## Trinity Lutheran Church

## May 5, 2024 Sixth Sunday of Easter



#### WELCOME

#### **LITANY**

Sing to our God a new song.

God has done marvelous things!

Make a joyful noise to the Lord!

Break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

Let the sea roar and all that fills it.

Let the world and its people sing together for joy!

#### **GATHERING HYMN:**

In Christ There Is No East or West (ELW 650)



- 1 In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north,
- 2 In Christ shall true hearts ev-'ry-where their high com-mu nion find;
- 3 Join hands, dis ci ples of the faith, what-e'er your race may be.
- 4 In Christ now meet both east and west, in him meet south and north;



one com - mu - ni - ty of love through-out but the whole wide earth. his ser - vice is the gold - en cord close bind - ing hu - man-kind. All chil-dren of the liv - ing God are sure - ly kin all Christ-ly souls are one in him through-out the whole wide earth.

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

We have been called to follow Christ by obeying his one commandment: that we love one another as he has loved us. Let us confess how we have fallen short of that love.

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We pray together, Loving God, we have not loved you or each other with our whole hearts. Forgive us, we pray, and lead us toward wholeness, that we may be filled with your joy. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

#### **DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

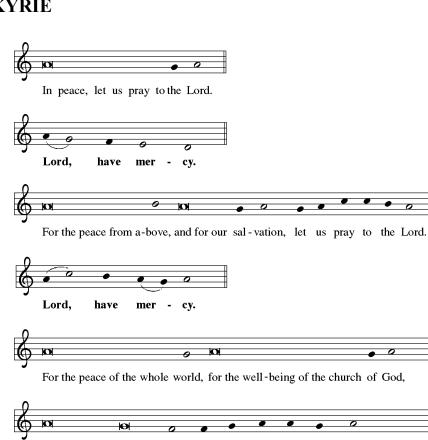
Christ loves us so much that he laid down his life for us and calls us his friends.

If we can forgive our friends, how much more does Christ forgive us!

#### **GREETING**

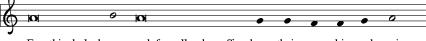
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.** 

#### **KYRIE**









For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,





Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. men.

#### **CANTICLE OF PRAISE**



#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us pray together.

Loving God, help us to love others
as Christ has loved us.

Bring us into the spiritual joy
of living our lives as your friend,
and teach us to abide in your love,
that we may show that love to the world. Amen.

#### FIRST READING: Acts 10:44-48

<sup>44</sup>While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. <sup>45</sup>The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, <sup>46</sup>for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, <sup>47</sup>"Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" <sup>48</sup>So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

#### **PSALM: Psalm 98**

Sing a new song to the LORD, who has done marvelous things, whose right hand and holy arm have won the victory.

<sup>2</sup>O LORD, you have made known your victory, you have revealed your righteousness in the sight of the nations.

<sup>3</sup>You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel:

all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

<sup>4</sup>Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands;

lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

<sup>5</sup>Sing to the LORD with the harp, with the harp and the voice of song.

<sup>6</sup>With trumpets and the sound of the horn shout with joy before the king, the LORD.

<sup>7</sup>Let the sea roar, and all that fills it, the world and those who dwell therein.

<sup>8</sup>Let the rivers clap their hands,

and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, who comes to judge the earth.

<sup>9</sup>The LORD will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with equity.

#### SECOND READING: 1 John 5:1-6

<sup>1</sup>Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. <sup>2</sup>By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. <sup>3</sup>For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, <sup>4</sup>for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. <sup>5</sup>Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

<sup>6</sup>This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**





#### **GOSPEL:** John 15:9-17

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. <sup>10</sup>If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup>I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

loved you. <sup>13</sup>No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. <sup>14</sup>You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup>I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. <sup>16</sup>You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. <sup>17</sup>I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

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

#### **SERMON**

#### **SERMON HYMN:**

#### Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds (ELW 367)



#### THANKSGIVING FOR NEW MEMBERS

Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for these people, one with us in the body of Christ, whom we welcome as new members into the life and ministry of this congregation.

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### The presiding minister addresses those being welcomed.

You have made public profession of your faith.

Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with in Holy Baptism:

To live among God's faithful people, to hear his word and share in his supper,

to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of our Lord Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

If so, please say, "I will."

Those being welcomed respond.

I will.

Sisters and brothers in Christ, do you intend to continue in the covenant of your baptism among God's people in this place?

Those being welcomed respond.

I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

#### The presiding minister addresses the assembly.

People of God,

do you promise to support and pray for these new members in their life in Christ?

We do, and we ask God to help and guide us. Welcome!

Gracious Lord, through water and the Spirit you have made these, individuals, couples, and families your own. You forgave them and brought them to newness of life. Continue to strengthen them with the Holy Spirit, and increase in them your gifts of grace. We thank you God for these new members. By your life-giving power, bind us to each other in you, strengthen us for service, support us all our days, and bring us at length to that day where all your children will be one and you will be All-in-all.

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Living God, giver of life, hear us as we pray, saying, Pour out your blessing, O Lord; send us your Spirit of peace.

As the lector closes each petition:
Pour out your blessing, O Lord;
The people respond:

Send us your Spirit of peace.

By the blessing of your Spirit, help us to live as we pray so that the world may come to know the gift of life in Christ our Lord.

Amen.

#### **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **OFFERING**

Please place offering in one of the Bulletin Stand offering plates at the end of worship as you leave the church.

#### OFFERTORY HYMN: One Bread, One Body (ELW 496)



#### OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.

Lord God, we offer to you only a portion of what you have given us.

All that we have is from your creative hand.

All that we can give away we do through Jesus' love.

All our renewal comes from the Holy Spirit's wisdom.

Deal graciously with these gifts so that others may have joy; in Jesus' name. Amen.

#### THE 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 our thanks and praise.

#### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

#### LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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;

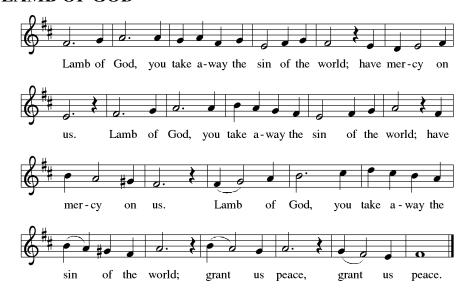
and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.

Amen.

#### LAMB OF GOD



#### **COMMUNION**

White grape juice is available and all altar bread is gluten-free.. When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

and each person may respond

Amen.

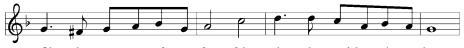
#### **COMMUNION HYMN:**

#### What a Friend We Have in Jesus (ELW 742)



- 1 What a friend we have in Je sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
- 2 Have we tri als and temp ta tions? Is there trou-ble an y where?
- 3 Are we weak and heav-y lad en, cum bered with a load of care?





Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; oh, what need-less pain we bear—Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor-rows share? Do your friends de-spise, for-sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



all be-cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!

Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness—take it to the Lord in prayer.

In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a so-lace there.

#### POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Now may the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **Amen.** 

#### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray together.

Holy God, we give you thanks and praise for light and life and love, and—above all—the presence of the living Lord among us. By your Spirit who breathes within us, strengthen our faith, use our gifts, and work in our lives to bear witness to the resurrection of Christ our Lord, in whose name we pray. Amen.

#### **BLESSING**

May the righteous fairness of God, the loving friendship of Christ, and the gift of the Holy Spirit go with you all.

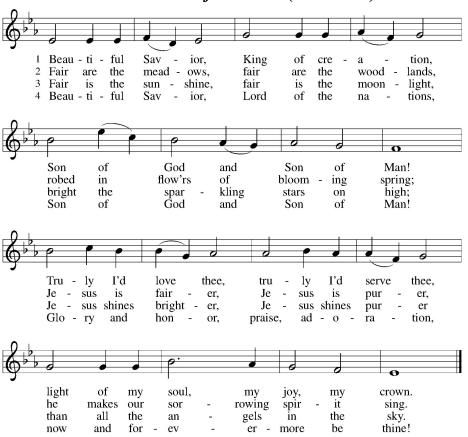
And may the blessing of almighty God,

Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit,

be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

#### SENDING HYMN: Beautiful Savior (ELW 838)



#### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

#### **Serving in Worship**

TODAY: May 5, 2023

**Altar:** Lori Johnson **Reader:** Abby Haff

Communion Assistant:

Abby Haff **Fellowship**:

Samantha Weatherston

**NEXT SUNDAY: May 12, 2023** 

Altar: Lori Johnson
Reader: Martha Leonard
Communion Assistant:

OPEN

Fellowship:

**OPEN** 

#### **Trinity Happenings:**

Sunday, May 5: 9:00 am New Member Sunday Worship

9:00am Sunday School behind Gruver Rm

10:15am Fellowship in Gruver Rm

Monday, May 6: 9:00am Becoming in Gruver Rm

5:00pm TheologyPUB

@ Coal Creek Downtown

Wednesday, May 8: 10:00am Women's Study in Gruver Rm

Thursday, May 9: 11:45am MUGG Campus Meeting

@ Rendezvous Café

Sunday, May 12: 9:00am Mother's Day Sunday Worship

10:15am Fellowship in Gruver Rm

Monday, May 13: 9:00am Becoming in Gruver Rm

Tuesday, May 14: 7:00pm Church Council in Gruver Rm

Wednesday, May 15: 10:00am Women's Study in Gruver Rm

Sunday, May 19: 9:00am Pentecost Worship w/ Band

10:15am Fellowship in Gruver Rm

# MAY 19TH, PENTECOST SUNDAY Breath of God: wear red!



### Trinity Camp-in 4th Annual!

Camper, car, tent, out under the stars....

#### Save the Dates

- **1** July 26-28
- Pole Mountain







You are cordially invited to the celebration of marriage between

> Pr. James Apronti & Ms. Belinda Adjetey

August 10th 2024 1300 MST

Trinity Lutheran Church, 107 South 7th St, Laramie, WY Dress traditional & colorful

SCAN TO RSVP



SAVE THE DATE



Kurt and Tammy Albrecht
James Apronti and
Belinda Adjetey
Jiwon Han and
Soyeon Kang
Jay and Lori Johnson
Linda Valenti

#### TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

107 South 7th 🕂 Laramie, WY 82070 🕂 www.telclaramie.com

IF YOU WOULD LIKE OR NEED A VISIT FROM PASTOR NATE PLEASE EMAIL OR CALL!

Congregation President Adam Huck
Pastor Pastor Nathan Keith
Accompanist Soyeon Kang
Financial Secretary Alison Lebeda
Financial Director Linda Lebeda
In the Office Lisa Guarnieri

Copyright © 2019 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved. Reprinted by permission under Augsburg Fortress Liturgies Annual License #SAS017696. New Revised Standard Version Bible, copyright © 1989, Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. Used by permission. All rights reserved. Used by license.