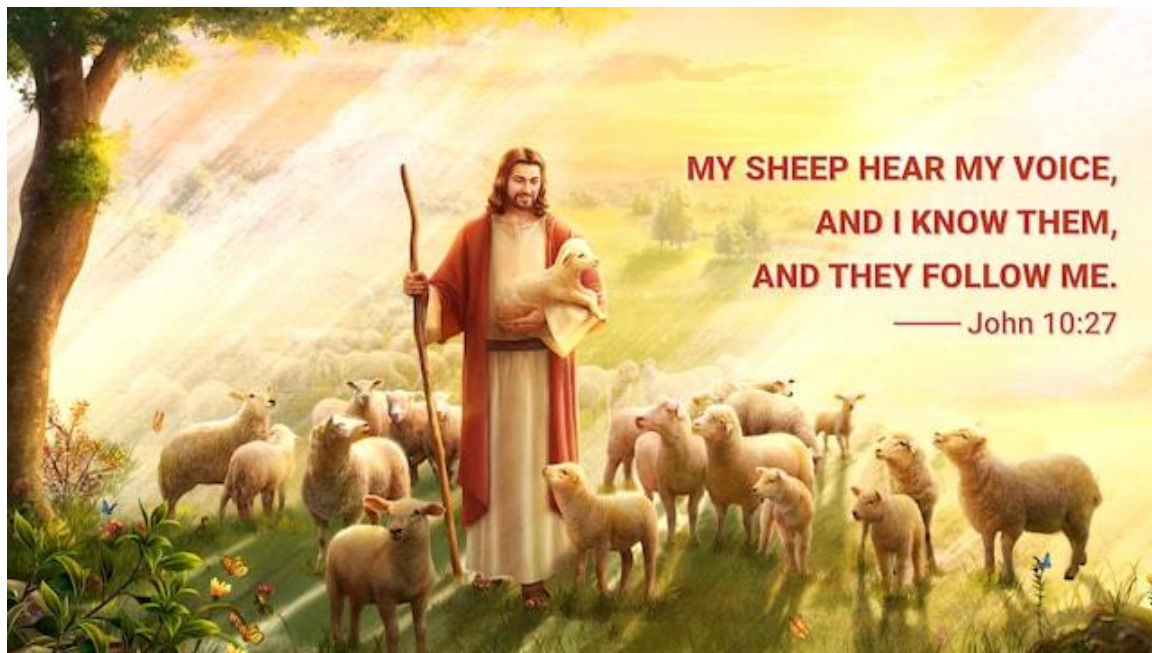


**Third Sunday of Easter  
Confirmation  
May 11, 2025  
Divine Service-Setting two-LSB 167**



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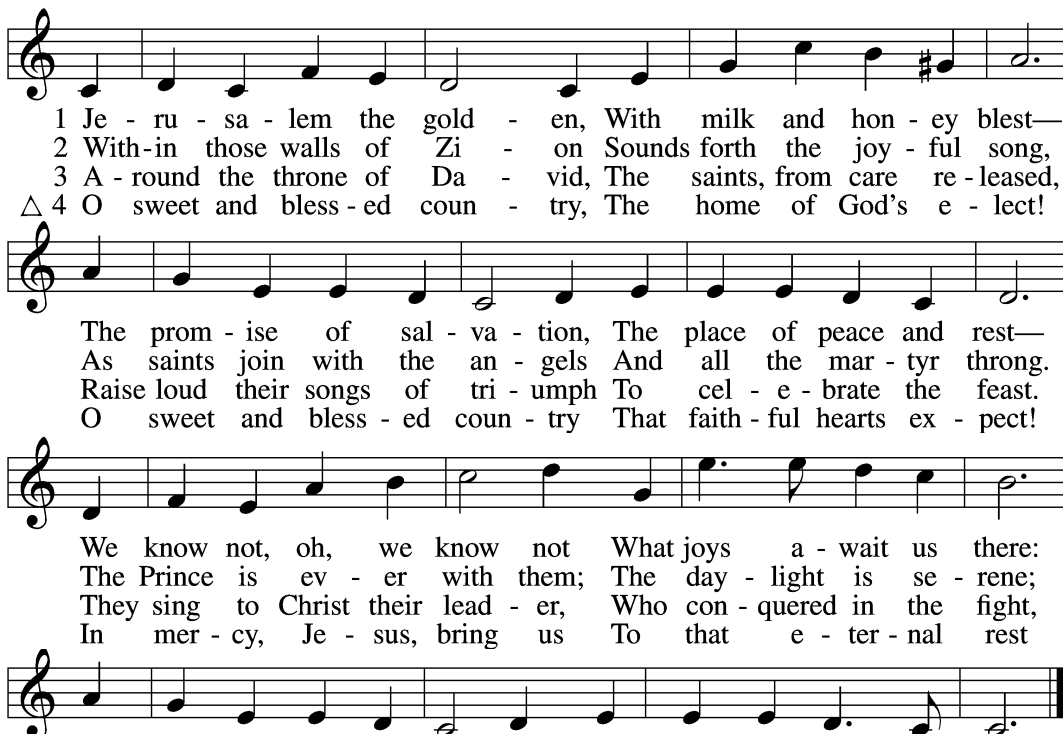
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Sunday Worship: 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.  
Worship On Wednesdays: 6:00 p.m.  
Bible Study: 9:40 a.m. (September-May)  
Sunday School: 9:40 a.m. (September-April)

## Confession and Absolution

### 672 Jerusalem the Golden



1 Je - ru - sa - lem the gold - en, With milk and hon - ey blest—  
2 With-in those walls of Zi - on Sounds forth the joy - ful song,  
3 A - round the throne of Da - vid, The saints, from care re - leased,  
△ 4 O sweet and bless - ed coun - try, The home of God's e - lect!

The prom - ise of sal - va - tion, The place of peace and rest—  
As saints join with the an - gels And all the mar - tyr throng.  
Raise loud their songs of tri - umph To cel - e - brate the feast.  
O sweet and bless - ed coun - try That faith - ful hearts ex - pect!

We know not, oh, we know not What joys a - wait us there:  
The Prince is ev - er with them; The day - light is se - rene;  
They sing to Christ their lead - er, Who con - quered in the fight,  
In mer - cy, Je - sus, bring us To that e - ter - nal rest

The ra - dian - cy of glo - ry, The bliss be - yond com - pare!  
The cit - y of the bless - ed Shines bright with glo - rious sheen.  
Who won for them for - ev - er Their gleam - ing robes of white.  
With You and God the Fa - ther And Spir - it, ev - er blest.

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*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**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.

**C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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 you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

## Service of the Word

### Introit

*Psalm 78:70–72; 79:13; antiphon: John 10:14, 15b*

I am the good shepherd.

**I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life for the sheep.**

He chose David his servant and took him from the sheepfolds;

**from following the nursing ewes he brought him to shepherd Jacob his people, Israel his inheritance.**

With upright heart he shepherded them

**and guided them with his skillful hand.**

But we your people, the sheep of your pasture, will give thanks to you forever;

**from generation to generation we will recount your praise.**

**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. Amen.**

I am the good shepherd.

**I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life for the sheep.**

# Kyrie

LSB 168

**P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**P** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**P** 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.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**P** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise  
let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

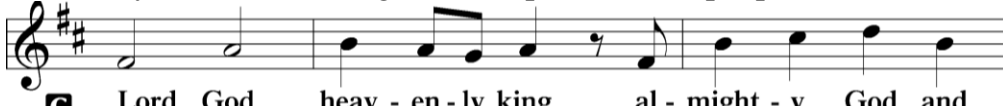


**C** A - men.

# Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 170

**P** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.



**C** Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and

Fa - ther: We wor - ship You, we give You thanks, we  
 praise You for Your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly  
 Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God: You  
 take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on  
 us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the  
 Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer. For You a - lone are the  
 Ho - ly One, You a - lone are the Lord, You a -  
 lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,  
 in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## First Reading

*Acts 20:17–35*

<sup>17</sup>Now from Miletus [Paul] sent to Ephesus and called the elders of the church to come to him. <sup>18</sup>And when they came to him, he said to them:

“You yourselves know how I lived among you the whole time from the first day that I set foot in Asia, <sup>19</sup>serving the Lord with all humility and with tears and with trials that happened to me through the plots of the Jews; <sup>20</sup>how I did not shrink from declaring to you anything that was profitable, and teaching you in public and from house to house, <sup>21</sup>testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>22</sup>And now, behold, I am going to Jerusalem, constrained by the Spirit, not knowing what will happen to me there, <sup>23</sup>except that the Holy Spirit testifies to me in every city that imprisonment and afflictions await me. <sup>24</sup>But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God. <sup>25</sup>And now, behold, I know that none of you among whom I have gone about proclaiming the kingdom will see my face again. <sup>26</sup>Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all of you, <sup>27</sup>for I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God. <sup>28</sup>Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood. <sup>29</sup>I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; <sup>30</sup>and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them. <sup>31</sup>Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish

everyone with tears. <sup>32</sup>And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. <sup>33</sup>I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. <sup>34</sup>You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities and to those who were with me. <sup>35</sup>In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle

*Revelation 7:9–17*

<sup>9</sup>After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, <sup>10</sup>and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

<sup>11</sup>And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup>saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

<sup>13</sup>Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" <sup>14</sup>I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

<sup>15</sup>"Therefore they are before the throne of God,  
and serve him day and night in his temple;  
and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.

<sup>16</sup>They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;  
the sun shall not strike them,  
nor any scorching heat.

<sup>17</sup>For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd,  
and he will guide them to springs of living water,  
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Alleluia and Verse

*LSB 173*

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with a C-clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody for 'Al - le - lu - ia.' is written on the first staff, followed by 'Lord, to whom shall we go?' on the second staff. The second staff continues with 'You have the words of e - ter - nal life.' and ends with 'Al - le - lu - ia.' The music is written in a simple, clear style suitable for a church service.

## Holy Gospel

*John 10:22–33*

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

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>22</sup>At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter, <sup>23</sup>and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the colonnade of Solomon. <sup>24</sup>So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, “How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly.” <sup>25</sup>Jesus answered them, “I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father’s name bear witness about me, <sup>26</sup>but you do not believe because you are not part of my flock. <sup>27</sup>My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup>I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. <sup>29</sup>My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father’s hand. <sup>30</sup>I and the Father are one.”

<sup>31</sup>The Jews picked up stones again to stone him. <sup>32</sup>Jesus answered them, “I have shown you many good works from the Father; for which of them are you going to stone me?” <sup>33</sup>The Jews answered him, “It is not for a good work that we are going to stone you but for blasphemy, because you, being a man, make yourself God.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

**(10:30) Cherub Choir (Pre-K)-“God Is So Good”**



## Children's Message

### 709 The King of Love My Shepherd Is

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.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;  
Thine unction grace bestoweth;  
And, oh, what transport of delight  
From Thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so through all the length of days  
Thy goodness faileth never;  
Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise  
Within Thy house forever!

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## Sermon

### Apostles' Creed

**C** 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.**

## **Prayer of the Church**

**P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord, beseeching Him for the needs of ourselves and others.

Trusting in God's loving response, we pray for the church and all who are called to lives of service to God's people, asking that the Lord will bless His undershepherds and all who care for His flock.

**C Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.**

**P** We pray for ourselves, that the Holy Spirit guide us into gracious ways and instill in us a holy confidence in the goodness of our God, aiding us in our prayers. With thanks for the faithful examples set by those whose earthly journeys are complete and whose witness to Christ yet inspires us, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.**

**P** We pray for the blessing of God upon our nation and its leaders that we may lead peaceable lives, and we pray for the needs of ourselves and others for healing and restoration, for solace and comfort, [*especially..*]

**C Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.**

**P** These things and all else that we should have asked grant us according to Your gracious will, O Lord, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**C Amen.**

## **Offering**

*Thank you for your ongoing support of the ministry here at Trinity Lutheran Church and School. Your offerings are gifts to God. They help us serve Him as a witness to our community. As you continue to place your offerings in the baskets, mail them to the church office, or give through our online giving opportunities, (follow the "Giving" link on the Trinity website at [www.trinitymonitor.org](http://www.trinitymonitor.org) or text the word "GIVE" to 989-270-0281 and follow the directions) know that we seek to use these resources to the glory of God and the furthering of His Kingdom.*

## Offertory

LSB 176



**C** What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all His ben - e-fits to  
me? I will of - fer the sac - ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing and will  
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal -  
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
vows to the Lord now in the pres - ence of all His peo - ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

## Lord's Prayer

**C** 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.

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
 The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
- C** Amen.

### 937 Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace

1 Lord, bid Your ser - vant go in peace,  
 2 This is the Sav - ior of the world,  
 △ 3 With saints of old, with saints to come,

Your word is now ful - filled. These eyes have seen sal -  
 The Gen - tiles' prom - ised light, God's glo - ry dwell - ing  
 To You we lift our voice; To Fa - ther, Son, and

va - tion's dawn, This child so long fore - told.  
 in our midst, The joy of Is - ra - el.  
 Spir - it blest Be hon - or, love, and praise.

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CALENDAR			
Monday	5/12	7:00pm	Voter's Meeting
Tuesday	5/13	7:00pm	Athletic Club
Wednesday	5/14	8:15am	Chapel
		6:00pm	Worship On Wednesday
Friday	5/16	6:00-8:00pm	Family Bingo Night
Sunday	5/18	8:30am & 10:30am	Worship w/Communion
		9:40am	Sunday School & Bible Study
		11:00am-1:00pm	Chicken BBQ
		2:00-4:00pm	The GATE

APRIL	TOTALS	ATTENDENCE		
General Fund	\$52,966.96	5/4	1st	83
Missions	\$1,030.00		2nd	119
BFF	\$935.00	5/7	WOW	8
Church Maintenance	\$2,670.00			
School Maintenance	\$195.00	<b>Total</b>		<b>210</b>
Tuition Assistance	\$125.00			
Christmas Tree Fund	\$40.00			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$58,011.96</b>			

*We are collecting donations for prizes for our Family Bingo fundraiser for our high school youth to attend the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans this summer. Scan the QR code to see our Amazon wish list.*



# BINGO

## FAMILY BINGO NIGHT

**FRIDAY, MAY 16TH**  
**6PM – 8PM**  
**ADULTS \$25**  
**KIDS \$5**

**TRINITY MONITOR GYM**

Adult cards pre-sale (at a discount of \$5).  
Cards go on sale in the school office starting May 4.

**CONCESSIONS AVAILABLE**  
(HOT DOGS, PRETZELS, PIZZA, POPCORN, CANDY)  
No cash prizes

**FUNDRAISER FOR HIGH SCHOOLERS TO GO TO NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING IN NEW ORLEANS**



**MISSED CHURCH ON SUNDAY?** No worries! We've got you covered! Join us for **WOW! (Worship On Wednesdays)** at **6:00 PM**, for an uplifting evening of praise, following our Creative Worship format, featuring the same scripture readings and sermon from Sunday's service.

Want to be part of the experience? **WOW is looking for volunteers!** If you would like to contribute, we'd love to have you join in. Whether it's reading Scripture, leading songs, or playing an instrument, there's a place for you. **Scan the QR code to sign up!**



**THE GATE:** The GATE would like to invite any eighth graders from Grace and Trinity to join us at Trinity for our last meeting of the year on Sunday, May 18 from 2-4 pm

**BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN:** Celebrate the mothers and fathers in your life by changing lives! When you fill a baby bottle with spare change, cash, or a check, you are helping LifeClinic provide free and confidential medical services, parenting education classes, and resilience support to anyone in the Great Lakes Bay Region. Pick up a baby bottle today and return it to church by Father's Day, June 15<sup>th</sup>. Bottles are on the table in the back of the church. Thank you for your generous support!

**ANNUAL REPORT:** The 2024 Annual Report is located on the table in the back of the church. Pick up your copy today. One copy per family please.

**NEWS FROM VLHS:** Celebrate with our Class of 2025 'Top 10', and read about the success of our Law Day team in the May Valley Vision newsletter! Available at [www.vlhs.com/vvmay2025](http://www.vlhs.com/vvmay2025).

Summer is coming....which means so are VL Summer Camps! Head to [www.vlhs.com/camps](http://www.vlhs.com/camps) to see offerings, schedule and to register. Early-bird registration runs through May 20. We look forward to being a part of your summer!

The VLHS Music Department invites you to the Spring Concert, held Sunday, May 18 at 4 p.m. at St. Lorenz Worship & Event Center.

Valley Lutheran is seeking applications for a Foreign Language Teacher (Spanish is preferred but other language options will be considered) for the 2025-26 school year. For more information or directions to apply, go to [www.vlhs.com/jobs](http://www.vlhs.com/jobs).

### Valley Lutheran High School Association – Annual Meeting Notification

The Annual Meeting of the Valley Lutheran High School Association will take place on Wednesday, May 21st at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Resource Center at VLHS. Congregational representatives will be present for the meeting, but any Association congregation member may attend should they wish.

**MEN OF MUSIC:** Please join us for an evening of exceptional music at the Men of Music concert directed by Grace Marra. The concert will be on May 13 at 7:00 pm at the Memorial Presbyterian Church. The event is a benefit concert for the Toni and Trish House for the Care of the terminally Ill and all proceeds from the freewill offering will go directly to the organization. For more information, please call (989)662-6400. Don't miss this great opportunity to enjoy a great evening of music while supporting a worthy cause.

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### **STEWARDSHIP CORNER**

Are you prepared with God's help to do all that you can to help others know Jesus? Are you using your time, talents, and treasures in ways that make an eternal difference in the lives of others? To make an impact on others is not easy. Although doing the Lord's work brings much joy, it does require sacrifice. For the sake of the Gospel, we need to commit our time and energy. In addition, the Lord's work often requires us to give sacrificially. For example, the early Christians sold land and houses to meet the needs of others (Acts 2:45). The Macedonian churches gave beyond their ability to the needs of other believers (2 Corinthians 8:1-7). Just as God worked in the hearts of the Macedonians, He changes our hearts so we can become generous people.





# Trinity Is Looking



For a long-term substitute teacher for Mrs. Setula's maternity leave! Come work with preschool children, 4-5 years of age for the beginning of the school year!

**We are looking for someone who...**

- has, or is working toward a bachelor's degree In Early Childhood Education
- Is 18 years of age or older
- Experience working with children
- Has availability Monday-Friday 7:30am-3:30pm starting In August & continuing until November (Tentatively)



Join Us & Send your resume to:

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## WE'RE HIRING

GSRP  
PRESCHOOL  
AIDE

Come join our team! We are looking for an energetic, loving preschool aide to work with students ages 4-5 years old.

### REQUIREMENTS:

- Must have Child Development Associates or working towards one
- Must be 18 years of age or older & some experience working with kids.
- Must be available Monday-Friday 7:45am-3:30pm. Starting In August, 2025.



### INTERESTED?

Contact Director Rebecca Setula  
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## CHICKEN BBQ

**MAY 18, 2025**  
**11:00AM-1:00PM**

1/2 CHICKEN-BAKED BEANS-SQUASH  
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**\$15.00**

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