



Trinity Lutheran Church, Perkasio
Holy Communion | April 7, 2024 | 9:30 a.m.
The Second Sunday of Easter

The Easter season is a week of weeks, seven Sundays when we play in the mystery of Christ's presence, mostly through the glorious Gospel of John. Today we gather with the disciples on the first Easter, and Jesus breathes the Spirit on us. With Thomas we ask for a sign, and Jesus offers us his wounded self in the broken bread. From frightened individuals we are transformed into a community of open doors, peace, forgiveness, and material sharing such that no one among us is in need.

Prelude

"Come You Faithful, Raise the Strain"

setting, J. Kohrs

Organist, Deacon Bruce Tonkin

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Welcome and Announcements

-Please kneel or remain seated.

Thanksgiving for Baptism

-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.

P: 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!

Gathering Hymn

"Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain"

ELW #363

Greeting

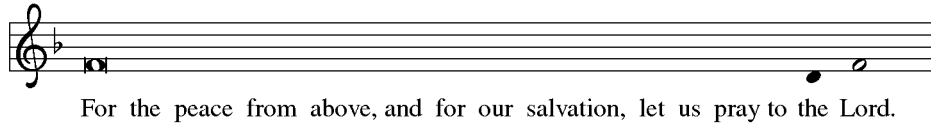
P: The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

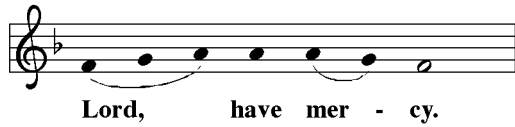
Kyrie



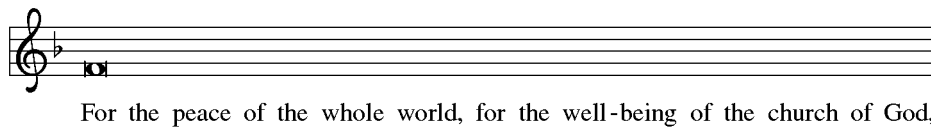
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



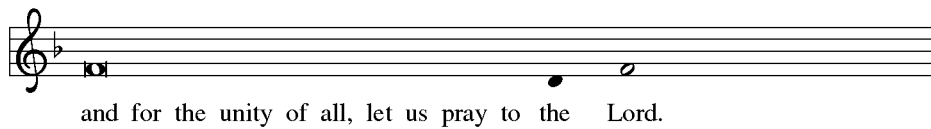
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



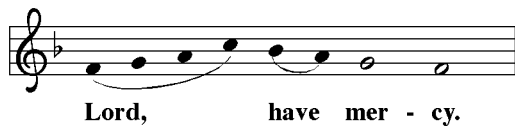
Lord, have mer - cy.



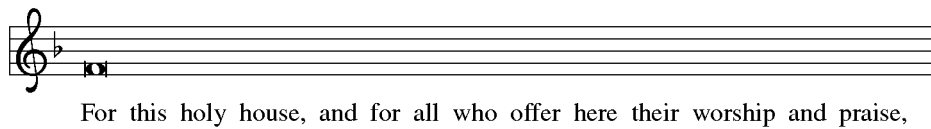
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



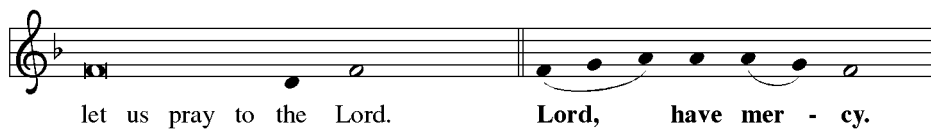
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



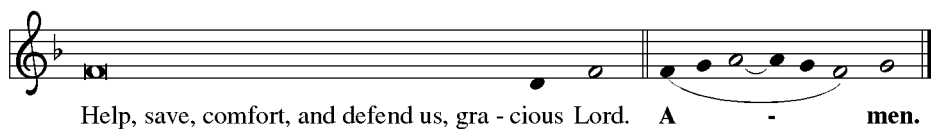
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

Canticle of Praise

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.

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 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. 3 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.



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



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was



slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.



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



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Prayer of the Day

P: Almighty God, with joy we celebrate the day of our Lord's resurrection. By the grace of Christ among us, enable us to show the power of the resurrection in all that we say and do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

-Please be seated

WORD

Children's Message

-We welcome parents/guardians to come forward to assist with the young children. Thank you!

Scripture Reading

Acts 4:32-35

L: *A reading from Acts*

³²Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. ³³With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. ³⁴There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. ³⁵They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God

Psalm 133

L: ¹How good and how pleasant it is, when kindred live together in unity!

C: ²It is like fine oil upon the head, flowing down upon the beard, upon the beard of Aaron, flowing down upon the collar of his robe.

L: ³It is like the dew of Hermon flowing down upon the hills of Zion. For there the LORD has commanded the blessing: life forevermore.

Scripture Reading

1 John 1:--2:2

L: *A reading from First John*

¹We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—²this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us—³we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. ⁴We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

⁵This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. ⁶If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; ⁷but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

^{2:1}My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; ²and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

ELW Setting 3

- *Please stand if you are able.*

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
 words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel

John 20:19-31

P: *The Holy Gospel, according to John*

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." ²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." ²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Sarah Aasheim

- Silence for reflection follows, then we stand to proclaim the Word of God in song.

-Please stand as you are able.

Hymn of the Day

"We Walk By Faith"

ELW #635

Nicene Creed

C: 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 truly 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 with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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.**

Prayers of Intercession

Each portion of the prayers end with:

A: God of grace,

C: Hear our prayer.

Sharing of Peace

P: The Peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

We ask that you share the peace with your fellow Brothers and Sisters in Christ in a manner in which you feel most comfortable at this time. A simple acknowledgement is welcomed and appropriate.

- Please be seated.

Musical Offering

"Easter Alleluia Medley"

arr. Gary Lanier
*Organist, Deacon Bruce Tonkin
Flautist, Jim Garcia*

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- We ask you to place your monetary offering in the plates in the narthex.

- You may also choose to use the QR code here for your donation, if you prefer.



- Please stand if you are able.

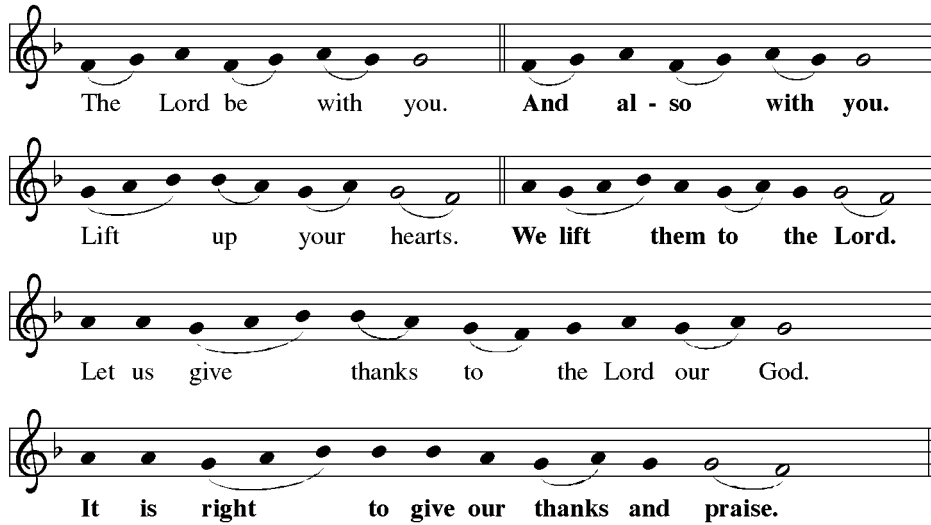
Offering Prayer

P: 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.

C: Amen.

MEAL

The Great Thanksgiving



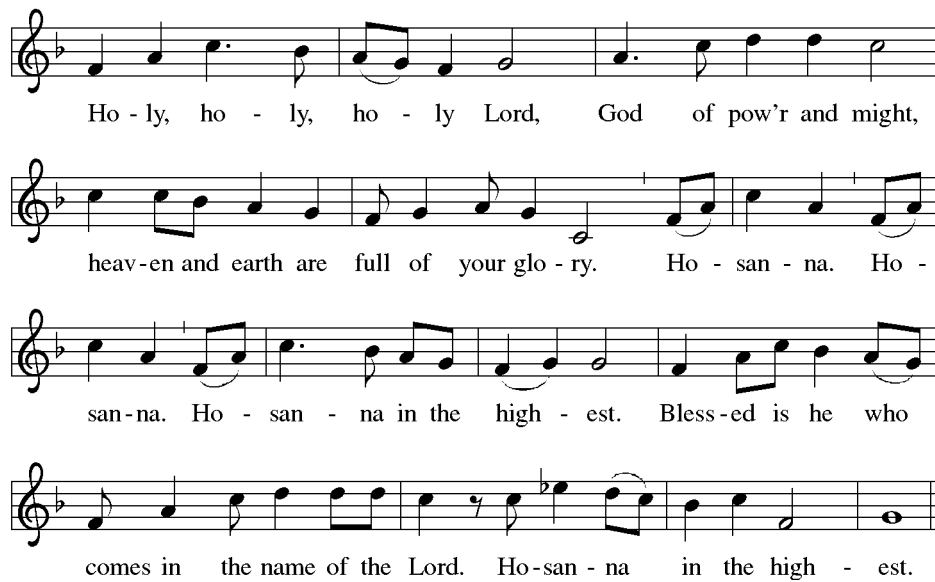
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Preface

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus

ELW Setting 3



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. 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.

Eucharistic Prayer and Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

**C: 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.

- Please be seated.

Ushers will direct you forward by way of the center aisle. Receive bread (gluten-free available) at the center, then proceed to the communion tray to pick up a cup (wine poured into empty cups, pre-filled have grape juice). Proceed to the communion assistant to receive the wine/juice, then please dispose of your cup in the trash receptacle as you proceed down the side aisle.

Children who are 6 years and older, who are baptized and have received formal instruction, are welcome to participate in the Sacrament. All other children will receive a blessing.

Lamb of God

ELW Setting 3

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.

Hymns Sung During Communion

"Now We Join in Celebration"

ELW #462

"As the Grains of Wheat"

ELW #465

- Please stand if you are able.

Table Blessing

P: The Body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

Prayer After Communion

A: 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.

SENDING

Blessing

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.

Sending Hymn

"Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises"

ELW #535

Dismissal

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

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude

"Truro"

J. Wayne Kerr arrangement
Organist, Deacon Bruce Tonkin

<p><u>Key to Bulletin</u> A: Assisting Minister C: Congregation L: Lector P: Pastor</p>
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Altar flowers sponsored by Doug Sterner in memory of his beloved wife, Betty.

Sponsorships can be made by contacting office@trinityperkasio.org. The amount to sponsor Altar Flowers is \$40/week. The amount to sponsor the Phone Line is \$25/week, or worship resources and printing \$15/week. Information needed 1) which item you are sponsoring. 2) Name(s) of those making sponsorship, 3) if it is in memory of or in honor of, 4) Name(s) being remembered/honored. Anyone interested may also reserve dates in the binder found in the cafe.

Flower dates available: April 14, 21, 28

Phone dates available: April 7, 14, 21, 28 **Printing:** April 7, 14, 21, 28

The Week at Trinity

Sunday, April 7 9:30am Worship and Communion
Monday, April 8 7pm Trinity Council Meeting
Tuesday, April 9 11am GEMMA Auxiliary Meeting (at Trinity)
Friday, April 12-14 G2 Women's Retreat at Bear Creek

Looking Ahead

Friday, April 19 12pm JOY Group's Spring Luncheon

Thank you to our Worship Leaders today 4/7/24:

Acolyte: Ben Anderson
Greeter: Nikki, Ben & Emily Anderson
Ushers: Larry Emert, David Hartzell
Lector: Larry Bachtell
Communion Assist: JoAnn & Steve Steinly
Altar/worship setup: Sue & Randy Swope
A/V Tech setup: Wendi Miller, A. Rediger
Flower Delivery: Nikki Anderson
Counters: Carol Jurin
Assisting Minister: Steve Steinly

Serving Next Week 4/14/24:

Acolyte:
Greeter: Donna & David Brandt
Ushers: Bill & Karin Trexler
Lector: Betty Barron
Communion Assist: Paige Thomas & Barb Frederick
Altar/worship setup: Kathy Jenks, Mary Lee Kramlik
A/V Tech Setup: Sarah Eells, Tammy Lemuell
Flower Delivery: Cheryl Wiediger
Counters: Jenks
Assisting Minister: Tim Craig

PRAY FOR THOSE IN NEED

We lift ongoing prayers for those on our prayer list and those we name in our hearts. To add someone to our prayer concerns list, please contact the church office at office@trinityperkasie.org

Names will remain on the list for six weeks.

Craig Benner	Janet Gross	Jeff Miller	Betty Lynn Snyder
Jim Brace	Judy Hangey	Stacey Myers	Dawn Troegler
Cindy Branch	The Family of Karen Hawkins	Amy Papili	Robert Weidemoyer
David Detweiler	The Family of Bertie Jones	Andrew Schaefer	Pat White
The Family of Mary Ann Esser	Joey Keller	Cindy Schimpf	The Family of Leo Wolfe
Bunny Faix	The Family of George Kern	Bev & Bart Schoellkopf	Suzie Wolfinger
Steven Faix	Ron Kinsey	Adam Schwegel	Brynley Yerkes
The Family of Dottie Filippini	Ted Lazowicki, Jr.	Nicole Seeger	
Betty & Len Galgoci	Zachary Marshall	The Servin Family	

For those serving in the military and the families that support them. For first responders and others involved in healthcare.

Homebound Members

Kit Apple	Bev Kline	Grace Mann
Paula Fritch	Beth Landis	Bonita Shank
Julia Holzman	Mary Jane Myers	Tom Stinger

Trinity Council Members

President Alan Bruzas	Vice President Sarah Witherow	Secretary Becky Eells	Treasurer Larry Bachtell
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