

**TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**1186 Jason Drive, Greencastle, PA**

**TLC Renews**



We want to be a congregation who continues:  
Trusting God  
Loving and Connecting with God and one another  
Reaching out to all God's children

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**May 11, 2025 10:15 AM**

**Rev. Denise Horn – Interim Pastor**  
**Ministers to the World – Congregation of Trinity Lutheran**  
**Mission – *To Share Christ in Word and Deed***  
**Office Phone – 717-597-9348**

## WE WELCOME ALL WHO WORSHIP HERE THIS DAY!

- If you are visiting with us, we are honored by your presence. If you are seeking a church home, please contact the Pastor.
  - Holy Communion is celebrated in this morning's worship. All are welcome to the table. Young children should follow the practice of their home congregation.
  - The Worship Service will be available on You Tube and the Website after the service.
  - Congregational responses are in bold.
- \* *Please stand*

### Welcome, Announcements, Opening Prayer

## GATHERING

### Prelude

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*Children of the Living God (CCLI #2823825)*

### \*Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

**\*Gathering Hymn**

*Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds (ELW #367)*

**\*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.**

**\*Prayer of the Day:** We pray together: **O God of peace, you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep. By the blood of your eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good that we may do your will, and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**First Lesson – Acts 9: 36-43**

<sup>36</sup> Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. <sup>37</sup> At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. <sup>38</sup> Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, “Please come to us without delay.” <sup>39</sup> So Peter got up and went with them, and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. <sup>40</sup> Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, “Tabitha, get up.” Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. <sup>41</sup> He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. <sup>42</sup> This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. <sup>43</sup> Meanwhile, he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 23 (Read responsively)**

<sup>1</sup> The LORD is my shepherd;  
I shall not be in want.

**<sup>2</sup> The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures  
and leads me beside still waters.**

**<sup>3</sup> You restore my soul, O LORD,  
and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.**

**<sup>4</sup> 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.**

**<sup>5</sup> You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.**

**<sup>6</sup> Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

## **Second Lesson – Revelation 7:9-17**

**<sup>9</sup> After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count,  
from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the  
throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their  
hands. <sup>10</sup> They cried out in a loud voice, saying,**

**“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!”**

**<sup>11</sup> And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four  
living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped  
God, <sup>12</sup> singing,**

**“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom  
and thanksgiving and honor  
and power and might  
be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”**

**<sup>13</sup> Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in  
white, and where have they come from?” <sup>14</sup> I said to him, “Sir, you are the one  
who knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the  
great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of  
the Lamb.**

**<sup>15</sup> For this reason they are before the throne of God  
and worship him day and night within his temple,  
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.**

**<sup>16</sup> They will hunger no more and thirst no more;  
the sun will not strike them,  
nor any scorching heat,**

**<sup>17</sup> for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,  
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,  
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”**

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**\*Gospel Acclamation**

**Hallelujah! Words of Life!**

*A Gospel Acclamation*

Richard Bruxvoort Colligan



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**\*The Holy Gospel according to John, the tenth chapter.**  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**\*Gospel:** John 10:22-30

<sup>22</sup> At that time the Festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, <sup>23</sup> and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. <sup>24</sup> So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." <sup>25</sup> Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me, <sup>26</sup> but you do not believe because you do not belong to my sheep. <sup>27</sup> My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup> I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. <sup>29</sup> My Father, in regard to what he has given me, is greater than all, and no one can snatch them out of the Father's hand. <sup>30</sup> The Father and I are one."

The gospel of the Lord  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Children's Message**

## Sermon

**Time of Silence:** *At our best Trinity is passionate about God. We respond to God's love becoming still, closing our eyes and opening our heart spaces to God's presence.*

## Hymn

*My Shepherd, You Supply My Need (ELW #782)*

## \*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 power of 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**

**\*Prayers of the Church** - *(Each petition ends with "Hear us, O God.". The Congregation responds "Your mercy is great.)*

## \*Sign of Peace

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.** *(If you are joining us on Facebook, please share Christ's peace with one another in the comments.)*

## MEAL

*You are invited to come forward for the traditional distribution of Communion or if you prefer, take a prepackaged kit available from the Usher and remain seated. The Pastor will give instructions to you prior to communing the Assistants.*

## \*Offertory 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.**

### **\*Dialogue**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

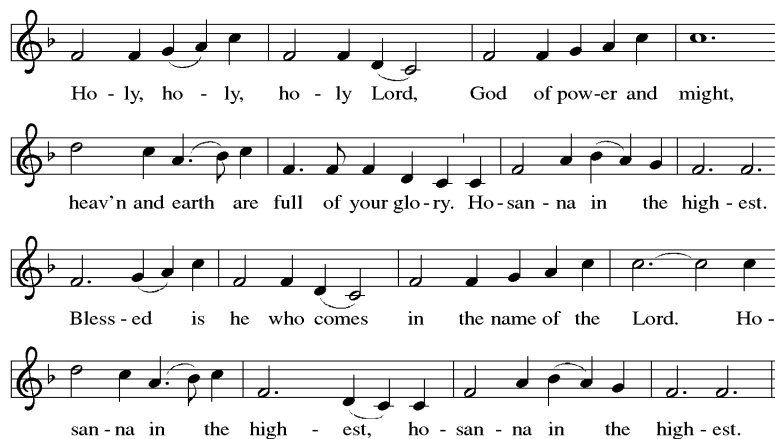
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### **\*Preface**

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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
heav'n 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, ho-san-na in the high-est.

### **\*Words of Institution**

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, Jesus 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.

### **\*Lord's Prayer**

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

**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**

Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life.

**Pew Communion:** *Those who wish to commune from their seats using the prepackaged kits please open them now. Take and eat and drink, the body and blood of Christ given and shed for you.*

### **Assistants Commune**

### **Communion**

The body of Christ given for you.

The blood of Christ shed for you.

Communion Hymns:

*The King of Love My Shepherd Is* (ELW #502)

*The Day of Resurrection* (ELW #361)

### **\*Table Blessing**

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

### **\*Post Communion Prayer**

Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. **Amen.**

## **SENDING**

### **\*Benediction**

The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, ✠ Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always. **Amen.**



**\*Sending Hymn**

*Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing* (ELW #385) vs.1,3,4

**\*Sending for Service**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

***SERVING TRINITY TODAY***

Director of Music – Sandra Wingert

Assisting Minister – Don Swart

Communion Assistants – Sue Wunderlich and Dave Wolfe

Communion Cups – Josie Thomas

Singers – Ella Swart

Usher – Alice Marsh

Greeter – Sue Wunderlich

IT Ministry – IT Team

Communion Preparer – Charlie and Beth Ford

**TODAY WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER:** Gust Barbuzanes, Marie Dean, Sue Deardorff, Donna, Mary Effisah, Terry and Laura Ellis, Shirley Freeman, Nancy Freshman, Sally Funk, Sue Gardenhour, Desarie Dean Gregory, Erma Horn, Pastor Martin Horn, Jake Johns, Tracy Loucks, Doug McCullough, Beth Miller, Lisa Peters, Don Swart, Bud and Donna Wolfe. *The prayer list will be purged at the end of the month. If you wish a name to be retained (other than homebound members) please call or email the office – 717-597-9348/ tlcsecoffice@gmail.com.*

Each week we also remember four members and friends of our congregation: Chuck and Sue Wunderlich; Keith and Pam Arnold; Gust Barbuzanes; Tim, Jennifer, Reece and Alexis Barbuzanes.

