The Fifth Sunday of Easter May 2, 2021



Trinity Lutheran Church, School, and Daycare Rantoul, WI

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Confession and Absolution

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. $[\mathbf{P}]$
- \mathbf{C} Amen.
- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- \mathbf{C} But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- Let us then confess our sins to God our Father. $[\mathbf{P}]$
- \mathbf{C} Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved

our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Psalm 150; antiphon: v. 6

- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word

Psalm ¹Praise the LORD!

Praise God in his sanctuary;

praise him in his mighty heavens!

²Praise him for his mighty deeds;

praise him according to his excellent greatness!

³Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp!

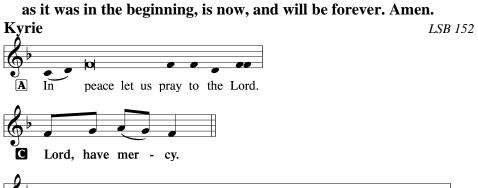
⁴Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe!

⁵Praise him with sounding cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals!

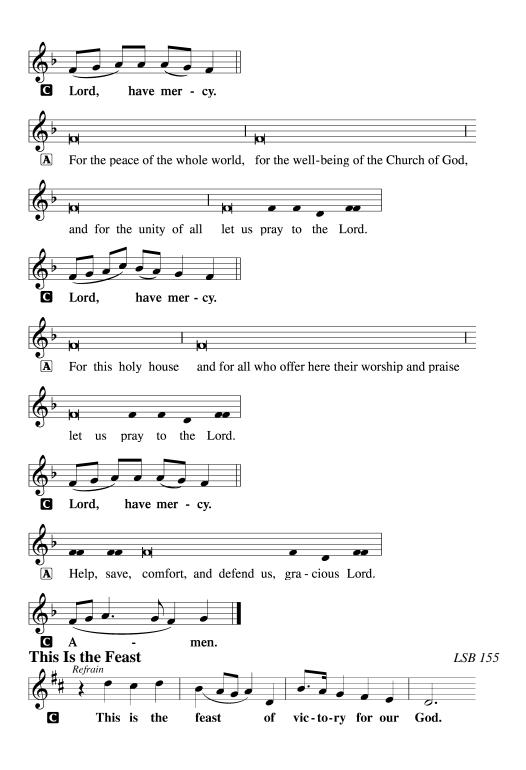
⁶Let everything that has breath praise the LORD!

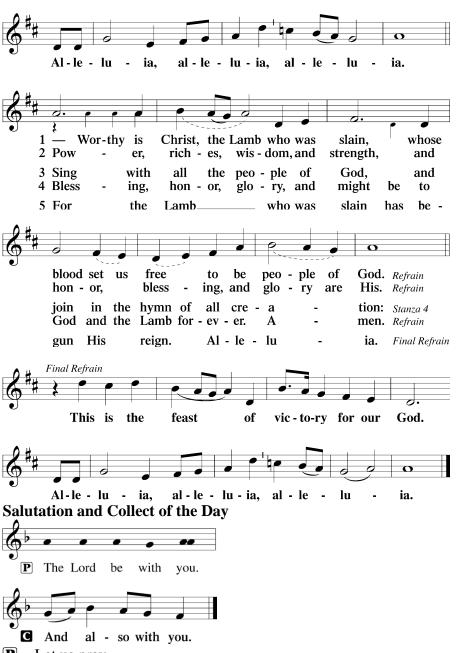
Praise the LORD!

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.



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





P Let us pray.

O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



First Reading Acts 8:26–40

²⁶An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Rise and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." This is a desert place. ²⁷And he rose and went. And there was an Ethiopian, a eunuch, a court official of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who was in charge of all her treasure. He had come to Jerusalem to worship ²⁸and was returning, seated in his chariot, and he was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹And the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over and join this chariot." ³⁰So Philip ran to him and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" ³¹And he said, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. ³²Now the passage of the Scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter and like a lamb before its shearer is silent, so he opens not his mouth.

³³In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth."

³⁴And the eunuch said to Philip, "About whom, I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" ³⁵Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture he told him the good news about Jesus. ³⁶And as they were going along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?" ³⁸And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. ³⁹And when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord carried Philip away, and the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. ⁴⁰But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he passed through he preached the gospel to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle 1 John 4:1–21

¹Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, for many false prophets have gone out into the world. ²By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, ³and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you heard was coming and now is in the world already. ⁴Little children, you are from God and have overcome them, for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world. ⁵They are from the world; therefore they speak from the world, and the world listens to them. ⁶We are from God. Whoever knows God listens to us; whoever is not from God does not listen to us. By this we know the Spirit of truth and the spirit of error.

⁷Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. ⁸Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. ⁹In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. ¹⁰In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. ¹¹Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. ¹²No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.

13By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. 14And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world. 15Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. 16So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. 17By this is love perfected with us, so that we may have confidence for the day of judgment, because as he is so also are we in this world. 18There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love. 19We love because he first loved us. 20If anyone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen. 21And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother.

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C Thanks be to God.

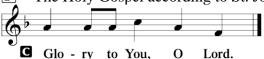




Holy Gospel

John 15:1-8

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth chapter.



¹[Jesus said:] "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser.

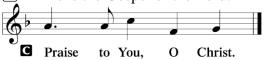
²Every branch of mine that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit.

³Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you.

⁴Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. ⁵I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned.

⁷If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples."





Sit

474 Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen





Sermon

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God,

the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth

and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,

the only-begotten Son of God,

begotten of His Father before all worlds,

God of God, Light of Light,

very God of very God,

begotten, not made,

being of one substance with the Father,

by whom all things were made;

who for us men and for our salvation came down from

heaven

and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man;

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,

whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,

who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life + of the world to come. Amen.



Offering

Service of the Sacrament Preface LSB 160 Lord be with you. The And al - so with you. P Lift your hearts. up We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. is right to give Him thanks It and praise. It is truly good, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying: **Sanctus** LSB 161 ho - ly Lord, Ho-ly, ho - ly, of pow'r and might: God Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -

high - est.

Ho - san - na in the

san-na.

Bless - ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na

in the high - est.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 161

Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You,

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

- Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

 In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."
- As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- **C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

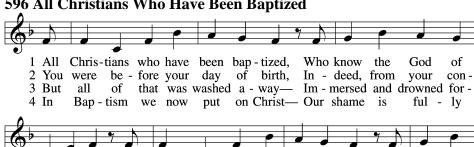
Lord's Prayer

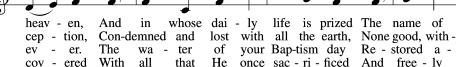
Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.



Distribution

596 All Christians Who Have Been Baptized







Con - sid - er now what God has done, Christ once giv - en: out ex - cep - tion. For like your par - ents' flesh and blood, Turned gain what-ev er Old Ad - am and his sin de-stroyed And suf - fered. For here the flood of His own blood Now for



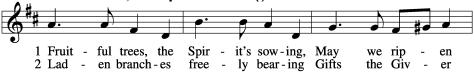
Bap-tized in - to Christ Je - sus! gifts He gives to ev - 'ry - one in - ward from the high-est good, You con-stant-ly all our sin-ful selves em-ployed Ac - cord-ing to de - nied Him. our na - ture. ho - ly, right, and good Be - fore our heav'n-ly makes us

- 5 O Christian, firmly hold this gift And give God thanks forever! It gives the power to uplift In all that you endeavor.
 - When nothing else revives your soul,
 - Your Baptism stands and makes you whole And then in death completes you.
- 6 So use it well! You are made new—In Christ a new creation! As faithful Christians, live and do Within your own vocation, Until that day when you possess

His glorious robe of righteousness Bestowed on you forever! Text: © 2004 Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110005636

691 Fruitful Trees, the Spirit's Sowing

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our Mas-ter, 3 Root - ed deep in Christ Christ our pat tern 4 Fruit - ful trees, the Spir - it's tend-ing, Mav till we grow





host: Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

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C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Benediction

LSB 166



P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.



466 Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia 1 Christ has ris al le lu ia. en, 2 For three long days the grave did its worst 3 The gel "Do an said them, fear! to not 4 "Go spread the He's news: not in the grave; 5 Christ has a ris He sets free: en: us Re - joice and praise Him. le lu ia. al Un - til its strength by God was dis persed. You look for Je sus who is not here. has this He ris world a en to save. Al - le lu Him ia. to prais es be. For Re our deem burst from the tomb, er He who gives life did death der un go; See for selves tomb bare; vour the is all Je - sus' la - bors deem re ing are done; Je - sus is liv ing! Let us all sing; - ven from death, dis pel - ling its gloom. And in its con quest His might did show. On - lv the cloths there." grave are ly ing won." E - ven the bat tle with sin is He reigns tri um phant, heav - en ly King. Refrain sing praise Him with end - less Let us to joy; Death's fear - ful sting He de has come to stroy. Our sin for ia! giv al le lu ing, ia! liv al le lu Je - sus is ing, Text: © 1977 Howard S. Olson. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110005636

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The Fifth Sunday of Easter May 2, 2021

Preacher: Rev. Brett Simek **Organist**: Karla Brault

Acolytes: 8am Holden Kubichek

10am Brenna & Alayna Geiser

Altar Guild: 8am: Jamie & Alydia Wieting

Church attendance from last week:

Sun Early: 83 Late: 75

Pastor's Sermon is available in text near the bulletins for those who want one or would like to give to someone unable to attend today. Older bulletins and sermons are available in the ushers room.

Tiger Tales (school newsletter) is available on the table in the Narthex.

If you choose to remain in your vehicle in the parking lot, services will continue to be broadcast over FM 97.1.

Offerings and Tithes thru 4/25/2021:

General Fund:... \$3,174.00 School:... \$0.00 Mission Fund:.... \$136.00 Adopt A Payment:.... \$0.00

Total: \$3,310.00 **Building Updates:**

Parsonage: \$9,122.54 still needed Church Carpet: \$9,734.90 still needed

Thank You

- May Bulletins Mike & Dawn Woelfel
- **Thank you** for recognizing me as the director of the handbell choir. It has been a joy to bring all music to Trinity. I would like to thank the members of the handbell choir for the beautiful wreath and flowers. May God continue to bless Trinity, Donna Lau.

Upcoming Altar Guild

May 9th, 10am: Terri & McKayla Mertz

ON THE LEDGE

⊃ April/May Calendar ⊃ Newsletter ⊃ Treasurer's Report The Calendar and Newsletter are also on our church website. N6080 West River Road • Hilbert, Wisconsin 920-853-3134

Upcoming Usher

May 9th, 8 am: Terry Jandrey, Bruce Schroeder, Tim Lau, Mark Popp, Brandon Schoen, Doug Lau

May 9th, 10 am: Mike Loose, Adam Loose, Mike Zenner, Kevin Plate, Les Plate, Dan Brault

This Week at a Glance:

Sun	5/2	8:00am	Worship Service – Communion Sunday School or Bible Study
		10:00am	Worship Service
Mon	5/3	5:30pm	Board of Education Meeting
		7:00pm	Elders Meeting
Wed	5/5	4:00pm	P.S. Religion Instruction
Thur	5/6	6:30pm	Ladies Aid Meeting
Sun	5/9	8:00am	Worship Service
			Sunday School or Bible Study
		10:00am	Worship Service-Communion

Bible Class is continuing to talk about how we engage the world with our faith and deliver the Gospel in our daily lives. This week we continue talking about engaging the topics of sex and gender.

Spring Musical Get Ready for a Flashback Friday! Join Ellis and the flashback crew as we look at some great hits from the last few years. Friday, May 14th is the musical! It will be broadcast over 97.1 WTLS. Tune in from the parking lot at 6:30. No special costumes are needed this year, but we will be asking all our students to wear their Trinity t-shirts. We will be recording the presentation from the balcony so it can be shared later with family members who are unable to join us that evening.

Registration for 2021-2022 - Registration for the 2021-2022 school year is now open. Paperwork is available on the Trinity website under the School tab/Parent Information or call the school office (920-853-3134).

Summer Worship Schedule will begin with the May 30 service. There will be one 9 a.m. service on 5/30 and Thursday/Sunday services throughout summer. The first Thursday service will be June 3. Thursday services will pair with the upcoming Sunday service (6/3 Thursday and 6/6 Sunday will be identical).

National Teacher Appreciation Next week we are celebrating National Teacher Appreciation Week. We will be doing something every day to show our appreciation for our Teachers, Staff, and Daycare Teachers. There are also opportunities for the kids to get involved. Attached to this email you will find both schedules. If you would like templates to print out for your child's participation, please contact Nicole at 618-645-8000 or Nsimek89@gmail.com. Also, we still need help with the lunch on Friday of next week, 10:45am-12:30pm. If you are available, please let us know ASAP.

Trinity Ladies Aid meeting will be on Thursday, May 6th at 6:30 pm in the church basement. Please bring a favorite apron. Check the newsletter for a complete listing of future meetings.

Mark your calendars! Sunday, May 16, from 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM, Trinity Youth Group (TYG) is hosting a brunch at Neighborhood Bar and Grill. The youth group will be selling tickets between services May 2 and May 9 at church. \$15 per ticket. Ages 4-7, \$7 per ticket. 3 and under are free. Brunch includes a yummy hot breakfast and drink voucher. You can dine in or carry out, please let us know what works for you when you purchase your ticket. Tickets can also be purchased at the door on the day of the event. Spread the word, bring some friends, enjoy food and fellowship while supporting our Trinity Youth Group.

SWD Student Financial Aid Students attending a Concordia University or Seminary, preparing for full-time church work in the LCMS (pastor, teacher, DCE, DCO, DCM, deaconess, DFLM, DPM) and are a member of a congregation in the South Wisconsin District - LCMS are eligible to apply for financial assistance from SWD. For more information and the two applications required to be considered for Financial Aid, visit the SWD website – swd.lcms.org – under Resources. The deadline is May 15.

Rummage Sale: Women in Mission of Zion Lutheran Church New Holstein is having their Annual Rummage Sale on Thursday, May 6, 8 am – 5 pm and Friday, May 7, 8am – 3pm.

Pastor's Office Hours

Monday thru Friday, 8 – 12 And by Appointment

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Please contact the office or Pastor Simek with questions or concerns