



Trinity Lutheran Church
Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 25, 2021

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

304 E. FERRIS St.
GALESBURG, IL 61401

“the welcome place”

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As we worship today, you are invited to hum, sing quietly or simply follow along with the words while wearing your mask.

❖ You are invited to rise as you are willing and able.

Prelude Shepherd Me, O God Charles Callahan

Welcome and Announcements

We will be having training on the sound system. If you are interested, please let the office know.

We are so happy to have children with us in worship! Many of us know how difficult it can be to sit still as adults, and how much harder it can be for young children. In an effort to make this space as welcoming and joyful to the children as possible, and in order to help parents be a little more mentally present we have created a ‘pray ground’. This is meant to make remaining in worship a little easier for all, offering children a place to move around, get some wiggles out and engage in quiet play. It is staffed so parents may remain in their pews, but are able to clearly see their children. We will invite them into this space

after the children's message and dismiss them back to their pews during the Hymn of the Day.

+ + + GATHERING + + +

❖ Thanksgiving for Baptism

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Refreshed by the resurrection life we share in Christ,
let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

**We thank you, risen Christ,
for these waters where you make us new,
leading us from death to life, from tears to joy.**

We bless you, risen Christ, that your Spirit comes to us
in the grace-filled waters of rebirth,
like rains to our thirsting earth,
like streams that revive our souls,
like cups of cool water shared with strangers.

**Breathe your peace on your church when we hide in fear.
Clothe us with your mercy and forgiveness.
Send us companions on our journey as we share your
life.**

Make us one, risen Christ.
Cleanse our hearts.
Shower us with life.

**To you be given all praise,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God,**

**now and forever.
Amen.**

❖ **Gathering Song**

ELW #385

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!

- 1 Good Christian friends, rejoice and sing!
Now is the triumph of our king!
To all the world glad news we bring:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

- 2 The Lord of life is ris'n this day;
death's mighty stone is rolled away;
let all the world rejoice and say:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

- 3 Praise we in songs of victory
that love, that life, which cannot die,
and sing with hearts uplifted high:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

- 4 Your name we bless, O risen Lord,
and sing today with one accord,
the life laid down, the life restored:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

❖ **Greeting**

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

❖ **Kyrie**

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In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

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 mercy.

For this holy house,
and for all who offer here their worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

❖ **This is the Feast**

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This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom and strength,
and honor, blessing, and glory are his.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God,
and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing, honor, glory, and might
be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.

Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

❖ **Prayer of the Day**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us Pray

O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

+ + + WORD + + +

First Reading: Acts 4:5-12

⁵The next day [the] rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, ⁶with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. ⁷When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, “By what power or by what name did you do this?” ⁸Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “Rulers of the people and elders, ⁹if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, ¹⁰let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. ¹¹This Jesus is

‘the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;
it has become the cornerstone.’

¹²There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.”
Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Shepherd Me, O God

ELW #780

Refrain

Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants,
beyond my fears, from death into life.

- 1 God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want,
I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love,
I walk by the quiet waters of peace. *Refrain*
- 2 Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul,
you lead me by pathways of righteousness and truth,
my spirit shall sing the music of your name. *Refrain*
- 3 Though I should wander the valley of death,
I fear no evil, for you are at my side,
your rod and your staff, my comfort and my hope. *Refrain*
- 4 You have set me a banquet of love
in the face of hatred,
crowning me with love beyond my pow'r to hold. *Refrain*
- 5 Surely your kindness and mercy follow me
all the days of my life;
I will dwell in the house of my God forevermore. *Refrain*

Second Reading: 1 John 3:16-24

¹⁶We know love by this, that [Jesus Christ] laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. ¹⁷How does God’s love abide in anyone who has the world’s goods and

sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

¹⁸Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. ¹⁹And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him ²⁰whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. ²¹Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; ²²and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

²³And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. ²⁴All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

❖ **Gospel Acclamation** Halle, Halle, Hallelujah! Liturgical Choir

❖ **Gospel:** John 10:11-18

The holy gospel according to John

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ¹¹“I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. ¹⁴I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. ¹⁷For this reason the Father loves me,

because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. ¹⁸No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.”

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Children’s Message

Sermon.....**Pastor Carrie Carnes**

❖ **Hymn of the Day**

ACS #954

You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd



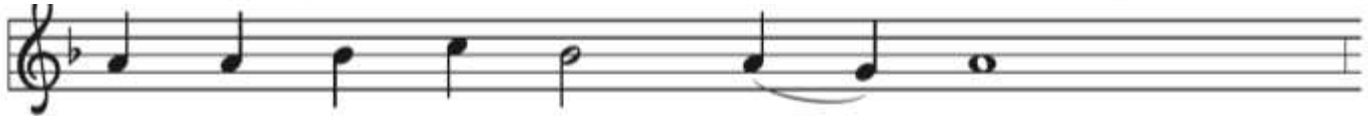
1 You, Lord, are both Lamb and Shep - herd.
2 Clothed in light up - on the moun - tain,
3 You, who walk each day be - side us,
4 Wor - thy is our earth - ly Je - sus!



You, Lord, are both prince and slave.
stripped of might up - on the cross,
sit in pow - er at God’s side.
Wor - thy is our cos - mic Christ!



You, peace - mak - er and sword - bring - er
 shin - ing in e - ter - nal glo - ry,
 You, who preach a way that's nar - row,
 Wor - thy your de - feat and vic - t'ry;



of the way you took and gave.
 beg - gared by a sol - dier's toss,
 have a love that reach - es wide.
 wor - thy still your peace and strife.



You, the ev - er - last - ing in - stant;
 you, the ev - er - last - ing in - stant;
 You, the ev - er - last - ing in - stant;
 You, the ev - er - last - ing in - stant;



you, whom we both scorn and crave.
 you, who are both gift and cost.
 you, who are our pil - grim and guide.
 you, who are our death and life.

Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955–1993

Music: PICARDY, French folk tune, 17th cent.

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❖ Nicene Creed

Let us confess our faith in the word's of the 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 truly 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 with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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.

Prayers of Intercession

Alive in the risen Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit, we bring our prayers before God who promises to hear us and answer in steadfast love.

A brief silence.

Loving Shepherd, you know your own and your own know you. Your voice calls us to your loving embrace. Strengthen your church throughout the world that we bear witness to your expansive love. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Gracious Shepherd, you are generous with the gifts of goodness and mercy. Restore your creation to wholeness so that cities and towns, countryside and wilderness, may abound with life. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Hope-giving Shepherd, the nations and peoples are your heritage. Place into the hearts of all leaders and rulers the passion to serve. Crucify any desire to overpower others and give leaders joy in lifting up the lowly. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Abiding Shepherd, your love flows as we reach out to those around us. Move us with your Spirit, so that we lay down our lives for those in need especially, Dale and the Hilgendorf Family. Help us love one another in truth and action. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Saving Shepherd, you restore us to wholeness. Help our community in our life together and give us vigor as a people of faith. In the midst of challenges and opportunities, fill us anew with you Holy Spirit. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Eternal Shepherd, you hold us securely in your loving hands. In the assurance of resurrection hope, we remember our loved ones who

have died in you. Bring us, with them, to dwell in your house forever.
Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

In the hope of new life in Christ, we raise our prayers to you, trusting
in your never-ending goodness and mercy; through Jesus Christ our
Lord.
Amen.

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

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Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

Liturgical Choir

❖ Offering Prayer

God of love,
you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table.
Receive our lives and the gifts we offer.
Abide with us and send us in service to a suffering world;
for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ.
Amen.

❖ Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
That we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ,
the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin;
who in dying has destroyed death,
and in rising has brought us to eternal life.
And so, with all the witnesses of the resurrection,
with earth and sea and all their creatures,
and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

(Spoken)

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.**

O God, most mighty,
O God, most merciful,
O God our rock and our salvation,
hear us as we praise,
call us to your table,
grant us your life.

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

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

Remembering his love for us
On the way,
At the table,
And to the end,
We proclaim the mystery of faith.
Christ has died.
Christ has risen.
Christ will come again

O God our strength and our song,
you show us a vision of a tree of life
with fruits for all and leaves that heal the nations.
Grant us such life,
the life of the Father to the Son,
the life of the Spirit of our risen Savior,
life in you, now and forever. **Amen.**

❖ **The Lord's Prayer**

Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us.
**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom
come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us
today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive
those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and
deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the
glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

❖ Invitation to Communion

The risen Christ invites us to this table.
Come, eat and be satisfied.

All are welcome to receive communion at Trinity Lutheran Church. If you wish to receive you may come forward as dismissed by the usher and will be given a wafer in the center aisle. Then you may take a small cup from the tray. Red wine is along the outside, and white grape juice is located in the center of the tray. Gluten free bread is also available. Place empty cups in the bowls located at the side aisle as you return to your pew. If you prefer to receive a blessing rather than communion, you may indicate that by crossing your arms over your chest as you come forward.

Distribution of Communion

Shepherd Me, O God

James Kosnik

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Charles Callahan

Lord, You Are Both Lamb and Shepherd

Richard Hillert

❖ Prayer After Communion

Wellspring of joy,
through this meal you have put gladness in our hearts.
Satisfy the hunger still around us,
and send us as joyful witnesses,
that your love may bring joy to the hearts of all people,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

+ + + SENDING + + +

❖ Blessing

May our glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom
to know and to love the risen Lord Jesus.
The God of life,
Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.
Amen.

❖ Dismissal

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing Bernard Sanders

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Worship Participants

Liturgical Choir: Annie Maier, Janet Page, Julie Wiegand, Hillary Hoffman, Nick Elders

Sound and Video: Norm Tippey and Sarah Brakenbury

Usher: Carol Brown

Check-in/Temperature: Marilyn Gehring

Closing Duties: Mike Gehring

Communion Set-Up: Marilyn Gehring

Reader and Communion Assistant: Laura Saey

Organist: Bette Mohr

Pastor: Rev. Carrie Carnes

This week's altar flowers are sponsored by John and Wilma Hessler in memory of their parents.

As we have reopened, we would like to hear from you. Please take the time to reflect on these two questions and respond by sharing your thoughts with the church office.

1. Would you like to have outdoor worship in the summer? How frequently?

2. On a scale of 1-10, how safe do you feel at Trinity?

This Week at Trinity

Tuesday, April 27th

10:00 a.m. Play Group

Tuesday, April 27th

6:00 p.m. "Faith after Doubt" study

Wednesday, April 28th

Youth Bell Choir will NOT be meeting this week

Sunday, May 2nd

9:30 a.m. Fifth Sunday of Easter, Worship, Sanctuary, Radio and Facebook

Readings for Sunday, May 2nd

First Reading: Acts 8:26-40

Psalm: Psalm 22:25-31

Second Reading: 1 John 4:7-21

Gospel: John 15:1-8

You have the opportunity to sponsor or co-sponsor a radio broadcast

Trinity has been broadcasting our Sunday morning worship services to the community over the radio since October, 1992. This ministry is partially provided through our regular Evangelism portion of the budget. The weekly service is now broadcast on Sunday morning on WRAM 1330 at 9:30 AM. Due to radio station staffing, the prior week's service is broadcast each week.

The weekly cost for Trinity's radio ministry is \$60. If you would like to help defray some of these costs, consider sponsoring or co-sponsoring a weekly radio broadcast. Names of sponsors appear in the weekly Sunday bulletin as well as those who are being honored or remembered.

To sponsor a radio broadcast, complete the form below and return it with a check payable to Trinity Lutheran Church, designated Radio. Please include your phone number. Contributions will appear on financial giving reports.

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Vision Statement
Developing Disciples – Connecting to Christ

Mission Statement

Led by the Spirit, we receive Christ's love, share God's forgiving grace, and reach out to welcome, encourage and serve all.

Welcome Statement

Members of Trinity Lutheran Church are freed by the Gospel to seek reconciliation and wholeness in a world that is frequently an unloving place. We extend welcome to ALL, including people of all gender identities and sexual orientations, whether believer, doubter, or seeker. In Christ's love we invite you, so that led by the power of the Holy Spirit we will join together to strive for justice, peace and love in all the earth.

Our Guiding Principles

1. Jesus Christ is Lord and Savior.
2. We faithfully worship through Word and Sacrament.
3. We invite and welcome everyone.
4. We engage all generations in education and ministry.
5. We serve local and global communities.