



Trinity Lutheran Church

Howards Grove, Wisconsin



TO MAKE THE SAINTS - "WISE UNTO SALVATION" AND TO "EQUIP FOR SERVING"

Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church and Preschool

May 14, 2023

Divine Service, Setting1

6th Sunday of Easter

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Worship:

Sundays: 8 & 10:30am

Bible Class and Sunday School:

9:15am

Summer Worship starts 5/25

Thursdays: 6:30pm

Sundays: 9:00am



Happy Mother's Day

Confession and Absolution

Opening Hymn: 906 O Day of Rest and Gladness (*please rise for the final verse*)

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Kneel/Sit

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Stand

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 119:89–93; antiphon: v. 105

P Your word is a lamp to my feet

C **and a light to my path.**

P Forever, O LORD, your word

C **is firmly fixed in the heavens.**

P Your faithfulness endures to all generations;

C **you have established the earth, and it stands fast.**

P By your appointment they stand this day,

C **for all things are your servants.**

P If your law had not been my delight,

C **I would have perished in my affliction.**

P I will never forget your precepts,

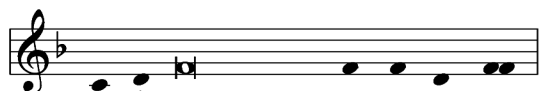
C **for by them you have given me life.**

ALL: **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P Your word is a lamp to my feet

C **and a light to my path.**

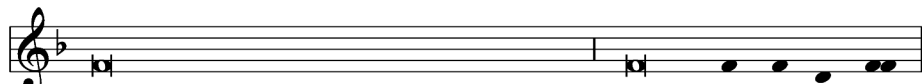
Kyrie



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.




C Lord, have mer - cy.



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



C Lord, have mer - cy.



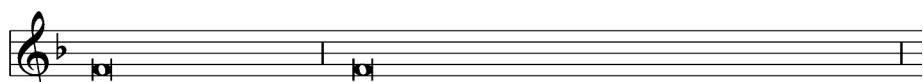
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



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



C Lord, have mer - cy.



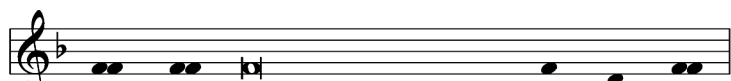
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



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



C A - men.



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,



You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day



P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray. O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

First Reading

Acts 17:16–31

¹⁶While Paul was waiting for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols. ¹⁷So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there. ¹⁸Some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also conversed with him. And some said, “What does this babbler wish to say?” Others said, “He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities”—because he was preaching Jesus and the resurrection. ¹⁹And they took hold of him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, “May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting? ²⁰For you bring some strange things to our ears. We wish to know therefore what these things mean.” ²¹Now all the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there would spend their time in nothing except telling or hearing something new.

²²So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: “Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. ²³For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription, ‘To the unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, ²⁵nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. ²⁶And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, ²⁷that they should seek God, in the hope that they might feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, ²⁸for “‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said, “‘For we are indeed his offspring.’

²⁹Being then God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man. ³⁰The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

10:30am Service: “Take My Hand, Precious Lord” Natalie, Claire, and Cole McCraw

Epistle

1 Peter 3:13–22

¹³Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? ¹⁴But even if you should suffer for righteousness’ sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, ¹⁵but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; ¹⁶yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God’s will, than for doing evil.

¹⁸For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, ²⁰because they formerly did not obey, when God’s patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. ²¹Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

John 14:15–21

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

¹⁵[Jesus said:] “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, ¹⁷even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

¹⁸“I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. ¹⁹Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. ²⁰In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Sermon Hymn: 524 How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds

Sermon

Stand

Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life † everlasting. Amen.

Prayer of the Church *We respond with Amen.* Prayer requests: Trent Lieffring, Eugene Bubolz, Michael Winter, Connie Hansen, Todd Bender, Randy Ries, Margie Born, Karen Hogenson, and our shut-ins.

Offering—8:00am Service Trinity Men’s Club LSB 705 “The Man is Ever Blessed” vs 1-4
Please rise as the offerings are brought forward to the altar.

C What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to
me? I will of-fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv-ing and will
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-
va-tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je-ru-sa-lem.

Lord's Prayer

C 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.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
C Amen.

Sit

Closing Hymn: 583 God Has Spoken by His Prophets

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Trinity Messenger

Thank you Connie Cortright for playing the organ today. We appreciate your time and talents!

Birthday Blessings to David Haag, Deede Bergelin, Evan Erdmann, Bryan Grunewald, Gavin Winter, and Mona Jaeger.

Altar Guild Meeting: May 15th at 6:00pm. Please bring rags and gloves if you have them in order to help clean the candelabras. Anyone interested in joining the Altar Guild or learning about what exactly they do is more than welcome to come to the meeting.

The Ascension Service is Thursday, May 18th at 6:30 with Communion.

Brat Fry: Grace Lutheran Church, Haven will be having a brat fry and bake sale at the Howards Grove Piggly Wiggly Saturday, May 20th from 10am-2pm. Proceeds and donations go to Sheboygan LHS.

Confirmation will be Sunday, May 21st at the 10:30 service.

The Sunday School Picnic will also be May 21st after church. More details will be forthcoming.

Summer Worship starts May 25th with a Thursday evening worship service at 6:30pm. Sunday Worship will be at 9am.

VBS will be June 12-16, so save the date! This year's program is **STELLAR: SHINE A LIGHT ON JESUS' LOVE!** "Launch kids on a cosmic quest where they'll have a blast shining Jesus' light to the world. Stellar VBS is a Bible-rich program grounded in hands-on, multi-sensory learning experience that kids will be talking about for years to come."

Registration forms are located on the back table. **If you are a member of Trinity Lutheran Church and would like to volunteer at Vacation Bible School, please complete the very bottom of the registration form. Helpers must have completed one year of confirmation class.**

There are two special flower arrangements in church today. One is from the Altar Guild and is in honor of Mother's Day. May God bless all the mothers of our church, both here and in heaven.

***"Honor her for all that her hands have done,
and let her works bring her praise at the city gate."***

-Proverbs 31:31

The other flowers are in celebration of Carson Grunewald's Golden Birthday (May 12th).

"Carson, wishing you God's blessings on your golden 12th birthday. We pray that you continue to walk in the faith and be a light in the world in spreading the Word of God. Love, Mom, Dad, Evelyn and Jacob"

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Altar Guild</u> |
|---------------|------------------------------------|
| May 8-24 | Kristin Reiss and Robie Scharinger |
| May 22-June 4 | Connie Bitter and Linda Plocar |

| <u>May</u> | <u>Ushers</u> | <u>Elders</u> |
|------------|---------------|---------------|
| 8:00am | Team 3 | Aaron Kuhlow |
| 10:30am | Team 6 | Mark Plocar |

| <u>Attendance</u> | |
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| May 7, 2023 | |
| Early: 75 Late: 68 | 143 |
| Sunday School: | 21 |

| <u>May 7 Offering</u> | | Sunday School: | |
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| General | \$4,658.00 | Church Improvement | \$90.00 |
| Tabitha Fund | \$225.00 | Donation (Unspecified) | \$1,960.00 |
| Spaghetti Supper | \$1,996.25 | Willard Kuhlow Memorial (Unspecified) | \$3333.00 |
| Kitchen Remodel | \$10.00 | LaVerne Weber Memorial (Unspecified) | \$36.80 |

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Time</u> | <u>Acolytes</u> | <u>Greeters</u> | <u>Video Operators</u> |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| May 14 | 8:00am | Cooper Schmidt | Al Bramstedt | Scott Timm |
| | 10:30am | Rylan Bahr and Bryce Peter | Kathy Schmid | |
| May 18 | 6:30pm | Mykenna Weigert | Josh Schorer | |
| May 21 | 8:00am | Andie Koenig and Matthew Koenig | Janice Lieffring | Lance Liermann |
| | 10:30am | Joey Senkbeil | Mark and Angie Schorer | |