



# Caring for God's Creation

Easter Season 2019

May 5, 2019

Let the Fields be Jubilant and Everything In them;  
Let the Trees of the Forest Sing for Joy! -Psalm 96

**3rd Sunday of Easter**

**May 5, 2019**

***Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 2***

*Wading in the water (remembering our baptism) and eating with Jesus (celebrating the holy communion) is our weekly encounter with the risen Christ. Jesus asks us, with Peter, again and again: Do you love me? And Jesus invites us, again and again, to follow him, bringing the Easter life to others.*

**HYMN SING-ALONG**

**SEE INSERT**

**PRELUDE**

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**GATHERING**

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**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OPENING PRAYER**

*Please stand as you are able.*

**P** Christ is Risen!

**C** **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**P** Let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them; let all the trees of the forest sing for joy. Let all creation rejoice before the Lord! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**C** **Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ, who in your self-emptying love gathered up and reconciled all creation to the Father. In all the galaxies of the heavens, we worship you. For all the creatures that grace the earth, we rejoice in you. In the deepest seas, we adore the work of your hand. And with all of them, we give you praise, grant that we may cherish the earth, our home, and live in harmony with this good creation, for you live and reign with the Father and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*Please stand as you are able.*

**P** Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** Let us come into the light, the revealing and healing light of God.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

**P** God of grace and glory,

**C** **you have brought us through the night of sin into the light of Jesus' resurrection. Yet our lives are still shadowed by sin. Make us alive in Christ, O God. Make us new as you make all things new. Rescue us from evil and the gloom of sin, renew us in grace, and restore us to living in your holiness, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.**

P Rejoice with all creation around God's throne! The light of the risen Christ puts to flight all evil deeds, washes away sin, restores innocence to the fallen, casts out hate, brings peace, and humbles earthly pride. Jesus Christ loves you and ☩ frees you from your sins by his blood. To him be glory and dominion forever and ever!

C **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN      *All Creatures, Worship God Most High*      ELW HYMN 835

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.**

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In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

For the peace from above, and for our sal - va - tion, let us

pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

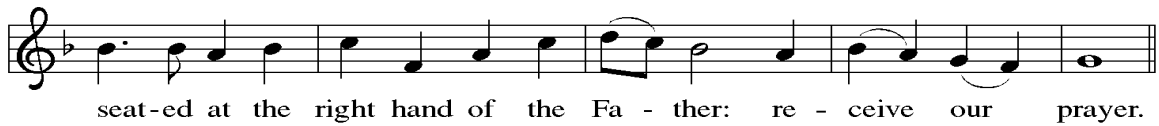
and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mer - cy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,  
 let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer-cy.  
 Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord.  
 A - men.

# HYMN OF PRAISE

*Refrain*  
 Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.  
 1 Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we  
 wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.  
*Refrain*  
 Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.  
 2 Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of  
 God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are



seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



*Refrain*

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



3 For you a - lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly



Spir-it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.



*Refrain*

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

#### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Eternal and all-merciful God, with all the angels and all the saints we laud your majesty and might. By the resurrection of your Son, show yourself to us and inspire us to follow Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Please be seated.*

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## WORD

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### FIRST READING: ACTS 9:1-20

*Each of us has a story of meeting God's grace. Saul (later called Paul) was an ardent persecutor of all who followed the Way of Christ. This reading recounts the story of his transformation, beginning with an encounter with Jesus Christ on the way to Damascus.*

<sup>1</sup>Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest <sup>2</sup>and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. <sup>3</sup>Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. <sup>4</sup>He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" <sup>5</sup>He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. <sup>6</sup>But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." <sup>7</sup>The men who were traveling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. <sup>8</sup>Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. <sup>9</sup>For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank. <sup>10</sup>Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." He answered, "Here I am, Lord." <sup>11</sup>The Lord said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, <sup>12</sup>and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." <sup>13</sup>But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; <sup>14</sup>and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name." <sup>15</sup>But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; <sup>16</sup>I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." <sup>17</sup>So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." <sup>18</sup>And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, <sup>19</sup>and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

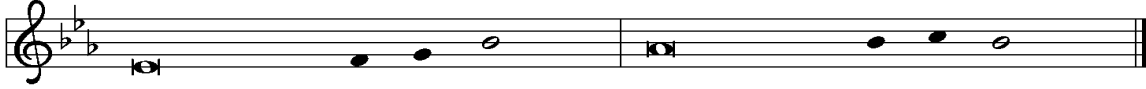
For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, <sup>20</sup>and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God."]

**L** The Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

PSALM 30

*Sung responsively*



- <sup>1</sup>I will exalt you, O LORD, because you have lift- | ed me up  
and have not let my enemies triumph | over me.
- <sup>2</sup>**O LORD my God, I cried | out to you,  
and you restored | me to health.**
- <sup>3</sup>You brought me up, O LORD, | from the dead;  
you restored my life as I was going down | to the grave.
- <sup>4</sup>**Sing praise to the LORD, | all you faithful;  
give thanks in ho- | ly remembrance.**
- <sup>5</sup>God's wrath is short; God's favor | lasts a lifetime.  
Weeping spends the night, but joy comes | in the morning.
- <sup>6</sup>**While I felt se- | cure, I said,  
"I shall never | be disturbed.**
- <sup>7</sup>You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong | as the mountains."  
Then you hid your face, and I was | filled with fear.
- <sup>8</sup>**I cried to | you, O LORD;  
I pleaded with | my Lord, saying,**
- <sup>9</sup>"What profit is there in my blood, if I go down | to the pit?  
Will the dust praise you or de- | clare your faithfulness?
- <sup>10</sup>**Hear, O LORD, and have mer- | cy upon me;  
O LORD, | be my helper."**
- <sup>11</sup>You have turned my wailing | into dancing;  
you have put off my sackcloth and clothed | me with joy.
- <sup>12</sup>**Therefore my heart sings to you | without ceasing;  
O LORD my God, I will give you | thanks forever.**

**SECOND READING: REVELATION 5:11-14**

*The vision of John recorded in Revelation offers a glimpse of cosmic worship on the Lord's Day. At its center is "the Lamb who was slain."*

<sup>11</sup>Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, <sup>12</sup>singing with full voice, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" <sup>13</sup>Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing, "To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" <sup>14</sup>And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

*Please stand as you are able.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
*Repeat alleluia*  
Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

P The Holy Gospel, according to John, the twenty-first chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

**GOSPEL: JOHN 21:1-19**

*The risen Christ appears again to his disciples by the sea where they were first called. After echoes of the fishing and feeding miracles, he gives a final reminder of the cost of a disciple's love and obedience.*

<sup>1</sup>At that time, Jesus revealed himself again to his disciples at the Sea of Tiberias. He revealed himself in this way. <sup>2</sup>Together were Simon Peter, Thomas called Didymus, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, Zebedee's sons, and two others of his disciples. <sup>3</sup>Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We also will come with you." So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. <sup>4</sup>When it was already dawn, Jesus was standing on the shore; but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. <sup>5</sup>Jesus said to them, "Children, have you caught anything to eat?" They answered him, "No." <sup>6</sup>So he said to them, "Cast the net over the right side of the boat and you will find something." So they cast it, and were not able to pull it in because of the number of fish. <sup>7</sup>So the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord." When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he tucked in his garment, for he was lightly clad, and jumped into the sea. <sup>8</sup>The other disciples came in the boat, for they were not far from shore, only about a hundred yards, dragging the net with the fish. <sup>9</sup>When they climbed out on shore, they saw a charcoal fire with fish on it and bread. <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you just caught." <sup>11</sup>So Simon Peter went over and dragged the net ashore

full of one hundred fifty-three large fish. Even though there were so many, the net was not torn. <sup>12</sup>Jesus said to them, "Come, have breakfast." And none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they realized it was the Lord. <sup>13</sup>Jesus came over and took the bread and gave it to them, and in like manner the fish. <sup>14</sup>This was now the third time Jesus was revealed to his disciples after being raised from the dead.

<sup>15</sup>When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." <sup>16</sup>He then said to him a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." <sup>17</sup>He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was distressed that he had said to him a third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. <sup>18</sup>Amen, amen, I say to you, when you were younger, you used to dress yourself and go where you wanted; but when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go." <sup>19</sup>He said this signifying by what kind of death he would glorify God. And when he had said this, he said to him, "Follow me."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated.*

**SERMON**

**PASTOR ANDREW PATTY**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Will You Come and Follow Me*

**ELW 798**

*Please stand for the final verse of the hymn.*

P Let us confess our faith with the words of the Apostles' Creed.

**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.**

## THE PRAYERS

A Trusting God's promise of new life, we pray for the renewal of the church, the world, and all of creation.

*A brief silence.*

A You call us to follow the way of the cross by our words and works of love. Make this congregation and those of Our Savior Lutheran in Jefferson City, Metro Lutheran Ministry in Kansas City, Missouri, Cross of Glory Lutheran in Derby, and Christ Lutheran in Eureka, Kansas places of welcome and empathy for all people. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A Every creature in heaven and on earth sings your praise. Give us appreciation for the diversity of creation—flowers and streams, animals and bugs, sunsets and stormy skies. Help us conserve the beauty around us. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A Come to the aid of the persecuted, oppressed, or imprisoned. Walk with refugees and immigrants as they seek safe homes. Raise up leaders who are generous and hospitable to migrant families. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A Bring relief to bodies weary with pain or sickness. Bless doctors, nurses, hospice workers, home health care providers, therapists, social workers, and all caregivers who demonstrate your love in acts of healing and tenderness toward those in need, especially Susan Fitz, Russell Winsor, and Jane Velen. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A You feed us at your holy table and send us out to feed others. Open our eyes to your grace present in every meal that we share. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A Bless Donna Allen as she celebrates her birthday this week, and Naomi Walker, Karen Arney, and Marcy Carlson as they remember their baptisms. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

P All honor and glory and blessing belong to you. We praise you for the faith of the saints. Be near us as we await the day when we will feast with the risen Christ forever. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

P We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God. Come near to us with your saving help, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

**C Amen.**

## THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

*Let us greet one another with God's peace.*

*Please be seated.*

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## PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

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OFFERING

*Please stand as you are able.*

OFFERTORY

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 un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,  
and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

### OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Risen One, as you broke bread with the disciples on the shore, meet us now in this meal. Nourish us to follow you, using our gifts to feed the hungry and tend the weary, and all for your love's sake.

C **Amen.**

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

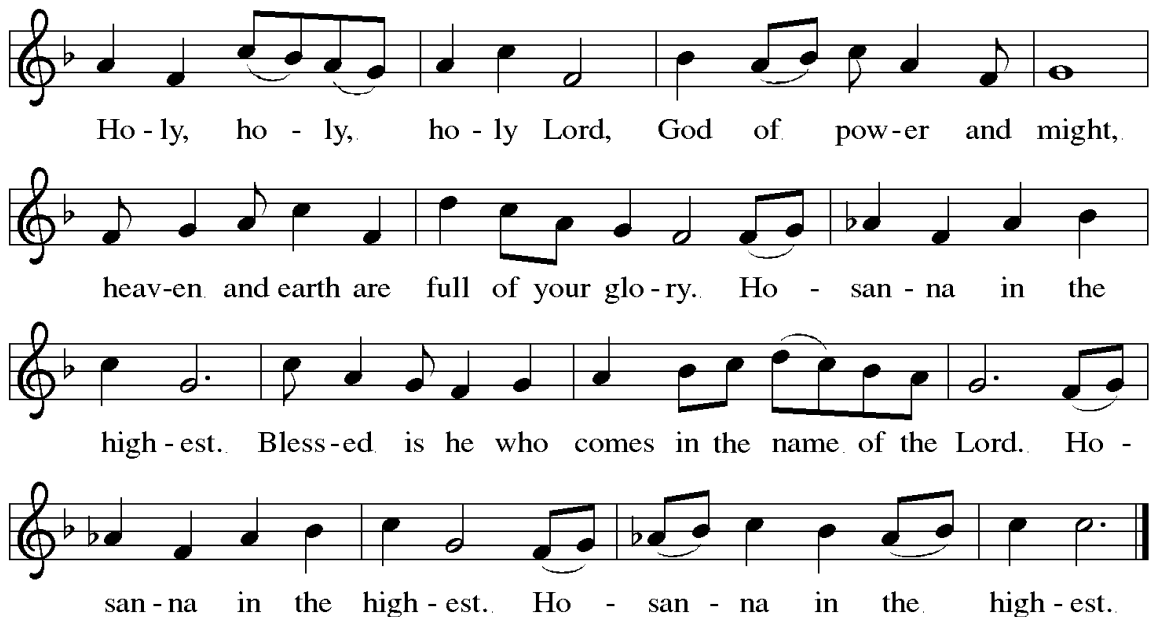
P Lift up your hearts.

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.**

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

### **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

**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.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**P** Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**C** **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.**

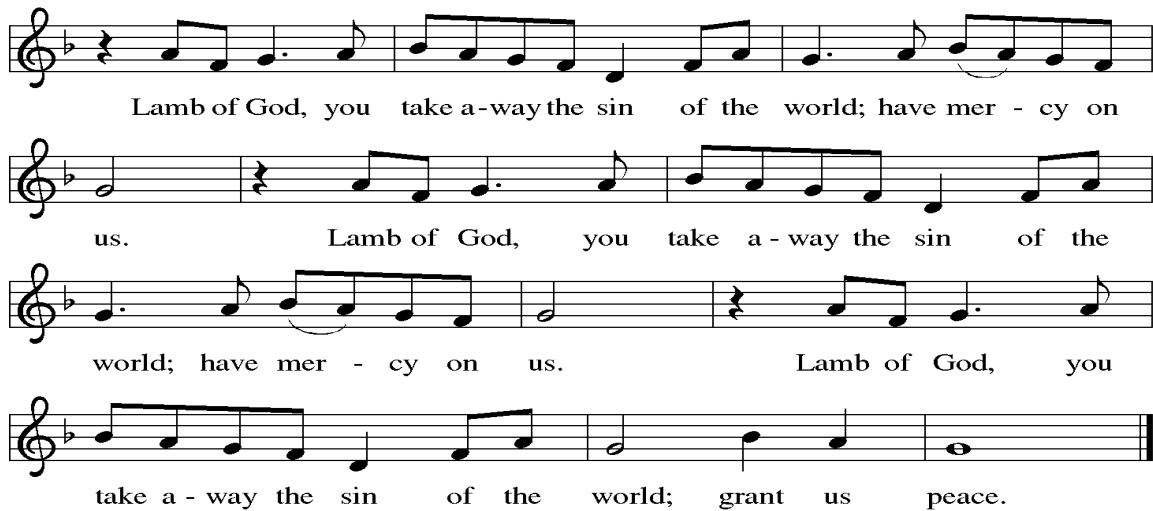
**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

**P** Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, gives everyone a place at the welcome table.  
Alleluia! Come to the feast.

*Please be seated.*

### **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.

*We invite all who believe in Jesus Christ as their Savior to share with us in Holy Communion. All are welcome to join us at the Lord's table. White grape juice is available as an alternative to wine. Everyone is invited to receive communion or a blessing. Hands cupped open indicate a desire to receive communion; hands closed reflect a desire to receive a blessing. We now have gluten-free communion wafers available. If gluten-free is your preference, please let the pastor know when you are at the communion rail.*

<b>COMMUNION HYMNS</b>	<i>For the Beauty of the Earth</i>	<b>ELW HYMN 879</b>
	<i>Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us</i>	<b>ELW HYMN 789</b>

*Please stand as you are able.*

#### **COMMUNION BLESSING**

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C Amen.**

#### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**A** Let us pray.

Living God, you have greeted us in our brokenness and nourished us with the body of Christ, broken for us. Risen to new life with you, send us now to bear your healing love into the wounded world, in the name of our risen Savior and Lord.

**C Amen.**

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### **SENDING**

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#### **BLESSING**

**P** The blessing of the living God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, surround and sustain you, keep you from harm, and fill you with courage.

**C Amen.**

<b>SENDING HYMN</b>	<i>Let All Things Now Living</i>	<b>ELW HYMN 881</b>
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#### **DISMISSAL**

**A** You are the body of Christ raised up for the world. Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

**C Thanks be to God.**

#### **POSTLUDE**

### UPCOMING EVENTS AT TRINITY

Today, May 5.....	Adult Sunday School .....	9:15 AM
.....	Hymn Sing-Along.....	10:15 AM
.....	Worship with Holy Communion .....	10:30 AM
.....	Blood Pressure Checks .....	after worship
Mon., May 6 .....	Women's AA .....	5:00 PM
Tues., May 7.....	Quilters.....	9:00 AM
Wed., May 8 .....	Evening Prayer Worship .....	5:15 PM
.....	Worship & Music Meeting.....	5:45 PM
.....	Women's AA .....	5:30 PM
Thurs., May 9.....	Men's AA .....	7:00 PM
Sunday, May 12 .....	Adult Sunday School .....	9:15 AM
.....	Worship with Holy Communion .....	10:30 AM

### OFFERING, ATTENDANCE, and FINANCIAL STATUS

Date	General	Other	Total Weekly Income	Average Weekly Expense	Weekly Income Minus Average Weekly Expense	Attendance/ Communion
Apr. 7	\$4,281.00	\$106.00	\$4,387.00	-\$2,648.00	\$1,739.00	45/42
Apr. 14	\$2,601.00	\$27.00	\$2,628.00	-\$2,648.00	-\$20.00	49/44
Apr. 21	\$2,648.59	\$37.00	\$2,685.59	-\$2,648.00	\$37.59	89/108
May 5	\$1,734.00	\$0.00	\$1,734.00	-\$2,648.00	-\$914.00	45/39
The money shown in the "Other" column is restricted and not available for our general fund.						
			Income	Expense	Behind/Ahead	
		Mar. 2019	\$10,769.00	-\$9,326.51	\$1,442.49	
		Jan. - Feb.	\$31,639.45	-\$26,941.70	\$4,697.75	

### Worship Assistants

Date	Greeter(s)	Usher(s)	Organist	Lector	Acolyte	Altar Guild	Coffee Hosts	Assisting Minister	Presiding Minister
May 5, 2019	Marilyn Hypse	Howard Reece	Laurie Jackson	Walt Laughlin	LaVell Winsor	Diane Bottorff & Team 1	Junior & Liz Utech	Rosie Nichols	Pr. Andrew Patty
May 12, 2019	Walt & Helen Laughlin	Curt Lewis	Mitchell Bean	Diane Bottorff	Laurie Jackson	Diane Bottorff & Team 1	Bob & Janeen Horton	Mary Heald	Pr. Andrew Patty



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 is to

- worship God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
- serve those in need, and
- reach out to share the Good News of salvation through Jesus Christ!

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