

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Contemporary Worship 11:00 am April 21, 2024



Men's Tuesday Morning Bible Study: April 23, 8 am.

Join us for a delicious breakfast and great Bible study. This group meets on the 2nd

and 4th Tuesday of each month at Brothers Family Dining (705 Gettysburg Pike, Mech.)

We are diving into a relationship with God at Vacation Bible School

We can't wait to sing, play, and learn how awesome God is! Join us June 17-21 from 9 am to noon. Registration is now open for kids and volunteers. Check our website for details!

Youth Hangout: Grades 5-12. Bring a friend!

Come to Fellowship Hall on Sun., April 28 from 6-8 pm. There will be pizza,

games, and fun! We will try to get outside, weather permitting.



Save the date: Sunday, May 19. ONE DAY with TWO EVENTS!

First, join us for "Kickin' it Old School," a congregation-wide fellowship event. We will be on the lawn enjoying a picnic-style lunch, making crafts, and playing kickball! Watch for more details!

Then, head back inside at 4 pm to hear Trinity's Concert Choir and members of area churches for an inspirational festival of great music led by Dr. Cherwien. This is a free concert.

Attention: The Congregation Council moves to call a Special Congregational Meeting. The sole purpose of this meeting is to vote on receiving the property of Christ Lutheran Church, Filey's, located at 15 S. Fileys Rd., Dillsburg, PA 17019.

The meeting will be held on Sunday, April 28, 2024, at noon. Please contact the church office if you have not received a member mailing.

Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church! We're so glad you're here. Hearing assistance devices and large print bulletins are available from an usher.

We would like to know you were here worshiping with us. Using a QR reader or camera on your mobile device, please scan this QR code to check you and your family into today's worship service. Or go to the following link: trinitycamphill.org/checkin



about today's service

The image of the good shepherd shows us how the risen Christ brings us to life. It is the relationship between the shepherd and the sheep, one of mutual knowledge and love, that gives the shepherd authority. The shepherd's willingness to lay down his life for the sheep shows his love. First John illustrates what it means to lay down our lives for one another by the example of sharing our wealth with any sibling in need.

P: Pastor L: Lector C: Congregation

+ Gathering +

We gather together to praise God and receive God's love.

Song: "You Are in Control"

Verse

You are my shepherd, I have no needs.

You lead me by peaceful streams, and you refresh my life.

You hold my hand and you guide my steps.

I could walk through the valley of death and I won't be afraid.

Chorus

Because You are in control, You are in control, You are in control.

Verse

Chorus

Bridge

You cause ev'rything to work together, You truly have a sov'reign plan, And you know who I am, and you made who I am, and you love who I am. Verse

Chorus

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Welcome Pastor Jack Horner

(Please stand as you are able)

Song: "Lead Me To The Rock"

Verse 1

When my heart is overwhelmed, hear my cry, give heed to my prayer,

And my eyes are dim with tears, O Father, make them clear,

From the ends of all the earth, when my heart is fainting,

Let me know that You have heard, lead me into safety.

Chorus

Lead me to the Rock, the Rock that's higher,

Lead me to the Rock, that's higher than I.

Lead me to the Rock, the Rock that's higher, higher than I.

Verse 2

You, O Lord have been for me a refuge from my enemies,

Let me live within Your strength, in the shelter of Your wings,

From the ends of all the earth, when my heart is fainting,

Let me know that You have heard, lead me into safety.

Chorus 2X

Tag 2X: Higher than I.

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Thanksgiving for Baptism

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.

C: Amen.

P: Look, here is water!

C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

- P: Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life. Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers. The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land. In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life.
- P: Look, here is water!

C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

- P: At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people. We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.
- C: Amen.
- P: Look, here is water!
- C: Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Easter Greeting

- P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.
- C: He is risen indeed. Alleluig!
- P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

- P: Let us pray. O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

(Please be seated)

+ Word +

We listen to the story of God's mighty acts for the sake of God's people.

Reading: 1 John 3:16-24

Jesus' death on our behalf is the clearest demonstration of divine love. This is the very love we share with others, not just through our words but especially through our deeds. In sharing such love we fulfill God's commandments.

¹⁶We know love by this, that [Jesus Christ] laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. ¹⁷How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? ¹⁸Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. ¹⁹And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him ²⁰whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. ²¹Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; ²²and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. ²³And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. ²⁴All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

- 1: The word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel: John 10:11-18

In language that recalls the twenty-third psalm, Jesus describes himself as the shepherd who cares for his sheep. He is willing to die for them, and he is able to overcome death for them.

[Jesus said:] ¹¹"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. ¹⁴I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own 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 do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. ¹⁷For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. ¹⁸No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon: ""A Place to Belong...with Vulnerability"

Pastor Liz Frey

Children's Message

Pastor Jack Horner

"Rescuer" (Good News)

Chorus

He's our Rescuer, He's our Rescuer. We are free from sin forevermore. Oh, how sweet the sound! Oh, how grace abounds! We will praise the Lord,

Our Rescuer.

Verse 1

There is good news for the captive,

Good news for the shamed.

There is good news for the one who walked away.

There is good news for the doubter,

The one religion failed,

For the good Lord has come to seek and save.

Chorus

Verse 2

He is beauty for the blind man,

Riches for the poor.

He is friendship for the one the world ignores.

He is pasture for the weary,

Rest for those who strive.

Oh, the good Lord is the way, the truth, the life.

Yes, the good Lord is the way, the truth, the life.

Chorus

Bridge (2X)

So come and be chainless.
Come and be fearless.
Come to the foot of Calvary.
There is redemption for ev'ry affliction
Here at the foot of Calvary.

Chorus

Tag: We will praise the Lord, our Rescuer.

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(Please stand as you are able)

Nicene Creed

P: Let us profess our common faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

C: 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 \pm resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the Church

Following each petition are the words: "God of grace,"

Please respond with: "hear our prayer."

+ Meal +

When we celebrate communion we remember that Jesus died for us and we experience His love and forgiveness. As we eat the bread and wine Christ is present with us.

Easter Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

(Please be seated)

Announcements

Offering

Optional giving methods: Use the 'Vanco Mobile' app on your device • Text an amount to 717-963-2281 (be sure to use a "\$") • Use the "DONATE" button on our website and e-blasts or scan the QR to the right • Mail into the church office • Your offerings may also be placed in the white offering boxes at the entrance to the worship space as you exit.



(Please stand as you are able)

Offering Prayer

P: Risen One,

C: you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

P: Christ is here.

C: The Spirit is with us.

P: With joy, we lift up our hearts.

C: And give thanks to the Lord of Life.

Eucharistic Prayer

P: Sustaining God, as you lead your sheep to green pastures and guide them beside still waters, so you have led us to this table where in bread and wine you restore our souls. Send down your Holy Spirit and restore your church through the abundance of this meal. As we remember the story of your Son's life laid down for us, sanctify this bread and cup and make them be for us the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ;

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.

- P: Great is the mystery of faith.
- C: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again. Alleluia!
- P: Saving God, your rod and staff comfort all who look to you in faith. Search out your sheep that are lost and bring them home. When you find them in the valley of fear, gather them in your arms. When they face evil in the presence of enemies, follow them with your goodness and mercy all the days of their lives. On that day when the shadow of death covers them, bring them to dwell in your house forever. Shepherd us with all your saints of every age into your glorious presence, where we will behold your Lamb in glory, most Holy Trinity, now and always.
- C: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

P: The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God's table.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Please be seated)

Sharing our Lord's Supper

All Christians are welcome to celebrate the real presence of Jesus Christ in our Lord's Supper. If you'd like to receive communion via intinction, please come forward by the middle aisle, receive the bread, dip it into the wine, and return by the side aisles. Communion may be received in bread only, if desired. Non-communing children and adults are invited to come forward for a blessing. In addition, we offer gluten-free wafers available upon request--please ask the pastor at the time of communion. Additionally, you may receive communion by prepackaged communion elements, which you can get from the baskets as you enter the worship space. Just remain at your seat and at the direction of the pastor, you will be invited to commune, at which time, you will open the individually wrapped, prepackaged communion elements. The bread is in the bottom and wine in the top. If you did not receive communion elements when you arrived, please see an usher.

The presiding minister will now invite those receiving communion, by prepackaged communion elements, to commune at your seat.

Open the bread:

P: The Body of Christ given for you.

Open the wine:

P: The Blood of Christ shed for you.

Those who wish to receive communion by intinction, please come forward at the direction of the usher.

(Please stand as you are able)

Post Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

P: Let us pray. Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend.

C: Amen.

+ Sending +

We have heard the Word of God, offered our gifts, and been fed at the table. Now we are sent out, strengthened by the Holy Spirit to be God's people in the world.

Blessing

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope 4 bless you now and always.

C: Amen.

"Rock of My Salvation"

Verse 1

Though storms of strife assail me without warning,

And though they try to steal my joy away

I will find rest in knowing you have saved me, precious Jesus, Rock of my salvation.

Verse 2

Though times I stumble and fall short of your standard

I'll rest assured there is love enough for me,

For I find strength in knowing you have saved me, precious Jesus, Rock of my salvation.

Chorus

Oh my Jesus, Rock of my salvation Who bore the weight of Calvary's wood and shame And cleansed my sin in the crimson flow of mercy, Precious Jesus, Rock of my salvation.

Instrumental

Verse 2

Chorus (2X)

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P: Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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United and empowered to worship, connect, serve.

Worship notes

Videos of last week's sermons are available on our website (<u>www.trinitycamphill.org</u>). If you would like a printed copy, please call the church office and we can mail one to you.

The flowers in the Nave and Fellowship Hall are presented to the glory of God and by his loving family in memory of Ralph J. Phelleps, Jr; also, by Lois Morgan in memory of my friend, Alice Rau.

The sanctuary lamp candle that burns day and night as a symbol of God's abiding presence is presented to the glory of God and by anonymous donor.





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