



Resurrection Reality: The Risen Savior Provides Good Shepherding

Fourth Sunday of Easter

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Trinity Lutheran Church is a *family* because God welcomed us into his *family*. Our mission is to grow closer to God, to our brothers and sisters in Christ, and to share this sense of belonging with the surrounding community, welcoming more souls into the *family* of God.

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Scripture frequently pictures spiritual care in terms of a shepherd watching over sheep. Even folks unfamiliar with shepherding are able to grasp the meaning. Sheep are helpless animals—an easy meal for predators. For sheep to survive they needed a shepherd who not only leads them to sources of food, but who also is willing to tangle with a pack of wolves. Jesus is such a shepherd. He proved he is willing to lay down his life for his sheep.

The word “pastor” comes from the Latin word for “shepherd.” Today, there are plenty of people—pastors, religious leaders, etc.—who claim they can provide healing for your soul. Yet, Scripture warns that “many” of these are “false prophets” (1 John 4:1) who “distort the truth” (Acts 20:30). Many! But the resurrection reality is that our Good Shepherd is faithful. He will raise up true under-shepherds who know Christ and proclaim the truth of his gospel.

May God bless your worship.

Serving in Worship

Preacher
Organist

Pastor Matthew Langebartels
Hannah Langebartels

† Order of Service †

Greeting and welcome.

Hymn

551, Jesus, Shepherd of the Sheep

- 1 Jesus, shepherd of the sheep,
who your Father's flock does keep,
safe we wake and safe we sleep,
guarded still by you.

- 2 In your promise firm we stand,
none can take us from your hand;
speak—we hear—at your command,
we will follow you.

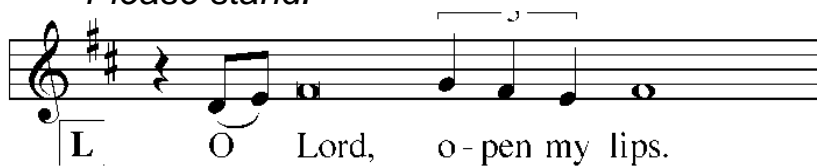
- 3 By your blood our souls were bought,
by your life salvation wrought;
by your light our feet are taught,
Lord, to follow you.

- 4 Father, draw us to your Son;
we with joy will follow on
till the work of grace is done,
there to live with you.

- 5 We, in robes of glory dressed,
join th' assembly of the blest,
gathered to eternal rest
in the fold with you.

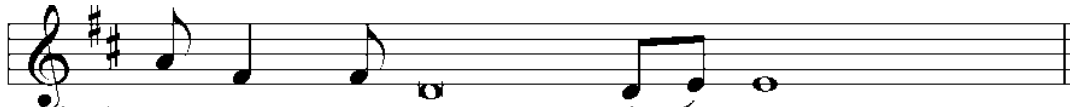
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L Hasten to save me, O God.



C O Lord, come quickly to help me.



L Give glory to God, our light and our life.

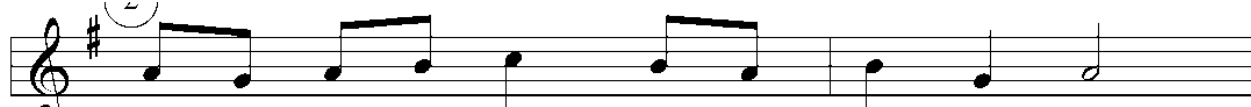


C Come, oh, come, let us wor - ship.

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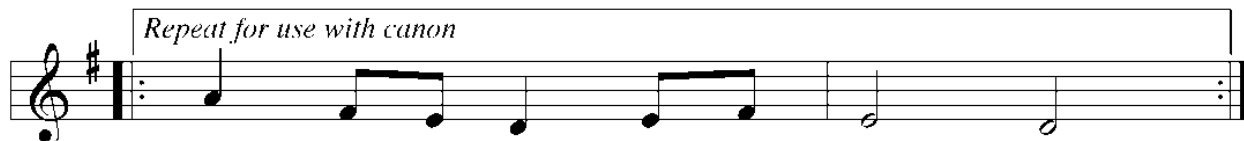
Come, oh, come, let us sing to the Lord,



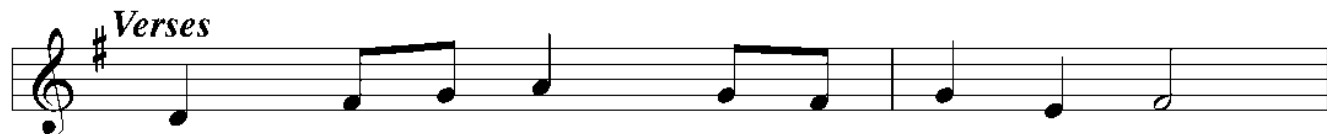
let us shout with joy to our sav - ing Rock;



come, en - ter in with our songs of praise,



come, en - ter in with thanks - giv - ing.



Verses

1. You are a great and a wondrous God,
2. Come, let us wor - ship and, bow - ing low,

cup - ping in your hands all the depths of earth.
kneel be - fore the One who has made us all.

You made the hills and the moun - tains high,
You are the God whom we call our own,

to Refrain
you made the seas and the dry land.
we are the flock that you shep - herd.

Please be seated.

Children's Message

The children's devotion is a shortened version of the sermon intended to communicate God's truths in a simplified way. Children 12 and under are encouraged to come forward and participate in the devotion.

The Word

First Lesson

Acts 20:28–32

The good shepherd asks his under-shepherds to keep watch over the flock.

²⁸Keep watch over yourselves and all the flock of which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers. Be shepherds of the church of God, which he bought with his own blood. ²⁹I know that after I leave, savage wolves will come in among you and will not spare the flock. ³⁰Even from your own number men will arise and distort the truth in order to draw away disciples after them. ³¹So be on your guard! Remember that for three years I never stopped warning each of you night and day with tears.

³²“Now I commit you to God and to the word of his grace, which can build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Day

23F My Shepherd Will Supply My Need Sung in unison

- 1 My shepherd will supply my need,
Jehovah is his name;
in pastures fresh he makes me feed
beside the living stream.
He brings my wand'ring spirit back
when I forsake his ways
and leads me, for his mercy's sake,
in paths of truth and grace.
- 2 When I walk through the shades of death,
his presence is my stay;
one word of his supporting breath
drives all my fears away.
His hand, in sight of all my foes,
will still my table spread;
my cup with blessings overflows;
his oil anoints my head.
- 3 The sure provisions of my God
attend me all my days;
oh, may his house be my abode
and all my work be praise.
There would I find a settled rest
while others go and come,
no more a stranger or a guest
but like a child at home.

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Second Lesson

1 John 4:1–6

St. John encourages us to test all those who claim to have a spiritual message. Not all such individuals have been sent by God.

¹Dear friends, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world. ²This is how you can recognize the Spirit of God: Every spirit that acknowledges that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, ³but

every spirit that does not acknowledge Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you have heard is coming and even now is already in the world.

⁴You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world. ⁵They are from the world and therefore speak from the viewpoint of the world, and the world listens to them. ⁶We are from God, and whoever knows God listens to us; but whoever is not from God does not listen to us. This is how we recognize the Spirit of truth and the spirit of falsehood.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Verse of the Day

Alleluia. I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me. Alleluia.

Please stand

Gospel Lesson

John 10:11–18

Jesus explains why he is the good shepherd.

¹¹“I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²The hired hand is not the shepherd and does not own 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. ¹³The man runs away because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep.

¹⁴“I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me— ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶I 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. ¹⁷The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life—only to take it up again. ¹⁸No 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.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Please be seated.

Hymn of the Day

552, The King of Love my Shepherd Is

- 1 The King of love my shepherd is,
whose goodness fails me never;
I nothing lack if I am his,
and he is mine forever.
- 2 Where streams of living water flow,
my Savior gently leads me,
and where the verdant pastures grow,
with food celestial feeds me.
- 3 Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,
but yet in love he sought me
and on his shoulder gently laid
and home, rejoicing, brought me.
- 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill
with you, dear Lord, beside me,
your rod and staff my comfort still,
your cross before to guide me.
- 5 You spread a table in my sight,
a banquet here bestowing;
your oil of welcome, my delight;
my cup is overflowing!
- 6 And so through all the length of days
your goodness fails me never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing your praise
within your house forever!

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Sermon

John 10:11-18

Follow Your Good Shepherd

Hymn

804, I Am Jesus' Little Lamb

- 1 I am Jesus' little lamb;
ever glad at heart I am,
for my Shepherd gently guides me,
knows my need and well provides me,
loves me ev'ry day the same,
even calls me by my name.
- 2 Day by day, at home, away,
Jesus is my staff and stay.
When I hunger, Jesus feeds me,
into pleasant pastures leads me;
when I thirst, he bids me go
where the quiet waters flow.
- 3 Who so happy as I am,
even now the Shepherd's lamb?
And when my short life is ended,
by his angel host attended,
he shall fold me to his breast,
there within his arms to rest.

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Friendship Registers

Offering

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Please stand.

L In the morn - ing, O Lord, I call to you;
be mer - ci - ful to me and hear my prayer.

C Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have
mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

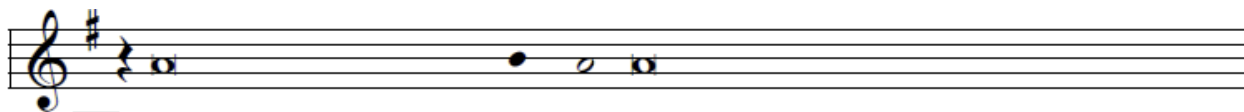
Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer (new version)

Our Father in heaven,
 hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come,
 your will be done
 on earth as in heaven.
 Give us today our daily bread.
 Forgive us our sins,
 as we forgive those
 who sin against us.
 Lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
 For the kingdom, the power,
 and the glory are yours
 now and forever. Amen.



Prayer for Grace



L O Lord, our heavenly Fa-ther, almighty and everlasting God, you have



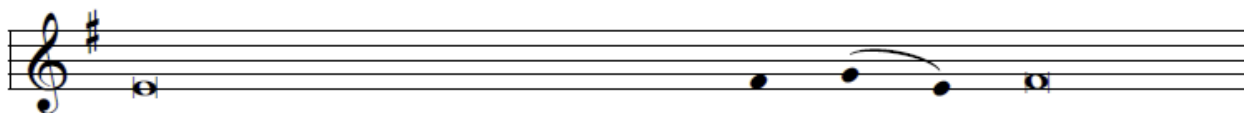
brought us safely to this new day. De - fend us with



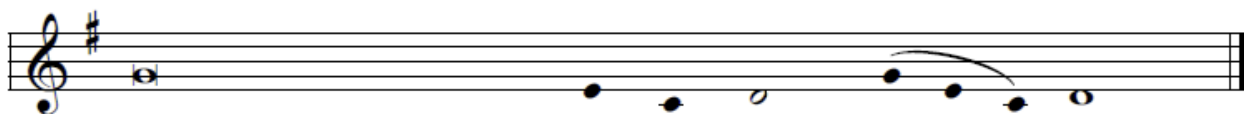
your might - y power, and grant that this day we neither



fall into sin nor run into an-y kind of danger; and in



all we do, direct us to what is right in your sight,



through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. **C** A - men.



L Let us praise the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

Blessing



L The Lord bless and keep you.



C A - men.



L The Lord's face ev - er shine up - on you.



C A - men.



L The Lord grant you peace for all your days.



C A - men.

Please be seated.

Hymn

554, *The Lord's My Shepherd* *Choir sings v. 1*

1 The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want;
he makes me lie in pastures green.
He leads me by the still, still waters,
his goodness restores my soul. (Refrain)

Ref And I will trust in you alone,
and I will trust in you alone,
for your endless mercy follows me,
your goodness will lead me home.

2 He guides my ways in righteousness,
and he anoints my head with oil,
and my cup, it overflows with joy,
I feast on his pure delights. (Refrain)

3 And though I walk the darkest path,
I will not fear the evil one,
for you are with me, and your rod and staff
are the comfort I need to know. (Refrain)

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Attendance 4-14: 143
Offering 4-14: \$ 3,321.03
General Fund Balance as of 4-14: \$ 44,829.94

Announcements

Church Council Meeting today at 10:45 am.

April 28th - Trinity Voter's Meeting after church at 10:45 am.

- Council to have permission to hire
- Budget for relocation of rooms

Pastor will be away at conference on April 23rd & 24th .

Clean up day is May 4th from 8am-10 am. We plan on cleaning the inside as well as outside. Getting the basement floor done really made dust that traveled to our church. Hanna Maedke has a plan and every helping hand will be appreciated! See you here!

Preschool Rummage Sale is May 9th, 10th & 11th. Please start dropping off donations on May 1st , no sooner. Volunteers needed! On Monday, May 6th through Wednesday May 8th help is needed for sorting and setup. Thurs May 9th & Friday(am) May 10th help is needed during the sale. Items to donate- Dishes, Books, Furniture, Kids Clothes, Adult Clothes, Baby Clothes, Housewares, Holiday Decorations, Toys, Sporting goods, etc.... Flyers with more information are at the back of the Church and posted on the Office bulletin board. Thank you.

Mother's Day Teen Bake Sale- Our Teen Group will be having a bake sale after church to raise money for their Youth Rally this summer. If you would like to donate baked goods, please drop them off in the fellowship hall before church. Thank you for your support!!

This week at Trinity...

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8:15 am Sunday School & Bible Study 9:30 am Worship Service 10:45 Council Meeting		<div data-bbox="597 506 1003 558" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> Pastor's gone to conference </div>	4 pm Catechism			