

# Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

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## Fourth Sunday of Easter

The image of the good shepherd shows us how the risen Christ brings us to life. It is the relationship between the shepherd and the sheep, one of mutual knowledge and love, that gives the shepherd authority. The shepherd's willingness to lay down his life for the sheep shows his love. First John illustrates what it means to lay down our lives for one another by the example of sharing our wealth with any sibling in need.

# Service of Word and Sacrament

*In the bulletin: The asterisk (\*) invites you to stand as you are able.*

*Boldface type indicates the congregation's responses. At the sign of the cross (✠), you are invited to make that same sign upon yourself in remembrance of your baptism.*

## ✠ GATHERING ✠

### Welcome and Announcements

#### Prelude

*Sheep May Safely Graze*

J. S. Bach arr. Noel Rawsthorne

#### \*Greeting

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

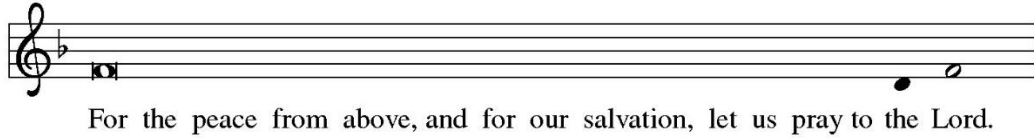
Blessed be the holy ✠ Trinity, one God,  
the wellspring of grace,  
our Easter and our joy.

**Amen.**

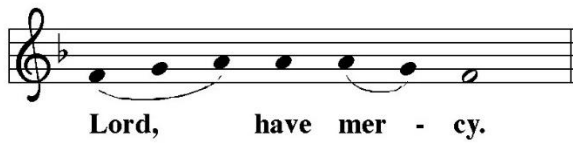
**\*Kyrie**



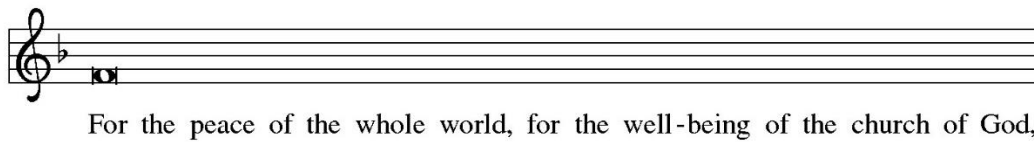
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



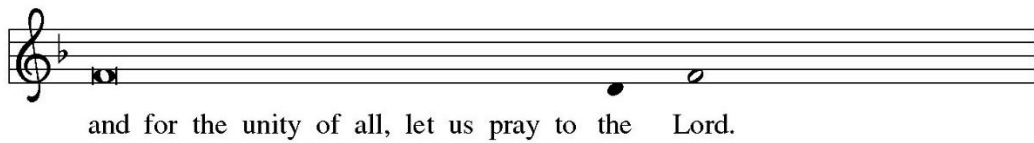
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



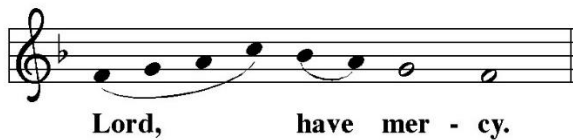
Lord, have mer - cy.



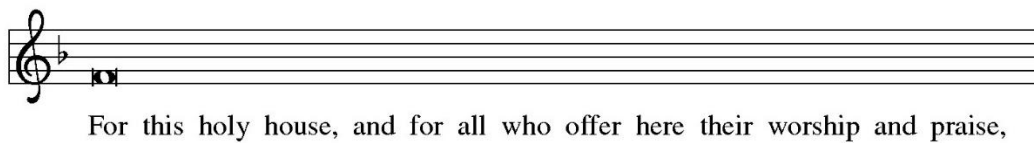
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



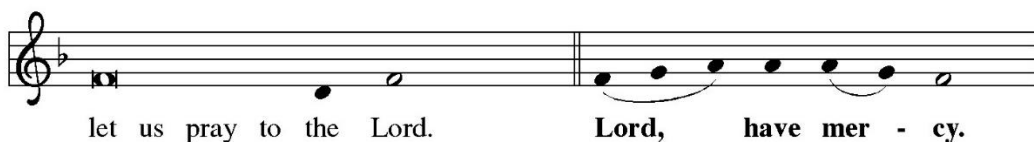
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



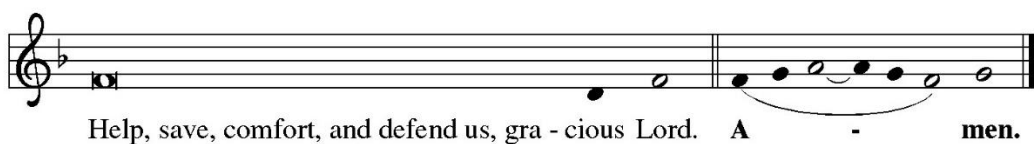
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

## **\*Thanksgiving for Baptism**

Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism,  
the water of new life.

*Water is poured into the font.*

We thank you, risen Christ,  
for these waters where you make us new,  
leading us from death to life, from tears to joy.

We bless you, risen Christ,  
that your Spirit comes to us  
in the grace-filled waters of rebirth  
like rains to our thirsting earth,  
like streams that revive our souls,  
like cups of cool water shared with strangers.

Breathe your peace on your church when we hide in fear.  
Clothe us with your mercy and forgiveness.  
Send us companions on our journey as we share your life.

Make us one, risen Christ.  
Cleanse our hearts.  
Shower us with life.

To you be given all praise,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God,  
now and forever.

**Amen.**

\*Gathering Hymn No. 789 *Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us*

1 Sav - ior like a shep - herd lead us; much we need your ten - der care.  
 2 We are yours; in love be - friend us, be the guard - ian of our way;  
 3 You have prom - ised to re - ceive us, poor and sin - ful though we be;  
 4 Ear - ly let us seek your fa - vor, ear - ly let us do your will;

In your pleas - ant pas - tures feed us, for our use your fold pre - pare.  
 keep your flock, from sin de - fend us, seek us when we go a - stray.  
 you have mer - cy to re - lieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.  
 bless - ed Lord and on - ly Sav - ior, with your love our spir - its fill.

Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have bought us; we are yours.  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, hear us chil - dren when we pray.  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to you.  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have loved us, love us still.

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Text: attr. Dorothy A. Thrupp, 1779-1847  
 Music: BRADBURY, William B. Bradbury, 1816-1868

**\*Prayer of the Day**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

We are your people, O God –

the sheep of your pasture,

the flock you have gathered.

Lead us beside still waters;

teach us the way of righteousness;

and feed us at your table;

through Jesus Christ,

our good shepherd.

**Amen.**

\*Hymn of Praise

*This Is the Feast*

*Refrain*

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

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 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.

## ✠ WORD ✠

### **First Reading:** Acts 4:5-12

*Peter and John had been arrested the previous day because they were proclaiming the news of the resurrection to the people. In today's reading, Peter is filled with the Holy Spirit so that he can proclaim salvation in Jesus' name to the religious authorities.*

A reading from Acts.

<sup>5</sup>The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, <sup>6</sup>with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. <sup>7</sup>When they had made the prisoners Peter and John stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" <sup>8</sup>Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, <sup>9</sup>if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, <sup>10</sup>let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. <sup>11</sup>This Jesus is 'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.'

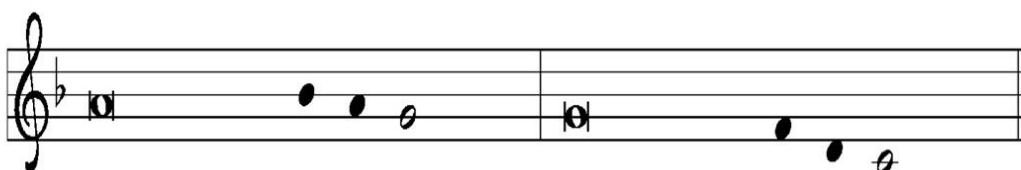


<sup>12</sup>There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 23



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### **PSALM: 23:1-6**

<sup>1</sup>The LORD<sup>1</sup> is my shepherd;  
I shall not<sup>1</sup> be in want.

<sup>2</sup>**The LORD makes me lie down<sup>1</sup> in green pastures  
and leads me be-<sup>1</sup> side still waters.**

<sup>3</sup>You restore my<sup>1</sup> soul, O LORD,  
and guide me along right pathways<sup>1</sup> for your name's sake.

<sup>4</sup>**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall<sup>1</sup> fear no  
evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they<sup>1</sup> comfort me.**

<sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me in the presence<sup>1</sup> of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is<sup>1</sup> running over.

<sup>6</sup>**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days<sup>1</sup> of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the<sup>1</sup> LORD forever.**

**Second Reading: 1 John 3:16-24**

*Jesus' death on our behalf is the clearest demonstration of divine love. This is the very love we share with others, not just through our words but especially through our deeds. In sharing such love, we fulfill God's commandments.*

A reading from 1 John.

<sup>16</sup>We know love by this, that Jesus Christ laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. <sup>17</sup>How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

<sup>18</sup>Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. <sup>19</sup>And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before God <sup>20</sup>whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and God knows everything. <sup>21</sup>Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; <sup>22</sup>and we receive from God whatever we ask, because we obey the commandments and do what pleases God.

<sup>23</sup>And this is God's commandment, that we should believe in the name of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, and love one another, just as Jesus has commanded us. <sup>24</sup>All who obey God's commandments abide in God, and God abides in them. And by this we know that God abides in us, by the Spirit that God has given us.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

**\*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 10:11-18**

*In language that recalls the twenty-third psalm, Jesus describes himself as the shepherd who cares for his sheep. He is willing to die for them, and he is able to overcome death for them.*

The Holy Gospel according to John the 10<sup>th</sup> chapter.

### **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. <sup>2</sup>The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. <sup>3</sup>The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. <sup>4</sup>When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. <sup>5</sup>They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." <sup>6</sup>Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

<sup>7</sup>So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. <sup>8</sup>All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. <sup>9</sup>I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. <sup>10</sup>The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

<sup>14</sup>I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, <sup>15</sup>just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. <sup>16</sup>I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. <sup>17</sup>For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. <sup>18</sup>No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

The Gospel of the Lord.

### **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **Prayer for Understanding**

Lord God, good shepherd,  
by the leading of your Spirit,  
help us to listen for your voice  
and follow in your paths  
all the days of our lives;  
in Jesus' name.

**Amen.**

**Message**

Pastor Becki Verbridge

\*Hymn of the Day No. 502 *The King of Love My Shepherd Is*

1 The King of love my shep - herd is, whose good - ness  
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my ran - somed  
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but yet in  
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear

fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if  
 soul he lead - eth and, where the ver - dant  
 love he sought me, and on his shoul - der  
 Lord, be - side me, thy rod and staff my

I am his and he is mine for - ev - er.  
 pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.  
 gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.  
 com - fort still; thy cross be - fore to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;  
 thine unction grace bestoweth;  
 and, oh, what transport of delight  
 from thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so, through all the length of days,  
 thy goodness faileth never.  
 Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
 within thy house forever.

## **\*The Nicene Creed**

With the whole church let us confess our faith.

**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.**

### **\*Prayer of Intercession**

Alive in the risen Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit, we bring our prayers before God who promises to hear us and answer in steadfast love.

*A brief silence.*

Loving Shepherd, you know your own and your own know you. Your voice calls us to your loving embrace. Strengthen your church throughout the world that we bear witness to your expansive love. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Gracious Shepherd, you are generous with the gifts of goodness and mercy. Restore your creation to wholeness so that cities and towns, countryside and wilderness, may abound with life. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Hope-giving Shepherd, the nations and peoples are your heritage. Place into the hearts of all leaders and rulers the passion to serve. Crucify any desire to overpower others and give leaders joy in lifting up the lowly. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Abiding Shepherd, your love flows as we reach out to those around us. We pray for all those on our prayer list, especially... Penny, Karen, Alicia, and David. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Saving Shepherd, you restore us to wholeness. Help our community in our life together and give us vigor as a people of faith. In the midst of challenges and opportunities, fill us anew with your Holy Spirit. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Eternal Shepherd, you hold us securely in your loving hands. In the assurance of resurrection hope, we remember our loved ones who have died in you. Bring us, with them, to dwell in your house forever. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

In the hope of new life in Christ, we raise our prayers to you, trusting in your never-ending goodness and mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

✂ MEAL ✂

**\*Sharing of the Peace**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*We share the peace of Christ with one another.*

**Offertory Anthem**

*He Shall Feed His Flock*

by John Ness Beck

**\*Offertory Hymn No. 184**

*Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of  
bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that  
we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of  
all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble  
with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980  
Music: Ronald A. Nelson, b. 1927  
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### **\*Offertory 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.**

### **\*Invitation**

Christ comes to us in, with and under the bread and wine to nourish our faith.  
The uncontainable presence, grace, love, forgiveness and  
    mercy of Christ come to us in this simple meal that spans all time and space.  
All of God's children – regardless of denominational background –  
    are welcome and invited to share it with us.

### **\*The 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 right, and a good and joyful thing,  
    that we should at all times and in all places,  
    give thanks and praise to you, O God,  
    for the glorious resurrection of 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, singing:



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.

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### \*Prayer at the Table

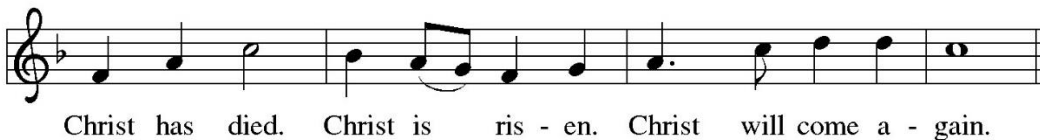
Blessed are you,  
 O God of the universe.  
 Your mercy is everlasting,  
 and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

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,  
 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:



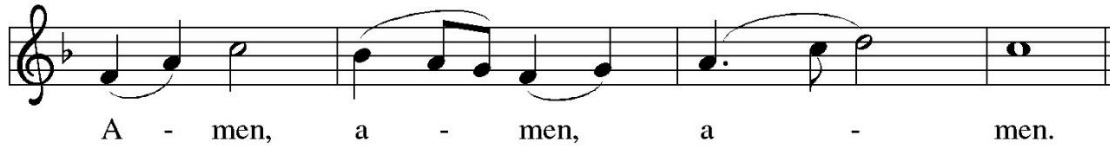
O God of resurrection and new life:  
pour out your Holy Spirit on us,  
and on these gifts of bread and wine.  
Bless this feast.  
Grace our table with your presence.

**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.



### **\*The Lord's Prayer**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit,  
let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**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.**

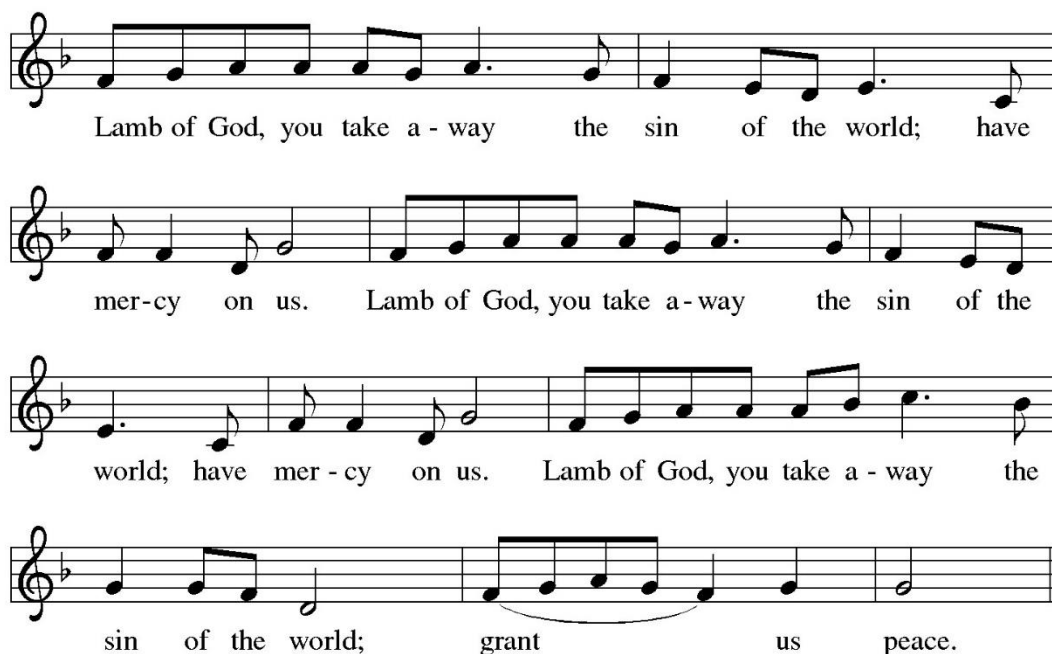
**Amen.**

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

**Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## Lamb of God



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.

### \*The Communion

*Those celebrating with us from your homes: please share the bread and wine or grape juice with one another using these words: The Body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. An **Amen** or **Thanks be to God** is spoken in response to these gifts.*

*Those celebrating with us in person: Please come forward by the center aisle to receive the bread and an individual cup of wine or white grape juice from those serving. Please return to your seat by the side aisle.*

Hymn No. 362

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing  
Verse 7 - Choir only



1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to  
2 Praise we Christ, whose love di - vine gives his  
3 Where the pas - chal blood is poured death's dread  
4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, pas - chal



our vic - to - rious king, who has washed us in the tide  
sa - cred blood for wine, gives his bod - y for the feast—  
an - gel sheathes the sword; Is - rael's hosts tri - um - phant go  
vic - tim, pas - chal bread; with sin - cer - i - ty and love



flow - ing from his wound - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!  
through the wave that drowns the foe. Al - le - lu - ia!  
eat we man - na from a - bove. Al - le - lu - ia!

5 Mighty victim from the sky,  
hell's fierce pow'rs beneath you lie;  
you have conquered in the fight,  
you have brought us life and light.  
Alleluia!

7 Easter triumph, Easter joy!  
This alone can sin destroy;  
from sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,  
newborn souls in you to be.  
Alleluia!

6 Now no more can death appall,  
now no more the grave enthrall;  
you have opened paradise,  
and your saints in you shall rise.  
Alleluia!

8 Father, who the crown shall give,  
Savior, by whose death we live,  
Spirit, guide through all our days:  
Three in One, your name we praise.  
Alleluia!

Text: Latin hymn, 17th cent.; tr. Robert Campbell, 1814–1868, alt.  
Music: SONNE DER GERECHTIGKEIT, Bohemian Brethren, *Kirchengeseng*, 1566

✠ SENDING ✠

**\*Prayer After Communion**

Shepherding God,

you have prepared a table before us,  
and nourished us with your love.

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

**Amen.**

**\*Blessing**

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

**Amen.**

\*Sending Hymn No. 385 *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!*

1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joyce and sing! Now is the tri - umph  
 2 The Lord of life is ris'n this day; death's might - y stone is  
 3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that life which  
 4 Your name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to - day with

of our king! To all the world glad news we bring:  
 rolled a - way; let all the earth re - joyce and say:  
 can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:  
 one ac - cord, the life laid down, the life re - stored:

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Cyril A. Alington, 1872–1955, alt.  
 Music: GELOBT SEI GOTT, Melchior Vulpius, 1570–1615  
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## **\*Dismissal**

Alleluia! Rejoice and be glad. Go in peace.

**We go to connect people to Jesus through love and the Word of God.**

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

## **\*Postlude**

*Rigaudon fr "Idoménée"*

André Campra arr. Virgil Fox

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The Love Offering for April will support Teacher Appreciation Week and the Leadership 360 Retreat at Robinson CLC. Teacher Appreciation Week is May 6-10, and Holy Trinity wishes to recognize and celebrate the teachers and staff at Robinson CLC. Also, Holy Trinity plans to again co-sponsor the Leadership Retreat for student leaders at Robinson CLC. Student leaders have spent the school year doing various projects and activities to demonstrate leadership within the school. This retreat is their final event where they will hear from community leaders, participate in break-out sessions, and be reminded of the importance of being a student leader. Holy Trinity helps to provide t-shirts, lanyards, goodie bags, and lunch for all the students. Your support of this month's Love Offering will benefit these two endeavors. Thank you for your generous support!

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# This Week at Holy Trinity

<b>Sunday, 4/21</b>	9:30 a.m.	<i>Worship</i>
	10:45 a.m.	<i>Coffee &amp; Fellowship</i> - Chapel Lounge
	11:00 a.m.	<i>Holy Trinity Book Club</i> - Library
	11:00 a.m.	<i>Invite-Welcome-Connect Meeting</i> - Room 202
<b>Tuesday, 4/23</b>	8:00-4:30 p.m.	<i>Leek Organ Tuning</i> - Sanctuary
	6:30 p.m.	<i>Derbytown Chorus</i> - Fellowship Hal
<b>Thursday, 4/25</b>	8:00-4:30 p.m.	<i>Leek Organ Tuning</i> - Sanctuary
		<i>Morning Devotions</i> - Facebook Live
	6:30 p.m.	<i>Trinity Bells Rehearsal</i> - Sanctuary
	7:30 p.m.	<i>Chancel Choir Rehearsal</i> - Room 202
<b>Friday, 4/26</b>	9:00 a.m.	<i>Faith 5 Fridays</i> - Zoom
	3:00-6:00 p.m.	<i>DLM Delivery</i>
<b>Sunday, 4/28</b>	9:30 a.m.	<i>Worship</i>
	10:45 a.m.	<i>Coffee &amp; Fellowship</i> - Chapel Lounge
	11:00 a.m.	<i>Invite-Welcome-Connect Kick-Off Luncheon</i> - Chapel Lounge & Room 202
	4:00 p.m.	<i>Arts @ Holy Trinity Concert</i> - Sanctuary ~ reception immediately following in Chapel Lg.



**Altar Flowers**

*The flowers on the altar today are in honor of  
Betty Oberdorfer's 90th Birthday given by her family.*

*In Our Prayers...*

April 21: Penny Porter (cousin of Deb Ickes), Karen Isaiah (friend of Frederica Cohen), Alicia Boyd (friend of LJ Kimble), and David Probert (brother of Danny Probert).

April 14: The family of Michael Thrall (Gene Thrall's son) and Judy Hendrick (grandmother of Hannah Miller).

April 7: LaVerne Mansour (member), Pat Keller (member), Iva Johnson (member), and John Shea (husband of Steve White).

March 31: Sandy Plummer (member) and Hans Verhoeven (friend of Deborah Marks).

*The names of those making the request will be printed next to the name of the person being prayed for. We kindly ask those making the request to keep our prayer list coordinators updated as to the status of the person they are requesting prayer for. We would be glad to continue praying for individuals (adding them for another four weeks) upon request. If you have updates or additions to the prayer list, please contact Sally Richenbacher, Rachel Núñez, or Pastor Becki Verbridge.*

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