

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 5, 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 art is provided by Peter Weiss. Thank you, Peter!

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GATHER

+invites the congregation to stand

PRELUDE

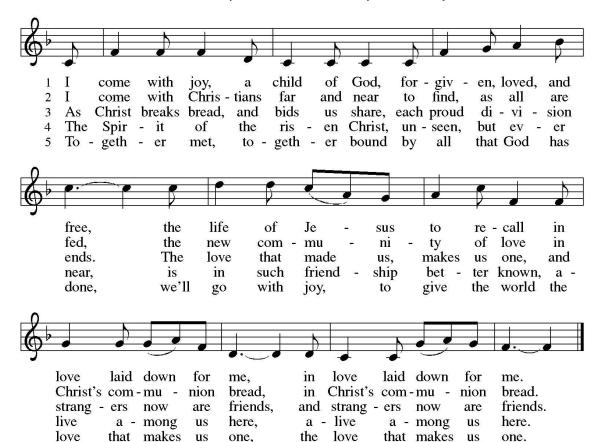
When Love Is Found

Aaron David Miller

+GATHERING HYMN

I Come with Joy

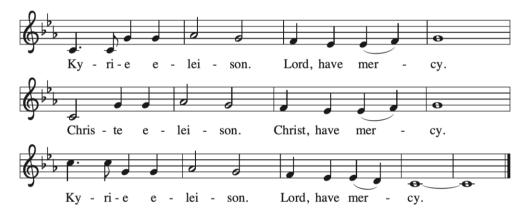
Please stand and face the cross at the rear of the sanctuary.



+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



+GLORIA



+PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of wonder, the sea roars, the floods clap, the hills sing for you.

Who can withhold your Spirit?

You have called us friends.

You have chosen us to be family.

Who can withhold your Spirit?

Give us hearts to love in ever-widening circles.

Give us courage to abide in your joy.

Who can withhold your Spirit?

The sea roars, the floods clap, the hills sing for you.

Come let us join in the song of creation.

Amen.

Please be seated.

WELCOME

Word

FIRST READING

Acts 10:44-48

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

PSALM 98 Michel Guimont

Refrain (first time: Cantor, then All):





Sing a new song to the Lord who has worked wonders; whose right hand and holy arm have brought salvation. **Refrain**

The Lord has made known salvation; has shown justice to the nations; has remembered truth and love for the house of Israel. **Refrain**

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout to the Lord, all the earth, ring out your joy. **Refrain**

SECOND READING

1 John 5:1-6

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

+GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Cantor: Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. (John 14:23). *Alleluia*

+GOSPEL READING

John 15:9-17

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

SERMON

+HYMN OF THE DAY

Love Has Brought Us Here Together



- 1 Love has brought us here to geth er; love of fam 'ly,
- 2 Love is gen tle, love is pa tient, soft in words and
- 3 Love does not re-joice at e-vil; love re-joic-es



love of friends; love, our vow till death should part us; love, God's kind in deeds. Love is strong and nev - er pom - pous; love puts in the right. Keen in giv - ing and for - giv - ing, spread - ing



gift, that nev - er ends. From our birth, through-out our life - time, first the oth - er's needs. Not quick-tem - pered or re - sent - ful, love is love's de-light. When two peo - ple pledge their u - nion,



Floods love's in - sis - tence calls our name. of wa ters prone to take of - fense or brood, love ex cels in all who wit - ness are re - newed, feast ing at love's



can - not drown it its danc - ing flame. or put out grace and nev - er ieal ous, nev - er mer cy, rude. heav'n's be - at - i - tude. earth - ly ban quet, tast - ing

+Intercessions Roberta Shaw

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)

Morning Star*, thank you for waking us up on this new day. We are here to listen to your words and respond in song and prayer. Thank you for being with us in this gathering space.

Morning Star, hear our prayer.

Ancient Love, we have heard this week and last of your command to love. This has been your message throughout the biblical record, from creation to the apostles' words to the people of The Way. This is still your message in 2024. We have seen the fruits of love in our lives and in the way you work in this world. Help us to remember that it is your love that motivates us, and gives us courage, to love.

Ancient Love, hear our prayer.

Mother of Earth, the psalmist calls **all** the earth and everything that lives in and on it to make a joyful noise to you. Forgive us humans for squelching that voice of praise in our non-human companions. Teach us how to make amends so that all voices can be heard.

Mother of Earth, hear our prayer.

Master Listener, on college campuses students and faculty are speaking out about the horrors of war. There are many among them who are listening to the "other," and many who are not. May all learn to be still and listen to each other so that there is no violence to add to the violence of war. Protect, and give wisdom to, people on all sides, school administrators, and law enforcement.

Master Listener, hear our prayer.

Voice in the Fog, there are times in our lives when we cannot see our way. Many in our community are in the fog of physical illness, mental illness, or other kinds of loss. Thank you that your voice speaks in the fog to Marilyn Miller, recovering from a fall; Chris Engen; Colton Baldus's grandpa, Lester; Jody Liedholm's dad Larry; Deb Anderson's Uncle Rick; Bob Norheim; Matt Floding; Katie Murray's mom, Pat Wilson; Mary Ann Sheets's sister, Lorrie Blain; Jeff Olsen Biebighauser's mom Jo; Dorothy Kelly; Joyce Hanson; Cori Gershon; Juliet Williamson; Joanne Chadwick; Jan Mehlhoff's friend Margie Guelker; ; and those we name now, either silently or aloud (the congregation may name loved ones in need of God's care).

Voice in the Fog, hear our prayer.

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

Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

MEAL

+PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of God's peace.

OFFERING	8:45	Scherzo	P. Radtke	
	11:00	Beloved	Mark A. Miller	
		Adult Choir		

You are my beloved, You are my child, and I will be with you always, yes, I will. When you see the lightning flashes and you hear the thunder roll, just remember my promise, peace, be still.

God, go with me, God, stay by me, give me comfort though the night, till the dawn of morning light.

When you sense the storm is passing, and you pause, look to the sky, through the rain you'll see the rainbow.

God, go with me, God stay by me, through the darkness of the night, through the dawn of morning light.

You are my beloved, You are my child, and I will be with you always, yes, I will. Yes, I Am.

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, 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, Mary the mother of James, and Salome 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:

+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.

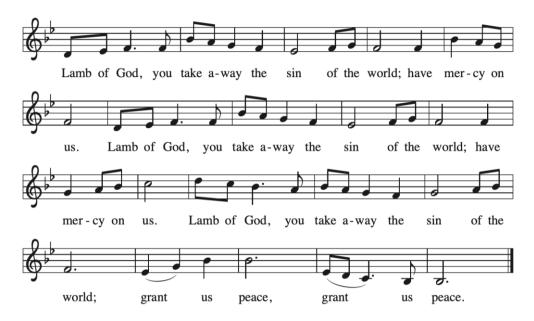
Give us today our daily bread.

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.

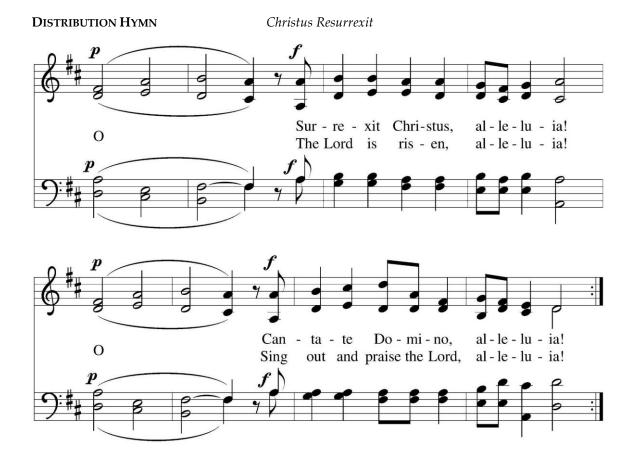
An usher will direct you down the center aisle, where you can pick up a communion cup. You are invited to stand or kneel in front of the table, beginning from the middle and moving toward the outside. After you have received the bread and the wine, please return to your seat by way of the side aisle,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

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

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

We Know that Christ Is Raised





+BLESSING

The body and blood of Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in $\mbox{\sc God}{}'\mbox{\sc s}$ 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

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Come Down, O Love Divine

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.



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+BENEDICTION

May God bless you and keep you.

May God's face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

May God look upon you with favor and give you peace.

Amen.

+DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Love your neighbors.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Fanfare

Jacques-Nicolas Lemmens

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We acknowledge that we gather on the Dakota Homeland.

LITURGY: ACS SETTING TWELVE

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

8:45 AM		11:00 AM
David Larson-Martínez	Preacher	David Larson-Martínez
Ingrid Rasmussen	Presiding Minister	Ingrid Rasmussen
	Crucifer	Wayne Vetter
Drew Lindorfer	Cantor	Drew Lindorfer
Carol Berg	Assisting Minister	Kris Christians
Karen Batdorf, Sally Kohlstedt, Sandra Hisakuni	Communion	Libby and Keith Olstad
Ginny and Chuck Jordan	Ushers	Kathy Hollander, Rod Johnson
Ginny Jordan	Altar Guild	Vicki Bergman, Doris Gbala
	Coffee Servers	Connie Adams, Roberta Shaw
	Counters	John Sulzbach
	Closer	Rod Johnson

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David Larson-Martínez, Associate Pastor				
Doug Mork, Part-time Associate Pastor				
Kathy Ekwall, Communications &				
Congregational Coordinator				
Nolan Gusdal, Building Maintenance				

STAFF

Kaia Ellis, Financial Administrator

Phil Radtke, Cantor

STAFF, CONTINUED

Sue Roberts, Publications Coordinator Erik Gerhardt, Accompanist Dennis Nordholm, Custodian Dana Simms, Custodian Logan Olson, Gloria Ringers Director

LEADERSHIP

Katie Schroeder, Council President Sandra Hisakuni, Council Vice President Anne Beschnett, Council Secretary Scott Cole, Council Treasurer

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

YOGA CLASSES AT HOLY TRINITY

Join us on Wednesdays at 12:00 p.m. or Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. Classes are open to everyone—members and non-members. Invite a neighbor. Classes will be in the Bartsch Room.

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR SUNDAYS

We are looking for worship leaders for May. Please sign up in the Community Room if you can help with communion, ushering, altar guild, serving coffee, or baking communion bread.

GLORIA RINGERS AND CHILDREN'S CHOIR COMBINED CONCERT

Wednesday, May 8, 6:00 p.m.

Gloria Ringers and members of the Children's choir will celebrate the end of their season by presenting a concert at Johanna Shores Senior Living in Arden Hills at 6:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend the concert.

INVITATION TO SHARE UPRISING STORIES WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 6:30 P.M.

All are invited to a special event on Wednesday, May 15, 6:30-8:00 (or so) in which community members will be able to share in the progress with the Uprising Story Project with Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. The meal and community sharing will take place at Holy Trinity.

Over the last couple of months, Amy Levad has curated an exhibit from photos shared from participants in the project, which will be shared alongside captions drawn from interviews, workbooks, and small groups in the project. Dr. Levad will be sharing the exhibit with the community for the first time, and she will be inviting folks (that's you!) to add their own captions throughout the evening. She has also created a Story Booth through which community members can record their conversations or memories about the Uprising. To preview the Story Booth, Dr. Levad has asked a few community members to share their stories; John and Kay Buzza, Zoe Martinez, Tre Tellor, and Bob Hulteen have agreed to share their stories with us! She has also collected addresses of contributors to the "Justice" fund at Holy Trinity, which we'll map collectively to help understand the reach of what happened here in 2020.

A meal will be served, and it would be helpful to have a rough count of folks to plan appropriately. If you'd like to come, there will be a sign-up sheet in the Community Room after services in the next couple of weeks, for those of you who attend services at Holy Trinity. You can also let Kathy Ekwall know (kekwall@htlcmpls.org).

For more information, contact Dr. Amy Levad (Amy.levad@stthomas.edu).

PENTECOST SUNDAY WITH THE MINNESOTA SWAHILI CHRISTIAN CONGREGATION MAY 19, 11:00 A.M.

On Sunday, May 19 (Pentecost), we will have a joint service with the MN Swahili Christian Congregation. Bishop Ann Svennungsen will be preaching. This is a tradition we are bringing back after a hiatus due to COVID. Following the service, our two communities will come together to share a meal. The MN Swahili Congregation will be bringing chicken and rice, which is a traditional dish they often share in community. We invite our members to bring salads and desserts to contribute. Feel free to define "salads" expansively. There will be one service only that day. Youth and adult education classes will take place at 10:00 a.m. The adult forum will feature Rev. Dr. Pastor Jia Starr Brown and Holy Trinity participants in the ACTION Project (A Commitment To Inclusion in Our Neighborhoods). All are welcome.

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE BEGINS MAY 26

Between Memorial Day weekend and Labor Day weekend, the 8:45 and 11:00 a.m. worship services will join together for one service at 10:00 a.m. The summer season affords us the opportunity to see and to connect with members and friends from "the other service." Come join us at 10:00 a.m.!

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).

CHURCH SCHEDULE

Monday, May 6	6:30-8:00 PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal
Tuesday, May 7	11:00 AM	Worship Readings Discussion
	2:00 PM	Knitting
Wednesday, May 8	12:00 PM	Yoga
	6:00 PM	Children's Choir/Gloria Ringers Combined Concert
Friday, May 10	7:30 PM	Yoga
Saturday, May 11	2:00-7:00 PM	MN Swahili Youth Fundraising Concert
Sunday, May 12	8:45 AM	Worship Service of Holy Communion
	10:00 AM	Adult Forum
	10:00 AM	Children and Youth Education
	11:00 AM	Worship Service of Holy Communion
	2:00 PM	Swahili Service

ADULT FORUM

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

TODAY "Supporting Adolescent Mental Health, Pt. 1" Amy Froiland-Parada, LICSW

The fear of school violence and the presence of social media are two of many factors contributing to adolescent mental health challenges. Amy is a therapist in a high school clinic in St. Paul, where she sees teens struggle with understanding and managing their mental health needs. Learn about contributors to mental health problems for adolescents, warning signs that might indicate concern, and ways we can remove barriers to them getting treatment and support. This will be part presentation, part discussion, so please bring questions and your own thoughts around this topic. This will be part one of a two-part series.

May 12 "Supporting Adolescent Mental Health, Pt. 2"