Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

"A family where Christ is Head and the entire congregation are ministers."

Chaplain Matthew Prince ~ Vacancy Pastor Carroll Smith ~ Director of Music



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Good Morning! We welcome you today as a part of God's family here at Trinity! We hope that your experience here is meaningful and will be lasting.

Trinity is a liturgical Lutheran church using the Divine Service as written in the Lutheran Service Book. Today's Divine Service is printed for you in this bulletin. Today's service is being live streamed to YouTube and will be available later in the day on Trinity's Facebook page and Website. The receiving of communion will not be recorded to preserve the sanctity of the sacrament. During this time, the recording will be directed to the stained-glass window above the altar so communion hymns can still be shared. By entering the service, you consent to the video recording to be used for live streaming, inclusion on our web site and Facebook, and/or any other purpose by Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

Visitors – We are so happy you are joining us for Worship today. If this is your first visit at Trinity, please take a moment to complete the Visitor Card found in front of you in the pew. Then place the card in the Offering Plate as it is passed during the service.

Members, Returning Visitors and Active Guests – We ask that you please fill out the Welcome Book found at the end of your pew.

PRAYERS HAVE BEEN REQUESTED FOR – Flo and Richard Ball, Chuck Edsall, Pastor Charles Froehlich, Pat Gregory, Terry Ingmire, Paul Lass, Julie and Sam Locklear, Bob Matthews, Brenda Pendry, Viola Person, Bob and Carol Petrie, Samuel Robinson, Pastor Timothy Utton, Linda Vernick, Marc Vernick and Sarah Von Moll.

HOLY COMMUNION — In the Sacrament of Holy Communion our Lord Jesus comes to us with **His very body and blood** to eat and to drink **for the forgiveness of sins** and **to strengthen our union with Him and with one another**. He invites to His table those who trust His words, **repent of all their sin** and forgive and love one another as He forgives and loves us.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because **Holy Communion is a confession of the faith** which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the LCMS, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked to **speak with the Pastor before communing**.

For further study, see Matt. 5:23ff, 10:32ff, 18:15-35, 26:26-29; Acts 2:38, 42; 1 Cor. 10:16, 11:17-34

Other Christians and children who have not completed instruction may come forward, cross their arms over their chest and receive a blessing. During distribution, the Common Cup will be offered first followed by the Individual Cup. For those who prefer it for any reason, the cups in the center of the tray contain a grape juice option. Please let the pastor know if you need a Gluten Free wafer.

(Before communing, we ask that first time guests and visitors please speak with the Pastor.)

Today's Worship Participants

Ushers Acolyte Lector Communion Assistant Host/Hostess Doug Sulak and Scott Thieman Richard Robertson Scott Thieman John Knickelbein Chaplain Prince

Participants for Next Sunday

Ushers Lector Communion Assistant Host/Hostess Errol Jennings and Anne Starke Cathy George Roger Medlin xxxxx

Divine Service Setting One

The congregation sits quietly. Please be aware that some people use the time prior to the service for reflection and meditation in the sanctuary. You are encouraged to talk to God before the Service, let God talk to you in the Service, then talk to one another after the Service.

Prelude

Nun Danket/Vruchten

Crüger/Oudaen

Paschal Greeting

- P Christ is Risen!
- C He is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship *Stand and face the Processional Cross* (rear of the Church)



Confession and Absolution

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.
- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

Service of the Word

Introit

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

Forever, O LORD, your word is firmly fixed in the heavens.

Your faithfulness endures to all generations;

you have established the earth, and it stands fast.

By your appointment they stand this day, for all things are your servants.

If your law had not been my delight,

I would have perished in my affliction.

I will never forget your precepts,

for by them you have given me life.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

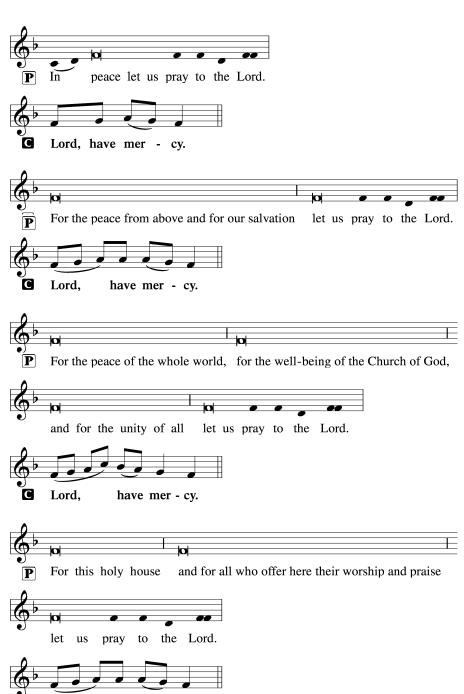
and to the Holy Spirit;

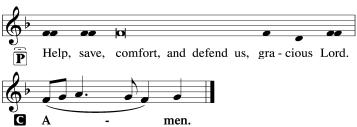
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Kyrie

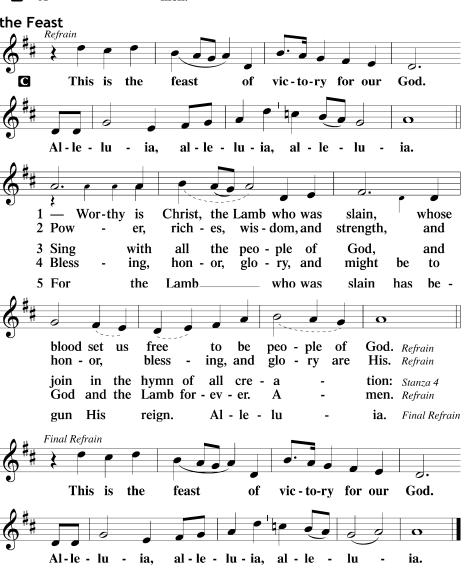
Lord,

have mer - cy.





This Is the Feast



Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Let us pray.
- O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Sit

First Reading Acts 17:16–31

¹⁶While Paul was waiting for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols. ¹⁷So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there. ¹⁸Some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also conversed with him. And some said, "What does this babbler wish to say?" Others said, "He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities"—because he was preaching Jesus and the resurrection. ¹⁹And they took hold of him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, "May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting? ²⁰For you bring some strange things to our ears. We wish to know therefore what these things mean." ²¹Now all the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there would spend their time in nothing except telling or hearing something new.

²²So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: "Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. ²³For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription, 'To the unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, ²⁵nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. ²⁶And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, ²⁷that they should seek God, in the hope that they might feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, ²⁸for

"'In him we live and move and have our being';

as even some of your own poets have said,

"'For we are indeed his offspring.'

²⁹Being then God's offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man. ³⁰The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

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

Gradual

C Christ has risen from the dead.

God the Father has crowned him with glory and honor. He has given him dominion over the works of his hands; he has put all things under his feet.

1 Peter 3:13–22

¹³Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? ¹⁴But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, ¹⁵but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; ¹⁶yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.

¹⁸For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, ²⁰because they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. ²¹Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

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

Stand

Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel John 14:15–21

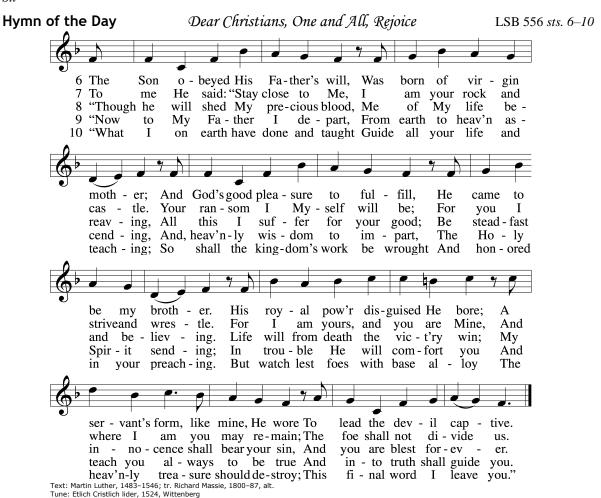
- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁵[Jesus said:] "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, ¹⁷even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

¹⁸"I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. ¹⁹Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. ²⁰In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit



Sermon

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Apostles' Creed

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.

Sit

Offering Please take this time to sign in the Welcome Book at the end of your pew. (Loose coins directly support LCMS families studying for the ministry through Coins for Christ.)

Anthem The Lord's Prayer Malotte
Glenn Hersch, baritone

Stand



Prayer of the Church

- **P** Lord, in your mercy...
- Chear our prayer.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus



Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My Hobody, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

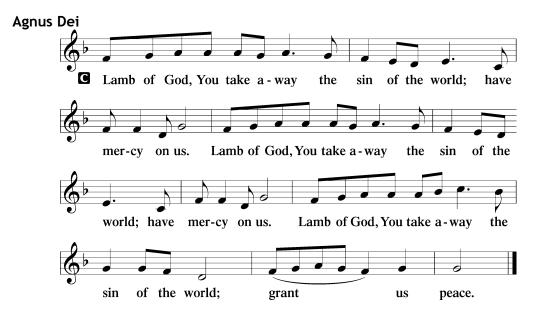
- As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- **C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

Pax Domini

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.



Sit

Please respect the time of silence at the beginning of the Eucharist before the Distribution Hymns are begun. While this is time for some to commune it is also a time for introspection and helps quiet our imagination, our worries and our toils so as to join our hearts to the prayers and be fully attentive to whatever the Holy Spirit should inspire in us. This silence is an active, not a passive disposition. This form of interior silence does not impede, and indeed favors, full and active participation in those parts of the celebration where the community is united in acclamation and song, for each person is more fully aware of what he or she is doing.

Distribution

The body and blood of Christ are distributed to those who come to receive.

The Common Cup will be offered first followed by the Individual Cup.

In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart → in peace.
- C Amen.

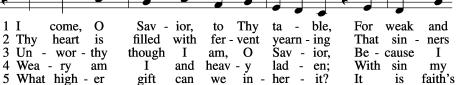
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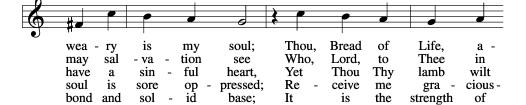
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O Lord, have mer

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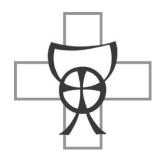


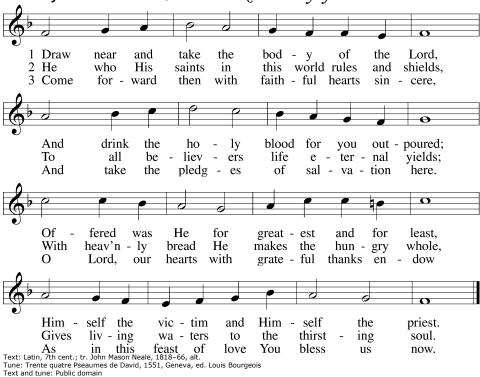


Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high-est good! Text: Friedrich Christian Heyder, 1677–1754; tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, abr.

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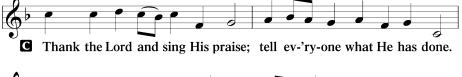
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Stand







Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

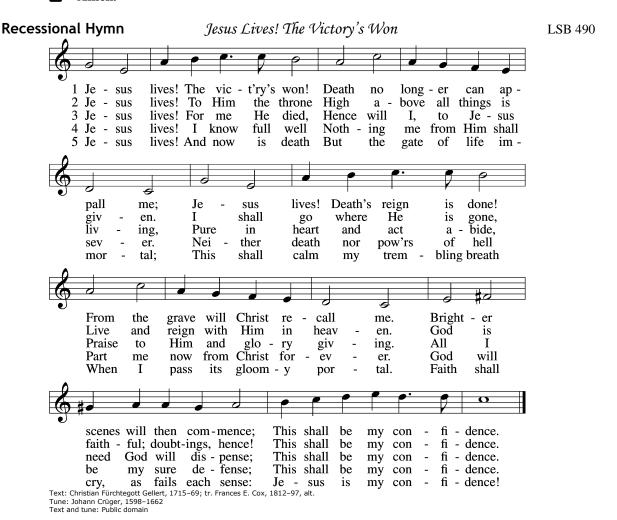
Benediction

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 + give you peace.

C Amen.



Sharing the Peace of Christ

- **P** Go in peace and serve the LORD.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Following the service, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

Postlude

In Thee is Gladness

Gastoldi, arr. Bair

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Running from Mother's Day through Father's Day Trinity's LWML will be supporting LIFEchange for the Crisis Pregnancy Center of Tidewater. Spare change can change lives! Baby bottles are available by the doors as you exit this morning. These are for you to use to collect spare change, cash, and/or checks and make a life-changing impact for LIFE. Please return the bottles on Father's Day. Join us as we get involved in saving lives, sparing hearts, and spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ through the ministry of the Crisis Pregnancy Center.



OUR crisis South Hampton Roads has been a hot spot for abortion for many years, and the overturning of Roe v. Wade has done nothing to change that! In fact, things may be getting worse. Not only are we facing the possibility of women from outside of Virginia coming to our area to get their abortions, but access to and demand for abortion pills is growing exponentially. This means more innocent pre-born children, their moms, and their families are in jeopardy of abortion than ever before.

Our ministry Crisis Pregnancy Center of Tidewater (CPC) is a Christ-centered, non-profit organization that helps women navigate the fears that come with an unintended pregnancy so that they can choose LIFE with confidence. CPC exists to save lives, spare hearts, and spread the gospel of Jesus Christ here in South Hampton Roads.

OUR commitment Now, more than ever, we must STAND FIRM against the darkness coming against us and PRESS ON to make a difference in the lives of families across South Hampton Roads. We must not waiver in our commitment to ensure that more children get to take their first breath of air, and we must never stop being the hands and feet of Jesus to these moms, dads, and families in need.

Learn more about the ministry of CPC and find out how you can help more families by visiting cpcfriends.org



We welcome Suzanne Wolvin this morning as she accompanies us in worship. Thank you for being with us today and lending your musical talents while our organist, Carroll Smith, is spending time with family.

Mothers hold a very special place in our lives and the LWML would like to wish you a very blessed Mother's Day. As you leave service this morning, please receive a carnation and know how much you are appreciated.

Special Ministries will be making sandwiches for the St. Columba Ecumenical Ministries next Sunday, May 21st following the Worship Service. Many hands make for light work. We hope you will be able to stay after church to help make the sandwiches. If you have never made them before it goes fast and the conversation while making the sandwiches is fun! Hope you will join us!

Trinity will be celebrating its 103rd Anniversary on June 4th! Following that Worship Service we will be holding an old-fashioned picnic on the front lawn. Look for hamburgers and hot dogs, games and fellowship. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets. Dress will be casual for that Sunday's service. There is a sign-up sheet to let us know you are attending and what you will bring.

Registration Forms are now available for those wishing to be a vendor at the LWML Art and Craft Fair on Saturday, August 19, 2023. Spaces are limited so please apply early! Forms can be picked up in the Welcome Center.

Printer Ink Cartridge Recycling — We collect used **ink cartridges!** Office Max/Depot Recycling Rewards will give us credit for them towards future purchases. So, next time your ink is running low and you are getting ready to pitch it, *please don't* and bring it in so that we can recycle it!

NEW MEMBERS – On Pentecost Sunday, May 28th we will be welcoming New Members. Please join us as we celebrate these New Members and take a moment to say WELCOME!

Sunday School Classes for children will NOT meet in June, July and August. (Adult Bible Class will continue to meet through the month of June.) Adult Bible Class will NOT meet in July and August.

If you are moving, PCS'ing or leaving our congregation soon, please let the church office know at least a week before your final Sunday with us so that we can bid Farewell/Godspeed to you.

Graduation season is almost here and Trinity Lutheran Church is ready to celebrate all students as they graduate from high school, college, and graduate schools. To help us do so, please let the Church Office know who will be graduating and from where. It would also be nice to know awards, special interests, etc. and what their future plans are. A photo of the graduate would also be appreciated if possible.

The Board of Special Ministries would like to express their thanks for a huge success with the food drive for the Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore. We collected 418 pounds of food for 278 meals. \$620 was donated for 850 meals. In one month, Trinity had the impact of 1,128 meals. THANK YOU to all who participated! Thank you to Diane Shaver for taking the food to the Foodbank.

Sunday, May 7, 2023 Worship Attendance – 85 General Offerings - \$9,748.50

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Sunday, May 14th	Sixth Sunday of Easter/Mother's Day	
	Sunday School Classes/Adult Bible Class	9:00 am
	New Member Class	9:00 am
	Communion Worship Service	10:00 am
Tuesday, May 16th	Deacon's Meeting	1:30 pm
Thursday, May 18th	The Ascension of Our LORD	
	Ladies Bible Study	11:30 am
	Choir Rehearsal	4:30 pm
	Men's Bible Study @ Ball's home	6:30 pm
Sunday, May 21st	Seventh Sunday of Easter	
	Sunday School Classes/Adult Bible Class	9:00 am
	New Member Class	9:00 am
	Communion Worship Service	10:00 am
	Special Voters' Assembly Meeting	Following Worship
	Special Ministries Sandwich Making	Following Meeting
	Board of Worship Meeting	Following Meeting

Scriptures for May 21st

Acts 1:12-26 ~ 1 Peter 4:12-19; 5:6-11 ~ John 17:1-11

Budget Update – April 2023			
Monthly Revenues	\$31,723.00		
Monthly Expenses	\$16,707.58		
Year to date Revenues	\$96,643.10		
Year to date Expenses	\$66,800.79		
Year to date: Actual Revenue less Actual Expenses		\$29,842.31	
Christian stewardship is the free and joyous activity of the child of God and God's family, the church, in managing all of life and life's resources for God's purposes.			
Moving Trinity Forward Fund – April 2023			
Monthly	Total		
\$450.00	\$2,225.00		

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. James 1:17 There are a great many passages in Scripture which echo this theme: everything good we have is from God. He loves to give. He loves to bless. He loves to show us generosity time and again, and He desires that we reflect His love and openhanded kindness.