

Trinity Lutheran Church

Third Sunday of Easter April 14, 2024 TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

304 E. Ferris St. Galesburg, IL 61401

"the welcome place"

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The gospel for the third Sunday of Easter is always one in which the risen Christ shares food with the disciples, meals that are the Easter template for the meal we share each Sunday. In today's gospel, Jesus both shares the disciples' food and shows them the meaning of his suffering, death, and resurrection through the scriptures, the two main elements of our Sunday worship.

+ + + GATHERING + + +

Prelude Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain

David Cherwien, Chester Alwes

Welcome & Announcements-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, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy. **Amen.**

Look, here is water! Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life. Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers. The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land. In a desert pool the Ethiopian official

entered your boundless baptismal life.

Look, here is water! Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people. We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Look, here is water! Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Gathering Hymn ELW # 363

Come You Faithful, Raise the Strain

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.**

ELW Setting 1 p.98

Kyrie



This is The Feast



Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Almighty God, with joy we celebrate the day of our Lord's resurrection. By the grace of Christ among us, enable us to show the power of the resurrection in all that we say and do, 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 4:32-35

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

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

Sung responsively by whole verse

Psalm 133



How good and how pleas- | ant it is,

when kindred live togeth- | er in unity!

It is like fine oil upon the head, flowing down up- | on the beard,

upon the beard of Aaron, flowing down upon the collar [|] of his robe.

It is like the dew of Hermon flowing down upon the ¹ hills of Zion. For there the LORD has commanded the blessing: life for ¹ evermore.

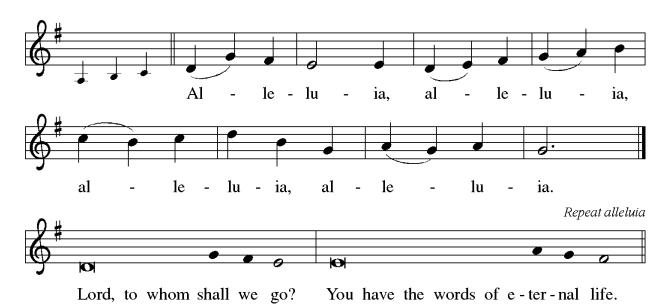
Second Reading 1 John 1:1-2:2

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us—we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

(Stand)



Gospel Acclamation

ELW Setting #1 Gospel Acclamation p.102

Gospel John 20:19-31

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

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#375

Alleluia! Christ Is Arisen

Nicene Creed

Let us confess our faith in the words 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

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.

A brief silence.

Your church cries out, O God, and you listen. As you drew near to the disciples, draw near to us this day. Breathe on us your Holy Spirit, that our faith is renewed and we witness to your love. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Your creation cries out, O God, and you listen. Nurture trees, crops, wildflowers, and all growing things. Guide farmers, gardeners, arborists, and others who tend the soil and nurture plants into life. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Your world cries out, O God, and you listen. Guide police, firefighters, paramedics, and other first responders to work for the well-being of communities and the dignity of every person, that no one may need to live in fear. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Your children cry out, O God, and you listen. Hear your people crying out for justice, for an end to racism and other oppression, and for a world where all are fed and safe. We pray for all who cry out in suffering or pain especially Bev, Jim, Danny, Greg, Robin, Jenna, and Kate. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Your congregations cry out, O God, and you listen. Renew pastors, deacons, musicians, and other staff, administrators, and volunteers who facilitated Holy Week and Easter worship. Open our hearts to discern where God calls each of us to serve. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Accept our gratitude, O God, for the lives of those who now rest in you especially Dietrich Bonhoeffer and all whose lives have been given in faithfulness to the gospel. Grant us your peace amid our fears. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

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

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.

Amen.

Peace

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

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(Sit)

(Stand)

Offering Prayer

Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. **Amen.**

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Life up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

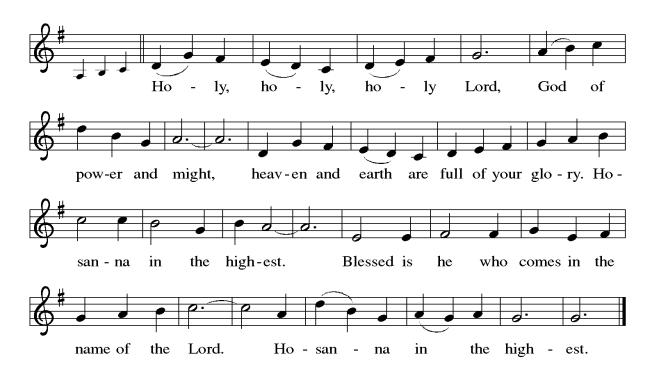
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son; and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels,

with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Blessed are you, O God of the universe.

Your mercy is everlasting

and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth. Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood. Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea. Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey.

Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one. Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.

Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

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. With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence. **Come, Holy Spirit.**

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love. **Come, Holy Spirit.**

With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. **Amen.**

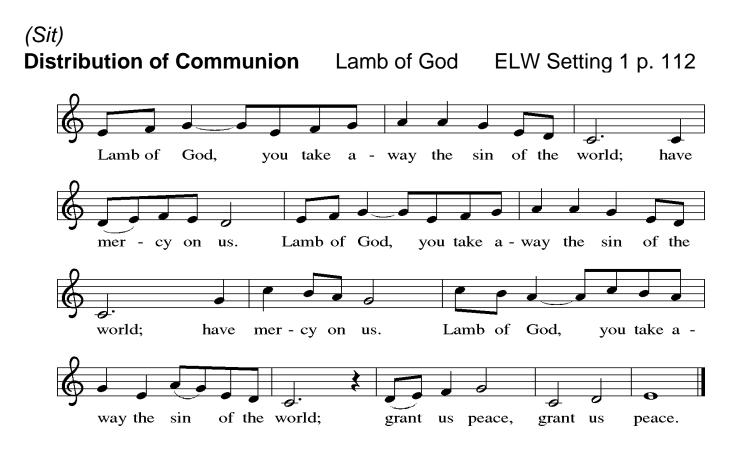
The Lord's Prayer

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

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

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.



Awake, My Heart, with Gladness

Post-Communion Hymn ELW #674

(Stand)

Prayer After Communion

Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Wilbur Held

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

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Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. **Amen.**

+ + + SENDING + + +

Blessing

Alleluia! Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope + bless you now and always. Amen.

Sending Hymn ELW #389

Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing

Dismissal

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Postlude Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing

Wilbur Held

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



Today's Radio Broadcast was sponsored by **John & Margaret Thulin**, *To God be the Glory.*

Today's Altar Flowers were sponsored by **Keith and Roberta Majors,** *In memory of Sara Sidel.*

Worship Participants Audio: Norm Tippey Video: Matthew Hutchings Acolyte: Bill Sime Ushers: John & Lynn Armstrong, Harold Watters Communion Setup: Hillary Hoffman Assisting Minister: Nick Elders Reader: Mark Holmes Wine Servers: Julie Wiegand, Sandra Woods Coffee Fellowship: Jean Hier, Hilma McDorman Closing Duties: Sarah Brakenbury Organist: Bette Mohr Director of Choirs: James Hutchings Pastor: Rev. Dr. Carrie Carnes

Announcements

College Care Package Letters/Cards-If you'd like to participate, visit the table in the Narthex or Fellowship Hall, complete a card or letter, place it in the box, and you're done! Thanks in advance!

Coffee Fellowship is immediately after service!

Pastor Carrie is back, welcome back!

Council Retreat (4/13/24)

Thank you to all of the TLC Council Members who were in attendance

Wellbeing Group Reminder - We will meet Tuesday, April 16th at 5:45 pm in the Martha Room, hope to see you there

Church Potluck! Come one, Come all. Thursday, April 18th at noon

Neighborhood Cleanup Everyone is welcome to join your Outreach Team at 9:30 am on Saturday, April 20th

Pastor's Adult Book Study *Update* (Date Change)

The book study will meet starting **Wednesday, April 24th from 6-7 pm** in the Martha Room. The study will be held weekly moving forward. **The book is Henri Nouwen's book 'Reaching Out: The Three Movements of the Spiritual Life'.**

This Week at Trinity

Sun, April 14	9:30 am 10:30 am 11:00 am	Worship Coffee Fellowship Bell Choir Rehearsal
Mon, April 15	10:00 am 7:00 pm	Brews & Views Brews & Views Monthly Meet
Tues, April 16	5:45 pm 7:00 pm	Wellbeing Group Committee Meeting
Wed, April 17	12:00 pm 6:30 pm	Synod Staff Meet at 1 st Lutheran Choir
Thurs, April 18	12:00 pm	Church Potluck Tidings Deadline Committee Minutes Due
Sat, April 20	9:30 am 5:00 pm	Neighborhood Cleanup Spoken Worship Service

If you would like prayers for yourself or your loved one(s) please fill out a salmon-colored form on the bulletin table in the Narthex and drop it in the offering plate or contact the Office directly via phone or email.

Current Prayer List:

Name	Prayer
Bev Powell	Prayers for healing * recovery
Jim Musolf	Prayers for healing, health, recovery
Greg	Prayers for healing & health
Robin Cook (Niece of Roberta Majors)	Prayers
Jenna	Prayers for healing
(Niece of Erin Crawford)	
Danny Lindberg	Prayers for health & healing
Kate Kolstee	Prayers for healing
(Great Niece of Annie Maier)	

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 1st & 3rd Saturdays; Worship 5:00 pm; Holy Communion Sunday Worship at 9:30 am; Holy Communion Sunday Radio Ministry at 9:30 am on WRAM – 1330 AM, Facebook 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 people of 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

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