



# Trinity Lutheran Church

*Fifth Sunday of Easter*  
May 7, 2023

**TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**

304 E. Ferris St.  
Galesburg, IL 61401  
*"the welcome place"*

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**+ + + GATHERING + + +**

**Prelude** Awake, My Heart, With Gladness Michael Burkhardt

**Welcome & Friendship Registries-Please Sign In**

*(Stand)*

**Thanksgiving For Baptism**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
by whose hand we are given new birth,  
by whose speaking we are given new life.  
**Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,  
we are welcomed, restored, and supported  
as citizens of the new creation.

Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Holy God,

holy and merciful,

holy and mighty,

you are the river of life,

you are the everlasting wellspring.

In mercy and might you have freed us from death  
and raised us with Jesus, the firstborn of the dead.

In baptismal waters our old life is washed away,  
and in them we are born anew.

*Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister continues.*

Glory to you for oceans and lakes,  
 for rivers and streams.  
 Honor to you for waters that wash us clean,  
 quench our thirst, and nurture both crops and creatures.  
 Praise to you for the life-giving water of baptism,  
 the outpouring of the Spirit of the new creation.  
**Wash away our sin and all that separates us from you.**  
**Empower our witness to your resurrection.**  
**Strengthen our resolve in seeking justice for all.**  
 Satisfy the world's need through this living water.  
 Where drought dries the earth, bring refreshment.  
 Where despair prevails, grant hope.  
 Where chaos reigns, bring peace.  
 We ask this through Christ,  
 who with you and the Spirit reigns forever.  
**Amen.**

**Gathering Song ELW# 826**

Thine the Amen

**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**

*ELW Setting 8 p.184*

*Refrain*

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.

For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all;  
 for this holy house, for all who worship and praise,  
 let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor;  
 that we may live out truth and justice and grace,

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family;  
for life and for love, for our work and our play,  
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word;  
that you nourish our souls with your body and blood,  
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

## Hymn of Praise

## This is The Feast

*ELW Setting 8 p. 187*

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be



peo - ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and



*Refrain*  
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. This is the feast of



vic - t'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al -



le - lu - ia. 2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and



join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the



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### Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another, to follow in the way of his commandments, and to share his risen life with all the world, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

(Sit)

**+++ WORD +++**

### First Reading Acts 7:55-60

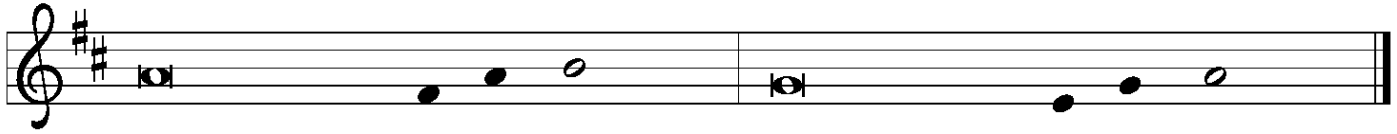
Filled with the Holy Spirit, [Stephen] gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

*All sing responsively by whole verse, beginning with the cantor.*



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In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be | put to shame;  
deliver me | in your righteousness.

**Incline your | ear to me;  
make haste to de- | liver me.**

Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag | and  
my stronghold;

for the sake of your name, lead | me and guide me.

**Take me out of the net that they have secretly | set for me,  
for you are my tow- | er of strength.**

Into your hands I com- | mend my spirit,  
for you have redeemed me, O LORD, | God of truth.

**My times are | in your hand;  
rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those  
who | persecute me.**

Let your face shine up- | on your servant;  
save me in your | steadfast love.”

## Second Reading 1 Peter 2:2-10

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it  
you may grow into salvation—if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is  
good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and  
precious in God’s sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a  
spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices  
acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

“See, I am laying in Zion a stone,  
a cornerstone chosen and precious;  
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the very head of the corner,” and  
“A stone that makes them stumble,  
and a rock that makes them fall.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Once you were not a people,  
but now you are God’s people;  
once you had not received mercy,  
but now you have received mercy.

Word of God, word of life.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*(Stand)*

### **Gospel Acclamation**

ELW setting 8 p. 188

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, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### **Gospel John 14:1-14**

The holy gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said to the disciples:] “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place

for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

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

*(Sit)*

## **Children’s Message**

**Sermon**

Rev. Dr. Carrie Carnes

*(Stand)*

**Hymn of the Day** ELW # 641

All Are Welcome

## **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**

United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

God of life, strengthen your church to proclaim your gospel even in times of trouble. As we remember Stephen, we give thanks for diaconal ministry. Bless all deacons and strengthen them for their bridge-building ministry between church and world. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Creating God, you show your steadfast love through mighty waters, towering mountains, verdant fields, and arid deserts. Protect the earth's diverse habitats from the forces of pollution, erosion, extinction, and global warming. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Mighty God, your Spirit guides us into all truth. Give wisdom to world and local leaders and organizations as they begin, build, or renew relationships. Strengthen leaders and aid organizations in areas needing to be rebuilt following conflict, unrest, or natural disaster. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Loving God, you make your home among us. Abide with refugees, those experiencing homelessness, those fleeing war and poverty, and all who

question if there is a home in your heart. We pray for all who are sick especially Jenna, Marcella, Dakota, Sharon, Sarah, and Ruth. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Assuring God, you accompany your people amid uncertainty and change. Uphold people in this community who have recently moved, changed jobs or schools, retired, or are going through transitions of any kind. Lead us in your ways. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Renewing God, you gather the saints at your heavenly banquet. We give you thanks for the care shown us by those who have gone before us. Grant confidence and comfort for all awaiting the place you have prepared. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We offer to you these prayers as well as those we now name to you either aloud or in our hearts.

*A brief silence.*

Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

**Amen.**

## **Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

**+ + + MEAL + + +**

*(Sit)*

**Offering Song**

All Are Welcome

Lynn Trapp

*(Stand)*

**Offering Prayer**

Generous God,

in this meal you offer your very self.

We give thanks for these gifts of the earth.

In the breaking of this bread

reveal to us the Risen One.  
In the pouring of this wine  
pour us out in service to the world;  
through Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Life 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 Mary Magdalene and Peter and 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:



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



heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -



san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -

est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-

san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

### **Eucharistic Prayer**

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal:  
you we praise and glorify, you we worship and adore.

You formed the earth from chaos;  
you encircled the globe with air;  
you created fire for warmth and light;  
you nourish the lands with water.  
You molded us in your image,  
and with mercy higher than the mountains,  
with grace deeper than the seas,  
you blessed the Israelites and cherished them as your own.

That also we, estranged and dying,  
might be adopted to live in your Spirit,  
you called to us through the life and death of Jesus.

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.

Together as the body of Christ,

we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

With this bread and cup we remember your Son,  
the first-born of your new creation.

We remember his life lived for others,  
and his death and resurrection, which renews the face of the earth.

We await his coming,

when, with the world made perfect through your wisdom,  
all our sins and sorrows will be no more.

**Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Holy God, holy and merciful one, holy and compassionate,  
send upon us in this meal your Holy Spirit,

whose breath revives us for life,

whose fire rouses us to love.

Enfold in your arms all who share this holy food.

Nurture in us the fruits of the Spirit,

that we may be a living tree, sharing your bounty with all the world.

**Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

Holy and benevolent God,

receive our praise and petitions,

as Jesus received the cry of the needy,

and fill us with your blessing,

until, needy no longer and bound to you in love,

we feast forever in the triumph of the Lamb:

through whom all glory and honor is yours, O God, O Living One,

with the Holy Spirit, in your holy church, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

**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.

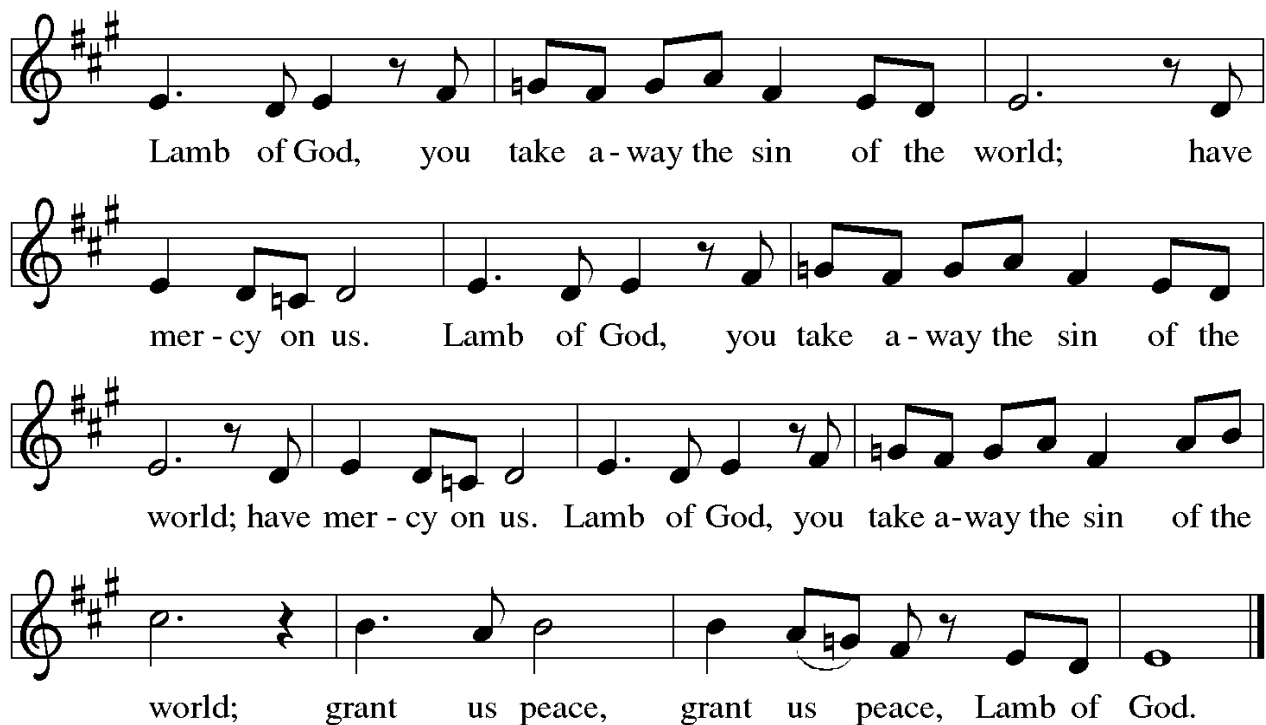
### Invitation to Communion

Come and know Christ,  
broken and poured out for you.

*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.*

(Sit)

### Distribution of Communion Lamb of God ELW Setting 8 p. 191



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

### Communion Music

Thine the Amen

Anne Krentz Organ

### Post Communion Hymn ELW# 464

Bread of Life, Our Host and Meal

(Stand)

## Prayer After Communion

Gracious God,  
in you we live and move and have our being.  
With your word and this meal of grace,  
you have nourished our life together.  
Strengthen us to show your love  
and serve the world in Jesus' name.  
**Amen.**

**+ + + SENDING + + +**

## Blessing

The God of all,  
who raised † Jesus from the dead,  
bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit  
to live in the new creation.  
**Amen.**

## Sending Song ELW # 857

Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

## Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Risen One.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude Awake, My Heart, With Gladness Thomas Keesecker

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***As you leave, please take a moment and greet one another.***

## Worship Participants

Audio: Norm Tippey

Video: Bill Sime

Ushers: Carol Brown, Charla Taylor

Communion Setup: Judy Holmgren

Assisting Minister: Sarah Brakenbury

Reader: Jean Musolf

Wine Servers: Jennifer Holmes, Janet Page

Coffee Fellowship Servers: Keith & Roberta Majors

Closing Duties: Heather Hellenga

Acolytes: Tyler Selliers

Organist: Bette Mohr  
Director of Choirs: James Hutchings  
Pastor: Rev. Dr. Carrie Carnes

This week's Radio Broadcast was sponsored by **Brenda Patterson**, *to God be the Glory*.

### **Readings for Sunday, May 14<sup>th</sup>**

First Reading: Acts 17:22-31  
Psalm: Psalm 66:8-20  
Second Reading: 1 Peter 3;13-22  
Gospel: John 14:15-21

### **Announcements**

**Coffee Fellowship** is immediately after service!

**Spring Basket** making will happen immediately after service in Fellowship Hall, please join if you have time and would like to participate, everyone's welcome!

**Prayer Requests:** Please continue to send them in using the salmon-colored forms in the Narthex!

### **This Week at Trinity**

#### **Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup>**

Coffee Fellowship

After Service

#### **Monday, May 8<sup>th</sup>**

Pastor In Office Hours

9:30 am-3:30 pm

#### **Tuesday, May 9<sup>th</sup>**

The Tie That Binds  
Council Meeting

9:00 am  
7:00 pm

#### **Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>**

Pastor Community Hours

2-3 pm



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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 sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions, 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 racial equity, 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.