



**Holy Trinity
Lutheran
Church**

**Our Mission:
To make disciples
by Baptizing and
Teaching about Jesus.**

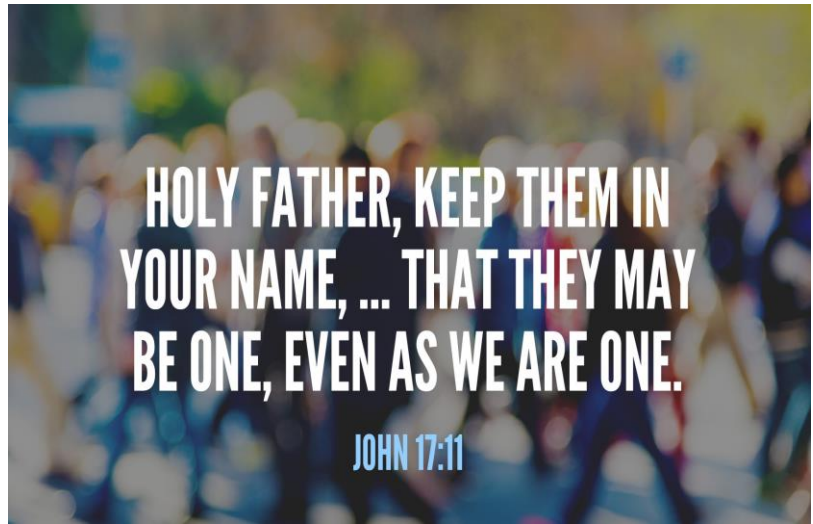
Rev. Michael S. Taylor
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Elder of the Day



Our Great High Priest Preserves Us in the Name of His Father

On the eve of His Passion, Christ Jesus intercedes for the disciples as their merciful and great High Priest. He prays that His Father would protect them “*from the evil one*” and preserve them in His name (John 17:11–12, 15). Along with His prayer, Christ Himself comes to the Father by His self-sacrifice upon the cross, thereby consecrating Himself for the sake of His disciples, “*that they also may be sanctified in truth*” (John 17:19). To that same end, He speaks to them in the world and gives them His Father’s Word, that is, Himself. His apostles, in turn, have written these things “*to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life*” (1 John 5:13). For “*this life is in his Son,*” whom He has given by His Word, and “*whoever has the Son has life*” (1 John 5:11–12). By this apostolic testimony, disciples are gathered together “*with one accord,*” as one Body in Christ, “*devoting themselves to prayer*” and waiting upon the Lord in “*the upper room*” of His Church on earth (Acts 1:13–14)

Seventh Sunday of Easter

MAY 12, 2024

Confession and Absolution

Opening Hymn LSB 901 Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

- 1 Open now thy gates of beauty;
Zion, let me enter there,
Where my soul in joyful duty
Waits for Him who answers prayer.
Oh, how blessed is this place,
Filled with solace, light, and grace!
- 2 Gracious God, I come before Thee;
Come Thou also unto me.
Where we find Thee and adore Thee,
There a heav'n on earth must be.
To my heart, O enter Thou;
Let it be Thy temple now!
- 3 Here Thy praise is gladly chanted;
Here Thy seed is duly sown.
Let my soul, where it is planted,
Bring forth precious sheaves alone,
So that all I hear may be
Fruitful unto life in me.
- 4 Thou my faith increase and quicken;
Let me keep Thy gift divine,
Howsoe'er temptations thicken;
May Thy Word still o'er me shine
As my guiding star through life,
As my comfort in all strife.
- 5 Speak, O God, and I will hear Thee;
Let Thy will be done indeed.
May I undisturbed draw near Thee
While Thou dost Thy people feed.
Here of life the fountain flows;
Here is balm for all our woes.

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Please 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 ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. LSB 186

C Amen. *Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]*

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord, *Hebrews 10:22*

C who made heaven and earth. *Psalm 124:8*

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin. *Psalm 32:5*

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter

sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

John 20:19-23

C Amen.

Sharing the Peace

Matthew 5:23-24

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 27:1a, 4-5, 10, 14; antiphon: v. 7

P Hear, O YAHWEH, when I | cry aloud;*
be gracious to me and | answer me!

YAHWEH is my light and my sal- | vation;*
whom | shall I fear?

One thing have I asked of YAHWEH, that will I seek | after:*

that I may dwell in the house of YAHWEH all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of YAHWEH and to inquire in his | temple.

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of | trouble;*

he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high up- | on a rock.

For my father and my mother have for- | saken me,*

but YAHWEH will | take me in.

Wait | for YAHWEH;*

be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait | for YAHWEH!

C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

P Hear, O YAHWEH, when I | cry aloud;*
be gracious to me and | answer me!

Kyrie

LSB 186; Mark 10:47

C **Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 187

P Glory be to God on high:

C **and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.**

We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,

we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.

**O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.
For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

C And with thy spirit.

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.

Please be seated.

First Reading

Acts 1:12–26

¹²Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. ¹³And 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. ¹⁴All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, ¹⁶“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. ¹⁷For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.”

¹⁸(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. ¹⁹And 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.) ²⁰“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.’

²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning 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.”²³ And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias.²⁴ And they prayed and said, “You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen²⁵ to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.”²⁶ 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.**

Epistle

1 John 5:9–15

⁹If 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. ¹⁰Whoever 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. ¹¹And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹²Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

¹³I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God that you may know that you have eternal life. ¹⁴And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. ¹⁵And 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.**

Please stand.

Alleluia

LSB 190

- C** **Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Holy Gospel

John 17:11b–19

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventeenth chapter.
- C** **Glory be to Thee, 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. ¹²While 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. ¹³But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. ¹⁴I 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. ¹⁵I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. ¹⁶They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁷Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

LSB 190 or the back of the hymnal

C 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.

Please be seated.

Sermon Hymn LSB 845 Where Charity and Love Prevail

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| 1 Where charity and love prevail
There God is ever found;
Brought here together by Christ's love
By love are we thus bound. | 4 Let strife among us be unknown;
Let all contention cease;
Be God's the glory that we seek;
Be ours His holy peace. |
| 2 With grateful joy and holy fear
His charity we learn;
Let us with heart and mind and soul
Now love Him in return. | 5 Let us recall that in our midst
Dwells Christ, His only Son;
As members of His body joined
We are in Him made one. |
| 3 Forgive we now each other's faults
As we our faults confess,
And let us love each other well
In Christian holiness. | 6 For love excludes no race or clan
That names the Savior's name;
His family embraces all
Whose Father is the same. |

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Sermon

- P** The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. *Philippians 4:7*
- C** Amen.

Please stand.

Offertory

LSB 192

- C** Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit.
Amen. *Psalm 51:10-12*

Please be seated.

Offering

Please stand.

Prayer of the Church

1 Timothy 2:1-4

Lord's Prayer

LSB 196; Matthew 6:6-13

- 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.
- C** For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

- P** The Lord be with you. *2 Timothy 4:22*

- C** And with thy spirit.

Benedicamus

LSB 202

- A** Bless we the Lord. *Psalm 103:1*
- C** Thanks be to God.

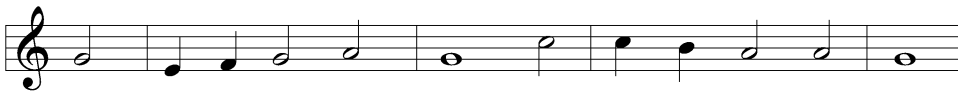
Benediction

LSB 202

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace. *Numbers 6:24-26*
- C** Amen, amen, amen.

Please be seated.

Closing Hymn LSB 649 Blest Be the Tie That Binds



1 Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Chris - tian love;
2 Be - fore our Fa - ther's throne We pour our ar - dent prayers;
3 We share our mu - tual woes, Our mu - tual bur - dens bear,
4 When here our path - ways part, We suf - fer bit - ter pain;
5 From sor - row, toil, and pain, And sin we shall be free



The fel - low - ship of kin - dred minds Is like to that a - bove.
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, Our com - forts and our cares.
And of - ten for each oth - er flows The sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
Yet, one in Christ and one in heart, We hope to meet a - gain.
And per - fect love and friend - ship reign Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

PARISHSCOPE



*A mother
who loves her God and lives her faith
is a blessing to her children.*

*All thy children shall be taught of the LORD;
and great shall be the peace of thy children.*

ISAIAH 54:13



Happy Mother's Day! On this day, we especially thank God for the gift of motherhood, the gift of mothers, and the gift of children. We praise Him for the gift of life. He is worthy of our praise—life and motherhood are worthy of our joy! Please receive a carnation from one of our ushers in honor of your mother on this day!

Welcome to our Guests and Visitors!

The congregation of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church is pleased and honored to have you worship with us today. If you do not have a regular place of worship—**Welcome Home!** We would love to have you join our fellowship. Please introduce yourself to Pastor Taylor and sign our guest book.

NO Choir Practice today as it is Mother's Day, and we are eager to celebrate with our families. Please join us for practice next Sunday directly after church in the front corner of the church near the piano.

Albion Area Community Garden Planning Meeting...

will be held at 6 p.m. on Monday May 13th in the church office. Now is the time to start your spring planting. 4' X 8' garden plots are available now for you, for free, assigned on a first come-first served basis. Some of the food grown is donated to the Northwestern Food Pantry. Come volunteer so that there will be more food for all. The garden was created to feed the Albion area, promote recycling, and to bring the community together.

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN



In support of all Mothers... Holy Trinity is participating in **Change for Life, Baby Bottle Campaign** to support the **Women's Care Center of Erie County, PA**. The Women's Care Center (WCC) provides a safe and nurturing place of comfort, support and health to individuals facing difficult pregnancy, both planned and unplanned, youth making life choices, wounded women needing healing, and childless couples whose arms ache for a child. The WCC offers pregnancy testing, a 24-hour helpline, sonograms, counseling, STD testing & treatment, adoption services, educational programs and much more. It is only with our help that the WCC can keep all of their life-saving services free of charge.

Take an empty baby bottle home on Mother's Day, fill it with change, cash, or checks (make checks out to "WOMEN'S CARE CENTER"), & return them by Father's Day. Visit their website @ wccerie.org for more information. Just a few handfuls of change can help change and save lives!

Women's Bible Study... is taking a break taking for summer. Lord willing, we will be starting up again in the fall, so stay tuned and plan to join us then.

Evening Bible Study... Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. in the Family Center. Pastor Taylor is leading us through the whole Bible from the aspect of the Book of Revelation.

Our Next Midweek Worship Service with Communion... will be Wednesday, May 15th at 7:00 p.m. This Service, as well as all Holy Trinity Worship Services, are live-streamed on our Facebook page: facebook.com/HolyTLAlbion and on our YouTube channel: youtube.com/@holytrinitylutheranchurch9176. Service bulletins are posted on our website: holytrinitylutheranalbion.org/documents. Please join us in person when you are able.

Trustee Meeting... will be held at 6 p.m. on Thursday May 16 in the Family Center.

LOOKING AHEAD...

Preschool Graduation... will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday May 20th. A reception will follow in the Family Center with light refreshments served. You are invited to congratulate our youngest members on all their good work! They're eager to show you what they have learned about Jesus in preparation for kindergarten.

Council Meeting... will be held at 6 p.m. on Thursday May 23 in the Family Center.

Recycling... Just a reminder that Holy Trinity recycles aluminum cans. Please bring your cans to the bin beside the church garage before 8:00 a.m. Saturday May 25th. Thank you for your support!



Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Save the Date... on Sunday June 9th, 2024 at 3 p.m., we will celebrate the **90th anniversary of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church**. We will also celebrate the **40th anniversary of the ordination of Pastor Michael S. Talyor**.

We will share a catered meal at a location yet to be determined, with special speaker **The Rev. Dr. Douglas Spittel**, 2nd Vice President of the Eastern Region of the English District of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. Stay tuned for more details, and please plan to join us! If you

would like to help plan the event, speak to Carolyn Lindenmuth or Susan Taylor.

Car Cruisin'... Mark your calendars for our third annual Car Cruisin' to be held Saturday July 27th, 2024 (rain date August 3rd) from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Food will be provided by **Heavenly Fries** including Sloppy Joes and Hot Dogs, a 50/50 drawing, LWML Bake Sale, music and more! We are asking for donations for items to be raffled in the Chance Auction. See Ed Podpora for questions, comments, or if you want to help.

PRAYER GUIDE

Those needing healing...

Robert Bright (father-in-law
of Debbie Bright)

David Durfee

Florence English

Renee & Alyssa Isham

Pastor Blaine Jorg

Polly Klobusnik

Emily Marler (daughter of
Pastor & Susan Taylor)

Shelby, Tracy & Patricia

Metzenbacher

John & Andy Metka (Susan
Taylor's brothers)

Linda (Stevens) Olmstead

Cindy Parobek

Avery Podpora

Ray & Carol Struchen

Russell Struchen

Virginia Taylor (mother
of Pastor Taylor)

Extended Needs...

Evelyn Stevens

Those in the Armed Services...

Jennifer Attridge

Adam Crosby

Julie Evans

Christopher Fromknecht

Christina Guthrie

Violette Hosack

Nate Lawrence

Joe Moore

Shawn Olmstead

John Parmarter

Thomas Reiser

Timothy Reiser

Taylor Sisson

Jarrold White

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Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Library... has 9 patrons, 136 books, 42 DVDs and 14 CDs available to borrow. Stop by the office to become a member & borrow our media.

Looking for a good movie to share with your family on Mother's Day?

We recommend these: Maria Portokalos (Lainie Kazan) in **My Big Fat Greek Wedding**,

Caroline Butler (Teri Garr) in **Mr. Mom**, or Mary

(Keisha Castle-Hughes) in **The Nativity Story**. These items and more are available to borrow right now.

Come to the church office if you have questions, comments or to see what else we have to offer. Please bring your donation of gently used books, CDs, and DVDs to the church office.

These do not need to be of a religious nature, as we are able to swap them for more desirable titles. You can browse our materials & request items be placed on hold on the web @ holytrinityalbionlibrary.librarika.com/

Schedule for this week

May 13 - 19:

Monday May 13

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Office Hours

6:00 pm Fellowship/Ping Pong

Tuesday May 14

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Office Hours

6:00 pm Evening Bible Study

Wednesday May 15

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Office Hours

1:00 pm ParishScope Deadline

7:00 pm Communion Service

Thurs. May 16

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Office Hours

6:00 pm Trustees Meeting

Friday May 17

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Office Hours

Saturday May 18

Sunday May 19 ~Pentecost

9:00 am Bible Study

10:00 am Worship Service

11:00 am Graduation Party

for Carolyn Lindenmuth

Temple Servants for Sun. May 19:

Reader – David Lindenmuth

Ushers – Chuck Stevens,

Ed Podpora

Elder of the Day – Dale Klobusnik

Elder – Chuck Stevens

Kitchen Administrator for May is

Maggie Hanas, 814-756-4540

