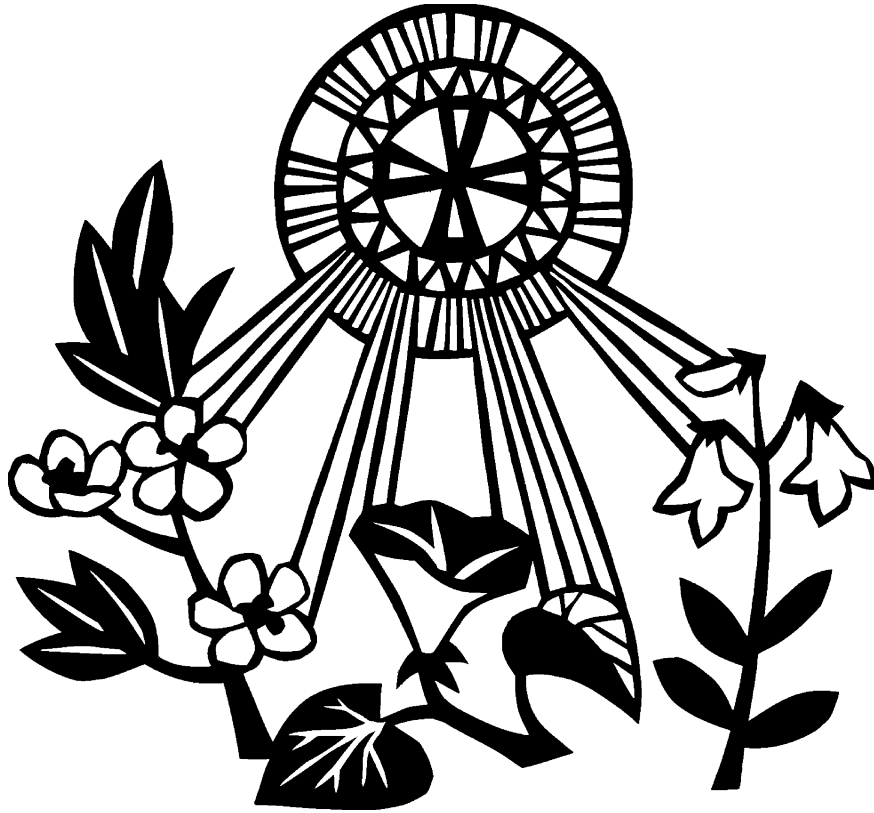


Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 10, 2026 ▪ 9:30 am



Welcome to Trinity Church

We are committed to being a loving and welcoming community centred in the good news of Jesus. We invite you to join us for worship and to take up your place with us on our journey. We'd be glad of your presence and grateful for your company!

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Holy Communion

Gathering

Prelude	<i>Komm, Heiliger, Geist, Herre Gott</i> – Dietrich Buxtehude
Announcements	<i>Alleluia! Christ is risen.</i> Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
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Postlude	<i>Come, Thou Almighty King</i> – Healey Willan

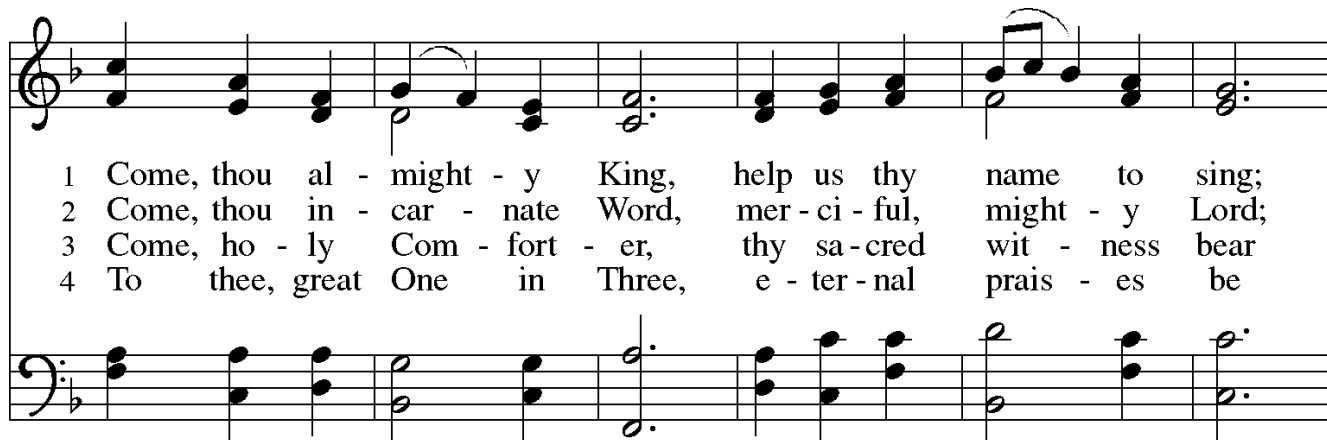
Serving Today

Presiding Minister:	Rev. Tanya Varner
Assisting Minister:	Randy Thomson
Greeters:	Jim Arbuckle & Diane Goring
Usher:	Ken Seltzer
Altar:	Pat Schmetzer
Musician:	Jamie Courtney
Technology:	Lisa Hagen
Fellowship:	Suzan Deckert

We acknowledge that we gather for worship on the traditional territories of the Neutral, Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee, and Mississauga peoples.

Gathering Song


Come, Thou Almighty King



1 Come, thou al - might - y King, help us thy name to sing;
2 Come, thou in - car - nate Word, mer - ci - ful, might - y Lord;
3 Come, ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred wit - ness bear
4 To thee, great One in Three, e - ter - nal prais - es be



help us to praise; Fa - ther all - glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic -
our prayer at - tend. Come and thy peo - ple bless, and give thy
in this glad hour! Thou who al - might - y art, rule now in
hence ev - er - more! Thy sov - 'reign maj - es - ty may we in



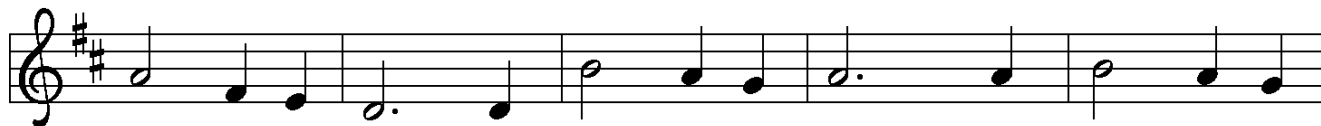
to - ri - ous, come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.
word suc - cess, and let thy righ - teous - ness on us de - scend.
ev - 'ry heart, nev - er from us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r.
glo - ry see, and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

Canticle of Praise

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. 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. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



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



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and

continued...



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



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

First Reading

Ezekiel 43:1-7a

¹ Then he brought me to the gate, the gate facing east. ² And there the glory of the God of Israel was coming from the east; the sound was like the sound of mighty waters, and the earth shone with his glory. ³ The vision I saw was like the vision that I had seen when he came to destroy the city and like the vision that I had seen by the River Chebar, and I fell upon my face. ⁴ As the glory of the LORD entered the temple by the gate facing east, ⁵ the spirit lifted me up and brought me into the inner court, and the glory of the LORD filled the temple.

⁶ While the man was standing beside me, I heard someone speaking to me out of the temple. ^{7a} He said to me: "Mortal, this is the place of my throne and the place for the soles of my feet, where I will reside among the people of Israel forever."

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 115

Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to your name give glory;
because of your steadfast love and faithfulness.

**Why should the nations say,
"Where then is their God?"**

Our God is in heaven;
whatever God wills, God does.

**Their idols are silver and gold,
the work of human hands.**

They have mouths, but they cannot speak;
eyes they have, but they cannot see;

**they have ears but they cannot hear;
noses, but they cannot smell;**

they have hands, but they cannot feel; feet, but they cannot walk;
they make no sound with their throat.

**Those who make them are like them,
and so are all who put their trust in them.**

O Israel, trust in the LORD,
who is your help and your shield.

**O house of Aaron, trust in the LORD,
who is your help and your shield.**

You that fear the LORD, trust in the LORD,
who is your help and your shield.

**The LORD has been mindful of us, and will bless us;
the LORD will bless the house of Israel and the house of Aaron;**

those who fear the LORD will be blessed,
both small and great together.

**May the LORD increase you more and more,
you and your children after you.**

May you be blessed by the LORD,
the maker of heaven and earth.

**Heaven is the heaven of the LORD,
but the earth God entrusted to its peoples.**

The dead do not praise the LORD,
nor all those who go down into silence;

**but we will bless the LORD,
from this time forth forevermore. Hallelujah!**

¹³ Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? ¹⁴ 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, ¹⁵ 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, ¹⁶ 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. ¹⁷ For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God’s will, than to suffer for doing evil. ¹⁸ For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹ in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰ 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. ²¹ 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, ²² who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



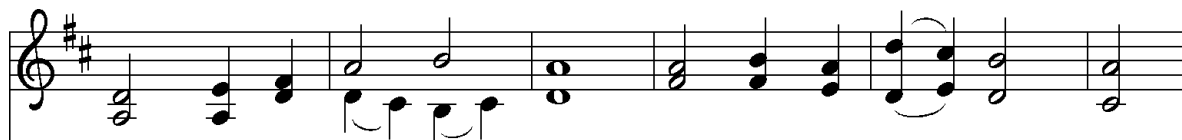
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

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

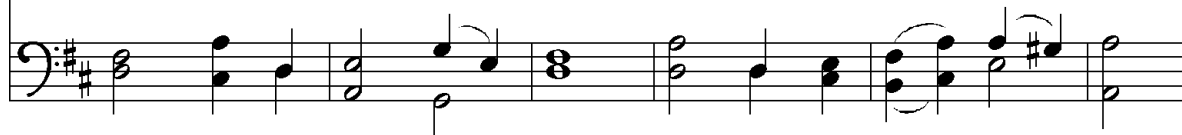
[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹⁵ “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because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

¹⁸ “I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ¹⁹ In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰ On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹ 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.”

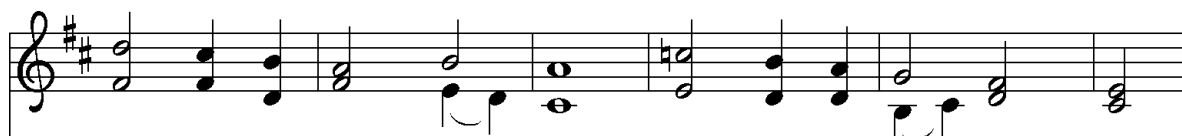
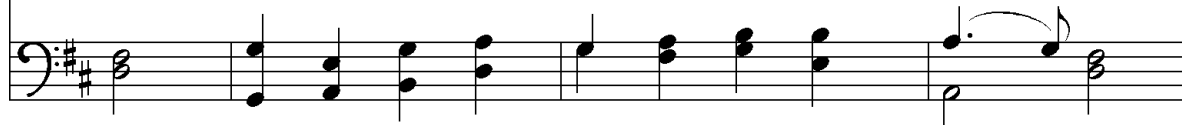
The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**



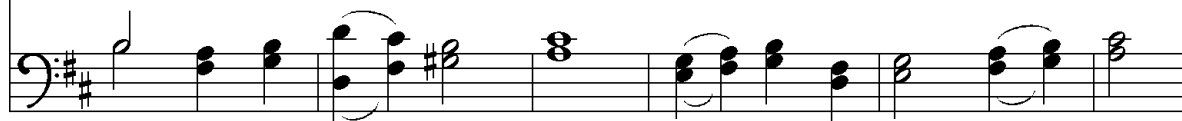
1 Come down, O Love di - vine; seek thou this soul of mine
 2 Oh, let it free - ly burn, till world - ly pas - sions turn
 3 Let ho - ly char - i - ty mine out - ward ves - ture be,
 4 And so the yearn - ing strong, with which the soul will long,



and vis - it it with thine own ar - dor glow - ing;
 to dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;
 and low - li - ness be - come mine in - ner cloth - ing—
 shall far out - pass the pow'r of hu - man tell - ing;



O Com - fort - er, draw near; with - in my heart ap - pear
 and let thy glo - rious light shine ev - er on my sight,
 true low - li - ness of heart, which takes the hum - bler part,
 no soul can guess Love's grace till it be - come the place



and kin - dle it, thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.
 and clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.
 and o'er its own short - com - ings weeps with loath - ing.
 where - in the Ho - ly Spir - it makes a dwell - ing.



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.

Silence is kept for reflection.

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.

God of Resurrection, **hear 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.

God of Resurrection, **hear 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. Send your Holy Spirit to quell war, violence, and unrest in all places, especially in Ukraine, Russia, the Holy Land, the Congo, Sudan, Myanmar, Cameroon, Thailand, Iran, and the United States.

God of Resurrection, **hear 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, especially Dorothea, Myles, Stan, Mary, Lyle, Nan, and those we name aloud or in the silence of our hearts. [a pause]

God of Resurrection, **hear 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.

God of Resurrection, **hear our prayer.**

God of new life, your steadfast love endures forever. Inspire us by the example of the faithful departed, who clung to your promises of life, forgiveness of sins, and salvation.

God of Resurrection, **hear 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.

Offering Song

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles-sing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that



we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of

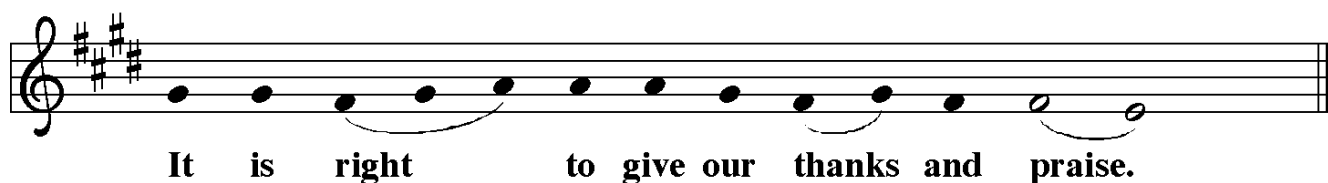
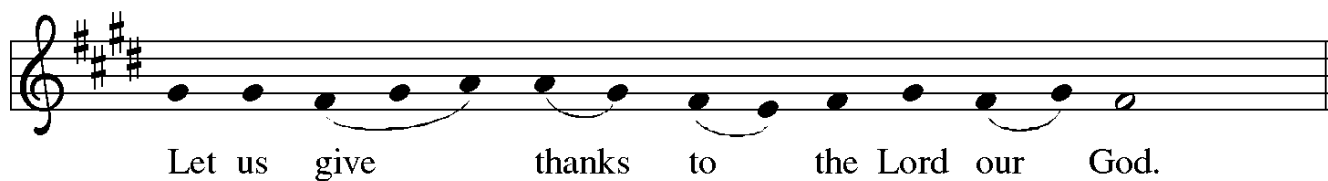
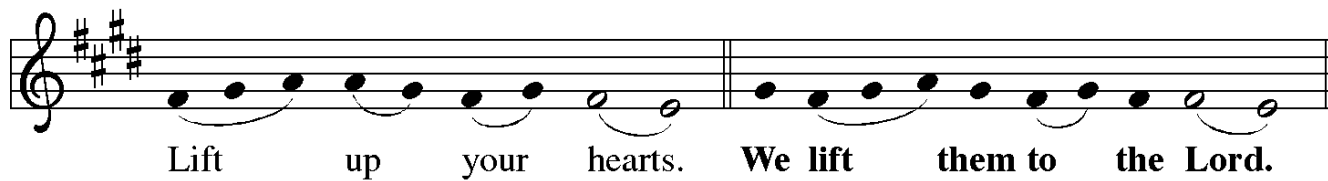
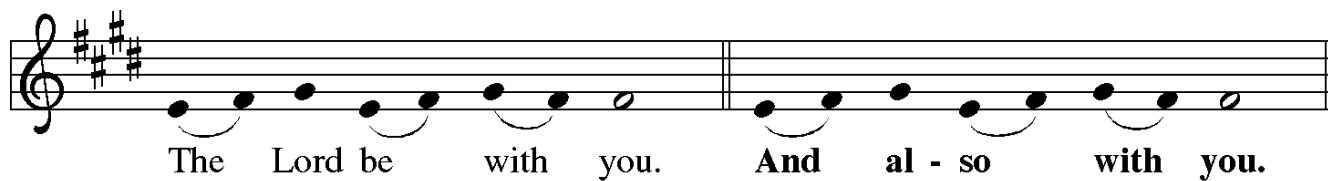


all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble

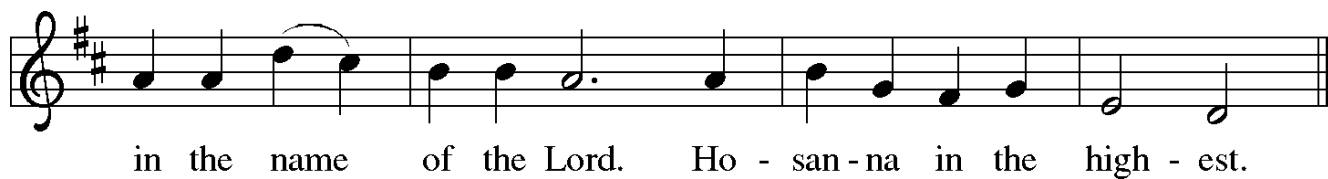
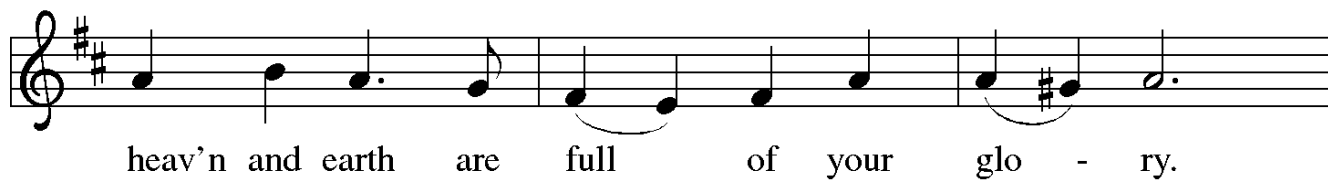
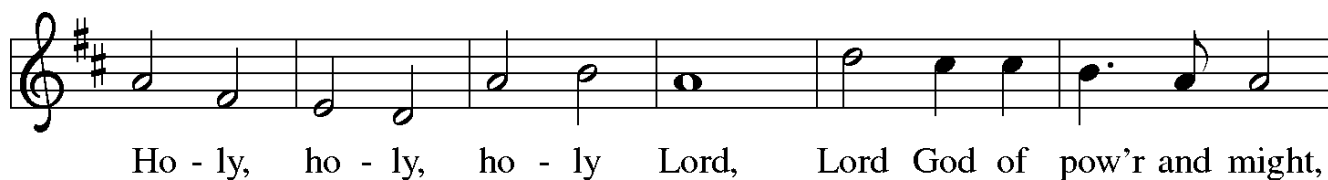


with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

Dialogue



Holy, Holy, Holy

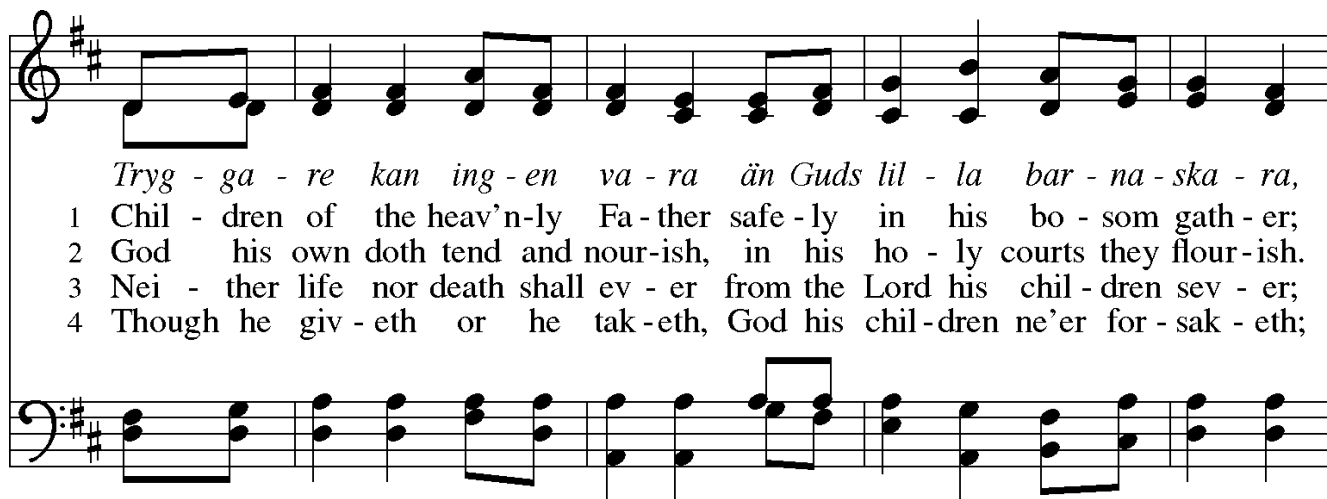


Lord's Prayer

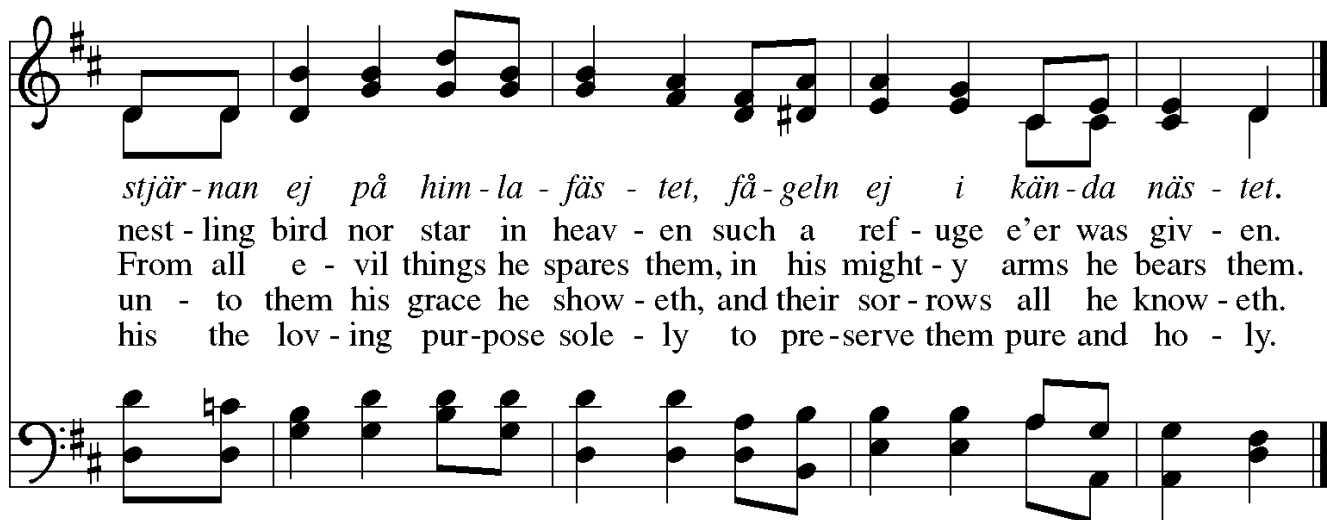
**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

Communion Song

Children of the Heavenly Father



Tryg - ga - re kan ing - en va - ra än Guds lil - la bar - na - ska - ra,
1 Chil - dren of the heav'n-ly Fa - ther safe - ly in his bo - som gath - er;
2 God his own doth tend and nour-ish, in his ho - ly courts they flour-ish.
3 Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er from the Lord his chil - dren sev - er;
4 Though he giv - eth or he tak - eth, God his chil-dren ne'er for - sak - eth;



stjär - nan ej på him - la - fäs - tet, få - geln ej i kän - da näs - tet.
nest - ling bird nor star in heav - en such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.
From all e - vil things he spares them, in his might - y arms he bears them.
un - to them his grace he show - eth, and their sor - rows all he know - eth.
his the lov - ing pur - pose sole - ly to pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

Communion Song

Bread of Life from Heaven

Refrain

Bread of life from heav-en, your blood and bod - y giv - en,

we eat this bread and drink this cup un - til you come a - gain.

- | | | | |
|---|---------------------|------------------------------|------------|
| 1 | Break now the bread | of Christ's sac - ri - fice; | giv - ing |
| 2 | Seek not the food | that will pass a - way; | set your |
| 3 | Love as the one | who, in love for you, | gave him - |
| 4 | Dwell in the one | who now dwells in you; | make your |
| 5 | Drink of this cup | and de - clare his death; | eat this |

thanks, hun - gry ones,	gath - er round.	Eat, all of you, and be
hearts on the food	that en - dures.	Come, learn the true and the
self for the life	of the world.	Come to the one who is
home in the life - giv - ing	Word.	Know on - ly Christ, Ho - ly
bread and be - lieve	Eas - ter morn;	trust his re - turn and, with

sat - is - fied;	in Christ's pres - ence	the loaves will a - bound.
liv - ing way,	that the full - ness	of life may be yours.
food for you,	that your hun - ger	and thirst be no more.
One of God,	and be - lieve	in the truth you have heard.
ev - 'ry breath,	praise the one	in whom you are re - born.

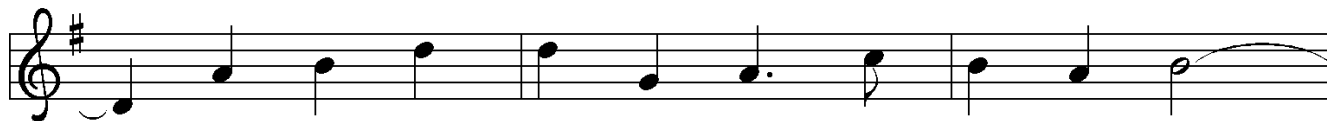
Refrain



1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
 2 We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death.
 3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life.
 4 A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows



Em - braced by death, he broke its fear - ful hold,
 Re - born, we share with him an Eas - ter life,
 The Spir - it's fis - sion shakes the church of God.
 as Christ's new bod - y takes on flesh and blood.



and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy.
 as liv - ing mem - bers of our Sav - ior Christ.
 Bap - tized, we live with God the Three in One.
 The u - ni - verse re - stored and whole will sing:



Hal - le - lu - jah!

+ Spring Work Day

Trinity hosts our annual Spring Work Day on Friday, June 5th starting at 9:00 am. Might you lend a hand? We have a variety of tasks at all skill levels to keep our properties in spiffy shape for another season. Let us know if you might help by using the sign-up sheet at in the narthex. Lunch provided.

+ Sunday to Sunday

10 – Sunday	9:30 am	Hybrid Worship + Sixth Sunday of Easter
	10:30 am	Coffee, Juice, and Conversation
11 – Monday	4:30 pm	Karate
12 – Tuesday	10:30 am	Bible Study
	4:00 pm	Karate
13 – Wednesday	10:00 am	Wilmot Indigenous Relations Interfaith Working Group
	2:00 pm	Mutual Ministry
	5:15 pm	Music Together
14 – Thursday	8:45 am	Music Together
16 – Saturday	7:45 am	Music Together
	7:00 pm	AA
17 – Sunday	9:30 am	Hybrid Worship + Seventh Sunday of Easter
	10:30 am	Coffee, Juice, and Conversation
	2:00 pm	Nithview Worship

+ Vacation Bible School

Creation Care Quest Vacation Bible School is coming to Trinity Lutheran Church, New Hamburg this summer from **Monday, August 17th to Friday, August 21st**. This will be a full-day program from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm with lunch and snacks included. Kids ages 5 to 11 years old as of December 31st, 2026, are invited to attend. The price is \$50 per child, which includes lunch, snacks, and a t-shirt! **Online registration is now open at telc.ca!**

Volunteers are required for leaders, snack and lunch preparation, music, and set up. Youth and teen volunteers are welcome – volunteer hours can be earned. Please speak with Pastor Tanya, Jo-Anne Schwass or Katharine Borch if you are interested in helping with this event.

This VBS is made possible by proceeds from the Trinity Endowment Fund.

✦ Soup Supper & Evening Worship

On Thursday, May 28th we meet for a simple soup supper at 5:30 pm in Trinity Hall, followed by a short 6:30 pm worship service. All are welcome. If you care to contribute soup or bread, please use the signup sheet in the narthex.

✦ ELCIC Day of Action

On May 31st, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada invites congregations to take part in a **Day of Action** to serve our neighbours. Trinity will undertake a project to support oneROOF, the vital local organization that provides support, resources, and community for youth experiencing, and at risk of, homelessness.

Trinity aims to check an item off the oneROOF wish list: the purchase of **six Chromebook laptops**, at a total cost of approximately **\$3,100**. These laptops will be used by youth in the oneROOF program to support learning, build computer skills, and provide access to job applications and other essential resources. In a world where so much of daily life depends on digital access, this is a meaningful and practical way to support independence, opportunity, and dignity. To help us meet this goal, please **mark an offering envelope or etransfer as “laptops”**. Any additional funds raised beyond our \$3100 goal will go to oneROOF to be used where needed most.

✦ Mondays & Tuesdays

Our final Tuesday Bible Study before a seasonal break will be Tuesday, May 19th. Thank you to all who have been coming to share and engage with scripture.

Our summertime Monday Morning Meetup returns on Monday, May 25th at 10:00 am. Come for a cup of coffee and a social visit in the Katie Luther Room at Trinity. All are welcome.

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