

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 7, 2024

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH Minneapolis

WELCOME TO ALL

The people of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church wish to extend a special welcome to all visitors! Please leave your name and phone number on the visitor card found in the pew.

We are committed to the inclusion of all people, with no exception. Therefore, we practice **open** *communion*, welcoming all to the table to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion.

Children are full participants in this congregation's worship, educational, and community life! The Mary Martha Room is a quiet space for infants needing to nurse or to nap. For active toddlers, the Community Room has a Children's Corner with books and a table at which to play. Our ushers are ready to assist you in finding the place that best fits your family's needs.

> *Accessible and all-gender restrooms* are located in the basement. *Single-use, all-gender restrooms* are located on the 1st floor.

For over forty years, this congregation has advocated for the *full welcome, inclusion, and equity* of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, and asexual (LGBTQIA+) Lutherans in all aspects of the church and the community. We invite all people into lives of authenticity, integrity, and wholeness.

Hearing assist devices and large-print bulletins are available. Ask an usher if you are interested.

Our services are livestreamed on Vimeo and Facebook every week. The live shot includes the main floor of the sanctuary. Our members who watch from home love to see their friends at church! If for privacy reasons you prefer not to be on camera, the balcony is outside of the camera's range.

If you are seeking **pastoral care**, please speak to a pastor today.

Today's bulletin cover art is provided by Everett Martinez. Thank you, Everett!

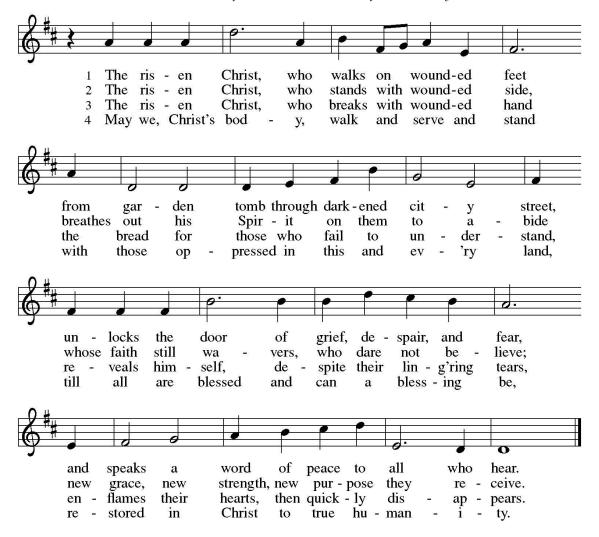
GATHER

+invites the congregation to stand

PRELUDE

Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing Gloria Ringers arr. Patricia Hurlbutt

Please stand and face the cross at the rear of the sanctuary.



+GREETING

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

+KYRIE



+HYMN OF PRAISE

This Is the Feast



+PRAYER OF THE DAY

Alpha and Omega, our beginning and our end, you break through the locks of gated communities and hardened hearts: accept our doubts, heal our desire for certainty and, by your Spirit's gentle touch, make us a people forgiven and forgiving; through Jesus Christ, the Giver of Peace. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

WELCOME

Word

FIRST READING

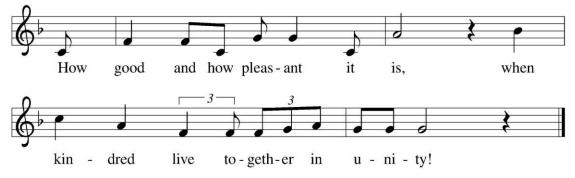
Acts 4:32-35

Word of God; word of life. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 133

Anne Krentz Organ

Refrain (First time: cantor, then all)



It is like fine oil upon the head, flowing, flowing down upon the beard, upon the beard of Aaron, flowing, flowing down upon the collar of his robe. **Refrain**

It is like the dew, the dew of Hermon flowing, flowing down upon the hills of Zion. For the Lord has commanded the blessing: life forevermore. **Refrain**

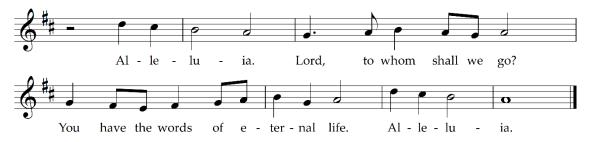
SECOND READING

1 John 1:1-2:2

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+GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia!



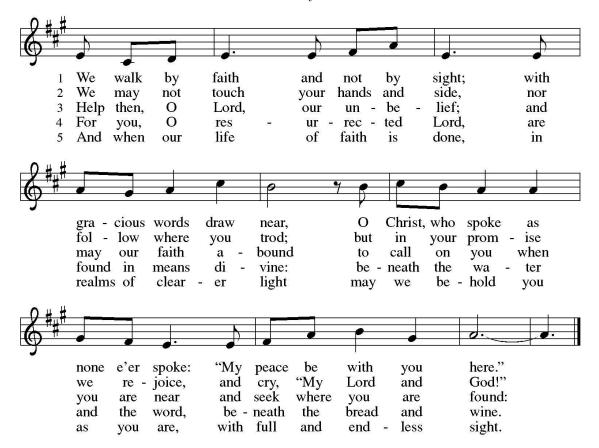
+GOSPEL READING

Word of God; word of life. Thanks be to God.

SERMON

+HYMN OF THE DAY

We Walk by Faith



+INTERCESSIONS

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

(silence)

GOD OF ALL THINGS GOOD, we celebrate the promise of renewal that the Easter season brings us. You have promised to guide us on right paths and we share that promise with our siblings in faith. Keep us mindful of sharing your love and goodness as we move through our days. God of Love,

Hear our prayer.

GOD OF SHARING, the members of the early church were able to live communally, sharing all they had. We are challenged to use that sharing as a template for our lives, remembering our siblings who have great needs which we can help to fulfill. God of Abundant Community,

Hear our prayer.

GOD OF WISDOM AND CONCILIATION, we ask for your gift of renewed strength for our world leaders, in the search for honest conciliation. Open their hearts to see what their responsiveness to pleas for the end of violence could accomplish. Give all who lead in this church continued strength and wisdom to guide us towards peace. God of Wisdom and Conciliation,

Hear our prayer.

GOD OF RENEWAL, thank you for the beautiful world in which we live and the wonders we find in both plant life and animals. However, we are reminded almost daily of the unhealthy changes to our world and our weather patterns. We admit to being the cause of these negative changes and ask forgiveness. We have not cared for our Mother Earth as you instructed us. Now we need your renewing grace and knowledge to know how to move forward in this ever-changing world. God of Renewal,

Hear our prayer.

GOD OF COMFORT, we ask for special comfort for families mourning the death of loved ones in those areas and circumstances of violence. We ask for comfort for those in our midst who are in sorrow or pain. Increase our sensitivity to those around us who may be having problems with mental health, loss of housing, loss of jobs or inadequate jobs, loss of family or friends. Help us to be patient and accepting and friendly to all we meet. Today we remember those among us who need your tender care, especially Bob Norheim, receiving treatment for lymphoma; Stella Townsend; Matt Floding; Katie Murray's mom, Pat Wilson; Mary Ann Sheets's sister, Lorrie Blain; Jeff Olsen Biebighauser's mom Jo; Joyce Hanson; Dorothy Kelly; Cori Gershon; Juliet Williamson; Joanne Chadwick; Jan Mehlhoff's friend Margie Guelker; Vicki Mann, whose sister died this past week; and those we name now, either silently or aloud (*the congregation may name loved ones in need of God's care*). God of Comfort,

Hear our prayer.

You are invited to offer spoken petitions. At the conclusion of your petition, please close with "God of grace," to which the congregation will respond, **"Hear our prayer."**

Most merciful God, receive our prayers and give us grace to entrust our lives and our world to your unfailing love, through Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Meal

+PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

You are invited to exchange words and signs of friendship and love with those around you.

OFFERING

The King of Love My Shepherd Is Gloria Ringers arr. Cathy Moklebust

Communion servers are invited to come forward at this time.



+OFFERING 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.**

+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, O God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

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

+SANCTUS

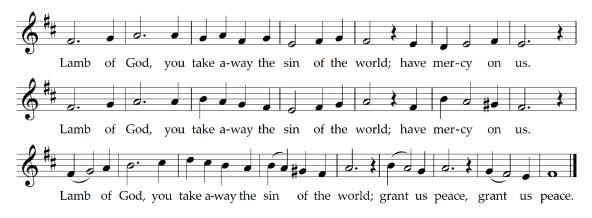
+WORDS OF INSTITUTION

+LORD'S PRAYER

We pray together,

Our Creator, Our Mother, Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

+LAMB OF GOD



Please be seated.

COMMUNION INVITATION

All are welcome at the table. This is Christ's table where no one is a stranger.

(11:00) For those worshiping at home, hear these words spoken for you: The body of Christ given for you. The blood of Christ shed for you.

These are the gifts of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

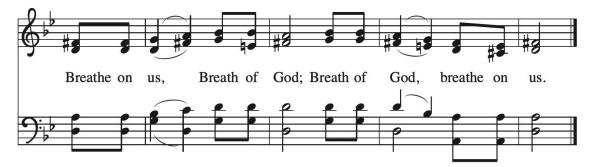
All are welcome at the table. Grape juice and gluten-free wafers are available upon request to the server.

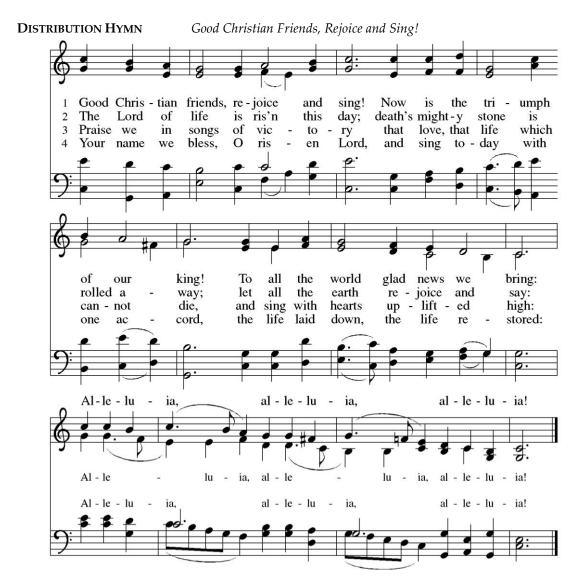
An usher will direct you down the center aisle, where you can pick up a communion cup. You are invited to stand or kneel in front of the table, beginning from the middle and moving toward the outside. After you have received the bread and the wine, please return to your seat by way of the side aisle, where an usher will receive your communion cup.

If you wish to receive communion from your pew, please let an usher know.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

Breathe on Us, Breath of God





+BLESSING

The body and blood of Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. Amen.

+POST COMMUNION PRAYER

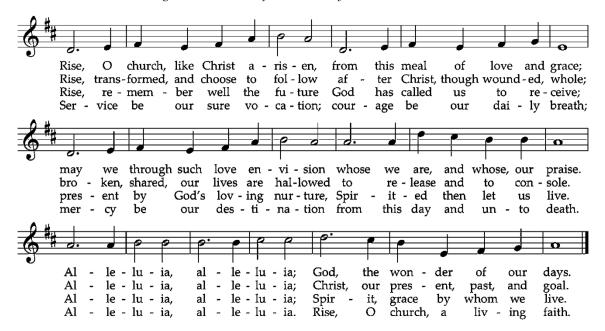
Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. **Amen.**

SENDING

+SENDING HYMN

Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen

Children and youth are invited to join the worship leaders as they recess and gather at the rear of the sanctuary to share the dismissal.



+BENEDICTION

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.

+DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Love your neighbor! Thanks be to God.

Derek K Hakes

Outbursts of Joy Gloria Ringers

POSTLUDE

You are invited to the Community Room (located at the rear of the worship area) for a time of conversation and refreshments.

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LITURGY: ELW SETTING FOUR

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

8:45 AM		11:00 AM
Danny Reinschmidt	Guest Preacher	Danny Reinschmidt
Doug Mork	Presiding Minister	Doug Mork
	Crucifer	
Phil Radtke	Cantor	Phil Radtke
Karen Batdorf	Assisting Minister	Kris Christians
Margaret Kolden, Sally and David Kohlstedt	Communion	Libby and Keith Olstad
Chris Engen	Ushers	Bob Hulteen
Carol and David Berg	Altar Guild	Doris Gbala, Vicki Bergman
Jean Swanson, Kevin Proescholdt	Coffee Servers	
Abs Trewin	Counters	Wayne Vetter, Deb Helmel
	Closer	Roberta Shaw

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PARISH INFORMATION

STUDENT FROM LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRY IS OUR GUEST PREACHER TODAY

Today we welcome Danny Reinschmidt from Lutheran Campus Ministry-Twin Cities, an organization that bears witness to the love and mercy of Christ in the midst of 55,000 young adults at the University of Minnesota - Twin Cities. We often talk about young adults as the "future" of the church and fail to understand the ways they are shaping it now, in the present.

As we move into a new, post-pandemic life together, we continue to learn so much from the young adults in our midst. Whether bearing the weight of mental illness, entrenched polarization, or the deepening climate crisis, young adults are learning what it means to be resilient and faithful amidst a world that will likely be uncertain for a very long time.

And still, or maybe because of this uncertainty, students are actively engaged with their faith. They are hungry, and they show up to pray, to serve, to learn, and to worship together. More than anything, they show up to connect, and to center down in the love of God. At LCM, we see first-hand the incredible work of the Holy Spirit, who animates these young adults and our ministry among them.

To learn more, visit https://umnlutheran.org/support-us/

DIALOGUE BREAKFAST WITH LARRY RASMUSSEN MONDAY, APRIL 8, 8:30 A.M.

You are invited to a Dialogue Breakfast on Monday, April 8, 8:30 a.m., featuring Larry Rasmussen, a Reinhold Niebuhr Professor of Social Ethics, Union Theological Seminary, New York City. Rasmussen will speak about the themes in *The Planet You Inherit: Letters to my Grandchildren When Uncertainty's a Sure Thing*, his newest book. This breakfast is free and open to all; invite a friend! Register here (<u>https://forms.gle/WSVqzsz652jCUCpG9</u>) for food planning.

SPECIAL GIFTS-THAT ALL MAY BE FED

The congregation's two special appeals this spring underscore the reality that food scarcity remains a pervasive problem in our neighborhoods and around the world. You can help by supporting the refurbishment of Holy Trinity's basement kitchen in preparation for Soup for You, which will host free lunches five days a week beginning in early June. Additionally, the ongoing wars in Gaza and North Africa and indeed throughout the world have created displacement and dire food shortages. The ELCA World Hunger Program continues to respond to poverty and hunger across our country and other nations through direct food aid as well as projects intended to address root causes of hunger. Click here to support either or both of these special appeals (<u>https://htlcmpls.org/donate/</u>). Thank you for your generosity.

WED., APRIL 10-LECTURE ON BEING CHRISTIAN IN AN ELECTION YEAR LIKE THIS ONE

Join us in the sanctuary at 7:00 p.m. on April 10 for a hybrid event with William H. Lamar IV, Pastor of Metropolitan African Methodist Episcopal Church of Washington, DC. Our presenter will be zooming in to present and talk with us followed by coffee and treats in the Community Room. *We will also hold discussions of their talks during the Sunday Adult Forum.*

YOGA CLASSES RESUME APRIL 10

Join us on Wednesdays at 12:00 p.m. or Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. beginning April 10 and 11.

If you have your own mats, blocks, blankets, straps, or bolsters, please bring them. Extras are available for those who need them. Donations are accepted, but not expected. Classes are open to everyone—members and non-members. Invite a neighbor. Classes will be in the Bartsch Room.

YOUTH RECITAL RESCHEDULED TO APRIL 21, 10:00 A.M.

Join us at 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary or on Zoom as we celebrate the gifts of several of Holy Trinity's young people during the annual youth recital. For more information, or to sign up to perform, contact Phil Radtke (<u>pradtke@htlcmpls.org</u>).

SAVE THE DATE: PROPERTY WORK DAY, THURSDAY, APRIL 25

Our property needs a little extra TLC as the weather changes. Come and help us with digging and bagging, weeding and trimming, Thursday, April 25, 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. (If it rains, we'll meet on Thursday, May 2, from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.) Sign up in the Community Room by April 21.

CELEBRATING 2024 GRADUATES APRIL 28

Are you or someone you know graduating from high school or a higher educational institution this spring? We want to celebrate with you! Please mark Sunday, April 28, for the graduate blessing at both services. Send an email to Pastor David (<u>david@htlcmpls.org</u>) with the full names of your graduate(s).

FAMILY-FRIENDLY BOUNDARY WATERS TRIP AUGUST 9-13

Attention campers, (and aspiring campers). It's now time to start the planning for HTLC's annual BWCA canoe trip. This year, our Boundary Waters camping adventure is scheduled for August 9-13. We are planning to go in at Lake One, a large lake with many route and camping options. If you've always wanted to camp in the BWCA but didn't know where to begin, this trip is your opportunity to learn the ropes with experienced campers. To reserve your spot, sign up in the Community Room. The total cost is approximately \$175 per person. Scholarships are available. As always, this is a family-friendly trip. Please consider joining us this year. Call or email with any questions or for more details (Julie 612-618-3814 or Tom 612-616-0507 / jtcahoy@gmail.com).

Monday, April 8	8:30 AM	Dialogue Breakfast with Larry Rasmussen	
	6:30-8:00 PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal	
Tuesday, April 9	11:00 AM	Worship Readings Discussion	
	6:45 PM	Big Meeting Night	
Wednesday, April 10 12:00 PM		Yoga	
	5:00 PM	Choir Family Meal	
	5:45-6:45 PM	Children's Choir Rehearsal	
	6:00-8:00 PM	Supervised Play Time	
	7:00 PM	Lecture by William H. Lamar IV	
Thursday, April 11	7:30 PM	Yoga	
Saturday, April 13	2:00 PM	Funeral for Arnie Johanson	
Sunday, April 14	8:45 AM	Worship Service of Holy Communion	
	10:00 AM	Adult Forum	
	10:00 AM	Youth Education	
	11:00 AM	Worship Service of Holy Communion	
	2:00 PM	Swahili Service	

PARISH SCHEDULE

ADULT FORUM

10:00 a.m. each Sunday in the Library

TODAY Discussion of William Willimon's Presentation

The Forum will provide an occasion to review the thinking of William Willimon as he reflects on "Being Christian in an Election Year like This One." The conversation will be led by Randy Nelson following Willimon's Zoom presentation on Wednesday, April 3. A brief excerpt from his book *Resident Alien* is available in the Community Room.

April 14 Discussion of William H. Lamar IV's Presentation

Join us for a discussion of the lecture delivered by Pastor Lamar on Wednesday, April 10. We will also have a few of his articles available ahead of time to support the discussion.