

Sunday, April 12, 2026
The Second Sunday of Easter

Trinity Lutheran Church
11:00am: Downtown
401 Fifth Street N



 **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

 **PRELUDE**

 **THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!
Amen.

Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Merciful God,
you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come.
We thank you for the waters of creation:
morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves.
We thank you for the waters that nourish us.
Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness
who accompanies us on our journeys.
We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow.
Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy Spirit, you empower us with divine love.
Break down barriers that divide us.
Fill us with the breath of peace.
Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism,
and for making us a new creation.
We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise,
now and forever.

Amen.



GATHERING HYMN *That Easter Day*

ELW 384



1 That Eas - ter day with joy was bright; the
 2 O Je - sus, king of gen - tle - ness, with
 3 O Christ, you are the Lord of all in
 4 All praise, O ris - en Lord, we give to



sun shone out with fair - er light when, to their long - ing
 con - stant love our hearts pos - sess; to you our lips will
 this our Eas - ter fes - ti - val, for you will be our
 you, once dead, but now a - live! To God the Fa - ther



eyes re - stored, the a - pos - tles saw their ris - en Lord!
 ev - er raise the trib - ute of our grate - ful praise.
 strength and shield from ev - 'ry weap - on death can wield.
 e - qual praise, and God the Spir - it, now we raise!

Text: Latin hymn, 5th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.
 Music: PUER NOBIS, European tune, adapt. Michael Praetorius, 1571–1621



GREETING

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



HYMN OF PRAISE



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the
hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and
might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.
Final refrain
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain
has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

INTRODUCTION TO READINGS

FIRST READING: Acts 2:14a, 22-32

After the Holy Spirit comes to the apostles on Pentecost, Peter preaches the gospel to the gathered crowd. He tells them that Jesus, who obediently went to his death according to God's plan, was raised from the dead by God. Finally, he appeals to scripture, quoting Psalm 16:8-11, to show that Jesus is the Messiah: though crucified, the risen Jesus is now enthroned.

^{14a} Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd]:
²² "Fellow Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know ²³ this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. ²⁴ But God raised him up, having released him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. ²⁵ For David says concerning him,

'I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; ²⁶ therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover, my flesh will live in hope. ²⁷ For you will not abandon my soul to Hades or let your Holy One experience corruption. ²⁸ You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'

²⁹ "Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰ Since he was a prophet,

he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. ³¹ Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, 'He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.' ³² "This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses."

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.



PSALM: Psalm 16

The accompanist will play the refrain once as introduction and then all will join in singing; and will repeat the sung refrain when indicated by "R"



In your pres-ence there is full-ness of joy.

¹ *Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;*

I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."

² *All my delight is in the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people.*

³ *But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.*

⁴ *I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods, never take their names upon my lips. R*

⁵ *O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.*

⁶ *My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance.*

⁷ *I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night. R*

⁸ *I have set the Lord always before me; because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.*

⁹ *My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.*

¹⁰ *For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the pit.*

¹¹ *You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore. R*



READING: 1 Peter 1:3-9

This epistle was written to encourage Christians experiencing hardships and suffering because of their faith in Christ. The letter opens by blessing God for the living hope we have through Christ's resurrection even amid difficult circumstances and surroundings.

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead ⁴ and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵ who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶ In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, ⁷ so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. ⁸ Although you have not seen him, you love him, and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, ⁹ for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Sung twice.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



GOSPEL: John 20:19-31

The risen Jesus appears to his disciples, offering them a benediction, a commission, and the gift of the Holy Spirit. But one of their number is missing, and his unbelief prompts another visit from the Lord.

The good news of God’s love according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁹ When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the authorities, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” ²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

²¹ Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” ²² When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.” ²⁴ But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.”

²⁶ A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.”

²⁸ Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” ²⁹ Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.”

³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. ³¹ But these are written so that you may continue to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.



SERMON

A brief period for silent meditation will follow at the conclusion of the sermon.



HYMN OF THE DAY *The Risen Christ*

ELW 390



1 The ris - en Christ, who walks on wound-ed feet
 2 The ris - en Christ, who stands with wound-ed side,
 3 The ris - en Christ, who breaks with wound-ed hand
 4 May we, Christ's bod - y, walk and serve and stand



from gar - den tomb through dark-ened cit - y street,
 breathes out his Spir - it on them to a - bide
 the bread for those who fail to un - der - stand,
 with those op - pressed in this and ev - 'ry land,



un - locks the door of grief, de - spair, and fear,
 whose faith still wa - vers, who dare not be - lieve;
 re - veals him - self, de - spite their lin - g'ring tears,
 till all are blessed and can a bless - ing be,



and speaks a word of peace to all who hear.
 new grace, new strength, new pur - pose they re - ceive.
 en - flames their hearts, then quick - ly dis - ap - pears.
 re - stored in Christ to true hu - man - i - ty.

Text: Nigel Weaver, b. 1952
 Music: WOODLANDS, Walter Greatorex, 1877–1949
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THE 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 INTERCESSION

Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world,
 let us pray for the needs of all creation.

After each petition:

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

At the conclusion of the prayers:

God of resurrection power, we entrust these prayers to you, through Jesus Christ,
 our Savior. **Amen.**



THE SHARING OF PEACE
 Instead of putting a donation in the offering plate during the anthem, you can use the QR code to make a contribution on the church website; or you can mail an offering to the church.

OFFERTORY HYMN *With High Delight*

1 With high de - light let us u - nite in
 2 True God, he first from death has burst forth
 3 Let prais - es ring; give thanks, and bring to

songs of great ju - bi - la - tion. You pure in heart, all
 in - to life, all sub - du - ing. His en - e - my now
 Christ our Lord ad - o - ra - tion. His hon - or speed by

bear your part, sing Je - sus Christ, our sal - va - tion. To
 van - quished see; his death has been death's un - do - ing. "And
 word and deed to ev - 'ry land, ev - 'ry na - tion. So

set us free for - ev - er, he is ris'n and sends to
 yours shall be like vic - to - ry o'er death and grave," says
 shall his love give us a - bove, from mis - er - y and

all earth's ends good news to save ev - 'ry na - tion.
 he, who gave his life for us, life re - new - ing.
 death set free, all joy and full con - so - la - tion.

Text: Georg Vetter, 1536–1599; tr. Martin H. Franzmann, 1907–1976, alt.
 Music: MIT FREUDEN ZART, medieval European tune
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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.**



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true passover lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho-

san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -

est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-

san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, 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.



THE 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.**



INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the table of life to receive the risen Lord.
Amen.



LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.



COMMUNION HYMN *We Walk By Faith*

ELW 635



1 We walk by faith and not by sight; with
 2 We may not touch your hands and side, nor
 3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and
 4 For you, O res - ur - rec - ted Lord, are
 5 And when our life of faith is done, in



gra - cious words draw near, O Christ, who spoke as
 fol - low where you trod; but in your prom - ise
 may our faith a - bound to call on you when
 found in means di - vine: be - neath the wa - ter
 realms of clear - er light may we be - hold you



none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."
 we re - joice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"
 you are near and seek where you are found:
 and the word, be - neath the bread and wine.
 as you are, with full and end - less sight.

Text: Henry Alford, 1810–1871, alt.

Music: SHANTI, Marty Haugen, b. 1950

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. Holy One,
 through this meal you are making all things new.
 Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts,
 to love our enemies,
 and to bring your healing to the nations,
 in the name and in the power of our Savior, **Amen.**



BLESSING

May the God who has brought us from death to life
 fill us with great hope and great joy.

Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit,
 bless you now and forever.

Amen.

 **SENDING HYMN** *The Day of Resurrection* ELW 361



1 The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad,
 2 Let hearts be purged of e - vil that we may see a - right
 3 Now let the heav'ns be joy - ful, let earth its song be - gin,
 4 All praise to God the Fa - ther, all praise to Christ the Son,



the pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the pass - o - ver of God.
 the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of res - ur - rec - tion light,
 the round world keep high tri - umph and all that is there - in.
 all praise to God the Spir - it, e - ter - nal Three in One!



From death to life e - ter - nal, from sin's do - min - ion free,
 and lis - t'ning to his ac - cents, may hear, so calm and plain,
 Let all things, seen and un - seen, their notes of glad - ness blend;
 Let all the ran - somed num - ber fall down be - fore the throne,




our Christ has brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.
 his own "All hail!" and hear - ing, may raise the glad re - frain.
 for Christ the Lord has ris - en, our joy that has no end!
 and hon - or, pow'r, and glo - ry as - cribe to God a - lone!

Text: John of Damascus, c. 696–c. 754; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.
 Music: ELLACOMBE, German melody, 18th cent.; adapt. X. L. Hartig, *Melodien zum Mainzer Gesangbuche*, 1833

 **DISMISSAL**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.
Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
 You are the body of Christ raised up for the world.
 Go in peace. Live the good news.
Thanks be to God. We will!

 **POSTLUDE** [Livestream ends]

 **Please join us for a time of fellowship immediately after worship.**

Thank you to those serving this month: (MLC) = Meadowlawn Campus (DTC) = Downtown Campus

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| 04/02/26 | ML | 6:00 PM | | | Maunder Thursday | |
| 04/03/26 | DT | Noon | | | Good Friday | |
| 04/05/26 | DT | 11:00 AM | Gretchen Frederick | Phil Rearick, Aimée Fox | | |
| 04/12/26 | DT | 11:00 AM | Ruth Kinsey | Frances Guido, Ruth Kinsey | | |
| 04/19/26 | ML | 11:00 AM | Lou Carter | Marty Snapp, Margarita Rodriguez | Carla Sajda | IHO Charlie Glaum's birthday |
| 04/26/26 | ML | 11:00 AM | Gary Bartelt | Violet Prepost, Gary Bartelt | F. Guido | For the Glory of God |

Birthdays this week:

04/12 - Kathy Bartelt 04/17 - Aaric Hamilton

Anniversaries this week:

- None -

This Week's Calendar of Events:**Today (04/12)**

8:30am – City Church Worship (DTC Sanctuary)
 11:00am – Trinity Worship (DTC Sanctuary)
 12:00pm – Fellowship Hour (DTC 2nd Floor)
 12:30pm – All Ages Education Hour (DTC 2nd Floor)
 7:00pm – St. Augustine Group (MLC Library)

Monday (04/13)*(no scheduled activities)***Tuesday (04/14)**

2:00pm – Healthy Grieving (DTC 2nd Floor)
 6:00pm – Council Meeting (MLC Library)

Wednesday (04/15) TAX DAY!

9:00am – Quilting Circle (MLC CommUNITY Room)
 11:30am - Community Meal (DTC 3rd Floor)
 1:00pm – Grace & Games (DTC 2nd Floor)
 6:00pm – Bible Study (MLC CommUNITY Room)

Thursday (04/16)

6:30pm - Choir Practice (MLC Sanctuary)

Friday (04/17)

9:30am - TLC Pantry (DTC 1st Floor)
 9:30am - Dolores Food Pantry (MLC CommUNITY Room)

Saturday (04/18)

9:00am - Hope Chest (MLC Thrift Store)

Further Info & Items of Interest:**Women of the Suncoast Conference:**

The Women of Grace will be hosting the Suncoast Conference gathering of the WELCA at our Meadowlawn campus on Sat, May 2nd at 11:30am. Cost is \$10. RSVP by April 27th.

Prayer List:**For those ministering in our congregations:**

Pastor Paul Gibson
 Deacon Lynne Tallon
 Music Director Ross Kimura
 Music Director Brenden Hall

For those suffering from cancer:

Jim Tallon
 Whitney & Greg Corrigan
 Rick Jackson
 Frank Durilla
 Rev. Ernest Knoche
 Ron Oughton
 Bob Sockrider

For those homebound:

Lorna Holder
 Shirley Taylor
 Betty Aker
 Marion Cheslock
 Judy Milanese
 Petra Young
 Sally Evans

Note: These prayer requests are active for 3 months unless a shorter timeframe is requested.

For those needing strength or healing:

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| Luke Mendenhall | Shakira and family |
| Guy Smith | Janet Crim |
| Joyce Dare | Pr. Tom Snapp |
| Cecil Miles | Will Diefel |
| Linda Miles | Billy Boynton |
| Bill Quinn | Jill Boos Martin |
| Doug Pryor | Gerry Barnard |
| Corinne, Bob, & Irma Kay | Pr. Felice Johnson |
| Leonard | |
| Robert & Brenda Meredith | |
| Brian Schutzbach | |

For those grieving the loss of a loved one:

Logan & Grace Paul (baby Millie)
 Deigh Stanton
 The family & friends of Melissa Hixon

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|  TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH | Welcome, visitors! | Today's Date: 04/12/26 |
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| Home church, city, and state | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I'm visiting: <input type="checkbox"/> First time <input type="checkbox"/> Repeat <input type="checkbox"/> I just moved here <input type="checkbox"/> Please add me to your email list(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Pastor's weekly announcements, etc. <input type="checkbox"/> Office's Monthly Newsletter, etc. | | |