



**THE HOLY EUCHARIST**

**THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**MAY 10, 2026 + 11:00 a.m.**

**TRINITY LOWER EAST SIDE LUTHERAN PARISH**

*in the City of New York*

# Welcome to worship!

We are so pleased to have you with us this morning for worship, and we believe that your presence among us more fully completes our community.

Trinity Lower East Side Lutheran Parish is a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), a denomination of 2.7 million members in 8,400 congregations who welcome people of all genders and sexual orientations into membership and ministry and are enthusiastically ecumenical. We are a Reconciling in Christ congregation that fully welcomes and affirms LGBTQIA+ people and works to erase all discrimination against them. We grieve over the systemic racism of our society and are committed to the work of dismantling it.

We welcome everyone into membership regardless of race, economic means, married/single status, sexual orientation, or gender expression and/or identity. Whoever you are, whatever your identities, whoever you love, and wherever you are on your journey of life and faith, you are welcome here!

Please silence all mobile devices. Two single stall, all-gender restrooms are located in the Community Room on the first floor. A changing table for infants is available.

If you're visiting us this morning and would like to keep in touch,

- Add your name and contact information to the guest book on the Welcome Table at the sanctuary entrance.
- Follow us on social media:
  - Facebook: @TrinityLES
  - Youtube: @trinitylowereastsideluther2220 (including livestreams of worship)
  - Instagram: @TrinityLES.NYC
  - Follow our feeding ministry @TrinitySAFH on all platforms

## Our Schedule:

Mon – Fri: 11:00am, Soup Kitchen; 12:30pm, Food Pantry  
Mon: 7:00pm, “Valley of the Dolls” NA Group  
Wed: 7:30pm, STP Creative Foundation  
Thurs: 7:30pm, “Clean and Dry” AA Group  
Sun: 11:00am, Worship Service  
6:00pm “Unity” NA Group

## Those Who Serve:

Pastor: The Rev. William Kroeze  
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Pianist: Paul Staroba  
Choir Director: Alex Lawrence  
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## Our Outreach:

To carry out our ministry of deed, Trinity LES has a separately incorporated non-profit program, **Trinity's Services And Food for the Homeless** (also known as SAFH, pronounced “safe”) which operates a soup kitchen, food pantry, and offers connections to other services. Between 150-250 meals are served each day, and around 30-40 families are given groceries from our pantry Monday through Friday. Volunteers are always needed. Visit [safhnyc.org](http://safhnyc.org) for more information.

# + Gathering +

## **PRESERVICE MUSIC**

### **THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

In the name of God our Creator, Christ our Redeemer,  
and + the Holy Spirit, our Comforter.

**Amen.**

Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Merciful God,  
you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come.  
You lead us beside still waters.

We thank you for the waters of creation:  
morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves.

We thank you for the waters that nourish us.

Blessed are you.

**You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness  
who accompanies us on our journeys.

We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection.

We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow. Blessed are you.

**You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows.  
Break down barriers that divide us.

Fill us with the breath of peace. Blessed are you.

**You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism,  
and for making us a new creation.

We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise,  
now and forever.

**Amen.**



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter,  
 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans are we left in  
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en, here on earth our  
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om - nip - o -  
 5 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter,



his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the  
 sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is near us; faith be -  
 food, our stay; Al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to  
 tent we own; Al - le - lu - ia! born of Mar - y, earth your  
 his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the



vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful  
 lieves, nor ques - tions how. Though the cloud from sight re -  
 you from day to day. In - ter - ces - sor, friend of  
 foot - stool, heav'n your throne. As with - in the veil you  
 vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful



Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus  
 ceived him when the for - ty days were o'er, shall our  
 sin - ners, earth's re - deem - er, hear our plea where the  
 en - tered, robed in flesh, our great high priest, here on  
 Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus



out of ev - 'ry na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood."  
 hearts for - get his prom - ise: "I am with you ev - er - more?"  
 songs of all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.  
 earth both priest and vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.  
 out of ev - 'ry na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood."

## GREETING

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ | *La gracia de nuestro Señor Jesucristo*,  
the Love of God | *el amor de Dios*,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit | *y la comunión del Espíritu Santo*  
be with you all. | *sean con ustedes*.

**And also with you. | Y también contigo.**

## HYMN OF PRAISE

### This is the Feast



This \_\_\_\_\_ is the feast of vic - to - ry. Sing \_\_\_\_\_ "Al - le - lu - ia!" ev - 'ry - one.



This \_\_\_\_\_ is the feast of vic - to - ry. Al - le - lu - ia! \_\_\_\_\_



Wor - thy \_\_\_\_\_ is Christ, the lamb who was slain, \_\_\_\_\_ whose blood set us free. \_\_\_\_\_



We are \_\_\_\_\_ set free to be peo - ple of God. \_\_\_\_\_ The po - wer and rich - es, \_\_\_\_\_ the



wis - dom and strength, and \_\_\_\_\_ the hon - or and bless - ing \_\_\_\_\_ and glo - ry are His. \_\_\_\_\_



This \_\_\_\_\_ is the feast of vic - to - ry. Sing \_\_\_\_\_ "Al - le - lu - ia!" ev - 'ry - one.



This \_\_\_\_\_ is the feast of vic - to - ry. Al - le - lu - ia! \_\_\_\_\_

Come sing with all of the peo-ple of God. Join in with our song:

Hymns of cre - a-tion that wel-comes us all. The bless-ing and hon - or, and

glo-ry and might be to God and the Lamb for ev-er, a-men.

This is the feast of vic - to-ry. Sing "Al-le - lu - ia!" ev - 'ry-one.

This is the feast of vic - to-ry. Al - le - lu - ia!

This is the feast of vic - to-ry. Sing "Al-le - lu - ia!" ev - 'ry-one. The

lamb who was slain be - gun their reign. Al - le - lu -

ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God,

you hold together all things in heaven and on earth.

In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children,

and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace,

through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and forever.

**Amen**

+ Word +

### FIRST READING

Acts 17:22-31

**P**aul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, “Athenians, I see how extremely spiritual you are in every way.

<sup>23</sup>For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, ‘To an unknown god.’

What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. <sup>24</sup>The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands,

<sup>25</sup>nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. <sup>26</sup>From one ancestor he made all peoples to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, <sup>27</sup>so that

they would search for God and perhaps fumble about for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. <sup>28</sup>For ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said, ‘For we, too, are his offspring.’

<sup>29</sup>“Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals.

<sup>30</sup>While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, <sup>31</sup>because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



**N**ow who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? <sup>14</sup> But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, <sup>15</sup> but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you, <sup>16</sup> yet do it with gentleness and respect. Maintain a good conscience so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. <sup>17</sup> For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. <sup>18</sup> For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to

The word of the Lord.


**Thanks be to God.**

bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, <sup>19</sup> in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, <sup>20</sup> who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight lives, were saved through water. <sup>21</sup> And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, <sup>22</sup> who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.*

Refrain



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

Verse, sung by cantor



Al - le - lu - ia. Christ, our paschal lamb, | has been sacrificed.\* Therefore, let us | keep the feast.

Refrain



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



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

## GOSPEL

John 14:15-21

The holy gospel according to Saint John.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**J**esus said to the disciples: <sup>15</sup> “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. <sup>16</sup> And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. <sup>17</sup> This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

<sup>18</sup> “I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. <sup>19</sup> In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. <sup>20</sup> On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. <sup>21</sup> They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me, and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

The gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## SERMON

*A period of silence for reflection follows introduced and concluded by the ringing of a bell.*

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation.

God of new life, you call us through the waters of baptism to be in relationship with you and one another. Guide the church and its leaders to proclaim Christ's righteousness throughout the world. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

You create the world and all that is in it. Shelter budding plants and young animals, provide unpolluted habitats and clean water, and raise up stewards for the environment. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

You set civil servants in the places where we live. Instill truth and equity among judges and lawyers, gentleness and courage among first responders, and peace among leaders of towns and nations. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

You provide comfort in times of trouble. Heal those who are sick, shelter any who are unhoused, feed those undernourished, and accompany and console all who are lonely, bereaved, anxious, or ill, specially those we name aloud before you now or in the silence of our hearts. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

You are love and you desire that we love one another. As a mother hen cares for her chicks, bless all who provide motherly care in our lives, and inspire us to care for one another. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

**Amen.**

## THE PEACE

The peace of the risen Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

+ Meal +

## OFFERING

*An offering is collected to support the work of the church in our community and the world. Gifts may also be made online at [www.trinitylowereastside.org/give](http://www.trinitylowereastside.org/give) as one-time or recurring contributions or on Venmo using the QR code.*



**venmo**

## AT THE PRESENTATION

*As the people's gifts of bread, wine, and money are brought forward we stand to sing:*



Be not a-fraid, sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!



Be not a-fraid, sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!

## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Merciful God,

accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory.

You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day

when we will hunger and thirst no more.

Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus,

that goodness and mercy may follow us

and bless the world you love.

In the name of Jesus,

**Amen.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



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

Musical notation for the first line of 'THE GREAT THANKSGIVING'. It is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody consists of quarter notes and eighth notes. There are two triplets: the first triplet is on the notes G4, A4, B4, and the second triplet is on the notes G4, A4, B4. The lyrics are 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.'



Life up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Musical notation for the second line of 'THE GREAT THANKSGIVING'. It continues the melody from the first line. There are two triplets: the first triplet is on the notes G4, A4, B4, and the second triplet is on the notes G4, A4, B4. The lyrics are 'Life up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.'



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Musical notation for the third line of 'THE GREAT THANKSGIVING'. The melody continues with quarter notes and eighth notes. The lyrics are 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.'



It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Musical notation for the fourth line of 'THE GREAT THANKSGIVING'. The melody concludes with a final note on G4. The lyrics are 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.'

It is in indeed right, our duty and our joy... *Here the presiding minister continues the preface for the day, concluding:...* we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

We sing, "Ho - ly, \_\_\_\_\_ Ho - ly!" \_\_\_\_\_

to our God of pow'r \_\_\_\_\_ and might. \_\_\_\_\_

We sing, "Ho - ly, \_\_\_\_\_ Ho - ly!" \_\_\_\_\_

Let our song \_\_\_\_\_ take flight. \_\_\_\_\_

For we know hea - ven \_\_\_\_\_ a - bove

is filled with \_\_\_\_\_ your glo - ry,

And \_\_\_\_\_ bless - ed \_\_\_\_\_ are we in \_\_\_\_\_ your name

when we sing, "Ho - ly, \_\_\_\_\_ Ho - ly!" \_\_\_\_\_

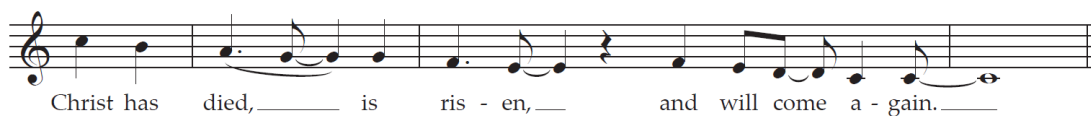
Ho - sa - na in \_\_\_\_\_ the most high, \_\_\_\_\_

Ho - sa - na \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ the most high! \_\_\_\_\_

The most high! \_\_\_\_\_ The most high!" \_\_\_\_\_

The presiding minister continues the Eucharistic Prayer, which includes the following responses:

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



... Come, Lord Jesus! And let the church say, Amen.

**Amen.**

... Come, Spirit of freedom! And let the church say, Amen.

**Amen.**

... almighty Father, now and forever.



Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**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.**

**Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo,  
santificado sea tu nombre.  
Venga tu reino.  
Hágase tu voluntad en la tierra  
como en el cielo.**

**Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.  
Perdona nuestras ofensas  
como también nosotros  
perdonamos a los que nos ofenden.  
No nos dejes caer en tentación  
y líbranos del mal.**

**Porque tuyo es el reino,  
tuyo es el poder y tuya es la gloria, ahora  
y siempre. Amén.**

# LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a - way



the sin of the world. Have mer - cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a - way



the sin of the world. Have mer - cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a - way



the sin of the world.



Grant us peace, oh, grant us peace,



oh, grant us peace.

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the table of new life.  
Receive the risen Christ.

## COMMUNION

*All are welcome at Christ's table to receive communion. Wafers are low gluten. The silver chalice contains wine and the ceramic chalice contains grape juice. During Communion the assembly sings:*

## COMMUNION HYMN

## Come to the Table

ACS 961

Part I

Come to the ta - ble,                      come to the ta - ble.

Part II

Come    one,    come    all.    Come    one,    come    all.

All is now read - y,    come one and all.    Come,    oh,    come.

Come    one,    come    all.    Come one,    come    all.

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## POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

May the body and blood of Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

**Amen.**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

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.

**Amen.**

+ Sending +

## BENEDICTION

The triune God,

who was, who is, and who is to come,

Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit,

light your way with resurrection dawn,

now and always.

**Amen.**

## SENDING HYMN

Christ the Lord is Risen Today; Alleuia

ELW 369

## DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

# PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

## UPCOMING SUNDAY SCHOOL DATES

We're thrilled to welcome our kids to Sunday School TODAY! Upcoming Sunday School sessions through the end of the year are:

- May 10
- May 24
- June 7

## FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES

We are thrilled to offer, for the first time in several years, an opportunity for the children of the parish to learn more about the sacrament of Holy Communion, in preparation for First Communions on **Sunday, May 17!**

Preparatory sessions will take place over two Wednesdays: **May 6 & 13**. If your child in second grade or up would like to participate, just speak with Pastor Will or Vicar Nick!

## LOISAIDA FESTIVAL - "WORSHIP IN ACTION" MAY 24

The Annual Loisaida Festival will once again take over Loisaida Avenue (Ave. C) for a fabulous celebration of our community's Puerto Rican culture and heritage on Sunday, May 24, and Trinity will again be there with a booth to engage with our neighbors and share about our congregation and its ministries. **There will be no worship at Trinity that Sunday.** Instead, gather at our booth (exact to location to be shared) for a brief celebration for Holy Communion at 11:00. **Volunteers Needed:** We'll need some folks to be at the booth over two shifts: from 10:00 to 1:30, and 1:30 to 5:00. We'll have games for kids, face painting, and giveaways, all of which need friendly faces from the congregation!

## CELEBRATING OUR GRADUATES!

Graduation season will soon be upon us, when we celebrate transitions from one stage of life to another! If you or your child(ren) are graduating this year we'd love to celebrate these important accomplishments together.

Whatever stage of education is being completed, please let us know the details (name, institution, degree, and next plans) by **emailing [office@trinitylowereastside.org](mailto:office@trinitylowereastside.org)**. We'll plan to celebrate our graduates in worship on **Sunday, June 14**.

## CELEBRATING PRIDE

- **Pride BBQ, June 21:** Kick off Pride Week with our annual Pride BBQ on Sunday, June 21 after worship. Burgers, hot dogs, and drinks will be provided; please bring a favorite side dish or dessert to share!
- **Pride Sunday Disco Mass with St. Mark's, June 28:** This year, we'll be worshipping on Pride Sunday with our neighbors at St. Mark's Church-in-the-Bowery, joining them for their annual Pride Disco Mass! Pastor Will will be preaching.
- **Pride March with Fellow Lutherans:** For the first time since 2019, our church will be marching in the Pride March! Specific details about where to meet and when will be shared when we receive them from the organizers.

## EMPOWER HOUR ON FIRST & THIRD SUNDAYS

**On the first and third Sundays of the month**, at 12:30pm after worship, all are invited to gather in the sanctuary for Empower Hour, a gathering for the spiritual practice of activism!

Together, we'll ground ourselves in a Christian spirituality of liberation; connect with each other over our shared desire to be part of creating justice in our communities; learn from each other about particular international, nationwide and local issues and about the practices of activism and community organizing; find ways to take action that fit for each of us given our unique schedules/lifestyles; get connected with local justice-oriented organizations; and give ourselves accountability in community for working toward justice with this designated time and space.

If you're looking to practice your spirituality in community care on any level, Empower Hour is for you!