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**Cantate (Easter 5)**  
**May 18<sup>th</sup> -- anno Domini 2025**

*Cantate* means "Sing!" The first words of our *Introuit* come from Psalm 98:1-2, "sing to the LORD a new song! His righteousness He has revealed in the sight of the nations." Sing! This is what Christians do. And what do they sing? They sing a new song! And what is that song? "His righteousness He has revealed in the sight of the nations." His righteousness has been revealed. This is the innocence of Jesus, which avails before God for our sake, the righteousness that Jesus earned for us by his dying on the cross. It covers us, just as the Prophet Isaiah says (61:10), "He has covered me with the robe of righteousness." And so we sing about this righteousness. In our hymn of the day we sing the words of Jesus:

Life will from death the vict'ry win;  
My innocence shall bear your sin,  
And you are blest forever.

This is a spiritual song because it is the gospel, which the Spirit declares. Jesus says, "He will take of what is Mine and declare it to you." He sends his Holy Spirit to declare to us the righteousness, which he earned for us by shedding his blood, and we receive it by faith (Rom 3:22). This is why the Holy Spirit rebukes unbelief, because unbelief is the root of all unrighteousness. The Spirit therefore declares us righteous through faith because Jesus has gone to the Father where he stands forever as our righteousness (Jer 33:16). Therefore, dear friends in Christ, sing about the righteousness that the Holy Spirit delivers to you through the Word of Christ. And if you feel the judgment of the devil, the world, and your own sinful flesh, then take refuge in the words of the Spirit, because the ruler of this world -- the devil who accuses your conscience -- has been judged, and he cannot take this song from your heart.

**DEAR VISITORS:** As a congregation in the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, Trinity practices **closed communion**, which means that we only commune those who are members in good standing of sister congregations and have been instructed in the Christian faith as it is summarized in Luther's Small Catechism. If you are a visitor and desire to commune at Trinity, **please speak to Pastor Preus before the service.**

The Order of Morning Service  
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**Hymn of Invocation** ∞ Awake, My Heart, with Gladness

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*Stand for final stanza*

**Invocation, Confession & Absolution**

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*Please remain standing through the conclusion of the Collect of the Day.*

Service of the Word



**Introit**

Oh, sing to the LORD a new song! Alle- | luia!\*

His righteousness He has revealed in the sight of the nations. Alle- | luia (*Psalm 98:1-2*)

**His right hand and His | holy arm\*  
have gained Him the | victory.**

He has remembered His | mercy\*  
and His faithfulness to the house of | Israel.

**All the ends | of the earth\*  
have seen the salvation | of our God.**

Shout joyfully to the LORD, | all the earth;\*  
break forth in song, rejoice, and sing | praises. (*Psalm 98:1, 3-4*)

**Gloria Patri** ∞ *Glory be to the Father*

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**Kyrie** ∞ *Lord, Have Mercy*

**Gloria in Excelsis** ∞ *Glory to God in the Highest*

**Salutation & Collect of the Day**

*Sit*

**Old Testament Reading - Isaiah 12:1-6**

- 1 At that time you will say:  
"I will praise You, LORD.  
Although You were angry with me,  
Your anger has been turned away, and You comfort me.
- 2 God is the One Who saves me.  
I trust Him and am not afraid,  
for the LORD is my Strength and I sing about Him.  
He has saved me."
- 3 Happily you will draw water from the saving fountains.
- 4 On that day you will say: "Thank the LORD.  
Call on His name.  
Tell the people what He has done.  
Praise the majesty of His name.
- 5 Sing to the LORD — He has done wonderful things.  
The whole world should know about it.

<sup>6</sup> Call out loud and shout, you who live on Zion.  
Great is the Holy One of Israel, Who is among you."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Sequence Hymn - *Cantate Domino, Psalm 98*

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## Epistle - *James 1:16-21*

<sup>16</sup>Don't make a mistake, my dear Christian friends. <sup>17</sup>Every good and perfect gift comes down from above, from the Father of lights, with Whom there is no variation or shifting shadow.

<sup>18</sup>As He wanted it, He gave birth to us by the Word of truth so we would be the first and best of His creatures.

<sup>19</sup>My dear fellow Christians, you should know this. Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to talk, slow to get angry. <sup>20</sup>An angry man doesn't do what's right before God. <sup>21</sup>So get rid of everything filthy and every breaking out of wickedness, and with a gentle spirit welcome the Word that's planted in you and can save your souls.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*



## Verse

Alle- | luia.\*

Alle- | luia.

The right hand of the LORD is | exalted;\*

the right hand of the LORD does valiantly. Alle- | luia.

**Christ, having been raised from the dead, | dies no more.\***

**Death no longer has dominion over Him. Alle- | luia.** (Psalm 118:16, Romans 6:9)

## Hymn ♪ *Christ Is Arisen*

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## Gospel - *John 16:5-15*

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

C **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<sup>5</sup>"Now I'm going to Him Who sent Me, and none of you asks Me, 'Where are You going?' <sup>6</sup>But because I told you this, you are very sad. <sup>7</sup>But I tell you the truth, it's good for you that I go away. If I don't go away, the Comforter will not come to you. But if I go, I'll send Him to you. <sup>8</sup>He will come and convict the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment: <sup>9</sup>of sin because they don't believe in Me; <sup>10</sup>of righteousness because I'm going to the Father and you won't see Me anymore; <sup>11</sup>of

judgment because the ruler of this world is judged.

<sup>12</sup>"I have much more to tell you, but it would be too much for you now. <sup>13</sup>When the Spirit of truth comes, He will lead you into the whole truth. What He will say will not come from Himself, but He'll speak what He hears and tell you what is coming. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify Me, because He'll take from what is Mine and tell it to you. <sup>15</sup>Everything the Father has is Mine. That is why I said, 'He takes from what is Mine and will tell it to you.'

P This is the Gospel of the Lord

C **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

## **Apostles' Creed**

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*Sit*

**Hymn of the Day** ♪ *Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice*

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## **Sermon**

*Stand*

## **Offertory**

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*Sit*

## **Gathering of the Offering**

*Stand to sing as the offerings are brought forward*

*We give Thee but Thine own,*

*Whate'er the gift may be*

*All that we have is Thine alone,*

*A trust, O Lord, from Thee.*

Please complete the  
Record of Fellowship in the  
folder in your pew.

Prayers

## **General Prayer**

### **Lord's Prayer**

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**Hymn** ♪ *Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain*

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## **Concluding Collect**

## **Benediction**

*Sit*

**Hymn to Depart** ♪ *The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done*

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## **Silent Prayer**

**Ushers for today:** James Eads, Joseph Rethemeyer, Kyle Scheer, Adam Swann

**Next week:** Peter Otten, Jonathan Finck, Andrew Rethemeyer,

**Greeter for today:**

**Next Week:** David Otten

**Acolyte today:** Sam Scheer

**Next Week:** Colton Swann

**Flower and Altar Care:** **May:** Ramona Ruediger

**Organist:** Andrew Finck

**Prayer and Petitions:** Ken Altemeyer, health issues; Rachel Preus (breast cancer); Wayne Scheer and Sue Eads, health concerns. Homebound: Ray & LeeAnn Rohling, Diana Scheer, Paul & Sue Laune; Missionaries: Brandt Klawitter, mission work in Norway; Pastor James May (missionary to Africa); Rev. David Preus (missionary to Romania); Michael & Naomi Ersland, Lutheran Bible Translators. Immanuel Lutheran School, Washington; Camp Trinity; Luther Classical College; Christ the King Lutheran High School.

**Birthdays and Annivers:** Rebecca Krull, 20<sup>th</sup>, Jeff Hoerstkamp, 20<sup>th</sup>  
*(Please email [office@trinitynewhaven.com](mailto:office@trinitynewhaven.com) if your birthday or anniversary has not been listed or was incorrectly listed, so the records can be updated with correct information)*

**The Concordia University, Nebraska Vocal Jazz choir** will be singing at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Washington, MO on Monday, May 19 @ 7:00 pm.

**Vacation Bible School Training for Youth and Adults May 27th:** Youth Volunteer Training will be from 1:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. and Adult training is 5:00-7:30 p.m.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** The online registration for participants has been shut down, but if your child or grandchild still needs to register please email Camp Trinity ([camptrinity73@yahoo.com](mailto:camptrinity73@yahoo.com)) and we will help you get them registered. Volunteers, Adult and Youth are still able to register whenever.

**VBS GIVING TREE:** The Giving Tree is now hanging in the narthex. Please help out as you are able and purchase any of the extra items for our upcoming VBS. VBS also greatly depends on the Thrivent Action Team gift cards. If you are a Thrivent Member and would like to support the upcoming VBS with a Thrivent Action Team project please let Ruth Rethemeyer know. She will let you know how you can help and if you have supported VBS with your Thrivent Action team project in the past, please do so again.

**Family Fun at Camp Trinity:** Bring the family out May 31st for the 20th Annual Family Fun Day beginning at 8 a.m. with a 5K and 1 Mile Fun Run over the trails at Camp Trinity; runners and walkers both welcome. The Fishing Derby begins at 9:30 and concludes at 11:30. The swimming pool will be open along with a Bounce House for the children. The event concludes with an awards ceremony and devotion at 11:30 a.m. Early bird registration deadline is May 9th. Registration link at <http://www.camptrinity.org/> Events Page.

**Servant Event for Youth:** Serv'n in the Hills 2025 at Camp Trinity is scheduled for June 2-7. It is for youth age 13 on up. Servant Events are to "provide unique opportunities for spiritual, emotional, physical and intellectual growth in a work setting" and to "provide participants with different cultural experiences." Registration information is available from [camptrinity73@yahoo.com](mailto:camptrinity73@yahoo.com) or call Ruth Rethemeyer at (573)237-2072. Registration deadline is May 17. Camp Trinity has adult leaders signed up to serve who would love to work alongside of any of our youth able to attend. Youth are

invited to come the whole week, for just a few days or even just one day, whatever works in their schedule!

**Ascension Day Service** - Thursday, May 29, 7 PM, at Ebenezer. This service will be held in the Pavillion by the Lake, weather permitting. We will also receive the Lord's Supper. (NOTE: The date **IS May 29<sup>th</sup>**, **Not May 22<sup>nd</sup>** as was on the May calendar)

**Circuit Forum** - May 31 at Ebenezer, 9-11am.

**Grass cutting signup sheet** is on the bulletin board. Please take a turn if you are able.

**NEW SELECTION of Greeting Cards from Hymns in My Heart** are available for sale in the narthex, by the Trinity Ladies Aid. Check out the NEW EASTER greeting cards recently added to the collection of Encouragement, Babies, Thank You, Graduation and Confirmation Cards. The cards are \$2.00 per card. Please deposit money in money slot.

# **The Augsburg Confession**

## **Article XIX. Of the Cause of Sin.**

Of the Cause of Sin they teach that, although God does create and preserve nature, yet the cause of sin is the will of the wicked, that is, of the devil and ungodly men; which will, unaided of God, turns itself from God, as Christ says John 8:44: When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own.

## **Article XX. Of Good Works.**

1 Our teachers are falsely accused of forbidding Good Works. 2 For their published writings on the Ten Commandments, and others of like import, bear witness that they have taught to good purpose concerning all estates and duties of life, as to what estates of life and what works in every calling be pleasing to God. 3 Concerning these things preachers heretofore taught but little, and urged only childish and needless works, as particular holy-days, particular fasts, brotherhoods, pilgrimages, services in honor of saints, the use of rosaries, monasticism, and such like. 4 Since our adversaries have been admonished of these things, they are now unlearning them, and do not preach these unprofitable works as heretofore. 5 Besides, they begin to mention faith, of which there was heretofore marvelous silence. 6 They teach that we are justified not by works only, but they conjoin faith and works, and say that we are justified by faith and works. 7 This doctrine is more tolerable than the former one, and can afford more consolation than their old doctrine.

8 Forasmuch, therefore, as the doctrine concerning faith, which ought to be the chief one in the Church, has lain so long unknown, as all must needs grant that there was the deepest silence in their sermons concerning the righteousness of faith, while only the doctrine of works was treated in the churches, our teachers have instructed the churches concerning faith as follows:—

9 First, that our works cannot reconcile God or merit forgiveness of sins, grace, and justification, but that we obtain this only by faith when we believe that we are received into favor for Christ's sake, who alone has been set forth the Mediator and Propitiation, 1 Tim. 2:5, in order that the Father may be reconciled through Him. 10 Whoever, therefore, trusts that by works he merits grace, despises the merit and grace of Christ, and seeks a way to God without Christ, by human strength, although Christ has said of Himself: I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life. John 14:6.