



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

A congregation of the ELCA



Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 28, 2024

In-the-Sanctuary and Livestreamed Worship

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WELCOME, ADULTS AND CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

Thank you for worshipping with Trinity Lutheran today! Blessings to you and your family. Special welcome to visitors and guests. It is good to worship together. Please consider introducing yourself to a reasonably friendly face or two, as humans need the company of others and seek to connect.

Today is the Fifth Sunday of Easter. The liturgical color is white.

A few notes on the service today—

- *This Sunday’s image of how the risen Christ shares his life with us is the image of the vine. Christ the vine and we the branches are alive in each other, in the mystery of mutual abiding described in the gospel. Baptism makes us a part of Christ’s living and life-giving self and makes us alive with Christ’s life. As the vine brings food to the branches, Christ feeds us at his table. We are sent out to bear fruit for the life of the world. We are to reach out, branch out, and grow in Christ.*
- *Most of the service is printed in your bulletin. Please participate as you are able. The **bold** print within this bulletin indicates “**all read**”. This bulletin is produced in fairly large print so all can participate fully.*
- *Hearing assist devices are available upon request. See the techs in our tech room by 8:45am, please.*
- *Asterisk (*) indicates all stand if you are comfortable participating in this way. You are welcome to be seated for the entire service, or to stand for select opportunities as marked with the asterisk.*
- *Children of all ages are always welcome to worship with Trinity. There are bulletins for children, too.*
- *If you or a loved one is struggling with depression or other emotional issues, there is help. Contact the Central Minnesota Mental Health Clinic here in Monticello; 1.800.635.8008 or 320.253.5555.*
- *All are invited to enjoy conversation, coffee, and treats in the fellowship hall after worship.*
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TODAY’S WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

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| Preacher | Pastor Amy Chalupnik |
| Pianist | Harry Walsh |
| Scripture Reader | Deb Domke |
| Worship Tech | Jason Chalupnik |
| Asst. Tech | Larry Kounkel |
| Ushers | Preston & Amber Crusier |
| | Judy Harn, Kim Kjellberg |
| Greeter | Bev Ubl |

WELCOME

*OPENING SONG

Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!

ELW 377 v. 1,3,5



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en!
 2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter
 3 Je - sus the vine, we are the branch - es;
 4 Weep - ing, be gone; sor - row, be si - lent:
 5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er,



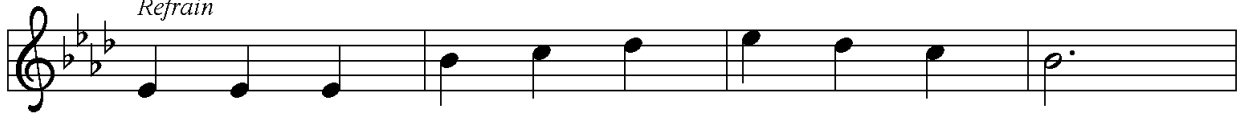
Trum - pets re - sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light!
 tell - ing the sto - ry to o - pen our eyes;
 life in the Spir - it the fruit of the tree;
 death put a - sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright.
 gold - en Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb,



Splen - dor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er!
 break - ing our bread, giv - ing us glo - ry:
 heav - en to earth, Christ to the peo - ple,
 Cher - u - bim sing: O grave, be o - pen!
 riv - er of life, saints and arch - an - gels,



Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!
 Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.
 gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.
 Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.
 sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!

Refrain

Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise.



Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

***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.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray.

O God, you give us your Son as the vine, apart from whom we cannot live. Nourish our life in his resurrection, that we may bear the fruit of love and know the fullness of your joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 8:26-40

²⁶An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) ²⁷So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship ²⁸and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." ³⁰So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" ³¹He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. ³²Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth.

³³In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth."

³⁴The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" ³⁵Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. ³⁶As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" ³⁸He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. ³⁹When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. ⁴⁰But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia

Setting Ten



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

*GOSPEL John 15:1-8

The holy gospel according to John.

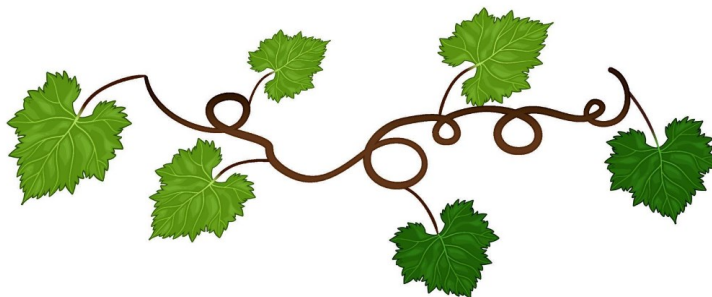
Glory to you, O Lord.

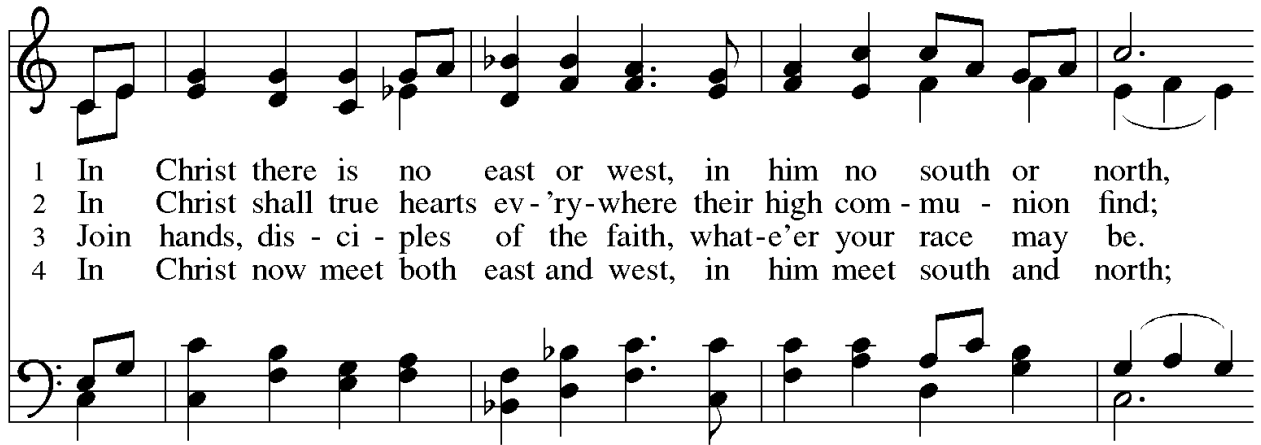
[Jesus said:] ¹"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. ²He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. ³You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. ⁵I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

The gospel of the Lord.

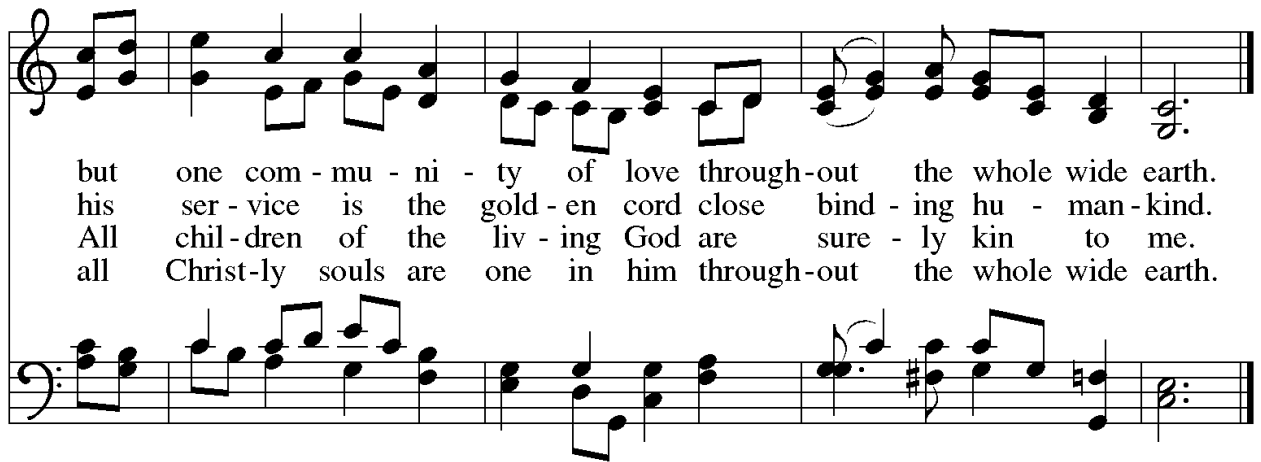
Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE





1 In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north,
2 In Christ shall true hearts ev-'ry-where their high com - mu - nion find;
3 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what-e'er your race may be.
4 In Christ now meet both east and west, in him meet south and north;



but one com - mu - ni - ty of love through-out the whole wide earth.
his ser - vice is the gold - en cord close bind - ing hu - man - kind.
All chil - dren of the liv - ing God are sure - ly kin to me.
all Christ - ly souls are one in him through-out the whole wide earth.

Text: John Oxenham, 1852–1941, alt.
Music: MCKEE, African American spiritual; adapt. Harry T. Burleigh, 1866–1949

***PRAYERS**

After each petition...

God of grace, hear our prayer.

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.

OFFERING and MUSICAL OFFERING

I said "Yes" to Jesus

Harry Walsh, pianist

Harry Walsh, composer

Lynn Netifee, soloist

Let us give thanks to Christ with our offerings!

Tithes and Offerings may be placed in the offering plates passed by the ushers.

Other ways to give:

- Mail to Trinity Lutheran Church P.O. Box 776 Monticello, MN 55362
- Give online through the Trinity website—go to www.tlcmonticello.org and click the link for “Online Giving (onetime or weekly giving from bank acct)”
- Use your smartphone and take a pic of QRC code — one-time gift from your bank account



OFFERING PRAYER

Raising God, you invite us to believe and to bear fruit. May the gifts we offer here be signs of your abiding goodness, and may they be used for your work in our church and in our world. Through Jesus Christ, our true vine.

Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*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.

*CLOSING SONG

Let All Things Now Living (see page 8)

ELW 881

*DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Harry Walsh



1 Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks - giv - ing to
2 God rules all the forc - es: the stars in their cours-es and



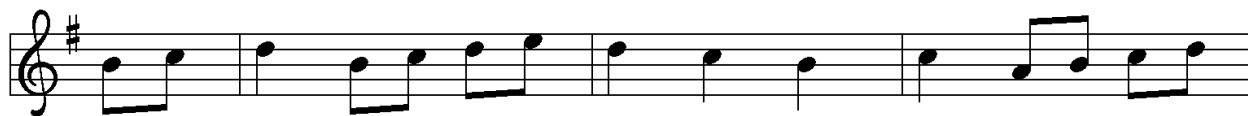
God the cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise,
sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine;



who fash - ioned and made us, pro - tect - ed and stayed us, who
the hills and the moun - tains, the riv - ers and foun - tains, the



still guides us on to the end of our days.
deeps of the o - cean pro - claim God di - vine.



God's ban - ners are o'er us, God's light goes be -
We too should be voic - ing our love and re -



fore us, a pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night,
joic - ing; with glad ad - o - ra - tion a song let us raise

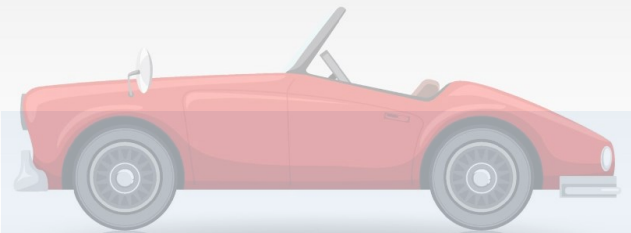


till shad - ows have van - ished and dark - ness is ban - ished, as
till all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks - giv - ing: "To



for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!"

Text: Katherine K. Davis, 1892-1980, alt.
Music: THE ASH GROVE, Welsh folk tune
Text © 1939, 1966 E. C. Schirmer Music Company.



Rides Needed in Monticello to Trinity!

Amy Klatt is reaching out on behalf of a friend for a ride for her grandmother on Sunday mornings to services at Trinity from St. Ben's in Monticello.

Please let the office know if this is a ministry you would like to be involved in. There are others with the same needs now and then. 763.295.2092

It is an easy and rewarding ministry for those who have not found an area to volunteer in yet.



National Lutheran Choir Spring Concert



The National Lutheran Choir spring concert, "New Day," will feature the Midwest premiere of Minnesota Composer Jocelyn Hagen's acclaimed work, "Here I Am," performed with chamber orchestra, members of the nationally recognized Angelica Cantanti Youth Choirs -- Treble Singers under the direction of Philip Brown, and the Grammy Award-winning soprano soloist, Sarah Brailey

Sunday, April 28; 4:00 p.m.
St. Andrew's Lutheran Church
900 Stillwater Road, Mahtomedi

TODAY AT 4:00pm

Wine, Women, and Song*

For the young-ish ladies. 4th Tuesday/month.

Next one: **May 28, 2024 at 6:45pm** at Nordic

*wine & beer not provided nor required; singing not expected.
Food & beverage available for purchase.*



Bros and Brews*

For the young-ish men.

3rd Thursday of the month.

Next one: **May 16, 2024 at 7:15pm** at Nordic

For where two or three are gathered— Christ is there

Rebecca Circle—

Wednesday, May 15 at 1:30pm

Come for Bible study, fellowship and dessert each third Wednesday of each month in our church library.

Contact Linda Anderson 763.295.4880

Ruth Circle—

Thursday, May 16 at 9:30am
(off-site)

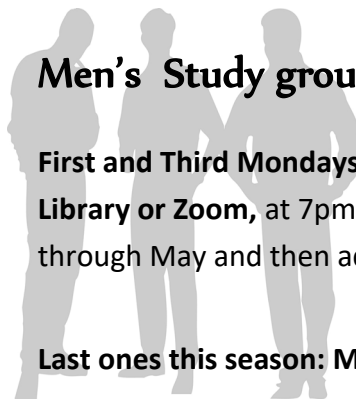
Come for our Bible study, fellowship and coffee the third Thursday of each month. May meeting will be at Jeanne Pettit's. Contact Marilyn at 763.354.9783 for information.



Men's Study group

First and Third Mondays of the Month in the Library or Zoom, at 7pm. Our group will meet through May and then adjourn for the summer.

Last ones this season: May 6 and May 20



In our Thoughts and Prayers

- Dick Bakke
- Ellen Bjornlie
- Cole & Kathy Brooks
- Colleen Commerford
- Chuck Ebert
- Erv & Mary Ehrmann
- Rebecca Florek
- Diane Frencl
- Mary & Alec Gray
- Lance Gubrub
- Cole Harn
- Judy Harn
- Jerry Harn
- Penny Hounshell
- Family of Gordy Jacobson
- Tammi Johnson
- Jim & Shirley Kalway
- Doug Klersy
- Kathy Knudson
- Barbara Koosman
- Larry & Mary Kounkel
- Marcy Malone
- Family of Bruce McNickle
- Family of Dan Mielke
- Bonnie Nelson
- Linda Nelson
- Cindy Neuwirth
- Ki Orre
- Shawn Picht
- John Peterson
- Brad Ray
- Kathy Ray
- Steve & Linda Ray
- Helen Rettman
- Kim Rose
- Dan & Kathleen Selken
- Steve & Mary Swenson
- Family of Barb Thorpe
- Selma Tuenge
- Family of Philip White
- Sue Yeazle



This Week at Trinity

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| SUNDAY 4/28 | 9:00am | Worship Service |
| | 10:00am | Coffee Social & Sunday School |
| | 4:00pm | National Lutheran Choir at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church |
| TUESDAY 4/30 | 10:00am | Bible Study - Library |
| SUNDAY 5/5 | 9:00am | Worship Service |
| | 10:00am | Coffee Social & Sunday School |



RIVERFEST
Parade
 COUNTRY
 WESTERN
 THEMED
 PARADE

1st place float receives prime location in next year's line-up. So "round up" your best ideas!

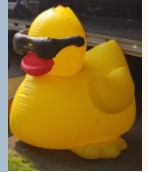


High Noon, Sunday, July 14, 2024

Walking Volunteers Needed

Trinity joins in Monticello's Riverfest with gusto. Decorating, planning, throwing candy are all part of the fun. Wear your favorite Western shirt, put on your boots and grab your hat!

The ducks are coming!



Art IN THE PARK
 Saturday July 13, 2024
 Ellison Park
 811 E. River Street, Monticello, MN
 On the banks of the Mississippi River



Would you like to tap into available dollars and help out your church?

We have re-discovered a terrific funding opportunity: **Thrivent Action Teams.**

Individual Thrivent members can apply for these \$250 grants for projects that are educational or service activities. Many of the social ministry activities here at TLC fall into these categories and could be enhanced with the financial help of Thrivent. Please speak to Pastor Amy or Susan Solli if you are a member and would be interested in exploring this opportunity.

Are you a Thrivent member?

<https://www.thrivent.com/about-us/membership/Thrivent-action-teams>

Walk & Roll, Power of Produce Kids' Club, Pride Fest, Parade floats, Salad Luncheon, and other community out-reaches have been partially funded by our Thrivent Members signing up for grants! Join us in reaching our community.

WALK & ROLL
 SATURDAY
 JUNE 8
 9 - 12 PM
PRIZE DRAWING AT 11 A.M. COMMUNITY CENTER LOT!

Walk & Roll with Trinity

We will be greeting the walkers & rollers at our booth, under our new canopy, Saturday, June 8 from 9:00am to noon.

This year's route begins at the Monticello Community Center (MCC), travels along Walnut to 3rd Street, before looping back to the MCC.

Volunteers are needed to staff our booth!

It is fun and easy for all ages. Bring a lawn chair, sunscreen, and a smile.

