

**Trinity  
Lutheran  
Church**

**April 28,  
2024**

**Fifth  
Sunday  
of Easter**

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IF  
YOU  
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WHATEVER  
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JOHN 15:7



**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**9:00 A.M. ~ SUNDAY, APRIL 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2024**



***THE LORD JESUS CHRIST WELCOMES ALL** who enter this house of worship! Today the risen Christ calls all to faith as we come to receive his presence and promise of forgiveness & life. given in the form of Holy Baptism. If you are visiting today, we pray our service of worship together will be a special blessing to you as you are to us.*

**WORSHIP AIDS**

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS** are available from an usher.

**ACTIVITY BAGS** for young children are on a stand at the rear of church; please return after services. Thanks.

**THANK YOU** for signing the Friendship Pad ..

**I WISH CARDS** are in your pews; please let us know your ideas to improve our Trinity home.

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**GATHERING**

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**WE PREPARE...** *This Sunday's image of how the risen Christ shares his life with us is the image of the vine. Christ the vine and we the branches are alive in each other, in the mystery of mutual abiding described in the gospel and the first letter of John. Baptism makes us a part of Christ's living and life-giving self and makes us alive with Christ's life. As the vine brings food to the branches, Christ feeds us at his table. We are sent out to bear fruit for the life of the world.*

**PRELUDE /BELL**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**Thanksgiving for Baptism**

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

**Amen.** Look, here is water! **Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

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.

Look, here is water! **Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

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. **Amen.**

Look, here is water! **Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

1 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the  
 2 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, dead in the  
 3 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the

blood of Christ our king: heirs of sal - va - tion, trust - ing his  
 tomb with Christ our king: one with his ris - ing, freed and for -  
 sign of Christ our king: born of the Spir - it, we are God's

prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.  
 giv - en, thank - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.  
 chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

**GREETING**

Sisters and brothers in Christ, beloved children of God: grace, mercy, and peace be with you all. **And also with you.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O God, you give us your Son as the vine apart from whom we cannot live. Nourish our life in his resurrection, that we may bear the fruit of love and know the fullness of your joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## KYRIE

*Refrain*



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.



- 1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
- 2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
- 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
- 4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for  
hun - gry and the poor; that  
friends and fam - i - ly; for  
wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,  
we may live out . . . . . truth and jus - tice and grace,  
life and for love, . . . . . for our work and our play,  
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,



*Refrain*

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

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## HOLY BAPTISM

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In baptism our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; by water and the Holy Spirit we are reborn children of God and made members of the church, the body of Christ. Living with Christ and in the communion of saints, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

I present **Delaney Doris Horman** for baptism.

As you bring Delaney to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with them among God's faithful people, bring him to the word of God and the holy supper, teach Harper the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in his hands the holy scriptures, and nurture him in faith and prayer, so that Harper may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help Delaney grow in the Christian faith and life? **I do.**

Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Delaney in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help her live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church? **I do.**

People of God, do you promise to support Delaney and pray for her in his new life in Christ?  
**We do.**

### **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God? **I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God? **I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God? **I renounce them.**

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

### **THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Delaney Doris Horman, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

Sustain Delaney with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **Amen.**

Delaney Doris Horman, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. **Amen.**

Let us welcome the newly baptized. **We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

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## WORD

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### FIRST READING

**Acts 8:26-40**

The first reading is in Acts chapter 8, verses 26 - 40. Led by the Spirit, Philip encounters an Ethiopian official who is returning to his African home after having been to Jerusalem to worship. Philip uses their encounter to proclaim the gospel to him. Upon coming to faith in Jesus, the Ethiopian is baptized by Philip.

*Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: "Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth."*

*The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing.*

*But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.*

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**SECOND READING**

**1 John 4:7-21**

The second reading is in 1 John chapter 4, verses 7 - 21. We love God and others because God first loved us. We cannot say we love God, whom we have not seen, while hating fellow Christians, whom we regularly see. Love toward God is to be matched by love toward others because the essence of God is love.

*Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.*

*By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.*

*God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.*

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



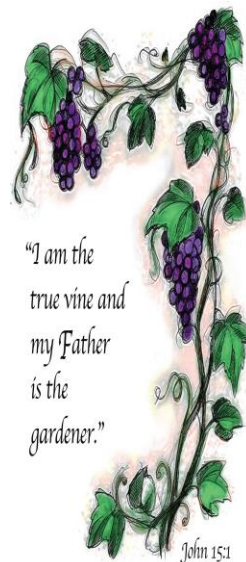
Al-le-lu-ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e-ter-nal life. Al-le-lu-ia.  
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.  
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

**GOSPEL**

**John 15:1-8**

The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 15<sup>th</sup> chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.*



The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**”

**SERMON**

Pastor Grant Fischer

**SONG OF THE DAY**

*Children of the Heavenly Father*

**ELW #781**

Tryg - ga - re kan ing - en va - ra än Guds lil - la bar - na - ska - ra,  
 1 Chil - dren of the heav'n-ly Fa - ther safe - ly in his bo - som gath - er;  
 2 God his own doth tend and nour-ish, in his ho - ly courts they flour-ish.  
 3 Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er from the Lord his chil - dren sev - er;  
 4 Though he giv - eth or he tak - eth, God his chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth;

stjär - nan ej på him - la - fäs - tet, få - geln ej i kån - da näs - tet.  
 nest - ling bird nor star in heav - en such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.  
 From all e - vil things he spares them, in his might - y arms he bears them.  
 un - to them his grace he show - eth, and their sor - rows all he know - eth.  
 his the lov - ing pur - pose sole - ly to pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

**LORD’S PRAYER**

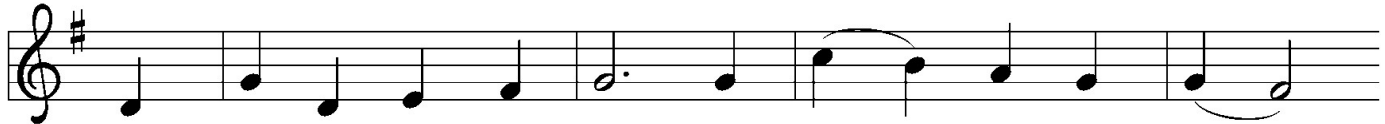
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

**PEACE** The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

**OFFERING**

*We Give Thee But Thine Own*

*ELW 686*



1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;  
 2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive,  
 3 The cap - tive to re - lease, to God the lost to bring,  
 4 And we be - lieve thy word, though dim our faith may be:



all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.  
 and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.  
 to teach the way of life and peace—it is a Christ - like thing.  
 what - e'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it un - to thee.

(THE USHERS BRING UP THE OFFERING)

**OFFERING PRAYER**

Savior of the nations, come. Make your home here in us. Feed us with your love, that our faith shine ever new and our lives reveal your light. **Amen.**




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**SENDING**

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**BLESSING**

May Christ, the Sun of righteousness, shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path. Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**



1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end - less is the  
 2 Lo, Je - sus meets thee, ris - en from the tomb! Lov - ing - ly he  
 3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with-



vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment  
 greets thee, scat - ters fear and gloom; let his church with glad - ness  
 out thee; aid us in our strife; make us more than con-qu'rors,



rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes  
 hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;  
 through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

*Refrain*

where thy bod - y lay.  
 death hath lost its sting! Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring  
 to thy home a - bove.



Son; end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won!

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Prepare the way of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### **Our Thanks To All Who Serve The Body Of Christ**

<b>SUNDAY</b>		<b>9:00 am Worship</b>
<b>Accompanist</b>	Mary Mulry	
<b>Acolyte</b>	Davin Suess	
<b>Readers</b>	Phyllis Kleven	
<b>Sound Techs</b>	Russ Sorensen	
<b>Greeters</b>	Larry & Diane Evers	
<b>Ushers</b>	Larry Baumgardt & Dave Vosbeck	
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Nicole Stevermer & Beth Klein	



**WE WELCOME** into the Trinity family **Delaney Doris Horman**, child of Nicholas & Courtney Horman, new members of Trinity. She is sponsored by Michael & Kelly Struss and Samantha Horman. May God give them the servant faith to fulfill the promises made before God and this congregation today, bringing Delaney to share eternally in the Kingdom of God.

God bless Delaney in her life of faith!

**Great Thanks to all our teachers and helpers who made this first Wednesday Trinity School year such a success!**

**Trinity Board of Education**



The 2024 St John's Lutheran Home Auxiliary membership drive is underway! A box with our envelopes is in the Narthex. Please consider a \$5 donation to the Auxiliary. Place envelope in the offering plate. We help with bingo, birthday parties and fund raisers which support the residents and staff. We are proud of the facility and Trinity is church member of St John's Home. Thank you for caring and for your support!

**The Lay Ministry Board has decided to continue with 9:00 AM services through the summer months. Beginning in the Fall, Worship may change to 10:00 AM. This change would help our young families, members from other towns with weather concerns, and those taking medications to have more time in the morning to join in worship. Please call the members of Lay Ministry with any questions or concerns regarding this possible change.**

**Lee Johnson at 507 276-3515, Jon Hansen at 507 640-1825, Mary Mulry at 507 227-9880, Juliann Wahlborg at 507 227-4777, or Rose Wall at 507 276-0013. Thank You.**



**Everyone can help fund our WELCA women by buying your flowers through us! They will be delivered in time of Mother's Day! This will help fund all the projects our quilters accomplish during the year. Thank you for your support!**

**Darlene Brummund, WELCA President**



The WELCA Daughters of the Church Get-together  
**"Tending God's Garden"**

**Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup>**

**10:00 am – 12:30 pm**

*Come spend the morning  
 celebrating  
 the joys of spring!*

**\*Learn about gardening with Master Gardener  
 Lynn Hacker**

**\*Plant a lovely container garden**

**\* Enjoy a special luncheon**

**Adults - \$15.00      Children 10 and under - \$8.00**



**Hanging Baskets ~ 10 inch**

Mixed Petunia Basket	\$30.00
Trailing Wave Petunia	\$30.00
Impatiens Basket	\$30.00
Ivy Geranium Basket	\$30.00
Zonal Geranium Basket	\$30.00
Mixed Basket of Annuals	\$30.00
12 inch Mixed Basket of Annuals	\$35.00

**Colorful Containers**

Combo Patio Planter 10"	\$30.00
Combo Patio Planter 12"	\$35.00
Geranium Tub 12"	\$35.00
Sun coleus Planter 12"	\$35.00
Succulent Planter 12"	\$35.00
Color Bowl of Mixed Annuals 12"	\$35.00
Color Bowl of Mixed Annuals 14"	\$35.00

# MAY 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> 9 am Women's Bible Study	<b>2</b> 7am-Men's Bible Study	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> 9 am- Holy Communion 10 am Fellowship Hour	<b>6</b> 9 am Quilting & Bandage Making	<b>7</b> 6:30 pm AA	<b>8</b> 9 am Women's Bible Study Noon WELCA 1 pm Ross Park	<b>9</b> 7am-Men's Bible Study 2 pm St. John's Birthday Party 	<b>10</b>	<b>11 10 am</b> 
<b>12</b> 9 am- Baccalaureate 10 am Fellowship Hour 	<b>13</b> 9 am Quilting & Bandage Making	<b>14</b> 6:30 pm-AA	<b>15</b> 9 am-Women's Bible Study	<b>16</b> 7am-Men's Bible Study	<b>17</b> <i>Sleepy Eye and Springfield High School Graduation</i> 	<b>18</b>  Dittbenner Library
<b>19</b> 9 am- Holy Communion 10 am Fellowship Hour 11 am Breaking Bread Together	<b>20 Tidings Articles Due</b> 9 am Quilting & Bandage Making	<b>21</b> 6:30 pm-AA	<b>22</b> 9 am-Women's Bible Study 1 pm Ross Park	<b>23</b> 7am-Men's Bible Study	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b> 9 am- Worship 10 am Fellowship Hour	<b>27</b> 	<b>28 Office Closed</b> 6:30 pm-AA	<b>29</b> 9 am-Women's Bible Study	<b>30</b> 7am-Men's Bible Study	<b>31</b> 2 pm St. John's 	

March 28, 2024

Jesus is the vine and we are his branches.

### **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

These readings are related to the Lectionary readings for this Sunday.

We invite you to take time each day to read the assigned Bible passages.

Sunday	John 15:1-8	Christ, the vine
Monday	Matthew 3:4-10	Repentance and fruit
Tuesday	Matthew 7:15-20	A good tree bears good fruit
Wednesday	Jeremiah 17:5-8	A tree that always bears fruit
Thursday	Galatians 5:16-26	The fruit of the Spirit
Friday	Colossians 1:9-14	Producing the fruit of good works
Saturday	Psalms 1:1-3	The fruitful tree
Sunday	John 15:9-17	Love one another



### **SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK**

**“I am the vine, and you are the branches. If you stay joined to me, and I stay joined to you, then you will produce lots of fruit. But you cannot do anything without me.”** John 15:5

### **SAY, PRAY AND BLESS:**

A Prayer for the Week:

Lord Jesus, help us to stay joined to you. Produce your good fruit in our lives today. Amen. (John 15:5)

Mealtime Prayer:

All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above; so thank the Lord, O thank the Lord for all his love. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May God keep you connected to him so that you produce his good fruit of love. Amen.

### **CARING CONVERSATIONS**

Discuss in your household or small group:

- What is your favorite fruit? Why?
- Jesus says that we show that we are his followers by producing fruit. What do you think Jesus means by “fruit?”
- Jesus tells us that if we are to bear fruit, we need to stay joined to him the way branches stay joined to a grapevine.

How do we stay joined to Jesus?

### **DEVOTIONS**

Jesus tells us that he is God’s true vine and we are his branches. We must stay joined to him to bear spiritual fruit. Gather green or brown pipe cleaners, green construction paper and colored dot stickers. Have each household member make their own vine, beginning with a longer section of pipe cleaner. Add branches, using smaller sections of pipe cleaner, and then leaves cut from green construction paper. Poke the ends of branches through the leaves and bend them to attach the leaves to the vine. Put dot stickers on the leaves to represent fruit. Each day this week, talk about the spiritual fruit you have seen displayed in one another’s lives, and pray that God will use each of you as instruments of his love.

### **SERVICE**

Next Sunday (May 10) is Mother’s Day. Plan an act of service for the mother or mothers in your lives. Ask her how she would best like to be served and make arrangements for this.

### **RITUALS AND TRADITIONS**

Place a large bunch of grapes and an empty bowl on the table so everyone can reach them. Explain that as the questions are read, each person will answer, remove a grape from the bunch, and place it in the bowl.

- Describe a time when you felt or knew that Jesus was helping you to do something.
- Describe a time when you helped someone who was hurting or needed some assistance.
- Describe a time when you thought about what God would like before acting on a situation.
- Describe a time when knowing a certain Bible verse or story helped you.
- Describe a time when God taught you something or helped you to grow as a person through something that was difficult or painful.

After everyone has had the opportunity to respond, discuss how these good things are the fruits that Jesus wants us to grow in our lives. They are sweet like the grapes. Enjoy the grapes with thanks to God!

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***Please take your bulletin home for weekly family devotional time***



## Trinity's Mission Statement

*We are a community where Jesus is Lord: our mission is to invite, welcome, nurture, and equip all people to be disciples in His name.*

**TRINITY'S PRAYER CHAIN** Send an email to [secretary@trinitysleepyeve.org](mailto:secretary@trinitysleepyeve.org) or call the office at 507 794-5051. Leave a message.

**TRINITY'S WEBPAGE** Send an email to the church office at [secretary@trinitysleepyeve.org](mailto:secretary@trinitysleepyeve.org) and let Darlene know you want your newsletter via email!

**TRINITY IS NOW ON FACEBOOK**  
"Trinity Lutheran (ELCA) Sleepy Eye MN"

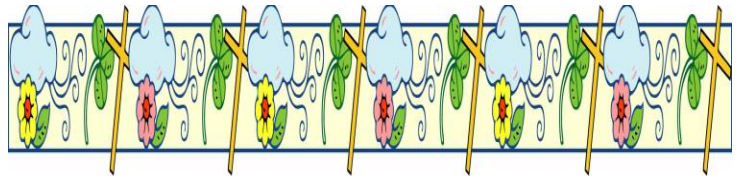
The Trinity Tidings newsletter is now also posted on [www.sleepyeveonline.com](http://www.sleepyeveonline.com) watch this site for community news and events.



If you haven't already, please consider *Simply Giving*, an automated giving program for your offering. You determine the frequency of your offering which is deposited into Trinity's account the same day it is withdrawn from your account. It's a "hassle-free" way to give. Talk to Pat or Darlene if you are interested. Thank You.

### Last week at Trinity

Weekly Worship Attendance:	197
Bible Studies Attendance:	10+5+7= 22
Weekly Giving:	\$7029.96
April Giving	\$16,362.51
Amount given this year	\$81,730.22
Amount needed to meet Budget	\$91,680.00
2024 Budget	\$298,000.00



## This Week's Prayer Concerns

**Pray for Trinity**...that the Holy Spirit would keep our Trinity family united as we continue in worship and in helping others as we are able ...

**Pray for the Church**...that the Holy Spirit would empower us to live in the image of God so that we would speak and act in every way bringing glory to God before all the nations and peoples with what we have been given...

**Pray for our World**...that pain of this Covid-19 pandemic, which has penetrated so many lives that your light Lord would help us to see your presence and that the Spirit would lead us to seek the truth and practice grace for all who are hurting...

**Pray for all who are ill, afflicted, or recovering**...that the Holy Spirit would give comfort and daily strength to **Wade, Krista, Nicole, Trisha, Jan, Sherry, Kali, Jane, Ramsey, Sarah, Lennon, Chris, Julie, Kathy, Emmett, Joan, Lois, Joyce, Emma, Milo, Ed, Carlo, Dorothy, Story, Tina, Ethan, Robyn, Carmen, Linette, Tammy, John, Tony, Ted, Connor, Kimora, and Mary Jo.**

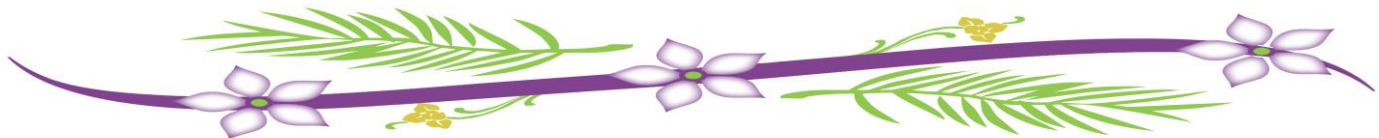
**Pray for the beloved**... who now rest from their labors in God's mercy and for all who mourn the personal loss of loved ones .....that God would fill each one with the hope of our Lord's promise to bring us to a new heaven and earth where suffering, crying, pain and death will be no more....

**Pray for all families**...that the Holy Spirit would bring compassion and mercy to all who are separated from one another and each would give way to mercy, love and reconciliation...

**Pray for the men and women serving in the Armed Forces and those far from home**...for **Brady Augustin** and his wife ...and for all of our military Veterans that the Holy Spirit would guard them in safety and keep their hearts stayed in Christ...

**Pray for the missionaries of our church (ELCA)**...that they proclaim their witness of the Gospel throughout the world.

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*"Love  
each other  
as I have  
loved you."*

JOHN 15:12

