



Nurturing a Living Faith with Open Hearts and Serving Hands

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Introduction to the Day

This week's image of how the risen Christ shares his life with us is the image of the vine. Christ the vine and we the branches are alive in each other, in the mystery of mutual abiding described in the gospel and the first letter of John. Baptism makes us a part of Christ's living and life-giving self and makes us alive with Christ's life. As the vine brings food to the branches, Christ feeds us at his table. We are sent out to bear fruit for the life of the world.

**5th Week of Easter
May 1st, 2024
6 p.m.**



PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

“Lord I Need You”
CCLI #592687

On screen

“Lifesong”
CCLI #4578839

On screen

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, you give us your Son as the vine apart from whom we cannot live. Nourish our life in his resurrection, that we may bear the fruit of love and know the fullness of your joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

GOSPEL: JOHN 15:1-8

On the night of his arrest, Jesus taught his disciples about the relationship they would have with him. Those who abide in his word and love bear fruit, for apart from him, they can do nothing.

The holy gospel according to John, chapter 15, beginning with verse 1.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ¹“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. ²He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. ³You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. ⁵I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S TIME & MUSIC

SERMON

Pastor Martha HarriSon

Welcome to Worship at Trinity Lutheran

Whether this is your first time worshipping with us, or if you regularly attend, we are very glad that you are with us! Today, we gather to worship God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The church is not a building – it is you, the people. So “church,” thanks for showing up today. If you look around what you will see are imperfect people. Some with smiles, some with broken hearts, some with secrets they are ashamed to share... and yet all of us together are the “church.”

We are thankful you are here. Through God's Holy Spirit we pray you hear a word of grace and hope today.

SONG OF THE DAY/OFFERING

“Hold Us Together”
CCLI #5553657

On screen

APOSTLES’ CREED

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Hands for prayer, hands for care and giving,
hands to fold, hands to hold on tight.
Hands to touch, hands in such thanksgiving,
hands to praise, hands to raise on high.*

Hands for Prayer, *refrain*
Marsh Drege

*Please pray for James, Ellen, Morgan, Tom, Denell, Terry,
Michelle and Leona.*

*Hands for prayer, hands for care and giving,
hands to fold, hands to hold on tight.
Hands to touch, hands in such thanksgiving,
hands to praise, hands to raise on high.*

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope + bless you now and always.
Amen.

SENDING SONG

“He Reigns”
CCLI #4026635

On screen

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news.
Thanks be to God.

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My thoughts on the scripture
and message



Grief Support Group



**1st Saturday of the month
@ 10 a.m.
in Conference Room**

Contact Pastor Martha with questions
at HarriSon@trinitybismarck.com



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



Register Today!



SCAN ME

**June 9 - 12, 2024
5:45 - 7:45 p.m.
Age 4 - Grade 5**



Dakota Pro Musica presents

My Favorite Things

A Concert Celebrating Mothers and Things They Love

Dr. Jason Thoms
Founder and Artistic Director



Saturday, May 11th at 5:00 pm
First Lutheran Church
Minot, North Dakota

Sunday, May 12th at 3:00 pm
Trinity Lutheran Church
Bismarck, North Dakota

Season Patron
Jay Christopher

Season Benefactor
Anonymous Donor
Hollis and Jacki Thoms



Church Musicians WANTED



We are always looking for instrumentalists & vocalists to help lead worship!

Interested?
Contact the church office to get involved.



ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 2024

WE EXTEND OUR CONGREGATION'S SYMPATHY to the families of:

- Alice Arnts, her funeral will be at Bismarck Funeral Home on Friday, May 3rd @ 10:30 a.m.
- Alan Hervey, his funeral will be at Trinity on Saturday, May 4th @ 10:30 a.m.

Please keep his family in your prayers.

RADIO BROADCAST/LIVE STREAM is in memory of Joe & Irene Victor, Otto & Zella Thomsen. Given by Dale & Linda Thomsen.

HOLY BAPTISM - We welcomed Harper Rae Munsch, daughter of Matthew & Danielle Munsch to the family of God, who was baptized last Sunday at the 10:30 service. Sponsors were Kristina Lucier & Brian Sautner.

RUMMAGE SALE - Thank you to everyone who helped out with making this sale a huge success once again! We were able to raise a total of \$5,956.36 that will go toward the Trinity Youth attending the ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans and to our youth ministry program.

NEW MEMBER CONVERSATION - Are you interested in learning more about Trinity Lutheran and what it means to be a member? Pastor Mark will host a conversation on Saturday, May 4th @ 9:30 a.m. *Meet by the office.*

TAMALE MAKING - Come join us in learning how to make tamales. The class will be on Sunday, May 5th (Cinco de Mayo) following the 10:30 am service. There is room for 20 participants, and you will get to take some tamales home! The class is free. Please sign-up in the narthex or email Pastor Martha if you would like to sign up.

KNITTERS NEEDED - If you are a knitter looking for a project or two – please considering making prayer shawls. Pastor Mark and Pastor Martha would love to have a supply of prayer shawls to share with members of Trinity who are facing difficulties in life. Contact the office if you interested.

MOTHER'S DAY CONCERT - Dakota Pro Musica is presenting their 4th annual Mother's Day concert on Sunday, May 12th @ 3 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church in Bismarck. The concert "My Favorite Things" will celebrate moms and some of the things they love like coffee, flowers, family, and themselves! The concert has no admission cost but a freewill donation will be accepted.

CANOE/KAYAK SUMMER TRIP - There is still room on this summer's Canoe/Kayak adventure down the Missouri. We will leave the morning of Thursday, July 25th, and arrive in Bismarck on the afternoon of July 27th. The cost is only \$50. To register, email Pastor Mark at narum@trinitybismarck.com

ONLINE GIVING - Giving has never been easier! Open your camera on your phone and scan the QR code. It will take you right to Trinity's online giving site. You can choose to give via credit card or bank account. Try it out today!



THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Saturday 5-4

- 9:30 AM - New Member Conversation (Meet by the office)
- 10 AM - Grief Support Group in Conference Room
- 10:30 AM - Funeral for Alan Hervey in Sanctuary

Sunday 5-5

- 8:30 AM - Worship in Sanctuary
- 10:30 AM - Worship in Sanctuary
- 11:30 AM - Tamale Making Class in Fellowship Hall

Tuesday 5-7

- 9 AM - Quilters in Quilters' Room
- 5:15 PM - Altar Guild Committee in Room 212
- 5:30 PM - Community Builders Committee in Conference Room

Wednesday 5-8

- 5 PM - Meal in Fellowship Hall
- 6 PM - Worship in Sanctuary

Trinity Lutheran's
NEW MEMBER CONVERSATION

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BISMARCK, NORTH DAKOTA
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

**SATURDAY
MAY 4TH**
@ 9:30 a.m.
Conference
Room

INTERESTED IN JOINING US?

Come and learn:

- more about Trinity Lutheran
- the mission we believe God is calling us to
- how you can be a part of this ministry