

**THE HOLY TRINITY  
MEMORIAL DAY COMMEMORATION  
MAY 26, 2024  
9:00 A.M.**



*We Gather in Jesus' Name*

**Prelude**

**Announcements**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

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 in you. We take offense at your teachings 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.

**Amen.**

## **Gathering Song: Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters**

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| 1 Wash O God our sons and daughters<br>Where Your cleansing waters flow<br>Number them among Your people<br>Bless as Christ blessed long ago<br>Weave them garments bright and sparkling<br>Compass them with love and light<br>Fill anoint them send Your Spirit<br>Holy dove and heart's delight | God renew us guide our footsteps<br>Free from sin and all its snares<br>One with Christ in living dying<br>By Your Spirit children heirs   |
| 2 We who bring them long for nurture<br>By Your milk may we be fed<br>Let us join Your feast<br>Partaking cup of blessing living bread   | 3 O how deep Your holy wisdom<br>Unimagined all Your ways<br>To Your name be glory honor<br>With our lives we worship praise<br>We Your people stand before You<br>Water washed and Spirit-born<br>By Your grace our lives we offer<br>Recreate us God transform |

## **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.**

## **Prayer of the Day**

God of heaven and earth, before the foundation of the universe and the beginning of time you are the triune God: Author of creation, eternal Word of salvation, life-giving Spirit of wisdom. Guide us to all truth by your Spirit, that we may proclaim all that Christ has revealed and rejoice in the glory he shares with us. Glory and praise to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## ***The Reading of God's Word***

### **First Reading: Isaiah 6:1-8**

<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!”

Word of God, Word of Life

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm: Psalm 29**

<sup>1</sup>Ascribe to the LORD, you gods,  
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

<sup>2</sup>**Ascribe to the LORD the glory due God's name;  
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.**

<sup>3</sup>The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders;  
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.

<sup>4</sup>**The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice;  
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.**

<sup>5</sup>The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees;  
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

**<sup>6</sup>the LORD makes Lebanon skip like a calf,  
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**

<sup>7</sup>The voice of the LORD

bursts forth in lightning flashes.

**<sup>8</sup>The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;  
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh. R**

<sup>9</sup>The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare.

And in the temple of the LORD all are crying, “Glory!”

**<sup>10</sup>The LORD sits enthroned above the flood;  
the LORD sits enthroned as king forevermore.**

<sup>11</sup>O LORD, give strength to your people;

give them, O LORD, the blessings of peace.

### **Second Reading: Romans 8:12-17**

<sup>12</sup>Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—<sup>13</sup>for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. <sup>14</sup>For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. <sup>15</sup>For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” <sup>16</sup>it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup>and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

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### *Gospel: John 3:1-17*

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 28<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C: 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?” <sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. <sup>6</sup>What 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.’ <sup>8</sup>The 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.” <sup>9</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

<sup>11</sup>“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. <sup>12</sup>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.

<sup>16</sup>“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.

<sup>17</sup>“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.”

**P:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ**

### *Sermon*

***Hymn of the Day: “I Will Call Upon the Lord” (2x)***

I will call upon the Lord who is worthy to be praised.  
So shall I be saved from my enemies. I will call upon the Lord.

The Lord liveth, and blessed be the Rock, and let the God of my salvation be exalted.  
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### ***Apostles' Creed***

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again 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***

*(Each petition ends with... Merciful God,  
the congregation responds: **receive our prayer.**)*

### **Sharing of the Peace**

The Peace of the Lord be with you.

**And, also with you.**

***The Offering*** Please leave your offering on our website: [https://www.eservicepayments.com/cgi-bin/Vanco\\_ver3.vps?appver3=Dc8dzPGn4-LCajFevTkh9MYPCImH2sG-jdxWYJMFGW\\_lQfxkD4hBw8WoQ6UZLveQvLkSxosar2o939JWiAad87o7zqy-JU\\_UuLu19bUbJx2MmPFcXvWIUz6A7FDgkhUKkoPpduXvnt8gXUeZjQYbn9G3frHWC59Y\\_VCHQ6\\_VCoE=&ver=3](https://www.eservicepayments.com/cgi-bin/Vanco_ver3.vps?appver3=Dc8dzPGn4-LCajFevTkh9MYPCImH2sG-jdxWYJMFGW_lQfxkD4hBw8WoQ6UZLveQvLkSxosar2o939JWiAad87o7zqy-JU_UuLu19bUbJx2MmPFcXvWIUz6A7FDgkhUKkoPpduXvnt8gXUeZjQYbn9G3frHWC59Y_VCHQ6_VCoE=&ver=3)

### ***Offertory 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.  
Amen.**

### **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.**

### **Words of Institution**

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

**Amen.**

### **Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

### **Distribution**

The body of Christ, given to you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

### **Prayer after Communion**

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.**

### **Blessing**

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.

**Amen.**

### ***Sending Song: "My Country, 'Tis of Thee"***

1 My country, 'tis of thee,  
sweet land of liberty,  
of thee I sing:  
land where my fathers died,  
land of the pilgrims' pride,  
from ev'ry mountainside  
let freedom ring.

2 My native country, thee,  
land of the noble free,  
thy name I love;  
I love thy rocks and rills,  
thy woods and templed hills;  
my heart with rapture thrills  
like that above.

3 Let music swell the breeze,  
and ring from all the trees  
sweet freedom's song;  
let mortal tongues awake;  
let all that breathe partake;  
let rocks their silence break,  
the sound prolong.


4 Our fathers' God, to thee,  
author of liberty,  
to thee we sing:  
long may our land be bright  
with freedom's holy light.  
Protect us by thy might,  
great God, our king.

**Dismissal**

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

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<p><b>OUR MISSION</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>+ To <b>gather</b> as God's people and nurture one another</li><li>+ To <b>know</b> the Word of God</li><li>+ To <b>grow</b> in faith, love, and service</li><li>+ To <b>go</b> into the world with the Good News of Jesus Christ</li></ul>	
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**SERVING OUR LORD IN WORSHIP TODAY**

Pastor  
Music Director  
Worship Assistant  
Fellowship Time

The Rev. Matthew Ollikainen  
Michael Dettra  
Rose Herbert  
Ward family

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

The Altar Flowers are both presented by the Hoffmann family in loving memory of Donald Hoffmann, Sr.

**NUEVA CREACIÓN MISSION SUPPORT**

Support of Nueva Creación Lutheran Church in Philadelphia for this week is presented to the Glory of God.

**WORSHIP ATTENDANCE**

Sunday, May 19: 8:00 = 14; 9:30 = 23; SS = 5. Total 42



**THE HOLY TRINITY**

Trinity Sunday is a day that celebrates and honors the Holy Trinity. We commemorate and celebrate God who is three in one: God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. Trinity Sunday falls on the Sunday after Pentecost.

**CONTACTING PASTOR MATT**

If you need to speak with Pastor Matt when he is not in the office, particularly in the case of a pastoral emergency, please feel free to call his cell at 215-859-3778 or email him at [pastor@adventrichboro.org](mailto:pastor@adventrichboro.org). If he is not available to take your call, leave a message and he will contact you.

**SUMMER SCHEDULE ZOOM INFORMATION**

9:00 am Worship Service

Meeting ID: 815 4518 6885

Passcode: 500201

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81545186885?pwd=SFA1Q2lISnB4dE9MSzJlSjNRNzI4dz09>



## **SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

On Sunday, June 2, after the single service at 9:00 am, there will be a special congregational meeting. The Church Council will be asking the congregation to consider and approve funding for church website and hosting, which they consider to be a necessary investment in Advent's future. Please plan on attending this special congregational meeting. A copy of the proposal from Janus Advertising has been sent to the congregation and additional copies may be found in the back of the sanctuary.

## **FINANCIAL REPORT**

<b>Financial Report For April 2024</b>		
	<b>Rec'vd for April 2024</b>	<b>Budget for April 2024</b>
General Fund	\$9,083.82	\$17,482.00
Mortgage	\$1,451	\$1,898.00
Bene. - Synod Only	\$80	\$75
Other Benevolence	\$670	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$11,284.82</b>	<b>\$19,455.00</b>
	<b>Recv'd YTD 1/1-4/30/24</b>	<b>Budget YTD 1/1-4/30/24</b>
General Fund	\$42,940.71	\$69,928.00
Mortgage	\$6,731.00	\$7,592.00
Bene. - Synod Only	\$210.00	\$300.00
Other Benevolence	\$1,870.00	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$51,751.71</b>	<b>\$77,820.00</b>

## **GOD SIGHTINGS**

Have you seen God at work in your life, or in nature, a neighbor, etc.? Please add to our God Sightings chain by writing down the ways that you see God in your life. Use the strips of paper found in the narthex. Take them home and write them there, or do it right at church. They will be stapled onto the chain (or you can staple them yourself). On Pentecost, May 19, the chain was hung in the sanctuary, but we will continue to add to it until Reformation Sunday, October 27. Let's see how many times we can circle the whole space!



## **HONORING GRADUATES**

Again, this year, Advent will be honoring our college and high school graduates. If someone you know is graduating this year, forms can be found on the round table in the narthex. More information forthcoming.



## **WORLD MUSIC CONCERT**

Join our music director Mike Dettra and his group **The Dettra Mental Quartet** for a **World Music Concert** on Friday, June 7, at 7:30 p.m., here at Advent. Invite your friends and bring your children! Light refreshments will be provided. There is no admission charge. A free will offering will be taken.



## **MEN'S BREAKFAST SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 8:30 A.M.**

Men's Breakfast will take place on Saturday, June 8 at 8:30 (AM). The menu will be determined by what is on sale. Coffee is ready by 7:30 (AM) – Dave

## **LADIES LUNCHEON AT ADVENT**

There is something going on at Advent. It has been noticed that the wonderful women of Advent do not get much time to get to know each other. June 11 at noon in the all purpose room at Advent is the time to remedy that. Bring your own lunch and join us. No need to make a reservation. Your place is already reserved!





## **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - AUGUST 12 - 16**

Plans are set for Vacation Bible School at Advent. Children from age 4 through completion of 6<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to join the fun on **Monday–Friday from 9:00 a.m.–noon** on August 12-16. We'll learn Bible lessons in summertime style! With everyone joining-in for stories, games, songs and crafts, being with friends will make it great, along with snack time and outdoor play. Please register by **July 15**. Registration forms are available in the narthex or on the website.

### **NUEVA CREACION LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Please consider supporting our sister congregation, Nueva Creación Lutheran Church, which does vital ministry in North Philadelphia. A sign-up chart is on the table in the narthex near the entrance to the sanctuary.



### **DONATIONS FOR FELLOWSHIP TIME**

Were you aware that not everyone can bake? Or that time is often at a premium? Or that some of us can't always be in church in person? If these questions have plagued you and perhaps you wish you could help at fellowship time more often than you do, you aren't alone. For that reason, and so we don't lose fellowship time altogether, consider donating a few dollars now and then and let someone else do the shopping/baking. All those hungry snackers will appreciate it!



### **RECYCLE CAN TABS TO HELP FAMILIES**

Recycling can tabs for charity is a great idea! If you bring them in, we'll drop them off. Look for marked containers in the narthex above the coat rack. The tab program began at Ronald McDonald House Charities in 1997 to help children with medical needs and their families.

### **ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATION**

There are numerous dates available for 2024 to dedicate flowers to beautify the altar each Sunday. Please sign up on the sheet on the table in the narthex with your name and dedication. Two bouquets are available each week. The cost is \$25 per bouquet. In addition to making the altar more beautiful, you take the flowers home after the late service to enjoy during the week. If you have any questions call Cindy Frey at 267-205-0713.



### **DRIVE in AND DROP off FOOD COLLECTION**

If you have food for the Warminster Food Pantry that you or your friends would like to donate and the church is not open, just drive in and drop off the food under the seat of the bench outside the front door. You may still bring food into the church narthex during church and office hours. A list of the pantry's most needed items is in the narthex or on the website [www.warminsterfoodbank.org](http://www.warminsterfoodbank.org). Thank you for helping our neighbors in need.

### **PRAYER CHAIN**

On Sundays we add names to the prayer list to pray out loud for those in need. This differs from the prayer chain. On Sundays, we only ask for names without specifics, though God always knows what is in our hearts. For the prayer chain, more specifics can be prayed for (as much as you want to share). These prayers are confidential, known only to the prayer chain members. Each person added is kept on the list for 4 weeks, with the exception of those who need ongoing prayer, which we keep on until circumstances change. If you wish to add a name to the prayer chain, please fill out a yellow prayer card found in the pews or you can call or email Gail Oines at the church office with your request.



### **FELLOWSHIP TIME**

Please consider signing up to provide refreshments for Fellowship Time on Sunday morning. Paper products and some beverages are provided by Advent. Thank you.



## **THIS WEEK AT ADVENT**

### **SUNDAY, MAY 26 - THE HOLY TRINITY**

#### **Memorial Day Commemoration**

- 9:00 am Summer Worship with Holy Communion
- 10:00 am Fellowship Time: The Ward family



**Trinity Sunday**

### **MONDAY, MAY 27**

- 7:30 pm A.A. Open Meeting

### **FRIDAY, MAY 31**

- 7:30 pm A.A. Step Meeting

### **SUNDAY, JUNE 2 – PENTECOST II**

- 9:00 am Summer Worship with Holy Communion
- 10:00 am Fellowship Time: Open
- 10:15 am Special Congregational Meeting

