



LUTHERAN CHURCH 1909

A Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church In America



## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 16, 2023 - 10:00 AM - in the Sanctuary



### 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 are given to the Glory of God and in honor of their Anniversary by David and Donna Potts.

# SERVING TODAY

Presiding Minister	David Hill
Preaching	Jim Parham
Assisting Minister	Richard Moose
Organist and Choir Director	Jim Parham
Lector	Lindsay Hawkins
Cantor	John Park
Prayers	Jeff Rehm
Acolyte	Roger Brown
Greeters	Amanda Mast Chris Mast Jenna Mast Kylee Mast Linda Morgan Chris Sorenson
Ushers	Richard Delap Bonnie Farmer Calvin Harmon David Potts
Refreshment Hosts	Andrew and Joyce Weiner
Video	Henry Wilcox
Audio	Gregg Alley

# GATHERING

## PRELUDE

## WORDS OF WELCOME AND AFFIRMATION

*Please stand as able*

## 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, brings peace, and humbles earthly pride.

Jesus Christ loves you and ✠ frees you from your sins.

To him be glory and dominion forever and ever!

**Amen.**

**Christ is risen! Alleluia! Risen our victorious head!  
Sing his praises! Alleluia! Christ is risen from the dead!  
Gratefully our hearts adore him as his light once more appears;  
bowing down in joy before him, rising up from griefs and tears.**

*Refrain*

*Christ is risen! Alleluia! Risen our victorious head!  
Sing his praises! Alleluia! Christ is risen from the dead!*

**Christ is risen! All the sadness of our Lenten fast is o'er;  
through the open gates of gladness he returns to life once more;  
death and hell before him bending see him rise, the victor now,  
angels on his steps attending, glory round his wounded brow. *Refrain***

**Christ is risen! All the sorrow that last evening round him lay  
now has found a glorious morrow in the rising of today.  
See the grave its first-fruits giving, springing up from holy ground;  
Christ was dead, but now is living; he was lost, but he is found. *Refrain***

**Christ is risen! Hence-forth never death or hell shall us enthrall.  
We are Christ's, in him forever we have triumphed over all.  
All the doubting and dejection of our trembling hearts have ceased;  
hail the day of resurrection! Let us rise and keep the feast. *Refrain***

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.

All



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



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

## *Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. 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 and hon - or and glo - ry and



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

## *Final refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Please be seated*

## WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 2:14. 22-32

A reading from Acts.

<sup>14</sup>Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, <sup>22</sup>“You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know—<sup>23</sup>this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. <sup>24</sup>But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. <sup>25</sup>For David says concerning him, ‘I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; <sup>26</sup>therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope. <sup>27</sup>For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. <sup>28</sup>You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’ <sup>29</sup>“Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. <sup>30</sup>Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. <sup>31</sup>Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, ‘He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.’ <sup>32</sup>This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.”

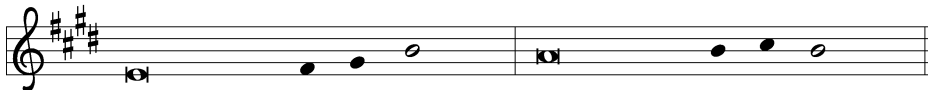
The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

Psalm  
 Refrain



Psalm  
 Tone



- <sup>1</sup>Protect me, O God, for I take ref- | uge in you;  
 I have said to the LORD, “You are my Lord, my good a- | bove all other.”
- <sup>2</sup>**All my delight is in the godly that are | in the land,  
 upon those who are noble a- | mong the people.**
- <sup>3</sup>But those who run after | other gods  
 shall have their troubles | multiplied.
- <sup>4</sup>**I will not pour out drink offerings | to such gods,  
 never take their names up- | on my lips. R**
- <sup>5</sup>O LORD, you are my portion | and my cup;  
 it is you who up- | hold my lot.
- <sup>6</sup>**My boundaries enclose a | pleasant land;  
 indeed, I have a | rich inheritance.**
- <sup>7</sup>I will bless the LORD who | gives me counsel;  
 my heart teaches me night | after night.
- <sup>8</sup>**I have set the LORD al- | ways before me;  
 because God is at my right hand, I shall | not be shaken. R**
- <sup>9</sup>My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spir- | it rejoices;  
 my body also shall | rest in hope.
- <sup>10</sup>**For you will not abandon me | to the grave,  
 nor let your holy one | see the pit.**
- <sup>11</sup>You will show me the | path of life;  
 in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for- |  
 evermore. **R**

A reading from first Peter.

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be God of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in great mercy has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup>and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup>who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup>In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, <sup>7</sup>so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. <sup>8</sup>Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, <sup>9</sup>for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

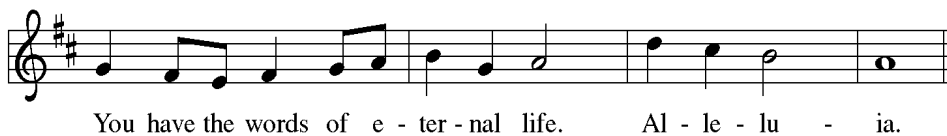
Pastor Parham

*Please stand as able*

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.



The Holy Gospel according to Saint John the twentieth chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>19</sup>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 temple authorities, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>20</sup>After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Abba God has sent me, so I send you." <sup>22</sup>When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." <sup>24</sup>But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>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." <sup>26</sup>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." <sup>27</sup>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." <sup>28</sup>Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" <sup>29</sup>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." <sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup>But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Only Begotten One, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated*

SERMON

Pastor Parham

*Please stand as able*

**The risen Christ, who walks on wounded feet  
from garden tomb through darkened city street,  
unlocks the door of grief, despair, and fear,  
and speaks a word of peace to all who hear.**

**The risen Christ, who stands with wounded side,  
breathes out his Spirit on them to abide  
whose faith still wavers, who dare not believe;  
new grace, new strength, new purpose they receive.**

**The risen Christ, who breaks with wounded hand  
the bread for those who fail to understand,  
reveals himself, despite their ling'ring tears,  
enflames their hearts, then quickly disappears.**

**May we Christ's body, walk and serve and stand  
with those oppressed in this and every land,  
till all are blessed and can a blessing be,  
restored in Christ to true humanity.**

## APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**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

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 rebirth, the good news of your resurrection brings refreshment to a weary world. Following the women at the tomb, empower us to boldly share your radical love through our words and our work. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

As you breathed your Spirit into the disciples, breathe your spirit of healing upon all creation. Nourish the earth with sufficient rains. Strengthen us to counter the effects of pollution and destruction. Bring renewal to lands human development has harmed. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

You prepared the disciples for their ministry by calming their fears and granting them your peace. Equip our communities' leaders to work for equity and inclusion. Give them a spirit of peace and hearts that burn for justice, that their leadership reflects your love. Protect those currently being harmed by local and national leadership, especially women, the LGBTQIA+ community, and those suffering from hunger and homelessness. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

You come among us in unexpected ways. Send us to those who hide in fear or question your love. Be a healing presence for any isolated by addiction, incarceration, mental illness, chronic pain, sickness, or grief. We pray especially for those we name now on our lips or silently in our hearts ... Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

As you met the disciples on the road to Emmaus, show us your presence along our journeys. Bless our doubts and questions. Provide trusting and safe relationships for all ages, to nurture our connection to you and one another. Clear new paths when we don't see a way. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Resurrecting God, you bring us to new life every day. Thank you for blessing us with companions on our faith journey, especially those who now rest in your love. Strengthen us with the eternal peace of your promises. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

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 is with you always.

**And also with you.**

*Please share with one another a sign of Christ's peace.*

*Please be seated*

MEAL

OFFERING

*O Sons and Daughters*  
Setting by John W. Becker

Adult Choir

*Please stand as able*

OFFERING HYMN

*Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!*  
(verses 1 and 3)

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**Good Christian friends, rejoice and sing! Now is the triumph  
of our king! To all the world glad news we bring:  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**Praise we in songs of victory that love, that life which  
cannot die, and sing with hearts uplifted high:  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

Let us pray, 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 is with you.

**And also with you.**

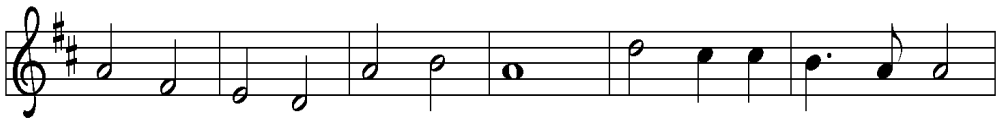
Lift up your hearts.

**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:



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.

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.**

## THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God!**

*Please be seated*

## COMMUNION

*All, without exception, are welcome at the table of God's grace and love. Anyone preferring not to receive the wine may receive only the bread, completely trusting that the full benefit of communion — Christ's grace and forgiveness — may be found in either the bread or wine.*

*Worshippers are invited to come to the Altar— kneeling as able— receive a wafer and a small cup of wine.*

## 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, grant us peace.

**Alleluia! Sing to Jesus; his the scepter,  
his the throne; Alleluia! his the triumph, his the  
victory alone. Hark! The songs of peaceful  
Zion thunder like a mighty flood: "Jesus  
our of ev'ry nation has redeemed us by his blood."**

**Alleluia! Not as orphans are we left in  
sorrow now; Alleluia! he is near us; faith believes,  
nor questions how. Though the cloud from sight received  
him when the forty days were o'er, shall our  
hearts forget his promise: "I am with you evermore"?**

**Alleluia! Bread of heaven, here on earth our  
food our stay; Alleluia! here the sinful flee to  
you from day to day. Intercessor, friend of  
sinners, earth's redeemer, hear our plea where the  
songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.**

**Alleluia! King eternal, Lord omnipotent  
we own; Alleluia! born of Mary, earth your  
footstool heav'n your throne. As within the veil you  
entered, robed in flesh, our great high priest, here on  
earth both priest and victim in the eucharistic feast.**

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his the throne; Alleluia! his the triumph, his the  
victory alone. Hark! The songs of peaceful  
Zion thunder like a mighty flood: "Jesus  
out of ev'ry nation has redeemed us by his blood."**



Choir Anthem

The choir and cantor will lead this hymn.  
The congregation is invited to sing the responses.

PRAISE, THANKSGIVING

# We Have Seen the Lord

*Nimemwona Bwana*

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Leader

*Ni - me - mwo - na Bwa - na.*  
We have seen the Lord.

*Ni - me - mwo' - na*  
God is might - y,  
God is low - ly,  
God is gra - cious,

Assembly

*Ni - me - mwo - na Bwa - na.*  
We have seen the Lord.

*Ni - me - mwo - na Bwa - na.*  
God is pow - er - ful.  
God is mer - ci - ful.  
God is won - der - ful.

*Ni - me - mwo - na Bwa - na.*  
We have seen the Lord.

*Ni - me - mwo - na Bwa - na.*  
We have seen the

*Ni - me - mwo - na Bwa - na.*  
We have seen the Lord.

*na, a - na - pe - nde - za.*  
Lord, God with us, Je - sus Christ.

*Please stand as able*

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

**Amen.**

#### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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.**

**Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna! Celebrate this day of days!  
 Christ is risen! Hush in wonder: all creation is amazed.  
 In the dessert all surrounding, see, a spreading tree has grown.  
 Healing leaves of grace abounding bring a taste of love unknown.**

**Christ is risen! Raise your spirits from the caverns of despair.  
 Walk with gladness in the morning. See what love can do and dare.  
 Drink the wine of resurrection, not a servant, but a friend.  
 Jesus is our strong companion. Joy and peace shall never end.**

**Christ is risen! Earth and heaven never more shall be the same.  
 Break the bread of new creation where the world is still in pain.  
 Tell its grim, demonic chorus: "Christ is risen! Get you gone!"  
 God the First and Last is with us. Sing Hosanna, ev'ryone!**

## DISMISSAL

You are the body of Christ raised up for the world.  
 Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

*Everyone is invited to gather on the front lawn  
 following worship for refreshments and fellowship.*

*The Risen Christ*

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