

**Trinity Lutheran Church** 

Sixth Sunday of Easter May 14, 2023

#### **TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**

304 E. Ferris St. Galesburg, IL 61401 *"the welcome place"* Sixth Sunday of Easter May 14, 2023

## + + + GATHERING + + +

Prelude

All Creatures, Worship God Most High Robert Hobby, Wayne Wold

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# 835

All Creatures, Worship God Most High

#### 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.



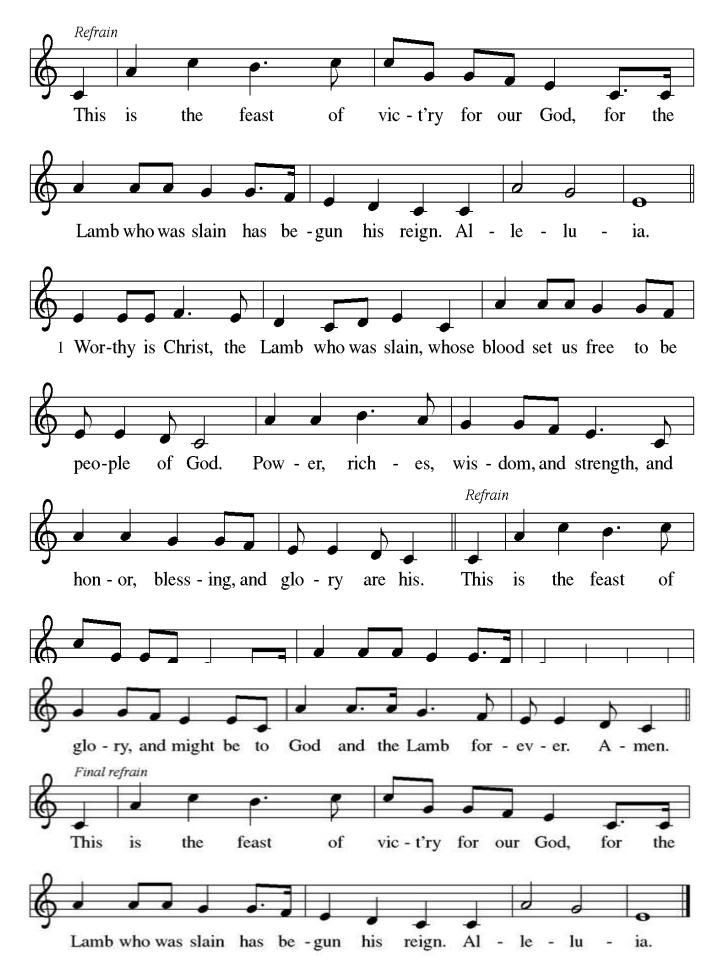
For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all; for this holy house, for all who worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

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.

This is The Feast



## Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Almighty and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

(Sit)

#### + + + WORD + + +

## First Reading Acts 17:22-31

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said,

'For we too are his offspring.'

Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

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

Psalm Psalm 66:8-20

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

<del>|O</del>| <sup>8</sup>Bless our <sup>|</sup> God, you peoples; let the sound of | praise be heard. <sup>9</sup>Our God has kept us a- <sup>1</sup> mong the living and has not allowed our | feet to slip. <sup>10</sup>For you, O God, have <sup>|</sup> tested us; vou have tried us just as sil- | ver is tried. <sup>11</sup>You brought us in-<sup>1</sup> to the net; you laid heavy burdens up-<sup>1</sup> on our backs. <sup>12</sup>You let people ride over our heads; we went through <sup>1</sup> fire and water, but you brought us out into a place | of refreshment. <sup>13</sup>I will enter your house | with burnt offerings and will pay | you my vows— <sup>14</sup>those that I promised <sup>I</sup> with my lips and spoke with my mouth when I<sup>|</sup> was in trouble. <sup>15</sup>I will offer you burnt offerings of fatlings with the <sup>|</sup> smoke of rams; I will give you ox- | en and goats. <sup>16</sup>Come and listen, all you <sup>1</sup> who believe, and I will tell you what God has I done for me. <sup>17</sup>I called out to God | with my mouth, and praised the Lord | with my tongue. <sup>18</sup>If I had cherished evil <sup>1</sup> in my heart, the Lord would | not have heard me: <sup>19</sup>but in truth <sup>|</sup> God has heard me and has attended to the sound | of my prayer. <sup>20</sup>Blessed be God, who has not reject-<sup>1</sup> ed my prayer, nor withheld unfailing | love from me.

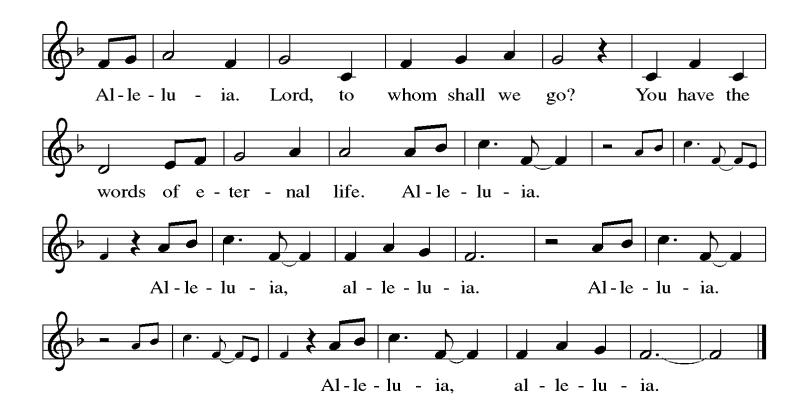
## Second Reading 1 Peter 3:13-22

Who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

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



ELW setting 8 p. 188



Gospel John 14:15-21 The holy gospel according to John. Glory to you, O Lord.

> [Jesus said to the disciples:] "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

"I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

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 # 636

How Small Our Span of Life

## **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 our faithful companion, you promise to never leave us and to send your Spirit to guide us in wisdom and truth. Send your people into the world to serve as mirrors that reflect and magnify your love. Hear us, O God.

## Your mercy is great.

All the earth sings praises to you. Grant your care to the creatures, plants, and places that are suffering, and equip us to respond to their song. Make us agents of restoration and refreshment for all your beloved creation. Hear us, O God.

## Your mercy is great.

You call all people of the world your children. Judge the nations justly, show mercy to all who are oppressed, and speak truth to power through your prophets. Hear us, O God.

## Your mercy is great.

Nurturing Lord, you sent your Spirit to grant us peace. Make your presence known to those who feel abandoned or alone, and to all who are sick or grieving especially Sharon, Sarah, Ruth, Jenna, Jerry, and Brian. Hear us, O God.

## Your mercy is great.

You hold us in your loving care. We pray for mothers and mother figures. Console all who long to be mothers, children estranged from their mothers, anyone grieving the death of a mother, and mothers who have lost a child. Support all for whom this day is difficult. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**  Almighty God, you give life and breath to all things. We give thanks for the apostle Matthias and all your saints. Sustain us by your love until we join the saints in glory. Hear us, O God.

## Your mercy is great.

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** Jesus, My Lord

Donald P. Moore

Sr. Choir

## (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.** 

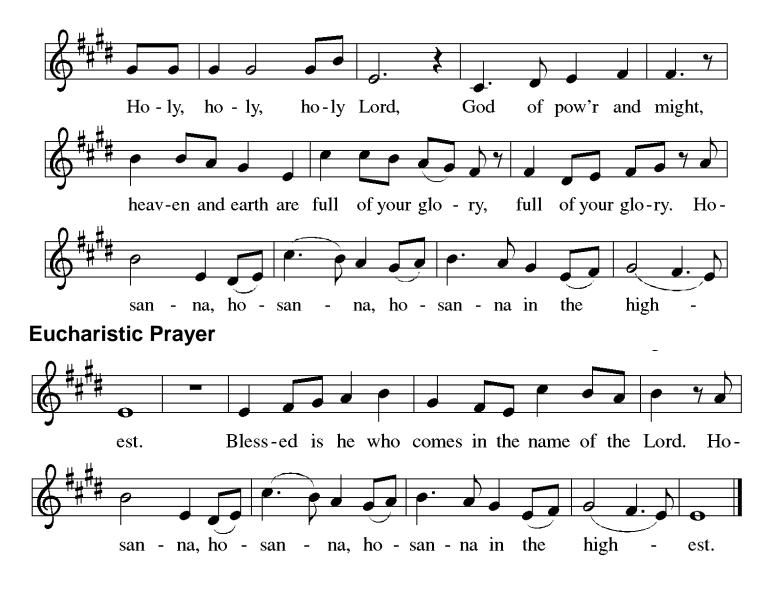
## **Great Thanksgiving**

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:



We praise you, all-holy God, for the universe beyond our knowing, and for friends and strangers and family, We praise you for your covenant people, and for centuries of faithful Christians, for Mary and Mary Magdalene, Peter and Paul, We praise you for your Son Jesus Christ, who saves us from sin and from evil, who is revealed to us again and again in the breaking of the bread,

who on the night before he died 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.

#### And so we proclaim the mystery of our faith: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We pray for your Holy Spirit, Nourish us with the body and blood of Christ, and renew the world with your mercy, We praise you, all-holy God, today, tomorrow, and forever. **Amen. Amen.** 

## The Lord's Prayer

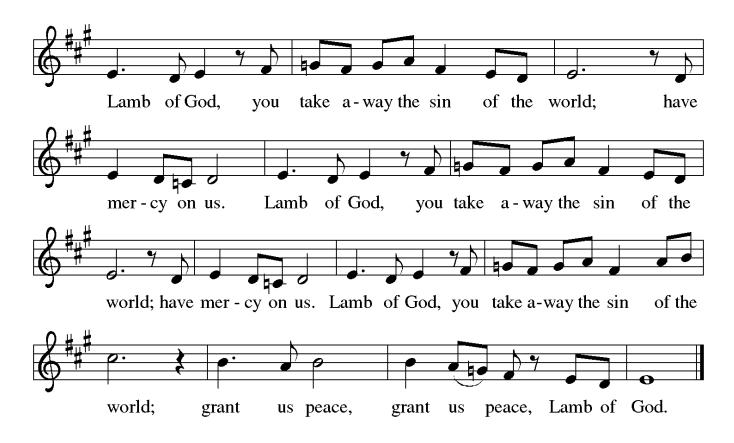
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,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



Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain

Chester Alwes

**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 #389 Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing

## Dismissal

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

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

## **Worship Participants**

Audio: Sarah Brakenbury
Video: Bill Sime
Ushers: Norm & Linda Tippey
Communion Setup: Judy Holmgren
Assisting Minister: Julie Wiegand
Reader: Roberta Majors
Wine Servers: John McClean, Hillary Hoffman
Coffee Fellowship Servers: Jean Hier, Hilma McDorman
Closing Duties: Nancy Sandall
Acolytes: Kylie Tapper, Ryan Tapper
Organist: Bette Mohr
Director of Choirs: James Hutchings
Pastor: Rev. Dr. Carrie Carnes



This week's Altar Flowers were donated by **Danny & Mary Lou Lindberg**, given in honor of all mothers and in loving memory of Pauline L. Sheridan and Katherine J. Lindberg.

## Readings for Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>

 First Reading:
 Acts 1:6-14

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

 Second Reading:
 1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11

 Gospel:
 John 17:1-11

## Announcements

Coffee Fellowship is immediately after service!

#### Tidings Deadline: May 18th

## All Church Potluck: Thursday, May 18th at Noon

Please bring a dish to pass and your own table service (*This will be recurring monthly potluck on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month*).

**Church Brunch at the Park:** Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup> before Worship Service (*This will be our one Worship in the Park this year and we're celebrating by having a potluck style brunch*).

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

Name	Request
Sharon Gilbert	Healing Prayers-knee surgery
Annie Maier's Sister	
Sarah Siedel	Healing Prayers
Ruth Johnson	Healing Prayers-cancer
Jean Hier's Daughter	
Jenna	Prayers for stable health
Erin's Neice	
Sarah Siedel	Health, healing, & positivity as she adjusts to
	her new residence.
Ruth Johnson (Jean Hier's	Prayer for healing (cancer)
daughter)	

#### Current Prayer List (Bulletins and Tidings) Updated 5/12/23

### This Week at Trinity

Sunday, May 14 <sup>th</sup> Coffee Fellowship	Happy Mother's Day	After Service
Monday, May 15 <sup>th</sup> Pastor out of Office		
<b>Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup></b> Pastor out of Office Council Meeting		7:00 pm
Wednesday, May 17 <sup>th</sup> Pastor Community Hours		2-3 pm
<b>Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup></b> Saturday Worship Service		5 pm

Rev. Dr. Carrie Carnes, Pastor, Out-of-office: Friday Cell phone: 618-803-8778 Church Office: Phone 309-343-4191 Hours 8:00 am - 1:00 pm, Monday-Friday 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays, Worship at 5:00 pm, Holy Communion Sunday Worship at 9:30 am; Holy Communion Sunday; Facebook Radio Ministry at 9:30 am on WRAM – 1330 AM www.trinitygalesburg.org trinitylutheran@trinitygalesburg.org

> 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.