



Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Welcomes You!

10:00a.m. Worship Service & Communion
[Sunday School]

11:00a.m. Fellowship Hour

*We are a church that actively shares
a living, daring, confidence in God's grace
with our community and the world.*

April 28, 2024

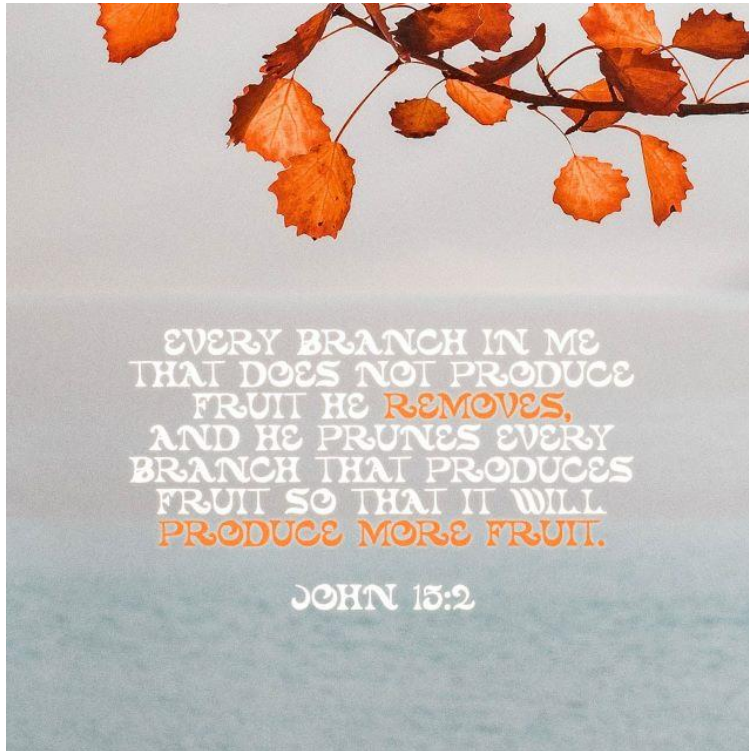
Fifth Sunday of Easter

Welcome to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church (ELCA)

May the presence of the Almighty bless and comfort you, so you
leave here renewed and prepared for the week ahead.

Congregation please stand if able when indicated by the Pastor

You are also invited to say the words in **bold type**.



PRELUDE MUSIC *(a time of quiet preparation and heart reflection)*

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Look, here is water! ***Here is our water of life! Alleluia!***
(repeated three times)

GREETING

GATHERING SONG ***ELW#631***

[Love Divine, All Lovers Excelling]

KYRIE: **ELW p.184**

GLORIA: **ELW p.187-188**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, you give us your Son as the vine apart from whom we cannot live. Nourish our life in his resurrection, that we may bear the fruit of love and know the fullness of your joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

FIRST READING: Acts 8:26-40

²⁶Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) ²⁷So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship ²⁸and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." ³⁰So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" ³¹He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. ³²Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,
and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth.

³³In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth."

³⁴The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" ³⁵Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus.

³⁶As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" ³⁸He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him.

³⁹When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing.

⁴⁰But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

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

PSALM: 22:25-31

²⁵From you comes my praise in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the LORD.

²⁶The poor shall eat and be satisfied, Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts live forever!

²⁷All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; all the families of nations shall bow before God.

²⁸For dominion belongs to the LORD, who rules over the nations.

²⁹Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow down in worship; all who go down to the dust, though they be dead, shall kneel before the LORD.

³⁰Their descendants shall serve the LORD, whom they shall proclaim to generations to come.

³¹They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying to them, "The LORD has acted!"

SECOND READING: 1 John 4:7-21

⁷Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. ⁸Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. ⁹God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. ¹⁰In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. ¹²No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. ¹³By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. ¹⁴And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. ¹⁵God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. ¹⁶So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. ¹⁷Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. ¹⁸There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in

love. ¹⁹We love because he first loved us. ²⁰Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. ²¹The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ELW p.188 "ALLELUIA"

GOSPEL: John 15:1-8

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN, THE 15TH CHAPTER.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ¹"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. ²He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. ³You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. ⁵I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

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

MESSAGE

SONG OF THE DAY ELW#732

[Borning Cry]

NICENE CREED ELW p.104

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each prayer petition will conclude with "God of grace"

*The congregation's response is: "**hear our prayer.**"*

*Prayers needed for God's healing, for those with medical//health concerns:
Paul & Diane Makela, Paul & Carolyn Tormala.*

Prayers needed for God's peace, for those who lost loved ones:

The family and friends of: Kathy Pigott

The family and friends of: Craig Miller

The family and friends of: Dan Brinson (father of Kristi Kirkpatrick)

The family and friends of: Julie Maki (beloved friend of Carolyn Tormala).

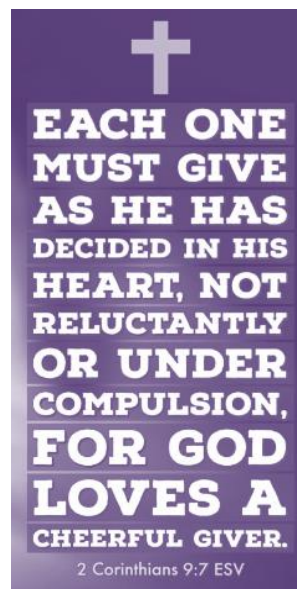
PEACE

OFFERING

The offering table is in the narthex, outside the sanctuary doors.

Giving is a reminder of the blessings God gives us and gave to us through Jesus Christ.

Tithes & offerings are gathered for the support and mission of the church, including the care of those in need within our community and beyond.



PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS:

Everything That We Have

***Everything that we have everything that we are
every moment is a blessing from above***

It's endless love that we breathe

it's endless love that we receive-

what has freely come we now let freely go.

Working hard to survive is no guarantee

For the deck is always stacked against the poor

If we'd use just what we need

Reject the creeping cancer of greed

Like a miracle the hungry could be fed

May we show gratitude in the way that we live

Not with pompous prayers and not with fancy feasts

Imagine how the world should be

Then take a risk to build this dream

That's the offering that God is asking for

OFFERTORY PRAYER

GREAT THANKSGIVING COMMUNION

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.

† we praise your name and join their unending hymn †

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY ELW p.190

CHRIST'S WORDS AT THE TABLE

... we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. ...

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER ELW p.191

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All are invited forward for communion.

Kneel at the altar rail where you will receive communion by individual cup.

Red wine and white grape juice are available.

Gluten-free wafers are also available.

If you would just like to receive a blessing, come with your arms folded in prayer.

LAMB OF GOD ELW p.191

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BLESSING

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

SENDING SONG ELW# 547

[Sent Forth by God's Blessing]

DISMISSAL:

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

UPCOMING EVENTS

[Today] Sunday, April 28th	Sunday Worship, 10am [Sunday School] Fellowship Hour, 11am Prospective New Member chat during coffee hour Brunch & Baskets Fundraiser after worship service A.A.: 8-9pm
Tuesday, April 30th	Quilting 9am to noon
Thursday, May 2nd	Let's Walk, 6pm at Chassell Cemetery Trail
Friday-Saturday, May 3rd & 4th	Confirmation Lock-in here at HTLC
Sunday, May 5th	Sunday Worship, 10am [Sunday School] Fellowship Hour, 11am A.A.: 8-9pm
Tuesday, May 7th	Quilting, 9-noon
Wednesday, May 8th	June newsletter articles due
Thursday, May 9th	Walk, Talk, & Coffee, 1-3pm Let's Walk, 6pm at Chassell Cemetery Trail
Sunday, May 12th -Mother's Day-	Sunday Worship, 10am [Sunday School] Fellowship Hour, 11am A.A.: 8-9pm
Tuesday, May 14th	Quilting 9am to noon
Thursday, May 17th	Let's Walk, 6pm at Chassell Cemetery Trail

APRIL	
	April 28 th
Musician	Kristiina Vanhala
Reader	Sandi Engel
Greeter(s)	Jack & Sandi Engel
Communion Assistant	Annette Lawrence
Sunday School Teacher(s)	Mollie Trewartha
Acolytes	Mannie and Russ Trewartha Eli and Matthew Bennett
Coffee Servers	Fortune Lake Camp families; Brunch Fundraiser
Counters	Mary Jurgensen & Tracey Schmaltz
Altar Care	Sargents

MAY		
May 5 th	May 12 th [Mother's Day]	May 19 th
Mary Jurgensen	Pr. Soren	Kristiina Vanhala
VOLUNTEER NEEDED	YOUTH VOLUNTEER NEEDED	Sandi Engel
Susan Wiles & Lynn Walker	YOUTH VOLUNTEER NEEDED	Dennis & Judy Karvakko
Wendy Hackman	YOUTH VOLUNTEER NEEDED	Paulette Archambeau
Monica Markham	NO Sunday School	Amber Tuttle
Sophia, DJ, Jude, & Finley Armbruster,	Bella Edwards, Bella Kotila, Bella & Robert Sarau	Michael & Emma Rothenberger, Ellie & Wyatt Bates, Olive & Jude Schmidt
VOLUNTEER NEEDED	Service & Witness Committee	Carol Karpp & Mary Jurgensen
Susan Wiles & Lynn Walker	Ann Roth & Becky Moyle	Paulette Archambeau & Roberta Tapani
Judsons		



- For those wanting to join Holy Trinity, there will be a new membership chat after service today.

- Today after service there is a brunch and basket fundraiser to benefit Fourtune Lake Camperships.

- There are only 2 days left to donate toward world hunger relief. We are roughly about \$180 away from reaching our 2024 goal. thank you to all who have been donating toward this campaign! 😊 Please prayerfully consider a donation for world hunger relief to help us reach our goal of \$1,100.00! Put "WORLD HUNGER" on your envelope and memo area of your check. Thank you everyone!

- Let's Walk, organized by Bill Binroth and Dennis Karvakko is every Thursday evening at 6pm. Located at the cemetery entrance. A 45min to 1hour walk is enjoyed on the trails behind the cemetery. All are welcome.

- You are invited to Light the fire for Fortune Lake by participating in a community bonfire here at HTLC on May 31st at 7:30pm. Refer to the flyer located on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.

- Baccalaureate Sunday will be June 9th. Please let the office know if you have someone graduating this year.

- DATE CHANGE FOR AED/CPR TRAINING: The AED/CPR training has been moved to Thursday, June 13th at 5:30pm. It will still be held at the Chassell Fire Department. We apologize for the date change. A scheduling conflict arose for one of the instructors.

- Mark your calendars! VBS will be held July 28th – August 1st with Gloria Dei, Grace Lutheran, and Good Shepherd AT Gloria Dei. There will be a team from Fortune Lake coming to lead the event. Registration forms will be available soon.

- Please take time to sign the sign-in sheet located by the Sanctuary doors in the Narthex. This helps the office in many ways! Members do not need to list your address or phone info., unless this info. has changed recently. Visitors: Please provide us with contact info., so we can send you a card of thanks and/or encouragement. Thanks!

- Also, by the Sanctuary doors is the offering plate. You are able to drop off your tithes & offerings at any point prior to, or after service.

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[Tuesday: out of office for text study, and visitations.

Fridays: Day Off]

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***In case of Pastoral
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April 14, 2024

Indoor Attendance: 60

General Offering:

4/8/24 – 4/14/24

\$900.00

April 21, 2024

Indoor Attendance: 65

General Offering:

4/15/24 – 4/21/24

\$4,322.35

Month of March Income: **\$19,116.21**

Month of March Expenses: **\$12,576.31**

\$6,539.90

January 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024 Income: **\$44,777.69**

January 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024 Expenses: **\$41,175.56**

\$3,602.13



Total to date: \$916.59

