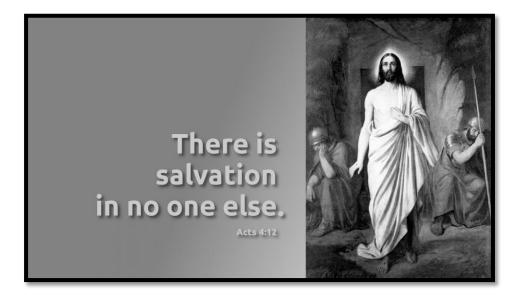
Trinity Lutheran Church

"Sharing the Caring Christ with All People"

2163 Mayhew Lake Rd. NE Sauk Rapids, MN 56379



The Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 26, 2015

8:00a.m.

Trinity is a member of the Prince of Peace Lutheran School Association and the Good Shepherd Community.



We pray that your time in worship will encourage and strengthen you!

We share the greatest hope through the one who loves you most – Jesus Christ!

Preacher	8:00am &	10:30am	Rev. Harvey Ehlers	
Liturgist	8:00am &	10:30am	Rev. Paul Cloeter	
Organist	8:00am		Daniel Reineke	
Musician		10:30am	Ruth Immerfall, Lucie Schwartzkopf	
Soundboard	8:00am		Andy Freihammer	
		10:30am	Jeff Zimmer	
Lector	8:00am		Cindy Clitty	
		10:30am	John Bakou	
Visuals	8:00am &	10:30am	Daniel Reineke	
Acolyte	8:00am		Sidney Wallgren, Amanda Petersen	
		10:30am	Tara Butkowski, Mady Boettcher	
Altar Guild			Marge Haase, JoAnn Kath	
Information Desk	8:00am	Zone - 3	Sue Kulzer	
	10:30am	Zone - 4	Sandy Austin	
Greeters	8:00am	Zone - 3	Shirley Skuza, Lori Zipp	
	10:30am	Zone - 4	Nancy Cloeter	
Ushers	8:00am	Zone - 3	Wayne Smolnik, Loren Tvrdik, Fred Joesting, John Heintze, Chuck Hoese, Jon Roesch	
	10:30am	Zone - 4	John Hiltel, Marvin Neubert, Karen Petron-Broda, Wayne & Sue Kulzer, Janet Renn	

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Divine Service Setting 1 (LSB pg 151)

April 26, 2015

8:00 a.m.

PRESERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN: "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" LSB 709

Stand

INVOCATION

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- P: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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 loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

INTROIT

- P: I Am the Good Shepherd.
- C: I know My own and My own know Me, and I lay down My life for the sheep.
- P: The LORD is my shepherd;
- C: I shall not want.
- P: He makes me lie down in green pastures.
- **C:** He leads me beside still waters.
- P: He restores my soul.
- C: He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
- P: Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me;
- C: your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- P: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
- C: you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
- P: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
- C: and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.
- ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- P: I Am the Good Shepherd.
- C: I know My own and My own know Me, and I lay down My life for the sheep.

KYRIE

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.



P: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.





P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

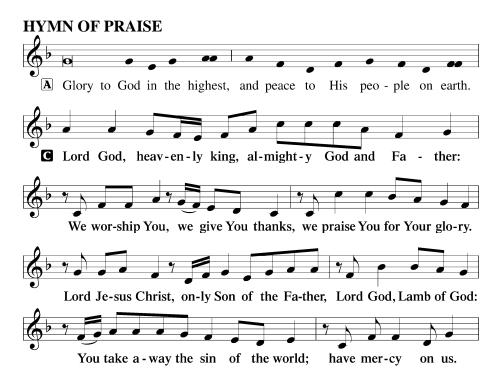


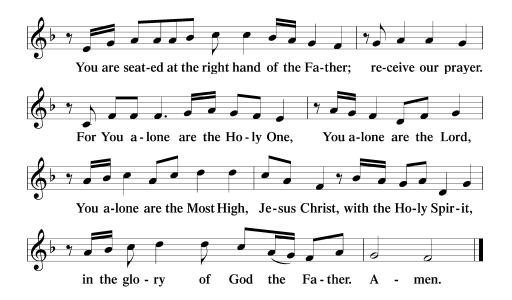
P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



P: Help, save, comfort and defend us gracious Lord.







SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

- P: Let us pray... Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

Sit

THE FIRST LESSON: Acts 4:1-12

The priests and the captain of the temple guard and the Sadducees came up to Peter and John while they were speaking to the people. They were greatly disturbed because the apostles were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection of the dead. They seized Peter and John, and because it was evening, they put them in jail until the next day. But many who heard the message believed, and the number of men grew to about five thousand. The next day the rulers, elders and teachers of the law met in Jerusalem. Annas the high priest was there, and so were Caiaphas, John, Alexander and the other men of the high priest's family. They had Peter and John brought before them and began to question them: "By what



power or what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them: "Rulers and elders of the people! If we are being called to account today for an act of kindness shown to a cripple and are asked how he was healed, then know this, you and all the people of Israel: It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed. He is "the stone you builders rejected, which has become the capstone. 'Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved."

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

HYMN: "The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want" LSB 710

EPISTLE: 1 John 3:16-24

This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers. If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him? Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth. This then is how we know that we belong to the truth, and how we set our hearts at rest in his presence whenever our hearts condemn us. For God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Dear friends, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God and receive from him anything we ask, because we obey his commands and do what pleases him. And this is his command: to believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and to love one another as he commanded us. Those who obey his commands live in him, and he in them. And this is how we know that he lives in us: We know it by the Spirit he gave us.

- L: This is the Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Stand





words of e-ter-nal life. Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL: John 10:11-18

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the tenth chapter.



"I Am the Good Shepherd. The Good Shepherd lays down His life for the sheep. The hired hand is not the shepherd who owns the sheep. So when he sees the wolf coming, he abandons the sheep and runs away. Then the wolf attacks the flock and scatters it. The man runs away because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. "I am the Good Shepherd; I know My sheep and My sheep know Me--just as the Father knows Me and I know the Father--and I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to My voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd. The reason My Father loves me is that I lay down my life--only to take it up again. No one takes it from Me, but I lay it down of My own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from My Father."

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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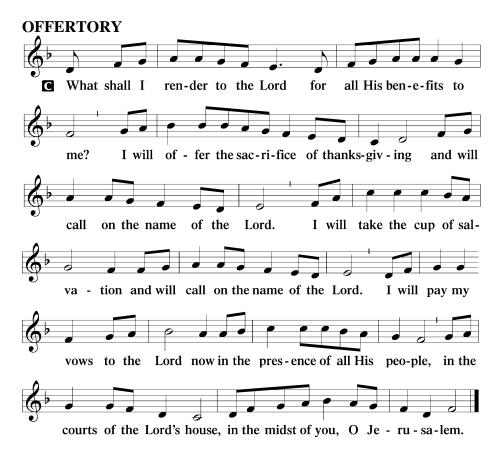
C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus" LSB 660

SERMON: "Jesus, the Only Name" (Acts 4:1-12)

OFFERING (Please sign and date the Rite of Friendship pad located in the pew.)

MUSICAL OFFERING: Celebration Ringers "The Good Shepherd Pastoral Suite"Nancy Sandro



PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

ALL: 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.



BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you,

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you; The Lord look upon you with favor and \clubsuit give you peace.



CLOSING HYMN: "I Am Jesus Little Lamb" LSB 740

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR APRIL 26, 2015

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

- TODAY Worship 8:00am Z3 Sunday School 9:15am LCEF Informational Meeting 9:15am Youth Bible Study 9:15am Worship Service 10:30am Z4 (HC) Anyuak Worship 12:00noon Creative Crafts 4:00pm
- MONDAY Parish Workers (NL) 9:30am Men's Supper @ Lincoln Depot 6:00pm Bev's CC 6:00pm Narcotics Anon. 6:45pm
- TUESDAY Bible Class 10:30am Sandwichers CC 6:30pm Friends in Harmony 7:00pm
- WEDNESDAY Men's Bible Study @ GS 7:00am God's Grub 5:00pm Confirmation Classes 6:00pm HS Youth Night 6:00pm Adult Choir Rehearsal 6:00pm MSYG Mural Painting 7:15pm

THURSDAY

FRIDAY Parish Workers 9:00am

SATURDAY Altar Guild 9:00am Immerfall Piano Recital 1:00pm Private Event 4:30pm Traditional Music Rehearsal 6:45pm

IN OUR WORSHIP SERVICES NEXT WEEK

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00am Worship Z5 (HC) 9:15am Sunday School 9:15am Youth Bible Study 10:30am Worship Z1 12:00pm Anyuak Worship 1:00pm Immerfall Piano Recital 6:30pm Rehwaldt Piano Recital

Scripture Lessons:

Acts 8:26-40; 1 John 4:1-11 John 15:1-8

Church Office Hours:

M-F 8:30am-2:30pm Open during the noon hour.

Church Office Phone 252-3670

WEEK OF	TIME	ATTENDANCE	OFFERING	OFFERINGS
4/19/15	8:00am	113	General Fund Offerings	\$6,408.42
4/19/15	10:30am	147	Building Debt Offerings	\$925.00
	TOTAL	260	Total	\$7,333.42
Missions		_		
Missions this Week		\$879.30	Weekly Budget Needs	\$11,371.00
Received to-date		\$8,113.07		
Annual Funds Promised		\$27,500.00		

<u>Today's Radio Broadcast is sponsored</u> by Estelle Johnson in memory of Darrell Johnson. We thank her for making today's broadcast possible. We have sponsorship openings in July and August. If you would like to sponsor a broadcast please complete a form and turn it in. Forms are available in the church office. The radio transmission enables our shut-ins, as well as others in our community to hear and participate in our worship. The service airs on WVAL 800 on the AM dial, at 8:00am, and live on the internet at <u>www.800wval.com</u>.

ChristCare Groups Speak the Truth and Experience Love One characteristic of the New Testament church that sometimes we don't see today is how the believers experienced a spiritual community in which the truth was spoken and love was experienced. Love was their credential of being Jesus' disciples, making truth irresistible. Truth and love are best given and received in a small group. If you'd like to learn more about ChristCare Small Group Ministry contact one of our ChristCare Equippers: Connie Mooney, 563-508-1295, mooney.connie77@gmail.com or Craig Cooper, 237-5507, dco@trinitysr.org

<u>Sunday Morning Fellowship</u> Our server for May are Tiffany & Doug Aagard. Members who have last names beginning with the letters "K" are asked to bring treats for our fellowship time during the month. If you can help, please sign up on the bulletin board.

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<u>Coming Soon: Military Bible Sticks Program</u> Bible sticks are small pocket sized electronic audio players. They contain the entire New Testament and the Psalms. "Your ministry to the ship has been great. Sailors now play their Bible instead of music on iPods. Some of them have zipped through theirs many times already. One sailor who is not a Christian asked for one and has listened to it all the way through many times now. He showed up in church for the first time today! It is encouraging to think about how this tool has been working in his heart to plant and nurture the Gospel. With 2,500 personnel on board, we will keep passing them out. Thank you so much for your support for the Gospel. May God continue to bless us all as we do what we can to reach and save the lost." Chaplain, U.S. Navy. The initial presentation will be on May 10th. We will have information about this beneficial program and how YOU can support our brave soldiers with God's Word as they serve their country. A door offering will be taken on Sunday, May 17th, after both worship services.

You Can Help Save Our Church Up To \$50,000 off our church debt by simply becoming a LCEF investor through their Shared Blessings program. To learn more about it, please plan on attending an informational meeting TODAY during the bible study hour. George Miller, LCEF representative, will be here to explain more and answer any questions. He will also be here May 10th to talk about estate planning, endowments, and wills. If you want more information please contact Lori Wendt at 320-420-4368 or <u>loriannwendt@gmail.com</u>.

<u>Next Saturday</u>: Pregnancy Resource Center's annual Walk for Life is being held next Saturday, May 2nd at Lake George. Walk starts at 10am with food and prizes to follow. Register or make a donation online today: PregHelpFriends.Com/Walk. See you there!



The Last God's Grub for the season: Hamburgers and Hot Dogs

Coborn's Ham Stamps & Trinity Food Shelf – Thanks to all who brought in food, ham stamps and made financial contributions. Our food shelf is now fully stocked and we have 30 frozen hams to give away to hungry families. If you know of someone who would appreciate a ham please give me a call at the church office, Craig Cooper, 252-3670.

<u>The Youth Group</u> would like to thank everyone for their support at the Easter Breakfast! Your generosity is appreciated! We will be attending the National Youth Gathering in 2016 and you donations will help with our trave!



<u>Pop Scrip</u> Summer is quickly approaching and we want you to be aware of our special summer order schedule. Orders will be placed on the second and fourth Monday of every month. Orders will still be placed at 3 pm. Scrip Now! (e-gift cards) are still available for purchase at any time.

<u>National Day of Prayer</u> Come to the Sauk Rapids Municipal Park on Thursday, May 7th for the National Day of Prayer. Pastor Art Cotant from Discovery Church will be the MC along

MSYG We will be acknowledging the end of another fine year of Confirmation with Dodgeball at Prince of Peace on May 6th. We will be carpooling from Trinity at 6pm and returning back to Trinity by 830pm. We need chaperone/driver help. We are also in need of donations of pop and water. Other churches are bringing pizza, chips, veggie tray (no...really!). with their worship team, directed by Sue Mustain. We will begin at 6:00pm. We will have a special time of prayer for our Law Enforcement Officers and Firefighters, who risk their lives every day for our communities.

<u>Flowers</u> If you purchased a plant for the Easter Garden, please feel free to take it home with you today. Thank you so much for helping to beautify our sanctuary in this festive season!

<u>Your help is Needed to Assemble our Trinity Tidings</u> tomorrow morning at 9:30am. Join us in the Fellowship Hall...we are usually done by 11:00am. Thank you! advance!

<u>Holy Cross to Celebrate 125 years of God's Blessing</u> Tickets available for a banquet to be held on Sunday, May 17th. Information available in the Narthex on the credenza.

Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church

Church Office 2 E-mail & Website: office@trinitysr.org www.trin Pastor Paul Cloeter: 3 Pastor Harvey Ehlers: 2 Director of Christian Outreach - Craig Cooper: 2 Vicar - John Bakou: 2 Administrative Assistants: Judy Rehwaldt & Katie Meemken 2 Music Director - Daniel Reineke: 6 Prince of Peace School: 2 Vauth Ministrative Tames Kunacht	itysr.org 33-6319 282-1931 237-5507 217-8254 52-3670 556-0963 51-1477
Music Director - Daniel Reineke:	56-0963
Prince of Peace School:	51-1477
Youth Ministry - Terry Kurash:	51-4071
Parish Nurse - Jennifer Machula:	67-1587
Prayer Chain – Delores Volkers:	252-2101

WE WELCOME FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

We are glad you are here! If there is a time during the Worship Service that you feel your child (or you) needs a "time out," please feel free to leave the service.

If you leave the service you can go to the **lobby** or use the **large conference room** across from the church office. The conference room has speakers and one-way glass so you can still participate in Worship. During the Sunday school hour, (9:15am - 10:15am) and during the 10:30am worship service the **nursery** is staffed for children 0-3 years old. The nursery is in the preschool on the north end of the building. It is the first classroom on the left as you enter the preschool parent lounge area. There are also speakers in the nursery so you can listen to the service. Please call Sue Morey (252-5610) with any questions regarding the nursery.

Activity bags for young children to use are in the plastic tub outside the church office.

FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE, WE OFFER THESE AND OTHER SERVICES: Large Print Editions of our bulletins are available from our ushers by request. If you need further information, ask any usher or church member. Also be sure to stop by the Information Desk in the lobby. Your needs are important to us! Bible Study for Adults on Sundays: we start at 9:15am in the fellowship hall. Coffee & Fellowship - after the 8:00am service, come by the kitchen, have a cookie, coffee and time for fellowship. Come and meet old friends and make new friends!