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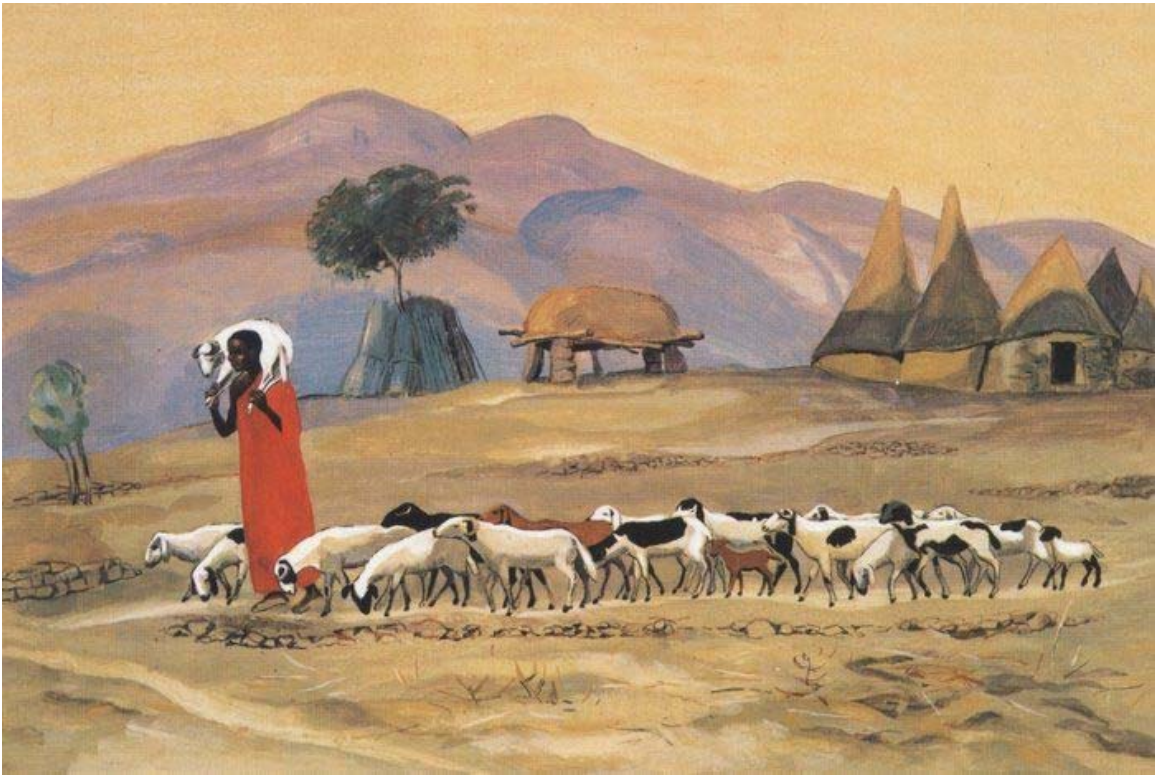
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*Painting from the "Vie de Jesus Mafa" series*

***April 25, 2021***

*4th Sunday of Easter*

*April 25, 2021*

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

*The image of the good shepherd shows us how the risen Christ brings us to life. It is the relationship between the shepherd and the sheep, one of mutual knowledge and love, that gives the shepherd authority. The shepherd's willingness to lay down his life for the sheep shows his love. First John illustrates what it means to lay down our lives for one another by the example of sharing our wealth with any sibling in need.*

**PRELUDE**

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**GATHERING**

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**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OPENING PRAYER**

**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**

**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

*The King of Live My Shepherd Is*

ELW 502

1 The King of love my shep - herd is, whose good - ness  
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my ran - somed  
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but yet in  
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear

fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if  
 soul he lead - eth and, where the ver - dant  
 love he sought me, and on his shoul - der  
 Lord, be - side me, thy rod and staff my

I am his and he is mine for - ev - er.  
 pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.  
 gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.  
 com - fort still; thy cross be - fore to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;  
 thine unction grace bestoweth;  
 and, oh, what transport of delight  
 from thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so, through all the length of days,  
 thy goodness faileth never.  
 Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
 within thy house forever.

**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.

### KYRIE

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. O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

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**WORD**

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**FIRST READING: ACTS 4:5-12**

*Peter and John had been arrested the previous day because they were proclaiming the news of the resurrection to the people. In today's reading, Peter is filled with the Holy Spirit so that he can proclaim salvation in Jesus' name to the religious authorities.*

<sup>5</sup>The next day the rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, <sup>6</sup>with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. <sup>7</sup>When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" <sup>8</sup>Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, <sup>9</sup>if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, <sup>10</sup>let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. <sup>11</sup>This Jesus is 'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the corner-stone.' <sup>12</sup>There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

**L** The Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 23**

*Spoken responsively*

<sup>1</sup>The LORD is my shepherd;  
I shall not be in want.

<sup>2</sup>**The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures  
and leads me beside still waters.**

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

<sup>4</sup>**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no  
evil;  
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

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

<sup>6</sup>**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

**SECOND READING: 1 JOHN 3:16-24**

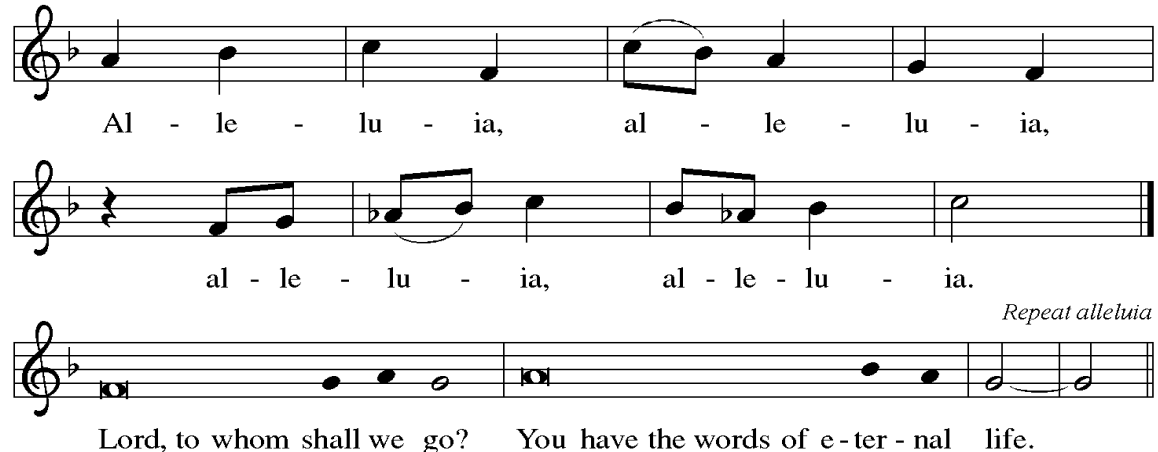
*Jesus' death on our behalf is the clearest demonstration of divine love. This is the very love we share with others, not just through our words but especially through our deeds. In sharing such love we fulfill God's commandments.*

<sup>16</sup>We know love by this, that Jesus Christ laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. <sup>17</sup>How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? <sup>18</sup>Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. <sup>19</sup>And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him <sup>20</sup>whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. <sup>21</sup>Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; <sup>22</sup>and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. <sup>23</sup>And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. <sup>24</sup>All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

**L** The Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## 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 tenth chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

### GOSPEL: JOHN 10:11-18

*In language that recalls the twenty-third psalm, Jesus describes himself as the shepherd who cares for his sheep. He is willing to die for them, and he is able to overcome death for them.*

Jesus said: <sup>11</sup>"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. <sup>12</sup>The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. <sup>13</sup>The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. <sup>14</sup>I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, <sup>15</sup>just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. <sup>16</sup>I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. <sup>17</sup>For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. <sup>18</sup>No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."


P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

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1 Have no fear, lit - tle flock; have no fear, lit - tle  
 2 Have good cheer, lit - tle flock; have good cheer, lit - tle  
 3 Praise the Lord high a - bove; praise the Lord high a -  
 4 Thank - ful hearts raise to God; thank - ful hearts raise to

flock, for the Fa - ther has cho - sen to  
 flock, for the Fa - ther will keep you in  
 bove, for he stoops down to heal you, up -  
 God, for he stays close be - side you, in

give you the king - dom; have no fear, lit - tle flock!  
 his love for - ev - er; have good cheer, lit - tle flock!  
 lift and re - store you; praise the Lord high a - bove!  
 all things works with you; thank - ful hearts raise to God!

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 Alive in the risen Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit, we bring our prayers before God who promises to hear us and answer in steadfast love.

*A brief silence.*

A Loving Shepherd, you know your own and your own know you. Your voice calls us to your loving embrace. Strengthen your church throughout the world that we bear witness to your expansive love. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A Gracious Shepherd, you are generous with the gifts of goodness and mercy. Restore your creation to wholeness so that cities and towns, countryside and wilderness, may abound with life. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A Hope-giving Shepherd, the nations and peoples are your heritage. Place into the hearts of all leaders and rulers the passion to serve. Crucify any desire to overpower others and give leaders joy in lifting up the lowly. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A Abiding Shepherd, your love flows as we reach out to those around us. Move us with your Spirit, so that we lay down our lives for those in need, especially Helen Laughlin, Linda Longren, Don O'Brien, and Martha Nemeth. Help us love one another in truth and action. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A Saving Shepherd, you restore us to wholeness. Help our community in our life together and give us vigor as a people of faith. In the midst of challenges and opportunities, fill us anew with you Holy Spirit. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A Life-giving Shepherd, you give us joy to celebrate during our earthly life. Today we pray for Marsha Ridinger as she celebrates her birthday and Trey Horton as he remembers his baptism. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

A Teaching Shepherd, we pray for St. Matthew Lutheran in Butler, Our Savior Lutheran in Camdenton, and Gloria Dei Lutheran in Kansas City, Missouri, Reformation Lutheran in Wichita, Kansas, and Lutherans Restoring Creation. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

P Eternal Shepherd, you hold us securely in your loving hands. In the assurance of resurrection hope, we remember our loved ones who have died in you. Bring us, with them, to dwell in your house forever. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

P In the hope of new life in Christ, we raise our prayers to you, trusting in your never-ending goodness and mercy; through Jesus Christ our 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.*

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## PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

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### OFFERTORY PRAYER

A God of love, you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table. Receive our lives and the gifts we offer. Abide with us and send us in service to a suffering world; for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ.

**C Amen.**

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

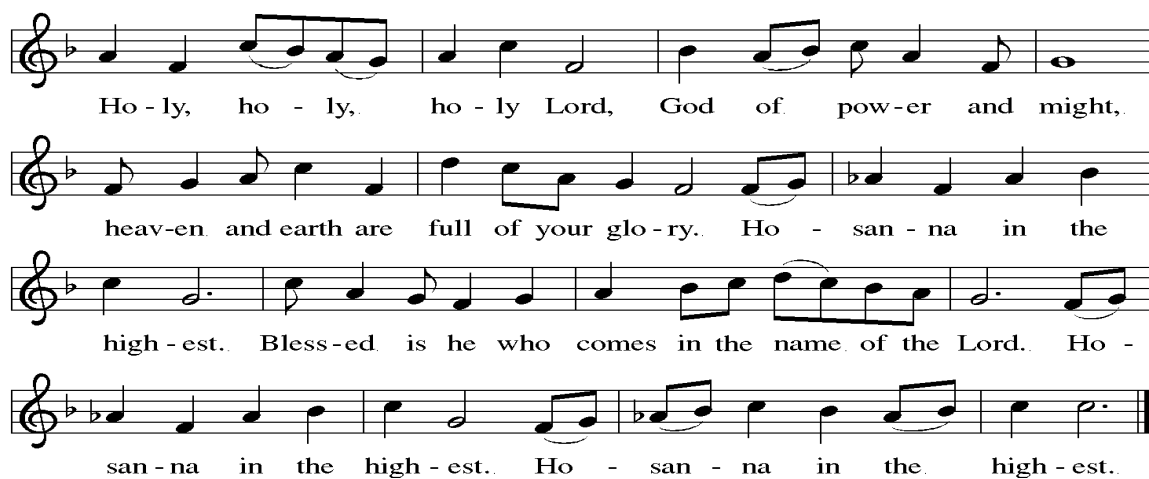
P Lift up your hearts.

**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:



## **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.**

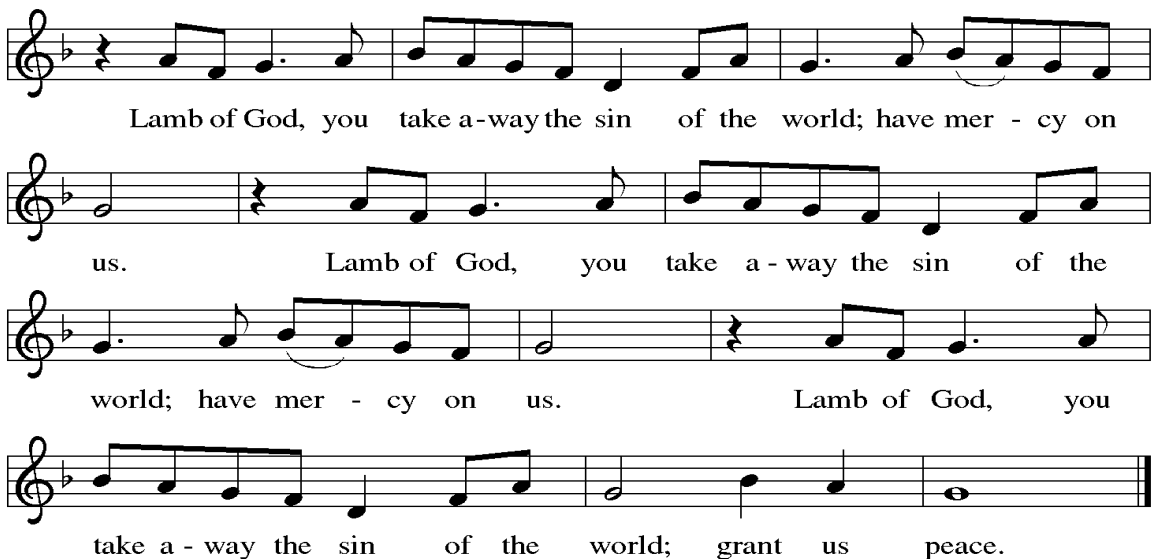
**Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

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

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

**P** The risen Christ invites us to this table. Come, eat and be satisfied.

## **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.

**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.

Wellspring of joy, through this meal you have put gladness in our hearts. Satisfy the hunger still around us, and send us as joyful witnesses, that your love may bring joy to the hearts of all people, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen.**

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**SENDING**

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**BLESSING**

**P** May our glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom to know and to love the risen Lord Jesus. The God of life, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**C Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN**

*Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us*

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**DISMISSAL**

**A** Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**C Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

**A** Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

**C Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

**POSTLUDE**



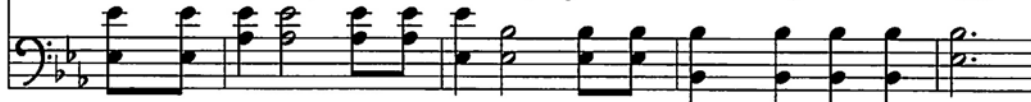
1 Sav-ior like a shep-herd lead us; much we need your ten - der care.  
2 We are yours; in love be - friend us, be the guard-ian of our way;  
3 You have prom-ised to re - ceive us, poor and sin - ful though we be;  
4 Ear - ly let us seek your fa - vor, ear - ly let us do your will;



In your pleas-ant pas-tures feed us, for our use your fold pre-pare.  
keep your flock, from sin de - fend us, seek us when we go a - stray.  
you have mer - cy to re - lieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.  
bless - ed Lord and on - ly Sav - ior, with your love our spir - its fill.



Bless-ed Je-sus, bless-ed Je-sus, you have bought us; we are yours.  
Bless-ed Je-sus, bless-ed Je-sus, hear us chil - dren when we pray.  
Bless-ed Je-sus, bless-ed Je-sus, ear - ly let us turn to you.  
Bless-ed Je-sus, bless-ed Je-sus, you have loved us, love us still.



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### UPCOMING EVENTS AT TRINITY

Today, April 25 ..... Online Worship with Holy Communion.....10:30 AM  
 Thurs., April 29 ..... Midweek Zoom..... 6:30 PM  
 Sunday, May 2..... Online Worship with Holy Communion.....10:30 AM



Doorstep has some needs in the clothing room: Men's (Walking) Shorts – Size Small; Men's Underwear – Size Small; Men's Jeans – Waist Sizes 30 & 32; Plus Size Women's Shorts; Boys Jeans – Size 11-12; Girls Summer Clothing – Sizes 2-14; Men's & Women's Walking/Tennis Shoes – All Sizes

Skillets

Clothing and household donations are accepted on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9am – 2pm.

Food room items: Canned Beans (variety); Canned Fruit (variety); Jelly (any flavor); Canned Pasta/Spaghetti O's.

Food donations are accepted Monday – Friday from 9am – 2pm.

OFFERING, ATTENDANCE, and FINANCIAL STATUS						
Date	General	Other	Total Weekly Income	Average Weekly Expense	Weekly Income Minus Average Weekly Expense	Attendance/ Communion
Mar. 28	\$2,152.25	\$171.00	\$2,323.25	-\$2,211.54	\$111.71	0
Apr. 4	\$1,274.00	\$300.00	\$1,574.00	-\$2,211.54	-\$637.54	49
Apr. 11	\$2,265.00	\$209.25	\$2,474.25	-\$2,211.54	\$262.71	28
Apr. 28	\$1,145.00	\$0.00	\$1,145.00	-\$2,211.54	-\$1,066.54	0
			Income	Expense	Behind/Ahead	
		March 2021	\$9,545.00	-\$13,281.22	-\$3,736.22	
		Jan. - Mar.	\$36,678.93	-\$39,091.65	-\$2,412.72	



The mission of  
**Trinity Evangelical  
 Lutheran Church**  
 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!

**T**ogether in Community • **L**iving with Christ • **C**aring for Neighbors

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