



## Trinity Lutheran Church

Sixth Sunday of Easter  
May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025



# Trinity Lutheran Church

304 E. Ferris Street  
Galesburg, IL 61401

*“the welcome place”*

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## +++GATHERING+++

Visions abound in the readings for the sixth Sunday of Easter. Paul has a vision about what to do. John has a vision of what will be. Jesus provides visions of peace that surpasses human understanding and power beyond human imagination.

<b>Prelude</b>	Prelude and Fugue in F	J. S. Bach
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### Welcome - Please Sign Friendship Registry

*The red ELW hymnal and the purple ACS hymnal are in the pew racks*

*(Stand)*

### Thanksgiving at the Font

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

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

In the name of ✠ the One  
who was, who is, and who is to come.

**Amen.**

Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection,  
and called to live the baptized life,  
let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

*Water may be poured before or during the thanksgiving.*

Holy God,  
we give you thanks for the waters of baptism,  
waters that make a people your own,  
that restore to wholeness,  
and empower us to be witnesses in your name.

Baptized into you, O Living One,  
**make us one as you are one.**

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism,  
waters that strengthen believers  
and give new life to beloved servants of your church;  
waters that extend your boundless love  
and cross barriers of our own making.  
Baptized into you, O Living One,  
**make us one as you are one.**

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism,  
waters that open the hearts of believers  
and give a voice in the night to those in captivity;  
waters that set your people on a new path,  
rejoicing in the Spirit's power.  
Baptized into you, O Living One,  
**make us one as you are one.**

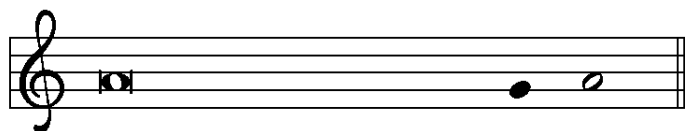
Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One,  
that our every day is shaped by these waters  
that give us our very lives in you.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.  
**Amen.**

## **Gathering Hymn**

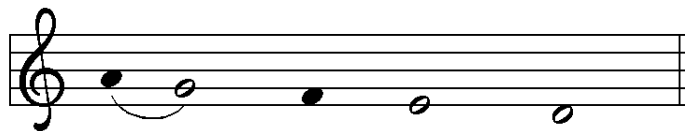
Be Thou My Vision, ELW (red) #793

## **Greeting**

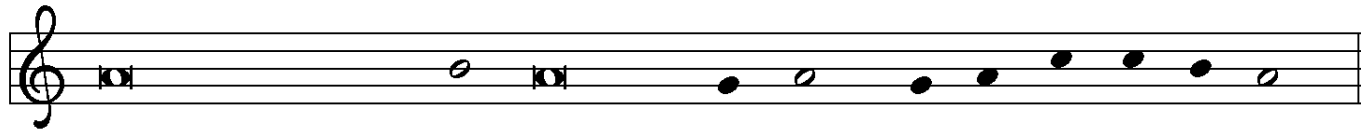
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of  
the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



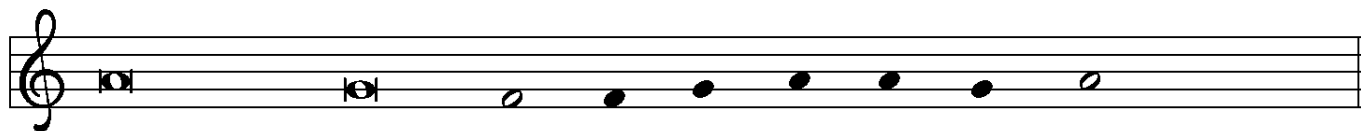
For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



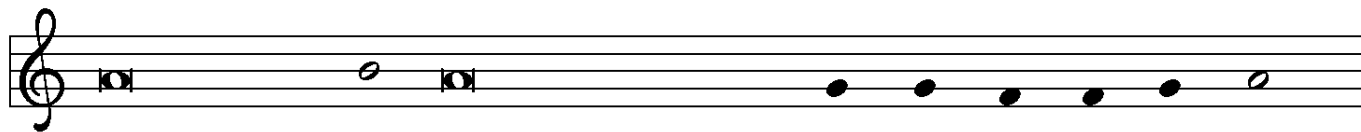
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



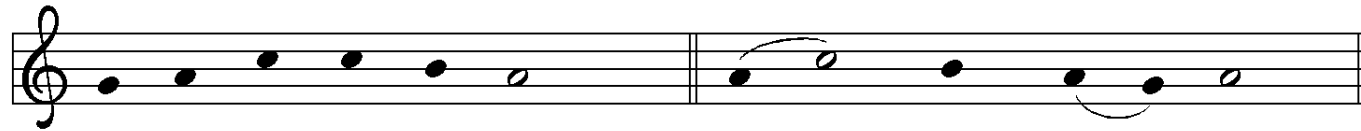
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord.

A - men.

# This Is the Feast

ELW (red) Setting 4, pg. 149

*Refrain*

Assisting minister



## Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Bountiful God, you gather your people into your realm, and you promise us food from your tree of life. Nourish us with your word, that empowered by your Spirit we may love one another and the world you have made, 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 16:9-15

<sup>9</sup> During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, “Come over to Macedonia and help us.” <sup>10</sup> When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

<sup>11</sup> We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, <sup>12</sup> and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. <sup>13</sup> On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. <sup>14</sup> A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. <sup>15</sup> When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 67



<sup>1</sup> May God be merciful to <sup>1</sup> us and bless us;  
may the light of God's face <sup>1</sup> shine upon us.

<sup>2</sup> Let your way be known | upon earth,  
your saving health a- | mong all nations.

<sup>3</sup> Let the peoples praise | you, O God;  
let all the | peoples praise you.

<sup>4</sup> Let the nations be glad and | sing for joy,  
for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the na- | tions on  
earth.

<sup>5</sup> Let the peoples | praise you, O God;  
let all the | peoples praise you.

<sup>6</sup> The earth has brought | forth its increase;  
God, our own | God, has blessed us.

<sup>7</sup> May God | give us blessing,  
and may all the ends of the earth | stand in awe.

## Second Reading: Revelation 21:10, 22—22:5

<sup>10</sup> And in the spirit [one of the angels] carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

<sup>22</sup> I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. <sup>23</sup> And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. <sup>24</sup> The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. <sup>25</sup> Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. <sup>26</sup> People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. <sup>27</sup> But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

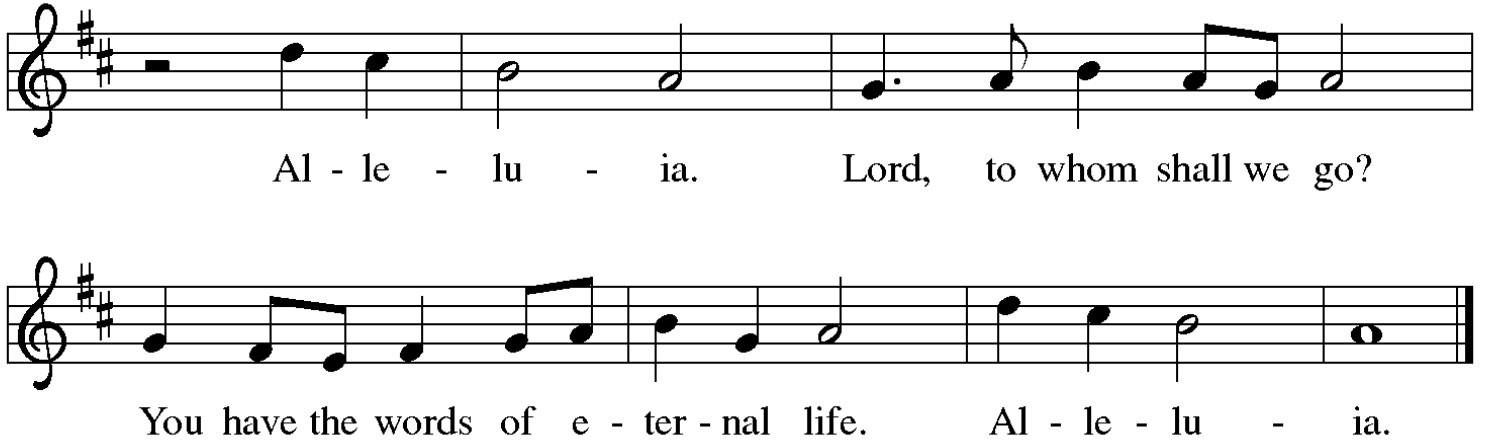
<sup>22:1</sup> Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb <sup>2</sup> through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. <sup>3</sup> Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; <sup>4</sup> they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. <sup>5</sup> And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

*(Stand)*



**Gospel: John 14:23-29**

The holy gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>23</sup> Jesus answered [Judas (not Iscariot),] “Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. <sup>24</sup> Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

<sup>25</sup> “I have said these things to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup> But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. <sup>27</sup> Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. <sup>28</sup> You heard me say to you, ‘I am going away, and I am coming to you.’ If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. <sup>29</sup> And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.”

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

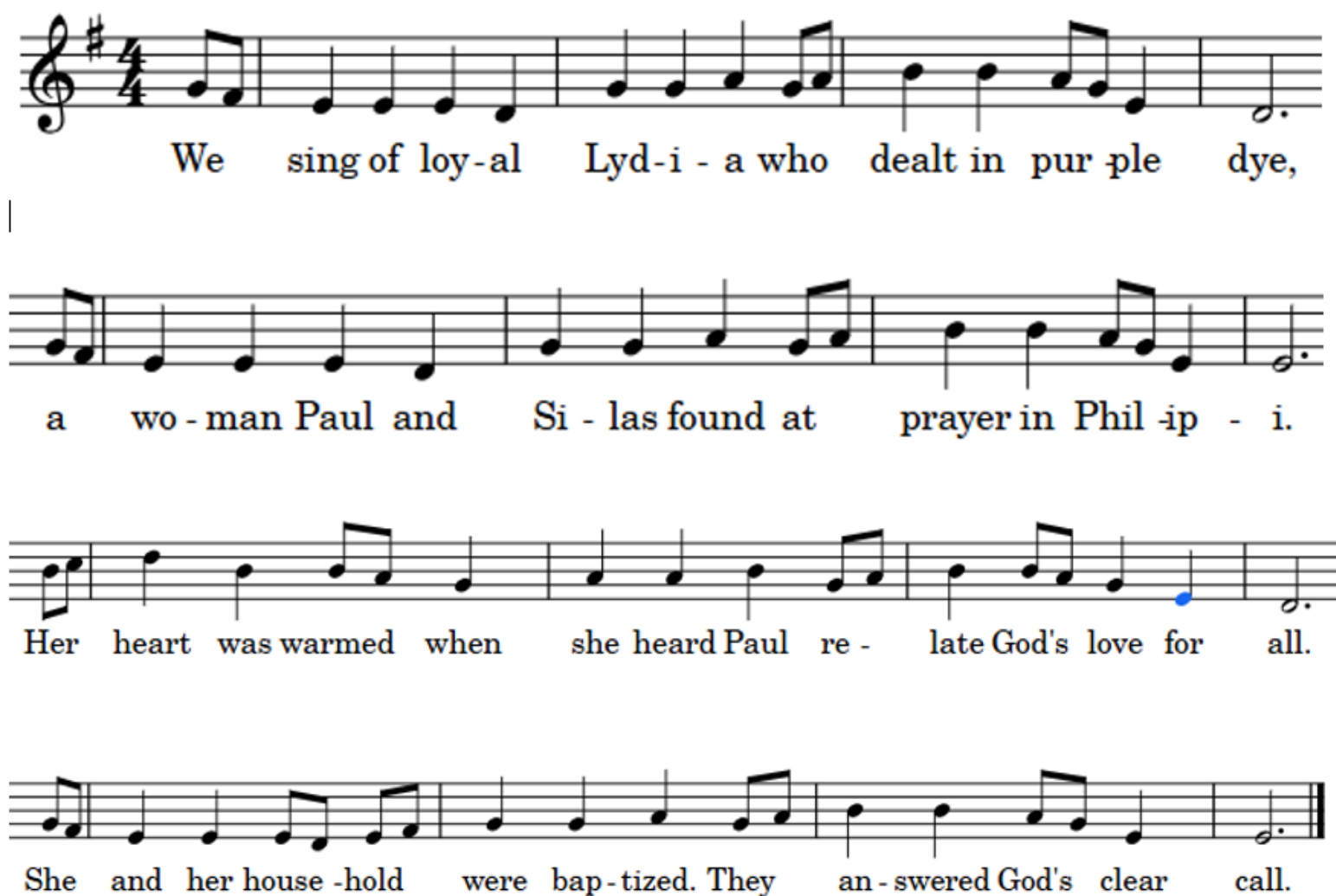
*(Sit)*

**Children’s Message**

**Sermon**

Rev. Dr. Carrie Carnes

*(Stand)*



We sing of loy-al Lyd-i - a who dealt in pur ple dye,  
a wo - man Paul and Si - las found at prayer in Phil - ip - i.  
Her heart was warmed when she heard Paul re - late God's love for all.  
She and her house - hold were bap - tized. They an - swered God's clear call.

## V.2

This widow tested culture's rules  
By opening her home  
To Paul and those who came to hear  
How they such faith could own  
When Paul and Silas were in jail,  
She suffered deep despair.  
Yet when the jailer was transformed,  
She knew God answered prayer.

## V.3

When her friends moved from Philippi,  
they left believers blessed.  
And Lydia helped the church to grow  
As they their faith confessed.  
May we today our witness share  
That other hearts be stirred.  
Let us take courage as we dare  
To daily live God's word.

## 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

God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the  
church, the world, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence.*

Unite your people with communities of faith throughout the world. Further  
cooperation between people of different faith traditions and bless our non-  
Christian neighbors, especially Temple Shalom, that we learn and grow in  
deeper relationship. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Strengthen our partner in the Southwest Conference, First Lutheran  
Church, Pastor Jamie Gallagher, its lay leaders and council, that Monmouth  
may be blessed through their ministry. Bless the work of Ammparo Migrant  
Ministry and all who receive its ministry. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Bless the earth with fresh water, clean air, and rich soil. Nurture growing  
crops and encourage communities developing sustainable farming practices.  
Help us to live in balance and harmony with your good creation. Hear us, O  
God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Reconcile nations and communities suffering from violence and conflict. Protect refugees, asylum-seekers, and all who flee their homes seeking safety and security. Make all nations safe for both migrants and residents. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Sustain all who are in need, especially individuals and families struggling with trauma or addiction. Support caregivers, especially nurses, doctors, counselors, and social workers. Come alongside all who are ill or struggling, especially Brenda, Norm, Linda, Jenna, Nate, Gavin, Lester, Marcella, Sandra, and Keith. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

This Memorial Day weekend, we remember all who have died in military service. Soothe loved ones who mourn, and strengthen support systems for veterans and their families. Bring peace among nations, that war and conflict around the world might cease. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We give you thanks for all your saints raised to new life in Christ, especially Sherryl. Gather us, with them, into the peace only you can give. 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.

We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

**Amen.**

## **Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*(you may offer each other a sign of peace)*

*(Sit)*

**+++MEAL+++**

**Offertory Music**

Peace I Give to You

Michael Larkin

*Sr. Choir*

*(Stand)*

## **Offering Prayer**

Risen One,  
you have gathered us around your table of grace  
along with these gifts we bring.

Come among us again,  
breathe your life into us,  
and enliven us with this meal,  
that we may live as your risen body in the world.  
**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 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:

## Holy, Holy, Holy

ELW (red), Setting 4, pg. 153

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy, living, and loving God,  
we praise you for creating the heavens and the earth.

We bless you for bringing Noah and his family through the waters of the flood,

for freeing your people Israel from the bonds of slavery,  
and for sending your Son to be our Redeemer.

We give you thanks for Jesus  
who, living among us,  
healed the sick,  
fed the hungry,  
and with a love stronger than death,  
gave his life for others.

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, therefore,  
his life-giving death and glorious resurrection,  
we await your promised life for all this dying world.

Breathe your Spirit on us and on this bread and cup:  
carry us in your arms from death to life,  
that we may live as your chosen ones,  
clothed in the righteousness of Christ.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,  
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,  
in your holy Church,  
both 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.**

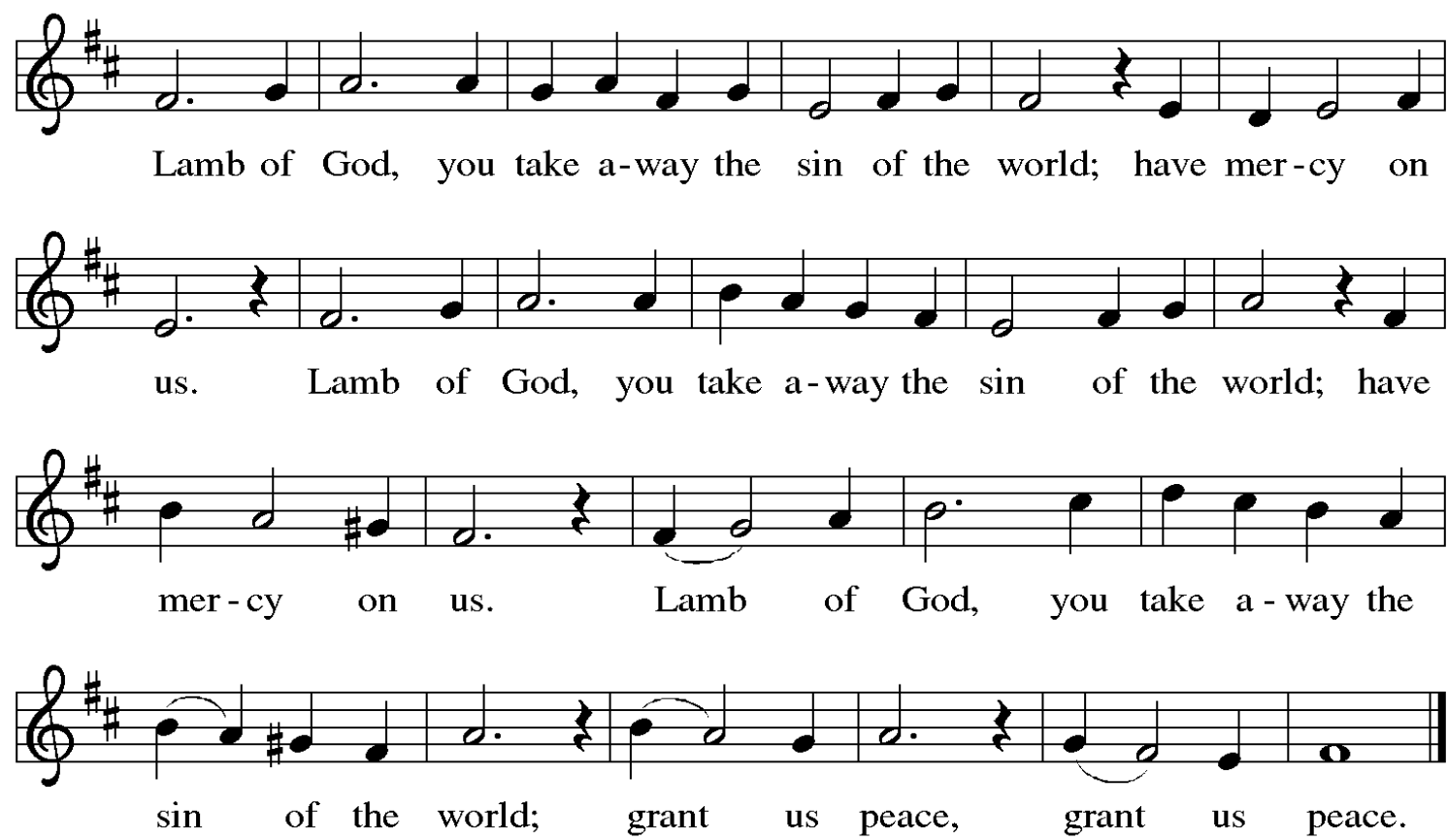
Invitation to Communion

Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life.  
*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 (red), Setting 4, pg. 154



Communion Music

Now We Join in Celebration

Johannes Brahms

Post Communion Hymn

Bread of Life From Heaven, ELW (red) #474

(Stand)

Prayer After Communion

Living One,  
in this feast you have made yourself known to us.  
Send us now to tell of your wonders,  
sing of your glory,  
and proclaim your risen life  
to a wounded and weary world.  
**Amen.**

+++SENDING+++

**Blessing**

The triune God,  
who was, who is, and who is to come,  
Sovereign, ✠ Savior, and Spirit,  
light your way with resurrection dawn,  
now and always.

**Amen.**

**Sending Hymn**

The Peace of the Lord, ELW (red) #646

**Dismissal**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Postlude**

Préambulae

Louis Vierne

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

**Worship Participants**

Audio: Hillary Hoffman

Video: Sarah Brakenbury

Ushers: Harold Watters, Dan Lindberg

Communion Setup: Janet Page

Assisting Minister: Isaac Triplett

Reader: Jennifer Robinson

Wine Servers: Janet Page, Bill Sime

Acolytes: Carol Brown

Closing Duties: Hillary Hoffman

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Carrie Carnes

Organist: Bette Mohr



## Announcements

**Coffee Fellowship** is immediately after service

**The Paschal Candle** is lit during the season of Easter to proclaim presence of the risen Christ among us. It will remain lit through Eastertide.

**We stand for the Prayers of the People** in unity with the risen Christ. Standing is a posture of resurrection, hope, and readiness as we join together to lift the concerns of the church and the world to God. While we shifted our practice much of the year for ease of the worshipping body, we resume the practice each Eastertide. If standing is difficult, please know that you are always free to remain seated as we lift our prayers together.

**We're creating a video montage of people reading our church's welcome statement** to be shared on the website and social media, and we'd love for you to be part of it! If you'd like to participate, please record yourself reading the statement slowly and clearly, allow for natural pauses between phrases to help with editing, and send your video to [pastor@trinitygalesburg.org](mailto:pastor@trinitygalesburg.org) by Tuesday, May 27<sup>th</sup>; I'll also be recording volunteers after worship this Sunday in the Chapel.

**Casa Day 1 Bag Donations** are being accepted throughout the month of May. The bags will be given to children being removed from their home on emergency basis. Our goal is to fill the bags with both basic necessities and comforting items, like blankets, toys, or coloring books. Please see the donation box in the Narthex to leave monetary donations.

**New & Improved Directories are available in the Narthex.** It was brought to our attention that several families were missing from the previous version. We apologize for the error and believe we have corrected the issue.

**We're getting ready for Vacation Bible School with First Presbyterian Church!**

To register, please visit [fpcgalesburg.com/VBS2025](http://fpcgalesburg.com/VBS2025) or scan this QR code.



**Prayer List:** If you or loved ones need prayers, please fill out the salmon-colored form located on the bulletin table in the Narthex, and return it to the Office mailbox or drop it in the offering plate.

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Prayer</u></b>
Brenda Patterson	Prayers for healing
The friends & family of Sherryl	Prayers for peace
Norm & Linda Tippey	Prayers for healing & recovery
Jenna Calloway	Prayers for wisdom & perseverance
Nate Calloway	Prayers for wisdom & perseverance
Gavin	Prayers for wisdom & perseverance
Lester Sr. & Marcella Johnson	Prayers for healing
Sandra Woods	Prayers for healing & recovery
Keith Majors	Prayers for healing & recovery

**This Week at Trinity**

Sun, May 25 <sup>th</sup>	10:30 am	Coffee Fellowship
Mon, May 26 <sup>th</sup>	All day	Church Office Closed
Tues, May 27 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	The Tie That Binds
Fri, May 29 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	Tidings Label/Seal
Sat, May 31 <sup>st</sup>	5:00 pm	<b>Grace</b> evening service

Rev. Dr. Carrie Carnes, Pastor, Out-of-office: Friday  
Cell phone: 618-803-8778  
Church Office: Phone 309-343-4191  
Hours 8:30 am – 12:30 pm, Monday-Friday  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 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

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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**

At Trinity Lutheran Church, we believe God's grace is extended to everyone. Members of Trinity Lutheran Church are freed by the Gospel to seek reconciliation and wholeness. We 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**

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.