



# TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

April 25, 2021 / 4th Sunday of Easter



## GATHERING

### **Prelude**

Amy Kapp, Music Director

### **Welcome and Announcements**

Doug Gebhard, Interim Pastor

### **Centering Music**

#### **\*Thanksgiving for Baptism**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism.*

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

P: Refreshed by the resurrection life we share in Christ,  
let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

*Water is poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.*

#### **\*Confession and Forgiveness**

O God, you have called us to love,  
not in word or speech, but in truth and action.  
You have laid down your life for us  
and commanded us to lay down our lives for one another.  
Still, O Lord, we offer empty thoughts and prayers  
when the world needs our hands and our feet.  
Still, O Lord, we fail to share our lives with the world,  
hiding behind a myth of independence.  
Forgive us, we pray, and by your forgiveness,  
raise us to new life in you.

*Silent confession.*

P: In the name of Jesus Christ +, we are forgiven!

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**\*Hymn**

“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”

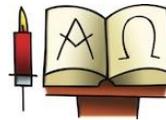
#502 (vs. 1 & 2)

1 The King of love my shepherd is,  
whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am his  
and he is mine forever.

2 Where streams of living water flow,  
my ransomed soul he leadeth  
and, where the verdant pastures grow,  
with food celestial feedeth.

**\*Greeting**

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



**WORD**

**First Reading** 1 John 3:16-24

Bonnie Kriberney (8:30) /Karen Rasmussen (11)

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God’s love abide in anyone who has the world’s goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

P: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**\*Gospel** John 10:11-18

P: The holy gospel according to John.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

“I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they

will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

### **Time with the Children**

#### **Sermon**

Rev. Doug Gebhard

#### **Special Music**

#### **The Apostles' Creed**

Rev. Doug Gebhard (8:30) / Pete Luedke (11)

AM: With the whole church, let us confess our faith:

**C: 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.**

#### **Prayers of the People of God**

*Each petition concludes:*

AM: By your grace, O God,

**C: raise us from death to life.**

#### **The Peace**

P: The peace of the risen Christ be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

## **Offering**

*Dedicate your gifts to God' mission. Financial offerings may be made by placing them in the offering basket in the Narthex, using our [online tool](#) on the church website, by sending to the church vial mail or by stopping by the church.*

## **Musical Offering**

### **Offering Song**

“Create in Me A Clean Heart”

*(Music at end of liturgy)*

Create in me a clean heart, O God  
and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from your presence  
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore to me the joy of your salvation  
and uphold me with your free Spirit.  
Create in me a clean heart, O God  
and renew a right spirit within me.

### **Offering Prayer**

AM: God of love, you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table. Receive our lives and the gifts we offer. Abide with us and send us in service to a suffering world; for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ.

**C: Amen.**



## **MEAL**

## **Invitation to Communion**

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### **Holy, Holy, Holy**

*(Music at end of liturgy)*

Holy, holy, holy Lord  
God of power and might  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory  
Hosanna in the highest  
Blessed is he who come in the name of the Lord  
Hosanna in the highest

## **Thanksgiving at the Table**

### **Words of Institution and Acclamation**

P: 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.

P: 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.

P: For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes again. Great is the mystery of faith:

**C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

### **The 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.**

### **Lamb of God**

*(Music at end of liturgy)*

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace, grant us peace.

### **Communion of the People of God**

P: Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry..."

The body of Christ given for you.

**C: Amen.**

*All partake of the bread.*

P: Jesus said, "I am the vine and you are the branches. Cut off from me, you can do nothing."

The blood of Christ shed for you.

**C: Amen.**

*All partake of the cup.*

## Prayer after Communion



## SENDING

### Blessing

### Hymn

“My Shepherd, You Supply My Need” #782 (vs. 1 & 3)

1 My Shepherd, you supply my need;  
most holy is your name.  
In pastures fresh you make me feed,  
beside the living stream.  
You bring my wand'ring spirit back  
when I forsake your ways,  
and lead me, for your mercy's sake,  
in paths of truth and grace.

3 The sure provisions of my God  
attend me all my days;  
oh, may your house be my abode  
and all my work be praise.  
Here would I find a settled rest,  
while others go and come;  
no more a stranger or a guest,  
but like a child at home.

### Dismissal

AM: Now go forth in Jesus 'name, remembering his new commandment to love one another, just as he has loved us.

**C: Amen.**

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# Create in Me a Clean Heart

## Offering Song

The musical score is written on six staves of music. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The lyrics are printed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The music consists of eighth and quarter notes, with some phrases ending in a double bar line.

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right  
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your  
pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me.  
Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me  
with your free Spir - it. Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God,  
and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.

Music: *Liturgy of Joy*, James M. Capers, b. 1948  
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## Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow - er and might,  
heav - en 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.

The musical score for "Holy, Holy, Holy" is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). It consists of four staves of music. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow - er and might, heav - en 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." The melody is simple and hymn-like, with some triplets and slurs.

## 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.

The musical score for "Lamb of God" is written in treble clef with a key signature of two flats (Bb, Eb) and a common time signature (C). It consists of four staves of music. The lyrics are: "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." The melody features several triplet markings over the words "a - way" and "mer - cy".