

JOHN 17:17

May 12, 2024

7th Sunday of Easter

Now the Feast and Celebration

The gospel for Easter's seventh Sunday is always taken from the long prayer Jesus prays for his followers in John's gospel on the night before his death, and always includes Jesus' desire that his followers will be one as he and the Father are one. This oneness is not mere doctrinal agreement or institutional unity, but mutual abiding, interpenetrating life, mutual love, and joy. This oneness is the work of the Spirit whom we have received but also await. Come, Holy Spirit!

PRELUDE

GATHERING

Confession and Forgiveness

Please stand as you are able.

P If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. Let us confess our sin to God who is faithful and just and who has promised to forgive our sin and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

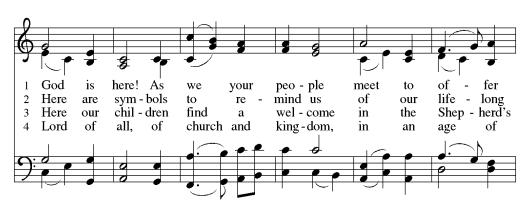
Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P Most merciful God,
- C have mercy on us. We confess to you that 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 trusted you with our whole heart; we have not loved one another in deed and in truth. In your compassion forgive our sin and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ our light and our truth. Amen.
- P With joy, I proclaim to you that Almighty God, rich in mercy, abundant in love, forgives you all your sin and grants you newness of life in Jesus Christ.

C Thanks be to God!

Please be seated.

GATHERING HYMN God Is Here! ELW 526





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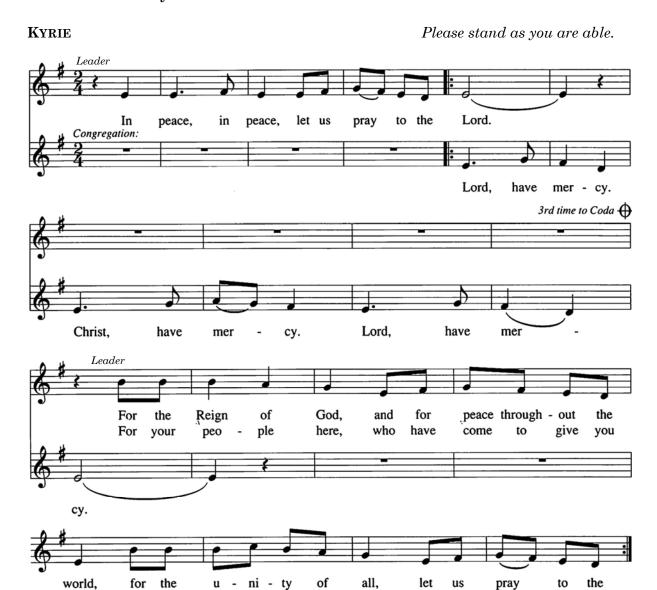
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- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.



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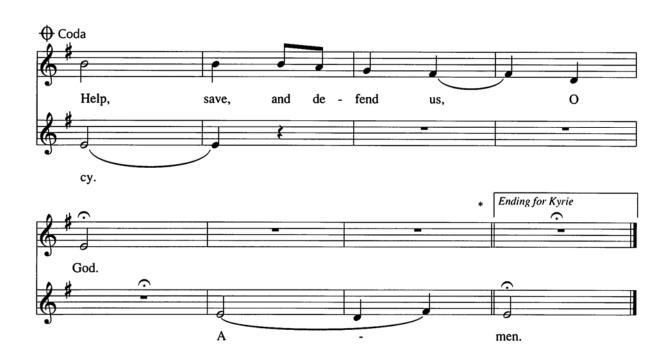
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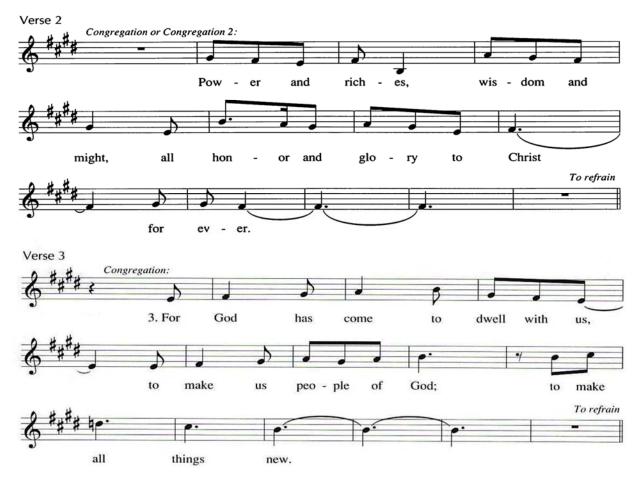
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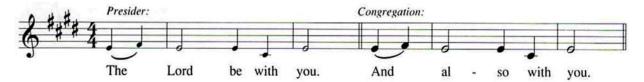
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HYMN OF PRAISE Now the Feast Refrain Congregation: Now the feast and cel bra - tion, all of tion sings for joy cre the God of life to and love and free - dom: and for praise glo ev er more! Verse 1 Congregation or Congregation 1: is of the Now the feast Lamb once slain, blood whose freed and has nit ed us to be one great To refrain God. ple of peo



SALUTATION



PRAYER OF THE DAY

A Let us pray.

Gracious and glorious God, you have chosen us as your own, and by the powerful name of Christ you protect us from evil. By your Spirit transform us and your beloved world, that we may find our joy in your Son, 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.

WORD

FIRST READING: ACTS 1:15-17, 21-26

¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, ¹⁶"Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus—¹¹for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." ²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." ²³So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 1 Spoken responsively

¹Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

²Their delight is in the law of the LORD, and they meditate on God's teaching day and night.

³They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; everything they do shall prosper.

⁴It is not so with the wicked; they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

⁶For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.

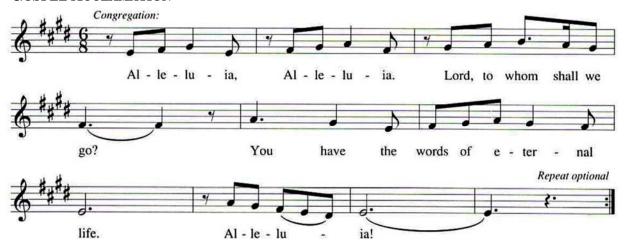
SECOND READING: 1ST JOHN 5:9-13

⁹If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. ¹⁰Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. ¹¹And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹²Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. ¹³I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

- L The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



- P The Holy Gospel, according to John, the seventeenth chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: JOHN 17:6-19

Jesus prayed: 6"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. 7Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; 8 for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. 9I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. 11And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. ¹²While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. ¹⁴I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁵I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. ¹⁶They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁷Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth."

- P The Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Oh, Love, How Deep

ELW 322

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 Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

A brief silence.

A You sanctify us in your truth; your word is truth. Send your church out into the world to spread your love and joy. Embolden all bishops, pastors, and deacons to be faithful ministers of your word and sacraments. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

A Your creation groans under the strain of pollution. Preserve melting glaciers and dwindling forests. Bolster those who work for climate justice and help us all to be good and faithful stewards of your creation. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

A Your people seek wisdom, understanding, and peace for the German Evangelical Lutheran Church in the Ukraine, the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Urals, Siberia and the Far East, and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land as they endure conflict. Guide all those who govern and inspire them to work on behalf of the most vulnerable in our midst. Keep safe first responders, those serving in the military, and those whose duty it is to protect others. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

- A Your children need your loving care. Protect them from all harm. Comfort those in any affliction, especially Peggy Buchholz, Naomi Walker, Linda Longren, David McGinnis, Liz Utech, and Martha Nemeth. Support those who grieve and bring solace to those near death. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.
- A Your Spirit lives within us here. Inspire the work of this congregation along with Redeemer Lutheran Church in Salina and Christ Lutheran Church in Wichita, Kansas, Hope Lutheran Church in St. Charles, Missouri, and the Women of the ELCA and unite us as one. Bless all the mothers in our midst, console those for whom this day is difficult, and gather us all under the care of your loving wings. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

- A Your grace blesses and nourishes each of us in our daily lives and celebrations. This week, we pray for Daniella King and Ted Murphy as they celebrate their birthdays, and Pam Kobbeman, Rosie Nichols, Emily Schwartz, and Erin Lewis as they remember their baptisms. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Your saints dwell with you in light. Keep us ever thankful for those who have gone before us in faith. Inspire us by their witness. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.

MEAL

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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Please stand as you are able.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A Let us pray. Merciful God,
- C everything in heaven and earth belongs to you. We joyfully release what you have entrusted to us. May these gifts be signs of our whole lives returned to you, dedicated to the healing and unity of all creation through Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



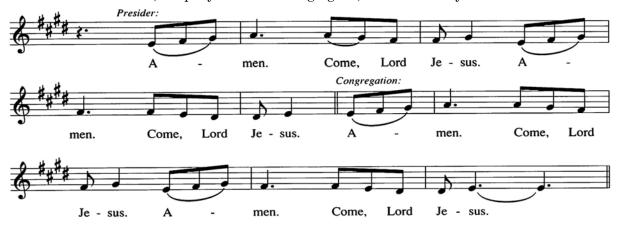
P It is our duty and delight that we should everywhere and always offer thanks and praise to you, O God, through Jesus Christ, who by his death on the cross and glorious resurrection broke the bonds of sin and death and gave life to all creation and so with the church on earth, all creation and the host of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



P You are indeed holy, gracious and merciful God; everything is filled with your glory. We give you thanks for your promise and presence which have sustained the faithful in this and every generation. Above all, we give you thanks for Jesus, born of Mary, who in word and deed announced your gentle rule of justice, reconciliation and peace.

On the night of his betrayal our Lord Jesus took bread and gave thanks, saying: Take and eat; this is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. 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.

Remembering his command to love one another, his life and death, his resurrection and his ascension, we pray for his coming again, even as we cry:



P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that all of your promises may come to us and your whole creation.



P This we pray through Jesus Christ, our Savior and our friend.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

- P Make us bold, O merciful God, to address you as our Abba as we 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.

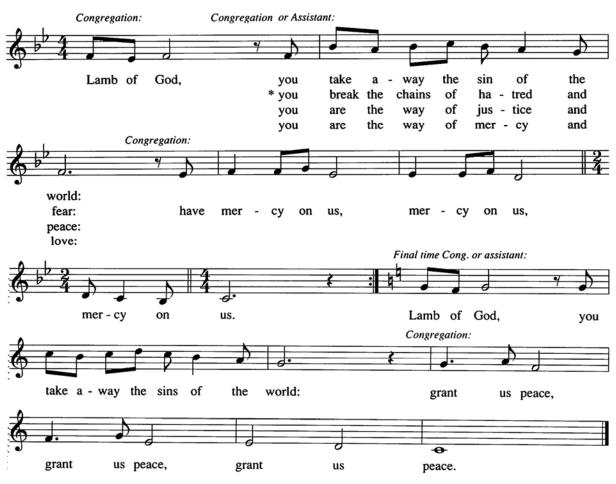
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

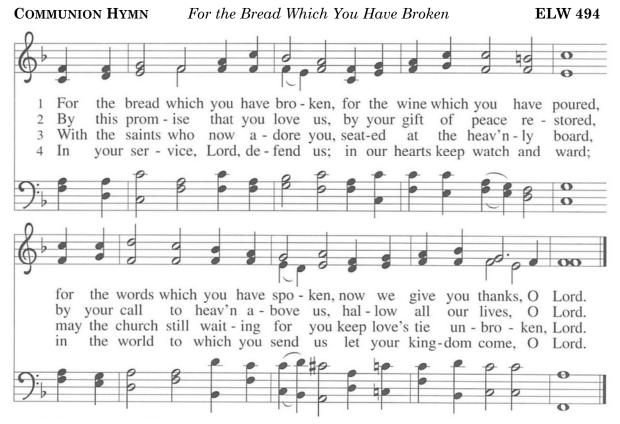
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

You may be seated.

P The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God's table.

LAMB OF GOD





COMMUNION BLESSING

Please stand as you are able.

- P May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and forever.
- C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, for the blessings of this table. May our lives be made new by these gifts of grace and may your love be made known through us.

C Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- C Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!
- P The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope 4 bless you now and always.
- C Amen.



DISMISSAL

- A Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.
- C Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Welcome to worship at Trinity!

Thank you for joining us for worship. We hope that you, members and visitors, found the Spirit of God in our midst.

If you are interested in becoming a member of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, or have other questions, please contact the church office at 785.233.0767

	UPCOMING EVENTS AT TRINITY	
Today, May 12	Adult Sunday School	9:30:15 AM
	Worship with Holy Communion	10:30 AM
	Coffee hour	after worship
	PFLAG meeting	
	Quilters	
	Church Council meeting	5:30 PM
Sunday, May 19	Day of Pentecost	
	Community Relations meeting	9:30 AM
	Worship with Holy Communion	10:30 AM
	Coffee hour	after worship



June is Trinity Lutheran's Month at Doorstep!! How You Can Help...

Volunteer in the Clothing Room on any **Friday** during the month of June. You will assist clients with clothing needs, sort and organize donated clothing. (8:45am – 2:00pm)

<u>Volunteer</u> in the Clothing Room on <u>Monday</u>, June 24th between 8:45am and 2:00pm sorting donations.

Donate food items for the pantry. We are one of six congregations responsible for stocking the food pantry during the month of June. **Needed items are:**

Macaroni N Cheese Pinto Beans Powdered Milk
Spaghetti Sauce Canned Fruit Evaporated Milk
Egg Noodles/Pasta Oatmeal Dry Cereal
Peanut Butter & Jelly Tuna Rice Peas

Make a monetary donation to Doorstep and note your membership with Trinity Lutheran for credit.

Your Doorstep Contacts are:

Janeen Horton (785-640-5344) Coordinator Bob Horton (785-640-5345) Board Member Contact Janeen to volunteer or with any questions!

This is a busy month at Doorstep! We begin our 58th year of providing assistance to our neighbors in need! Kids are out of school, and families need more food. Please help where you can by donating food from the list above.

Doorstep Inaugural Golf Tournament is Friday, June 28th!

Register by 6/17/24 at www.DoorstepTopeka.org

Have you moved? Added or dropped a phone line? Changed or no longer use an email address?

We are in the process of updating our membership directory. If you have any changes to your contact information, please make a note of it on the directory pages on the table by the ramp entrance. You may also call 785.233.0767 or email the church office at office@topekatlc.org.



Worship Assistants									
Date	Acolytes	Ushers	Musician	Lector	Altar Guild	Asst. Minister	Presiding Minister	Coffee Hosts	
May 12	Cindy McGinnis	Howard Reece,	Mitchell Bean	Loni Reece	Janeen Horton & Team 2	Ted Murphy	Pr. Barb Jones	Mike/Shelley Andrews	
May 19	Parker Jackson	Dean McGinnis, Duane Pomeroy	Laurie Jackson	Duane Pomeroy	Janeen Horton & Team 2	Marcy Carlson	Pr. Barb Jones	Pr. Barb Jones	
May 26	Curt Lewis, Ella Bosch	Diane Bottorff, Marcy Carlson	Mitchell Bean	Shelley Andrews	Janeen Horton & Team 2	Bob Horton	Pr. Barb Jones	Dean McGinnis	

OFFERING, ATTENDANCE, and FINANCIAL STATUS							
Date	General	Other	Total Weekly Income	Average Weekly Expense	Weekly Income Minus Average Weekly Expense	Attendance/ Communion	
Apr. 14	\$808.00	\$0.00	\$808.00	-\$2,211.54	-\$1,403.54	30/28	
Apr. 21	\$3,967.00	\$0.00	\$3,967.00	-\$2,211.54	\$1,755.46	40/38	
Apr. 28	\$956.00	\$0.00	\$956.00	-\$2,211.54	-\$1,255.54	24/23	
May 5	\$2,751.53	\$0.00	\$2,751.53	-\$2,211.54	\$539.99	27/26	
		Mar. 2024	\$11,406.69	-\$11,582.37	-\$175.68		
		Jan Mar.	\$32,833.29	-\$30,913.66	\$1,919.63		

Current Doorstep Needs ~ May 2024

Clothing Room Needs: (Gently Used, Not New)

Men's Jeans, Slacks & Underwear

Men's Shoes (All Sizes)

Boys Jeans & Pants (All Sizes)

Boys Shorts & Shirts (All Sizes)

Girls & Teens Jeans (All Sizes)

Girls & Teens Clothing (Sizes 18-mo. - 12)

Teen Girls Tops - (All Sizes)

Sheet Sets - Twin, Queen & King

Comforters - All Sizes

Small Appliances – Toasters, Coffee Pots & Blenders

Tampons & Maxi Pads (Greatly Needed)

Donations Accepted:

Monday – Friday 9am – 2pm

1119 SW 10th Ave (10th & Buchanan) Use the South Door

Hygiene Items: (Full Size)

Bar Soap, Combs & Toothbrushes

Food Room Needs:

The need for food assistance remains high. Doorstep provided 704 food orders in the first quarter of 2024, giving out 38,800 pounds of food. Please help us stock our pantry shelves to continue to provide for our neighbors in need.

We need the following food items:

Spaghetti O's & Ravioli Jelly (any flavor) Tuna

Oatmeal (packets & canisters) Powdered Milk Canned Milk

Cream of Mushroom Soup Vegetable Soup Rice Boxed Potatoes Pancake Mix & Syrup Peas

Spaghetti Sauce Baked Beans



Bob & Janeen report that our May food donation to Doorstep topped April's donation with **240 items weighing in at 236.4 pounds!** Can we keep this upward trend going?

And please note that June is our month to volunteer at Doorstep. See the information on page 20 of this bulletin for the dates when help is needed. If you are not able to volunteer, you may also help with food or monetary donations.



PUTT OUT HUNGER

Golf Fundraiser and Food Drive



Western Hills Golf Club

\$320/Team

Sponsorhip Packages Available

4-Man Scramble

Friday, June 28th Shotgun Start @ 10 AM

Lunch at the Turn

Raffle Prizes

Teams that donate the most food get a prize!



DONATION GOAL: 500 LBS SPONSORSHIP DEADLINE 4/30/24

REGISTRATION DEADLINE 6/17/2024 DON'T WAIT!
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OFFICE HOURS

10:00AM-3:30PM, Monday through Thursday

${f T}$ ogether in Community

Living with Christ

Caring for Neighbors

Living with Christ's Love

As Lutherans, we believe that we are justified by faith alone through the grace of God (*Ephesians 2:1-9*). As our namesake Martin Luther made clear, we are both sinners and saints as we live our lives of faith. Together as Christians, we are called to allow God into our lives everyday and to do our best to live according to Christ's love. We do this through being a community of faithful that welcomes all people to join us in prayer, service, study, and worship as we journey together in learning how to live out the Great Commandment.

CONGREGATION COUNCIL

President Diane Bottorff
Vice-President Curt Lewis (Maintenance)

Secretary Shelley Andrews (Administration)

Parker Jackson (Administration)

Carol Marker (Spiritual Care)

Janelle Meredith (Community Relations)

Steve Luoma (Community Relations)

Dean McGinnis (Congregational Life)

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