

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

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10:30 a.m. –Worship Service with Holy Communion

Interim Pastors:

Pastor Martin Galbraith

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David Spielvogel II, Music Director

Sunday, May 19, 2024

Day of Pentecost

Confirmation Sunday

10:30 a.m.



MISSION STATEMENT: We are committed to being God's Presence in the Ellwood City area with a mission of evangelism and outreach that seeks to spread the Good News in Jesus Christ, inviting others to join us in the worship and work of our Lord. We are committed to read, study, and meditate upon the Word of God. And through prayer and the Holy Spirit's guidance, we are empowered to respond to those in need.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

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

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

C: Amen.

P: Look, here is water!

C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

P: 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!

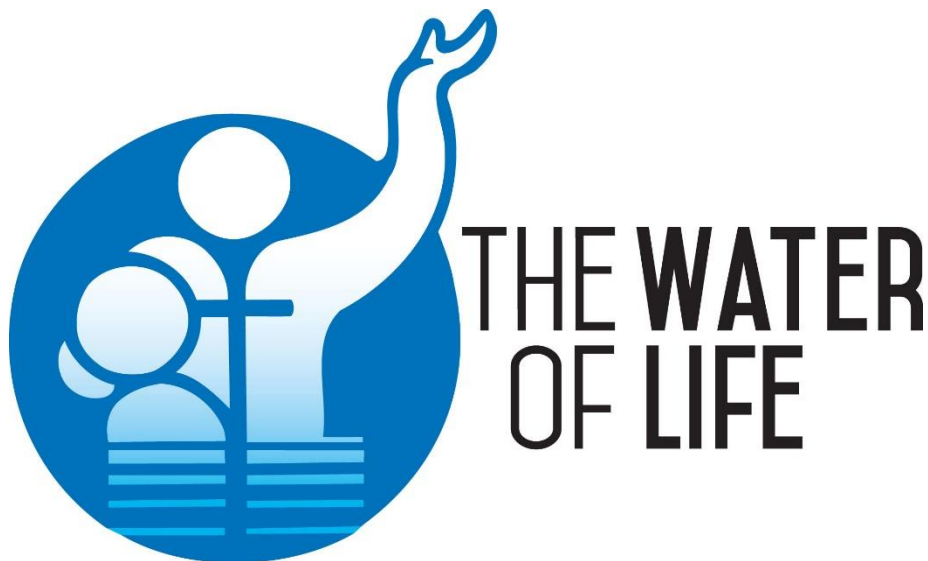
C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

P: 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.

C: Amen.

P: Look, here is water!

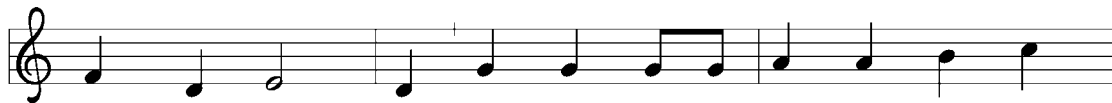
C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!



O Day Full of Grace



1 O day full of grace that now we see ap - pear - ing on
2 O day full of grace, O bless - ed time, our Lord on the
3 For Christ bore our sins, and not his own, when he on the
4 God came to us then at Pen - te - cost, the Spir - it new
5 When we on that fi - nal jour - ney go that Christ is for



earth's ho - ri - zon, bring light from our God that we may
earth ar - riv - ing; then came to the world that light sub -
cross was hang - ing; and then he a - rose and moved the
life re - veal - ing, that we might no more in death be
us pre - par - ing, we'll gath - er in song, our hearts a -



be a - bun - dant in joy this sea - son. God, shine for us
lime, great joy for us all re - triev - ing; for Je - sus all
stone, that we, un - to him be - long - ing, might join with an -
lost, its pow'r o - ver us dis - pel - ling. This flame will the
glow, all joy of the heav - ens shar - ing, and there we will



now in this dark place; your name on our hearts em - bla - zon.
mor - tals did em - brace, all shame and des - pair re - mov - ing.
gel - ic hosts to raise our voic - es in end - less sing - ing.
mark of sin ef - face and bring to us all true heal - ing.
join God's end - less praise, with an - gels and saints a - dor - ing.

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*Apostolic Greeting

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

C. And also with you.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain



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, al - le - lu - ia.

***Prayer of the Day**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. Mighty God, you breathe life into our bones, and your Spirit brings truth to the world. Send us this Spirit, transform us by your truth, and give us language to proclaim your gospel, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**



AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM - CONFIRMATION

P: I now call forward our Ninth Grade Confirmands to affirm the faith of the church and be confirmed.

(Confirmands will come forward)

P: Trinity Elizabeth Davis, Tyson Thomas Davis and Levi Michael Hunter, is it your desire to affirm the faith of the church, affirm your baptism and be confirmed, if so answer, "It is!"

Confirmands: It is!

P: Let us pray. Merciful God, we thank you for Trinity, Tyson and Levi, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in Holy Baptism. You have called them to yourself, enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished them in the community of faith. Uphold them in the gifts and promises of Holy Baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ. **Amen.**

PROFESSION OF FAITH

P: I ask you, Trinity, Tyson and Levi to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God? If so answer, "I renounce them."

Confirmands: I renounce them.

P: Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God? If so answer, "I renounce them."

Confirmands: I renounce them.

P: Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God? If so answer, "I renounce them."

Confirmands: I renounce them.

The presiding minister addresses the candidates and the assembly.

The creed is spoken along with the entire congregation.

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

AFFIRMATION

P: Trinity, Tyson and Levi, you have made public profession of your faith.

Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:

to live among God's faithful people,
to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's Supper,
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,
to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

If so answer: "I do, and I ask God to help and guide me."

Confirmands: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

P: People of God, do you promise to support and pray for Trinity, Tyson and Levi in their new life in Christ?

If so, answer "We do, and we ask God to help and guide us."

C: We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

*Confirmands will kneel at the communion rail,
their confirmation verses will be read and the prayer will be prayed over each one of them.*

Trinity Elizabeth Davis has chosen as her Confirmation Verse Joshua 1:9
I hereby command you: Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed,
for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go."

Tyson Thomas Davis has chosen as his Confirmation Verse Matthew 5:16
In the same way, let your light shine before others,
so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

Levi Michael Hunter has chosen as his Confirmation Verse Joshua 24:15
Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve,
whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites
in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."

The laying on of hands and the praying of this prayer is prayed upon each Confirmand.

P: Let us pray ... Father in heaven, for Jesus' sake, stir up in Trinity, Tyson and Levi 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; confirm her/his faith, guide her/his life, empower her/him in her/his serving, give her/him patience in suffering, and bring her/him to everlasting life. **Amen.**

P: Let us rejoice with this sister and these brothers in Christ.

C: We rejoice with you in the life of baptism.

Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

P: Please welcome Trinity, Tyson and Levi as new Adult Confirmed Members of this congregation!

C: Thanks be to God!

(Applause would be appropriate.)



First Reading.....*Acts 2:1-21*

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, the apostles were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. ⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.” ¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: ¹⁷‘In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. ¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. ²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day. ²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’ ”

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

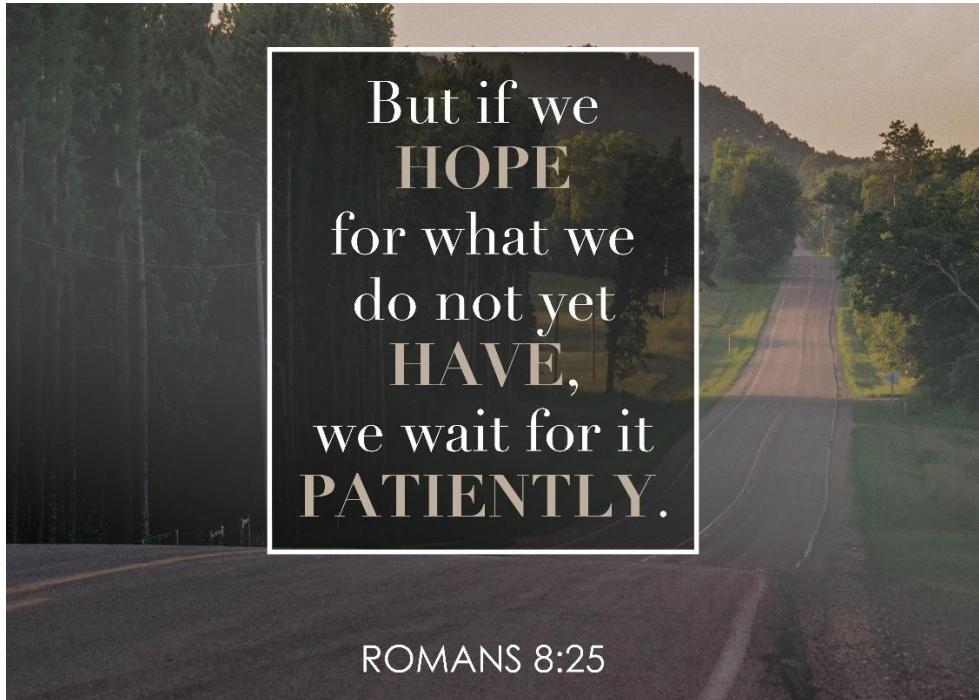
Psalm.....*Psalm 104:24-34, 35b*

²⁴How manifold are your works, O LORD!
In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
²⁵**Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number,
living things both small and great.**
²⁶There go the ships to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.
²⁷**All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.**
²⁸You give it to them; they gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
²⁹**When you hide your face, they are terrified;
when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.**
³⁰You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.
³¹**May the glory of the LORD endure forever; O LORD, rejoice in all your works.**
³²You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.
³³**I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.**
³⁴May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the LORD.
^{35b}**Bless the LORD, O my soul. Hallelujah!**

Second Reading.....*Romans 8:22-27*

²²We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; ²³and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. ²⁶Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. ²⁷And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

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



***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION - FESTIVAL ALLELUIA**



Choir Sings Festival Alleluia
Congregation and Choir sing Festival Alleluia

Choir sings verse:

*Go and teach all nations says the Lord.
I am with you till the end of the world, the world.*

Congregation and Choir sing Festival Alleluia

Gospel.....John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 15th Chapter

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said, ²⁶“When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. ²⁷You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. ^{16:4b}“I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. ⁵But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ ⁶But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. ⁷Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹about sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; ¹¹about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned. ¹²“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.”


P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to You, O Christ.**




Sermon.....Pastor Kirk Bish

Spirit of Gentleness


Refrain



Spir - it, Spir - it of gen - tle - ness, blow through the wil - der - ness




call - ing and free; Spir - it, Spir - it of rest - less - ness,




stir me from plac - id - ness, wind, wind on the sea.

1 You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the deep,
2 You swept through the des - ert, you stung with the sand,
3 You sang in a sta - ble, you cried from a hill,
4 You call from to - mor - row, you break an - cient schemes.

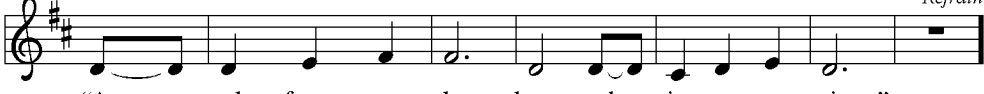


then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the val - leys of sleep;
and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a law and a land;
then you whis - pered in si - lence when the whole world was still;
From the bond - age of sor - row all the cap - tives dream dreams;



and o - ver the e - ons you called to each thing:
and when they were blind - ed with i - dols and lies,
and down in the cit - y you called once a - gain,
our wom - en see vi - sions, our men clear their eyes.

Refrain



“A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings.”
then you spoke through your proph - ets to o - pen their eyes.
when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind.
With . . . bold new de - ci - sions your peo - ple a - rise.

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Prayers of the Church

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.

We pray for the church universal, for its ministries, and for the spread of the gospel. Shower your Spirit upon Sunday school students, confirmands, and the newly baptized. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For the earth, our precious home. We give thanks for the diversity of plant and animal life on our planet. Empower us by your Spirit to be wise and faithful stewards of all you have made. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For the nations and those who govern. Give those in authority understanding hearts, that they work together to bring justice and peace on earth. Grant all who vote in elections wisdom and discernment. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For those in need around the world: for victims of crimes, for victims of sexual abuse and exploitation, for those who are incarcerated. For all who suffer in any way. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For this congregation and its ministries: for those who plan and lead worship, for acolytes and communion servers, for readers and tech ministers, for all who prepare and clean our worship space. May our worship be pleasing in your sight. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Today, we uplift and give thanks for these co-workers with us in the gospel: Nancy Horton, Terrence Horton, Allison, Jeremy, Ashlyn, Brooklyn, Aubrey and Brinley Husok, Doug and Jennifer Slade, Logan Slade and Hayden Slade. Bless them through their ministry and grant them the passion to continue in their service. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Guiding God, give strength and perseverance for your church and its leaders as we do what Jesus commanded, go baptize and teach your word to all. We especially pray for Pastor Martin Galbraith and New Hope Lutheran Church in Freedom and the ministry they do. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

We remember the faithful departed. Give us thankful hearts for those who have gone before us in the faith. At the last day, breathe new life into our dry bones, that we might feast forever with all the saints in light. 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 Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us exchange a sign of peace with one another.

Offering

Special Music

A New Commandment

A new com-mand-ment I give un - to you, that you love one an - oth-er as

The first system of musical notation for the hymn. It consists of a treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a bass clef staff. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style with quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff.

I have loved you, that you love one an - oth-er as I have loved you.

The second system of musical notation, continuing the melody and bass line from the first system. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff.

By this shall peo-ple know you are my dis - ci - ples, if

The third system of musical notation. The melody features a triplet of eighth notes. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff.

you have love one for an - oth - er; by this shall peo-ple know

The fourth system of musical notation. The melody features a triplet of eighth notes. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff.

you are my dis - ci - ples: if you have love one for an - oth - er.

The fifth and final system of musical notation for this hymn. The melody features a triplet of eighth notes. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff.

Text: John 13:34-35
Music: NEW COMMANDMENT, anonymous

***Offertory Prayer**

P: Let us pray... 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.

***Great Thanksgiving.....ELW #129**

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

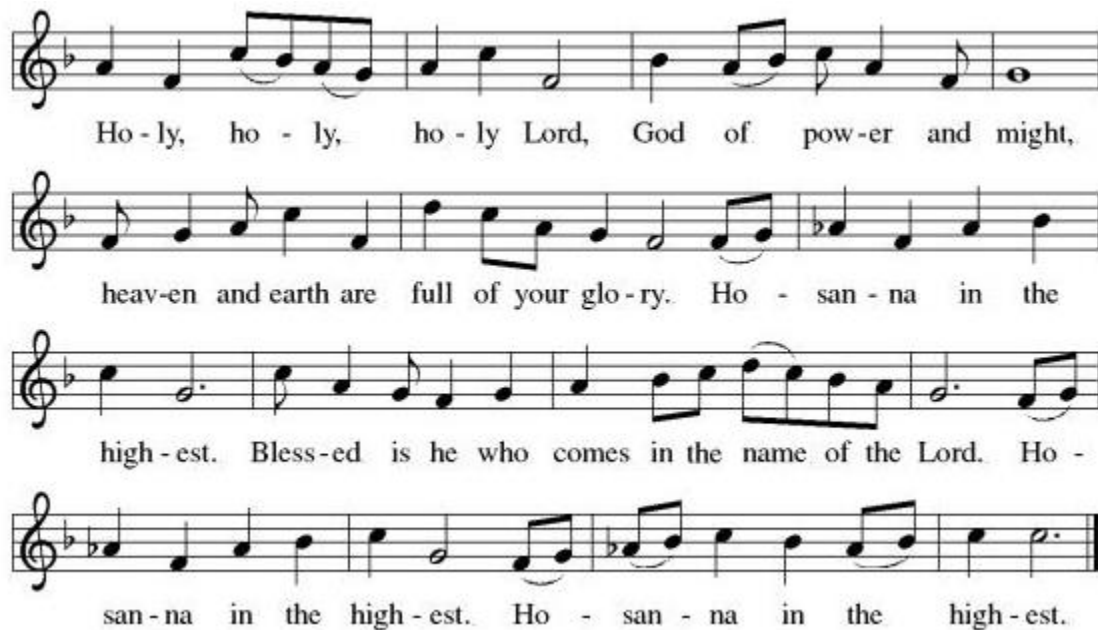
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

***Preface**

P: It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who rose beyond the bounds of death and, on this day, as he had promised, poured out your Spirit of life and power upon the chosen disciples. At this the whole earth exults in boundless joy. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*Sanctus



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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The Words of Institution

P: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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 death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, that by this Holy Communion we may know the unity we share with all your people in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

*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

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

Lamb of God



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

Distribution

*Table Blessing

P: 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.

C: Amen

*Blessing and Benediction

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope ✠ bless you now and always.

C: Amen.

God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind

1 God of tem - pest, God of whirl-wind, as on Pen - te -
 2 God of blaz - ing, God of burn - ing, all that blocks your
 3 God of earth - quake, God of thun - der, shake us loose from
 4 God of pas - sion, God un - sleep - ing, stir in us love's

cost de - scend! Drive us out from shel - tered com - fort;
 pur - pose, purge! Through your church, Christ's liv - ing Bod - y,
 leth - ar - gy! Break the chains of sin a - sun - der,
 rest - less - ness! Where the peo - ple cry in an - guish,

past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser - vice,
 let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice,
 for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us;
 may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;

there with Christ to bear the cross, there with Christ to bear the cross!
 kin - dle us to speak your truth, kin - dle us to speak your truth!
 make us one in Christ our Lord, make us one in Christ our Lord!
 claim us for your king - dom's work, claim us for your king - dom's work!

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The Dismissal

P: Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

The Postlude



**The flowers on the pedestals
are given by George and Sandy McCool
in loving memory of their son, David McCool**

PARISH NOTES

Serving God’s People at the Liturgy:

Ministers	The Members of Trinity
Worship Leader	Pastor Kirk Bish
Music Director	David Spielvogel, II
Lay Lector	Lori Ott
Altar Guild	Barb Beachem
Greeter	Charlotte Lindeman
Communion Assistant	Anna Marie Mako
Acolyte	Guy Hunter



Worship Leaders (Sunday, May 26, 2024):

Worship Leader	Pastor David R. Saylor
Music Director	David Spielvogel, II
Lay Lector	Anna Marie Mako
Altar Guild	Barb Guenther
Greeter	Karla Gorgas
Communion Assistant	Denise Gerard
Acolyte	Ethan Hunter

Hebrews 10:25 Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing,
but let us encourage one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Sunday, May 12, 2024 –Sunday Service

In-Person Worship Attendance: 77 Virtual Worship Attendance: 295

Mission & Ministry Plan – 2024 Church Budget

What we received on Sunday, May 12, 2024 - \$3,820.00

Capital Projects

What we received on Sunday, May 12, 2024 – \$380.00

Keep in Our Prayers: Bob Zikeli, Tom Pletz, Joan Evans, Lisa Kenn, Bruce Zikeli, Dan Shirley
Pastor Elizabeth Wallace, Pastor Peggy Suhr-Barkley, Shane Wooley, Carl Stoops

Nursing Facility: Royellen Canterbury (Edison Manor at New Castle)

Rosetta Colao, The Inn at Poland Way, 6501 Poland Way, Poland, OH 44514

Ruth Miller, Newhaven Court, 100 Burgess Street, Apartment 106, Zelienople, PA 16063

Independent Living Facility:

Dick and Mae Kyser, Alexis Garden, 4560 W Alexis Road, Apartment 343, Toledo, OH 43623

Our Homebound Members: Barb Kenn and Dale Walker



**Today we uplift the following persons, thankful for our partnership in the Gospel
as fellow brothers and sisters in Christ, serving in His name!**

Nancy Horton, Terrence Horton

Allison, Jeremy, Ashlyn, Brooklyn, Aubrey and Brinley Husok

Doug and Jennifer Slade, Logan Slade and Hayden Slade

Announcements

Today we welcome Pastor Kirk Bish

to our worship and thank him for sharing the word of God with us!

Please take a moment and complete the
attendance form found on the pad in each pew.



Giving to the Congregation **YOU** can help the Mission and Ministry of
Trinity Lutheran Church as we reach out in Christ's name into the
community and the world by using the link below to make financial
contribution or by using the QR Code (Quick Response Code) to the left. Both



the link and the QR Code take you to Pay Pal. <http://www.trinitylutheranellwoodcity.com/site/donate.asp>

Trinity's Interim Pastors: Pastor Margarethe Galbraith-Cordes and Pastor Martin Galbraith are our Local
Interim Pastors, serving Trinity with their gifts and time for 20 hours/month. If you are in need of Pastoral
Care, please call Pastor Angela Smith at 814-688-8525. Pastor Smith is covering for Pastors Martin and
Margarethe while they are out of the country.

Last day of our educational Hour for all ages is today, **Sunday, May 19th**. Classes will resume in the fall..

Confirmation Sunday - Today – Day of Pentecost, May 19th - Trinity Elizabeth Davis, Tyson Thomas Davis and Levi Michael Hunter will affirm the faith of the church and be confirmed. A word of thanks to all who have nurtured Trinity, Tyson and Levi in the faith. Thanks be to God!

Congregation Meeting will be held today, **Sunday, May 19th** before the morning worship service. Purpose of the meeting is to nominate and elect two church council members.



55+ Group will be meeting this **Tuesday, May 21st** at 11:30 a.m. at the church for a potluck luncheon. Susan Hougelman of “Simple Life Tours” will share experiences in her tours of the Amish area. She has written a book “Inside the Simple Life” and will have copies for sale for \$20 a copy. Have you thought about joining this fun group? Come be a part!

Church Council reports are due in the office by noon on **Wednesday, May 22nd** for the **Tuesday, May 28th** Church Council meeting. Copies of the report will be emailed to members and also put into your mailbox.

Installation of Church Council members will take place during the worship service next **Sunday, May 26th**



Early Worship:

We will be moving our worship time to
10:00 a.m. on Sunday, June 2nd

Free: Small sturdy wooden children’s chairs are available. Please see Barb Beachem for more information.

The Community Garden Program is looking for more volunteers to work the garden beds in Ewing Park. Do you like to garden and do weeding? All vegetables grown are donated to Divine Grace Ministerium Social Services Food Bank and distributed to those in need. Contact Kelly at 724-816-5193 or email garden@ellwoodcityborough.com for more information or to volunteer.



Brownies of Girl Scout Troop 28845, along with their leaders Josalyn DiFrischia and Tawnya Perpich, worked on part of a badge called “Take Action Project”. The requirements are to give back to the community. The girls decided to make an outdoor food pantry, similar to the Little Library. With the help of Mark DiFrischia and SCS Designs, the community now has access to non-perishable food items. The food pantry is located here at the church and is on the parking lot side of the church. The front says: “Blessing Box - Have a Blessing, Leave It - Need a Blessing, Take It - Above all be blessed!” They hope the people in the community are able to use this resource in times of need. Thanks Brownies!

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Do you know someone who would be comforted by receiving a prayer shawl? Do you like to knit or crochet and would like to make a prayer shawl? Would you like to donate yarn? Please contact Leah Scroggin at 828-435-0751 or the church office for more information.



Lutherlyn's 2024 Summer Camp Schedule is available. Camperships are available for all who need assistance through the church and also Lutherlyn. First time campers can receive \$100 off. Visit www.lutherlyn.com/summer for more details.

Carpenter Project News: *Have you thought about volunteering during the July 8th to 12th work week?*

You can volunteer one day up to all five days. Volunteer forms and clearances are due by June 13th. Forms are available in the office. *The Carpenter's Project is now accepting requests from homeowners.* Those requesting assistance are eligible if they own the home they want repaired and are living in it. Applicants must live in the Ellwood City or Riverside School Districts. Projects include painting, small exterior maintenance/repair/carpentry jobs, power washing, shrub trimming, wheelchair ramp building, etc. We cannot accept really big requests. Priority is given to those who have not been helped in the past five years unless a safety issue is involved. There are no financial requirements. Donations are not required, but donations help us to help additional people. Homeowners may call and leave a message with Steven Miller at 724-201-0295.



Prayer Chain: Do you believe in the power of prayer? Our church family has a prayer chain that you can lift a prayer concern and it will be shared with others. Would you like to become a prayer warrior and receive prayer requests? Please call Sandy Blank at 724-752-9027 with your prayer concerns or if you wish to become a part of the prayer chain.

The Word in Season and Christ in Our Home *April, May and June 2024* devotionals are available in the educational wing and narthex.

Copies of the **Newsletter** are available on the Educational Wing Table.



Divine Grace Ministerium Social Services Food Bank (formerly Holy Redeemer Ministerium Social Services) donation requests for May are: spaghetti sauce, pasta/noodles and cans of soup. Donations can be left in the educational wing. There is also a need of plastic grocery bags. You can give them to Barb Beachem or place them in the food collection bin. This is an ongoing need, so keep them coming.

The **2024 Flower Chart** is also hanging in the Educational Wing. Please sign-up or call or email the church office if you would like to reserve a special day.

Helping those in Need: Do you want to reach out to help those in need in our community? In the Ellwood City area the local food pantry is housed at **Divine Grace Ministerium Social Services Food Bank**, 300 Crescent Avenue, Ellwood City, PA 16117 (724-758-3465). Your monetary donation can either be sent directly to the Food Pantry or sent to the church and the church will forward the money on to the respective Food Pantry. Please list in the memo portion of your check: **Food Pantry.**



Free Organ: A beautiful M-100 Hamed Organ is looking for a new home. Recently serviced in February. Requires 3 oil portals oiled once a year – oil will be provided. Would make a nice instrument for a rec room or someone who likes organ music. You must haul it. Contact Chuck Kennedy at 724-355-5262 for more information.

This Week at Trinity:

Today, Sunday, May 19th

9:15
10:30

Day of Pentecost and Confirmation Sunday

Last Sunday School and Confirmation Classes until fall

Worship Service with Holy Communion

Guest Worship Leader: Pastor Kirk Bish

Congregation Meeting

8:00

AA Group

Tuesday, May 21st

11:30

55+ Potluck Luncheon

Wednesday, May 22nd

Noon

Church Council reports due

Thursday, May 23rd

7:00

Women's AA

Next Sunday, May 26th

10:30

The Holy Trinity

Worship Service with Holy Communion

Guest Worship Leader: Pastor David R. Saylor

Installation of Church Council

8:00

AA Group

**Invite your family, friends, and co-workers to worship with us,
as we proclaim the Good News of Christ!**