

Third Sunday of Easter

April 14, 2024



**TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
EAST BERLIN, PENNSYLVANIA**

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victims & their families
Hurricane/Flood
Victims
People of Israel
Innocent Victims in
Gaza
Bridge Victims & City
of Baltimore

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

The gospel for the third Sunday of Easter is always one in which the risen Christ shares food with the disciples, meals that are the Easter template for the meal we share each Sunday. In today's gospel, Jesus both shares the disciples' food and shows them the meaning of his suffering, death, and resurrection through the scriptures, the two main elements of our Sunday worship.

PRELUDE

"Alleluia! Jesus is Risen!"

Michael Burkhardt

Please take a moment to prepare your hearts and minds for worship.

A TIME FOR CHILDREN

Rev. Susan McCarthy

Children are invited to come to the front of the nave for a time of worship and learning.

*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.

Amen.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

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. Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

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.

Amen.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

***GATHERING HYMN**

“Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!”

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(Verse 1-3)

***APOSTOLIC GREETING**

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

And also with you.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**



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



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

Final refrain



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.

***SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READING: Acts 3:12-19

After healing a man unable to walk, Peter preaches to the people, describing how God's promises to Israel have been fulfilled in Jesus. Through the proclamation of Christ's death and resurrection, God is offering them forgiveness and restoration in Jesus' name.

¹²[Peter] addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk?"¹³The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. ¹⁴But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, ¹⁵and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

¹⁷"And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 4 (*sung using tone 6*)



¹Answer me when I call, O God, defender ¹ of my cause;
you set me free when I was in distress; have mercy on me and ¹ hear my prayer.

²**“You mortals, how long will you dishon- ¹ or my glory;
how long will you love illusions and seek ¹ after lies?”**

³Know that the LORD does wonders ¹ for the faithful;
the LORD will hear me ¹ when I call.

⁴**Tremble, then, and ¹ do not sin;
speak to your heart in silence up- ¹ on your bed.**

⁵Offer the appointed ¹ sacrifices,
and put your trust ¹ in the LORD.

⁶**Many are saying, “Who will show us ¹ any good?”
Let the light of your face shine upon ¹ us, O LORD.**

⁷You have put gladness ¹ in my heart,
more than when grain and ¹ wine abound.

⁸**In peace, I will lie ¹ down and sleep;
for you alone, O LORD, make me ¹ rest secure.**

Here ends the Psalm.

SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-7

God has loved us in order to make us children of God. Though we do not yet know the full details of our future existence, we trust that God will reveal it just as God revealed Jesus to take away our sins.

¹See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God’s children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will

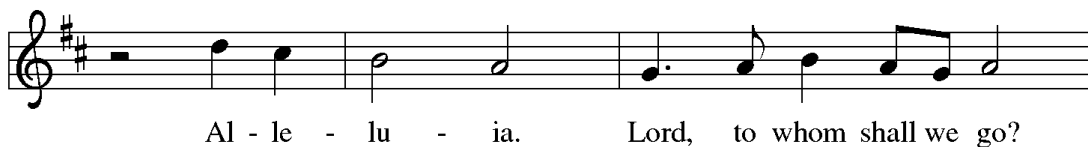
be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

⁴Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. ⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



***HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 24:36b-48**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 24th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

In this account of an appearance after his resurrection, Jesus opens the minds of the disciples to understand him as Messiah. Jesus convinces them that he has been raised and sends them on a mission to proclaim the message of repentance and forgiveness.

^{36b}Jesus himself stood among [the disciples] and said to them, “Peace be with you.” ³⁷They were startled and terrified and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸He said to them, “Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.”

⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate in their presence.

⁴⁴Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things.”
The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

KIDS’ COOKIE BREAK

Children are invited to the social hall for an activity and a snack.

SERMON

Rev. Susan J. McCarthy

***HYMN OF THE DAY**

“Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!”
(Verse 4-5)

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***PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

We begin our prayer together in worship each week. Please continue our prayer Monday-Saturday by praying each day for the concerns of the church, the world, and all those in need. Please pray for those on our prayer list daily.

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

A brief silence.

O God our holy one, lead us to share all that we have, so that we might find, in generosity, abundant life. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

O God our creator, protect the climate, so that this planet will continue to sustain life in all its variety. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

O God our savior, instruct lawmakers, judges, and elected officials to make decisions grounded in justice so that all people are cared for fairly. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

O God our elder, encourage and guide those who journey in grief, hope, and uncertainty, especially those on our prayer list and those we name before you now, *individual prayers of concern and hope may be lifted here*. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

O God our center, help us to remember our identity and purpose in our ministries so that everyone may share in your beloved community here. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

O God our resting place, your Son Jesus promised that we are held in your love forever, remind us of this so that those who mourn may be comforted. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.
Amen.

***PEACE**

The peace of the risen Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Those gathered offer a sign of Christ's peace with those around them. This may be a handshake, a hug, a wave, a smile, etc.

OFFERING

In worship we offer our whole selves to the Lord for Christ's work in the world. The Lord uses our time, our talents, and our treasures in ministry in this place. Thank you for your monetary giving, your hard work, your prayers, and all gifts of love that you share here at Trinity – together we follow Christ's call to love one another.

MUSICAL OFFERING

“Jesus is Risen”

G.F. Handel

*OFFERTORY

“Let Us Talents & Tongues Employ”
(Verses 1 & 3)

ELW 674

*OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

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. Amen.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

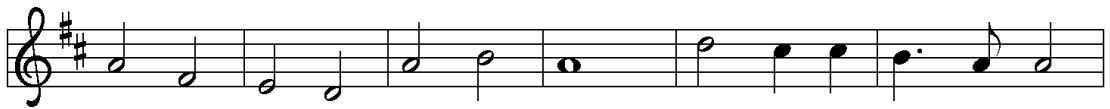
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



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.

***EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth. Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood. Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea. Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey. Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one. Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ. Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on
these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your
presence.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of
Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with
justice, peace, and love.

Come, Holy Spirit.

With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures,
with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity,
now and forever.

Amen.

***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.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread.
Come and eat at God's table.

Thanks be to God!

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

We believe Christ himself invites you to this holy meal. All believers are welcome to receive the sacrament at his table. Holy Communion will be served in a continuous flow. Please come forward to receive the bread and wine from the ministers. Also available are gluten free wafers, grape juice, and sealed pre-consecrated wafer/juice packets.

*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, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMNS:

"Around You, O Lord Jesus"

ELW 468

"As We Gather at Your Table"

ELW 522

***POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

The body and blood of our risen Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

***POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Let us pray.

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. Amen.

***ANNOUNCEMENTS**

***BENEDICTION**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope † bless you now and always.

Amen.

***DISMISSAL**

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

“Around You O Lord Jesus”

Stephan Gabrielsen

Announcements
To Serve God And His Church
During The Coming Week

Sunday.....	10:30a.m.	Christian Education
Sunday.....	2:00p.m.	Hanover Conference Assembly
Sunday.....	6:00p.m.	East Berlin Singers Rehearse
Sunday.....	6:30p.m.	AA Meeting
Monday.....	6:00p.m.	Bible Study
Monday.....	6:30p.m.	Girl Scouts
Tuesday.....	7:00p.m.	Council Meeting
Wednesday.....	8:30a.m.	Fellowship @ Graybill's
Wednesday.....	10:00a.m.	Prayer Service
Wednesday.....	7:00p.m.	Handbell Rehearsal
Thursday.....	8:30a.m.	Cleaning Crew #2
Thursday.....	10:00a.m.	Caregivers' Meeting
Thursday.....	10:00a.m.	Property Committee
Thursday – Friday....		Pie Sale
Thursday.....	6:30p.m.	AA Meeting
Sunday.....	8:15a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Sunday.....	9:00a.m.	Word & Sacrament

Assisting in the Service Today: Assisting Minister: Alex Sharrer; Lector: Amber Nickey; Communion Assistant: Becky Rinehart; Ushers: Deb & Bob King, Sandy Emig; Altar Guild: Janet McMaster; Hymn Leaders: Joshlyn Sharrer, Karen Sheaffer; Cookie Break: Jess Warner; Acolyte: Grace Warner.

We welcome visitors – If you have questions during worship, feel free to ask the ushers in the back or anyone around you. We believe Christ himself invites us to His Table; all believers are invited to share in Holy Communion. If you'd like to join our mailing list, please fill out a visitors' slip and place it in the offering plate or scan the QR code here. We're glad to have you with us!



Offering Plates are located in the rear of the sanctuary and in the narthex (lobby) near the front entrance. Please make your giving your first or last act of worship today. Thank you for participating in Christ's ministry here!

Kids' Cookie Break: Kids 6th grade & younger are invited to take a break after the Gospel to go to the Social Hall for a snack & activity. They'll return in time for Holy Communion.

Job Opening: Trinity is hiring a part-time Audio-Video Coordinator. The coordinator is responsible for creating video presentations for all church services and live streaming them through Trinity's YouTube channel. Hours range from 4-10 hours per week depending on church activities. If interested, please contact the church office.

Our friend Josh Sweetser has deployed overseas for a few months. He would love to hear from his Trinity church family! Send well wishes to:

Josh Sweetser
379 EMDS
Unit 61214
APO, AE 09309-1214

Organ Recital: Craig Cramer is giving an organ recital at St Paul's Lutheran Church, Dillsburg, at 3:00 pm, on Sunday, April 28, 2024.

Caregivers' Meeting will be held April 18 at 10:00am. Everyone is invited to attend.

Get Well Soon! Emily Booth sustained a brain injury after a fall. She is recovering in Hanover, heading home soon and would enjoy hearing from everyone. Send cards to her home:

Emily Booth
46 Schofield Drive
East Berlin, PA 17316

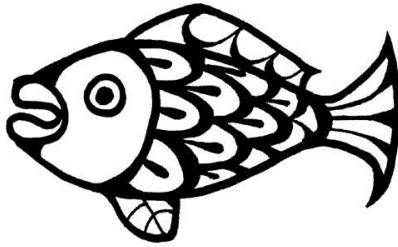
Pie Sale! Lemon sponge and Blueberry pies can be preordered on the bulletin board downstairs. Pie sale will take place April 18 & 19.

NEWSLETTER MAILING LIST – Are you on our mailing list? If you're not and would like to be, please submit your mailing information to Jen in the office, or drop a note into the offering plate. We'd love to connect with you!

East Berlin Community Center Yard Sale 4/27/24: In past years Trinity has provided personnel to make and sell Hot Dogs and other food and refreshment at one of the Food Tents at the yard sale from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. All supplies are provided by EBACC. Looking for manpower during this time and someone to coordinate and schedule workers. See Karen Wire if you are willing to serve in any capacity.



The spring fling picnic will be held on Sunday, April 28th at 12:30pm. The location is Mark Boyer's Plum Run Acres, 1440 East Berlin Road, New Oxford. Please bring a dish to share. Meat and drinks will be provided. Please come out for a relaxing, enjoyable afternoon of fellowship. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Please sign-up if you plan to attend and list what dish you plan to bring. Please contact Anita Madsen or Deb King if you have any questions. Everyone is encouraged to attend.



Your generous support of our ministries not only keeps the lights on but empowers Trinity to contribute to and fully fund MANY ministries. Want a full report? Ask us in the office and/or check out all the info on our website. Thank you!

2024 Weekly Contributions			
Budget vs. Actual			
Through April 8, 2024			
Month	Amount	YTD 2024	%
April Budgeted Income	4,436	66,539	
April Actual Income	3,647	66,718	
Over/(Under)Budgeted Income	(789)	179	0.3

April 7, 2024 Worship Totals

Worship Service81
 Online Livestream *Views.....*50/100

*Our church attendance record is maintained for both in-person attendance and online views through Trinity's YouTube page. The number of online views is counted for seven days following the service. Each view is multiplied by 2 (as an average household).

*Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
East Berlin, Pennsylvania*

Our Mission: We are a family of Christian disciples committed to making Christ known while loving and serving God and neighbors.

Our Vision: To fulfill our mission, we will:

Worship through liturgy, music, prayer & Sacraments;

Teach God's Word and nurture spiritual growth;

Serve and provide for those in need;

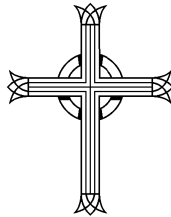
Witness to others by sharing the Gospel;

Celebrate with fellowship;

Return with joy what God has given;

Be active in our community and the Church.

Worship, Serve, Celebrate!



Worship: Sunday, 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, 10:00 a.m.

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