the sign-up sheet in the hallway across from the church office!

MEN OF TRINITY (M.O.T.) BREAKFAST: The men will be meeting in April 13 at 8:00 AM at Family Fare Restaurant. The sign-up sheet is on the table across from the church office. This is open to all men of the church!



**Thursday, April 11
1:30 PM**

LOOK FOR THE SIGN-UP SHEET ACROSS FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE!

PRAYER SHAWL: The Prayer Shawl will meet Tuesday, April 16 from 1:00-3:00 PM. They will continue to meet on the third Tuesday of each month! Come and bring a friend. Hope to see many of you there! Contact Betty Tyndall for more information.

KOINONIA/SUNDAYMORNING FELLOWSHIP: We have resumed koinonia (community fellowship) every Sunday at 10 a.m. in Isenberg Hall. Volunteers are asked to provide light refreshments and drinks/coffee. The sign-up sheet is on the kitchen coordinator. If you have any questions, contact Paula Dennes. Coffee is always available between 7:45 service and Sunday School.

2024 CHANCEL FLOWERS AND WORSHIP AID SPONSORS: Upcoming dates for worship aids are: **April 28, May 5, 12, & 19.** Upcoming dates for Chancel Flowers are **April 7.** The price for flowers is \$60. The price for worship aids is \$26. Look for the charts on the bulletin board in the narthex or call Carol in the church office.

NEW DIRECTORY: Look for a draft of a church directory across from the church office and make any necessary changes by next Sunday!

CALLED TO CARE MINISTRY: The Evangelism Committee is in need of more volunteers to provide meals for our members! If you are interested, speak with Pastor Chris!



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Supporting Families Through the Critical Years



Rebekah Good Charles
Laura Demastus



April 9, 7:00-8:30pm

IMPROVING ACCESS TO WELLNESS

April 11,
7:00-8:30pm

CARLY KESSLER



DE-ESCALATING CHALLENGING SITUATIONS

April 23, 7:00-8:30pm

Lori Nimmon



Trinity UCC

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Sunday, April 28, 2024

Concert – 3:00 PM

Freewill Offering Benefits Ting Ministries



Music For Everyone Community Chorus And Ukelele Uprising

SUMMER CHURCH CAMP

Even though it is still winter, the warmer days of the Summer Camp season are right around the corner! Camp registration is open and ready for you to start planning your summer around weeks at **Kirchenwald & Nawakwa!** There are a wide range of camps this summer for all ages — kindergarteners through high schoolers, families, adults, and older folks. **There is the 2nd annual Hartman Center Homecoming Camp (July 28-August 3).** Look for more information in the Parish Post or on the table across from the church office. Contact Anne Rankin for more information!

As you know, Penn Central Conference pays 50% of camp registration fees. You can help send campers from Trinity by contribution to our Camp Scholarship Fund. Place your contribution in your weekly offering envelope and mark the special designation box with “Camp Scholarship”.

SUMMER CAMP OPEN HOUSE

Kirchenwald & Nawakwa

April 14, 2:00-4:30 pm



You're invited to visit Kirchenwald or Nawakwa on Sunday, April 14 anytime between 2-4:30pm. Take a tour of camp with members of our summer staff and see what camp is all about. **As a bonus, we will give a \$10 gift certificate for the camp store to every brand new camper!**

If you have already registered for camp, why not bring a friend or neighbor with you? Show them the camp and get the [Invite-a-Friend Discount](#) for you and your friend.

More Information - <https://www.lutherancamping.org/openhouse>

NOW HIRING SUMMER STAFF - The decision to work at camp says a lot about you.

Regardless of the specific role you fulfill within the camp community, your camp staff position will undoubtedly enhance your resume and appeal to future employers.

APPLY TODAY!

More Information - <https://www.lutherancamping.org/employment/>

Save the Dates: Be sure to mark these dates on your calendars.

Lancaster Stormers Game (formerly Barnstormers)

May 31, 2024

Stormers vs. Charleston Dirty Birds



The cost is \$35 (ticket, suite rental, endless buffet for 90 minutes, gratuity). Children from ages 4-18 will be covered by our Youth Ministry account and those under 4 are free. You can sign-up by contacting Carol in the church office. We will need a \$15 deposit

when you sign-up!



Friendship Fest----July 14, 2024 – 4-7 PM

Food Trucks, Games, Fun Activities,
Auscultation Brass Concert (5-6 PM)

Proceeds from the Friendship Fest will support the Trinity Preschool!

Watch for more details in the bulletins and future Parish Posts!



Save The Dates



VBS 2024

Trinity UCC, 2340 State St., East Petersburg

www.trinityeastpete.org

717-569-1632

July 15 - 18 6:30-8:30 PM

July 19 6:30 PM Closing Program

Caretaker And Me Class - Under Five With Caretaker
Children's Classes - Five Through Finished Sixth Grade
Youth Volunteers - Contact Mrs. Slechta

Through stories, crafts, games, and music, ***"Reach For The Stars"*** reminds us that things that seem impossible to us, are possible with God.

Rev. Esbenshade will facilitate the teen/adult class. Studying the book, ***"Tradition In Crisis"*** by Peter Schmiechen, the class will examine how "Now is the time to reclaim the church based on the grace and community of Christ."

Mission Project - Habitat For Humanity

Look for the yellow VBS Volunteer Sign-Up Sheets on the table outside office.

Easter Flowers

| Name | In honor of or in memory of: | Yellow Mums | White Mums | Tulips | Lilies |
|------------------------------------|---|-------------|------------|--------|--------|
| John & Betsy Bailey | In memory of our daughter, Glenna Bishop | | | 1 | |
| Sue Bowman | Happy Easter | | 1 | 1 | |
| Roger & Mary Ann Bradley | In honor of our family | | | 1 | |
| Lily & Andrew Brennan | In honor of Virginia & Jill (great-grandmothers) | | | | 2 |
| | In memory of Jillian & Betty(great-grandmothers) | | | | |
| Joan Cash | In memory of C. L. Fountain | | | 3 | |
| | In memory of Ella M. Fountain | | | | |
| | In memory of Joan Hammer Yohe | | | | |
| Nancy Crawford | In memory of Keith Rankin, Jackie Meisky, and Johnnie Meisky | | | 1 | |
| | In honor of Chris, Anne, Nikki, Heather, Tara, Zach, Rachel, Andrew, and Quinn. | | | 1 | |
| Sandy & George DeLong | In honor of Alex, Sam, Evelyn & Hannah | | | 3 | |
| | In memory of deceased parents | | | | |
| | In memory of deceased grandparents | | | | |
| Mark & Chris Eyer | In memory of our parents | | | 2 | |
| Greg Gruber | In memory of Leon & Ethel Gruber | 1 | 1 | | |
| Jeff Hackenberger | In honor of Easter | | | 1 | |
| Charles & Elizabeth Hambrick-Stowe | Alleluia! "Christ is Risen! Christ is Risen indeed!" | | | 8 | |
| Rhonda Hartenstine | In memory of Eugene Hartenstine Jr & Levanna Reisinger | | | 3 | |
| Jackey Hoover | In honor of my loving family | 1 | | 3 | |
| | In memory of my husband Nowell | | | | |
| Bob & Hedwig Hunsicker | In honor of Pastor Rankin & his family | | | | 2 |
| Chuck & Sue Husted | In honor of Stan & Pat Seachrist by Miyah, Hannah, Ashton, Jayson | | | 6 | |
| | In honor of our grandchildren & great grandchildren | | | | |
| | In memory of Boettger | | | | |
| | In memory of Chris Husted by parents | | | | |
| | In memory of Gabryl Husted by grandparents | | | | |
| | In memory of parents | | | | |

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|---------------------------|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Chuck & Gretchen Leinbach | In memory of our parents-Marilyn & Marvin Roth and Betsy & Randy Leinbach | | | 4 | |
| Rev. Sandy Morris | In memory of Robert & Louise Morris | 1 | 1 | | |
| | In memory of Elisabeth Schultz | | | | |
| Denise & Don Pfeiffer | In memory of our parents | | | 2 | |
| | In honor of our granddaughters | | | | |
| Pastor Chris & Anne | In honor of Zachary, Rachel, and Andrew | | | 3 | |
| | In memory of loved ones | | | 1 | |
| | In honor of Charlie & Elizabeth Hambrick-Stowe and Nancy Crawford from Zachary, Rachel, and Andrew | | | 2 | |
| Rev. Harry G. Royer | In honor of Donna Zirkel | | | | |
| | In honor of Michael McDonough | | | | |
| | In honor of Michael & Shelley Wagner | | | | |
| | In memory of parents & grandparents | | | | |
| | In memory of Harriet Confair | | | | |
| | In memory of Sister Theresa Joseph Lazur | | | | |
| | In memory of my sister, Joan Sleet | | | | 9 |
| Dottie Schadt | In memory of Jere Schadt | | | 1 | 1 |
| | In memory of Kevin Schadt | | | | |
| Stan & Pat Seachrist | In honor of our grandchildren-Bradley, Drew, Matt & Ashley | | | 2 | |
| | In memory of our parents | | | | |
| Dave & Noreen Trostle | In honor of our grandchildren & great grandchildren | | | 1 | |
| Bob & Marlyn Wible | In memory of our parents & grandparents | | | 3 | |
| Phyllis & Ken Zimmerman | In memory of Bob Zahm(brother) | | | 2 | |
| | In memory of Janice Zimmerman(sister) | | | | |
| Donna Zirkel | In memory of all my loved ones | 2 | | | |
| | In thankfulness to my friends at Trinity for their prayers and support | | | | |



FIRST READING: Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to [the people]: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

or **Isaiah 25:6-9** [not printed]

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, ²through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

³For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, ⁴and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared

to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

or **Acts 10:34-43** [see First Reading]

GOSPEL: Mark 16:1-8

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint [Jesus' body]. ²And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³They had been saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?” ⁴When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. ⁵As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. ⁶But he said to them, “Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. ⁷But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.” ⁸So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

or **John 20:1-18** [not printed]

Next Sunday's Readings: Acts 4:32-35; Psalm 133; 1 John 1:1–2:2; John 20:19-31.

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