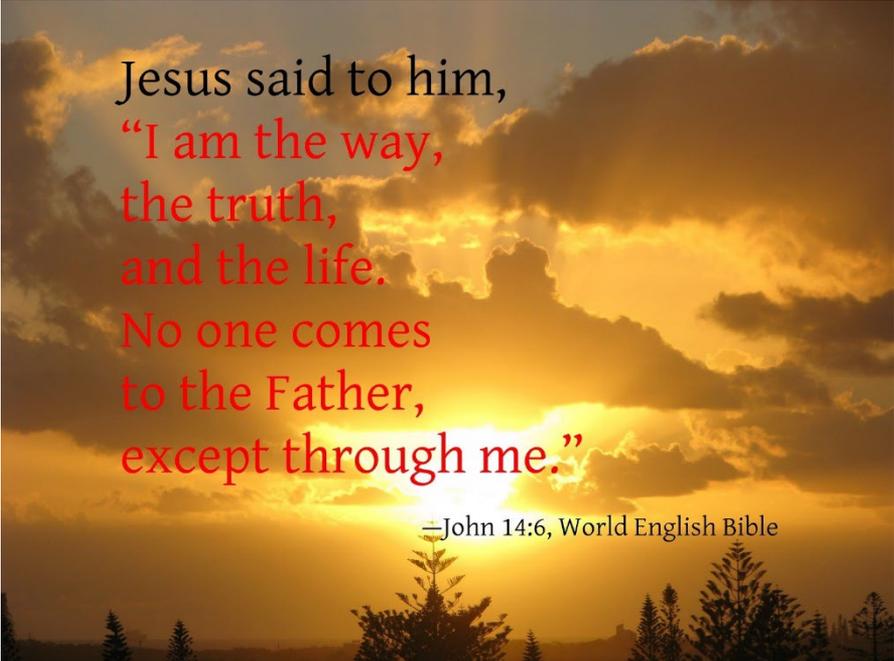


Trinity Lutheran Church
Brewster, NY



Jesus said to him,
“I am the way,
the truth,
and the life.
No one comes
to the Father,
except through me.”

—John 14:6, World English Bible

April 3, 2022
5th Sunday in Lent
9:00 AM & 10:30 AM

Welcome as we gather together in the name of God! Whether we are physically present with one another or gathering remotely, we know that Christ is truly present in our midst.

You are invited to worship with us each Sunday as we gather at 9 am & 10:30 am in person as well as via Facebook Live on Trinity's Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/Trinity-Lutheran-Church-Brewster-NY-160570420670756>.

The service also will be posted on our YouTube page https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEBfzqqPTuf8fe3PjPr21gA?view_as=subscriber

If you know of others who are in need of signs of God's love and grace, who are curious and/or questioning, who would like to experience the peace of Christ – please invite them to join us “live” and/or to visit our Facebook page or YouTube channel.

If anyone needs to talk to someone amidst this time of anxiety, please feel free to contact Pastor Jen via the church office (trinlutheranoffice@yahoo.com) and/or her personal email (revjedyer1@yahoo.com).

Our weekly emails are also posted on our website: <http://trinitybrewsterny.org/wordpress>

Precautions: Wearing masks is now optional but we are encouraging you to wear them around children and if you are unsure of someone's health status. We do have extra masks for those who need them. Other safe protocols remain in place for the time being.

Setting up: For those who are joining us virtually, set aside some sacred space where you are to worship and prayer. Light a candle (or more), set out your Bible and/or a cross. Spend a few moments in silence before you begin. Use the time of the prelude to center your heart and your attention on worshipping Christ.

We welcome our visitors today. If you are looking for a church home and want

to know more about living together as Christians, please contact Pastor Boyd during the week.

We are using Setting 4 from Evangelical Lutheran Worship. The complete order for worship, is printed in this worship folder. Congregational responses are in bold. Hymns are in Evangelical Lutheran Worship, in the rack in front of you. If you require an enlarged print bulletin or an assistive listening device, please ask an usher.

Check in: Please make sure that you have checked in with the usher that we may maintain our contact tracing list if it becomes needed.

INTRODUCTION

As Jesus prepares his disciples for the coming days, he reassures them and us that he leads and guides us daily.

+ GATHERING +

PRELUDE

“Lobet den Herren” Andreas Raselius

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

CALL TO WORSHIP/ CONFESSION

When Moses asked God’s name, God replied

I AM WHO I AM

As Jesus taught among his disciples, he proclaimed

I AM the way

Christ is the way of truth

I AM the truth

Christ is the source of life

I AM the life

We come as we are

Created in the image of God

We find our identity in the One who is

The Great I AM

To be or not to be is not the question that we ask

We are because of who God is

And so we present ourselves before God

Offering all that we are for the sake of the Great I AM

As we come into the presence of the Great I AM, we see the ways in which we have not lived into all that God created us to be. And so we pause in this time to confess our need for God and for Christ's saving grace.

Pause for silence and reflection

Merciful Lord, **We come before you with heavy hearts. We do not always abide in our Savior's love. We often insist on our own way, putting worldly things before you. We doubt, we discriminate; we scatter—preferring darkness to the brilliance of your truth. For all this we ask your mercy and forgiveness, that our hearts may be made clean again. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

Jesus is the way and the truth and the life. Let us rejoice that we have received forgiveness, and that every day our Lord seeks to renew us in the image of our Creator, in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn

Jesus, Still Lead On ELW 624

**Jesus, still lead on, till our rest be won;
And, although the way be cheerless,
We will follow, calm and fearless;
Guide us by your hand to the promised land.**

**If the way be drear, if the foe be near,
Let no faithless fears o'ertake us,
Let not faith and hope forsake us;
Safely past the foe to our home we go.**

**When we seek relief from a long-felt grief,
When temptations come alluring
Make us patient and enduring;
Show us that bright shore where we weep no more.**

**Jesus, still lead on, till our rest be won;
Heav'nly leader, still direct us,
Still support, console, protect us,
Till we safely stand in the promised land.**

Text: Nicolaus L. von Zinzendorf, 1700-1760; tr. Jane L. Borthwick, 1813-1897, alt.

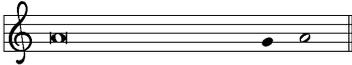
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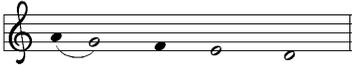
GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you. **And also with you.**

KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



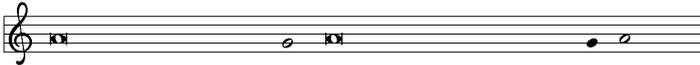
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



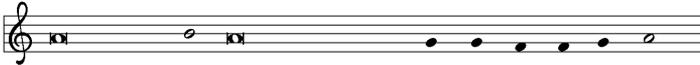
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, **your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth and the life. Give us grace to love one another, to follow in in the way of his commandments and to share his life with all the world, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen**

THE ASSEMBLY IS SEATED

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

CHILDREN'S SONG

I am a C
I am a C-H-
I am a C-H-R-I-S-T-I-A-N
And I have C-H-R-I-S-T
In my H-E-A-R-T
And I will L-I-V-E E-T-E-R-N-A-L-L-Y!

+ WORD +

READING: Psalm 31:1-5; 15-16

In you, O Lord, I seek refuge;
do not let me ever be put to shame;
in your righteousness deliver me.
Incline your ear to me;
rescue me speedily.
Be a rock of refuge for me,
a strong fortress to save me.

You are indeed my rock and my fortress;
for your name's sake lead me and guide me,
take me out of the net that is hidden for me,
for you are my refuge.

Into your hand I commit my spirit;
you have redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God.

My times are in your hand;
deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.
Let your face shine upon your servant;
save me in your steadfast love.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

THE ASSEMBLY STANDS

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION **“Return to the Lord”**



GOSPEL: John 14:1-7

The Holy Gospel according to John the 14th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

‘Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.’ Thomas said to him, ‘Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?’ Jesus said to him, ‘I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you

know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

THE ASSEMBLY IS SEATED

SERMON

Pastor Jennifer Boyd

THE ASSEMBLY STANDS

Hymn of the Day

Lead Me, Guide Me ELW 768

Refrain:

***Lead me, guide me, along the way;
For if you lead me, I cannot stray.
Lord, let me walk each day with thee.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.***

**I am weak and I need thy strength and pow'r
To help me over my weakest hour.
Help me through the darkness thy face to see.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me. *Refrain***

**Help me tread in the paths of righteousness,
Be my aid when Satan and sin oppress.
I am putting all my trust in thee.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me. *Refrain***

**I am lost if you take your hand from me,
I am blind without thy light to see.
Lord, just always let me thy servant be.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me. *Refrain***

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Music: Doris Akers

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APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, we confess our faith

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

**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.**

**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.**

PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Confident in your abundant grace, O Lord, we pray for the church,
the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence.

Build us up, O God as living stones united in your spiritual house. Continuing strengthen your church as it is sent forth to proclaim your love, Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Humble us, Creator God, as part of your creation. Fill us with respect and awe for the world you have made including that which blossoms before our eyes and that which works in the depths of the earth and sea. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Align our ways to your love, O God, we pray for countries, leaders and other organizations as they prepare places for those seeking refuge and safety. We continue to lift up all those agencies that seek to bring aid, peace and justice, particularly Lutheran Disaster response, Lutheran World Relief and so many others. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

God of healing and rest, help those whose hearts are heavy and weighed down by many troubles. Comfort their suffering, ease their distress and carry their burdens. We lift up especially... (pause) as well as **Michael, Charlie, Laurie, Kristen, David, Kyle, Joseph, Justin as well as those who have no one to name them and those who do not know Christ's name.** Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Generous God, you call into your brilliant light all who died. Give us faith to take hold of the promise of your eternal life that is offered to all people. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Here other petitions may be offered silently, aloud or online in the comments.

Pastor: With bold confidence in your love, almighty God, we place all for whom we pray into your eternal care; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PEACE OF THE LORD

Peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

THE ASSEMBLY IS SEATED

+ MEAL +

OFFERING

Please be seated as the gift of music is offered for the glory of God. Use this time as moments of prayer and reflection. You are also encouraged to continue to share your offering with Trinity by mailing them to the church office or by donation online via our website: www.trinitybrewsterny.org



ANTHEM:

“Ego sum via et veritas” Andreas Raselius

PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

We Are an Offering

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The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in 7/8 time. It consists of six lines of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering, we are an offering." There are three triplet markings (indicated by a '3' above the notes) in the first, third, and sixth lines of music.

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an
of-fer-ing. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our
lives, they are yours: we are an of-fer-ing. All that we have, all that we are,
all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.
We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you:
we are an of-fer-ing, we are an of-fer-ing.

Text: Dwight Liles, b. 1957
Music: Dwight Liles
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OFFERING
PM

INVITATION TO STEWARDSHIP/OFFERING PRAYER

All that we have, all that we are and all that we hope to be, we give to you as a humble offering of thankfulness.

Although we often fall short, **today we strive to do our best, bringing our first fruits as offering. Hold us to the highest standard and teach us to give generously. Use our gifts to further your mission in the world, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

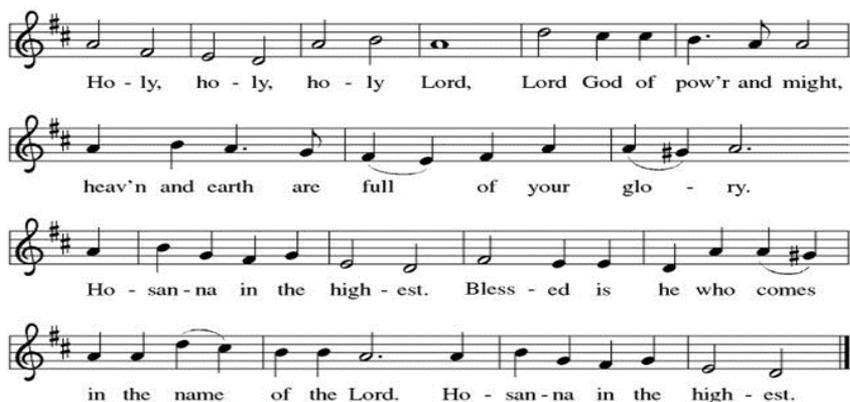
GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of four staves of music, each with a treble clef and a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff has two measures: 'The Lord be with you.' and 'And al - so with you.'. The second staff also has two measures: 'Lift up your hearts.' and 'We lift them to the Lord.'. The third staff has two measures: 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.'. The fourth staff has two measures: 'It is right' and 'to give our thanks and praise.'. The notes are simple, mostly quarter and eighth notes, with some rests.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our responsibility and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to
you,
almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.
You call your people to cleanse their hearts
and prepare with joy for the paschal feast,
that, renewed in the gift of baptism,
we may come to the fullness of your grace.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
 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.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears

you have brought us this far along the way

in times of bitterness you did not abandon us,

but guided us into the path of love and light

in every age you sent prophets

to make known your loving will for all humanity

the cry of the poor has become your own cry

our hunger and thirst for justice is your own desire

in the fullness of time you sent your chosen servant

to preach good news to the afflicted

to break bread with the outcast and despised

and to ransom those in bondage to prejudice and sin

In ...the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink of this cup we

proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we await the day when Jesus shall return to free all the earth from the bonds of sin and death.

Come, Lord Jesus

Send your Holy Spirit, our advocate, to fill the hearts of all who

share this bread and cup with courage and wisdom to pursue love

and justice in all the world.

Come, Spirit of freedom

Join our prayers and praise with your prophets and martyrs of every age, that, rejoicing in the hope of the resurrection we might live in the freedom and hope of your Son.

Through Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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**

+COMMUNION+

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus offers us the fullness of life in this bread and wine. Come to the banquet to receive this gift of love that is given for you. **Thanks be to God!**

Lamb of God

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.

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THE ASSEMBLY IS SEATED

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION AND BLESSINGS

All the baptized are welcome to feast in the Eucharist. You may receive only the bread or wine and still experience the full benefit of our Lord's meal. Those who do not receive bread or wine are invited to come for a blessing.

All members and visitors, please complete a Record of Communion card (in the pew racks) and hand it to an usher as you come forward.

Ushers will direct you to come forward at the appropriate time; please remain masked as you do so. Pastor Jen will put a wafer in your hand and the assistant will hand out a prefilled cup of wine (grape juice is available for those that would prefer it; please indicate that to the assistant).

Please return to your seats before partaking of it.

Communion Hymn

Around You, O Lord Jesus ELW 468

**Around you, O Lord Jesus, your own you gather still
To share the feast you give us with grace our lives to fill.
You say to us so lovingly,
“Take, eat! This is my body!
Take, drink! This is my blood!”**

**We hear your invitation, and heed, O Lord, your call;
Your word of consolation is spoken here to all.
It draws us to your loving heart;
It brings to us your blessing,
Which never will depart.**

**We are your own forever; until our final breath
We will be true and never—in joy, in grief, in death—
Depart from you, for you are still
Among your people dwelling,
As you have said you will.**

Text: Frans Mikael Franzen, 1772-1847; tr. composite

Music: H. Thomisson, *Den danske Psalmebog*, 1569

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After all have returned to their places, the assembly stands.

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy and fed us at your

table. Amid the care of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our hearts, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit and honor the earth you have made through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

PLEASE BE SEATED

MISSION & MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

+ SENDING +

BLESSING

Sending Hymn

Rock of Ages ELW 623

**Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee;
Let the water and the blood, from thy riven side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure; cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.**

**Not the labors of my hands can fulfill thy law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow,
All for sin could not atone; thou must save, and thou alone.**

**Nothing in my hand I bring; simply to thy cross I cling.
Naked, come to thee for dress; I helpless, look to thee for grace;
Foul, I to the fountain fly; wash me, Savior, or I die.**

**While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyelids close in death
When I soar to worlds unknown, see thee on thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee.**

Text: Augustus M. Toplady, 1740-1778

Music: Thomas Hastings, 1784-1872

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DISMISSAL

Marked with the cross of Christ,
go forth to love and serve the Lord. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE

"Gelobet seist Du, Jesu Christ" Andreas Raselius

WORSHIP NOTES:

Portions of the worship service has been adapted by Pastor Jen from the following resources:

- ✝ Confession, Absolution, Offering prayer, (@Clergy stuff);
- ✝ Prayer of the Day, Prayers of Intercession, (Sundays & Seasons, year 2020)
- ✝ Eucharistic prayer, (ELW);
- ✝ Post-communion prayer (All Creation Sings)
- ✝ Introduction, Call to worship, Invitation of stewardship, Invitation to Communion. (Pastor Jen Boyd);

MUSIC NOTES:

Andreas Raselius (1563 - 1602) was a German composer and kapellmeister during the Renaissance. He worked for much of his career as a teacher and cantor in Regensburg, before being appointed as the court conductor of the Elector Palatine in Heidelberg. He is today best noted as the author of a cycle of motets for use throughout the year, the first such cycle to be composed in the German language, which was published in 1594. Raselius was born in the Upper Palatinate. He was the son of Thomas Raselius, a Lutheran preacher. The elder Raselius had studied at Wittenberg University under the Lutheran theologian and reformer Philip Melancthon. From 1575 Andreas Raselius was educated at the Amberg Gymnasium and in November 1581 he enrolled at the University of Heidelberg. He gained a baccalaureate within only eight months and was awarded an M.A. in February 1584. A strict Lutheran, he declared himself "outraged at the Calvinist machinations" that he witnessed in Heidelberg and moved later in 1584 to Regensburg. There he was appointed as cantor at the gymnasium and the Neupfarrkirche], the town's first Lutheran church. As well as working as a composer and an author of musical theory and historical works, Raselius also published a chronicle history of Regensburg in both Latin and German. The breadth of his intellectual interests was illustrated by his library, which was catalogued after his death. It was found to comprise nearly 600 titles including over 475 humanistic and literary works, focusing primarily on philosophy and theology, as well as music treatises and his compositions.



Today's altar flowers are given by Doris & George O'Toole in honor of their loving family and in memory of Doris' mother, Lorraine.

Servers for April 3rd

Date/Time	Assisting Minister(s)	Usher(s)
April 3; 9:00 AM	Charlie Germain	John Bertone
April 3; 10:30 AM	Joan Bradley	



Let's Wish Happy Birthday to:

Katherine Minieri, 4/2
Charlie Lorocchia, 4/3
Rebecca Van Vlack, 4/3
Daniel Baggetta, 4/5
Nancy Knapp, 4/5
Tatiana Bettcher, 4/7
Eric Halbekath, Jr., 4/9
Katherine Harlin, 4/9
Jonathan Sciarra, 4/10
Joanne Halbekath, 4/12
Clarissa Cuomo, 4/13

Tyler O'Toole, 4/13
Ariana Dzibela, 4/14
Sharon Laird, 4/20
Charlie Germain, Jr., 4/24
Loretta Christiano, 4/27
Wyatt Torlish, 4/27
Mary Beth Commisso, 4/28
Rosanna Tempel, 4/28
Pat Wills, 4/28
George O'Toole, Jr., 4/29

Trinity Lutheran Church Mission Statement:

As a people of God, we desire to experience the presence of God in our lives that we might be the presence of God in the lives of others.

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