



Trinity

Evangelical Lutheran
Church & School

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
APRIL 24, 2022
PREACHER: PASTOR FRED TOPPE

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We will be following Setting 3 on page 188 in the CW21 hymnals.

Hymn: 642 O Word of God Incarnate

- 1 O Word of God incarnate,
O Wisdom from on high,
O Truth unchanged, unchanging,
O Light of our dark sky,
we praise you for the radiance
that from the hallowed page,
a lantern to our footsteps,
shines on from age to age.
- 2 The Church from you, dear Master,
received the gift divine,
and still that light is lifted
o'er all the earth to shine.
It is the chart and compass
that, all life's voyage through,
mid mists and rocks and quicksands
still guides, O Christ, to you.
- 3 O make your Church, dear Savior,
a lamp of purest gold
to bear before the nations
your true light, as of old.
O teach your wand'ring pilgrims
by this their path to trace
till, clouds and darkness ended,
they see you face to face.

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P: In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Confession and Absolution

P: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

C: If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

C: Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

P: Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Lord, have mercy.

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.

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Amen.

Glory to God in the Highest

The musical notation consists of three staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the first four measures of the melody. The second staff contains the next four measures, with the lyrics 'Glo - ry to God in the high - est, glo - ry to' written below. The third staff contains the final four measures, with the lyrics 'God, and peace to his peo - ple on earth,' written below. The melody is simple and hymn-like, using quarter and eighth notes.

and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and

Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we

praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly

Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on

us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the

Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer. For

you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the

Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus

Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the

glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, glo - ry to

God, and peace to his peo - ple on earth,

and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

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P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day:

P: Let us pray. O risen Lord, you came to your disciples and took away their fears with your word of peace. Come to us also by Word and sacrament, and banish our fears with the comforting assurance of your abiding presence; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

First Lesson: Acts 5:12, 17–32

¹²The apostles performed many signs and wonders among the people. And all the believers used to meet together in Solomon’s Colonnade. ¹⁷Then the high priest and all his associates, who were members of the party of the Sadducees, were filled with jealousy.

¹⁸They arrested the apostles and put them in the public jail. ¹⁹But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the doors of the jail and brought them out. ²⁰“Go, stand in the temple courts,” he said, “and tell the people all about this new life.” ²¹At daybreak they entered the temple courts, as they had been told, and began to teach the people. When the high priest and his associates arrived, they called together the Sanhedrin—the full assembly of the elders of Israel—and sent to the jail for the apostles. ²²But on arriving at

the jail, the officers did not find them there. So they went back and reported, ²³“We found the jail securely locked, with the guards standing at the doors; but when we opened them, we found no one inside.” ²⁴On hearing this report, the captain of the temple guard and the chief priests were at a loss, wondering what this might lead to. ²⁵Then someone came and said, “Look! The men you put in jail are standing in the temple courts teaching the people.” ²⁶At that, the captain went with his officers and brought the apostles. They did not use force, because they feared that the people would stone them. ²⁷The apostles were brought in and made to appear before the Sanhedrin to be questioned by the high priest. ²⁸“We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name,” he said. “Yet you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and are determined to make us guilty of this man’s blood.” ²⁹Peter and the other apostles replied: “We must obey God rather than human beings! ³⁰The God of our ancestors raised Jesus from the dead—whom you killed by hanging him on a cross. ³¹God exalted him to his own right hand as Prince and Savior that he might bring Israel to repentance and forgive their sins. ³²We are witnesses of these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him.”

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 150B

Refrain: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God in his sanctuary;

praise him in his mighty heavens.

Praise him for his acts of power;

praise him for his surpassing greatness.

Refrain:

Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet,

praise him with the harp and lyre,

praise him with timbrel and dancing,

praise him with the strings and pipe,

praise him with the clash of cymbals,

praise him with resounding cymbals.

Refrain:

Let everything that has breath praise the LORD.

Praise the LORD.

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.

Refrain:

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Second Lesson: Revelation 1:4–18(Sermon text is bolded)

⁴*John, To the seven churches in the province of Asia: Grace and peace to you from him who is, and who was, and who is to come, and from the seven spirits before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father—to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen. ⁷“Look, he is coming with the clouds,” and “every eye will see him, even those who pierced him”; and all peoples on earth “will mourn because of him.” So shall it be! Amen. ⁸“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.” ⁹I, John, your brother and companion in the suffering and kingdom and patient endurance that are ours in Jesus, was on the island of Patmos because of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. ¹⁰On the Lord’s Day I was in the Spirit, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet, ¹¹which said: “Write on a scroll what you see and send it to the seven churches: to Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamum, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia and Laodicea.” ¹²I turned around to see the voice that was speaking to me. And when I turned I saw seven golden lampstands, ¹³and among the lampstands was someone like a son of man, dressed in a robe reaching down to his feet and with a golden sash around his chest. ¹⁴The hair on his head was white like wool, as white as snow, and his eyes were like blazing fire. ¹⁵His feet were like bronze glowing in a furnace, and his voice was like the sound of rushing waters. ¹⁶In his right hand he held seven stars, and coming out of his mouth was a sharp, double-edged sword. His face was like the sun shining in all its brilliance. ¹⁷When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. Then he placed his right hand on me and said: “Do not be afraid. I am the First and the Last. ¹⁸I am the Living One; I was dead, and now look, I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades.*

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation: Gospel Acclamation - Setting 3



Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Tone



Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have be - lieved.

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Gospel: John 20:19–31

¹⁹On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you!” ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord. ²¹Again Jesus said, “Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.” ²²And with that he breathed on them and said, “Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive anyone’s sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven.” ²⁴Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord!” But he said to them, “Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.” ²⁶A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you!” ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe.” ²⁸Thomas said to him, “My Lord and my God!” ²⁹Then Jesus told him,

“Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.” ³⁰ *Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book.* ³¹ *But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.*

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Hymn of the Day: 446 Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense

- 1 Jesus Christ, my sure defense
and my Savior, now is living!
Knowing this, my confidence
rests upon the hope he’s giving,
though the night of death be fraught
still with many’ —an anxious thought.
- 2 Jesus, my Redeemer, lives;
I, too, unto life shall waken.
Endless joy my Savior gives;
shall my courage then be shaken?
Shall I fear, or could the head
rise and leave his members dead?
- 3 No, too closely am I bound
unto him by hope forever;
faith’s strong hand the rock has found,
grasped it, and will leave it never.
Even death now cannot part
from its Lord the trusting heart.
- 4 I am flesh and must return
unto dust, whence I am taken;
but by faith I now discern
that from death I shall awaken
with my Savior to abide
in his glory, at his side.
- 5 Glorified, I shall anew
with this flesh then be enshrouded;
in this body I shall view
God, my Lord, with eyes unclouded;
in this flesh I then shall see
Jesus Christ eternally.

Text: Otto von Schwerin, 1616–1679; (sts. 1–3): tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.; (st. 4): tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941,; (st. 5): tr. Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book, 1912, alt.

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Sermon Text: Revelation 1:4b-8

Sermon Theme: What does Jesus See from His Throne?

Apostles' Creed

C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there 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.

Offering

Prayer of the Church

P: Loving God and Lord, you created the universe that surrounds us and the globe on which we live. You control all things through your Son, who sits at your right hand in glory.

C: Comfort us with the promise of your eternal presence.

P: Give your Word power as it works in our hearts and minds. Clear away our confusion, and demolish our doubts. Send your Spirit to strengthen both our confidence in your promises and our desire to live according to your will.

C: Take away our love of sinning, and restore us each day by your grace.

P: The signs of the times warn us that the end of time is near. Protect us from scoffers who sneer at your truth. Spare us and Christians around the world from all forms of hate and persecution.

C: Give us courage to carry the cross with patience and joy.

P: Instill in the hearts of our children a desire to follow you as they prepare for future days. Help them distinguish between what is passing and what is eternal, between instant thrills and lasting joy.

Encourage more young people to prepare for service in the public ministry of the gospel.

C: Mold us and move us to be good examples for our youth.

P: Hold in your care, Lord, those who are experiencing physical or emotional pain and all who are afflicted by disease or facing death. Pour out your compassion on the grieving, and comfort the mourners who miss someone they loved.

C: Move us to pray for these brothers and sisters and to help when we can.

P: Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

P: Whether we pray together or alone, you have promised to hear and answer us. Give us patience to accept your blessings in whatever way you send them. In your love and wisdom, prepare us for the day when you will take us to be with you forever.

C: Hear us for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Hymn: 456 Verses 5-8 O Sons and Daughters of the King

- 5 When Thomas afterwards had heard
that Jesus had fulfilled his word,
he doubted that it was the Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 6 "Thomas, behold my side," said he,
"my hands, my feet, my body see;
and doubt not, but believe in me."
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 7 No longer Thomas then denied;
he saw the feet, the hands, the side;
"You are my Lord and God," he cried.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 8 Blessèd are they that have not seen
and yet whose faith has constant been;
in life eternal they shall reign.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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Lord's Prayer

C: 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.

Blessing

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and I give you peace.

C: Amen.

Hymn: 746 I Love to Tell the Story

1 I love to tell the story
of unseen things above,
of Jesus and his glory,
of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story
because I know it's true;
it satisfies my longings
as nothing else can do.

**Refrain: I love to tell the story;
'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story
of Jesus and his love.**

2 O wonderful redemption!
The price for sin is paid,
salvation is accomplished,
my heart is unafraid,
for God has raised Christ Jesus
to show the work was done;
his glorious resurrection
declared the vict'ry won!

Refrain:

3 I love to tell the story,
for those who know it best
seem hungering and thirsting
to hear it like the rest.
And when in scenes of glory
I sing the new, new song,
'twill be the old, old story
that I have loved so long.

Refrain:

*Text (sts. 1–3): Katherine Hankey, 1834–1911, verses, abr., alt.; (Ref): William G. Fischer, 1835–1912, refrain
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Announcements-April 3, 2022 Trinity News

- Thank you to everyone who attended, helped before, during and after the Easter breakfast. Your help was very much appreciated. It was a great way to have fellowship with our members, which made it feel like fun rather than work. Easter blessings to everyone!
- There will be a Gym Activity Day on Saturday, April 30th starting at 1 pm. Volleyballs and basketballs will be available for the youth and adults of all ages!
- The congregation has called Miss Mary Ellen Lawson to be our new 4K teacher. Her current call is in Medford, WI at the Little Lambs Academy. Please keep her in your prayers while she deliberates on this call.
- There is a Thank You celebration planned for May 1st with a meal following a presentation on information for the Debt Retirement campaign and the Grounded and Growing campaign for the next 2 years. Please contact the church secretary (920-766-2029 or email secretary@trinitykaukauna.com) as soon as possible to reserve a spot for the meal.
- Thank you to Rev. Toppe for leading us in worship.

FVL News

- **Future Freshman Night** is Mon., April 25. Parents and 8th graders are invited to attend this special evening designed just for them! Whether you have enrolled or are investigating your options, please join us for information and fun. Go to fvlhs.org/future for info and registration.

- **Special Hours** - The School and SCRIP Offices will close at 3 PM on Wednesday, April 27.
- FVL's Mission Advancement Office is hosting a free informational seminar as a service to Federation members. Join us at FVL on Wed., April 27 to hear from a financial planner and an attorney regarding **Long Term Care**. Event begins at 6 PM. Go to fvlhs.org/seminar to register and get information.
- **FVL's Annual Electronics Recycling Drive** is coming April 29 & 30. Check fvlhs.org/recycle for a list of recyclable items and potential fees.

WELS United News

- St. Peter Lutheran Theatre Arts proudly presents the Junior adaptation of Disney's Broadway smash hit, Frozen! Presented with permission from Music Theater International, the students of St. Peter will take audiences on an adventure through the fjords of Arendelle where they will meet characters like Queen Elsa, Princess Anna, and everyone's favorite snowman, Olaf! Featuring hit songs like, Let it Go and Love Is an Open Door, audience hearts will be warmed by performances that will be fun for the whole family. Run times are between 60 and 75 minutes, and shows are free to the general public on May 5-7. Tickets may be purchased by following this link: <https://www.showtix4u.com/event-details/62211>

AVFP News

- The next collection for the pantry is the weekend of May 14-15, 2022. Here is the list of items currently in need of at the pantry: Rice & pasta side dishes in pouches (Knorr®), 1 lb. bags or 14 oz. boxes of plain white or brown rice, canned mandarins, canned pineapple, canned pork n beans/baked beans (only these), canned mixed vegetables, Spam®, canned diced tomatoes and men's body washes. If you or if you know of someone who would benefit from pantry assistance, please contact your pastor. Also, if you know of someone who may have 2,500 sq. feet of ground level space for lease, please contact Brian Elmer at (920) 277-7496 or elmer.brian@gmail.com.

Our Stewardship of

The Means of Grace

Date	Church	Visitors	Communion	Bible Class
3-27	84	4	N/A	14
3-30(W)	39	5	N/A	N/A
4-3	112	7	89	15
4-6(W)	53	7	N/A	N/A
4-10	233	133	N/A	N/A

The Means to do His Work

Date	Our gifts	'22 Budget/wk	'22 Actual YTD	'22 Budget/YTD
<u>Thru 4-12</u>	\$ 8,055	\$5,837	\$ 56,336	\$ 85,992
			(-- \$ 29,656)	

Serving the

Lord today:

Organist: Emma Curtis
Usher: Eric Hansen

Video: Kyle Marks
Screens: Sherry Mau

This week at Trinity Ev. Lutheran

Today	Sun 4/24	10 am	Fellowship (Pastor Holtz at Bloomer, WI)
		10:15	Bible Class/Sunday School
Mon	4/25	6-9 pm	Cemetery Work Meeting
Tue	4/26	7 pm	Adult Instruction
Wed	4/27	9 am	St Paul Home Volunteer arrival
		9:45	Lutheran Service
			Pastor Conference
Thur	4/28		Pastor Conference
		6 pm	Choir
		7 pm	Handbells
Sat	4/30	1 pm	Gym Activitiy
Sun	5/1	9 am	Worship
		10 am	Fellowship
		10:15	Bible Class
		10:30	Presentation
		11:30	Celebration Dinner

Looking Ahead:

Wednesday and Thursday (April 27 and 28) Pastor will be at a Pastor's conference in Green Bay. He will be available by phone. (920-759-7424)

WELCOME TO TRINITY LUTHERAN!

A member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS)

MISSION – To glorify God by growing in his Word and sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ.

VISITORS – If you are a visitor, we are very glad to have you here today and invite you to worship with us again.

QUESTIONS – If you have questions or would like more information about our church and/or school, please ask. Our deacons and greeters are available in the entry of the church to answer any questions you might have.

RESTROOMS – Our restroom is located in the upper entry of the church. More restrooms are located in the lower level.

CHILDREN – Jesus said, ‘Let the little children come to me.’ We love children and encourage their worship. Please don’t feel embarrassed if your child is restless during the service. You are among caring people who understand. If you decide that it’s best to remove your child from worship, please feel free to take him or her to the entry or lower level of the church.

SERVICE SCHEDULE – Sundays, 9:00 am; Radio Broadcast – Sundays, 7:30 am WEMI (91.9 FM)

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