

**The 4th Sunday of Easter – Confirmation
May 8, 2022**



Church of the Holy Trinity

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The Right Rev. J. Scott Barker, Bishop
The Rev. Dr. Clay Lein, Rector
The Rev. Samuel R. Boman, Pastor Emeritus
The Rev. Verneda Kelly, Pastoral Care Coordinator
The Rev. John Long, II, Deacon
The Rev. Dan B Coffman, Deacon
Loretta Love, Music Director & Organist
Nancy Youngman, Hand Bell Choir Director

Welcome to all worshippers today.

No matter where you come from or what you're going through

No matter what you believe or what you doubt

No matter what you feel or just don't feel today

No matter whom you love

You are welcome into this space to be met by a God

Who knows you by name, who knows your heart,

Who knows your mind, and

Who wants to have a relationship with you.

Staffed Nursery for our Smallest Guests @ 10:30

We are excited to offer a fully staffed Nursery for our smallest guests at the 10:30 am service. Feel free to entrust your children up to age 4 to our nursery staff. Then pick them up after the service.

Prelude

Welcome

Processional Hymn *Come Down, O Love Divine* **Hymn 516**

Children's Chapel: At the 10:30 service we invite children through 5th grade to follow the cross out to children's chapel after the processional. They will rejoin us at the announcement time for communion.

Bishop Alleluia, Christ is risen!
People *The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!*
Bishop There is one Body and one Spirit;
People *There is one hope in God's call to us;*
Bishop One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People *One God and Father of all.*
Bishop The Lord be with you.
People *And also with you.*
Bishop Let us pray.

Grant, Almighty God, that we, who have been redeemed from the old life of sin by our baptism into the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, may be renewed in your Holy Spirit, and live in righteousness and true holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles Acts 9:36-43

³⁶Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. ³⁷At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. ³⁸Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, “Please come to us without delay.” ³⁹So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. ⁴⁰Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, “Tabitha, get up.” Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. ⁴¹He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. ⁴²This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. ⁴³Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 23 *read responsively by whole verse*

¹The LORD is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.

²*He makes me lie down in green pastures *
and leads me beside still waters.*

³He revives my soul *
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

⁴*Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil; *
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.*

⁵You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; *
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.

⁶*Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of
my life, * and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.*

A Reading from the Revelation of John. Revelation 7:9-17

⁹I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

¹¹And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²singing,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” ¹⁴I said to him, “Sir, you are the one that knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵For this reason they are before the throne of God,
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

¹⁶They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat;
¹⁷for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People *Thanks be to God.*

Holy Gospel

John 10:22-30

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according
to John
People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

²²At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. ²⁴So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, “How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.” ²⁵Jesus answered, “I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father’s name testify to me; ²⁶but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. ²⁷My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father’s hand. ³⁰The Father and I are one.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

Sermon

The Right Rev. J. Scott Barker

The Presentation of the Candidates

Bishop The Candidates will now be presented.

Presenter *I present these persons for Confirmation.*

Bishop Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

Answer *I do.*

Bishop Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

Answer *I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Savior and Lord.*

Bishop Will you who witness these vows do all in your

power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

People *We will.*

Bishop Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

Baptismal Covenant

Bishop Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Bishop Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People *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 to the dead.

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.

Bishop Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People *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.*

Bishop Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People *I will, with God's help.*

Bishop Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People *I will, with God's help.*

Bishop Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People *I will, with God's help.*

Bishop Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People *I will, with God's help.*

Bishop Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People *I will, with God's help.*

Prayers for the Candidates

Bishop Let us now pray for these persons who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

Leader Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader Open their heart to your grace and truth.

People *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.
People *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader Send them into the world in witness to your love.
People *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.
People *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Bishop Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in these your servants the covenant you have made with them at their Baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

The Confirmation

The candidates will come forward to have the Bishop lay hands upon them and pray for them to be confirmed in their life in Christ.

Bishop Almighty and everlasting God, let your fatherly hand ever be over these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your Word, that they may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Peace *(please greet each other SAFELY)*

Bishop The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People *And also with you.*

Announcements

This is St. Monica's Sunday. Feel free to make an offering to support St. Monica's using the special envelopes in the pews. You can also make an offering to the Bishop's Discretionary by writing a check to Holy Trinity and putting "Bishop" in the memo line. Thank You!

Offertory

Jesus Loves Me

Curt Butler, arr.

Curt, Patty, & Adam Butler, and Carrie Mardock

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Lift up your hearts.

People

We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand, sit, or kneel

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to

evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*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.*

Breaking of the Bread

*Celebrant Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
 People Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia*

All Christians are welcome at the Lord’s Table. Follow the directions to come forward. If you would like communion brought to you, please inform the ushers.



To receive a wine pack (with a wafer and wine), take one off the platter and serve yourself.

 Discard the pack as you return to your seats.

To receive a wafer instead, hold out your hands as shown, and the priest will place the wafer into your palm.

Two options to receive the wine.

To sip from the common, simply reach out to guide the large cup to your lips.

To dip your wafer hold it up in front of you until the small chalice comes to you. Then dip your wafer into the chalice.

Serving Today

8am:

Greeters/Usher:

Mary & Wade Graft

Lector:

Jane Janesch

Julie Silvertrust

10:30am

Greeters/Usher:

Vivian & Terry

Edwards

Joni & Mike Cover

Lectors:

Peter Sewell

Angee Dostal

Chalice Bearer:

(10:30am)

Rich Kelly

Dana Visger

John Andrews



Altar Guild: Sue Everett & Babette Dickinson

Coffee Shepherd: MJ Boyce



*Happy Mother's Day
to all our Moms*



**May 29th - One COMBINED
Outside Worship
Service @ 10:00 am
With a Church Potluck**

This will be the first of our three Summer combined worship services. We will gather outside as a whole church to enjoy great weather, fun, fellowship, and our first potluck in over two years.

Support Saint Monica's of Lincoln Today!

After almost 60 years of serving the needs of Nebraska women, Saint Monica's of Lincoln is presently conducting a major capital campaign to renew their campus, expand their services, and provide for the future of their life-giving ministry. I write to ask for your generous support of this work.

Saint Monica's was founded in 1964 by Pat Wall and her sisters and brothers from Saint David's Episcopal Church in Lincoln. Its first home was a two-bedroom house rented by the church. Its first client was an unwed mother who stayed for 10 months, giving birth and getting job training to support herself and her child. Over the years, the Diocese of Nebraska and our constituent parishes have been major supporters of this ministry.

Saint Monica's has grown from that small rental home and volunteer staff to a broad, sophisticated, multi-site program. Today through gender-specific, trauma-informed care, St. Monica's provides a safe place for women to come and get well – to make positive changes, gain new skills and discover strengths. Saint Monica's offers a wide range of personalized services to women who are diagnosed with substance abuse and/or co-existing health issues, including residential treatment, outpatient therapy, community support and vocational training.

By canon, the first Sunday after May 4 has long been designated as Saint Monica's Sunday in DioNeb. This year, we're pulling together as a diocese to give as one in support of this vital work, in honor of our deep, historic connection to Saint Monica's, and as a gesture of love and support for the women they serve. Thank you in advance for your generous gifts!

+Bishop Barker

**Checks can be made payable to St. Monica's, then
dropped into today's collection plate or mailed to:**

St. Monica's
120 Wedgewood Drive
Lincoln, NE 68510-2431



St. Monica's Capital Campaign: Where Recovery Takes Flight Fast Facts | Fundraising Progress

With a fundraising goal of \$4.4 million, \$2.2 million has been raised to date and a strong list of upcoming grant requests in the pipeline.

Renovations/Project Updates

- 1.** Construction has been completed on two buildings at 120 and 105 Wedgewood Drive. Both buildings have new floors, paint, and office layouts for more streamlined services, check-ins and transitions. New fencing has been installed around the 120 Wedgewood Drive property, along with a completely revamped client kitchen and living space. Ensuring a more seamless handoff between admissions and nursing staff.
- 2.** New iPads have been purchased for the clients and new computers for the staff. This gives clients more access to communicate with their families during COVID. New staff computers have increased speed and capacity, making work far more efficient. Much needed security upgrades have been installed to all facilities, ensuring the safety of both clients and staff.
- 3.** The new Women Are Sacred Program and facility are up and running, and clients are already graduating! Saint Monica's is always working with Tribes and Native community members to make sure the program is welcoming, effective, and culturally appropriate. Something new is learned every day, and all are excited for the program's future!
- 4.** Permit approval has been submitted to begin the exciting work on the two facilities on Veterans Campus, now known as Victory Park. Construction will begin as soon as the bidding and permitting process and completed. The Project Mother and Child and the Therapeutic Community Program will move into this new space when construction is completed.

Invite Someone to “Come and See!”

Holy Trinity is a community of gracious and welcoming people. God’s Presence is in this place.



Which is why we want to INVITE other people to “Come and See” what we’ve found in this church. These events and programs are a perfect way to give your family and friends a chance to come, have some fun, and discover Holy Trinity for themselves!



Holy Trinity Arts Festival on May 14th from 10-5. Join 20 local artists exhibiting their work along with 8 floral artists and 7 musical performances. Add in 3 food trucks, a brewery, bounce houses and Kid’s Art and we’re talking about an awesome festival. ***Free admission and parking.



Kids Camp launches in June and July, with 4 weeks of half-day camps that kids will love. June 6-10 is Art & Music. June 13-17 is Wonders of the World. July 11-15 is all about Systems. July 18-22 digs into Dinosaurs. Join us! We’ll have a blast!



Vacation Bible School kicks off at the end of July. Journey Through the Jungle runs from July 25-29. Along the way we discover God’s grace and love for ALL of us!



Sunday School and Children’s Chapel (SCC) will combine during the summer beginning June 5th. At 10:30, the children will go to the Children’s Chapel for a bible story, singing, an activity, and snack. They will rejoin in the Sanctuary at announcement time.

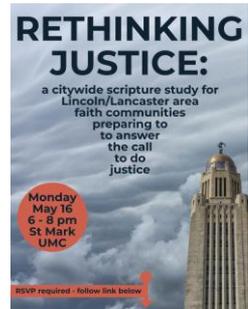


St. Elizabeth's Guild Meeting 2nd Wednesday of the Month - May 11th

Bring your own lunch and come join us for fellowship and discussion in the Memorial Room.

Rethinking Justice: A Citywide Scripture Study May 16th 6-8pm at St Mark's UMC

Clergy from the Lincoln/Lancaster area have been meeting for the last year to launch a new Interfaith organization committed to doing justice.

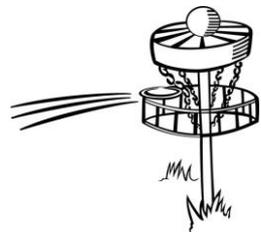


We are now ready to start engaging lay leaders. To that end, we are organizing a citywide scripture study called "*Rethinking Justice*". This class is designed to explore what the Bible says about justice, give modern examples, and lay out the plan for the Lincoln-Lancaster organization.

This is the beginning of a movement that will profoundly impact our world. If you are interested in hearing more than please sign up to join us as we RETHINK JUSTICE together. Contact ClayLein@gmail.com for more information.

Men's Ministry Disc Golf & Brews – 6/12 @ 4:00 pm

Join us as we build connections with one another and have fun at the same time. We'll hit a local Disc Golf course for some friendly competition. (Bring your own frisbees) Don't worry, we are not professionals – just guys out to have fun. Then we'll be visiting a local brewery to grab a beer and tell tall tales about how we were "awesome out there!"



\$300K Matching Donation

Episcopal Relief & Development is kicking off a campaign to benefit children worldwide.

Between now and May 26, eligible contributions for children up to \$300K, will be matched. Donate online by going to their homepage <https://www.episcopalrelief.org/> - then click on the “300K Spring Match” button. Or call (855) 312-4325. Or mail to Episcopal Relief & Development, PO Box 7058, Merrifield, VA 22116-7058.



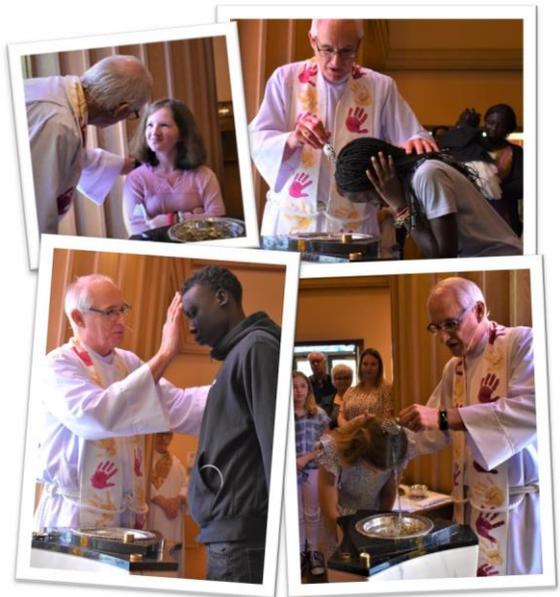
Our programs benefit children and their families by:

- Nurturing healthy children through improving food and nutrition, protecting health, empowering parents, and protecting families.
- Helping children achieve their full potential by providing access to clean water, hygiene, sanitation, and building resilience.

Holy Trinity Celebrated 18 Baptisms in April

We had 7 baptisms at our morning service, then 11 more at our Sudanese worship later that afternoon. Most were youth, making their own commitments to follow Christ.

That represents eighteen youth, children, and parents, making their decision to draw closer to Jesus and follow him for a lifetime. That IS amazing!





In Our Prayers This Week

Dee L; Liczy, her newborn son, and the family; Bob & Ellen S.; Repose of the soul of Jim C; Kesia; Carol W.; Steve R; the repose of the soul of Deacon Pat Sheldon; Jackie H; Ellen S.'s daughter; Cynthia; Amy W's brother; Louise O; Justine; Noah P & friends; Ken R & wife; Russ J; Jackie H. & Anne; Judi; Bud Y.; Gary; Anne; Mary; Sara; Wade & Mary G.; Nancy E.; Kathy E.; Marilyn D.; Shawn; Will; Jessica; Amy W.; Matthew L.; Parker D.; Jennifer A; JoAnn G.; Will S. & Family; Dee; Danny L; Jim D.; Sharon H; Mary & Sarah; Vicky W.; Stan L.; Jon A.; Donald N.; Mark; Teresa and Matthew; Florence and Dick M.; Theresa H.; Tom and Abby J.; Marlene P.; Elliott W.; Julie B.; Darlene B.; Ama; Russell J.; Dave S.; Ellen S.; Bobbie; Catherine; Pam; Katie; Jackie H.; Pat J; Nancy D.; Michaela; Marge T; Reed F; Barb; Abbie, Dow C; those experiencing loneliness; James V.; Edith H.; Jane B.; Mary & Sarah; Linda Mc; Ellen S.; Sarah, B.; Ann Gasper; Linda & her family; all those suffering from Covid-19; Michelle; Carolyn K & Mary Catherine; Betsy & Don; Mike & Beth; Suzanne M.; Lori; Jan H.; Diane S.; Catherine; Ann D.; Larry B.; Eddie K.; Dennis; Mike; Susie; Kris.; Darlene B; Mike & Beth.; Ellie; Lee H; Will; Pastor Tim B.; Mary P.; Mary L; Ann W.; Glenda H.; Ann H.; Anne G.; Janet G.

In Thanksgiving we pray for May Birthdays: 10th Joni Cover; 11th Caleb Cover; 13th Robert Hillyer; 14th Dashiell Sewell; 17th Angee Dostal; 17th Kyan Machmer Frederick; 17th Curt Youngman; 18th Mattie Davis; 19th Elsa Pope; 20th Loretta Love; 20th Donna Kahler; 24th Russell Gasper

In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for: Church of the Holy Trinity, Lincoln The Rev. Dr. Clay Lein, Deacon Dan Coffman, Deacon John Long St. Joseph's, Mullen The Rev. Karen Juzenas

In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for: Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda.

Prayer Chain Prayer requests for Holy Trinity's prayer chain are always welcome. Our plan is to include them on our list for a total of four weeks unless more time and prayer are needed, and we certainly understand that is sometimes the case. Please keep us updated concerning those for whom you request prayers by contacting Marilyn Dorf at (402) 489-3104 or marilyndorf@gmail.com or the church office holytrinity10@yahoo.com or 402-488-7139

This Week at Holy Trinity

Sun May 8, 2022

Bishop Barker visits

Mother's Day

8am Holy Eucharist

9:15am Fellows Program (M)

9:15am Sunday School (U)

10:30am Children's Chapel

10:30am Holy Eucharist

Confirmation

10:30am Online Service

1:30pm Dinka Worship

Mon May 9, 2022

9:30am Exercise Class (PH)

6pm Heartland Exercise (CH)

7pm Vestry (MR)

Tue May 10, 2022

8pm Tues AA (B)

Wed May 11, 2022

9am Bible Study (F)

9:30am Exercise Class (PH)

12pm Al Anon (M)

12pm St. E. Guild (PH)

2pm Preschool Meeting (M)

6pm Heartland Exercise (CH)

7pm Fellows Program Zoom

Thu May 12, 2022

12pm Thursday AA (B)

2:45pm EFM (M)

6pm Heartland Exercise (CH)

Fri May 13, 2022

Art Festival set up

9:30am Exercise Class (PH)

7:30pm Friday night AA (B)

Sat May 14, 2022

Art Festival

Sun May 15, 2022

8am Holy Eucharist

9:15am Fellows Program (M)

9:15am Sunday School (U)

10:30am Children's Chapel

10:30am Holy Eucharist

10:30am Online Service

1:30pm Dinka Worship



Please Join us in the Parish Hall for
coffee & fellowship after the services.
(Free will donation).