

**Sunday, March 31, 2024** 

## TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Trinity Lutheran Church, LCMS

> Pastor Blair Clark

**Worship Assistants** 

<u>HEAD ELDERS:</u> 8am – Bill Schwieger

10:30am – Jim Keenan

COMMUNION ASSTS.: 8am

Norregaard & Munden

10:30am \_Egeland, Moore, Bremer, Anderson, Stieber & Stevens

LECTORS:

8am – Donna Faiella 10:30am – Paul Stieber

> KEYBOARD: Joan Egeland & Judy Hall

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## **Trinity Lutheran Church**

Rev. Blair Clark, Pastor



"To share the good news of Jesus Christ"



"To serve as God guides us to bring people closer to Jesus Christ through worship,
Bible studies, prayer and fellowship"

## WELCOME!!!

Happy Easter! A warm joyous welcome to all who gather to bear witness to the resurrection of Jesus, our King of Kings!

## **OUR RITE OF FRIENDSHIP:**

Members and guests: Please register your attendance in the red pad located at the end of each row. We ask our guests to please print your complete address and phone number. When it reaches the other end of the row, pass it back. Upon its return note the other names; you may meet a new friend in Christ today.

Please turn off your cell phone.

If you desire a hearing assistance unit, speak with an usher.

## TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH



## March 31, 2024

# PRELUDE – by Judy Hall "HOSANNA"

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## "RISE UP, MY HEART, WITH GLADNESS"

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## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## [PLEASE REMAIN SEATED]

## PRE-EASTER GOSPEL

John 19:38-42

Later, Joseph of Arimathea asked Pilate for the body of Jesus. Now Joseph was a disciple of Jesus, but secretly because he feared the Jewish leaders. With Pilate's permission, he came and took the body away. He was accompanied by Nicodemus, the man who earlier had visited Jesus at night. Nicodemus brought a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about seventy-five pounds. Taking Jesus' body, the two of them wrapped it, with the spices, in strips of linen. This was in accordance with Jewish burial customs. At the place where Jesus was crucified, there was a garden, and in the garden a new tomb, in which no one had ever been laid. Because it was the Jewish day of Preparation and since the tomb was nearby, they laid Jesus there.

## OUR JOURNEY TO THE TOMB "A Time for Confession"

- P Dawn quiet...still grief...incredible sorrow.
- The Son of man lies dead, killed by human greed and fear.
- Lord God, our heavenly Father, we walk in the spirit of those who went to the tomb early Easter morning.
- And we walk with all the mourners everywhere who have suffered and who are still suffering. Color the world this morning dark, gray and sad.
- P For if Christ has not been raised, our faith is futile and we are still trapped in our sins.
- Our words of confession would bounce back to accuse us. Our sins of thought, word, and deed would stamp us guilty. We would continue to exist in this death called sin.
- The sealed tomb seals our fate. Then even God Himself cannot rescue us from what we are.
- The world would go on toward death, sealed with curse of the fall, with pain, suffering, cruelty, a meaningless life, and death for all!
- **P** If Christ has not been raised, then those who die have perished forever.
- The grave would have won, for if One like Christ cannot conquer death, how can we?
- P So we come to the tomb this morning, with only one thing in mind:
- To better prepare His body for the sleep of death, and to prepare ourselves for the same sorry sleep. For if Christ has not been raised we're the most pitiful of people.
- Who will roll away the stone- Pilate's stone, the stone of sin that blocks the way to God? Let us confess our sins to Almighty God.
- 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 neighbor as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy upon 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.

## OUR JOURNEY TO THE TOMB

"A Time of Resurrection and Forgiveness!"

- People of God, why do you seek the living among the dead?
- Because we have no where else to go. He told us that "He is the way, the truth, and the life."
- People of God, why do you seek the living among the dead?
- Because we live in a world that still suffers from wars, hunger, cruelty, and bloodshed. Because families are torn apart by greed, death and selfishness. Because individual lives deny, ignore, and mock God.

## **ABSOLUTION**

- P 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.
- Amen.
- People of God, approach the tomb! Await the dawn of a new day! Jesus Christ has risen
- Yes, the tomb is empty! Christ is risen! (Loud)
- P He is risen!
- C He is among us! (Louder)
- P Christ is risen!
- He is risen, indeed!

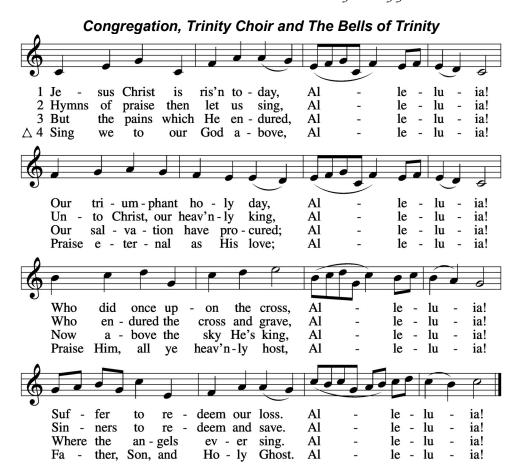
ALL: Jesus Christ is risen today! Alleluia! (Shouting)

[Please Stand]

## "JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY" LSB #457

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The Pealing of the Bells – The Bells of Trinity Trumpet Fanfare Introduction to Processional Hymn Musicians: Dave Czohara and Joseph Cappellini



#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Gracious Father, as we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord, we do so in view of your mercy. Through your Son, Jesus Christ, you have defeated death and opened to us the way to everlasting life. We thank you that his victory over sin, death and hell is shared with us so that we become more than conquerors through him who loved us. In view of your mercy, form us by your Spirit to live as newborn children of God. We pray these things in the holy name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

## [Please be seated]

## OUR JOURNEY TO THE TOMB "A Time for Praise"

## "THIS IS THE FEAST"

All: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Women: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be

people of God.

All: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Men: Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his.

All: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Women: Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing,

honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

All: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, Alleluia, alleluia.

Men: For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.

All: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

# OUR JOURNEY TO THE TOMB "Celebrating the Promises of God's Word"

#### THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT Isaiah 35:1–8

<sup>1</sup>The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad; the desert shall rejoice and blossom like the crocus; <sup>2</sup>it shall blossom abundantly and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of

Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the Lord, the majesty of our God. <sup>3</sup>Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. <sup>4</sup>Say to those who have an anxious heart, "Be strong; fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you." <sup>5</sup>Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; <sup>6</sup>then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy. For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; <sup>7</sup>the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; in the haunt of jackals, where they lie down, the grass shall become reeds and rushes. <sup>8</sup>And a highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Way of Holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it. It shall belong to those who walk on the way; even if they are fools, they shall not go astray.

**I** This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE Romans 6:1–4

<sup>1</sup>What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup>By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? <sup>3</sup>Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup>We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

**I** This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

**SPECIAL MUSIC** 

## "THIS JOYFUL EASTERTIDE"

Davids Psalmen/Arranged by Cathy Moklebust By "The Bells of Trinity"

[Please stand]

HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 28:1-10

P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the twenty-eighth chapter.

**G** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. <sup>2</sup>And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. <sup>3</sup>His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. <sup>4</sup>And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. <sup>5</sup>But the angel said to the women,

"Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. <sup>6</sup>He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. <sup>7</sup>Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you." <sup>8</sup>So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. <sup>9</sup>And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him. <sup>10</sup>Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

## [Please be seated]

## **SERMON HYMN**

## "CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY; ALLELUIA" LSB #463



#### **SERMON**

## "Guided to the Cross - Guided to New Life" Matthew 28:8-10 Pastor Blair Clark

[Please stand]

**APOSTLES' CREED** 

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

[Please be seated]

## **CHOIR ANTHEM**

## "CANTICLE FOR EASTER"

The Trinity Choir

Words by: Christopher Wordsworth & Joseph Barlowe Music by: Franz Joseph Haydn and W.A. Mozart Arranged by: David E. Williams

#### **PRAYERS**

- P Lord and Savior, you laid down your life on the cross as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the world. You were raised to life in triumph over sin, death and Satan, and your victory is our victory. Crucified and risen Lord,
- C Lead us to walk in newness of life.
- P Lord and Savior, in Baptism we are buried with you, united to you in your death and raised up to walk in newness of life. We live now as children of light, created anew to walk in your ways. Crucified and risen Lord,
- C Lead us to walk in newness of life.

- P Lord and Savior, by God's grace through faith, we have been raised to new life in the power of your resurrection. Lead us to follow closely in your footsteps. Help us to walk in love as you did, and to live with kindness and compassion toward others. Give us opportunities to share the good news of salvation so that others will come to rejoice in your resurrection. Crucified and risen Lord,
- C Lead us to walk in newness of life.
- P Lord and Savior, we pray for those who are struggling with pain, illness, grief or anxiety, those we name before you now.....and those we name in our hearts. Comfort them with healing and hope and the promise of eternal life in your presence. As we walk in newness if life, lead us to help and serve them in love. Crucified and risen Lord.
- C Lead us to walk in newness of life.
- Lord and Savior, you have conquered death, and you have promised, "Because I live, you also will live". In you we have new life now and the hope of eternal life. When you return on the Last Day, we will be raised bodily from death as you were raised to live in your presence forever. Crucified and risen Lord,
- C Lead us to walk in newness of life.
- P Amen.

(Intercessory Prayers)

# Happy Birthday April 1 - Barb Grim

April 2 - Paula Diemer & Melanie Hilmer

April 3 - Mary Merkling & Craig Staas

April 4 - Don Krause & Wanda David

April 4 - Kitty Evans & Steve Kalbach

## Happy Anniversary

April 1 - Jim and Nancy Steinmark's 64

April 4 - David and Laura Stensrud's 27

April 5 - Dan and Denise Anderson's 27

## In Our Thoughts and Prayers

We remember the family of Anna Thompson who was called to her heavenly home March 25, 2024.

- Into Your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.

## [Please stand]

## **PREFACE**

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

#### 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

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P 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."

## [Please be seated]

## **AGNUS DEI**

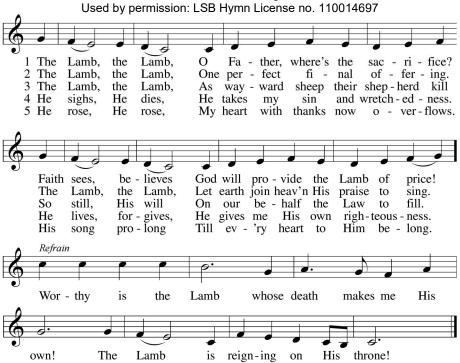
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world away O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray. O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

## **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

## "THE LAMB" LSB #547

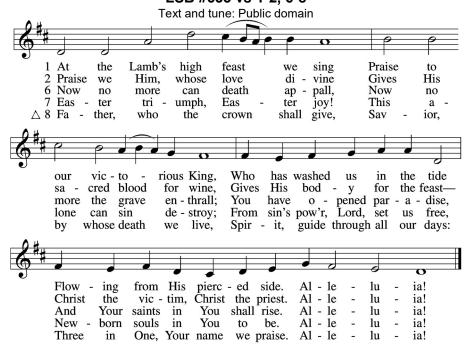
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## "THE LAMB'S HIGH FEAST WE SING" LSB #633 vs 1-2, 6-8



# "SHOUT TO THE LORD" Communion Song Book #28

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord, there is none like You; All of my days I want to praise the wonders of Your mighty love.

My comfort, my shelter, Tower of refuge and strength; Let every breath, all that I am, Never cease to worship You. *Refrain* 

#### Refrain

Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing Power and Majesty, praise to the King; Mountains bow down and the seas will roar At the sound of Your name.

I sing for joy at the work of your hands, Forever I'll love You, Forever I'll stand Nothing compares to the promise I have in You.

## "SHINE, JESUS SHINE" W&R #319

Text and Tune: Graham Kendrick Words and Music: © Make Way Music

Lord, the light of Your love is shining, In the midst of the darkness shining; Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us, Set us free by the truth You now bring us; Shine on me. Shine on me.

#### Refrain

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;
Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire,
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;
Send forth Your word, Lord, and let there be light.

Lord, I come to Your awesome presence, From the shadows into Your radiance; By the blood I may enter Your brightness; Search me, try me, consume all my darkness; Shine on me. Shine on me. **Refrain** 

## [Please stand]

## THE DISMISSAL

- May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace, unto life everlasting. Go in peace, to serve the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

## **THANKSGIVING**

- O Lord God, You have brought forth the light out of darkness in the world by the resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ and in our hearts by our own resurrection in Holy Baptism by Your Holy Spirit; grant that we may always live in the light of Christ by faith and by renewed holiness of life; through Your Holy Son, our Lord, the Light which now has been restored, who reigns as Father, Spirit, Son.
- C Amen.

## **BENEDICTION**

- **P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
  - The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
- The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and 

  → give you peace.
- C Amen.

# CLOSING HYMN Trumpet Fanfare Introduction "CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS" LSB #525

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## **POSTLUDE:**

## "COME, THOU ALMIGHTY KING"

By Felice Giardini

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# We thank you for the beautiful Lilies this Easter season! The response was overwhelming...a true declaration of love! He is Risen!!!!

Jim and Chris Ahner In Memory of our beloved family members

Roberta Anderson In Memory of beloved husband Alan

Steve Baker In memory of Christ Baker from Steve & son Tyler

> Kathy Barr In Memory of husband Ron

Bonnie Bartholomay In Memory of Pete Bartholomay

Rev. Doug & Patsy Bock In Memory of Whitey & Anita Bock and Tom Deyoung

Pat Braasch (2)
In Memory of our loved ones

Marilyn Butenhof In Memory of husband Donald



# Johnny & Betty Byard (2) In memory of our parents who thankfully took us to church very young

Colonel Carlan (2) In honor of son Kurt and daughter Janine Carlan

Janice Collins (2)
In memory of my beloved husband and son

Roy & Beverly Coombe (2) In memory of parents William & Mary Agnes Lance & Thomas & Edna Coombe

> Paul & Sandi Crousore (2) In honor of our children & grandchildren

Jack & Barbara Csont
In memory of our beautiful daughter, Jacquelyn Dewey

Susan Cummings In memory of mother Dorothy Garrett and grandmother Helen St. Armour

Marilyn DeTizio
In memory of loved ones

Jean Dialoiso In honor of family

Sandra Emigholz (2)
In honor of family

Cheryl Fibish (2) In memory of husband Terry & daughter Sheri



Fritz & Kathy Forgnone (10) In memory of Ryan Wilt, grandson of Chuck & Geri Wilt & Vanessa Forgnone, their great niece & to our risen Lord and Savior

> Don & Lynn Freeze (2) In honor of our family

Barbara Fuehrmeyer In honor of all loved ones gone to heaven

Phil & Anne Gay (2)
In memory of our parents

Raymond & Shari Gross In thankfulness of all God's blessings

Pat Hartman
In memory of my mom and dad

Glenna Hartman In memory of Gary Hartman

David & Paula Hemond In memory of our parents

Joan Herro In memory of husband Kenneth

Jerry & Annie Householder In memory of our loving sons Daniel & Christian



## Jím & Kay Jacobson (2) In memory of famíly & friends who are with the Lord & Savior Jesus Christ

Leonard & Betty Jagow
In memory of our parents & our brothers

Peter & Ada Jarmosevich In memory of our parents

Gary & Lorelei Kerr (2) In memory of our parents

James & JoAnne Kiger (2)
In memory of our parents & in honor of our children,
grandchildren & great-grandchildren

Harold & Alice Kirsch In memory of loved ones we have lost

> Patricia Kostock In honor of our Risen Lord

Dan & Mary Jayne Kowitz (2) In honor of my sister in ICU and our nephew who is still hospitalized after being hit by a car. Please pray for healing after 13+ surgeries.

Dan & Joyce Lindstrom (2) In memory of our parents & grandparents; and in honor of our family

Jim & Diana Liney
In memory of our loving parents



## Elaine Loesel In memory of family members who are in heaven

Wally Ludwig (2)
In memory of David & Horst Ludwig

Barry & Judy Manfredi In memory of Dorothy Jean Manfredi & Lois & Glaudell Clay

> China Menendez (2) In memory of my mother and Dr. Mark Oliver

> > Dick & Mary Merkling In honor of our beautiful family

Marianne Merrow In memory of Robert & Gertrude Lunz

Joyce Moote (3) In memory of Jud, Debbie & Frankie Dimambro

Ralph & Donna Munden
In memory of our loved ones

Rev. Bryan & Dawn O'Connor In memory of our parents with love and thanks

Sharon Peters In memory of granddaughter, Stacey Smith

Rolland & Ruth Poust In memory of Valerie Lynne Poust



Steve & Sharon Pruszynski In memory of our parents

Ellen Rentola In memory of our father

Gerry & Janet Sandaker (2)
In memory of family members who have passed away

John & Janet Sanner (2) In memory of our loving daughter Jonna Marie Sanner Russel

> Paul & Ruth Ann Schultz In memory of our parents

Bill Schwieger In memory of parents Herb & Joyce Schwieger

> Don & Sharie Schwieger In honor of our Risen Lord

John & Trudy Spyker In memory of loved ones

Connie Squadere (2) In memory of Stephanie & Michael Pokornicki. God Bless & keep my children.

> Jim Stencel In honor of our Risen Lord!

> Beverly Tibbits In honor of our Risen Lord!



Michael Vencion In memory of my wife Parnian Vencion

> Paula & Fritz Weigelman For the glory of our Risen Lord!

Chuck & Geri Wilt In memory of Helen Gellen & Val Zimmerman

> James & Patricia Wuensche In memory of our parents

# Thank you all so much !!!!



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Christianity is the only religion of the world to insist that reconciliation with the creator cannot ever be accomplished by our performance. Only through the revelation of a Savior, who would be the substitute sacrifice for all of our wrongdoing and make us right with God, can we finally overcome our sense of separation from the Almighty.

This is a gift and promise of life that we rejoice in and share with Christians around the world. We share with all Christians the desire that everyone would come to know Jesus and experience a life under "new management" – the grace and purpose of God.

Trinity is a member of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod. We enjoy a blessed confessional heritage of Biblical Christianity with over 65 million Lutherans around the world and over 7 million Lutherans in the U.S. alone. What we know and believe comes only from the Bible, which is God's inspired Word. While the Bible is certainly our guide for holy living, the primary purpose of the Bible is to reveal Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

We believe every Sunday at Trinity Lutheran Church is a "little Easter", a celebration of the resurrection of our Lord. We celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper every Sunday in all worship services. We believe the forgiveness and strength of faith we are promised through receiving the very body and blood of Christ is so greatly needed by all of God's people, for we are truly a community of wounded healers. For a Christian Church to be anything else than a place of common fellowship and unity and a source of strength for our fragile faith is to fail its Godordained purpose and intent.

Our pastor would like to be of service to you in any way he can. Feel free to call the church office or speak with Pastor Blair directly if you wish to find out more about the church or have more personal needs of a spiritual nature.

