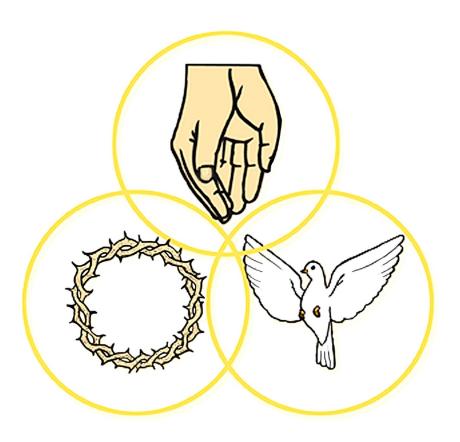
# United In Christ Lutheran Church



The Holy Trinity
May 26, 2024

The Rev. Justin G, Lingenfelter

# Welcome to our church!

We hope the service is meaningful, and uplifting, and that you will experience God's presence here.

May God bless you during worship today.





#### LARGE PRINT BULLETINS

Please see a greeter.

#### **ELEVATOR**

Please see a greeter.

#### REST ROOMS

Downstairs across from the church office.

#### DIAPER CHANGING TABLE

In fellowship hall family restroom.

Visit us at www.unitedinchristlutheran.net

#### UNITED IN CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH STAFF

The Rev. Justin G. Lingenfelter: UIC Pastor

The Rev. Katy Moran: CELC Pastor

Terri Cromwell: Parish Administrator and OAKS Director

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Marilyn Gresh: Music Director

#### United In Christ's Mission Statement:

Led by the Spirit, we follow Christ's call to honor God and neighbor through worship, learning, service, prayer, stewardship and invitation.

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **PRELUDE**

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

#### Amen

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection

God, our Provider, help us.

It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting you. We take offense at your teaching and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

Beloved people of God, in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, + the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy, you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

#### Come, Thou Almighty King



#### APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

And also with you.

#### **HYMN OF PRAISE**





#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

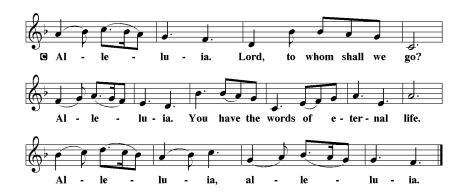
<sup>1</sup>In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup>Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. <sup>3</sup>And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." <sup>4</sup>The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke.

<sup>5</sup>And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" <sup>6</sup>Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. <sup>7</sup>The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." <sup>8</sup>Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



This is the Holy Gospel according to John, the 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.** 

<sup>1</sup>Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." <sup>4</sup>Nicodemus said to him. "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" 5Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. 6What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup>Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' 8The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" 10 Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? 11"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. 12 If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? <sup>13</sup>No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup>And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. 16"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. 17"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

#### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

#### **SERMON**

#### **HYMN OF THE DAY**

**ELW 413** 

#### Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!





Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee. cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea; though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see, All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.



mer - ci - ful and might - y! Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho ly, cher-u - bim and fall - ing down be - fore ser - a - phim thee. there is none be - side thee mer - ci - ful and might - y! on - ly thou art thee, ho ly; Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho ly,



God in three per sons, which wert and and art, per fect in pow'r, in God in three per sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
ev - er - more shalt be.
love and pu - ri - ty.
bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

#### **APOSTLE'S CREED**

Let us confess our faith using the Apostle's Creed:

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.

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

We come before the triune God to pray for our communities, ourselves, and our world.

Prayers continue with each petition ending:

Merciful God, receive our prayer.

Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid, through the power of the Spirit and the love of Jesus Christ.

#### SHARING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.** 

The minister and congregation greet one another in the name of the Lord. Please share the peace at whatever level of physical contact with which you are comfortable.

Please fill out an Attendance Card, and place the card in an offering plate.

#### **OFFFRING**

You are invited to place your offering in one of the plates as they are passed or to make use of our online offering plate through tithe.ly by scanning the QR code to the right. You may also place your offering at www.unitedinchristlutheran.net/giving by clicking on the green "Give Now" button.





#### OFFERTORY HYMN



#### **OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray.

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

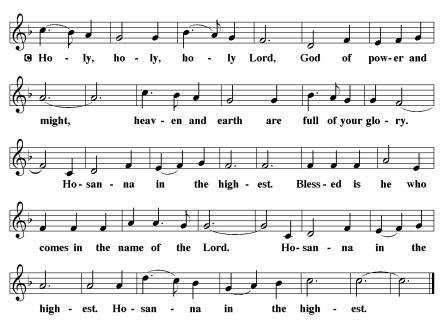
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty 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; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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:



O God most mighty, O God most merciful, O God our rock and our salvation, hear us as we praise, call us to your table, grant us your life.

When the earth was a formless void, you formed order and beauty. When Abraham and Sarah were barren, you sent them a child. When the Israelites were enslaved, you led them to freedom. Ruth faced starvation, David fought Goliath, and the psalmists cried out for healing, and full of compassion, you granted the people your life.

You entered our sorrows in Jesus our brother. He was born among the poor, he lived under oppression, he wept over the city. With infinite love, he granted the people your life.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering his death, we cry out Amen.

#### Amen.

Celebrating his resurrection, we shout Amen.

#### Amen!

Trusting his presence in every time and place, we plead Amen.

Amen.

O God, you are Breath: send your Spirit on this meal. O God, you are Bread: feed us with yourself. O God, you are wine: warm our hearts and make us one. O God, you are Fire: transform us with hope.

O God most majestic, O God most motherly, O God our strength and our song, you show us a vision of a tree of life with fruits for all and leaves that heal the nations. Grant us such life, the life of the Father to the Son, the life of the Spirit of our risen Savior, life in you, now and forever.

Amen.

#### LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us saying:

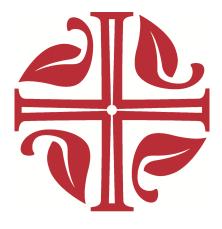
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

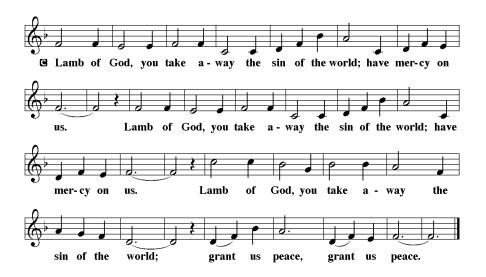
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

#### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come! **Thanks be to God!** 





#### COMMUNION

Admission to the Sacrament is by invitation of the Lord, and all people are invited to his table. Those who do not wish to receive communion are invited to receive a blessing.

The body of Christ, given for you.

The communicant may say: Amen

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

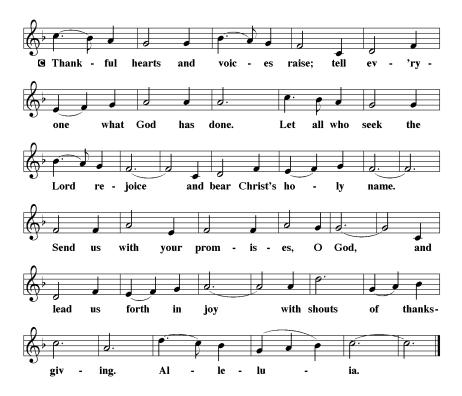
The communicant may say: Amen

Music will accompany the distribution of communion.

#### **TABLE BLESSING**

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

#### POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



#### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Let us pray.

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

Amen.

#### **BENEDICTION**

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, + be upon you now and forever

#### Come, Join the Dance of Trinity



#### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ **Thanks be to God.** 

#### **POSTLUDE**

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# What's Happening at UIC

Sun, May 26 Worship, 10:00am

Social Hour, 11:15am

Mon, May 27 Office Closed

Fri, May 31 Office Closed

Sat, Jun. 1 Lewisburg Pride Festival, 10:00am-1:00pm

Sun, Jun. 2 Worship, 10:00am

Social Hour, 11:15am

Outreach Committee Mtg., 11:15am

### UNITED IN CHRIST'S PRAYER LIST

Please pray for: Kristopher Ficks, Kristen Sprenkle, Colten, Kevin Wall, Molly Bingaman, Donna Corazza, family and friends of Janet Pursel, family and friends of Bob Furman, Linda Mertz, Carol Troxell, Eleanor Baker, Doris Frederick, Gail Watkins, Terri Cromwell, Ken Baker, Annette



Baker, Rosemary Fernsler, Ryan Hunter, Patrick Mosley, Mark Rabuck, Shirley Russell, Bob Keifer, Viv Marsh.

#### Are you or a loved one in need of prayer?

Submit your prayer request by calling 570-568-2254 or emailing it to office@unitedinchristlutheran.net





Charlie Sprenkle 7/1
Penny Golder 7/1



If we missed your birthday or anniversary, please call the church office with these dates.

Please remember to pickup your June Newsletter today!

Additional copies are on the Welcome Table.





We are so excited to share that registration is officially live for our 2024 Summer Day Camp Program! Once again, we will be partnering with Camp Mount Luther and our neighbors at Milton Lutheran Church and Christ's Evangelical Lutheran Church for a week of programming and fun as we explore what it means to be "Created to Be!"

Registration is open to students completing grades K-5 by the start of summer. Each day includes plenty of programming, games, crafts, and lunch for all participants! Please feel free to contact the church office at office@unitedinchristlutheran.net if you have any questions!

Be sure to register today by visiting the follow website!

www.myvbs.org/miltonlutheranchurches

### IMPORTANT LINKS

For easy access, bookmark these pages on your computer or add the page to your tablet or smartphone's home screen.

UIC's website: www.unitedinchristlutheran.net

**Worship and Bulletins:** Print the Sunday bulletin so you can follow along. You can also view past bulletins and worship services.

www.unitedinchristlutheran.net/worship

**Church Calendar:** Stay up-to-date on everything that's happening at UIC.

www.unitedinchristlutheran.net/calendar

Online Giving: www.unitedinchristlutheran.net/giving/

**Newsletter Archive:** Read current and past newsletters. <u>www.unitedinchristlutheran.net/newsletter</u>

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Facebook Group: www.facebook.com/groups/UICLC/



# **WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS**

	May 26	June 2	June 9
Preaching	Lingenfelter	Lingenfelter	Lingenfelter
Social Hour	A-D	E-K	L-R
Bread/Wine	R. Baker	D. Byerly	K. Criswell
Altar Guild	S. Keifer	ML Keifer	K. Guffey
Digital Host	M. Shearer	T. Cromwell	M. Shearer
Front Door Greeter	C. Robuck	Ken Baker	D. Byerly
	D. Robuck	R. Baker	J. Byerly
Side Door Greeter	D. Byerly	K. Baker	S. Brown
Lector	R. Sprenkle	A. Stark	B. Swartz
Ushers	B. Swartz	M. Shearer	L. Rabuck
	T. Swartz	B. Swartz	M. Rabuck
	B. Troxell	T. Swartz	K. Arndt
	J. Mertz	B. Troxell	S. Brown
Communion Asst.	R. Sprenkle	T. McPherrin	R. Sprenkle
	M. Mertz	M. Shearer	A. Stark
Guest Relations	M. Mertz	G. Weiser	B. Troxell
Offering Counter	M. Rabuck	Ken Baker	L. Rabuck
	R. Sprenkle	C. Shreck	M. Shearer

If you are unable to serve on your scheduled day, please try to trade with someone on the schedule and then notify the office of the change. If you are unable to trade with someone, please call Terri Cromwell at the church, 570-568-2254, and she will find a replacement for you.



# **Lutheran Church**

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## WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

Sundays at 10am

THE REV. JUSTIN G. LINGENFELTER

#### **CHURCH OFFICE**

Open Mon. - Thur. 8:00am - 2:00pm Email: office@unitedinchristlutheran.net

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