



# TRINITY MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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*As you*  
**SENT ME**  
*into the world,*



*so I have*  
**SENT THEM**  
*into the world.*



John 17:18, ESV

May 12, 2024

The Seventh Sunday of Easter



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## Divine Service — Setting One

**Prelude** “Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling”

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### Confession and Absolution

**Hymn 650 Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling**



1 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er dwell - ing In the ho - liest  
2 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er liv - ing As the Church's  
3 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er work - ing Through the Church's



realms of light; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er brood - ing  
ver - y life; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er striv - ing  
min - is - try; Quick - 'ning, strength - 'ning, and ab - solv - ing,



O'er a world of gloom and night; Ho - ly Spir - it,  
Through us in a cease - less strife; Ho - ly Spir - it,  
Set - ting cap - tive sin - ners free; Ho - ly Spir - it,



ev - er rais - ing Those of earth to thrones on high; Liv - ing,  
ev - er form - ing In the Church the mind of Christ: You we  
ev - er bind - ing Age to age and soul to soul In com -



life - im - part - ing Spir - it, You we praise and mag - ni - fy.  
praise with end - less wor - ship For Your gifts and fruits un - priced.  
mu - nion nev - er end - ing, You we wor - ship and ex - tol.

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Tune: Oude en Nieuwe Hollantse . . . Contradanseu, c. 1710, Amsterdam  
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**Stand**

*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  $\text{✠}$  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.

**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **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.**

**P** 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

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray.

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

*Sit*

### First Reading *Acts 1:12–26*

### Matthias Chosen to Replace Judas

Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, "Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." (Now this man bought a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) "For it is written in the Book of Psalms,

“May his camp become desolate, and let there be no one to dwell in it’;  
and

“Let another take his office.’

So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us — one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection.” And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. And they prayed and said, “You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**Women’s Choir** “Cantate Domino, Sing to the Lord” by Natalie Sleeth  
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### **Epistle** 1 John 5:9–15

If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater, for this is the testimony of God that he has borne concerning his Son. Whoever believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself. Whoever does not believe God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has borne concerning his Son. And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

That You May Know

I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God that you may know that you have eternal life. And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

### **Alleluia and Verse (All Sing)**

*LSB 156*

**C** **Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.**

### **Holy Gospel** John 17:11b–19

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventeenth chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] “Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except

the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**G** Praise to You, O Christ.

## Apostles' Creed

**G** 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*

## Hymn 539 Christ Is the World's Redeemer



1 Christ is the world's Re - deem - er, The lov - er of the pure,  
 2 Christ has our host sur - round - ed With clouds of mar - tyrs bright,  
 3 Down through the realm of dark - ness He strode in vic - to - ry,  
 △ 4 Glo - ry to God the Fa - ther, The un - be - got - ten One,



The font of heav'n-ly wis - dom, Our trust and hope se - cure,  
 Who wave their palms in tri - umph And fire us for the fight.  
 And at the hour ap - point - ed He rose tri - um - phant-ly.  
 All hon - or be to Je - sus, His sole - be - got - ten Son,



The ar - mor of His sol - diers, The Lord of earth and sky,  
 Then Christ the cross as - cend - ed To save a world un - done  
 And now, to heav'n as - cend - ed, He sits up - on the throne  
 And to the Ho - ly Spir - it— The per - fect Trin - i - ty.



Our health while we are liv - ing, Our life when we shall die.  
And, suf - f'ring for the sin - ful, Our full re - demp - tion won.  
Whence He had ne'er de - part - ed, His Fa - ther's and His own.  
Let all the worlds give an - swer: A - men! So let it be.

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*Tune: Irish*

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## Sermon

**Offering** “Christ is the World's Redeemer”, setting by John Eggert, ©2019 CPH

*Stand*

## Prayer of the Church

- P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** . . . let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** . . . through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C** **Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

- P** Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:
- C** **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.**

## Benediction

*LSB 166*

- 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.**

# Hymn 644 The Church's One Foundation

sts. 1-5



1 The Church's one foun - da - tion Is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;  
2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, Yet one o'er all the earth;  
3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der The world sees her op - pressed,  
4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion And tu - mult of her war  
5 Yet she on earth has u - nion With God, the Three in One,



She is His new cre - a - tion By wa - ter and the Word.  
Her char - ter of sal - va - tion: One Lord, one faith, one birth.  
By schisms rent a - sun - der, By her - e - sies dis - tressed,  
She waits the con - sum - ma - tion Of peace for - ev - er - more  
And mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion With those whose rest is won.



From heav'n He came and sought her To be His ho - ly bride;  
One ho - ly name she bless - es, Par - takes one ho - ly food,  
Yet saints their watch are keep - ing; Their cry goes up, "How long?"  
Till with the vi - sion glo - rious Her long - ing eyes are blest,  
O bless - ed heav'n - ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by Your grace



With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.  
And to one hope she press - es With ev - 'ry grace en - dued.  
And soon the night of weep - ing Shall be the morn of song.  
And the great Church vic - to - rious Shall be the Church at rest.  
That we, like saints be - fore us, May see You face to face.

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## Postlude "The Church's One Foundation",

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**Happy Easter! (Yes, it's still that season!) And happy Mother's Day to all who share a caring relationship with a mom or mom-figure. Welcome to worship.**

9:00 a.m. worship services with Holy Communion  
on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays  
10:30 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Study  
9:00 a.m. Thursday Bible Study

### **SERVING IN THE HOUSE OF THE LORD**

**Preacher:** Rev. Brian J. Nygaard  
**Acolyte:** Sophia Kukelhan  
**Reader:** Bill Eich  
**Organist:** Suzanne Hale  
**Special Music:** Women's Choir



**Altar Flowers:** The beautiful flowers adorning the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God by Mike & Judy Shultz in celebration of Mother's Day. Also in thanksgiving for their 52<sup>nd</sup> wedding anniversary on May 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Witness Statement** Jesus prayed for His disciples. He also intercedes for you and me. Our text is a portion of the High Priestly prayer of Jesus, asking that His Father in heaven would preserve and protect His disciples in a hostile world. The words following this text include the same prayer for us believers today. What an encouragement this is for us to "keep the faith" and at the same time to share it with all of those around us.

**Today's Door Collection is for Ascension Lutheran Christian School** As our faithful educational, Sunday School and Confirmation Classes comes to an end, let us remember our neighbors, the children at Ascension Lutheran Christian School in Gary. Let us do what we can to help support these little one's faith and education. Please consider making a donation today

**Last day of Sunday School is Today. Pastor will still continue Bible Classes**

### **SISTERS IN CHRIST ACTIVITIES**

- ☀ Shipshewana Day on **May 14<sup>th</sup>** from 7 AM to 7 PM. Please sign up!
- ☀ We are going out to eat! Join us on **May 20<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30 PM at Asparagus in Merrillville. Please sign up if you can attend. See Celeste for more information.



## **FEED THE FLOCK TIME**

Trinity Memorial will be preparing and serving lunch on **May 18<sup>th</sup>** at the First Presbyterian Church on Taft. We are going to try something different: Spaghetti, garlic bread, green beans, fruit cocktail and desserts. Please see the sign up sheet in the narthex. If you are just providing food items, please have them delivered by 9:00-9:15 am to our church. They will be picked up and taken over there for the meal. Please consider helping this endeavor. Thank you.

**Book Club** We will be meeting on **May 21<sup>st</sup>** at noon in the conference room to discuss "The Leisure Seeker " by Michael Zadoorian. Bring a lunch.

## **Interested in helping with an Outreach Event for Food Bank of Northwest Indiana**

Contact Dr. Brian E. Thompson, 219-616-1655, [betdvm@comcast.net](mailto:betdvm@comcast.net)

## **Are you GRADUATING this year ?**

We would like to know! Please send us your Graduation Information (High School, Military, College, or Career certification) and future plans to [tmlamore@att.net](mailto:tmlamore@att.net) for acknowledgement **on June 2<sup>nd</sup>**. Thank you!

***There are two NEW ways for TMLC to earn donations. Go online and sign up***

- 1). **"iGive"** is a program that is similar to AmazonSmile. If you online shop you can choose TMLC as the non-profit of your choice to earn your credits.

***Are you an online shopper?*** **iGive** is FREE for your supporters and Trinity Memorial Lutheran Church. Your supporters' shopping turns into donations. Encourage your friends and supporters to get iGive - earn Double Donations for TMLC on all their purchases for the month of **May**.

### **Step 1: Become an iGive Member**

In order to manage your cause on iGive, a personal iGive membership is required. To register a free iGive membership supporting Trinity Memorial Lutheran Church please visit: <https://www.igive.com/TrinityMemorialLutheranChurch>

- 2). The second organization is **"Benevity"**. Your volunteer activities and corporate matching donations allow you to choose TMLC as your non-profit cause. <https://www.benevity.com/causes>

Archery, hikes, boating, crafts, games, swimming, and many more activities are all a part of the summer experience at Camp. Come for one of our weekend camps, register for a week of youth or high school camp, or help Lutherhaven celebrate it's 75th anniversary! For 75 years, Lutherhaven has been providing the setting and resources for people to grow in their relationship with others and—more importantly—in their relationship with God. Come see what camp is all about! Register online today at [www.lutherhaven.org](http://www.lutherhaven.org), or call 260.636.7101.

## THIS WEEK at TMLC

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Worship Service</b>
	10:00 AM	Finance Meeting
	10:30 AM	Sunday School and Bible Classes
<b>MONDAY</b>	5:30 PM	By-Laws Meeting
		<i>FLC Event</i>
<b>TUESDAY</b>	7:00 AM	Sisters in Christ go to Shipshewana
	6:00 PM	Church Council
<b>THURSDAY</b>	9:00 AM	Bible Study
	5:00 PM	Confirmation
<b>SATURDAY</b>	9:30 AM	Feed the Flock
		<i>FLC Event</i>

**Set Apart to Serve** Is there a young man in your congregation you would like to encourage to consider becoming a pastor? How about someone who would be a great Lutheran school teacher, deaconess or DCE? Jesus gives His church people who work full time in service to the Gospel. He told us to pray for such workers. Along with our prayers, the LCMS has begun *Set Apart to Serve* (SAS), an intentional effort to encourage young people to consider church work as their lifelong vocation. Your opinion can help improve SAS. Please take a brief survey at [lcms.org/set-apart-to-serve-survey](https://lcms.org/set-apart-to-serve-survey) and let us know how you think SAS can be beneficial to your congregation. Thank you.

Save the Date for **VBS—June 24-28**  
See Dave Milan for questions  
**SCUBA — Diving into friendship with God**

### **Are We There Yet?**

We are planning a group outing to see the comedian, Jeff Allen at The Blue Gate Theatre (PAC) Performing Arts Center on August 7 at 7:30 PM. Please sign up if interested.

### **Congregational Survey**

The TMLC leadership wants to hear from you as part of a Congregational Survey. Please click the link below or scan the QR code to be taken to the survey. <https://forms.gle/E31E28Bmy9kimNov9>.

**Please complete the survey by May 19<sup>th</sup>.**



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