



*Nurturing a Living Faith  
with Open Hearts  
and Serving Hands*

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**Introduction to the Day**

*The gift of new life, of eternal life, is the gift of the risen Christ. It is the promise of Jesus. It was true for Dorcas in Joppa. It was true for those “who have come out of the great ordeal” in the Revelation vision. It is true for us and for all the baptized: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.*

**4th Sunday of Easter  
May 11, 2025  
8:30 a.m.**



**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME & SHARING OF PEACE**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

ACS pg. 8

**OPENING SONG**

“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”

ELW #789

**GREETING/KYRIE**

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**HYMN OF PRAISE**

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**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O God of peace,

**you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep. By the blood of your eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good that we may do your will, and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**FIRST READING: ACTS 9:36-43**

Margaret Fiechtner, reader

*Dorcas was a faithful and devoted woman of charity in the community of Joppa. Her kindness and her work with clothing were well-known, especially to the widows in town. When she fell ill and died, Peter raised her back to life through the power of prayer.*

<sup>36</sup> Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. <sup>37</sup> At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. <sup>38</sup> Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, “Please come to us without delay.” <sup>39</sup> So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. <sup>40</sup> Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, “Tabitha, get up.” Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. <sup>41</sup> He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. <sup>42</sup> This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. <sup>43</sup> Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 23**

“Shepherd Me, O God”

ELW #780

**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. 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.*

**SECOND READING: REVELATION 7:9-17**

*Christ is the shepherd who leads his faithful to springs of the water of life. Christ is also the lamb who vanquishes sin and suffering.*

<sup>9</sup> After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. <sup>10</sup> They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

<sup>11</sup> And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup> singing,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom  
and thanksgiving and honor and power and might  
be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

<sup>13</sup> Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” <sup>14</sup> I said to him, “Sir, you are the one that knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

<sup>15</sup> For this reason they are before the throne of God,  
and worship him day and night within his temple,  
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

<sup>16</sup> They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;  
the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat;

<sup>17</sup> for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,  
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,  
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

“Halle, Halle”  
Verse 2

ELW #172

**GOSPEL: JOHN 10:22-30**

*Jesus responds to questions about his identity with the remarkable claim that he and the Father are one. Those who understand this are his sheep; they hear his voice, follow, and will never be snatched from his hand.*

The holy gospel according to John, chapter 10, beginning with verse 22.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>22</sup> At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, <sup>23</sup> and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. <sup>24</sup> So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, “How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.” <sup>25</sup> Jesus answered, “I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father’s name testify to me; <sup>26</sup> but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. <sup>27</sup> My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup> I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. <sup>29</sup> What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father’s hand. <sup>30</sup> The Father and I are one.”

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**CHILDREN’S TIME/SERMON**

Pastor Mark Narum

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

“The King of Love, My Shepherd”

ELW #502

**NICENE CREED**

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**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.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,\*  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

“Hear Our Prayer”

ELW #178

*Please pray for James, Terry, Dick, Wendy, Amy, Dennis, Rod, Renae, Dean & Terry.*

**OFFERING/OFFERING MUSIC**

**OFFERING RESPONSE**

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

ELW #884

**OFFERING PRAYER**

Risen One,

**you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world. Amen.**

**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**

**BENEDICTION**

The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always.

**Amen.**

**SENDING SONG**

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

ELW #631

**DISMISSAL**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

**POSTLUDE**

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**Violin**  
May 11, 2025  
1:30pm  
Trinity Lutheran Church



**Flute**  
May 18, 2025  
2:00pm  
BHS Auditorium

My thoughts on the scripture  
and message

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, MAY 11, 2025

**RADIO BROADCAST/LIVE STREAM** is in memory of Rev. & Mrs. Fiechtner, James Caird & Hazel Shaw. Given by Marcus & Margaret Fiechtner.

**LILY THINNING** - Tuesday, May 13<sup>th</sup> @ 9 a.m. -11 a.m. we could use some helpers to thin hostas and lilies. You can also take some home if you want. Thanks for your help!

**LOAVES AND FISHES** - We will fill bags for Loaves & Fishes again in the Quilters' Room between services today. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry!

**MISSION AND OUTREACH PROJECT FOR MAY** - The Mission and Outreach Committee invites you to sign up with your family and friends to help one of the following organizations during the month of May:

- Soup Café ([www.soupcafe.org/volunteer](http://www.soupcafe.org/volunteer))
- Ministry on the Margins Food Pantry ([www.ministryonthemargins.org/volunteer](http://www.ministryonthemargins.org/volunteer))
- The Banquet on May 9<sup>th</sup> or 23<sup>rd</sup> (Text or call 701-220-8809 to sign up)

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION** - Trinity Lutheran seniors and college students - now is the time to apply for the Trinity Lutheran Scholarship through our Trust. This is a competitive scholarship process based on church involvement and involvement in other faith activities. You can find the application on our website. **The deadline is May 15<sup>th</sup>.**

**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!



**HOLY BIBLE**

# THEOLOGY & COFFEE

Pastor Martha is starting a new study/discussion group that will discuss and debate various topics of faith and current topics important in our world today.

📅 **FRIDAYS | 10:00 AM**

In the Conference Room

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

# MEN'S GROUP

3rd Saturday of the month  
@ 8 a.m.  
in Fellowship Hall

- Faith
- Fellowship
- Breakfast
- All are Welcome

Contact Pastor Mark with questions at [Narum@trinitybismarck.com](mailto:Narum@trinitybismarck.com)

# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

**June 8-11, 2025**  
**5:45 - 7:45 p.m.**  
**Age 4 - Grade 5**  
**Register Today!**

QR code: SCAN ME

## ***THIS WEEK AT TRINITY***

### **Sunday 5-11 MOTHER'S DAY**

- 8:30 AM - Worship** in Sanctuary
- 9:35 AM - Bible 101** in Fellowship Hall
- 9:35 AM - Church School**
- 10:30 AM - Worship** in Sanctuary
- 1:30 PM - Mia Peterson Recital** in Sanctuary

### **Tuesday 5-13**

- 9 AM - Quilters** in Quilters' Room
- 5:30 PM - Faith Formation Comm.** in Conf. Room

### **Wednesday 5-14**

- 2:30 PM - Upstairs Bible Study** in Room 212
- 5:15 PM - Meal** served in Fellowship Hall
- 6 PM - Worship** in Sanctuary
- 6:40 PM - Church School, Youth Group, Confirmation**

### **Thursday 5-15**

- 5 PM - Mental Health Task Force** in Conf. Room
- 6:30 PM - Council** in Conference Room

### **Friday 5-16**

- 10 AM - Theology and Coffee** in Conference Room

### **Saturday 5-17**

- 8 AM - Men's Group** in Fellowship Hall

### **Sunday 5-18**

- 8:30 AM - Worship** in Sanctuary
- 9:35 AM - Bible 101** in Fellowship Hall
- 9:35 AM - Church School**
- 10:30 AM - Worship** in Sanctuary