

## 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 26, 2026**

### GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *"The King of Love My Shepherd Is"* -arr. Charles Callahan

\*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 23

(sung responsively)

The LORD <sup>1</sup> is my shepherd;

I shall not <sup>1</sup> be in want.

<sup>2</sup>The LORD makes me lie down <sup>1</sup> in green pastures  
and leads me be- <sup>1</sup> side still waters.

<sup>3</sup>You restore my <sup>1</sup> soul, O LORD,  
and guide me along right pathways <sup>1</sup> for your name's sake.

<sup>4</sup>Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I shall <sup>1</sup> fear no evil;

for you are with me;

your rod and your staff, they <sup>1</sup> comfort me.

<sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me in the presence <sup>1</sup> of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is <sup>1</sup> running over.

<sup>6</sup>Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me

all the days <sup>1</sup> of my life,

and I will dwell in the house of the <sup>1</sup> LORD forever.

\*The Gospel Acclamation (sung by all) . *Alleluia. Jesus says, I am ' the Good Shepherd, I know My own and My 'own know Me. Alleluia.*

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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.

**LOOKING AHEAD**

Worship Assistants  
May 3

	8:45 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Acolytes	Claude Calloway	Brady West
Lectors	Virgil Hobbs	Mike Metz
Assisting Ministers	Virgil Hobbs	Beth Fischer

May 3	Worship Service (Sanctuary) <b>SENIOR RECOGNITION SUNDAY</b>	8:45 a.m.
	Early Choir Practice (After Worship)	
	Children’s Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall)	10:00 a.m.
	Martin Luther Adult Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall)	10:00 a.m.
	The Whole Story Adult Sunday School Class (Pairs and Spares)	10:00 a.m.
	Worship Service (Sanctuary) <b>SENIOR RECOGNITION SUNDAY</b>	11:00 a.m.
May 6	T.O.P.S. (Pairs and Spares Room)	10:00 a.m.
	Choir Practice	6:30 p.m.
May 10	Worship Service (Sanctuary) <b>MOTHER’S DAY</b>	8:45 a.m.
	Early Choir Practice (After Worship)	
	Children’s Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall)	10:00 a.m.
	Martin Luther Adult Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall)	10:00 a.m.
	The Whole Story Adult Sunday School Class (Pairs and Spares)	10:00 a.m.
	Worship Service (Sanctuary) <b>MOTHER’S DAY</b>	11:00 a.m.
May 11	Church Council Meeting (Fellowship Hall)	7:00 p.m.
May 13	T.O.P.S. (Pairs and Spares Room)	10:00 a.m.
	Family Fun Night (Fellowship Hall)	5:30 p.m.
	Choir Practice	6:30 p.m.
May 17	Worship Service (Sanctuary)	8:45 a.m.
	Early Choir Practice (After Worship)	
	<b>PRAYER GARDEN DEDICATION</b>	10:00 a.m.
	Worship Service (Sanctuary)	11:00 a.m.
	Safety Team Meeting (Fellowship Hall)	3:00 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE**

Sunday Worship Services – April 19 – 8:45 a.m. (51) 11:00 a.m. (58)

**OFFERINGS RECEIVED April 19** - Operating Fund \$4,141.60, Mother’s Day Offering \$25.00, Utilities Fund \$70.00, Endowment Fund \$150.00

\*Hymn

*“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”*

Hymn #392

\*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 (sung responsively)

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’s 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

O God our shepherd, You know Your sheep by name and lead us to safety through the valleys of death. Guide us by Your voice, that we may walk in certainty and security to the joyous feast prepared in Your house, through 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 2:42-47)

Psalm 23

The Second Lesson (1 Peter 2:19-25)

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\*The Gospel Acclamation (sung by all) *Alleluia. Jesus says, I am ' the Good Shepherd, I know My own and My 'own know Me. Alleluia.*

*The gospel is announced:* The Holy Gospel according to John, the 10<sup>th</sup> chapter.  
**Glory to You, O Lord.**

\*The Holy Gospel (John 10:1-10)

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

Sermon

**“THE GOOD SHEPHERD”**

\*The Hymn of the Month

**“Blessing and Honor”**

**Hymn #854**

\*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;  
By the power of the Holy Spirit  
Was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
And became truly human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;**

**SERVING YOU TODAY – April 26, 2026**

Minister .....Rev. J. Chris Fischer

Organist/Choir Director..... Jill Helgeson

Acolytes.....(E) Ken Earp (L) Landen Moody

Lectors.....(E) Matt Roehrs (L) Nancy Korn

Video/IT Engineer..... Paul Wagner/Christopher Caldwell/Connor Caldwell/Mike Oates

Tabulators.....Chris & Anna Caldwell

Ushers

(E) Susan Straup - Captain, Skip Knight, Terry Cribbe, Beth Cribbe, Claude Calloway  
Suzie Bannister

(L) Sid Stokes - Captain, John Lybrand, Harry Coggins, Robert O’Connor

Church Secretary..... Pat Ross

President.....Rynde Dial

Vice-President.....Mary Ann Hobbs

Treasurer.....Diane Richardson

Council Secretary..... Lauren Sayers

**CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK**

**April 26 – May 2**

**TODAY**

8:45 a.m.

Worship Service (Sanctuary)

Early Choir Practice

10:00 a.m.

Children’s Sunday School (Fellowship Hall)

10:00 a.m.

Martin Luther Adult Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall)

10:00 a.m.

The Whole Story Adult Sunday School Class (Pairs and Spares)

11:00 a.m.

Worship Service (Sanctuary)

**MON.**

6:00 p.m.

Lutheran Men In Mission (Fellowship Hall)

**WED.**

10:00 a.m.

T.O.P.S. (Pairs and Spares Room)

6:30 p.m.

Choir Practice

**SAT.**

9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Crafty Ladies (Fellowship Hall)



### **CRAFTY LADIES**

If you are a creative person who enjoys doing crafts, this group is for you. If you are a knitter, cross stitcher, scrapbooker, painter, quilter, writer, etc. or anything else you have started and would like to make time to work on your projects, this group is for you. We are meeting once a month on a Saturday to do our crafts and socialize. You bring your projects; we will provide the space and fellowship.

**Our next Crafty Day is Saturday, May 2  
9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.**

Contact Beth Fischer ([fischerfive@att.net](mailto:fischerfive@att.net)) or (864-933-7446) for more information.

Come when you can and stay as long as would you like.

### **LUTHERAN MEN IN MISSION**

**Supper Meeting  
April 27  
6:00 p.m.  
in  
Fellowship Hall**

### **Dining Divas**

**May 7  
6:00 p.m.  
(Public Well Cafe)  
5733 Dobbins Bridge Road  
Please RSVP Beth Cribbe (864)  
617-6216  
or email [bcribbe1@gmail.com](mailto:bcribbe1@gmail.com)**

**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 Anthem

*"My Shepherd, Will Supply My Need"* - American Folk Melody

**My Shepherd, will supply my need; Jehovah is His name;  
In pastures fresh He makes me feed beside the living stream.  
He brings my wandering spirit back when I forsake His ways,  
And leads me, for His mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.**

**When I walk through the shades of death, Thy presence is my stay;  
One word of Thy supporting breath drives all my fears away.  
Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread;  
My cup with blessings overflows, Thy oil anoints my head.**

**The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days;  
Oh, may Thy house be mine abode and all my work be praise.  
There would I find a settled rest, while others go and come;  
No more a stranger or a guest, but like a child at home.**

\*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 Leader concludes each petition with “Lord In Your Mercy,” and the response is, “Hear our Prayer.”*

The 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.**

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

\*The Recessional Hymn **“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”** Hymn # 789  
(Silence is observed for meditation as candles are extinguished.)

\*The Dismissal  
Leader: Go in peace, serve the Lord. Response: **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude **“Praise The Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing”** Johann Lohner

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(\*) Indicates congregation to stand

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**THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are provided by Virgil & Mary Ann Hobbs to the honor and glory of God and in celebration of the birth of their granddaughter, Mary Evelyn Everett, born on April 12<sup>th</sup>.

**ASSISTED HEARING DEVICES** are available in the Sound Room. Please see an usher to inquire about their use.

**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.

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

**You are Warmly Invited  
to attend the Dedication Service**

of the

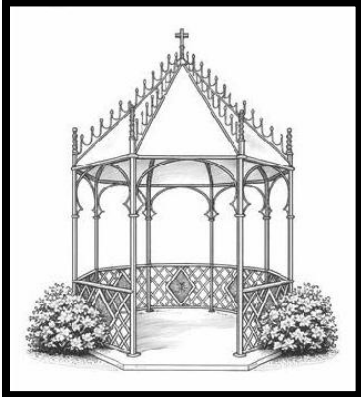
**Alton C. Clark Prayer Garden**

We will gather in gratitude to celebrate and rededicate this beautifully renovated space

**10:00 – 10:45 AM  
May 17, 2026**

Following the dedication service, you are invited to walk through the garden and enjoy light refreshments.

We hope you will join us for this meaningful occasion!



This garden, featuring a beautiful gazebo and thoughtfully selected plantings, has been generously donated to serve as a place of reflection, prayer and quiet renewal for all who enter. We come together to dedicate it with thankful hearts and to ask God’s blessing upon all who will find comfort here.

**PRAYER LIST**

4/19 The Family of Chris Pracht  
 4/19 The Family of Kelly Campbell  
 4/19 The Family of Scott McCurry  
 4/19 Michael Oates  
 4/19 The Family of Delise Stone  
 4/19 Georgia Lou Huff  
 4/19 Anne Caughman  
 4/12 Kathi Davis  
 4/12 The Family of Wendy Mothena  
 4/12 The Family of Anne McCarthy  
 4/12 Annette Kesler  
 4/5 Ruth Cromer, Robin and Julie  
 4/5 Shirley Pelter  
 3/29 Rodney McIntosh  
 3/29 Lee Moody  
 3/22 Nancy Scalf  
 3/22 The Family of Johnny Caldwell  
 3/22 Sherry Partain  
 3/22 The Sullivan Family  
 3/22 James Jester  
 3/22 The Family of Maureen Metz  
 3/15 Danny Lewis  
 3/15 Butler Spiers  
 3/15 Vicki Whitehead  
 3/15 Sherri Bryant  
 3/8 Trey & Maggie Hagerty  
 3/1 The Family of Ernie Thoms  
 3/1 Robert Plesko  
 3/1 Samantha Arnold  
 3/1 The Family of Keith Smith  
 3/1 Ann Luckadoo  
 2/22 Diane Richardson  
 2/22 Marijane Coggins  
 2/22 Brenda Hucks  
 2/22 The Family of John Robert Simpson  
 2/22 Theresa Davis  
 2/22 Adai Seemuller  
 2/22 The Family of Joseph "Joe" Scott  
 2/22 Anne Schultz  
 2/15 The Family of Tommy Whitehead

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2/15 Ashley Booker Addison

**LONG TERM PRAYERS**

Pat Kennedy  
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 Ashley Booker Addison  
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