

*The Evangelical Lutheran Church
of the Holy Trinity
Greenville, Pennsylvania*

*The Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 20 and 21, 2024*

Welcome in the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ! If you come as a visitor today, we hope you will leave as a friend. We count it a privilege and a blessing to have you with us in worship. If you are not presently a member of any congregation, please feel welcome to gather with us around Jesus in this community of his disciples at Holy Trinity. Come and worship with us again!

We welcome and encourage children of all ages to be in worship. Sitting with children in a front pew and giving them the seat on the center aisle helps them to see and participate in our worship. For children who are present in worship, there are a variety of games, toys, puzzles, coloring supplies and snacks in the Kids' Prayground cabinet in the narthex near the coat rack. If children need a break, there is a TV set up downstairs in the nursery so parents can watch the worship live-stream. If you are visiting, an usher can help direct you to the nursery.

Invitation to Communion: Holy Communion is the body and blood of Jesus Christ by which our Lord is truly present to forgive sin and bring life and salvation. All baptized Christians who believe this promise are welcome to commune. Parents with children are encouraged to come to the altar together. Children who do not yet receive communion will receive the blessing of the Church from the Pastor.

Procedure for Communing: Approach the altar rail through the door to the front left, take a small glass from the tray and move to the furthest place open, kneeling if you are able, or standing. Receive the host either in your open palm or in your mouth; receive the wine poured into the small glass, saying "Amen" after receiving each. If you are unable to consume either the bread or wine, be assured that Christ is fully present for us in either element; reverence the body or blood of Christ by saying "Amen" when the host or the cup is presented. Leave by the right, placing your empty glass in the tray provided, and return to your pew.

Gluten-free wafers are available; let the pastor know when you come forward to receive.

Liturgy of Holy Communion, Saturday at 5:30 p.m. and Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

The assembly's responses are in bold type.

We prepare in prayer and holy silence.

Significance of the Day: 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.

Gathering

Prelude

Brother James' Air

Searle Wright

Greeting and Announcements

The assembly stands and turns to face the cross in procession.

Thanksgiving for Baptism

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
by whose hand we are given new birth,
by whose speaking we are given new life.

Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,
we are welcomed, restored, and supported
as citizens of the new creation.

Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Holy God,
holy and merciful,
holy and mighty,
you are the river of life,
you are the everlasting wellspring.

In mercy and might you have freed us from death
and raised us with Jesus, the firstborn of the dead.
In baptismal waters our old life is washed away,
and in them we are born anew.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister continues.

Glory to you for oceans and lakes,
for rivers and streams.
Honor to you for waters that wash us clean,
quench our thirst, and nurture both crops and creatures.
Praise to you for the life-giving water of baptism,
the outpouring of the Spirit of the new creation.

**Wash away our sin and all that separates us from you.
Empower our witness to your resurrection.
Strengthen our resolve in seeking justice for all.**

Satisfy the world's need through this living water.
Where drought dries the earth, bring refreshment.
Where despair prevails, grant hope.
Where chaos reigns, bring peace.
We ask this through Christ,
who with you and the Spirit reigns forever.
Amen.

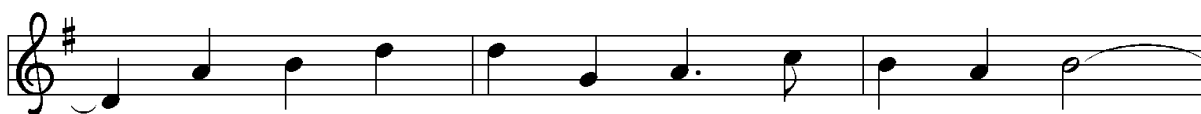
We Know That Christ Is Raised



1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
2 We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death.
3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life.
4 A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows



Em - braced by death, he broke its fear - ful hold,
Re - born, we share with him an Eas - ter life,
The Spir - it's fis - sion shakes the church of God.
as Christ's new bod - y takes on flesh and blood.



and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy.
as liv - ing mem - bers of our Sav - ior Christ.
Bap - tized, we live with God the Three in One.
The u - ni - verse re - stored and whole will sing:



Hal - le - lu - jah!

Text: John B. Geyer, b. 1932
Music: ENGELBERG, Charles V. Stanford, 1852-1924
Text © John B. Geyer.

Hymn

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing



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

Apostolic Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Kyrie

The musical score is written in 8/8 time and consists of four staves. Each staff is divided into two parts: *Cantor* and *Assembly*. The lyrics are: Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son! Chris - te e - le - i - son, Chris - te e - le - i - son! Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son! Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son! Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son!

Staff 1: *Cantor* Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, *Assembly* Ky - ri - e e - le - i -

Staff 2: *Cantor* son! Chris - te e - le - i - son, *Assembly* Chris - te e - le - i -

Staff 3: *Cantor* son! Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, *Assembly* Ky - ri - e e - le - i -

Staff 4: *Cantor* son, *Assembly* Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son! Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son!

Hymn of Praise

REFRAIN



This is the feast, this is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God, — for the



Lamb who was slain has be - gun — his reign. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.



Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, hon - or, and bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

REFRAIN



This is the feast, this is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God, — for the



Lamb who was slain has be - gun — his reign. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



Sing — with all the peo - ple of God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

REFRAIN



This is the feast, this is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God, — for the



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ia. — Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. —

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The assembly is seated.

Word

First Reading

Acts 4:5-12

A reading from Acts:

5 The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, 6 with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. 7 When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" 8 Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, 9 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, 10 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. 11 This Jesus is

'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;

it has become the cornerstone.'

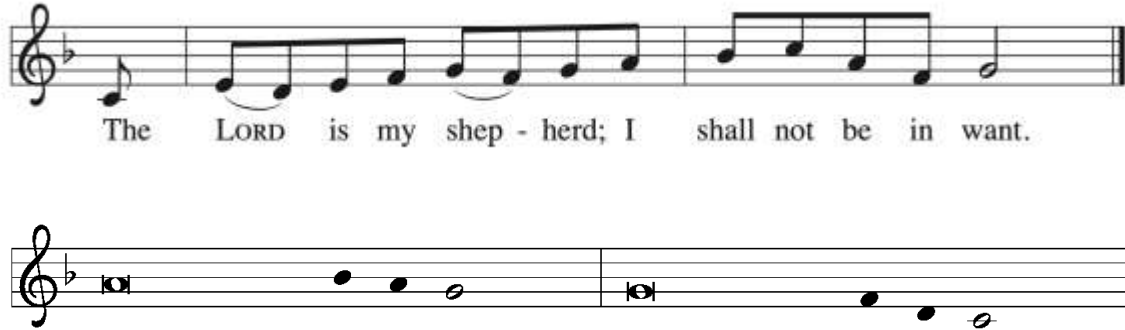
12 There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23

*The Psalm will be spoken responsively on Saturday.
It will be sung responsively on Sunday.*



- 1 The LORD | is my shepherd;
I shall not | be in want.
- 2 The LORD makes me lie down | in green pastures
and leads me be- | side still waters.**
- 3 You restore my | soul, O LORD,
and guide me along right pathways | for your name's sake.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall | fear no evil;
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they | comfort me.**
- 5 You prepare a table before me in the presence | of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is | running over.
- 6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days | of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the | LORD forever. (R)**

Second Reading

1 John 3:16-24

A reading from 1 John:

16 We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us – and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. 17 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?

18 Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. 19 And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him 20 whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. 21 Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; 22 and we receive

from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

23 And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us.

24 All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them.

And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands.

Gospel Acclamation

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Holy Gospel

John 10:11-18

The Holy Gospel according to St. John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said, 11 “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. 12 The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away – and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. 13 The hired hand

runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. 14 I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, 15 just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. 16 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. 17 For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. 18 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.

The assembly is seated.

The Sermon

Mark Littke

As the organ sounds the assembly stands to proclaim the word of God in song.

Hymn

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.

Nicene Creed

**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.**

Prayers of Intercession

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, responding, God of grace, hear our prayer.

A brief silence.

Shepherding God, gather your church whenever we wander from you and one another. Empower our church in ministries around the world to worship and serve alongside global companions as equal partners and coworkers in the gospel. We pray for our bishops, Elizabeth and Michael; our pastors, musicians, staff, church council members and volunteers. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Nurturing God, preserve the health of biomes and ecosystems. Inspire scientists, researchers, conservation organizations, and all people entrusted with the task of caring for creation, that we may be better stewards of the world around us. Open our eyes to the beauty around us as the world around us awakes to a new season. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Almighty God, lead nations and communities to share resources, cooperate in solving conflicts, and listen to the wisdom of Indigenous peoples. Help all those with power to share it and to use such power for good. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Loving God, protect the very young and the very old, those living without housing, victims of domestic abuse, and all who live with chronic illness or compromised immune systems. Guide communities to actively care for people who are vulnerable. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Gracious God, help this and all communities of faith to listen for your voice. Call us away from things that distract us from following you. Invite us to more deeply love and serve people who are lonely, isolated, and on the margins. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Living God, we give thanks for our ancestors in faith, especially Henry, Wayne and Frances. Strengthen us to share the good news in our own day. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Are there others for whom we should pray?

P: 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.

Peace

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

*The people greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace saying,
"Peace be with you. And also with you."*

The assembly is seated.

Meal

Offertory Anthem

The Lord is my Shepherd
Howard Goodall

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want;
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:
For you are with me, you will comfort me,

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

-- paraphrase of Psalm 23

The assembly stands.

Offertory Verse

Let the vine-yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the
brim our cup of bless - ing. Ga-ther 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.

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. Each staff contains a melody line with lyrics underneath. The first staff has two measures: 'The Lord be with you.' and 'And al - so with you.'. The second staff also has two measures: 'Lift up your hearts.' and 'We lift them to the Lord.'. The third staff has one long measure: 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.'. The fourth staff has one long measure: 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.'. The notes are mostly quarter and eighth notes, with some rests.

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 arch-angels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Holy, holy, holy'. It consists of three staves of music in G-clef, 4/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff contains the first line of the hymn. The second staff contains the second line, with a triplet of eighth notes under the word 'glory'. The third staff contains the third line, ending with a double bar line.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Holy, living, and loving God,
we praise you for creating the heavens and the earth.

We bless you for bringing Noah and his family through the waters of the
flood,
for freeing your people Israel from the bonds of slavery,
and for sending your Son to be our Redeemer.

We give you thanks for Jesus
who, living among us,
healed the sick,
fed the hungry,
and with a love stronger than death,
gave his life for others.

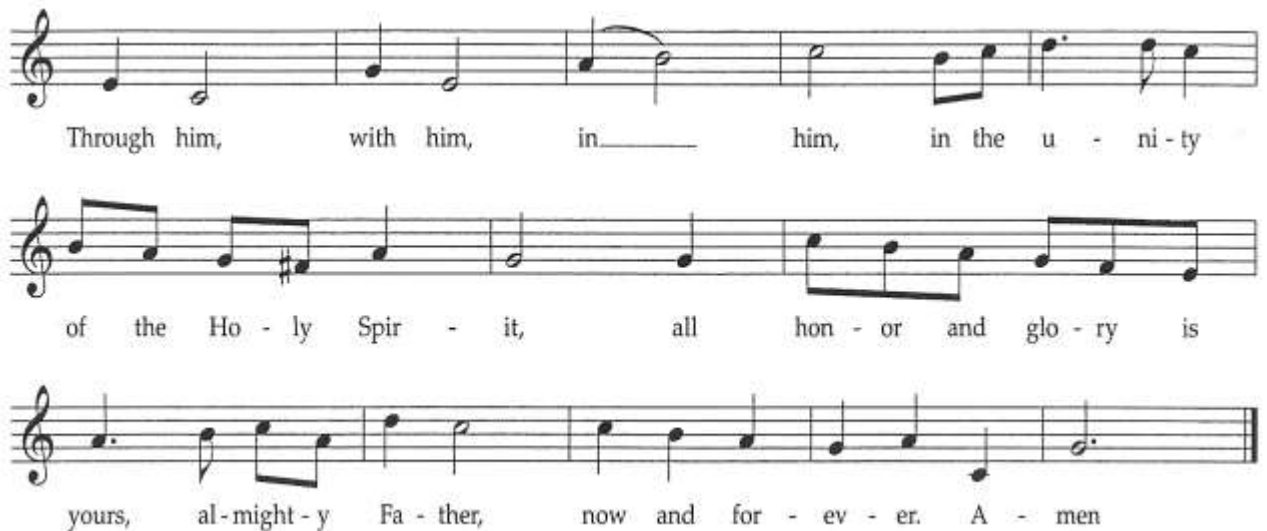
In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

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.

Remembering, therefore,
his life-giving death and glorious resurrection,
we await your promised life for all this dying world.



Breathe your Spirit on us and on this bread and cup:
carry us in your arms from death to life,
that we may live as your chosen ones,
clothed in the righteousness of Christ.



Lord's Prayer

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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.**

Breaking of Bread

Alleluia! Christ our passover is sacrificed for us,

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, for all is now ready.

Assembly is seated

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy on us.

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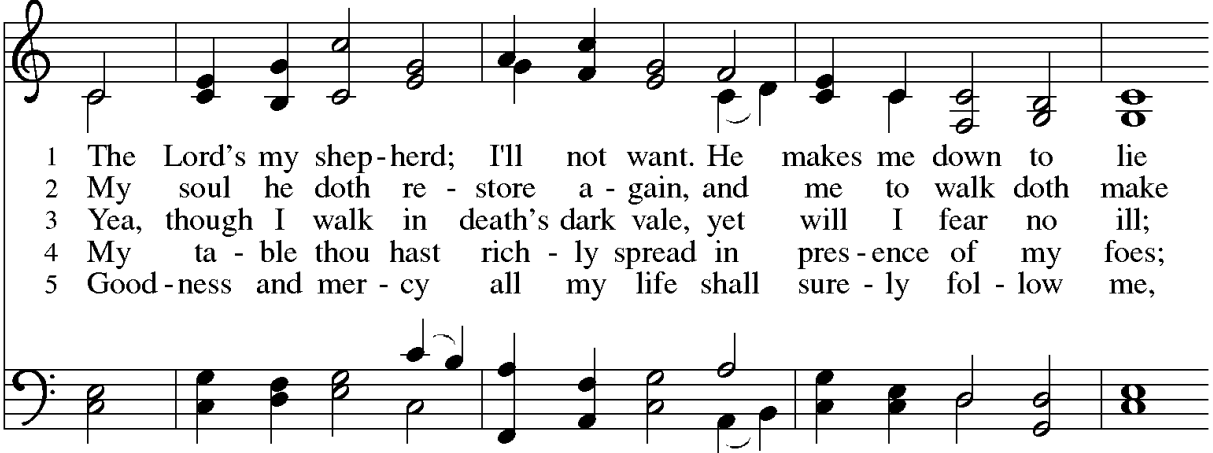
grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

The Communion of the Faithful

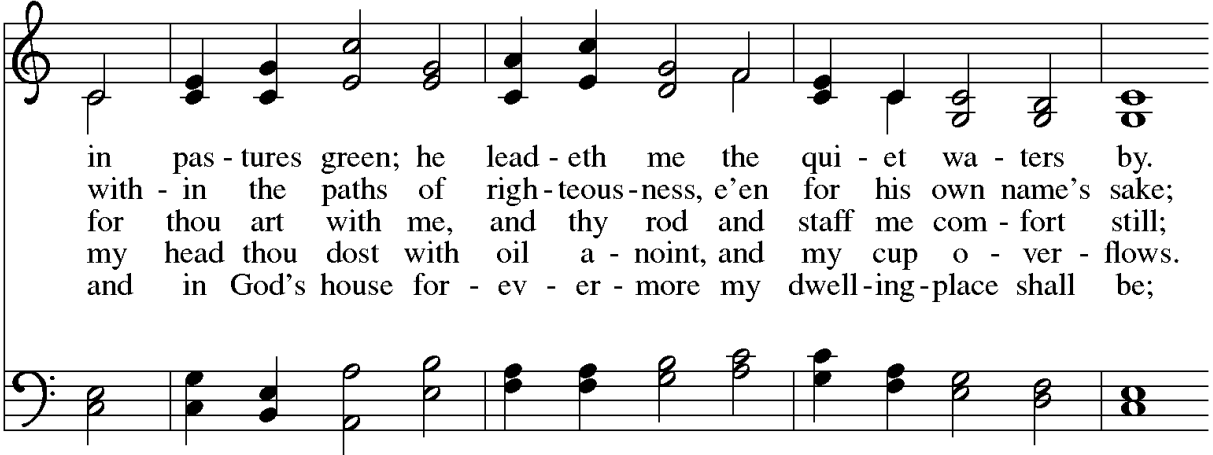
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Hymn

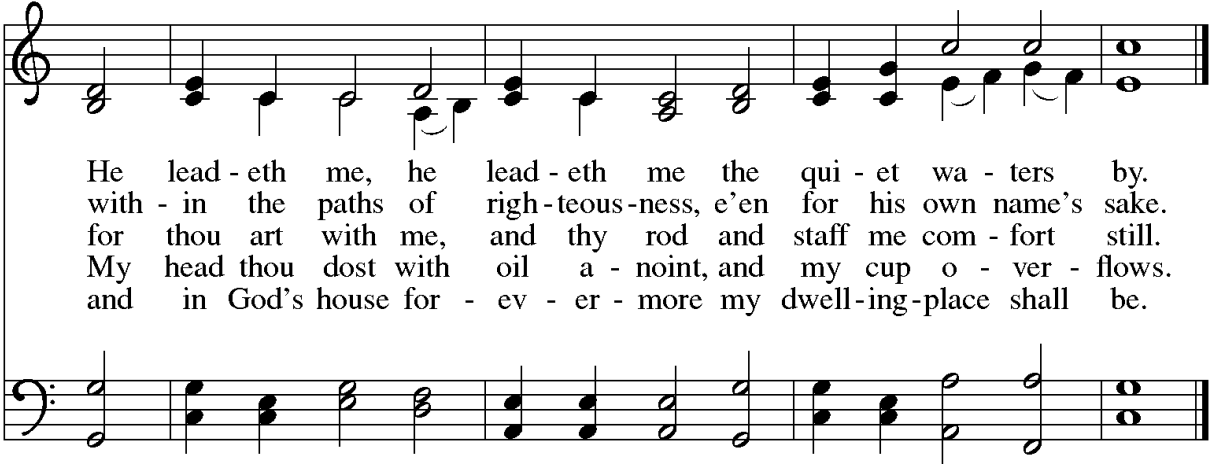
The Lord's My Shepherd



1 The Lord's my shep-herd; I'll not want. He makes me down to lie
 2 My soul he doth re-store a-gain, and me to walk doth make
 3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill;
 4 My ta-ble thou hast rich-ly spread in pres-ence of my foes;
 5 Good-ness and mer-cy all my life shall sure-ly fol-low me,



in pas-tures green; he lead-eth me the qui-et wa-ters by.
 with-in the paths of righ-teous-ness, e'en for his own name's sake;
 for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me com-fort still;
 my head thou dost with oil a-noint, and my cup o-ver-flows.
 and in God's house for-ev-er-more my dwell-ing-place shall be;



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Text: *The Psalms of David in Meeter*, Edinburgh, 1650

Music: BROTHER JAMES' AIR, James L. Macbeth Bain; arr. Gordon Jacob, 1895–1984

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The assembly stands.

Post-Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and preserve you unto eternal life.

Amen.

Post Communion Cantic



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; _____ tell ev-'ry-one what God_ has done. _____

5
Let all who seek the Lord_ re - jice, _____ and proud - ly bear Christ's ho - ly name.

9
Lord, re - call your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with

13
shouts of loud thanks - giv - ing. _____ Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - - - ia!

Post-Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

God for whom we wait,

you come to us

in the broken bread and the cup we share.

Make us ready always

to welcome Christ into our hearts,

and send us forth to be your people in the world,

announcing your coming among us

in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray together, Our Prayer for These Times

O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Sending

Blessing

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen. Sung

Hymn

I Know That My Redeemer Lives!

1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives! What com - fort
 2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; he lives e -
 3 He lives to grant me rich sup - ply; he lives to
 4 He lives to si - lence all my fears; he lives to

this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, he lives, who
 ter - nal - ly to save; he lives ex - alt - ed,
 guide me with his eye; he lives to com - fort
 wipe a - way my tears; he lives to calm my

once was dead; he lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head!
 throned a - bove; he lives to rule his church in love.
 me when faint; he lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.
 trou - bled heart; he lives all bless - ings to im - part.

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| <p>5 He lives to bless me with his love;
 he lives to plead for me above;
 he lives my hungry soul to feed;
 he lives to help in time of need.</p> | <p>7 He lives and grants me daily breath;
 he lives, and I shall conquer death;
 he lives my mansion to prepare;
 he lives to bring me safely there.</p> |
| <p>6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend;
 he lives and loves me to the end;
 he lives, and while he lives, I'll sing;
 he lives, my prophet, priest, and king!</p> | <p>8 He lives, all glory to his name!
 He lives, my Savior, still the same;
 what joy this blest assurance gives;
 I know that my Redeemer lives!</p> |

Text: Samuel Medley, 1738-1799, alt.
 Music: DUKE STREET, attr. John Hatton, d. 1793

Dismissal



P: Let us go forth in Christ, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
 All: Thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Postlude: Duchy Fanfare & March Malcom Arnold

Serving Saturday

Presiding Minister Pastor Brenda Martin
Organist Andy Joos
Liturgical Deacon Catherine Mott

Serving Today

Presiding at the Eucharist Pastor Brenda Martin
Preaching and Presiding Mark Littke
Director of Music Steve Repasky
Liturgical Deacon Sheryl Lanning
Communion Assistant Fran Black
Acolyte Gianna Weaver
Lector Mike Bradley
Head Usher Barbara Swartz
Live Stream Technician Tyler Martin-Call
Altar Guild Catherine Richardson

Pastors in residence:

The Rev. Martin Roth, pastor emeritus, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
The Rev. Julia Fraser, chaplain at St. Paul Homes
The Rev. Dr. Curtis Thompson, retired, Thiel College
Pastor Brian Riddle, senior pastor, St. Michael Lutheran Church, Virginia Beach

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This Week at Holy Trinity

Sunday April 21, 2024 *Fourth Sunday of Easter*

- 8:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 9:30 a.m. Liturgy of Holy Communion
- 10:45 a.m. SCS and CONFIRMATION Classes
- 7:00 p.m. AA Big Book Meeting

Tuesday April 23, 2024

- 9:00 a.m. Flying Quilts
- 7:00 p.m. AA and AA Women's Discussion

Wednesday April 24, 2024

- 6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 6:30 p.m. Dance Lessons

Thursday April 25, 2024

- 6:30 p.m. Dance Lessons
- 7:00 p.m. Happy Hour (zoom)

Saturday April 27, 2024

- 5:30 p.m. Liturgy of Holy Communion

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday April 28, 2024 *Fifth Sunday of Easter*

- 8:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 9:30 a.m. Liturgy of Holy Communion
- 10:45 a.m. SCS and CONFIRMATION Classes
- 4:00 p.m. Friends of Music/GHS Chamber Singers
- 7:00 p.m. AA Big Book Meeting

Tuesday April 30, 2024

- 9:00 a.m. Flying Quilts
- 7:00 p.m. AA and AA Women's Discussion

Wednesday May 1, 2024

- 6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 6:30 p.m. Dance Lessons

Thursday May 2, 2024

- 6:30 p.m. Dance Lessons
- 7:00 p.m. Happy Hour (zoom)

Saturday May 4, 2024

- 9:00 a.m. Spring clean up/work day
- 5:30 p.m. Liturgy of Holy Communion

Altar and Columbarium Flowers

If you would like to purchase the flowers for either the altar or columbarium, please contact the church office.

Good Shepherd Request for April

The Good Shepherd request is **canned fruit, vegetables and beans** for the month of **April**. Donations can be placed in the box in the cloister or on the table in the office hallway. **THANK YOU!**

Second Mile Giving

The second mile giving for the month of April is the Youth Gathering. We have several youth from our church attending this year. Envelopes can be found on the table in the narthex and in the office hallway. Thank you for supporting our youth.

Help Us Save Paper and Money!

You can help us save paper and money every month by allowing us to send your Messenger to your e-mail address. We can save money on paper, ink, and a whole lot of postage. If interested, just e-mail Catherine at holytrinitygreenville@verizon.net and she will get you set up. Thank you.

Spring Work Day Approaching!

As the days become warmer, we are reminded of all the work that needs to be done to keep our building looking great inside and out. We have selected May 4th at 9:00 am as our Spring Work Day to deal with the outside issues. There is plenty to do to transition our building from Winter to Summer and we could sure use your help. Won't you consider helping for an hour or two? Donuts will be provided and since it is Star Wars Day, feel free to come dressed as your favorite Star Wars character (just kidding) but if you could bring your lightsabers it would make trimming the bushes easier. Look for the sign-up sheet in the Narthex and thanks in advance for your help.

Please Pray For

Permission is necessary to add a person to the prayer list. Please ask before you call the office. Thanks.

Health and Healing:

Zach Morgan	Lori Scotta (friend of Jill Murrin)
Hadley Hunsberger (friend of Ray Richardson)	Charlene Miller (friend of Rich and Denise Hall)
Mary Rose Jones (friend of Jill Murrin)	Russell Morgan (father of Matt Morgan)
Ashley Nicole Lucas and Lily Grace Lucas (daughter and granddaughter of Mike and Mary Beth Bradley)	Stephen Call (family of Olivia Martin-Call)
Sandy Knapp (sister in law of Nancy Knapp)	Christina Bush (niece of Henry and Ruth Heil)
Jack Leipheimer	Ashley Milliren (friend of Alyssa Martin)
Todd Daniello (husband of Tammy D.)	Lida Mason (friend of the congregation)
Barb Stuver (friend of Betty K. Junk)	Gertie Miller (friend of Bonnie Long)
Sherrill Callahan (friend of Bonnie Long)	Sherry (friend of Rich and Denise Hall)
Alan Kovacik (friend of Marj Stubert)	Ken Buikema (cousin of Denise Hall)
Chris Urban (friend of Dave and Judy Leary)	John Myers (husband of Pastor Brenda)
Wilda Boyd (sister of Louise Gilmore)	Fred Junk (husband of Betty K. Junk)
Sheila Kretser (friend of Jill Murrin)	Donnie K. (friend of Wayne & Darla Swift)
Krystal Payne (friend of Betty K. Junk)	Lori McCann
Joyce Harris (sister of Judi Moinet)	Nancy (friend of Linda Armstrong)
Jay Wise (nephew of Judi Moinet)	Brenda (sister-in-law of Betty K. Junk)
	Dillon (friend of Ed Pitcher & Beth Harpst)
	Belle (granddaughter of Linda Bateman)

Christ's comfort for those who grieve the death of:

Frances Wackenhut

Wayne Swift

Bob Callahan (friend of Bonnie Long)

Jane Seeley (sister of Ruth Gruber)

Henry Heil

Music Notes

Based on today's lectionary, the Fourth Sunday of Easter is traditionally called 'Good Shepherd Sunday'. Therefore the spoken words, hymns, anthem, and music for this Sunday reflect this theme of Christ as the good shepherd.

Our communion hymn, *The Lord's my shepherd*, is a metrical paraphrase of today's appointed psalm, Psalm 23. It is set to the beautiful hymn tune by James Leith Bain, 1860-1925, who was a Scottish hymn writer, minister, and author. James L. Bain was known to his peers as "Brother James". The organ prelude by Searle Wright is based on this hymn melody *Brother James' Air* by Bain.

The choir anthem is by Howard Goodall. It is his pastoral setting of selected words from Psalm 23 and was used as the theme music for the award-winning BBC TV series, *The Vicar of Dibley*. The organ postlude is by Malcolm Archer. Born in 1953, Archer is an English organist, composer, and conductor. He was director of music at Bristol, Wells, and St. Paul's cathedrals. His *Duchy Fanfare and March* is from his *Lancaster Suite for Organ* written in 2019 as a fundraiser for the large Ashton Town Hall organ.



Pentecost Flowers

Help decorate the chancel for the Day of Pentecost by ordering a geranium.

An additional option is that donations may be made to the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America's "Disaster Response." All donations may be designated in memory or in honor of a loved one or in celebration of an event as indicated below.



All plants are \$5.00 each

You may take them home following the Service or leave them for outdoor planting around the church.

All orders must be turned into the Church Office by *Thursday, May 2, 2024.*

Envelope #: _____

I would like to order _____ geranium (s) at \$5.00 each.

I would like to donate \$ _____ to ELCA "Disaster Response."

Total Amount enclosed: \$ _____ (___ cash) (___ check)

Information for the Pentecost bulletin:

In honor of (living): _____

In memory of (deceased) _____

In celebration of (event) _____

Order placed by : _____ Phone : _____

___ I wish to take the plant (s) following the Sunday Service.

___ I wish to leave the plant (s) for the planting around the church.