



A Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church In America



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 15, 2022 - 10:00 AM



Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church

As disciples of Christ seeking peace and justice in the world, we welcome, affirm, and include all people into the fullness of God's love. We celebrate people of all races, cultures, ages, sexual orientations, gender identities, physical or mental abilities, socioeconomic statuses, appearances, family status and citizenship as equally loved and valued in the eyes of God and in this place. All are invited to join this community as we worship God, grow in faith, and strive to love and serve one another. All, without exception, are welcome in this place.

The Altar Flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God and in memory of their grandparents by Roy and Kay Cook.

The Altar Flowers in the Gym are given to the Glory of God by Bill and Sarah Weeks.

SERVING TODAY

Presiding Minister and Preaching

Susan Crowell

Assisting Minister

Rebekah Swygert Boatwright

Pianist and Choir Director

Jim Parham

Lectors

8:30

Lani Ludian

10:00

Andrew Weiner

Cantor

8:30

John Park

10:00

John Park

Prayers

8:30

David Nichols

10:00

Jaime Fivecoat

Greeters

8:30

Amanda Mast, Chris Mast, Jenna Mast, Kylee Mast
Penny Bostain, Sarah Weeks, Donice Winslow

10:00

Anne Fagala, Danny Fagala, Jesse Fagala, Madelyn Fagala
Mark Allen, Debbie Farstad, Terry Morgan, Sarah Weeks

Ushers

8:30

Mike Boliek, David Nichols
Karen Nichols, Bob Thompson

10:00

Kay Cook, Richard Delap,
Bonnie Farmer

Fellowship Hosts

Lani and Russ Wise

(after 10:00 am service)

Video

Henry Wilcox

Audio

Gregg Alley

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Stand

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, the fountain of living water,
the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

Amen.

Let us come into the light, the revealing and healing light of God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of grace and glory,

**you have brought us through the night of sin
into the light of Jesus' resurrection.**

Yet our lives are still shadowed by sin.

Make us alive in Christ, O God.

Make us new as you make all things new.

**Rescue us from evil and the gloom of sin,
renew us in grace, and restore us to living in your holiness,
through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.**

Rejoice with all creation around God's throne!

The light of the risen Christ puts to flight all evil deeds, washes away sin,
restores innocence to the fallen, casts out hate, obliterates shame, brings peace,
destroys injustice, and humbles earthly pride.

Jesus Christ loves you, loves all of you, and ✠ frees you from your sins.

To Christ be glory and dominion forever and ever!

Amen.

**Longing for light, we wait in shadows. Longing for
truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,
your holy people, light for the world to see.**

Refrain

***Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.***

**Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for
hope, many despair. Your word alone
has power to save us. Make us your living voice. *Refrain***

**Longing for food, many are hungry. Longing for
water, many still thirst. Make us your bread,
broken for others, shared until all are fed. *Refrain***

**Longing for shelter, many are homeless. Longing for
warmth, many are cold. Make us your building,
sheltering others, walls made of living stone. *Refrain***

**Many the gifts, many the people, many the
hearts that yearn to belong. Let us be servants
to one another, signs your kingdom come. *Refrain***

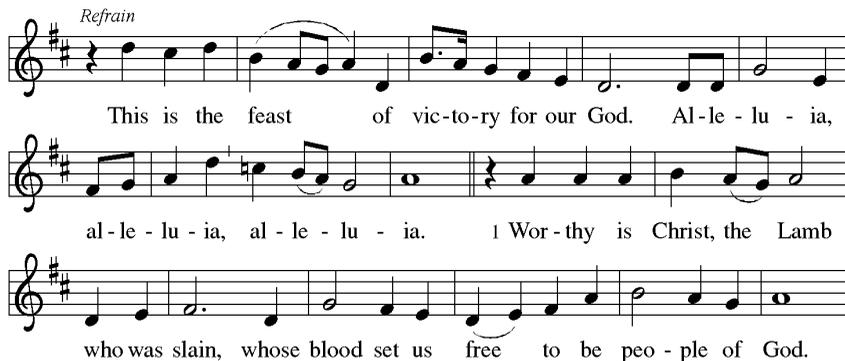
THE GREETING

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.

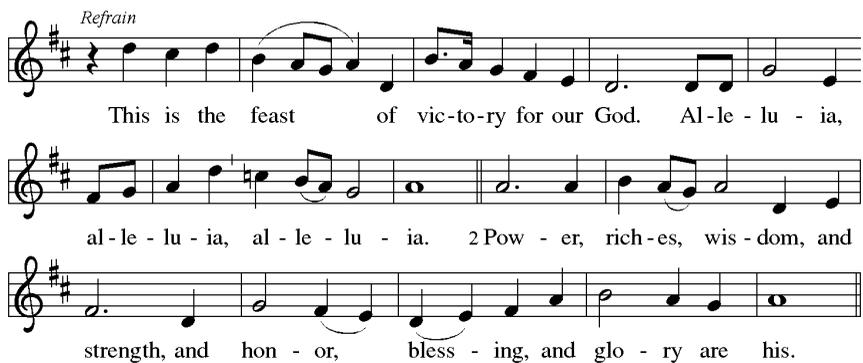
CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. I Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb
who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich-es, wis - dom, and
strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



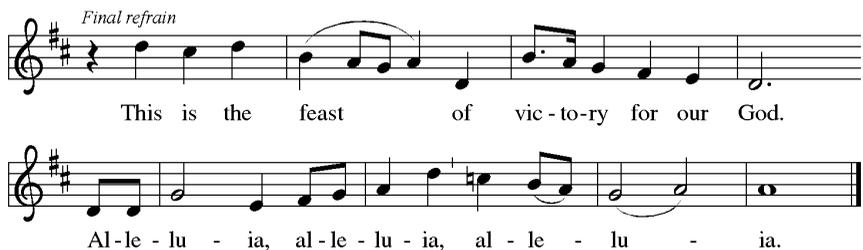
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of
God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon-or,
glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was
slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.
Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O Lord God, you teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing. Pour into our hearts your most excellent gift of love, that, made alive by your Spirit, we may know goodness and peace, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Please be seated

WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 11:1-18

A reading from Acts.

¹Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. ²So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, ³saying, “Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?” ⁴Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, ⁵“I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. ⁶As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. ⁷I also heard a voice saying to me, ‘Get up, Peter; kill and eat.’ ⁸But I replied, ‘By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.’ ⁹But a second time the voice answered from heaven, ‘What God has made clean, you must not call profane.’ ¹⁰This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. ¹¹At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. ¹²The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man’s house. ¹³He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, ‘Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; ¹⁴he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.’ ¹⁵And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. ¹⁶And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, ‘John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’ ¹⁷If then God gave them the same gift that God gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?” ¹⁸When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, “Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.”

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Revelation 21:1-6

A reading from Revelation

¹ Then I saw new heavens and a new earth. The former heavens and the former earth had passed away, and the sea existed no longer. ² I also saw a new Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down out of heaven from God, beautiful as a bride and groom on their wedding day. ³ And I heard a loud voice calling from the throne, "Look! God's Tabernacle is among humankind! God will live with them; they will be God's people, and God will be fully present among them. ⁴ The Most High will wipe away every tear from their eyes. And death, mourning, crying and pain will be no more, for the old order has fallen." ⁵ The One who sat on the throne said, "Look! I'm making everything new!" and added, "Write this, for what I am saying is trustworthy and true." ⁶ And that One continued, "It is finished. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To those who are thirsty I will give drink freely from the spring of the water of life.

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Stand as able

Seeds of Love and Kindness

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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.

GOSPEL

John 13:31-35

The Holy Gospel according to Saint John the thirteenth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³¹ Once Judas left, Jesus said, “Now is the Chosen One glorified and God is glorified as well. ³² If God has been glorified, God will in turn glorify the Chosen One and will do so very soon. ³³ My little children, I won’t be with you much longer. You’ll look for me, but what I said to the Temple authorities, I say to you: where I am going, you cannot come. ³⁴ I give you a new commandment: Love one another as I have loved you. ³⁵ This is how all will know that you are my disciples: that you truly love one another.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

Love One Another

Stand as able

**Christ is alive! Let Christians sing. The cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring. Love, drowned in death, shall never die.**

**Christ is alive! No longer bound to distant years in Palestine,
but saving, healing, here and now, and touching ev'ry place and time.**

**In ev'ry insult, rift, and war, where color, scorn, or wealth divide,
Christ suffers still, yet loves the more, and lives where even hope has died.**

**Women and men, in age and youth, can feel the Spirit, hear the call,
and find the way, the life, the truth, revealed in Jesus, freed for all.**

**Christ is alive, and comes to bring good news to this and ev'ry age,
till earth and sky and ocean ring with joy, with justice, love, and praise.**

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.

Loving God, lead us to follow your Spirit, rather than our own prejudices or desires, as the church cares for one another. Open our hearts to see your gifts in those we least expect. Continually renew our call to your service and passion for the mission of the gospel.

God, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Inspire us to praise you through the beauty and majesty of the world around us. Bring relief to those who suffer from seasonal allergies. Encourage each of us to see Christ in that which is often neglected or shunned, reminding us that you bless dandelions as you do roses and stray cats as you do beloved pets.

God, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Humble the rulers of nations before your powers. Open their eyes, hearts, and minds to the gift of peace. We continue to lift the people of Ukraine in prayer. Bring an end to the devastation. Turn leaders away from their desire to accumulate and hoard power.

God, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Bring renewal to the youth and children's ministries of this congregation. We trust in you to do a new thing. As we search for a leader, we ask you to send someone who is innovative in their execution of ministry, bold in their desire for inclusion, and overflowing with love for all your beloved children. Guide the imagination of this congregation as we use this time to lay the foundation for a ministry representative of your kingdom.

God, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Hasten to dwell among those who are in pain or distress. As Christ enters our deepest suffering, remain with any who experience despair or need. We pray especially for those we name now on our lips or silently in our hearts ... Bring healing, comfort, and love to your people.

God, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Place holy love at the center of our relationships and communities. By your love, heal us, convict us, and renew us. Bring an end to racism in our churches and communities. Bring an end to homophobia and transphobia, though it seems to hide in plain sight. Dare us to demand justice and equality for all people.

God, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Give us a place in the diverse company of your beloved saints. Teach us the value of each person's identity and bless us with a shared identity as your children, kindred of Christ.

God, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

All are encouraged to remain at your seats and extend a sign of peace by waving, bowing, making the peace sign, placing your hand over your heart, or sending a text.

Peace be with you.

Peace be with you.

Please be seated

MEAL

OFFERING

Were You There

African American folk hymn

John Park, soloist

Stand as able.

OFFERING HYMN

Thine Is the Glory

#376

(Verse 1)

**Thine is the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;
endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won!
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.**

**Thine is the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;
endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won!**

Let us pray. Living God,
**you gather the wolf and the lamb to feed together
in your peaceable reign,
and you welcome us all at your table.
Reach out to us through this meal,
and show us your wounded and risen body,
that we may be nourished and believe
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

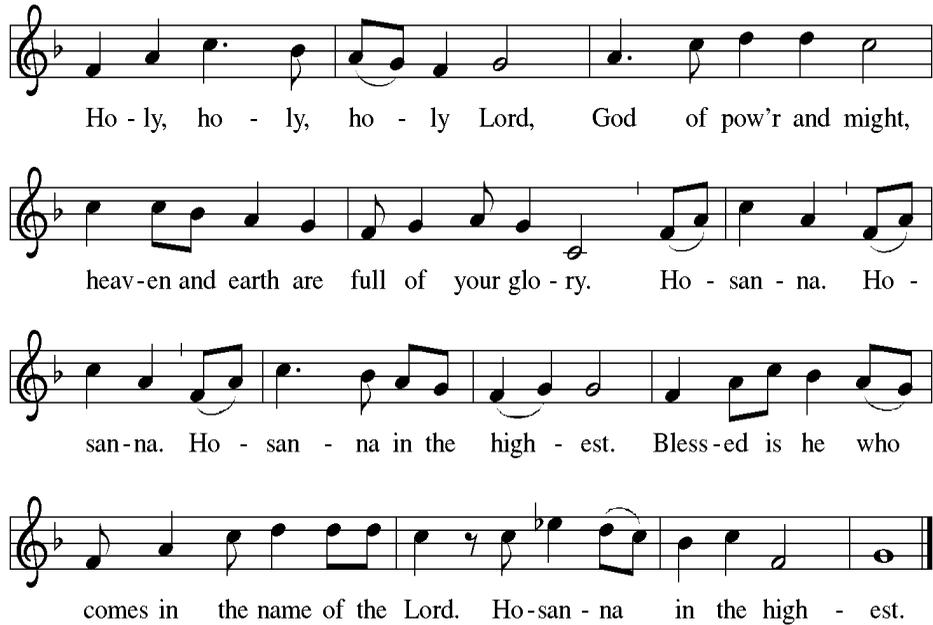
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

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,
through our Savior Jesus Christ.

You call your people to cleanse their hearts
and prepare with joy for the paschal feast,
that renewed in the gift of baptism,
we may come to the fullness of your grace.
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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 heav-en and earth are 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 in the high - est.

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 all people for the forgiveness of sin.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup
 we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection,
we await the day when Jesus shall return
to free all the earth from the bonds of slavery and death.
Come, Lord Jesus! And let the church say, Amen.

Amen.

Send your Holy Spirit, our advocate,
to fill the hearts of all who share this bread and cup
with courage and wisdom to pursue love and justice in all the world.
Come, Spirit of freedom! And let the church say, Amen.

Amen.

Join our prayers and praise with your prophets and martyrs of every age,
that, rejoicing in the hope of the resurrection,
we might live in the freedom and hope of your Son.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

Please be seated

COMMUNION

*Worshippers will come forward to receive the bread and
wine and then return to their seats to consume the elements.*

All, without exception, are welcome at the table of God's love and grace.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

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.

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

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Refrain

***Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,
show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.***

***Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet,
master who acts as a slave to them. Refrain***

***Neighbors are wealthy and poor, varied in color and race,
neighbors are nearby and far away. Refrain***

***These are the ones we will serve, these are the ones we will love;
all these are neighbors to us and you. Refrain***

***Kneel at the feet of our friends, silently washing their feet:
this is the way we will live with you. Refrain***

**Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known;
join in a song with sweet accord, join in a song with
sweet accord and thus surround the throne, and thus surround the throne.**

Refrain

***We're marching to Zion, beautiful, beautiful Zion:
we're marching upward to Zion, the beautiful city of God.***

**Let those refuse to sing who never knew our God;
but children of the heav'nly King, but children of the
heav'nly King may tell their joys abroad, may tell their joys abroad. *Refrain***

**The hill of Zion yields a thousand sacred sweets
before we reach the heav'nly fields, before we reach the
heav'nly fields, or walk the golden streets, or walk the golden streets. *Refrain***

**Then let our songs abound, and ev'ry tear be dry;
we're marching through Immanuel's ground, we're marching through
Immanuel's ground, to fairer worlds on high, to fairer worlds on high. *Refrain***

Stand as able

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Living God,
We give you thanks, generous God,
for in this bread and cup
we have tasted the new heaven and earth
where hunger and thirst are no more.
Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection,
that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name.
Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

God, the Author of life,
Christ, the living Cornerstone,
and the life-giving Spirit of adoption,
✠ bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Now all the Vault of Heaven Resounds

#367

**Now all the vault of heav'n resounds
in praise of love that still abounds,
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
Sing, choirs of angels loud and clear!
Repeat their song of glory here:
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

Thanks be to God.

*Everyone is invited to gather for refreshments and fellowship
in the back corner of the gym following the 10:00 am worship service.*

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