

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter**  
**April 6 & 7, 2024**  
**Christ the Savior**  
Sacrament of Holy Communion  
and  
Sacrament of Holy Baptism

*Welcome to our worship service this morning in celebration of the resurrection of our Lord and Savior!*

*If you are visiting with us, please introduce yourself to Kathy as you leave worship, sign our guest book in the narthex and take a copy of our Trinity Trumpet newsletter. We are happy you're here and we hope to see you again!*

*Our service is live streamed on our Facebook page for those who are unable to be with us.*

*The bulletin can be downloaded through our website at [www.tlcleughton.com](http://www.tlcleughton.com).*

*Our Nursery area downstairs is available, but please note, it is not staffed. Please see an usher for assistance.*

*The Easter season is a week of weeks, seven Sundays when we play in the mystery of Christ's presence, mostly through the glorious Gospel of John. Today we gather with the disciples on the first Easter, and Jesus breathes the Spirit on us. With Thomas we ask for a sign, and Jesus offers us his wounded self in the broken bread. From frightened individuals we are transformed into a community of open doors, peace, forgiveness, and material sharing such that no one among us is in need.*

## PRELUDE MUSIC

*Organist's Improvisation*

*During the processional hymn, the crucifer is followed by the communion assistant(s) and the clergy.*

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN

**ELW#367**

*“Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds”*

## THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the minister begins. The assembly responds in the bold print.*

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

**Amen.**

Look, here is water!

**Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

*The minister continues with the following prayer of preparation.*

Immersed in the promises of baptism,  
let us give thanks for what God has done for us.

**We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning  
your voice thundered over the deep  
and water became the essence of life.**

**Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers.**

**The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new  
day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed  
through the sea into freedom's land. In a desert pool the  
Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life.**

Look, here is water!

**Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John  
and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection  
you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love,  
freeing us to live as Easter people.

**We rejoice with glad hearts,  
giving all honor and praise to you,  
through the risen Christ, our source of living water,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.  
Amen.**

Look, here is water!

**Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

*Please remain standing as you are able.*

## **APOSTOLIC GREETING**

*The minister greets the assembly; The assembly responds in  
the bold print.*

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.**

# HYMN OF PRAISE *(In unison)*

Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high -  
est. And on earth peace, on earth peace to peo-ple of good  
will. will. A - men. A - men.

## VERSE 1

1. We praise you, we bless you, we a - dore you, we  
glo-ri-fy you, we give you thanks for your great glo-ry,  
Lord God, heav'n-ly King, O God al-might-y Fa-ther. *(to refrain)*

## VERSE 2

2. Lord, Jes-us Christ, On - ly Be-got - ten Son, Lord God,  
Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther, you take a-way the  
sins of the world, have mer-cy on us; you take a-way the  
sins of the world, re - ceive our prayer; you are seat - ed at the  
right hand, the right hand of the Fa-ther, have mer-cy on us. *(to refrain)*

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

*The minister continues with the Prayer of the Day.*

Almighty God, with joy we celebrate the day of our Lord's resurrection. By the grace of Christ among us, enable us to show the power of the resurrection in all that we say and do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*The assembly may be seated.*

## FIRST READING

**Acts 4:32-35**

*While the apostles testified to others about the resurrection of Jesus, the early Christian community shared what they owned or sold their possessions to help their fellow believers who were in need.*

*The reading is announced:* A reading from Acts.

<sup>32</sup>Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. <sup>33</sup>With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. <sup>34</sup>There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. <sup>35</sup>They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

*The reading is concluded:* Holy Wisdom, Holy Word

*The assembly responds:* **Thanks be to God**

## PSALM 133

*The Psalm will be sung responsively by whole verse. The assembly sings the bold print.*



<sup>1</sup>How good and how pleas- | ant it is,

when kindred live togeth- | er in unity!

**<sup>2</sup>It is like fine oil upon the head, flowing down up- | on the beard, upon the beard of Aaron, flowing down upon the collar | of his robe.**

<sup>3</sup>It is like the dew of Hermon flowing down upon the | hills of Zion. For there the LORD has commanded the blessing: life for- | evermore.

## SECOND READING

**1<sup>st</sup> John 1:1—2:2**

*The opening of this letter serves as a reality check. The reality of God is light, but our confessed reality has been sin. God cleanses us from our sinful reality through Christ's death so that we live in fellowship with Christ and walk in God's light.*

*The reading is announced:* A reading from 1<sup>st</sup> John.

<sup>1</sup>We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—

<sup>2</sup>this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us—<sup>3</sup>we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ.

<sup>4</sup>We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

<sup>5</sup>This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. <sup>6</sup>If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; <sup>7</sup>but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. <sup>8</sup>If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. <sup>9</sup>If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. <sup>10</sup>If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

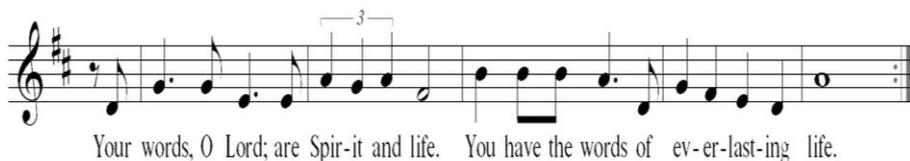
<sup>2:1</sup>My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; <sup>2</sup>and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

*The reading is concluded:* Holy Wisdom, Holy Word

*The assembly responds:* **Thanks be to God**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*The assembly stands welcoming the Holy Gospel and joins in singing the "Alleluia".*



## THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

*The story of Easter continues as the risen Jesus appears to his disciples. His words to Thomas offer a blessing to all who entrust themselves in faith to the risen Lord.*

*The gospel is announced.*

The Holy Gospel according to St. John.

*The assembly responds:*

**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 Jews, 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 Father 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 his

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 Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

*The gospel concludes:* The gospel of the Lord.  
*The assembly responds:* **Praise to you, O Christ.**  
*The assembly is seated.*

## SERMON

*Kathy Long, SALM*

*Following the sermon, the assembly stands as able to proclaim the word of God in song.*

## HYMN OF THE DAY

**ELW#376**

*“THINE IS THE GLORY”*

*On Saturday evening during the hymn of the day, the parents and sponsors present the one(s) to be baptized as the minister(s) gather at the baptismal font.*

*On Sunday, our service continues on page 14 with the Prayers of Intercession.*

# THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM



## PRESENTATION

*The minister addresses the parent(s):*  
Parent(s) and Sponsor(s), called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have **Sadie Marie Magyar** baptized into Christ?  
*Response:* **We do.**

Parent(s), as you bring *Sadie* to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with her among God's faithful people,  
bring her to the word of God and the holy supper,  
teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the  
Ten Commandments,  
place in her hands the Holy Scriptures,  
and nurture her in faith and prayer,  
so that she may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ  
through word and deed, care for others and the world  
God made, and to work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help her grow in the Christian faith and life?

*Response:* **We do.**

## **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

*The minister addresses the parent(s).*

Parent(s) and Sponsor(s), do you profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church?

*Response:* **We do.**

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God, the powers of this world that rebel against God, and the ways of sin that draw us away from God?

*Response:* **We renounce them.**

*The minister addresses the assembly.*

People of God, do you promise to support *Sadie* and pray for her in her new life in Christ?

*Response:* **We do.**

*The assembly stands as able; the minister announces the Creed.*

With the whole church, let us proclaim our faith together in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

**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**

## **THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT**

*The minister continues.*

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given all honor and praise, through Jesus Christ our Lord, ✠ in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

*All respond: Amen*

*The assembly is seated.*

## HOLY BAPTISM

*The minister continues with the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Water is poured over the candidate's head three times in the name of the triune God.*

**Sadie Marie Magyar**, I baptize thee in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

*All respond:* **Amen**

*The minister continues with the ancient ritual of the Laying on of Hands. The presiding minister prays:*

Merciful God, sustain **Sadie Marie** with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

*All respond:* **Amen**

*The minister marks the sign of the cross † on the forehead of the newly baptized. As the sign of the cross is made, the minister says these words:*

**Sadie Marie**, child of God, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked † with the cross of Christ forever.

*All respond:* **Amen**

## WELCOME

*A lighted candle is presented as the minister continues:*

In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus said: "Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven." May this candle be a symbol of remembrance of this day for *Elsie*, as she grows in faith.

*The newly baptized is presented to the assembly as the minister continues with the "Welcome."*

Let us welcome **Sadie Marie Magyar**, the newest addition of God's family here at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church and God's kingdom universal.

*All may welcome the newly baptized with applause. The baptism candle is placed in the holder.*

*The family may be seated as the assembly sings the first verse of "Jesus Loves Me."*

*The certificates are presented to the parents and sponsors. A special gift is presented to the newly baptized.*

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*The minister calls the assembly to prayer. Please remain standing as you are able.*

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

*A brief silence is kept.*

Your church cries out, O God, and you listen. As you drew near to the disciples, draw near to us this day. Breathe on us your Holy Spirit, that our faith is renewed and we witness to your love. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Your creation cries out, O God, and you listen. Nurture trees, crops, wildflowers, and all growing things. Guide farmers, gardeners, arborists, and others who tend the soil and nurture plants into life. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Your world cries out, O God, and you listen. Guide police, firefighters, paramedics, and other first responders to work for the well-being of communities and the dignity of every person, that no one may need to live in fear. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Your children cry out, O God, and you listen. Hear your people crying out for justice, for an end to racism and other oppression, and for a world where all are fed and safe. We pray for all who cry out in suffering or pain, especially we lift up to you the following members facing personal obstacles in their own lives:

Darryl Arner, Carol Hunsberger, Sandy Edwish, Heather Kincaid, Deb Kunkle, Lester Miller, Louise Roth, Earl Schneider, Pauline Snyder, Ed Solt, Herbert Werner, Joanne Werner and all we name in our hearts silently before you now ... *(We pause in silence)*

God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Your congregations cry out, O God, and you listen. Renew pastors, deacons, musicians, and other staff, administrators, and volunteers who facilitated Holy Week and Easter worship. Open our hearts to discern where God calls each of us to serve. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

For all veterans, that they may receive the care and support they so need and deserve, and for those separated from family and friends, especially during this time of Holy Week and Easter, as they serve in the Armed Forces around the world, protecting our nation in freedom. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

Accept our gratitude, O God, for the lives of those who now rest in you, especially those we dearly miss and remember in humble gratitude silently before you now...

*(We pause in silence)*

Grant us your peace amid our fears. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.

**Amen.**

*The assembly is seated.*

## OFFERING

*The acolyte presents the offering plates to the ushers.*

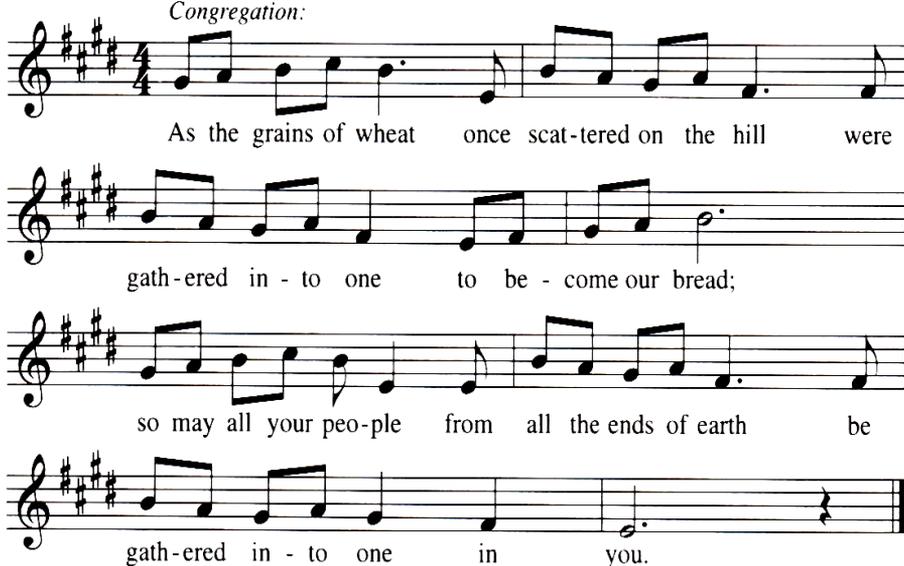
## OFFERTORY MUSIC

*Organist's Improvisation*

## OFFERING HYMN

*As the ushers bring forward the gifts, please stand as you are able and join in singing, "As the Grains of Wheat".*

**Refrain**  
*Congregation:*



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were  
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread;  
so may all your peo-ple from all the ends of earth be  
gath-ered in - to one in you.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and suitable for congregational singing. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

## OFFERING PRAYER

*After the gifts have been presented, the offering is blessed by the minister with the prayer as follows. Please remain standing as you are able. The minister begins; the assembly reads the bold print.*

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.**

# THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION



## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*The minister begins; the assembly responds in the bold print.*

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.**

## PROPER PREFACE FOR EASTER

*The minister continues.*

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:

**THE SANCTUS** *(Sung in unison.)*

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and  
earth are full, 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, who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na! Ho-san - na! Ho-san - na in the high - est.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*The minister declares the command of our Lord as spoken at the Last Supper.*

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

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks and broke it,  
and gave it to his disciples, saying:

*“Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.*

*Do this in 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 in remembrance of me.”*

With this bread of life and cup of salvation,  
we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life as we  
proclaim the mystery of faith.

*All read the response:*

**Christ has died, Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and  
wine ☩ as we partake of the Lord's Supper.

**Amen**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*The minister introduces the Lord's Prayer. A bell is rung for  
each of the seven petitions.*

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

## **THE 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**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*The minister addresses the assembly as the bread is broken for the Eucharist meal.*

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

*The assembly may be seated.*

***During this time, the acolyte and communion assistants will commune and take their places near the baptismal font for the distribution of communion to the assembly.***

## LAMB OF GOD



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|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. Je - sus, Lamb of God,     | } you take a-way the sins of the |
| 2. Je - sus, Bread of Life,   |                                  |
| 3. Je - sus, Cup of Hope,     |                                  |
| 4. Je - sus, Prince of Peace, |                                  |
| Final Je - sus, Lamb of God,  |                                  |



## COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION



*Any adults or children not yet baptized or have not received 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion Instruction may fold their hands and receive a blessing. For those unable to come forward, please notify an usher.*

**REMINDER TO ALL MEMBERS & VISITORS:**

*All members are reminded to please complete a communion card for our parochial records for the year 2024 if you have not already done so and hand it to an usher. Cards are available in the pew rack.*

*If you are visiting with us, please fill out a communion card and we will notify your home congregation that you have received the Sacrament of Holy Communion.*

**COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS:**

***Wafer and Wine.*** *Proceed from the center aisle as directed by the usher.*

*Take an empty glass to receive wine. To receive grape juice, pre-filled glasses are located on the table near the communion assistant. The minister will distribute the bread.*

***If you desire a gluten free wafer, please inform the minister as you come forward.***

**PLEASE HOLD YOUR HAND OPEN TO RECEIVE THE WAFER.**

**COMMUNION HYMN DURING DISTRIBUTION**

*The assembly joins the choir in singing the following hymn during the distribution: “Now the Green Blade Rises” (ELW#379) printed on page 21.*

# Now the Green Blade Rises



1 Now the green blade ris - es from the bur - ied grain,  
2 In the grave they laid him, love by ha - tred slain,  
3 Forth he came at Eas - ter like the ris - en grain,  
4 When our hearts are win - try, griev - ing, or in pain,



wheat that in dark earth man - y days has lain;  
think - ing that he would nev - er wake a - gain,  
he that for three days in the grave had lain;  
your touch can call us back to life a - gain,



love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been;  
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen;  
raised from the dead, my liv - ing Lord is seen;  
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;



love is come a - gain like wheat a - ris - ing green.

Text: John MacLeod Campbell Crum, 1872–1958

Music: NOËL NOUVELET, French carol

Text from *Oxford Book of Carols*, © Oxford University Press 1928. All rights reserved.

## BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

*The minister continues with the blessing after communion.  
Please stand as you are able.*

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

**Amen**

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

*The minister leads the following prayer after communion. The assembly reads the bold print.*

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 BLESSING**

*The minister proclaims God's blessing to the assembly.*

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**

## **RECESSIONAL HYMN**

**ELW#377**

*"Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!"*

*During the final hymn, the crucifer is followed by the communion assistant(s) and the clergy.*

*The acolyte extinguishes the candles carrying one solitary flame representing the light of Christ into the world.*

*The lights will dim and all may kneel or sit as able for a moment of silent prayer.*

## **DISMISSAL**

*The minister sends the assembly forth into mission.*

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

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*We invite you to check in frequently on our church website & Facebook page for updates.*

*Luther wrote that we should read a Psalm daily; check our Facebook page for postings of a daily Morning Psalm and Prayer!*

*On Sunday following worship, all are welcome to Luther Hall for fellowship and conversation during our Coffee Fellowship hour.*

*Sunday School and Confirmation students will gather at 10:45 in the sanctuary for Opening Worship with Mr. Alex. (Please remember no food or drinks are permitted in the Sanctuary.) Sunday School and Confirmation students are invited to attend*



**During the coming week, please pray for the following Friends of Trinity:**

Heather Bolton, Chad, David & Sandy Dietz, Ed, Teresa Fowler, Connie Heckman, Jim Hoppel, Michael Kincaid, Dave Matsinko, Sarah Mills, Missy Neff, Jennifer Nielsen, Melinda Nothstein, Michele Nothstein, Thomas Reidenhour, Susan Rhoads-Procina, Vicki Romascavage, Thomas Roth, Nancy Schappell, Kris Snyder, Vanessa Snyder, Kristie Sticka, Wendy Wentz

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## **ALL YOU CAN EAT**



**Sunday, April 14, 2024**

11:00am till 1pm. in Luther Hall

Cost: Adults (Age 13+) \$15.00

Children 5-12 \$ 7.00

Children 5 and under are FREE

Menu includes pancakes, potatoes, eggs,  
breakfast meats, and beverages

Proceeds benefit Youth Service Projects & Activities

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## **The Pantry item for April is SOUP**

Please place your donation in the basket by the church entrance or bring it to the church office.

## **NEW BAPTIZED MEMBER ...**

We welcome into our family of faith through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism at our 4pm worship service on Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>:

**Sadie Marie Magyar**

daughter of David and Lacey

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## **CONGREGATIONAL QUESTIONNAIRES**

The Call Committee has started the process of calling a new pastor to Trinity. They are asking for your help in filling out a questionnaire and return it no later than April 14<sup>th</sup> . ***Your input is important.*** Please return the completed forms to the church office or place them in the box in the narthex. Thank you.

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## **YOUTH DEVOTIONALS ...**

The Evangelism Committee has provided five minute devotionals for our youth. They are specific for preteen, teen, and college age, boy and girls. Feel free to pick one up in the narthex and give it to a youth in your family or friends. Let's give them another tool to help them through this world of anxiety we live in!

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Lutheran Congregational Services

### **LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITOR TRAINING**

Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> from 9:30am-4:00pm

Weisenberg Lutheran Church

7645 Weisenberg Rd. New Tripoli PA 18066

***Trinity will cover the cost for any active adult member who would like to attend.***

If you are interested or would like more info, please contact the church office.

## **SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE .....**

### **Bulletins – \$10.00 each (3 needed per weekend)**

April 28 (3), May 26 (3)

### **Chancel Flowers – *Florist of your choice!***

April 21, April 28, May 26

If you would like to sponsor any of the above dates, please sign up in the narthex or call the church office.

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## **!! SAVE THE DATE !!**

We'd "bee" happy if you would join us!

### **MOTHER-DAUGHTER LUNCHEON**

Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup> from 11-1pm

Luther Hall

**RSVP deadline is Monday, May 5<sup>th</sup>.**

Please contact the church office at 610-377-4303 for more info or to make a reservation.

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## **BAPTISMS & NEW MEMBERS ....**

If you are interested in scheduling a baptism or becoming a member of Trinity, please speak with Kathy Long or call the church office at 610-377-4303.

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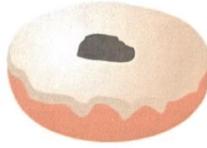
## ***DO YOU SHOP AT GIANT?***

Just a reminder that we still have gift cards available as an ongoing fundraiser for our youth group at no

additional cost to you. They receive five percent of each card sold. They may be purchased in increments of \$25, \$50 or \$100. Thank you for your continuing support of our youth group!

The logo for Giant Food stores, featuring the word "GIANT" in a bold, red, sans-serif font with a registered trademark symbol.

## ST JOHN'S DONUT SALE



***Orders must be received by April 14<sup>th</sup>.***

Delivery to the church office on Wednesday, May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Persians - \$2.00 each

Iced Long John (pack of 2) - \$4.00

Coconut Long Johns (pack of 2) - \$4.50

Please make checks payable to St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church.

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### **HEAD OF PRAYER AGENT MINISTRY ....**

We are seeking someone to coordinate the prayer agent ministry ....

#### ***What does the Head of Prayer Agents do?***

*A prayer request is received by phone to the church office, or the person may fill out a form that is available in the narthex or the literature rack outside the church office.*

*The request is then called through the telephone prayer chain and is placed on either the private or printed list for 30 days unless an update is received. The person making the request must have permission to have the name on the printed list in the bulletin due to HIPPA.*

*Every baptized member is prayed for on a daily basis by a prayer agent. Each agent receives a list of names at a gathering that is held once a year or at the discretion of the head of the prayer agents to distribute the lists.*

*For any additional information or questions, please contact the church office.*



## **DISCOUNTED TICKET SIGN-UP**

- Orders and money due by April 29<sup>th</sup>.
- Turn money or checks made to TELC into the church office
- Tickets can be used anytime in the 2024 season. (Valid thru January 1, 2025)

### **PRICES:**

- All-age Admission (ages 3+) – \$43.10 *save \$44.70*  
*Reg Price \$87.80*
  - Parking - \$25.00 *save \$5*
  - Meal Ticket - \$19.06 (includes 1 entree, 1 side & 1 beverage)
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Youth Group is held the last Sunday of the month

Noon-1pm in the Youth Room

All youth in grade 7-12 are invited!

Lunch is provided.

For more information, please contact us!

610-377-4303 or [telc1872@ptd.net](mailto:telc1872@ptd.net)

Come and See! It's lots of fun!

**Luther Hall  
Air  
Conditioning**

Installation: \$49,850  
 Electrician: \$5,820  


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**Total Cost: \$55,670**

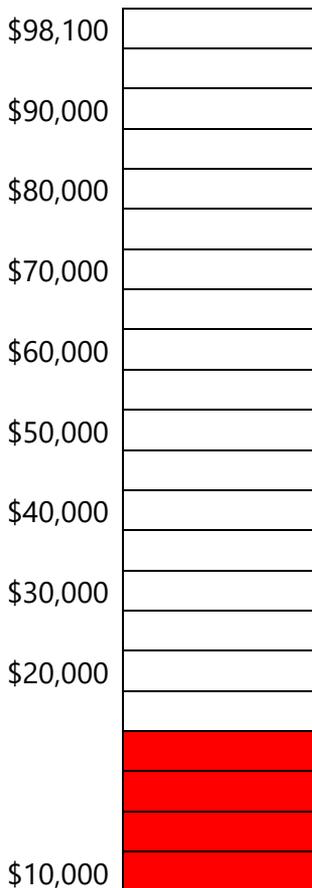


**Sanctuary Air Handler  
Installation with the  
help of a \$ 97,000 loan  
with a monthly loan  
payment of \$1,130.73**

Installation: \$91,800  
 Electrician: \$ 6,300  


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**Total Cost: \$98,100**



**Total Amount Received as of 3/24/24: \$19,526.**

If you are able to help, please use the envelope enclosed with your bulletin. Any amount is appreciated!

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✓ Bread bags



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**NexTrex**

[trex.com/recycling](http://trex.com/recycling) 1-800-Buy-Trex

**COLLECTION BINS ARE LOCATED IN THE NARTHEX  
and LUTHER HALL ENTRANCE**



## COFFEE FELLOWSHIP ...

Coffee Fellowship is held following the 9:30am worship service. Congregational Fellowship is held on the *last Sunday* of the month - please bring an item to share if you are able. If you are interested in hosting, please contact Bev in the church office.

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## KNIT. CROCHET. PRAY.

We have handmade prayer shawls and lap robes available. If you have a friend or relative who is ill and is in need of comfort or healing, please feel free to take one from the buffet in the narthex or call the church office to arrange a time to pick one up. Prayer shawl ministry blesses both the people who receive the shawls in their times of tribulation or celebration and the knitters and crocheters who create them.

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## TRINITY THRIFT STORE

175 S. Third Street; Lehighton PA 18235

610-377-4303 ext. 21

### *Days and hours are as follows:*

Wednesday -	9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Thursday & Saturday -	9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**DROP OFFS** are accepted when the store is open. There is a **limit of 5 bags or boxes**. Please bring your items to Door #2 and carry them inside. ***Do not drop off on the stairs when the store is not open.*** *Thanks for your cooperation.*



**TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME!**

Come and Join us for

**FAITH NIGHT**

**Friday, June 7, 2024**

Iron Pigs vs. Buffalo Bisons

Game time is at 7:05 p.m. Gates open at 5:45 p.m.  
Fireworks following the game.

We will meet in the church parking lot by 5:00 p.m. to  
carpool down to Coca-Cola Park.

Cost is \$12 per person which includes \$2 in ballpark credit.  
The seats are located in section 102 near the main gate.

Age 2 and under are free if they sit on an adult's lap.

***The deadline to sign up is Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>.***

Sign up by contacting the church office at 610-377-4303  
or sign up in the narthex.

Payments can be dropped off at the church office during  
hours or placed in the drop box located at the office door.

Cash or Checks made payable to TELC.