

Alleluia!
Christ
is risen!

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EASTER SUNDAY
8:00 A.M. & 10:30 A.M. SERVICES

Today's Theme: This is the day that the Lord has made! Christ is risen, and through him all creation is made new! Indeed, "God shows no partiality" (Acts 10:34): Christ's resurrection truly brings life to everyone. We sing hymns of praise, gather around sacred words, and proclaim God's faithfulness, power, and love in the feast of holy communion. With the women at the tomb, we are astonished, elated, and grateful. We depart with joy to proclaim the good news of God's endless love.

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. Please sign our guest book in the narthex. 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.*

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.*

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE (8:00)

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

Anna Laura Page

Kyle Bainhauer, organist

(10:30)

Hymn To Joy

Beethoven/Kevin McChesney

Canticle Ringers

LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The joy and peace of God be with you all.

And also with you.

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

Thanks be to God!

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

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(8:00)-Kyle Bainhauer, organist

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)**

Christ has been raised from the dead. “O death, where is your victory? O grave, where is your sting?”

Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is offered for us.

Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Come and know Christ, broken and poured out for you.

CONFESSION OF SINS

CALL TO CONFESSION

Easter morning takes us by surprise, awakening us to the doubt and despair that have been rooted in our lives.

Let us draw near to God and confess our sins in silent prayer.

(SEATED OR KNEELING)

SILENT CONFESSION OF SINS

CONFESSION OF SIN

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

Almighty and eternal God, we thank you that you have not left us alone in our sin. Loving us, you have brought us good news and set before us the way of Life. Yet we confess that we have failed to see the way. In stubborn pride we have spurned your mercy and your help. In selfishness we have turned away from those who need us. We have allowed ourselves to be crushed by troubles, as though Christ had not been raised at all. Forgive our faithlessness, and grant that we may know new life and hope, in the spirit of the resurrection. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

KYRIE

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

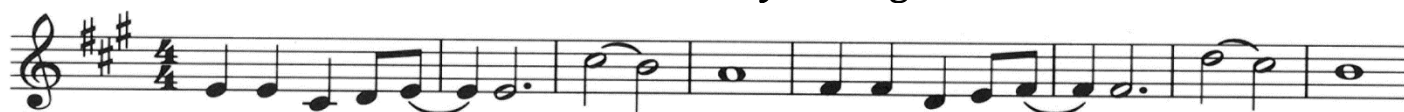
Praise the Lord!

The Lord be praised!

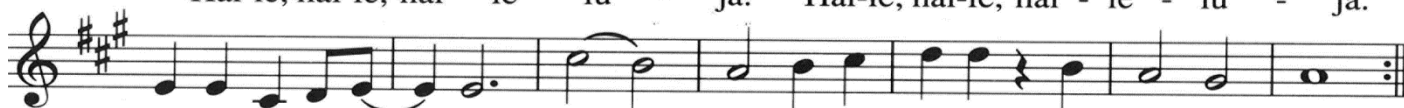
Let us sing praise to God

PRAISE RESPONSE

Halleluja (sing twice)



Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - ja. Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - ja.



Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - ja. Hal-le - lu-ja, hal - le - lu - ja.

COLLECT FOR EASTER DAY

Let us pray the collect 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 go to the nursery (10:30 service) 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

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made, that the Lord hath made.

We will re-joice, we will re-joice and be glad in it, and be glad in it.

This is the day that the Lord hath made; We will re-joice and be glad in it.

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made.

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.

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

The musical score is written in a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) with a common time signature. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves. The first system of music corresponds to the lyrics: "This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made, that the Lord hath made." The second system corresponds to: "We will re-joyce, we will re-joyce and be glad in it, and be glad in it." The third system corresponds to: "This is the day that the Lord hath made; We will re-joyce and be glad in it." The fourth system corresponds to: "This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made." The score concludes with a double bar line and repeat dots.

THE SECOND LESSON

Colossians 3:1-4

Easter means new life for us as it first meant new life for Christ. His resurrection reshapes the entire focus and motivation for our lives since we are now hidden with the risen Christ in God.

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

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

THE HOLY GOSPEL

St. Matthew 28:1-10

Sorrow gives way to "fear and great joy" when two women are sent by an angel to proclaim the good news: Jesus is risen!

Glory be to You, O Lord.

#498

THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD

Praise be to You, O Christ.

#498

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

SERMON

"Earthshaking News!"

Pastor Rankin

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

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.

HYMN

The Day of Resurrection

#165

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

PEOPLE'S OFFERING

CHOIR ANTHEM

Sing The Resurrection Song

Words and Music by Lloyd Larson

Refrain:

Sing the resurrection song! Sing it loud and sing it strong!
Jesus Christ is risen from the dead! He is risen as He said.
Sing the resurrection song!

On the first day of the week as God's faithful shared their grief,
An angel of the Lord came down, and heavenly light shone all around.
"He is not here," the angel said. "He is risen from the dead!"
Go and tell the news to all: Jesus lives! Alleluia!"

Refrain

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Refrain

Sing the resurrection song!

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CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

The Strife is O'er

R. Powell

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

OFFERING RESPONSE

Doxology

#551

OFFERING DEDICATION

God of grace and God of glory, pour your power on your people this day that our lives may reflect the gift we have received through the resurrection of your Son. Truly we see that you show no partiality, offering abundance of life and fullness of grace to all who turn to you in their need. With deepest gratitude for your many gifts, particularly the gift of your Son, we offer you our offerings this day. In the name of the risen Christ, we pray. 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.

SERAPHIC HYMN

#522

(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

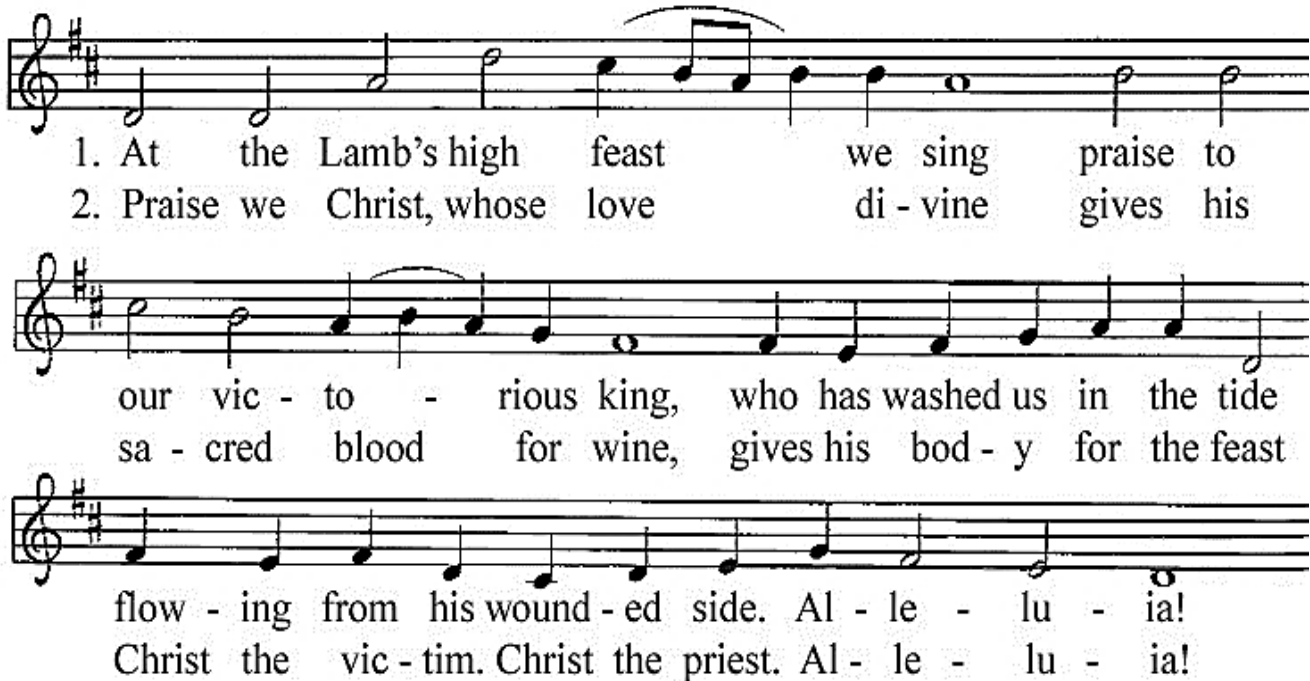
As this grain was once scattered in the fields, and has come together in one bread, so we, with different needs and hopes, come together as one, for we share one bread.

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!

*(Those who wish to come forward will be invited by the pastor. 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 need the pastor and assistant to come to you, please indicate that to someone near you or the pastor. If you do not wish to come forward, you are invited to use the packaged elements in the narthex and commune in your 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.

HYMN DURING COMMUNION

This is The Feast of Victory

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!

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.

United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

You call your church to witness to your salvation. We give thanks for all theologians, preachers, and teachers who proclaim your gospel. Equip all the baptized to share the joy of the resurrection in all we say and do. Risen Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You bring abundant life throughout creation. The green blade rises, and all creation greets the resurrection dawn. Preserve vineyards and orchards and those who tend to them. Feed us with the fruits of creation. Risen Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You show your steadfast love without regard to borders, barriers, or human made divisions. Infuse your justice in every nation of the world that all experience the peace that only you can give. Risen Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You have put gladness in our hearts. Inspire musicians and dancers to rejoice with songs of victory. Bless the music ministries of this congregation and all who foster our congregation's song. Risen Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You anointed your Son with the Holy Spirit and with power. Encourage us by his example in our ministries of healing, care, and outreach. We pray for all who are sick or hospitalized and for all health care workers who care for them. Risen Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

SILENT PRAYER

Let us pray together.

Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name. Amen.

CLOSE OF WORSHIP

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
greet 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!

RESPONSIVE BENEDICTION

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

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

BENEDICTION RESPONSE (10:30 AM) *Hallelujah Chorus* Handel

Clarinet - Gretchen Leinbach, Cello - Dina Slechta,
Trombone - Theodore Slechta

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

POSTLUDE (8:00) *Toccata (from Symphony No. 5 for the Organ)* Widor

Kyle Bainhauer, organist

(10:30) *Fanfare* J. Lemmens

Christine Oetama, organist



CATCH THE VISION & SHARE THE JOY



ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chancel Flowers are given by **Joan Cash** in memory of Joan Hammer Yohe.

The Worship Aids are given by **John and Sarah Paulukow** in celebration that Jesus Christ is Risen today! Alleluia!

Ministering Today

Pastor/Celebrant Rev. Dr. Christopher Rankin
Lector/Assistant (8:00) Diane Rice (10:30) Jeff Hackenberger
Money Counters Nevin Cooley, John Bailey, Pat Sensenig, Cherie Cataldi
Greeters (10:30) Denise Huggins, Bob Bistline, Dottie Schadt
Monetary Ushers (8:00) **Theodore Slechta**, Charlene Cristy, Mark & Chris Eyer (10:30) **Theodore Slechta**, Jane Starr, John Bailey, Denise Huggins, Dottie Schadt, Tim Geiger, Lon Wible, Dan Otthofer
Altar Guild Charlene Cristy, Anita Rohrer, Nancy Enders
Building Trustee Hank Fox
Nursery (10:30) Betty Fogle Charlene Cristy
Trinity Bread (8:00) Nancy Enders (10:30) Betty Fogle
Ministries **Card** Evangelism Committee (Sarah Paulukow)
Called to Care Nancy Enders
Visitation Dottie Schadt

Attendance for Sun., April 2 8:00–19 10:30–83 **TOTAL – 102**
Sunday School 24
Holy Wednesday Service 19

Happy Birthday!

Today – Lauren Eyer, Anita Rohrer

Tuesday – Janet Harriger

Wednesday – Roger Bradley

Friday – Zachary Lehman

Saturday – Betsy Bailey, David Krantz, Cherie Cataldi

This Week at Trinity Church

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

Today 8:00 AM – Eucharist
 9:15 AM – Easter Breakfast
 10:30 AM – Eucharist

Tuesday 8:30-11:00 AM – UCC Ministerium (Isenberg Hall)
 7:00 PM – Anniversary Committee

Wednesday 7:00 PM – Finance Committee

Thursday 10:00 AM – Mercersburg Study Group (Isenberg Hall)
 1:30 PM – Pinochle
 5:30 PM – Community Meal @Zion Lutheran, Landisville
 6:30 PM – Cub Scouts
 7:15 PM – Parish Life Committee

Saturday 8:30 AM - Mulching
 7:00 PM – Alanon/8:00 PM - AA

Sunday 7:45 AM – Eucharist
 9:00 AM – Sunday School
 10:30 AM – Worship
 4:00 PM – Celtic Martins
 6:00 PM—Confirmation Class

PRAYERS FOR GOD’S HEALING PRESENCE

MEMBERS

Don & Pat Miller

Scott & Jane Owens

Dawn Garvin

The Lehman family

George DeLong

Mary Lou Shaab

Rev. Dave & Mid Gockley

Rev. Bob & Nancy Musser

Betty Tyndall and family

Dorothy Fasnacht

Joann Garvin

Anne Rankin

Erika Otthofer

Marge Burger

Joann Peck

Judie Bistline

Donna Zirkel

Sam Minder III

Hank Fox

Ron Becker

Ken & Phyllis Zimmerman

Nancy Patton

Dr. Janet Harriger

Deb Lichtenwalner

Danielle Huggins Holbein

Stan & Pat Seachrist

Carmen & Jerry Richards

Lainie Christensen

Charles & Betty Booraem

Bob & Marlyn Wible

Rev. Jere & Judy Chapman

Mary Witmer

Kathleen Sensenig Adams

FAMILY & FRIENDS

The people of Turkey & Syria

The family of Rev. John Binkley (friend of Trinity members)

The family of Al "Butch" Deutsch (brother-in-law of Tim Geiger)

The family of Rev. Richard Fehnel (friend of Trinity members)

The Bruno family (friends of Blaine Connor)

Jack & Sandy Neal (friends of Trinity members)

Joan Nevins (friend of John and Sarah Paulukow)

Janet Grebinger (friend of John and Sarah Paulukow)

Larry Gerlach (Dolly Barr's brother)

Kevin McCarty (son of Kathy & Bud McCarty)

Pat Ressler (friend of Marge Burger & Jodi Keller)

Robert Good (brother-in-law of Betty Fogle)

James Michaud (Sevi Keares' teacher)

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

Kelly Quick (friend of Rev. Dr. Rich & Lainie Christensen)

The Eshelman Family (friends of Rick & Joann Mowrer)

Marianne Gibble (friend of Trinity)

Eric Zirkel (brother-in-law of Donna Zirkel)

Joan Sleet (sister of Donna Zirkel & Pastor Royer)

James Malone & family

Tom & Elaine Lichtenwalner (parents of Mike Lichtenwalner)

Janet Owens (sister-in-law of Scott & Jane Owens)

Chad Zirkel (son of Donna Zirkel)

Jordan Sensenig (grandson of Pat & Joan Sensenig),

David and Brenda Haverstick(friends of Mike & Shelley Wagner)

Jeannie & Bill Toy (sister & brother-in-law of Lainie Christensen)

Robin McComsey (neighbor of Himelwrights)

Don Pfeifer (husband of Denise Pfeifer)

Judy Barr (friend of Mike & Shelley Wagner)

Rev. Phyllis Baum (former member of Trinity Church)

Jake & Jean Otthofer (parents of Dan Otthofer)

The Martin family

Robert Richards (brother of Jerry Richards)

Ronald Himelwright (grandson of Brenda & Harry Himelwright)

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)

Carl Roth (Gretchen Leinbach's brother)

Sandra Englert (niece of Betty Tyndall)

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

Barry Moore (Donna & Ron Denlinger's brother-in-law)

The Bonilla-Rodriguez family (friends of Trinity Church)

THE APRIL PARISH POST is available on both floors of the church building.

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.

CHURCH MULCHING: The Property Committee is looking for volunteers on Saturday, April 15 @ 8:30 am to mulch the church property. The rain date is April 29.

WELCOME LUNCHEON: The Evangelism Committee will be sponsoring a welcome luncheon for new members and recent visitors to Trinity Church following the 10:30 service on April 30th. Look for the sign-up sheet across from the church office.

KNIT IN GOD'S LOVE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY: The Prayer Shawl will meet Tuesday, April 18 from 1:00-3:00 PM. They 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.

TRINITY PRESCHOOL FUNDRAISER: It is not too late to buy S. Clyde Weaver sub coupons to support the Trinity Preschool. The cost is \$8 per coupon. Look for the sign-up sheet on the table across from the church office.

PRESCHOOL MYSTERY READERS: Trinity Preschool is looking for Spring Mystery Readers for the remainder of March and April. Please contact Sean McKelvey through the church office or email at preschool@trinityeastpete.org to schedule a time to read a book to a preschool class. It's a fun way for Trinity members to support and be part of our preschool.



2023 CHANCEL FLOWERS AND WORSHIP AID SPONSORS: Upcoming dates for chancel flowers are: April 30 & May 14. Upcoming dates for worship aids are: April 30, May 14 & 21. 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.

FLOWER DELIVERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Would you like to be on the rotation to pick up the weekly chancel flowers from the florist on Friday mornings? If so, contact Lee Bossert. Would you like to deliver the chancel flowers after worship to members of the congregation? If so, contact Pastor Chris or Carol Kratz.

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS: We are looking for worship volunteers on Sunday mornings. Contact the church office to sign-up!

Greeters: To welcome worshippers at the door for the second service.

Ushers: We have returned to passing the offering plate during the second service. We especially need ushers because some people have stepped down!

Lectors: Assist with the worship service or to just read the scripture lessons at the 7:45 a.m. and/or 10:30 a.m. services.

ADULT/YOUTH CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS: Thank you to Dr. Charlie Hambrick-Stowe and Dr. Rich Christensen for leading our Lenten studies. The adult/youth class will conclude their study of Adam Hamilton's *The Way* beginning on **April 16**. We will focus on chapter 6 "The Practices of the Cross".

THE LANCASTER COUNTY CLIMATE SUMMIT is a community-focused event for everyone to come together on **April 22 (Earth Day)** to advance climate awareness and take action in Lancaster County. Presentations on various will occur throughout the day at the following locations:

1. **Information Pop-Up/Talking Circle:** Penn Square-Fulton Bank
2. **Ware Center (42 N. Prince St.):** Climate Overview/Finances
3. **Tellus360 (24 E. King St.):** Home Energy/Buildings & Cities/Materials
4. **Holy Trinity Lutheran Church (31 S. Duke St.):**

Transportation/Faith Based Climate Action---Pastor Chris will be presenting information about the Come Follow Me Retreat/Adult Elective

5. **St. James Episcopal Church (119 N. Duke St.):** Food & Land
6. **First Presbyterian Church (140 E. Orange St.):** Water
7. **First Reformed U.C.C. (40 E. Orange St.):** Health, Climate Justice

More information can be found at <https://regenall.org>

You are cordially invited to a celebration commemorating
the close of Lancaster Theological Seminary's

THE way forward CAMPAIGN

Thursday, May 4, 2023

Lancaster Theological Seminary | 555 West James Street, Lancaster, PA 17603

2 p.m. | *Donor wall unveiling – Lark building, first floor*

3 p.m. | *Dessert and champagne reception – Front lawn*

Dress is garden casual.


Please register by Thursday, April 20, 2023

online at lancasterseminary.edu/wayforwardcelebration or contact Matthew Hanna
in Development at mhanna@lancasterseminary.edu or 717-290-8729.

COMMUNITY MEAL: Trinity will be cooking and serving a take-out community meal at **Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church at 85 Brandt Blvd in Landisville on Thursday, April 13th at 5:30 PM.**

Persons are needed to help with meal preparation and to hand-out the take-out meals. Sign-up sheets for helpers are posted in the Narthex. Persons helping to prepare the meal need to arrive at Zion Lutheran by 4:00 PM. Persons helping to hand-out the meals need to arrive at Zion Lutheran by 5:00 PM. Contact Nancy Enders or Paula Dennes with questions. Thank you for your continued support of this important mission.

Cherry Academy Workshops




2023
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Food Insecurity

people are food insecure with 1 in 6.5 children struggling with hunger. (data from Feeding America and Central PA Food Bank, 2020 and 2021).

This themed year of events will not only expand knowledge of food insecurity issues in the city and county but will also help people better connect with the local organizations working in this area, and with each other as they imagine new and exciting projects.




WORKSHOPS




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Food Bank Panel

Apr 24, 7:00 - 8:30pm *Central PA Food Bank, CAP, York Food Bank*
Webinar

Food banks are the backbone of hunger relief efforts. They work behind the scenes to collect donated and bulk-purchased food and distribute it to other food pantries and food programs. Food banks are the storage and distribution depots that provide food to the smaller agencies who hand out food directly to the public. Food pantries, community meals, and many other food programs in our community rely on Central PA Food Bank, York County Food Bank, and CAP for access to donated food. Hear directly from these organizations about the work they are doing and how you can be involved.

Children and Hunger

May 1, 7:00 - 8:30pm *Brad Peterson, Power Packs*
Webinar

In Lancaster County, 1 in every 6.5 kids struggles with hunger. Food insecurity has the potential to be harmful to individuals of any age, but it can be especially devastating to children as their bodies need fuel to grow and develop. Power Packs' unique approach to providing nutritious weekend meals and food preparation skills help families better stretch their food dollars. In partnership with 11 out of the 16 school districts in Lancaster County, Power Packs works directly in schools. Hear more about their work, the Georgetown University research project analyzing their methods, and how you can get involved.

CALLED TO CARE MINISTRY: The Evangelism Committee has revitalized the Called to Care ministry. Meals will be provided for members after they have returned home from the hospital or during other critical moments. Transportation to medical appointments is also available. Nancy Enders will be the coordinator for April.

KOINONIA: We have resumed koinonia (community fellowship) every Sunday at 10 a.m. in Isenberg Hall. Volunteers are asked to provide light refreshments and drinks/coffee. The sign-up sheet is on the kitchen coordinator. If you have any questions, contact Paula Dennes.

2023 CONCERT SPONSORS: Forms are available on the table across from the church office for you to sponsor this year's concert series.



The Celtic Martins In Concert

Trinity UCC

2340 State St.
East Petersburg, PA
717-569-1632
www.trinityeastpete.org

Sunday, April 16

Concert At 4:00 PM

Outdoors - Bring your lawn chairs and blankets. Concert will move indoors in case of inclement weather.

Freewill Offering Benefits
Ting Ministries And
Trinity's Music Ministry





Conference Minister to Preach

The Rev. Dr. Carrie Call, a member of our congregation and Penn Central Conference Minister, will be preaching at both services on April 23.



SAVE THE DATE
Barnstormer's Game

JULY 5



Mark your calendars for **July 5** when the Lancaster Barnstormers will play the Long Island Ducks! **The cost is \$30 (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. We will need a \$15 deposit when you sign-up! Call the church office to sign up.



FOOD TRUCKS

Stoney's Burgers & Fries
Tri-County Barbeque
TJs Ice Cream
Dutch Country Hand Rolled Soft Pretzels

Peace of Mind Protection Fire House

*Magician
Eric Vera*

Save the Date
**FRIENDSHIP FEST
FOOD TRUCK**

EVENT

July 16

4:00-7:00 PM

**BOUNCE HOUSE
no charge**



AUSCULTATION BRASS CONCERT



5:00-6:00 PM

SUMMER CHURCH CAMP

Even though it is still winter, the warmer days of the Summer Camp season are right around the corner! Camp registration is open and ready for you to start planning your summer around weeks at Kirchenwald & Nawakwa! There are a wide range of camps this summer for all ages — kindergarteners through high schoolers, families, adults, and older folks. Below is a list of the camps this year! Contact Pastor Chris or Anne Rankin for more information!

As you know, Penn Central Conference paid for 50% of camp registration fees last year. It is wonderful to be able to announce that that same generous offer stands again this year! 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”.

CAMP WEEK	EXPLORERS Grades K-2	JUNIORS Grades 3-6	INTERMEDIATES Grades 6-9	SENIOR HIGH & ADVENTURE TRIPS
JUNE 18-24	Day Camp (M-F)		High Adventure	
JUNE 25-JULY 1	Day Camp (M-F)	Classic Tree Toppers	Classic Kayak	Beach (Grades 6-8)
JULY 2-8	Pioneers	Classic Jr Quest (Grades 4-6)	Classic Arts & Crafts S.U.R.E.	Sr. High Super Adventure (Grades 9-11)
JULY 9-15	Kids at Heart			
	Mini Camp	Day Camp Plus (M-S, Grades 2-5) Guppies	High Adventure Ten Day	Adirondack Backpack (Grades 7-11)
JULY 16-22		Arts & Crafts Back-Country Outpost S.U.R.E. TURTLES	Water Adventure	Beach (Grades 9-11)
JULY 23-29	Pioneers	Classic Arts & Crafts NightHawks S.U.R.E.	SUB Adventure	Adirondack Canoe (Grades 7-11)
JULY 30-AUG 5	Day Camp (M-F)	Classic Bikes & Boulders	Back-Country Outpost High Adventure	KirchenQuest (Grades 7-11)
AUG 6-12	Family Camp-K-tion (Family Camp)			
	Mini Camp	Ultimate Sports	Fishing Ultimate Sports	

Kirchenwald is located on 340 acres of scenic forest, adjacent to 4,000 acres of State Game Lands, in Lebanon, PA.

CAMP WEEK	EXPLORERS Grades K-2	JUNIORS Grades 3-6	INTERMEDIATES Grades 6-9	SENIOR HIGH Grades 9-11
JUNE 25- JULY 1	Classic Day Camp (M-F)	Classic Equestrian Team Sports	Classic Arts & Crafts EXTRAvangaza	Classic
JULY 2-8	Mini Camp	Classic Day Camp Plus (M-S, Grades 2-5) Holy Smoke!	Classic Full STEAM Ahead!	Adventure Sampler
JULY 9-15	Elder Camp			
	Classic Day Camp (M-F)	Classic Arts, Crafts, & Photography Beginner Guitar and Music	Classic Camp Musical Rock and Roll Adventure	
JULY 16-22	Family Camp			
JULY 23-29	Nature Detectives Mini Camp	Classic Night Owls O.W.L.S. Wild Things	Classic Ten Day	Ten Day
JULY 30- AUG 5	Classic Day Camp (M-F)	Classic Team Sports	Classic Blaze and Paddle Adventure Team Sports	
AUG 6-12	Family Camp			

Nawakwa is located on 336 acres outside of Arendtsville, in Adams County, Pennsylvania.

HARTMAN CENTER HOMECOMING CAMP (July 31-August 5)

There will be several camps happening that week at the Hartman Center Campground in Milroy (the former Penn Central Conference Camp). Look for more details in the upcoming bulletins and the March Parish Post.

Dear Trinity Members,

“God’s Garden” is the theme for this summer’s Vacation Bible School. It will be held **Monday, July 10 to Thursday July 13, from 6:30 to 8:30 PM**, with the **closing program on Friday, July 14**. We will need your help to welcome and teach the children of Trinity and the wider community. The ideal VBS program would touch and/or be touched by each member of the congregation. Please check the activities in which you would be willing to share during the week. **Please return this form to the VBS Director’s mail slot in the church office by April 15**. If you have any questions please contact us. Thank you.

Dina Slechta and Diane Rice

_____ Group Leader—travels with group through stations.

_____ Assistant Group Leader - travels with the group through stations.

_____ Caretaker And Me Class Facilitators - person who can be available in the nursery for any caretaker and child who need to take a quiet time/play by themselves break in the nursery.

_____ Games Leader—leads 10 to 15 minute games reinforcing the night’s concept and story

_____ Games Helper

_____ Crafts Leader

_____ Craft Helper

_____ Story Station Teacher

_____ Snack Helper

_____ Floaters - we need some potential teachers and assistants who will be at VBS, ready to jump in as needed.

_____ Registration—needs to be there 6:15 to 6:45 the first two evenings to register children

_____ Help anywhere needed.

_____ Youth Helper (7th grade on up) Transportation Needed _____

Name _____ Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

Days you would be available _____

Save The Dates

VBS 2023



God’s Garden

July 10 - 13 6:30-8:30 PM

July 14 Closing Program

Easter Flowers



Name	In honor of or in memory of:	Yellow Mums	White Mums	Tulips	Lilies
Roger & Mary Ann Bradley	In honor of our family			1	
John & Betsy Bailey	In memory of our daughter, Glenna Bishop			2	
Lily & Andrew Brennan	In memory of Robert & Betty Baker				2
	In memory of John & Lillian Brennan				
Beverly Brinkley & James Malone		1		1	
Joan Cash	In memory of Joan Yohe			1	
	In memory of C. L. Fountain			1	
Cherie Cataldi	In memory of my dear parents, Bob & June Price		1	4	2
	In memory of my loving husband, Dave Miller				
Nancy Crawford	In honor of Chris, Anne, Zach, Rachel, Andrew, Nikki, Heather, Tara, Quinn			3	
	In memory of Keith G. Rankin, Jackie Meisky & John Meisky				
	In honor of Connie Meisky				
Marianne Gible & Marcel	In memory of brother, Pat Carr			1	1
	In memory of mother, Magdalene Carr				
Greg Gruber	In memory of Leon & Ethel Gruber	1	1		
Jeff Hackenberger	In honor of Easter			1	
Elizabeth & Charles Hambrick-Stowe	Alleluia! Christ is Risen!			1	4
Brenda, Harry & Gary Himelwright	In memory of Lou Ann Himelwright			2	
Rev. Robert & Hedwig Hunsicker	In memory of Paul & Verda Hunsicker				2
	In memory of Heinz & Madlene Stege				
Chuck & Sue Husted	In honor of Stan & Pat Seachrist by Miyah, Hannah, Ashton				
	In honor of our grandchildren & great grandchildren			7	
	In memory of Chris Husted by parents				

Chuck & Sue Husted	In memory of Gabryl Husted by grandparents				
	In memory of parents				
	In memory of our friends				
	In memory of Gail Boettger				
Chuck & Gretchen Leinbach	In memory of Marilyn & Marvin Roth, Gretchen's parents			2	
	In memory of Randall Leinbach, Chuck's father				
Denise & Don Pfeiffer	In memory of Mary Jane & William Montgomery	1	1		
	In memory of Ken & Gloria Pfeiffer				
Kathy & Bud McCarty	With love to Kevin & Gina McCarty, and Quinn, Nolan, William & Elizabeth			2	
	In memory of our parents, Dorothy & Elmer McCarty, Sr. and Mary Lou & John Stehman				
Pastor Chris & Anne Rankin	In honor of Zachary, Rachel, and Andrew In honor our families In honor of Trinity's 175 th anniversary!			5	
Rev. Harry G. Royer	In honor of Donna Zirkel				4
	In memory of Mrs. Harriet Confair				
	In memory of Sister Theresa Joseph Lazur				
	In memory of my parents				
Dottie Schadt & family	In memory of Jere Schadt			1	1
	In memory of Kevin Schadt				
Stan & Pat Seachrist	In honor of our Great-Grandchildren: Ayden, Mason, William, Sophia, Alina & Charlotte			2	
	In memory of our parents				
Dave & Noreen Trostle	In honor of our grandchildren			1	
Donna Zirkel	In memory of husband, Paul R. Zirkel	1			



FIRST READING: Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to [the people]: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality,³⁵ but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him.³⁶ You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all.³⁷ That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced:³⁸ how 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.³⁹ We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree;⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear,⁴¹ not 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.⁴² He 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.⁴³ All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

or **Jeremiah 31:1-6** [not printed]

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

SECOND READING: Colossians 3:1-4

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated

at the right hand of God.² Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth,³ for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.⁴ When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

or **Acts 10:34-43** [see above]

GOSPEL: Matthew 28:1-10

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb.² And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it.³ His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow.⁴ For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men.⁵ But the angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified.⁶ He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay.⁷ Then go quickly and tell his disciples, ‘He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.’ This is my message for you.”⁸ So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples.⁹ Suddenly Jesus met them and said, “Greetings!” And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him.¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.”

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

Next Sunday's Readings: Acts 2:14a, 22-32; Psalm 16; 1 Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31.

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