A vertical banner with a sunset background. The sky transitions from a deep blue on the left to a bright orange and yellow on the right, where the sun is setting. Three birds are silhouetted against the sky, flying from left to right. In the foreground, the silhouettes of tall grasses are visible against the bright light of the sun. The text 'Alleluia!' is written in a large, elegant, cursive font, and 'Christ is risen!' is written below it in a smaller, similar font.

Alleluia!
Christ is risen!

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EASTER SUNDAY

8:00 A.M./10:30 A.M. SERVICE

Today's Theme: "The last enemy to be destroyed is death," Paul writes. Today Christ is risen, and we gather together with astonishment and joy. Christ is risen, and we have been set free from the bonds of death. Christ is risen, and we are forgiven. Christ is risen, and with the women at the tomb and Peter, we are amazed. Let us rejoice: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Welcome all visitors! We welcome all who worship with us. May the joy of Christ's presence and the power of the Holy Spirit fill you with peace and hope! We are honored by your presence and trust that you will join us in the praise and worship of God. **Activity bags for children can be found in the Narthex.** Please sign our guest book in the Narthex and receive a gift of Trinity Bread from our greeters. If you are interested in church membership, please give your name and telephone number to Pastor Rankin.

Welcome to the Eucharist! All who seek to follow Jesus and who seek the gifts Jesus offers us are invited to share in this sacrament of Holy Communion. *Children are invited to receive communion at the discretion of their parents/guardians. If a child wants to receive a blessing, they are asked to fold their hands.*

HEARING ASSISTED DEVICES –If you have trouble with hearing, please check with one of the ushers for a Hearing Assist Sound Receiver.

Prayer As You Enter: *God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

BY YOUR SILENCE OTHERS MAY HEAR THE STILL SMALL VOICE OF GOD!

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE (10:30 AM) *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today* (Tune: LLANFAIR)
Arr.: Barbara Kinyon
Canticle Ringers

(8:00 & 10:30 AM) *Toccata on Great Day* Adolphus Hailstork

LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE

Alleluia! Christ has risen!

Christ has risen indeed! Alleluia!

May the light of Christ, rising in glory, illumine our hearts and minds.

Christ is our light.

Thanks be to God!

INTROIT O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing

The image shows the musical notation for the Introit. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 3/4. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are written below the treble staff. The first line of the melody is: 1. O sons and daughters, let us sing!

CONTINUES ON THE NEXT PAGE

The King of heaven, the glo - rious King,
o'er death and hell rose tri - umph - ing.

Refrain
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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Let us pray together.

Almighty God, pour out your abundant blessing on this lighted candle, so that all who share in your holy mysteries may be filled with your grace and spiritual blessings. Once we were in darkness, but since we have become the Lord's people, we are in the light. Help us to live as people who belong to the light, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

#167

CALL TO WORSHIP

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM AND INVITATION TO THE TABLE

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.(sung)

Luke, the evangelist, wrote of our risen Savior, who at the table with two of the disciples took bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. Their eyes were opened and they recognized the risen Christ in the breaking of the bread.

In company with all believers in every time and beyond time, we come to this table to know the risen Christ in the breaking of the bread.

Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, gives everyone a place at the welcome table. Alleluia! Come to the feast!

CONFESSION OF SINS

CALL TO CONFESSION

By our baptism into the death and resurrection of Christ, God has raised us to new life.

Let us confess to God our sins and all that waits for resurrection in our lives.

(SEATED OR KNEELING)

SILENT CONFESSION OF SINS

CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us repent of our sin and claim the promise of God.

God of grace and glory, you have brought us through the night of sin into the light of Jesus' resurrection. Yet our lives are still shadowed by sin. Make us alive in Christ, O God. Make us new as you make all things new. Rescue us from evil and the gloom of sin, renew us in grace, and restore us to living in your holiness, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

KYRIE

#518

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us. (sung)

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us. (sung)

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us. (sung)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND CHORAL AMEN

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

ADORATION AND PRAISE

PRAISE VERSICLE and RESPONSE

Praise the Lord!

The Lord be praised!

Let us sing praise to God!

PRAISE RESPONSE

The Easter Song

Hear the bells ring - ing, they're sing - ing that we can be born a -

gain. Hear the bells ring - ing, they're

sing - ing, "Christ is ris - en from the dead."

The an - gel up - on the tomb - stone said, "He is ris - en,

just as he said. Quick - ly now, go tell his dis - ci - ples that Je - sus

The score consists of two systems of vocal and piano parts. The key signature is G minor (three flats) and the time signature is 3/4. The first system covers the first two lines of lyrics. The second system covers the next two lines. The third system covers the final two lines. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody. There are some fermatas and phrasing slurs in the piano part.

Christ is no long - er dead!" Joy to the world, he is ris -

en, al - le - lu - ia, he's ris - en, al - le - lu - ia, he's ris -

en, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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COLLECT FOR EASTER SUNDAY

Let us pray together.

God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

LET THE CHILDREN COME

(Children thru second grade are invited to join the nursery attendants in the nursery located by the elevator on the second floor following the children's sermon.)

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 10:34-43

Peter's sermon, delivered at the home of Cornelius, a Roman army officer, is a summary of the essential message of Christianity: Everyone who believes in Jesus, whose life, death, and resurrection fulfilled the words of the prophets, receives forgiveness of sins through his name.

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

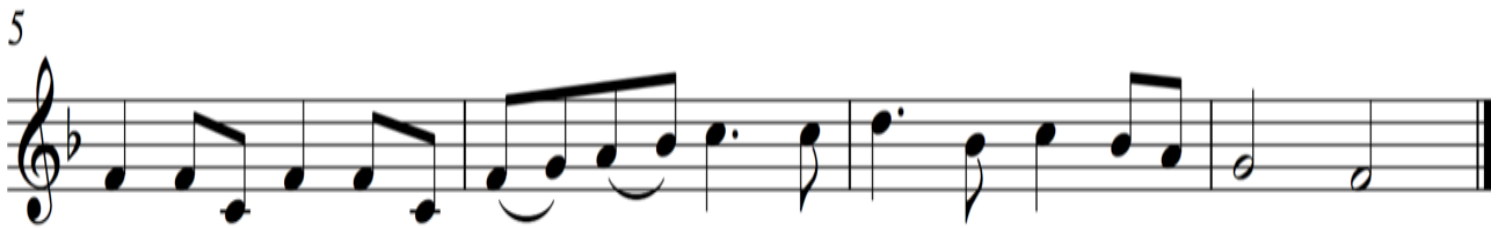
THE PSALTER

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Refrain



This is the day that the Lord_ hath_ made! Re-joice! Re-joice, and be ex-ceed-ing glad!



This is the day that the Lord_ hath_ made! Re-joice! Re-joice! Hal-le - lu - jah!

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O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!
Let Israel say, **"His steadfast love endures forever."**

The Lord is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation.
There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous:
"The right hand of the Lord does valiantly;

The right hand of the Lord is exalted; the right hand of the Lord does valiantly."

I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord.

The Lord has punished me severely, but he did not give me over to death.
Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.
I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.



This is the day that the Lord_ hath_ made! Re-joice! Re-joice, and be ex-ceed-ing glad!



This is the day that the Lord_ hath_ made! Re-joice! Re-joice! Hal-le - lu - jah!

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THE SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

Paul describes the consequences of the resurrection, including the promise of new life in Christ to a world that has been in bondage to death. He celebrates the destruction of evil and the establishment of God's victorious rule over all.

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

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

THE HOLY GOSPEL

St. Luke 24:1-12

Evidently expecting to find Jesus' corpse, some of the women among his followers go to the tomb with embalming spices. After a perplexing encounter with the empty tomb and angelic visitors, the women become the first to proclaim the amazing news of resurrection.

Glory be to You, O Lord.

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THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD

Praise be to You, O Christ.

#498

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

SERMON

"From the Wilderness to Easter Hope!"

Pastor Rankin

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

HYMN

He Lives

1. I serve a ris - en Sav - ior, He's in the world to - day; I
 2. In all the world a - round me I see His lov - ing care; And
 3. Re-joice, re - joice, O Chris - tian, lift up your voice and sing E -



know that He is liv - ing, what - ev - er men may say. I see His
 tho' my heart grows wea - ry, I nev - er will de - spair. I know that
 ter - nal hal - le - lu - jahs to Je - sus Christ, the King! The Hope of



hand of mer - cy, I hear His voice of cheer, And just the time I
 He is lead - ing thro' all the storm - y blast; The day of His ap -
 all who seek Him, the Help of all who find, None oth - er is so



Refrain

need Him, He's al - ways near. He lives, He lives! Christ
 pear - ing will come at last. He lives, He lives!
 lov - ing, so good and kind. He lives, He lives!

Je - sus lives to - day! He walks with me and talks with me a - long life's

nar - row way. He lives, He lives, sal - va - tion to im - part!
 He lives, He lives,

rit.

You ask me how I know He lives? He lives with - in my heart!

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 fully 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 in unity with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, and 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.

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

PEOPLE'S OFFERING

CHOIR ANTHEM

Resurrection Joy

Text by J. Paul Williams
Music by Michael Barrett

Refrain:

Come and rejoice! Sing an alleluia!
Come and rejoice with a song of praise.
Lift up your voice, sing a glad hosanna.
Come and rejoice on this day of days.
Jesus is risen, just as He said.
Jesus is risen, risen from the dead.
Christ has conquered sin. joy will never end,
Hope can live again, let the music begin.
Jesus is risen today.

The Savior died alone on Calvary.
Before all time it was His destiny.
Come now, behold His risen glory.

Christ conquered death and sin.

Our Savior lives again.

Let joy and celebration now begin.

Let the celebration begin.

Refrain:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

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CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Coronation

Flor Peeters

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

OFFERING RESPONSE

Doxology

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OFFERING DEDICATION

Thank you, God, for resurrection. We rejoice in Christ as the first fruits of all that you make available to us. As you offered Christ to the world, so we would offer ourselves. May we, along with our gifts, testify to the good news of your forgiving love and empowering acceptance. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to God Most High.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Holy God, we praise and bless you for creation and the gift of life and for abiding love which brings us close to you, the source of all blessing. We give you thanks that in the fullness of time you sent Jesus, born of Mary, to live in our midst, to share in our suffering, and to accept the pain of death at the hands of those whom Jesus loved. We rejoice that in a perfect victory over the grave you raised Christ with power to become sovereign in your realm. We celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit to gather your church by which your work may be done in the world and through which we share the gift of eternal life. With the faithful in every place and time, we praise with joy your holy name.

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

We boldly proclaim: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

THE PRAYER OF OUR LORD

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE HOST & POURING OF THE CUP

As this grain was once scattered in the fields, and has come together in one bread, so we, with different needs and hopes, come together as one, for we share one bread.

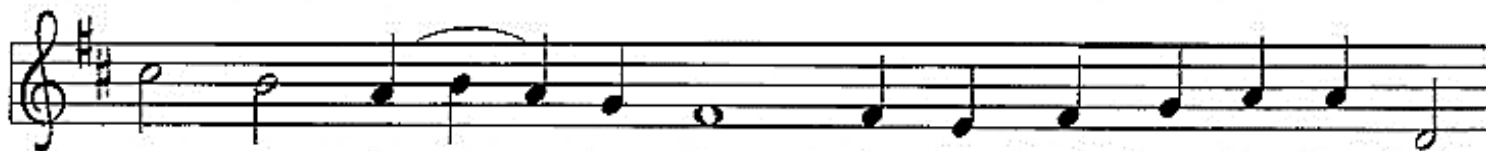
The Bread of Life, broken for us.

The cup which we share is the cup of the New Covenant written in our hearts and witnessed by Jesus.

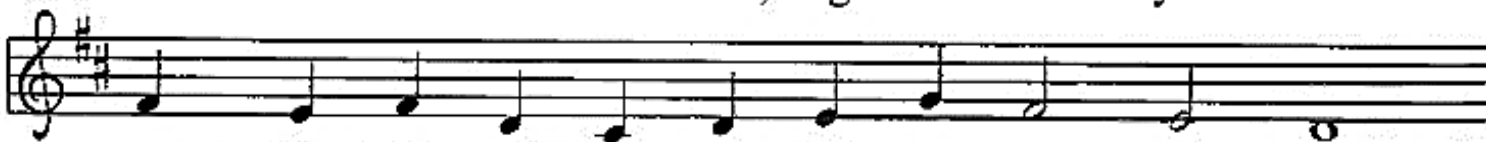
The Cup of Blessing, poured out for us and for the many.

RESURRECTION ACCLAMATION *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



our vic - to - rious king, who has washed us in the tide
sa - cred blood for wine, gives his bod - y for the feast



flow - ing from his wound - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!
Christ the vic - tim. Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!

RECEIVING THE GIFTS OF GOD

(Those who wish to come forward will be dismissed by the ushers. The pastor will serve you the host, saying, "The Body of Christ." You reply, "Amen!" The assistant will present you with the cup, saying, "The Blood of Christ." You reply, "Amen!" Grape juice is in the chalice with the cross and wine is in the other chalice. If you do not wish to come forward, you are invited to use the packaged elements at the back of the sanctuary and commune in your pew or ask the ushers to have the pastor and assistant come to you in the pew. The pastor will offer a blessing everyone has communed. Children are invited to receive communion at the discretion of their parents/guardians. If a child wants to receive a blessing, they are asked to fold their hands.)

SILENT PRAYER BEFORE RECEIVING THE EUCHARIST

I do not presume to come to your Table, Lord Jesus, trusting in my own righteousness, but in your great mercy. I am not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you, Lord, have promised always to have mercy. Therefore, I ask you to have mercy upon me and to enable me to receive your real life and presence through this Sacrament of Holy Communion. Fill all of us with the gift of your Holy Spirit so that we may grow in love for you and for each other. Cleanse us of all sin. Increase our love for you and all your people. Enable us to know that you are here and that you invite us to enter into a deeper and fuller union with you, our Lord and our God. In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN

This Is The Feast Of Victory (next page)

(Once the choir has communed, the congregation is invited to join the choir in singing the hymn during communion)

Antiphon (Unison)

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
2. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
3. Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
4. Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
5. For the Lamb who was slain has be -

D.C.

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion.
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.
gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia!

Final Antiphon

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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SILENT PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING THE EUCHARIST

I bow before you, Lord Jesus, in awe and wonder. You have blessed me with the gift of your life and presence. I am not worthy, but you invite me to come to be washed, loved, and empowered. For this great gift, I thank you with my whole being. As you live in me, mold me and transform me so that I may be a sign of your presence and a vessel through which your love touches the persons I encounter. May my heart and soul and all my words and actions give glory and praise to you, my Savior and my Redeemer. In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

POST COMMUNION PRAYERS

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

Kindle new life in your church. Encourage all who seek creative ways to share the good news of Christ's resurrection. Bless mission developers and new ministries, that their work plant seeds that flourish. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Nourish new life in all of creation. Shower forests and grass-lands, deserts, and mountains with life-giving rains. Grant us delight in your glory that shows forth in all that grows this season. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Empower new life among the nations. As you raised Jesus from the dead, bring new hope for peace and reconciliation in places of war and strife. Raise up leaders who are steadfast in their commitment to justice and transformation. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Awaken new life in this place. Open our hearts to ways you are calling us to be at work in the world and our community. Give us courage to boldly share your love for all people beyond our walls. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Bring new hope among all who are in need, especially neighbors without homes or food, and those whose housing or food supply is at risk. Bring healing to all who are fearful, ill, or grieving. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

SILENT PRAYER

Let us pray together.

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; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

CLOSE OF WORSHIP

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Thine is the Glory

1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end - less is the
2 Lo, Je - sus meets thee, ris - en from the tomb! Lov - ing - ly he
3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with-

vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment
greets thee, scat - ters fear and gloom; let his church with glad - ness
out thee; aid us in our strife; make us more than con - qu'rors,

rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes
hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;
through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

Refrain

where thy bod - y lay.
death hath lost its sting! Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con - qu'ring
to thy home a - bove.

Son; end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won!

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RESPONSIVE BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN (8:00)

Go in peace. Proclaim the resurrection. Alleluia, alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

(10:30 AM) BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Hallelujah Chorus

Handel

**CATCH THE VISION & SHARE THE JOY****TRINITY U.C.C. VISION STATEMENT:**

All will know the love of God through the teachings of Jesus!!

Trinity U.C.C. is called by God to:

--Share God's love with our community

--Serve God's children

--Bring healing and wholeness to those in need

--Share the Gospel in liturgy, music, and study

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chancel Flowers are given by **Pastor Chris, Anne, Rachel, and Andrew** in honor of Zach's 18th birthday on April 18 and in memory of Rev. Dave Gockley, Zach's birthday twin.

The Worship Aids are given by **Mark & Chris Eyer** in celebration of our 37th wedding anniversary.

Ministering Today

Pastor	Rev. Dr. Christopher Rankin
Lector	Diane Rice (8:00)/Steve Gold (10:30)
Acolyte/Crucifer	Andrew Rankin/Zach Baynard (10:30)
Greeters	Jack Keller, George DeLong (10:30)
Monetary Ushers	Mark & Chris Eyer (8:00) Mike Wagner, Shelley Wagner, George DeLong, Anne Rankin, Rachel Baynard, Stan Seachrist, Andrew Rankin, Betty Tyndall (10:30)
Money Counters	Nevin Cooley, Steve Gold, Pat Sensenig, Cherie Cataldi
Altar Guild	Anita Rohrer, Charlene Cristy, Hedwig Hunsicker, Nancy Enders
Building Trustee	Nevin Cooley
Nursery	Jodi Keller, Sandy DeLong (10:30)
Trinity Bread	Autumn Shenk (10:30)
Ministries	Card Evangelism Committee (Betty Tyndall) Called to Care Betty Tyndall Visitation Paula Dennes

This Week at Trinity Church

(Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-2 p.m.)

Today 9:15 AM – Easter Breakfast
 10:30 AM – Eucharist
Monday 7:00 PM – Choir/8:15 PM – Bells
 Parish Post Deadline
Tuesday 1:30 PM - Pinochle
 7:00 PM – Executive Committee
Thursday 6:00 PM – Cub Scouts
Friday 11:30 – Preschool Lunch Bunch
Saturday 7:00 PM – Alanon/8:00 PM - AA

Happy Birthday!

Monday – Nevin Cooley, Logan Garrett
Tuesday – Erin Derstler, Betty Fogle
Wednesday – Jackey Hoover
Thursday – Rev. Dr. Rich Christensen, Jack Olley
Friday – Rev. Margaret Rohnacher

Attendance for Sun., April 13	7:45–17	10:30–91	TOTAL – 108
Sunday School	19		
Lenten Service	17		
Maundy Thursday	2:00-21	7:00-44	TOTAL-65

PRAYERS FOR GOD'S HEALING PRESENCE

MEMBERS

Sarah Paulukow	Pat Seachrist	Dottie Schadt
Ron & Donna Denlinger	Rev. Dr. Carrie Call	John Shelsky
Janice Jenkins	Mid Gockley	Ken & Phyllis Zimmerman
Rhonda Hartenstine	Joann Peck	Scott & Jane Owens
The Lehman family	Mary Lou Shaab	Carmen & Jerry Richards
Donna Wolf & Family	George & Ellie Latsha	Lainie Christensen
Sam Minder III	Betsy Bailey	Hank Fox
Rev. Bob Musser	Donna Zirkel	Danielle Huggins Holbein
Kathleen Sensenig Adams	Betty Tyndall & family	Michael McDonough
Denise Huggins	Erika Otthofer	Rev. Ken & Marilyn Trauger
Ron Becker	Joann & Dawn Garvin	Rev. Jere & Judy Chapman
Arlene Hoxworth	Mary Lou Sturgis	Rev. Bob & Judie Bistline
Betty Fogle	Autumn Shenk	Bob & Marlyn Wible
Himelwright Family		

FAMILY & FRIENDS

The Family of Pat Miller

Marjorie Derck (sister of George Latsha)

Billy Schoffstall (uncle of Kayla Brennan)

Rev. Bill Swisher (friend of Trinity members)

Matthew Davis (brother-in-law of Hillary Bossert-Davis)

Zach Pfeiffer (son of Denise Pfeiffer)

John Zittel (brother-in-law of Denise Pfeiffer)

Carol Rogers (mother of Jamy Shelly)

Jessica Clawser (daughter of Betty Tyndall)

Bishop Nathan Baxter and family (friends of Trinity Members)

Sharon Brown (sister of Sandy DeLong)

Tom Riley (friend of Bud McCarty)

Ryan Dennes (son of Paula Dennes)

Tom & Elaine Lichtenwalner (parents of Mike Lichtenwalner)

John Martin (brother-in-law of Dolly & John Barr)

Rev. Pam Illick (pastor of Zion Lutheran, East Petersburg)

Nancy Scholl (friend of Mike & Shelley Wagner)

David Haverstick (friend of Mike & Shelley Wagner)

Dan Congelton (friend of Nancy Enders)

Audria Husted (granddaughter of Chuck & Sue Husted)

Cindy Greiman (friend of Betty Fogle)

Carmen Sweigert (friend of Rhonda Hartenstine)

Marianne Gibble (friend of Trinity)

Chad Zirkel (son of Donna Zirkel)

Ken Hoshauer (husband of Dr. Cathy Hoshauer)

Kurt Kalbach (brother of Dr. Cathy Hoshauer)

Mary Call (mother of Rev. Dr. Carrie Call)

The Herr Family (Former Trinity Preschool Family)

Chris Rice (nephew of Diane Rice & Karen Olley)

David Brown (nephew of Shelley & Mike Wagner)

Harvey Sick (friend of Judy Chapman)

James Malone & family

Barry Richards (son of Jerry & Carmen Richards)

Tyler Miller (grandson of Iris DeMaio)

Joan Kalbach (mother of Dr. Cathy Hoshauer)

Jim & Kathy Long (friends of Jerry & Carmen Richards)

John Siebern (Bob Siever's brother-in-law)

Jo Jo Richards & family (Carmen & Jerry's granddaughter-in-law)

OTHER CONCERNS

Victims of Disasters

World Peace

Church World Service & Other Faith-Based Relief Organizations

THE APRIL PARISH POST is available in the information racks on both floors of the church building. **The deadline for the May Parish Post is tomorrow!**

DEVOTIONALS: The April-June edition of These Days are available on the table across from the church office or on the lower level by the portico entrance.



TUESDAY, April 22, 1:30 PM
Sign-up sheet on table outside office

2025 CHANCEL FLOWERS AND WORSHIP AID SPONSORS: Upcoming dates for worship aids are: **May 4**. Upcoming dates for Chancel Flowers are **April 27, May 11 & 18**. The price for flowers is \$60. The price for worship aids is \$26. Look for the charts on the bulletin board in the narthex or call Carol in the church office.

OPEN DATES FOR KOINONIA: There are still two open dates for Koinonia during the month of March. The open dates are **April 27, May 4, 11, 18, & 25**. If you could volunteer for any of those dates either use the signup sheet outside the kitchen or call the church office.

A Message from Christian Education for April

On **April 27th** and **May 4th**, at 9:00 am in Isenberg Hall, we are pleased to invite the congregation to hear the **Rev. Dr. Richard Christensen** presenting "**Pharisees, Sadducees, Zealots, centurions, and tax collectors in the New Testament: Who were all these people really, and why does it matter?**" The Rev. Dr. Christensen has had a long career as a pastor, campus minister, mission teacher in Botswana, and professor of philosophy and the religious history of the United States.

VBS INFORMATION: This year's Vacation Bible School will be held from July 14-18. You can find more information about VBS in the April Parish Post. Volunteer forms are on the table across from the church office. If you have any questions, speak to Dina Slechta or Diane Rice.

SPRING BOOK STUDY: Pastor Chris is planning to do book study this spring (after Easter) via Google Meet. We will be reading Henri Nouwen's book *With Open Hands: Bring Prayer Into Your Life*. Contact the church office or Pastor Chris if you are interested in participating.

GRIEF GROUP UPDATE: Pastor Rankin has scheduled two sessions for the grief groups: April 28 at 1:30 p.m. and April 30 at 7:00 p.m. We will be reading *The Wild Edge of Sorrow: Rituals of Renewal and the Sacred work of Grief* by Francis Weller. If you would like to participate in one or both of the sessions, contact Pastor Chris or the Church office.

Summer Church Camp: There are copies of the camp schedule for Nawakwa and Kirchenwald (Lutheran camps) on the table across from the church office. There is also an opportunity to go back to Hartman Center (former U.C.C. camp in Milroy, PA) July 27-August 2. The Rankin family will be participating in the Lutheran camps and the Hartman Center reunion week. Remember....church camp is for all ages!

You can help send campers from Trinity by contribution to our Camp Scholarship Fund. **Place your contribution in your weekly offering envelope and mark the special designation box with "Camp Scholarship"**. For more information about church camp, speak to Anne Rankin, Trinity's Certified Camp Liaison.



**East Petersburg - Scout Troop #33
(Trinity is the charter organization)**

**Annual Pancake Breakfast FUNDRAISER
Our 34th annual breakfast!**

**Located at the East Petersburg Mennonite Church
Saturday, April 26, 2025
7:00am – 11:00am**

- ALL YOU CAN EAT PANCAKES!!**
 - 2 SAUSAGE LINKS (\$1.00 FOR 2 EXTRA SAUSAGES)**
 - COFFEE, TEA, O.J. OR WATER**
- Pre-sale tickets - \$6.00 (2 & under, free)**
Stop by the Scout Hut (end of Pine St.) Mondays 7:00-8:00
or, the neighborhood Ticket Blitz on Saturday 4/12/25)
OR
At the door - \$8.00 (2 & under free)
Raffles Available

Donations are graciously accepted at the breakfast.

**LOOK FOR THE SIGN-UP SHEET ON THE TABLE ACROSS FROM THE
CHURCH OFFICE!!!**

2025 CONCERT SPONSORS: Forms are available on the table across from the church office for you to sponsor this year's concert series.

PRAYER SHAWL: The Knit in God's Love Prayer Shawl Group will be meeting on May 20 at 1:00 p.m. **(they will meet in the choir room due to the Primary Election in Isenberg Hall)** and will continue to meet on the third Tuesday of each month! Come and bring a friend. Hope to see many of you there! Contact Betty Tyndall for more information.

LANCASTER THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY'S 200TH ANNIVERSARY

The signature event will be held on **April 27, 2025, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.** at Santee Chapel featuring recognition messages, music, guest speakers, and milestone highlights of the Seminary's two centuries of theological education and community service.

Guest speakers include Dr. Emilie Townes (Martin Luther King, Jr. Professor of Religion & Black Studies at Boston University School of Theology) and Dr. Teresa Smallwood (Dean and Vice President for Academic Affairs at United Lutheran Seminary).

The event is free, but registration is requested. Speak to Pastor Chris if you want to register! The program will be broadcast via livestream on the LTS website and a reception will follow the event.

The second major event is a concert on **June 1** to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Santee Chapel. More information will be forthcoming!



Lancaster Stormers Game

June 25th

Penn Medicine Park

Stormers vs. York Revolution



The cost is \$35 (ticket, suite rental, endless buffet for 90 minutes, gratuity).

Children from ages 4-18 will be covered by our Youth Ministry account and those under 4 are free.

You can sign-up by contacting Carol in the church office.

We will need a \$15 deposit when you sign-up!

Gates open at 5:30 PM – Buffet served. Game – 6:45 PM.

Deadline to sign up is June 9

S. CLYDE WEAVER SUB SALE FOR THE PRESCHOOL: You are still able to purchase sub coupons to support the Trinity Preschool. Sign-up on the table across from the church office and we will see that you receive your coupons.

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION FORMS are available on both floors of the church building. If you have any questions, contact Amy Grube (Trinity Preschool Director) at preschool@trinityeastpete.org.

Trinity UCC Summer Camp

Come learn, explore,
and create at our
Science and Art
Camp



Week 1 -Science Camp
9:00-11:30
May 12-May 16

Week 2: Art Camp
9:00-11:30
May 19- May 23



Monday, Wednesday, Friday – 4 and 5 year olds \$90/week

Tuesday and Thursday – 2 and 3 year olds \$65/week

Based on a minimum of 8 students

Tell a Friend!

*Please submit your check and form below to save your spot!

*For those new to Trinity UCC Preschool, you will be sent our emergency form, car rider information and permission page to fill out after registering.

My Child _____, age _____ will attend Science Camp____, Art Camp____,
Both camps____. Parent's Name(s) _____
Cell#(s) _____ Email _____
Tuition enclosed \$ _____ Check# _____

EASTER FLOWERS

Name	In honor of or in memory of:	Yellow Mums	White Mums	Tulips	Lilies
Betsy Bailey	In memory of my "daughter", Glenna Bishop			2	
	In memory of my husband, John Bailey				
Nana Bossert	In memory of Lee & Sandy Bossert	1	1	2	1
	In celebration of Lee, Bodhi & Hillary Davis				
Hillary Bossert-Davis	In honor of my mom, Beth Bossert			3	
	In honor of my husband & sons; Logan, Lee & Bodhi Davis				
Andrew & Lily Brennan	In memory of first responders who have given their lives while serving our communities				3
Joan Cash	In memory of C. L. Fountain			3	
	In memory of Ella M. Fountain				
	In memory of Joan H. Yohe				
Nancy Crawford	In honor of Chris, Anne, Nikki, Heather, Tara, Quinn, Zach, Rachel & Andrew		2		
	In memory of Keith G. Rankin, Jackie Meisky, John Meisky				
Lori & Leo Daly	In memory of father, John H. Burger			2	
	In memory of brother, Ronald C. Burger				
Mark & Chris Eyer	In memory of our parents			2	
Marianne Gibble	In memory of Magdalene Carr(mother)		1	1	1
	In memory of Richard Carr (brother)				
Greg Gruber	In memory of Leon & Ethel Gruber	1	1		
Jeff Hackenberger	In honor of Easter			1	
Charles & Elizabeth Hambrick-Stowe	Alleluia! Christ is Risen!	2		4	1
Robert & Hedwig Hunsicker	In honor of the Slechta family				2

Chuck & Sue Husted	In memory of our parents			7	
	In memory of Chris Husted				
	In memory of Gabryl Husted				
	In memory of Gail Boettger				
	In memory of Linda Haimes				
	In honor of Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren				
Miyah, Hannah, Jason & Ashton	In honor of Stan & Pat Seachrist				
Gretchen & Chuck Leinbach	In memory of our parents-Marilyn & Marvin Roth and Betsy & Randy Leinbach			2	
The Lichtenwalners	In memory of John Bailey	2			
	In memory of Pat Miller				
James Malone	In honor of "new beginnings and brighter futures in the midst of darkness"			2	
Denise & Don Pfeiffer	In memory of our parents-Mr. & Mrs. William Montgomery and Mr. & Mrs. Ken Pfeiffer			2	
Andrew Rankin	In honor of Betty Fogle's birthday on Tuesday			1	
The Rankin Family	In honor of Nancy Crawford and Charles & Elizabeth Hambrick- Stowe In memory of Father Alexander Veronis and in honor of Pearl Veronis			4	
Gerald & Carmen Richards	In memory of our parents			1	
Dottie Schadt & family	In memory of Jere Schadt	1			1
	In memory of Kevin Schadt				
Stan & Pat Seachrist	In honor of our grandchildren			2	
	In memory of Pat's siblings-Sharon, Delores, Ken				
Dave & Noreen Trostle	In honor of our children & grandchildren			1	

FIRST READING: Acts 10:34-43

Then Peter began to speak to them: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

or **Isaiah 65:17-25** [not printed]

Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. ²¹For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; ²²for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ.

²³But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. ²⁵For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

or **Acts 10:34-43** [see First Reading]

GOSPEL: Luke 24:1-12

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, [the women] came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. ²They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³but when they went in, they did not find the body. ⁴While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. ⁵The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. ⁶Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.” ⁸Then they remembered his words, ⁹and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹²But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

or **John 20:1-18** [not printed]

Next Sunday's Readings: Acts 5:27-32; Psalm 118:14-29 or Psalm 150; Revelation 1:4-8; John 20:19-31.

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