

## HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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*Holy Trinity Lutheran Church is a family of Christians saved by God's grace  
to proclaim the good news to our community and to the world by word and action.*

### The Service

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

April 14, 2024

### GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *"I Am Content! My Jesus Ever Lives"* setting by Wilbur Held

\*The Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, (+) one God, who forgives all our sin whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection. (We kneel.)*

Gracious God, **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of (+) Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**  
(we stand)



## Psalm 4

(sung responsively)

Answer me when I call, O God, defender <sup>1</sup> of my cause;  
you set me free when I was in distress;  
have mercy on me and <sup>1</sup> hear my prayer.  
<sup>2</sup>**"You mortals, how long will you dishon- <sup>1</sup> or my glory;  
how long will you love illusions and seek <sup>1</sup> after lies?"**  
<sup>3</sup>Know that the LORD does wonders <sup>1</sup> for the faithful;  
the LORD will hear me <sup>1</sup> when I call.  
<sup>4</sup>**Tremble, then, and <sup>1</sup> do not sin;  
speak to your heart in silence up- <sup>1</sup> on your bed.**  
<sup>5</sup>Offer the appointed <sup>1</sup> sacrifices,  
and put your trust <sup>1</sup> in the LORD.  
<sup>6</sup>**Many are saying, "Who will show us <sup>1</sup> any good?"  
Let the light of your face shine upon <sup>1</sup> us, O LORD.**  
<sup>7</sup>You have put gladness <sup>1</sup> in my heart,  
more than when grain and <sup>1</sup> wine abound.  
<sup>8</sup>**In peace, I will lie <sup>1</sup> down and sleep;  
for you alone, O LORD, make me <sup>1</sup> rest secure.**

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### BUTTERFLY TREE

Throughout the 40 days of Lent, our sanctuary hosted a "dead" tree, covered with caterpillars. On Good Friday the caterpillars went into their cocoons, but throughout the season of Easter, they have been gloriously transformed into butterflies, symbolic of the Resurrection of our Lord!

### SC SYNOD ASSEMBLY

The South Carolina Synod Assembly will be online this year, allowing a greater variety of folks to participate. Normally, this event last two days but this year it will take place on just one day, Saturday, June 8. Besides Pastor Fischer, our congregation is allotted two more delegates. The registration fee will be covered as part of our church budget. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Fischer.

**LOOKING AHEAD**  
**Sunday Morning Worship**  
**Worship Assistants**  
**April 21**

	8:45 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Acolytes	Cathy Rudisill	Katelin Passow
Lectors	Gail Cannon	Sid Stokes
Assisting Ministers	Susan Straup	Rynde Dial
April 21	Worship Service (Sanctuary)	8:45 a.m.
	Early Choir Practice (After Worship)	
	Youth Sunday School Class (Youth Room)	10:00 a.m.
	Adult Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall)	10:00 a.m.
	Worship Service (Sanctuary)	11:00 a.m.
April 22	Lutheran Men In Mission Supper Meeting (Fellowship Hall)	6:00 p.m.
April 23	Women's Bible Study (Pairs and Spares Room)	6:30 p.m.
April 24	T.O.P.S. (Pairs and Spares Room)	10:00 a.m.
April 27	Youth Practice	TBA
April 27	Quilters (Quilting Room)	10:00 a.m.
April 28	Worship Service (Sanctuary) Youth Sunday	8:45 a.m.
	Early Choir Practice (After Worship)	
	Youth Sunday School Class (Youth Room)	10:00 a.m.
	Adult Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall)	10:00 a.m.
	Worship Service (Sanctuary) Youth Sunday	11:00 a.m.
April 30	Women's Bible Study (Pairs and Spares Room)	6:30 p.m.
May 1	T.O.P.S. (Pairs and Spares Room)	10:00 a.m.
May 4	C.H.O.I.C.E. (Fellowship Hall)	12:00 noon - 10:00 p.m.
May 5	Worship Service (Sanctuary) <b>SENIOR RECOGNITION</b>	8:45 a.m.
	Early Choir Practice (After Worship)	
	Youth Sunday School Class (Youth Room)	10:00 a.m.
	Adult Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall)	10:00 a.m.
	Worship Service (Sanctuary) <b>SENIOR RECOGNITION</b>	11:00 a.m.
May 6	Mutual Ministry Committee Committee (Office Conference Room)	10:00 a.m.
May 8	T.O.P.S. (Pairs and Spares Room)	10:00 a.m.
May 12	Worship Service (Sanctuary)	8:45 a.m.
	Early Choir Practice (After Worship)	
	Youth Sunday School Class (Youth Room)	10:00 a.m.
	Adult Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall)	10:00 a.m.
	Worship Service (Sanctuary)	11:00 a.m.

\*Hymn

*“Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen”*

Hymn #377

\*The 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.**

\*The Kyrie

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord. **Lord have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the wellbeing of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord have mercy.**

Help save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen.**

\*Hymn of Praise (sung by all)

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**(Refrain)**

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. (Refrain)**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. (Refrain)**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen. (Refrain)**

\*The Prayer of the Day

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.**

**WORD**

The Children’s Sermon  
The First Lesson (Acts 3:12-19)  
Psalm 4  
The Second Lesson (1 John 3:1-7)

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\*The Gospel Acclamation (sung by all)

**Alleluia.** *“Our hearts’ burn within us while you open to’ us the scriptures.” Alleluia.*  
(Luke 24:32)

**The gospel is announced:** The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 24<sup>th</sup> chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

\*The Holy Gospel (Luke 24:36b-48)

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**After the reading:** The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Sermon **“TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE”**

\*The Hymn of the Month

**“Day of Arising”**

**HYMN #374**

\*The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,  
The Father, the Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
Of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
The only Son of God,  
Eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
True God from true God,  
Begotten, not made,  
Of one Being with the Father;  
Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation  
He came down from heaven,  
Was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
And became truly human.**

**A Reminder**

A Suggestion Box is located in the Narthex, complete with pen and paper. It is monitored by your Mutual Ministry Committee. If you have any suggestions or concerns about anything concerning Holy Trinity, please let us know, either by leaving a comment, or by contacting any member of the committee. Susan Straup, Chairperson, Vicki Lybrand, Beth Cribbe, Bob Straup, John Tren, Leon Chute and Pastor Fischer.

As you know, the Mutual Ministry Committee acts as a liaison between our staff and the congregation. All comments/concerns are always treated anonymously and in strict confidence. Thank you!

Mutual Ministry Committee

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**DURING THE MONTH OF APRIL WE ARE COLLECTING NEEDED ITEMS FOR**

**GOOD NEIGHBOR CUPBOARD - ITEMS INCLUDE:** Peanut Butter, rice, dried beans, pasta, canned meat, canned fruit, canned soup, oatmeal, grits, flour, sugar, cereal, cooking oil—cleaning/personal hygiene list: bath soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, toilet tissue, laundry soap, bleach, cleaning solutions (Lysol, Mr. Clean for example). Please note: perishables are not included.

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MOTHER’S DAY is Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup>. A special offering, sponsored by WELCA, is being received and then given to deserving female students at the Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary. If you would like to make a donation In Memory Of or In Honor Of your mother, please fill out the form below. The names will be listed in the bulletin on Mother’s Day. **The deadline is May 5<sup>th</sup>.**

In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

Other (To the Glory of God) \_\_\_\_\_

Given by \_\_\_\_\_



**Holy Trinity Litter Warriors  
Litter Pick Up Day  
Summary**

**Thank You Holy Trinity Litter Crew!**

Nineteen (19) Holy Trinity church members from age 10 to significantly older, gathered on a Saturday morning, April 6<sup>th</sup>, to beautify our community. We filled 33 bags of trash in addition to gathering a tire, a hubcap, two buckets, lots of signage (large and small), sheets of styrofoam, pieces of wood, 3 shopping carts and **one sofa**. We had a great time and the area looks much better. Thank you for making a difference in our community.

**LUTHERAN MEN IN MISSION  
SUPPER MEETING**

**April 22**

**In Fellowship Hall**

**6:00 p.m.**

**SENIOR RECOGNITION SUNDAY**

On Sunday, May 5 we will be recognizing all the seniors in our congregation, 70 years of age and over as well as our high school seniors. This will take place at both the Early and Late Services.

**CALLING ALL 2024 GRADUATES**

We would like to acknowledge all our 2024 graduates. If you or a member of your family is graduating from High School, Technical School or College this spring, please contact the church office to let us know where you are graduating from and what your plans for college or employment may be. We will list them in the June *Messenger* edition.

**WARM GREETINGS AND LOVE IN CHRIST** are extended to all members and visitors. We trust that you will experience the warmth of Christian fellowship and the inspiration of God's presence here today. Prayer Request Cards (yellow cards) are located in the pews. Please place these in the offering plate. Names will be listed in next week's bulletin.

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
He suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
In accordance with the scriptures;  
He ascended into heaven  
And is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
And his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
Who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
And the life of the world to come. Amen.**

\*The Peace Is Shared  
The Offering is Received

The Offertory ***“With High Delight Let Us Unite”*** - Medieval European

With high delight let us unite in songs of great jubilation.  
You pure in heart, all bear your part, sing Jesus Christ, our salvation.  
To set us free forever, He is ris'n and sends to all earth's ends  
Good news to save ev'ry nation.

True God, He first from death has burst forth into life, all subduing.  
His enemy now vanquished see; His death has been death's undoing.  
“And yours shall be like victory o'er death and grave,”  
Says He, who gave His life for us, life renewing.

Let praises ring; give thanks, and bring to Christ our Lord adoration.  
His honor speed by word and deed to ev'ry land, ev'ry nation.  
So shall His love give us above, from misery and death set free,  
All joy and full consolation.

\*The Offertory Hymn ***“Create In Me”*** Hymn # 186

The Prayers of Intercession

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God’s creation. (We kneel.)

The Minister concludes each petition with “Lord In Your Mercy,” and the response is, “Hear our Prayer.”

The Lord’s Prayer

L. 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.**

**SENDING**

The Blessing

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

\*The Recessional Hymn                    *“Alleluia! Sing To Jesus”*                    **Hymn # 392**

**(Silence is observed for meditation as candles are extinguished.)**

The Dismissal

Minister: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

Response: **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude                                    *“Hallelujah! Jesus Lives!”*                                    -Ludwig M. Lindeman

(\*) “Indicates congregation to stand

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are placed on the altar by the Fischer family to the honor and glory of God and in honor of Beth’s birthday.

Holy Trinity celebrates the Sacrament of Holy Communion on the first and third Sundays of the month and all major festivals of the church.

**SERVING YOU TODAY – April 14, 2024**

Minister.....Rev. J. Chris Fischer  
Organist/Choir Director.....Jill Helgeson  
Acolytes.....(E) Claude Calloway (L) Katie Fischer  
Lectors.....(E) Phyllis Barnette (L) Mike Metz  
Video/IT Engineer.....Paul Wagner/Christopher Caldwell/Connor Caldwell  
Tabulators.....Gail Cannon & Jane Potter  
(E) Chris Caldwell (Captain) Christopher Caldwell, Connor Caldwell, Kevin Lockhart,  
Leon Chute  
(L) Mike Oates (Captain) Mike Metz, Bobbi Metz, Michael Oates, Randy Passow,  
Richard Caruso

Church Secretary.....Pat Ross  
President .....Beth Cribbe  
Vice-President.....Rynde Dial  
Treasurer.....Diane Richardson  
Council Secretary.....Lauren Guthre

**CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK**

**April 14 – April 20**

**TODAY**

8:45 a.m.    Worship Service (Sanctuary)  
                  Early Choir Practice  
10:00 a.m.    Youth Sunday School (Youth Room)  
10:00 a.m.    Adult Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall)  
11:00 a.m.    Worship Service (Sanctuary)

**TUES.**

6:00 p.m.    Women’s Bible Study (Pairs and Spares Room)

**WED.**

10:00 a.m.    T.O.P.S. (Pairs and Spares Room)

**THURS.**

6:00 p.m.    Luther’s Ladies Circle Meeting (Office Conference Room)  
6:30 p.m.    Choir Practice

**ATTENDANCE**

Worship Services – April 4 – 8:45 a.m. (45) 11:00 a.m. (55)

**OFFERINGS RECEIVED April 7** – Operating Fund \$12,203.00, Lenten Offering \$100.00, Utilities Fund \$175.00, Lutheran Men In Mission Fund \$500.00, Prayer Garden Fund \$200.00, Facilities Improvement Fund \$50.00, Endowment Fund \$70.00, WELCA Fund \$500.00, World Hunger Fund \$50.00

2/25 Craig Rudolph  
2/25 The Family of Larry Evans  
2/25 Dustin Evans  
2/25 Judy Jarrett  
2/25 Whitney Capps

**LONG TERM PRAYERS**

Gretchen Fant  
Mike Barron  
Henri Holmes Adair Baker  
Judith Womer  
Gabrielle Godfrey  
Richard Benedict  
Carolyn Culbreath  
Abby Barrett & Family  
Chris Goodwin  
Buddy & Lesley Taylor  
Jean Vinson  
Kathy Weeks  
Linda Rikard  
Judy Jarrett  
Ross King  
Willy E. Johnson  
Donna Welborn  
Michael Morrison  
Pruitt Martin  
Joan Stinson  
Susan Socha  
Robert Scribner  
Danny Rouse  
Laura Wagner  
Sue Walthall  
David Lane  
Nina & Larry Sherman



Andy & Sharon Christmas  
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Beth Fischer  
Mike & Bobbi Metz

**SPONSORS**

Jill Helgeson  
Paul Wagner  
The Stokes Family  
Lauren Guthre  
Brenda McGowan  
Dave & Sue Rasche  
The Stokes Family  
Jay & Suzie Bannister  
The Fischer Family  
Marisa Adrian  
Bob Vinson  
Tom Weeks  
Bob & Susan Straup  
The Fischer Family  
Cherie Brown  
The Stokes Family  
The Stokes Family  
Jill Helgeson  
Bob Vinson  
Brenda McGowan  
Dan & Johnnie Hunnicutt  
Jan House  
Brenda McGowan  
Paul Wagner  
Bob & Susan Straup  
Dan & Johnnie Hunnicutt  
Jill Helgeson

**PRAYER LIST**

4/7 Helen Sidoti  
4/7 The Jackson Family  
4/7 Will Bruce  
4/7 Sarah Gibson  
4/7 Jason Hannan  
4/7 Janice Hannan  
4/7 Lydia Caldwell  
4/7 Gaile Ball  
4/7 Mary Lee McIntosh  
3/31 Bob Williams & Family  
3/31 Norma & Family  
3/31 Sterling & Jane Allen  
3/31 Jennifer Bannister  
3/31 The Family of Sandy Matlack Forrest  
3/31 Sophie Marshall  
3/31 Susan Standfield  
3/24 The Family of Jonathan Allen  
3/24 Ron Naumann  
3/24 Linda Smith  
3/24 Linda Nightingale  
3/24 Sherry Partain  
3/24 Woody Collins  
3/24 Maydn Fredette  
3/24 Sydney Young  
3/24 Kavya Nyak  
3/17 Ben Emanuel  
3/10 Shon  
3/10 Elanor Dean  
3/10 Phyllis Barnette  
3/10 Leah Rogers  
3/1 Padgett, Waltz, Holman Families  
3/1 The Family of James Maxwell  
3/1 Doris Burdette  
3/1 Mary Ell  
3/1 Martha & Donnie Ashley  
2/28 Ronnie Lollis  
2/25 Matt Roehrs  
2/25 Donna Mangubat  
2/25 Betty Newsome  
2/25 Sharon Kautz  
2/25 Johnny Garrison

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The Caldwell Family  
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Jay & Suzie Bannister  
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Lucy Roehrs  
Lucy Roehrs  
Lucy Roehrs  
Bonnie Emanuel  
Rette Stokes  
The Stokes Family  
Congregation  
Congregation  
Vicki & John Lybrand  
Andy & Sharon Christmas  
Jane Potter  
Connie Adams  
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Jill Helgeson  
Kate Roehrs  
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