



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Pastor ~ Reverend Candice Carter
Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 10, 2026

Welcome Visitors!

We are both excited and honored that you've joined us for worship today! We hope you'll join us again next week at 9:30am for Sunday School and 10:30 for worship.



If you have a smartphone, use your phone's camera or code scanner to electronically submit your **church connection card**. Let us know how we might be able to serve and pray for you.

Restrooms: Located downstairs under the Sanctuary, the back hallway behind the Sanctuary or in the lobby connector with the Fellowship Hall.

Families with Children: If you wish, a staffed nursery for children aged 0-4 is located in the lower level of the building below the sanctuary. Children also have the option of worshipping in the sanctuary, or attending Children's Church, which begins after the Children's Chat.

Food & Drinks: To help keep our worship space clean and reverent, no food is permitted in the sanctuary. Water bottles or enclosed cups are welcome. Thank for your cooperation.

Question: If you have any questions, please feel free to ask an usher.

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✝ Please stand as you are able where denoted during the worship service.

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Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

"Adoration"

(Mark Hayes)

† Confession and Forgiveness*

LBW Pg 56

(All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the pastor begins)

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

C: Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Most Merciful God:

C: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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 us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

† Opening Hymn

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

LBW Hymn 165

(with descant on last verse)

† The Prayer of the Day

P: O God, all good things can come from you alone; generously consider then our humble prayers. Inspire us to consider what is true and direct us to accomplish what is right; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. He lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Children's Chat with Children's Choir Performance

"My God is All I Need"

FIRST READING

Acts 17:16–31

- ¹⁶ While Paul was waiting for them in Athens, he was greatly distressed to see that the city was full of idols.
- ¹⁷ So he reasoned in the synagogue with both Jews and God-fearing Greeks, as well as in the marketplace day by day with those who happened to be there.
- ¹⁸ A group of Epicurean and Stoic philosophers began to debate with him. Some of them asked, “What is this babbler trying to say?” Others remarked, “He seems to be advocating foreign gods.” They said this because Paul was preaching the good news about Jesus and the resurrection.
- ¹⁹ Then they took him and brought him to a meeting of the Areopagus, where they said to him, “May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting?”
- ²⁰ You are bringing some strange ideas to our ears, and we would like to know what they mean.”
- ²¹ (All the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there spent their time doing nothing but talking about and listening to the latest ideas.)
- ²² Paul then stood up in the meeting of the Areopagus and said: “People of Athens! I see that in every way you are very religious.
- ²³ For as I walked around and looked carefully at your objects of worship, I even found an altar with this inscription: to an unknown god. So you are ignorant of the very thing you worship—and this is what I am going to proclaim to you.
- ²⁴ “The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by human hands.
- ²⁵ And he is not served by human hands, as if he needed anything. Rather, he himself gives everyone life and breath and everything else.
- ²⁶ From one man he made all the nations, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he marked out their appointed times in history and the boundaries of their lands.
- ²⁷ God did this so that they would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from any one of us.
- ²⁸ ‘For in him we live and move and have our being.’[a] As some of your own poets have said, ‘We are his offspring.’[b]
- ²⁹ “Therefore since we are God’s offspring, we should not think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone—an image made by human design and skill.
- ³⁰ In the past God overlooked such ignorance, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent. ³¹ For he has set a day when he will judge the world with justice by the man he has appointed. He has given proof of this to everyone by raising him from the dead.”

PSALM 66:8–20

- L: Praise our God, all peoples, let the sound of his praise be heard;
C: he has preserved our lives and kept our feet from slipping.
L: For you, God, tested us; you refined us like silver.
C: You brought us into prison and laid burdens on our backs.
L: You let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and water, but you brought us to a place of abundance.
C: I will come to your temple with burnt offerings and fulfill my vows to you—
L: vows my lips promised and my mouth spoke when I was in trouble.
C: I will sacrifice fat animals to you and an offering of rams; I will offer bulls and goats.
L: Come and hear, all you who fear God; let me tell you what he has done for me.
C: I cried out to him with my mouth; his praise was on my tongue.
L: If I had cherished sin in my heart, the Lord would not have listened;
C: but God has surely listened and has heard my prayer.
L: Praise be to God, who has not rejected my prayer or withheld his love from me!

SECOND READING

1 Peter 3:13–22

- ¹³ Who is going to harm you if you are eager to do good?
- ¹⁴ But even if you should suffer for what is right, you are blessed. “Do not fear their threats[a]; do not be frightened.”[b]
- ¹⁵ But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect,
- ¹⁶ keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behavior in Christ may be ashamed of their slander.
- ¹⁷ For it is better, if it is God’s will, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil.
- ¹⁸ For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit.
- ¹⁹ After being made alive,[c] he went and made proclamation to the imprisoned spirits—
- ²⁰ to those who were disobedient long ago when God waited patiently in the days of Noah while the ark was being built. In it only a few people, eight in all, were saved through water,
- ²¹ and this water symbolizes baptism that now saves you also—not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a clear conscience toward God.[d] It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ,
- ²² who has gone into heaven and is at God’s right hand—with angels, authorities and powers in submission to him.

† **Scripture Response** “Christ Is Risen! Alleluia” LBW Hymn 131 vs.4

† **Response before the Gospel**

P: The Holy Gospel according to the 14th Chapter of John.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

† **Holy Gospel**

John 14:15–21

15 “If you love me, keep my commands.

16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—

17 the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be[a] in you.

18 I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you.

19 Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live.

20 On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you.

21 Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them.”

† **Response following the Gospel**

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

“Not Left Alone”

† **Sermon Hymn**

“Thine is the Glory”

LBW Hymn 145

† **Apostles’ Creed**

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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. Amen.

† **Sharing of the Peace**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us share the peace of Christ.

† **Offering Anthem**

“I Must Tell Jesus”

Choir

† **Presentation of the Offering**

† **Offertory Response** “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

LBW Hymn 565

† **Prayers of the People**

(respond: “Hear our prayer”)

† **The Lord’s Prayer**

† **Benediction**

† **Sending Hymn**

“Praise the Savior, Now and Ever” LBW Hymn 155

† **The Dismissal**

P: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

† **Postlude**

“What a Fellowship”

(Showalter)

Messages to the Congregation

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God in appreciation of all Mothers and those who step into the caregiver role. You provide love and stability with patience and understanding. We celebrate you today and all days.

Altar Flowers

Please help us enhance our worship space by signing up for flowers each Sunday!

There is a physical list by the mail boxes or you can email the office. List as (T) for taking home or (L) leave for next Sunday!

Thank you!



Prayer Concerns: Sandy Preston (Sister of Judy Padgett), Macy Baggs, Nancy Kneeburg (Aunt of B. Bollinger), Diane & David McKnight, Elizabeth Nahouse, Brad Blume, Noah Finger, Lorine Snow, Nancy Nahouse, Bob Dixon, and the family of Martha Deal.

Shut-In & Care Facility Members: Ron Beaver, Tommy Beaver, Doris Pless, Judy Taylor, & Billie Bollinger.

Bulletin/Announcements: In order to make sure any important news is displayed in the coming Sunday's bulletin, please message the office no later than Wednesday evening. Thank you!

**WELCOME
SRHS**

Testing Schedule:

- May 4: 12p-4p
- May 5-8: 8a-12p
- May 11-12: 8a-4p
- May 13 & 15: 8a-12p

Mark your calendars: Events and Meetings Happening This Week

Sunday, 5/10	Sunday School - 9:30am *Children's Choir Meet Worship Service - 10:30am Choir Practice - 4:45pm
Mon, 5/11	SRHS Testing: 8am - 4:00pm Zumba - 6:30pm
Tues, 5/12	SRHS Testing: 8am - 4:00pm
Wed, 5/13	SRHS Testing: 8am - 12:00pm
Thurs, 5/14	
Fri, 5/15	SRHS Testing: 8am - 12:00pm
Sat, 5/16	



This Mother's Day we celebrate all Mothers and Mother figures who help nurture God's children. We celebrate our oldest Mother, Doris Pless, and our newest Mother, Payton Hiskey!



Trinity
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Confirmation & Senior Sunday

May 17th at 10:30 AM

Join us as we celebrate a special day in the life of our church! Confirmation & Senior Sunday is coming up on May 17th at 10:30 AM. We'll be recognizing our confirmands as they affirm their faith and honoring our seniors as they take their next steps. It's a beautiful moment of growth and God's faithfulness—come celebrate with us!



Worship & Music Meeting



Please join us on
May 31: 3:30pm

Milk Jugs Donation

We are collecting empty gallon milk jugs for VBS to make an igloo. Please leave in the lobby or by the office. Thank you!



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Giving Report for May 3, 2026

	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Need Each Week</u>
Worship Service	93	\$3,630.52	\$4,751.94
Sunday School	34	\$20	
Building Fund		\$150	
Other Funds		\$235	
Tithely		\$200	

Those Serving Today (5/10)

The People of God	Ministers
Pastor Candice Carter	Pastor
Alexandra Ong	Music Director
Karen McKnight	Music
Jessica Sloop	Lector
Maggie Deal & Claire Stirewalt	Acolytes
Susan Blume	K-5 Sunday School
Paige Sloop	Children's Church
Pam Gray & John McKnight	Nursery
Adrian Parker	Breakfast Assistants

Those Serving Next Week (5/17)

The People of God	Ministers
Pastor Candice Carter	Pastor
Alexandra Ong	Music Director
Karen McKnight	Music
Jessica Sloop	Lector
C.J. McKnight & Addison Sloop	Acolytes
Sherilee Deal	K-5 Sunday School
Susan Blume	Children's Church
Judy Matthews & Dennis Spry	Nursery
TBD	Breakfast Assistant

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