

Fourth Weekend of Easter

Divine Service 1

April 20th & 21st 2024

5:00 + 8:15 + 10:15

Prelude

Ringing of the Bells

+ Service of Preparation +

Please Stand

Hymn ~ Shepherd of Tender Youth (vv. 1-3)

LSB 864

1 Shep - herd of ten - der youth, Guid - ing in
2 You are the ho - ly Lord, O all - sub -
3 You are the great High Priest; You have pre -

love and truth Through de - vious ways; Christ, our tri -
du - ing Word, Heal - er of strife. Your - self You
pared the feast Of ho - ly love; And in our

um - phant king, We come Your name to sing
did a - base That from sin's deep dis - grace
mor - tal pain None calls on You in vain;

And here our chil - dren bring To join Your praise.
You so might save our race And give us life.
Our plea do not dis - dain; Help from a - bove.

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Call to Worship & Invocation

Pastor: O sing unto the Lord a new song; a song of hope and of joy, a song of newness and of life!

People: **Sing praise to our joyful Easter God, who brings new life out of death!**

Pastor: Immerse our doubts and our fears in the fountain of new birth;

People: **Where our lives and our hopes are refreshed; where we are made new!**

Pastor: For God has taken ordinary things;

People: **And made them extraordinary!**

Pastor: All are welcomed in this House of the Living God; to sing of God's Name and to be refreshed by God's goodness;

People: **And none are turned away.**

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

Confession & Forgiveness

Pastor: Merciful and Redeeming God, with You there is always more life, more hope, and more joy. When doubt assaults us, and we fail to recognize You at work in our lives;

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: When fear is a roadblock to our faith, and our eyes, and our ears, and our hearts don't know You;

People: **Christ, have mercy.**

Pastor: When anger and hesitation stop us from the risky work of love;

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: In the mercy of Almighty God, Jesus Christ was given... ...in the Name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

Hymn ~ *Shepherd of Tender Youth* (vv. 4-5)

LSB 864



4 O ev - er be our guide, Our shep - herd,
5 So now, and till we die, Sound we Your
and prais - our pride, Our staff and song. Je - sus, O
es high And joy - ful sing: In - fants and
Christ of God, By Your en - dur - ing Word
all the throng, Who to the Church be - long,
Lead us where You have trod; Make our faith strong.
U - nite to swell the song; To Christ, our king!

Prayer of the Day

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray... through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit; one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

+ Service of the Word +

Please Be Seated

Children's Message

Choir Anthem ~ *Christ, My Shepherd, Welcomes Me*

by Howard Warnick

Epistle Reading

1 John 3:16-24

¹⁶ This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters. ¹⁷ If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of God be in that person? ¹⁸ Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth. ¹⁹ This is how we know that we belong to the truth and how we set our hearts at rest in his presence: ²⁰ If our hearts condemn us, we know that God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. ²¹ Dear friends, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God ²² and receive from him anything we ask, because we keep his commands and do what pleases him. ²³ And this is his command: to believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and to love one another as he commanded us. ²⁴ The one who keeps God's commands lives in him, and he in them. And this is how we know that he lives in us: We know it by the Spirit he gave us.

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Psalm

Psalm 23

¹ The Lord | is my shepherd;
I | shall not want.

² He maketh me to lie down | in green pastures:
he leadeth me beside | the still waters.

³ He restor- | eth my soul:
he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness | for his name's sake.

⁴ Yea, though I walk through the valley of the sha- | dow of death,
I will fear no evil, for thou art with me; thy rod
and thy staff they | comfort me.

⁵ Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine | enemies:
thou anointest my head with oil; my cup | runneth over.

⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days | of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the | Lord forever.

**^D Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the | Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. | A-men.**

Please Stand

Holy Gospel

John 10:1-10

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 10th Chapter

People: **Glory to you, O Lord!**

“Very truly I tell you Pharisees, anyone who does not enter the sheep pen by the gate, but climbs in by some other way, is a thief and a robber. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴ When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice. But they will never follow a stranger; in fact, they will run away from him because they do not recognize a stranger’s voice.” Jesus used this figure of speech, but the Pharisees did not understand what he was telling them. Therefore Jesus said again, “Very truly I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who have come before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep have not listened to them. I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out, and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, O Christ!**

Hymn ~ The King of Love My Shepherd Is (vv. 1 -4)

LSB 709



1 The King of love my shep - herd is, Whose good - ness
2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, My ran - somed
3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, But yet in
4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill With Thee, dear

fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
soul He lead - eth And, where the ver - dant
love He sought me And on His shoul - der
Lord, be - side me, Thy rod and staff my

I am His And He is mine for - ev - er.
pas - tures grow, With food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
gent - ly laid And home re - joic - ing brought me.
com - fort still, Thy cross be - fore to guide me.

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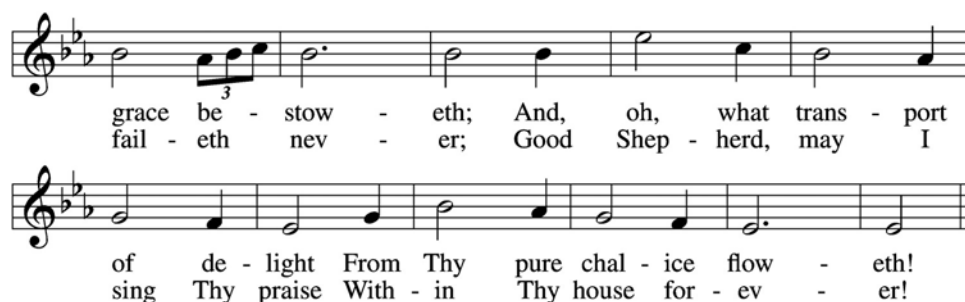
Message

Hymn ~ The King of Love My Shepherd Is (vv. 5-6)

LSB 709



5 Thou spreadst a ta - ble in my sight; Thine unc - tion
6 And so through all the length of days Thy good - ness



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Apostles' Creed

**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.**

Prayers of the Church

After Each Petition...

Pastor: Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Please Be Seated

Offering

Giving a portion of the gifts God has given is, at its heart, an act of worship.

- Place your giving in the basket during offering.
- Text to Give, simply text Give to 1-877-618-0062
- Online giving at <https://pushpay.com/g/trinitystlouis>.
- Mail your giving to Trinity Lutheran Church, 812 Soulard St., St. Louis, MO 63104.

Ways to Give



Trinity Evangelical Lutheran
<https://pushpay.com/g/trinitystlouis>

Connect with Your Church & Community!

If you're new to our neighborhood, worshipping community, or a regular attender, we invite you to connect with our ministry by filling out our online Connection Card. Snap the QR Code to be taken to our online welcome, or navigate to the following URL to connect... "trinitystlouis.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/107/responses/new"

+ Service of the Sacrament +

*We believe that in this Sacrament we receive the true body and blood of Christ
for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith.*

*All who wish to receive the sacrament are invited to come forward
to receive the unending forgiveness of Jesus Christ.*

*Children and those who would prefer not to receive the sacrament are welcome at the altar
to receive a blessing. Please indicate this by crossing your arms across your chest.*

Please Stand

Preface and Proper Preface

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is truly good, right and... ..evermore praising You and singing:

Sanctus



G Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na, Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

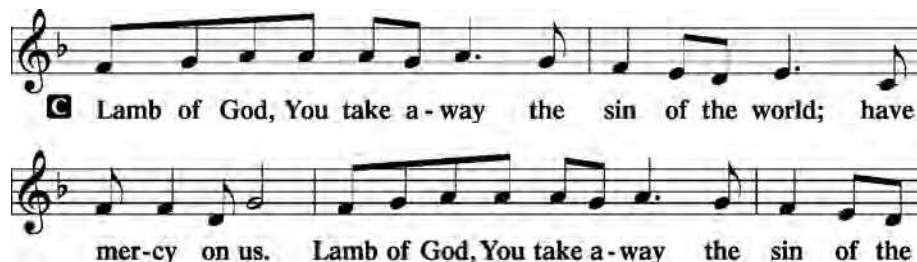
Words of Institution

The Peace

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

People: And also with you.

Agnus Dei ~ Lamb of God



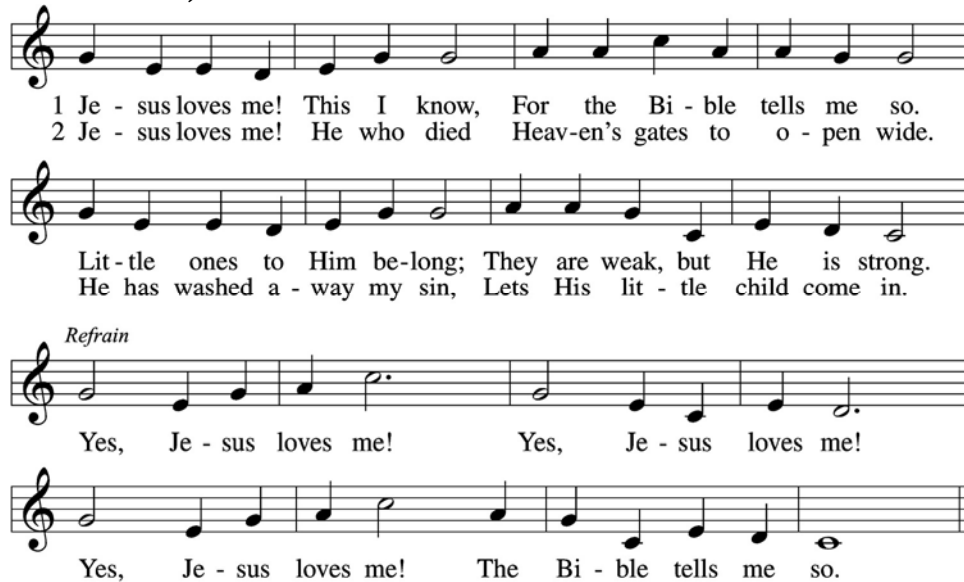
G Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Hymn ~ *Jesus Loves Me, This I Know*

LSB 588



1 Je - sus loves me! This I know, For the Bi - ble tells me so.
2 Je - sus loves me! He who died Heav-en's gates to o - pen wide.
Lit - tle ones to Him be-long; They are weak, but He is strong.
He has washed a - way my sin, Lets His lit - tle child come in.
Refrain
Yes, Je - sus loves me! Yes, Je - sus loves me!
Yes, Je - sus loves me! The Bi - ble tells me so.

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Hymn ~ *I Am Jesus' Little Lamb*

LSB 740



1 I am Je - sus' lit - tle lamb, Ev - er glad at
2 Day by day, at home, a - way, Je - sus is my
3 Who so hap - py as I am, E - ven now the
heart I am; For my Shep - herd gent - ly guides me,
staff and stay. When I hun - ger, Je - sus feeds me,
Shep - herd's lamb? And when my short life is end - ed,
Knows my need and well pro - vides me, Loves me ev - 'ry
In - to pleas - ant pas - tures leads me; When I thirst, He
By His an - gel host at - tend - ed, He shall fold me
day the same, E - ven calls me by my name.
bids me go Where the qui - et wa - ters flow.
to His breast, There with - in His arms to rest.

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Prayer

Benediction

Hymn ~ Rejoice, My Heart, Be Glad and Sing (vv. 1, 4-7)

LSB 737

1 Re - joice, my heart, be glad and sing, A
4 Did not His love and truth and pow'r Guard
5 He on - ly will with pa - tience chide, His
6 His wis - dom nev - er plans in vain Nor
7 Up - on your lips, then, lay your hand, And
cheer - ful trust main - tain; For God, the source of
ev - 'ry child - hood day? And did He not in
rod - falls gent - ly down; And all your sins He
fal - ters nor mis - takes. All that His coun - sels
trust His guid - ing love; Then like a rock your
ev - 'ry - thing, Your por - tion shall re - main.
threat - 'ning hour Turn dread - ed ills a - way?
casts a - side In o - cean depths to drown.
may or - dain A bless - ed end - ing makes.
peace shall stand Here and in heav'n a - bove.

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*The altar flowers are offered to the Glory of God
in Memory of Rev. Dr. Samuel Goltermann
(served Trinity from 1975-1993)
by Ralph Simon.*

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Worship Leaders



Ministers: *The People of Trinity Lutheran Church*

5:00 p.m.

8:15 a.m.

10:15 a.m.

Preacher: *Josh Hatcher*

Josh Hatcher

Josh Hatcher

Presider: *Josh Hatcher*

Josh Hatcher

Josh Hatcher

Liturgist: *Josh Hatcher*

*Bob Moore,
Matt Nelson*

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Matt Nelson*

Children's Message:

Josh Hatcher

Josh Hatcher

Lector: *Lynne Brauch*

Ryan Markel

Grace Dick

Acolyte:

August Hatcher

Organist: *Jeff White*

Jeff White

Jeff White

Cantor: *Nicole Heerlein*

Nicole Heerlein

Nicole Heerlein

Special Music:

Sanctuary Choir

Guest Musician:

Ruth McDonnell, Flute

Communion Prep: *Nancy Poggemoeller* *Dianne Davis*

Dorothy Brents

Communion Servers: *Will Schryver*

Ryan Markel

*Laura Borstell,
Rick Burk,
Steve Meyer,
Rosalie Wilke*

Usher:

*Al Becker,
Julia Oberheu Tritschler,
Melba Wetmore*

Greeter:

Kim Hansen

Livestream:

John Carroll

SONday School Music: *Katy Moll*

SONday School Leaders: *Alex Moll and Katy Moll*

April 20 & 21, 2024

TRINITY TODAY

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning!
We pray that your time with us today is uplifting
and encouraging as we follow Jesus together as
God's people.

Our ministry team and community of faith are here
to help you connect both with Christ Jesus and
with our ministry. If we can be of help to you in
any way, please don't hesitate to let us know.

WEEKLY SERVICES & MEETINGS

Worship Services -

Saturday at 5:00 p.m. & Sunday at 8:15 & 10:15 a.m.

SATURDAY

Happy Hour 6:00 p.m. Parish House, 3rd flr.

SUNDAY

SONday School 9:15 a.m. Parish House 1st flr.

Confirmation 9:15 a.m. Parish House 3rd flr.

Soup Alley Volunteer Training 11:30 a.m.

MONDAY - SATURDAY

Soup Window 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

MONDAY - THURSDAY

Office Hours 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

MONDAY

Soup Alley Volunteer Training 10:30 a.m.

TUESDAY

Women's Bible Study 10:00 am Parish House, 3rd flr/Zoom

WEDNESDAY

Adult Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Parish House 3rd flr

Trinity Handbells 6:00 p.m. Sanctuary Balcony

Sanctuary Choir 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Balcony

Next Weekend

Sunday

SONday School 9:15 a.m. Parish House 1st flr.

Confirmation 9:15 a.m. Parish House 3rd flr.

FELLOWSHIP

Mark your calendar for these upcoming fellowship events

- *Happy Hour*: Saturday, April 20, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., Parish House, 3rd flr meeting room.
- The first Sunday of every month is Eat Out Sunday! Join us Sunday, May 5, sign up in the back of the church or check Trinity Weekend Enews to RSVP online.
- *Lunch N Learn* - Join us Wednesday, May 15 at 11:30 a.m. for a Lunch N Learn with honeybees without getting stung. Beekeepers Bill & Brenda Wilson and Adler Rickards presenting live from Wilson's backyard to the Parish House, 3rd flr meeting room, sign up in the back of the church or click here. (will be rescheduled if inclement weather).

For more information contact Joyce Binder, Sue Fiehler or Mary Marth

FAMILY MINISTRY

Family Picnic: Sunday, May 5 from 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. families with children around ages ten (10) and under are invited to Trinity's Family picnic! Bring your own bag lunch and enjoy an early afternoon of fun and play at Souldard Market Park, Lafayette Ave. and 8th Street, right in front of the Market and a block north of Trinity's campus.

STUDENT MINISTRY

SONday School - For children 3 years to 5th grade, Sundays at 9:15 a.m. in the Parish House, 1st flr., opens with music led by elementary school music teachers Katy Moll and Rebecca Carroll and Trinity's Minister of Music, Jeff White.

Youth Confirmation Class - Youth Confirmation Class - Youth 6th grade and older are invited to participate in Confirmation. Sundays 9:15 - 10:00 a.m. Parish House, 3rd flr. (Rite of Confirmation will be Sunday, May 19)

Lutheran Schools Scholarship- The St Louis Metro, has over 40 different wonderful Lutheran Schools for families to choose to attend. You can check them all out at: <https://lesastl.org/schools/>. Trinity offers scholarships to our members attending Lutheran Schools. The Scholarship application deadline is July 1, 2024. <https://trinitystlouis.com/scholarship/>. Contact Paula Wike for more information.

SPIRITUAL CARE

Spiritual Direction: Our ministry team is available for Spiritual Direction by appointment on Tuesdays from 1:00 - 8:00 p.m. Spiritual Direction is distinct from Counseling and offers a time of scriptural and personal reflection rooted in discernment and prayer. For more details, along with a list of trusted counseling partners, please visit www.trinitystlouis.com/spiritualdirection. To schedule an appointment, please email our Operations Manager, Brenda Wilson at office@trinitystlouis.com.

*If you need immediate emergency pastoral care, please call 314-231-4092 x3.

COMMUNITY CARE

Community:

Sammie Sunday – April 13 & 14 - Join us after worship service Saturday 5:00 p.m. and Sunday 8:15 & 10:15 a.m. in the back of the church to make sandwiches for our hungry friends. Stay as long or as little as you'd like. If you're not at a service, consider making sandwiches at home and schedule a time through the church office to deliver. Bring your own sandwich material or let us do the shopping.

Soup Alley Food - *1140 meals served at Soup Alley for the month of March: Daily average of 44 meals.*

Please consider how you can help, donate, or serve. Meals are served Monday-Saturday 9:30 -10:30 a.m. for our unhoused and hungry neighbors.

Items to donate:

- PBJ & Meat Sandwiches
- Bottled water
- Fruit (small oranges or bananas preferred)
- Chips/Pre-packaged snacks
- Pre-packaged snack cakes, desserts, etc.
- **Large and X Large t-shirts, hoodies, and underwear.**
- **NO Women's or Children's clothing at this time.**

If you are able to bring any of these items to Trinity for distribution, please schedule your drop-off through the church office by emailing office@trinitystlouis.com. Donation drop off days are Mondays and Thursdays between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. by appointment.

ADULT BIBLE STUDIES

Sunday Adult Bible Study – Meets at 9:15 a.m. in the sanctuary.

Tuesday Women's Bible Study – Join us Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. (social time 9:45) "Liturgy of the Ordinary" by Tish Harrison Warren, book can be purchased from Amazon. Meet in person, Parish House, 3rd flr. or check your Trinity Weekend Enews to sign up online for Zoom

Wednesday Adult Bible Study – Join us Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish House, 3rd flr meeting room.

GIVING

There are many ways to Give:

Online giving: We will be introducing a new e-giving platform, PushPay in the next month. If you are set up with recurring giving through Vanco or BluePay, please discontinue. To give online one time or to set-up recurring giving go to <https://pushpay.com/g/trinitystlouis> to access the new platform.

Text to Give: Text "Give" to 1-877-618-0062.

In Person: Gifts of cash or check payable to "Trinity Lutheran Church" can be given in all worship services.

Mail: You can send your gift to Trinity Lutheran Church, 812 Souland Street, St. Louis, MO 63104

Gift Planning creates solutions for donors. A good plan can help to navigate challenging family dynamics. Family needs change and that is true of inheritance. As family members may be called home to Jesus or new family members arrive, your plan needs to adjust to those changes. You consider these changes in relation to the desire the Lord has laid on your heart to also support ministry that can change as well. Your LCMS Gift Planning Counselor can help you consider this balance. Contact Teresa Nelson at (319)351-6529 or Teresa.Nelson@lfnd.org.

Altar Flowers - Altar flowers can be and are more than mere ornaments. They are the expression of our love for God as well as a means of glorifying his name in all the earth. If you would like to provide flowers for a particular Sunday to mark a special life event such as birth and birthdays; anniversary of a wedding, baptism, confirmation; the memory of a loved one; or as a thanksgiving for life's blessings, call or email the church office (314-231-4092 x2, or office@trinitystlouis.com). You can also reserve a Sunday online on Church Community Builder or sign up in the back of the sanctuary. Altar flowers are \$50 for two vases.

CONGREGATION

Financial Stewardship Report - As of March 31, church income is below budget by \$34,336 and is 8.5% lower than income for the comparable period ending March 2023. The current period net operating loss is \$25,918. The table below excludes any budgeted donations and expenses for debt service.

	2024 YTD ACTUAL	2024 Budget	Variance	2023 YTD
Member Contributions	\$116,154.	\$147,360	\$(31,206.)	\$131,660.
Community Care	2,799.	11,065.	(8,266.)	2,450
Other donations*	5,136.	0.	5,136.	1,535.
TOTAL INCOME	\$124,089.	\$158,425.	\$(34,336.)	\$135,645.
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$150,007.	158,425.	(8,418.)	\$174,659.
Net Income (loss)	\$(25,918.)	0.	\$(25,918.)	\$(39,014.)

* non-recurring donations such as RMD, Thrivent Choice, Memorials

School Renovation— status update. A loan with LCEF has been approved and the loan will be executed as soon as some final paperwork is completed. This paperwork includes, but is not limited to, an appraisal, a Builder's Risk insurance policy, and finalization of the General Contractor contract. These final steps should be completed in April. A Steward Account, at LCEF, has been set up to hold monies pledged to the project, which will ensure funds earmarked for the project are not commingled with the church's general funds.

Panhandling - Please DO NOT give money, food or other items to any unhoused neighbors who might ask when you are at Trinity. Panhandling will not be tolerated on Trinity's campus, if someone needs food, please tell them "Soup Alley is open Monday - Saturday from 9:30-10:30" or "It's Trinity's policy not to give things out on Sundays"

PRAY

Birthdays ~ April 20 - 26

Annabelle Payne	April 20
Doris Rittman	April 21
Violet Koeltzow	April 22
Tyler Cole	April 23
Mitchell Craig-Meyer	April 23
Samantha Deem	April 23
Don Brown	April 26

Parish Community

Tal & Karen Fisk
Kyle & Ashley Newsome
Brooklyn & Maren
Deni Nabe
Craig & Sandi Nafziger
Katie Nebel
Rich Neitzel



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