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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.*

Pentecost Sunday

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

May 24, 2026

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude "Come, Gracious Spirit, Heavenly Dove" setting by Henry Coleman

*The Confession & Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the (+) Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. (we kneel)

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God, we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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 neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on 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.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the (+) Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

(we stand)



Psalm 104

(sung responsively)

How manifold are your ¹ works, O LORD!

In wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full ¹ of your creatures.

²⁵Yonder is the sea, great and wide,
with its swarms too man- ¹ y to number,
living things both ¹ small and great.

²⁶There go the ships ¹ to and fro,
and Leviathan, which you made for the ¹ sport of it.

²⁷All of them ¹ look to you
to give them their food ¹ in due season.

²⁸You give it to them; they ¹ gather it;
you open your hand, and they are filled ¹ with good things.

²⁹When you hide your face, ¹ they are terrified;
when you take away their breath, they die and return ¹ to their dust.

³⁰You send forth your Spirit, and they ¹ are created;
and so you renew the face ¹ of the earth.

³¹May the glory of the LORD en- ¹ dure forever;
O LORD, rejoice in ¹ all your works.

³²You look at the earth ¹ and it trembles;
you touch the mountains ¹ and they smoke.

³³I will sing to the LORD as long ¹ as I live;
I will praise my God while I ¹ have my being.

³⁴May these words of ¹ mine please God.
I will rejoice ¹ in the LORD.

^{35b}Bless the LORD, ¹ O my soul.
Hal- ¹ lelujah!

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*The Gospel Acclamation (sung by all)

Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts ' of Your faithful, and kindle in us the fire ' of Your love. Alleluia.

SERVING YOU TODAY – May 24, 2026

Minister..... Rev. J. Chris Fischer
Organist/Choir Director.....Jill Helgeson
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Lectors.....(E) Bob Straup (L) Amy Goodson
Assisting Ministers.....(E) Suzie Bannister (L) Amy Goodson
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Kristie Evans, Chad Evans

Church Secretary.....Pat Ross
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Treasurer.....Diane Richardson
Council Secretary.....Lauren Sayers

CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK
May 24 - May 30

TODAY

8:45 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary) **PENTECOST SUNDAY**
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) **PENTECOST SUNDAY**

MON.

MEMORIAL DAY- CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

WED.

10:00 a.m. T.O.P.S. (Pairs and Spares Room)
6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

*Hymn

“God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind”

Hymn #400

*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)

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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.**

*The Hymn of Praise

“This Is The Feast”

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*The Prayer of the Day

O God, on this day You open the hearts of Your faithful people by sending into us Your Holy Spirit. Direct us by the light of that Spirit, that we may have a right judgement in all things and rejoice at all times in Your peace, through Jesus Christ, Your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

WORD

Children’s Sermon
The First Lesson (Acts 2:1-21) Bulletin Cover
Psalm 104 Back Bulletin Cover
The Second Lesson (1 Corinthians 12:3b-13) Bulletin Cover

*The Gospel Acclamation (sung by all)

Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts ' of Your faithful, and kindle in us the fire ' of Your love. Alleluia.

The gospel is announced: The Holy Gospel according to John, the 20th Chapter.

We respond: **“Glory to You, O Lord.”**

*The Holy Gospel (John 20:19-23)

Bulletin Cover

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

Sermon

“IN OUR LANGUAGE”

*The Hymn of the Day

“Holy Spirit, Truth Divine”

HYMN #398

***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.
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.**

LOOKING AHEAD

Worship Assistants

May 31

ONE-COMBINED WORSHIP

10:00 a.m.

Acolyte
Lector

Claude Calloway
Robert Allen

May 31	ONE-COMBINED WORSHIP/TRINITY SUNDAY (Potluck to follow in Fellowship Hall)	10:00 a.m.
	Preventing Abuse Training Class (after the Potluck meal) in Fellowship Hall	
June 3	T.O.P.S. (Pairs and Spares Room)	10:00 a.m.
June 4	Dining Divas (McGee’s Irish Pub)	6:00 p.m.
June 6	Crafty Ladies (Fellowship Hall)	9:00 a.m.
June 7	Worship Service (Sanctuary)	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)	11:00 a.m.
June 8	Church Council Meeting (Fellowship Hall)	6:00 p.m.
June 9	State Wide Primary Election (Fellowship Hall)	7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
June 10	T.O.P.S. (Pairs and Spares Room)	10:00 a.m.
June 11-13	Delegates to attend Synod Assembly in Columbia	
June 14	Worship Service (Sanctuary)	8:45 a.m.
	Early Choir Practice (After Worship)	
	Dedication of the Ernie Thoms Mechanical Room (Fellowship Hall)	10:00 a.m.
	Worship Service (Sanctuary)	11:00 a.m.

OFFERINGS RECEIVED – May 17 – Operating Fund \$2,811.55, Endowment Fund \$50.00

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE – May 17 - 8:45 a.m. (63) 11:00 a.m. (36)

(11:00 a.m.) *“A Mighty Wind”* - Tallis Canon arr. by Simon Andrews

**A mighty wind invades the world, so strong and free on beating wing:
It is the Spirit of the Lord from whom all truth and freedom spring.**

**The Spirit is a fountain clear forever leaping to the sky,
Whose waters give unending life, whose timeless source is never dry.**

**The Spirit comes in tongues of flame, with love and wisdom burning bright:
The wind, the fountain and the fire combine in this great feast of light.**

**O Holy Spirit, bring us peace, with God, the Father and the Son:
We praise You blessed Trinity, unchanging and forever One. Amen.**

***The Offertory Hymn *“Let The Vineyards Be Fruitful”* Hymn # 181**

***The Prayer (The congregation responds with AMEN.)**

***The Great Thanksgiving (sung responsively) page 129**

L. The Lord be with you.

C. And also with you.

L. Lift up your hearts.

C. We lift them to the Lord.

L. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

***Preface of the Day page 130**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise (Here the minister continues with the preface for the day,
concluding) ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

***Sanctus (sung by all) page 130**

**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 comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**



Pentecost Sunday, May 24th

Pentecost is significant in both the Old and New Testaments. “Pentecost” is actually the Greek name for a festival known in the Old Testament as the Feast of Weeks (Leviticus 23:15; Deuteronomy 16:9). The Greek word means “fifty” and refers to the fifty days that have elapsed since Easter (Acts 2:1-21).

All adults are invited to attend “The Whole Story” Sunday School class today in the Pairs and Spares room at 10:00 a.m.

5th SUNDAY WORSHIP

MAY 31

ONE - COMBINED WORSHIP

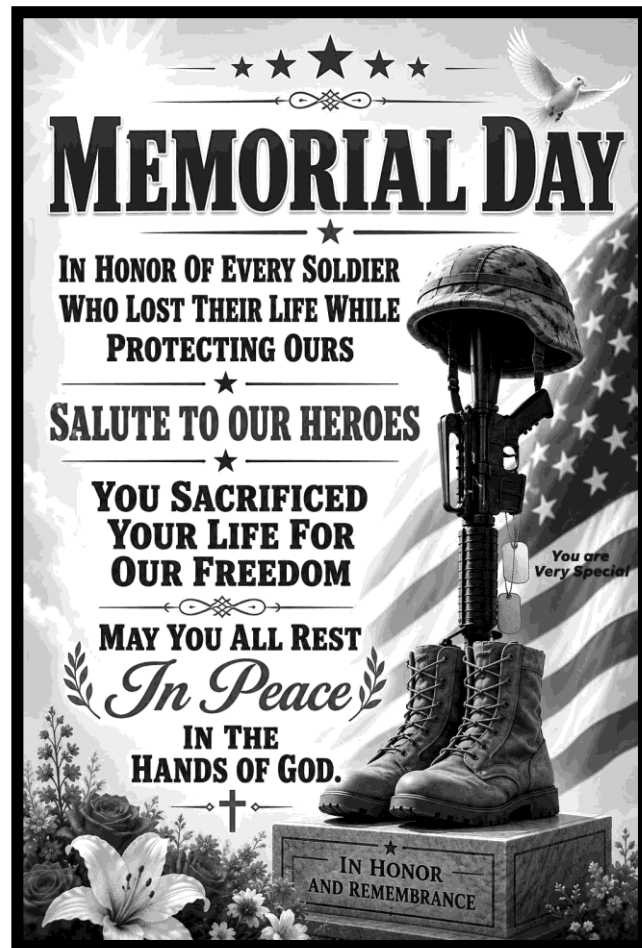
10:00 a.m.

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES.

FOLLOWED BY A POTLUCK MEAL IN FELLOWSHIP HALL. PLEASE BRING A DISH TO SHARE. NOTE: THE MEAT WILL BE PROVIDED.

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church is committed to ensuring a safe environment for all who step onto our church grounds. It has been several years since we last held a training session for preventing abuse from occurring to our children, youth and vulnerable adults. As part of our policy, we ask that every person who works with these groups in the church to attend a training session that gives instructions on the procedures that were developed to protect Holy Trinity from abuse or false accusations of abuse from occurring. If you are a Sunday School teacher, provide care in the nursery, youth leader, or work in any way with our children, youth or vulnerable adults, we ask that you attend our training session on May 31. A make-up training will be done if needed at a later date. We ask that if you are unable to attend this training you contact Kate Roehrs (864-356-2907) or Pastor Fischer (864-933-7434).

What: **Preventing Abuse Training**
When: **After the Potluck Meal**
Where: **In Fellowship Hall**



*The Eucharist Prayer and the Words of Institution

Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.

Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.

Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.

Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey.

Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.

Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.

Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

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.

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.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection and new life: pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love. **Come, Holy Spirit.**

With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. **Amen.**

***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.**

The Communion Hymn (sung by all)

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**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.**

The Communion

Invited to commune at this altar are all baptized believers. Children not yet receiving Holy Communion are invited to come with their families to receive a blessing. On the way up, you are to pick up a cup and bring it to the altar. Prefilled cups in the center of the tray contain grape juice; otherwise wine will be dispensed at the altar into empty cups. Gluten free wafers are available as needed. Please notify the Pastor. To have the elements brought to you for communion, please notify an Usher. It would be helpful if you would sit on the front pew or on the aisle. As you go to the altar for communion, you are invited to dip your fingers into the water of the Baptismal Font and make a sign of the cross on your forehead in remembrance of your baptism.

***The Communion Blessing**

Pastor Fischer

***The Post Communion Hymn (sung by all)**

Hymn # 204

**Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell ev'ryone what God has done.
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and bear Christ's holy name.
Send us with your promises and lead your people forth in joy
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

***Prayer after Communion (The congregation responds with AMEN.)**

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SENDING

***The Blessing**

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and (+) give you peace. Amen.

***The Recessional Hymn**

"God Bless Our Native Land"

Hymn # 891

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

The Dismissal

Go in peace, serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Postlude

"O Holy Spirit, Root of Life"

-European Tune

(*) "Indicates congregation to stand"

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Leon Chute to the honor and glory of God in loving memory of his wife, Florence Marie Chute.

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

MAGNIFYING TABLETS

For those who might benefit using a larger print on Sunday mornings, we now have available rechargeable 5X Magnifying Tablets to assist in reading. These are large bright full-page magnifiers with LED dimmable lights. Please see an usher to borrow one of these on Sunday mornings.

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.

Names listed for the dates of 3/15 thru 4/12 will be removed from the prayer list next week. If a name from this date is being removed that you would like to stay on, please resubmit it.

PRAYER LIST

5/17 Ann Blair
5/17 Dan Hunnicutt
5/17 The Family of Marjorie Kuhn
5/17 The Family of Pat Morton
5/17 Georgia Lou Huff
5/17 The Gross Family
5/17 Haley Shook & Family
5/17 The Family of Jayson Sanstrum
5/10 Brenda Welborn
5/10 The Family of Chris Moore
5/10 Anna Gilliland
5/3 The Family of Ida (Jackie) Smith
5/3 Lamar Cromer
5/3 The Family of Trisha Taub
5/3 Adair Seemuller
5/3 The Family of Sarah Gibson
5/3 Trey and Maggie Hagerty
5/3 The Family of Keith Smith
4/26 Susan Singleton
4/26 Scott Smith
4/26 Patti Kraft
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 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

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Jill Helgeson
Congregation
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Jill Helgeson
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Andy & Sharon Christmas
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Jill Helgeson
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Jill Helgeson
Amber Oates
Dave & Nancy Korn
Sid & Rette Stokes
Jill Helgeson
Jamie Corrigan
Jamie Corrigan
Brenda McGowan
Jill Helgeson
Brenda McGowan
Bob & Susan Straup
Moody & Stokes Families
Congregation
Congregation
Suzie Bannister
Suzie Bannister
Paula Boller
Mike & Bobbi Metz

3/15 Danny Lewis
3/15 Butler Spiers
3/15 Vicki Whitehead
3/15 Sherri Bryant
LONG TERM PRAYERS
Pat Kennedy
Judy Jarrett
Ben Blanks
Jan House
Ron McDowell
Tom Weeks
Ashley Booker Addison
Katrina Sellars
Jaron Thompson
Phillip Roehrs
Nick Korn
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Brenda McGowan
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Brenda McGowan
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We extend our Christian sympathy to Emery & Janet Sanstrum and family upon the death of their son, Jayson who entered the Church Triumphant on May 19th. May God's promises of grace and eternal life give the family peace and comfort in their time of grief.

We extend our Christian sympathy to Kim Hill and family upon the death of her mother, Marjorie Kuhn, who entered the Church Triumphant on May 19th. May God's promises of grace and eternal life give the family peace and comfort in their time of grief.