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Mon - Fri: 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Sundays at Trinity

9:15 a.m. Worship

10:15 a.m. Fellowship

10:30 a.m. Sunday School

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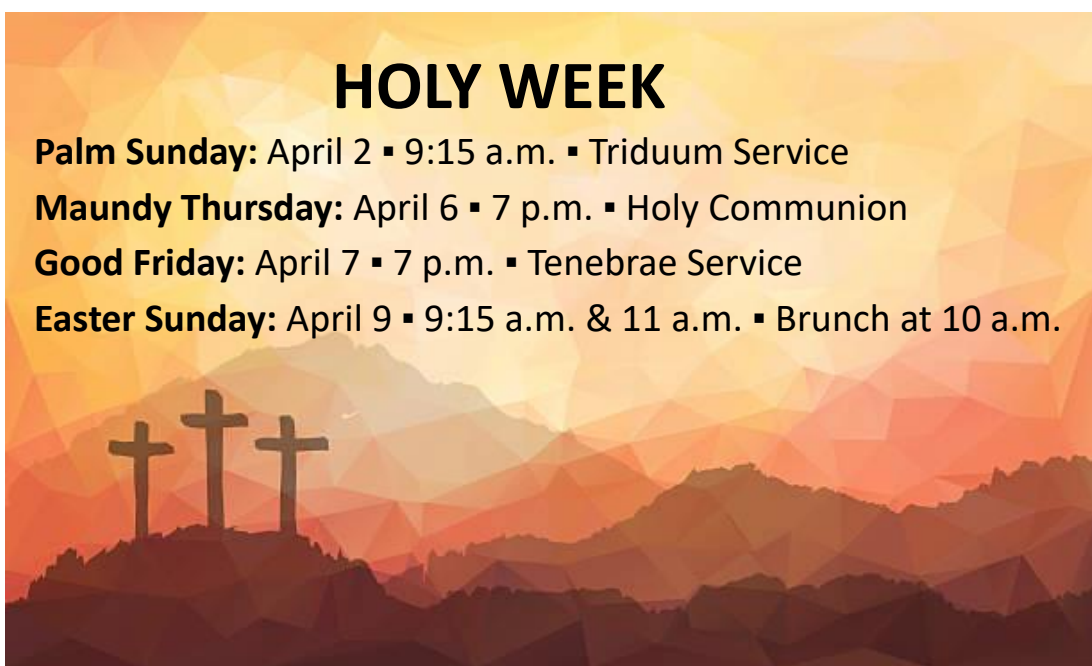
HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday: April 2 ▪ 9:15 a.m. ▪ Triduum Service

Maundy Thursday: April 6 ▪ 7 p.m. ▪ Holy Communion

Good Friday: April 7 ▪ 7 p.m. ▪ Tenebrae Service

Easter Sunday: April 9 ▪ 9:15 a.m. & 11 a.m. ▪ Brunch at 10 a.m.



First Communion-5th Grade ▪ Thursday, April 6

Confirmation ▪ Sunday, April 16

Senior Recognition ▪ Sunday, April 30

Synod Assembly ▪ Saturday, May 6

Youth-Led Worship ▪ Sunday, May 14

Syttende Mai Meatball Dinner ▪ Sunday, May 21

Community Baccalaureate ▪ Wednesday, May 31

Confirmation Camp ▪ June 11-16

VBS and Day Camp ▪ June 19-22

Mission Trip to South Dakota ▪ July 9-15



The light is shining again!

On Wednesday, March 29
the re-installation of the
refurbished stained glass
windows began.

We can't wait to see
them completed!

"And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left and also many animals?" Jonah 4:11

Dear believers,

So ends the Book of Jonah. We have spent our Lenten journey with the prophet Jonah this year. After Jonah completes his job as a prophet and the inhabitants of Nineveh repent, God changes God's mind about destroying them. Good news!

But Jonah is "displeased" and "angry." You'd think he'd be happy that these 120,000 souls are saved – along with their animals! But instead Jonah retreats to the shade of a bush – created by God – to pout. To teach him a lesson, God destroys the bush. What follows is a painful conversation between God and Jonah, ending with the question above. We never hear from Jonah again.

We don't know how Jonah answers this final question from God. Does he stay angry about the destruction of his shady bush? Does he understand the lesson God has tried to teach him? Does he realize that he had a second chance – and that God is the God of second chances? Not just for himself, but for an entire city? And thus, for the entire world?

Many elements of Jonah's story offer parallels to Jesus' story. Jonah ends up on a boat in the middle of a stormy sea, as do the disciples (see Matthew 8:23-27). Jonah and Jesus both sleep through the storm. Jonah ends up in the belly of a fish for three days. Our Easter concludes with Jesus' resurrection on the third day.

But the parallels between Jonah's story and Jesus' story end there. The real insights are in God's mercy shown to Jonah and shown to the inhabitants of Nineveh. God gave Jonah a second chance, and God gave the Ninevites a second chance as well.

From the Garden of Eden until now, our God has displayed his magnanimous love for his creation – including the animals! God has shown over and over to be "merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness." (Exodus 34:6) Jesus personifies this mercy, grace, love and faithfulness in his sacrifice and death on the cross. The Easter story proves once and for all that our God is the God of second chances. For me. For you. For the world.

God bless you! ~ *Pastor Elizabeth*

We've been boiling maple sap for a few weeks. I looked in the cupboard and almost all the maple syrup we made last year was gone! What a great problem to have because we can make more. So far we have 52 gallons of syrup. A big thank you to Lee Hoekstra, Jeff Ellingson, Bruce Bergsgaard, and Paul Brown (my brother-in-law) and their work out at the shack. Money raised goes to the Youth and Family Ministry of Trinity. So keep buying syrup, we'll keep making it.

Maple trees have a sophisticated system for detecting spring. There are photosensors by the hundreds in every single bud, packed with light absorbing pigments called phytochromes. Their job is to take the measure of light every day. Tightly furled, covered in red-brown scales, each bud holds an embryonic copy of a maple branch, and each bud wants desperately to someday be a full branch. If a bud comes out too soon, it will be killed by freezing. If the bud comes out too late it will miss spring.

When the buds sense spring, they send a hormonal signal down the trunk to the roots, a wake-up call, telegraphed from the upper world to the underworld. The hormone triggers the formation of amylase, the enzyme responsible for cleaving large molecules of starch stored in the roots into small molecules of sugar. When the concentration of sugar in the roots begins to grow, it creates an osmotic gradient that draws water in from the soil. Dissolve in this water from the spring-wet earth, the sugar streams upward as rising sap to feed the buds. The sap travels on a thin layer of phloem and xylem in what is called the cadmium between the bark and the wood of the tree. Thank you to Robin Wall Kimmerer and her book "Braiding Sweet Grass" for most of this information (better than Google!)

God's creation is sweetness! ~ *Pastor Lane*



Syrup Shack...boiling up sweetness!

SUNDAY SCHOOL ▪ 3-year olds—2nd grade ▪ Sunday mornings ▪ 10:30 a.m.—11:15 a.m. ▪ Through May 14
 ▪ Waving palm branches and singing on Palm Sunday, **April 2**
 ▪ No Sunday School on Easter, **April 9**
 ▪ Singing at youth-led worship on **May 14**

WEDNESDAY BIBLE SCHOOL ▪ 3rd–6th grade youth ▪ Wednesdays after school ▪ 3:30 p.m.—5:00 p.m. ▪ Through 5/24
 ▪ Waving palm branches and singing on Palm Sunday, **April 2**
 ▪ No Wednesday Bible School on **April 5**
 ▪ Singing and participating at youth-led worship on **May 14**



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UPCOMING SPECIAL DATES

FIRST COMMUNION ▪ Maundy Thursday **April 6** ▪ 7:00 p.m. ▪ 6 of our 5th grade youth ▪ Please hold them in your prayers as they take their first communion.

EASTER BRUNCH ▪ High School Mission Trip Youth and adults will be serving Easter Brunch on Sunday, **April 9** from 10:00—11:00 a.m. Menu: egg bakes, cinnamon rolls, fruit, and beverages. Freewill offering.

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY ▪ **April 16** at 9:15 a.m. ▪ 11 of our 9th grade youth ▪ Please hold them in your prayers as they affirm their baptism.

HIGH SCHOOL MISSION TRIP MEETING ▪ **April 23** ▪ 10:30 a.m. in the Youth Gathering Room ▪ Monthly mission trip meeting

SENIOR RECOGNITION SUNDAY ▪ **April 30** ▪ During worship, seniors will receive a special blessing. Families are encouraged to attend worship for this special blessing and stay for the reception following worship to celebrate our graduating seniors.

YOUTH-LED WORSHIP ▪ **May 14** ▪ Our Confirmation youth will be leading different parts of worship. ▪ Sunday School and Wednesday Bible School youth will be singing during worship and at the nursing home

MEATBALL DINNER ▪ **May 21** ▪ 10:30 a.m. until gone \$13/meal (drive-thru only) ▪ A fundraiser for our youth. ▪ Thank you for supporting our youth ministry.

COMMUNITY BACCALAUREATE ▪ Wednesday, **May 31** ▪ 7:00 p.m. ▪ Ecumenical service for all seniors.

CONFIRMATION CAMP ▪ **June 11-19** ▪ Good Earth Village ▪ all 7th grade youth are required to attend ▪ \$200 ▪ Confirmation campers have memorable, faith-building adventures during this week! Campers spend time each morning with their pastor or a confirmation leader exploring faith topics in depth. Afternoons and evenings, include group activities, canoeing, swimming, arts and crafts, epic games, and campfire worship led by GEV staff.

1. Please sign up online. www.goodearthvillage.org/summer
2. List in the program space in your registration: CONFIRMATION CAMP with TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, SPRING GROVE, MN
3. You will pay a non-refundable deposit when you register.
4. Total cost per youth is \$200, as WELCA and other monies have been given to our youth to off-set the cost. If you are unable to pay the amount or deposit, please let Kerri know and we can help figure out a way for your child to attend camp.
5. Select tier 3 for \$445, enter sponsorship code TRINITYSG23 on the 'My Cart' page at the end of the registration

VBS ▪ **June 19-22** ▪ 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. ▪ \$10 ▪ Children 3 years old through beginning Kindergarten in 2023 ▪ Register: fill out form on the next page and drop-off or mail it to the office

DAY CAMP ▪ **June 19-22** ▪ 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. ▪ \$20 ▪ Youth completing grades Kindergarten through 5th in 2022 ▪ Register online: goodearthvillage.org/daycamptlc2023 or in the office or with Kerri.

2023 VBS REGISTRATION AND HEALTH HISTORY FORM

RETURN FORM AND FEE TO:

Trinity Lutheran Church, PO Box 188, Spring Grove, MN 55974 or drop off in the office.

Preschool - Kindergarten VBS - \$10 fee

NAME OF CAMPER _____

Grade (Fall '22) _____ Male Female

Birthdate _____ Current Age _____ Home Congregation / Town _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home or Cell Phone (_____) _____ Cell or Work Phone (_____) _____

Parent / Guardian Name(s) _____

Parent / Guardian Address (if different from camper) _____

MEDICAL ALLERGIES

If none apply, check here

Life Threatening? Bee Stings Yes No

Penicillin Yes No

Other Meds: Yes No _____

FOOD ALLERGIES

If none apply, check here

List food allergies: _____

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Emergency Contact Person - If Mom or Dad cannot be reached.

Name: _____ Phone (_____) _____

Family Doctor _____ **Clinic:** _____

Phone (_____) _____

My child is allowed to walk or ride a bus to and from an afternoon activity away from the church property.

Parent / Guardian Signature (required): _____

Date: _____

MARCH 8, 2023 CONGREGATION COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**Updates:**

- Communications Team streamlined the Time & Talent Survey as the prior one was too overwhelming.
- Kathy Overland and Sheri Allen will finish auditing the three endowments and WELCA accounts in time for the April Finance Team meeting.
- Kathy Overland is working with Jacque Wennes to present a new document for the endowments to complete quarterly per Trinity's Constitution for financial review by the Finance Team.
- The Property Team did a walk through of the church. They are getting bids for steeple work and concrete work at the north entrance. The chimney that is not in use will be taken down by Allen Construction for \$3,600. The Team took up part of the floor in the Fellowship Hall to look at what is underneath. They picked up a radon kit to test the church.
- The Staffing Team sent message to colleges and area churches for a handbell choir director, have not heard anything back yet. They have talked about making a board with photos of the staff.
- Volunteers for a committee to explore Trinity Center and Release Time: Barb Gulbranson, Andy Allen, Lorilyn Dehning, Lee Hoekstra, Rachel Udstuen, Michelle Jahnke, Karen Bingham, David Storlie, and Scott Solberg. Pr. Elizabeth has not heard back from the area churches. Pr. Elizabeth will send a follow-up letter to the area churches and will verbally make announcements at worship services.
- Waste Management's cost of garbage pickup at Trinity has averaged \$500/month. Richard Sanitation said their cost would be \$77/month. A motion was passed to change services.

Motions passed:

- To have the following Trinity members be a part of the Trinity Center and Release Time Committee: Barb Gulbranson, Andy Allen, Lorilyn Dehning, Lee Hoekstra, Rachel Udstuen, Michelle Jahnke, Karen Bingham, and Scott Solberg.
- To put Roger Tollefsrud's Estate Gift of \$10,000 toward the steeple project.
- To send Waste Management a certified letter and an email discontinuing their service immediately.
- To leave Fair Market Rental Value for the parsonage at \$1,000/month including utilities for the year of 2023. (Auditor Mike Betz stated that Fair Rental Value needs to be on Pastor Elizabeth's W-2 each year).
- To distribute the \$62,587.66 Employee Retention Credit (ERC) funding as follows: \$3,500 Congregation Consulting Services (paid), \$6,000 First Fruits Benevolence donation, \$26,000 increase loan to ourselves (making \$40,000 available for a loan to ourselves), \$25,087.66 set aside for special projects, \$2,000 bonuses of \$500 each to Scott Solberg, Marlene Deschler, Stewart Storlie, and Gary Wilhelmson.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 12, 2023, at 7:30 p.m. Complete minutes are on Trinity's website.

TRINITY CENTER / RELEASE TIME COMMITTEE This committee had its first meeting March 19. We talked about the importance of being transparent and having open communication. We will work hard to respect the work done by the Education and Property Teams. We feel our job is to pull information together about both release time, the Trinity Center, and trends with Trinity Church in general. Knowing this information is crucial to making informed decisions about the future. We are doing some research on these different topics and hope to be able to share some preliminary information by May.

~ Committee members: Michelle Jahnke, Andy Allen, Sheri Allen, Karen Bingham, Lorilyn Dehning, Heather Gray, Barb Gulbranson, Lee Hoekstra, Scott Solberg, David Storlie, Rachel Udstuen

FINANCE INFORMATION: REMAINING TRANSPARENT While completing an annual review of monies Trinity has held at Merchants Bank over a number of years, the Finance Team became aware that Trinity held more than what is insured by the FDIC per entity. Our Special Accounts for dedicated accounts (ie: stained glass windows, dedicated pastoral support, second parsonage proceeds) put us over the \$250,000 FDIC limit of insurance. The Congregation Council voted to move \$97,037 to New Albin Savings Bank with keeping the same Special Accounts clearly labeled on Trinity's balance sheet. This move also provided Trinity with increased interest rates. Trinity's primary monies used in the day-to-day operations remains with Merchants Bank in Spring Grove for convenient access to deposit and withdraw money to pay invoices and payroll. If anyone has questions or concerns about the finances of Trinity, do not hesitate to call Jacque Wennes, Finance Team Lead at (563) 380-5454 or Steve Nelson, Treasurer at (507) 421-2212.

TAKE WHAT YOU NEED, GIVE WHAT YOU CAN Our Little Free Pantry has been a great success. If you'd like to donate non-perishable items (one serve chili, stew, ravioli, etc.; canned meats (chicken, tuna), potato packets, gravy; canned fruit, peanut butter, jelly, jello) please drop them off by the pantry – southwest door on Main Street, open 24/7, or add the items to the shelves in the appropriate spots placing new food at the back of each grouping. Monetary donations also help us shop for needed items. Donations can be dropped off or mailed to the office, please indicate "Little Free Pantry" on the donation. Thank you very much! ~ Care Team



PERSONAL CARE KITS

Lutheran World Relief recently put out a plea for Personal Care Kits. Trinity's WELCA group is collecting supplies for these kits in April. If you would like to contribute any of these items, please bring them to church and put them in the office or in one of the boxes at the entrances marked "Personal Care Kits." If you would prefer, you can also write a check to Trinity WELCA and put Personal Care Kits in the memo line. Thank you!

If you have questions about this project or would like more information, please feel free to contact Mary Deters, 498-3993.

A Personal Care Kit contains:

- One light-weight bath-size towel (maximum 52" X 27"), dark color recommended
- Two bath-size bars (4 to 5 oz.) of soap, any brand, in original wrapping
- One adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging*
- One sturdy comb, remove packaging (not too small)
- One metal nail clippers (attached file optional), remove packaging



*If you find a good deal on toothbrushes all in one package, the directions say to put each toothbrush in an envelope.

SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE The Scholarship Endowment Committee marvels at the tremendous generosity that brought this fund into existence and has continued to fuel its growth over the last several decades. We are glad to have helped many students from Trinity throughout the years, thanks to the generosity of congregational members and other donors. The Trinity Scholarship Endowment scholarship application deadline for post-secondary students is fast approaching. Trinity members may apply for up to four years of scholarship funding. **Completed applications must be submitted to the church office no later than 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 31.**



No late submissions will be accepted. Applications are available in the office or on our website, www.trinitysg.org. Click on "Endowments" from the toolbar at the top of the home page, then "Scholarship Endowment" from the drop-down box, and "Download Scholarship Application" on the upper right-hand side of the page and the scholarship application will open.

The Scholarship Endowment will be having a fundraiser during fellowship on Sunday, October 8. Watch for more details to come. Thank you for your support of this endowment.

TIME & TALENTS SURVEY Do you have talents that you can share with Trinity? We'd love to know! Coming soon after Easter, we will have a Time & Talents Survey for all to fill out (youth through adult!). Surveys will be available online and in paper form. Watch for details coming soon!

**TIME &
TALENTS**
Survey

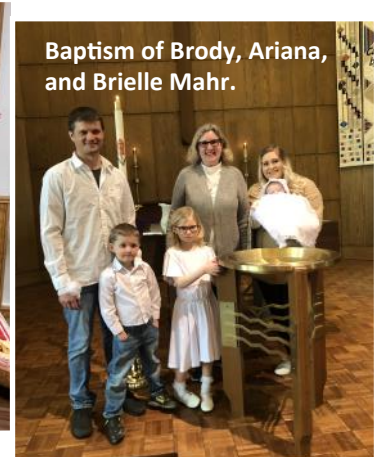




Go Lions!
Watching
Boys'
Basketball
play-off
game.



Delicious
Lenten
Suppers!



Baptism of Brody, Ariana,
and Brielle Mahr.



A new
storage
closet!



High school
youth retreat
to WI Dells.



Making First Communion cups.

On Maundy Thursday, our 5th grade youth will take their First Communion. Please keep these youth in your prayers:
Seth Kaufmann,
Mackenzey Kraus, Ryland Moen, Claire Sherburne, Gavin St. Mary, Sawyer St. Mary.



Pinewood
Derby

I am grateful that all the Cub Scout members got to participate in the annual Pinewood Derby! Congratulations to all – the entries were awesome! Thanks to Trinity Lutheran Church for letting the Cub Scouts use the Fellowship Hall for the annual Pinewood Derby event – the Cub Scouts appreciate being able to have a meeting space and the church as the charter organization.

~Sue Schulte, Pack leader



First Communion practice.

PRESIDING BISHOP

HOLY SATURDAY, HOLY SPACE

By Elizabeth A. Eaton



They took the body of Jesus and wrapped it with the spices in linen cloths, according to the burial custom of the Jews. Now there was a garden in the place where he was crucified, and in the garden there was a new tomb in which no one had ever been laid. And so, because it was the Jewish day of Preparation, and the tomb was nearby, they laid Jesus there (John 19:40-42).

Holy Saturday. A pause. A space between Good Friday and Easter. A full tomb and, except for the guard, an empty garden. Still. Silent.

We don't pay a lot of attention to Holy Saturday other than as our day of preparation for Easter Sunday. The youth group needs to get ready for the Easter breakfast. The altar guild is busy arranging lilies and preparing the altar. Grocery stores are filled. Eggs are dyed. We are occupied with busy anticipation. We have moved on from Good Friday. Even the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night looks forward to and heralds the resurrection.

We, of course, live after the first Easter. We do know how the story turns out, and it would be contrived to be in Holy Saturday as if we didn't know about the resurrection. But we are given this one holy day to pause. We are given this holy space to grieve, to be empty, to realize that life, as we know it, is over.

This is deeply uncomfortable in our culture. We see this on the news when people start to speak about closure immediately after a tragedy. This could be a well-meaning attempt to relieve the pain, but it doesn't heal. There is danger in moving too quickly from grief. It's important to resist the urge to usher the afflicted to "closure."

Grief from the deaths of George Floyd and Tyce Nichols, mass shootings in California and Highland Park, Ill., and other tragedies can't be rushed. None of the Good Fridays in our lives can. The resurrection came after an actual death. The crucifixion wasn't a metaphor. A heart stopped beating. He breathed his last. A son died. Mothers in El Salvador, Ukraine and Chicago's South Side stand at the cross.

But Holy Saturday is more than the necessary and holy space to face death without denial and to grieve without the dulling anesthetic of sentimentality. There is something much deeper going on. It is an invitation to accept that life, as we know it, is over. All of our plans, all of our willfulness and all of our good intentions are over.

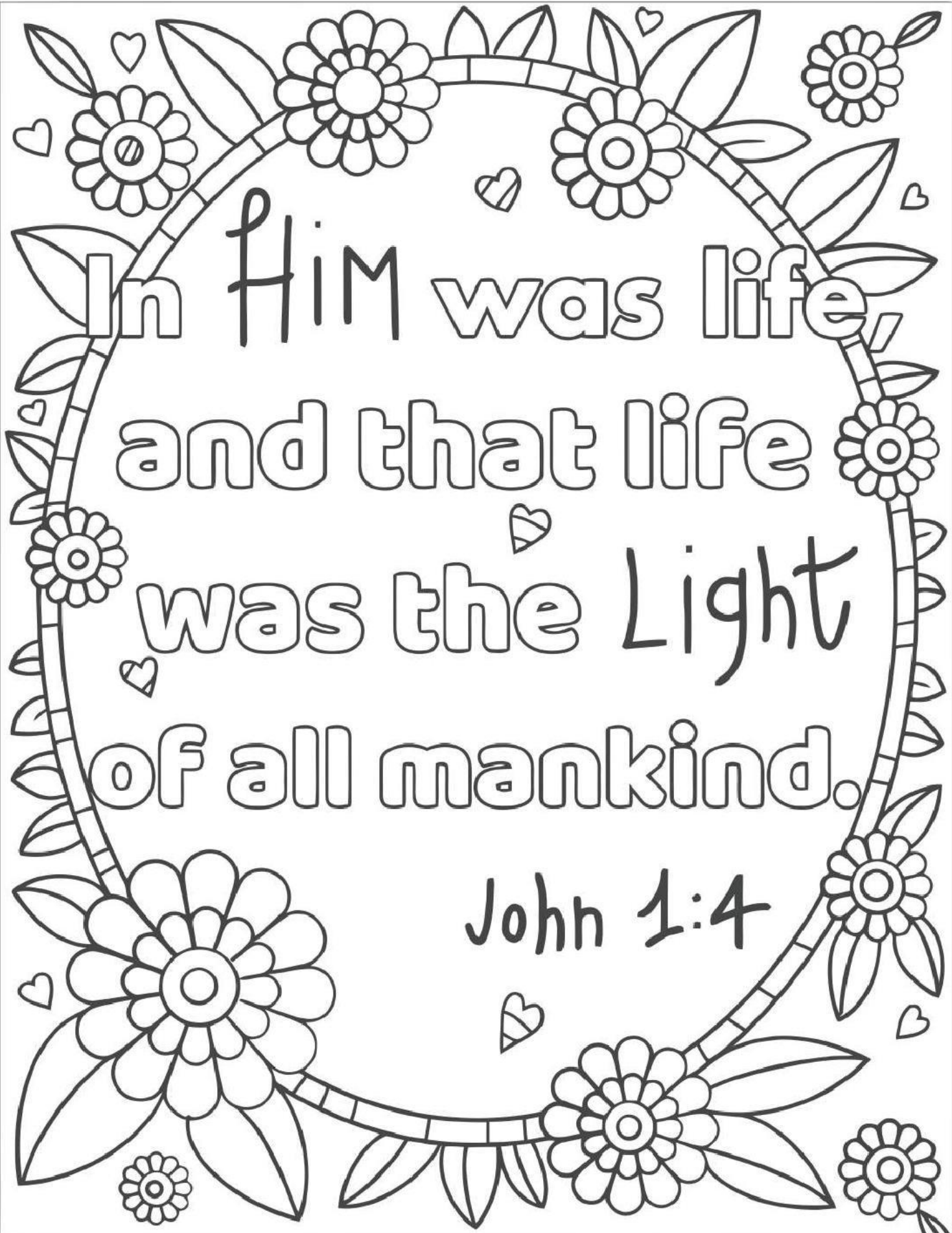
On Holy Saturday we are invited to shed our life and enter the tomb. Our effort and righteousness as much as our sin bind us. Our effort to save our lives binds us. This is true as much for the church as it is for each member.

I'm grateful for the faithful innovation and hard work of our people and congregations. I'm not so far removed from parish ministry that I don't remember its struggles as well as its joys. There is something noble and dear about saints who come week after week, year after year to hear and receive the gospel and, as a response to grace, participate in God's reconciling work in the world. But there comes a time to take to heart Jesus' teaching: "For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it" (Matthew 16:25).

The day between Good Friday and Easter can be seen as empty, a void, something to be resisted at all costs, something to be filled. It is the same reaction that many in our culture have to silence. It's as if sound and activity prove that we still exist. But I think the space between crucifixion and resurrection—truly terrifying and truly compassionate—beckons us from our life to life in Christ. After all, it wasn't all the noise and fireworks that got Elijah's attention, but the sound of sheer silence (1 Kings 19:11-13).

When we shed our lives and enter the tomb, when silence is all around, then we see that Jesus is already there ahead of us, anticipating us, welcoming us to be still and to die in him and find our life in him. Rest, dear church. †

A message from the ELCA presiding bishop, adapted from March 2016. Her email address is bishop@elca.org.



In Him was life,
and that life
was the Light
of all mankind.

John 1:4

THANK YOU FOR VOLUNTEERING!

Date	Lector	Acolytes	Communion Servers	Communion Bread Maker	Fellowship Hosts
April 2	n/a	Siri Konkell Elle Berns		Karen Fried	Rachel & Mark Udstuen Rachel & Christopher Bjerke
Maundy Thurs. April 6	Jessi Strinmoen	Ruby Engeldinger Elle Berns	Ruby Engeldinger Elle Berns		
Good Friday April 7	Scott Solberg	Adelia Gross			
Easter April 9 9:15 a.m.	<i>Needed</i>	Olivia Wedmann Jada Strinmoen	Jada Strinmoen Harper Myrah		Easter Brunch
Easter April 9 11:00 a.m.	John Halverson	Max Thorson Tyler Turner	Max Thorson Tyler Turner		Marlene & Joe Deschler Lori & Gary Wilhelmson
April 16 Confirmation	Judy Tollefsrud	Kya Deck Hayden St. Mary	Kya Deck Hayden St. Mary		Candy Oefstedahl Cindie Gunderson
April 23	Lee Hoekstra	Harper Myrah Jada Strinmoen			Roxie Finesgard Bev Nelson Barb Gulbranson
April 30 Senior Recognition	Terry Holland	Tysen Moen			
April Ushers Phil Griffin (captain) Steve Hagen Aaron Solum Ilen Myrah Mike Solum Ron Onsgard		April Altar Guild Carolyn Kampschroer (chair) Milly Halverson Carolyn Olson Dawn Hewitt Carol Sherburne		498-AMEN March 26-April 8: Janna Myrah April 9-April 22: Jan Lochner April 23-May 6: Lara Wold Mendez	
May 7	Bonnie Solberg	<i>Watch for info from Kerri!</i>	Roland Bjerke Weston Ingvalson	Terry Holland	Lara Wold Mendez Missy Wold
May 14	Karen Bingham				Terry Holland Kris Rud Jennifer Wedmann
May 21	Ruth Johnsrud		Liam Rohland Ezra Konkell		Syttende Mai Meatball Dinner
May 28 Pentecost	Janna Myrah		Joey Jaster Mariah Fretty		Sammy Eiken Amy Olerud Angie Berns
May Ushers Dana Kjome Curt Roverud Blaine Liudahl Alfred Wendel <i>captain to be determined by team</i>		May Altar Guild Linda Pierce (chair) Betty Dokken Judy Roble Marcia Holland Doris Sherburne		498-AMEN April 23-May 6: Lara Wold Mendez May 7-May 20: Barb Gulbranson May 21-June 3: Nolie Kapplinger	

498-AMEN reminder

“Christ in our Home” devotional booklets and recording instructions are in the office.

After your last reading, please contact the next person on the list to remind them to begin. Thank you!

Prayer Chain 1	Prayer Chain 2
Joyce Landsom	Karen Gray
Nolie Kapplinger	Bev Nelson
Terry Holland	Janet Wold
Bonnie Solberg	Jan Lochner
Dawn Hewitt	Ruth Johnsrud
Lynn Rostad Anderson	Judy Bratland
Milly Halverson	

APRIL HAPPENINGS AT TRINITY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 9:30am Altar Guild cleans 10:30am AA <i>No worship</i>
2 Palm Sunday 9:15am Worship 10:15am Fellowship 10:30am Sunday School; Worship Team (FH)	3	4	5 12-3pm Release Time (2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th) Heritage Ctr. <i>no Wednesday Bible School</i> <i>no Confirmation</i> 7:00pm Handbells; Finance Team (FH) 8:00pm Choir	6 Maundy Thursday 7:00pm Maundy Thursday Worship/ Holy Communion	7 Good Friday <i>Office closed</i> <i>Flower drop-off day</i> 7:00pm Tenebrae Worship	8 10:00am Worship Team decorates 10:30am AA 6:00pm Worship at Nursing Home
9 Easter 9:15am Worship/ Holy Communion 10:00am Easter Brunch 11:00am Worship/ Holy Communion <i>No Sunday School or High School Youth Group</i>	10	11 9:00am Deborah 9:30am Anna	12 9:30am Adah, Tweeten Apts. 12-3pm Release Time (1 st /2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th /5 th), Heritage Ctr. 3:30pm Wednesday Bible School 6:00pm Confirmation 7:00pm 9 th grade Confirmation photos & practice 7:30pm Council, FH 8:00pm Choir	13 4:00pm Cub Scouts 5:30pm Education Team, MR	14	15 10:30am AA 10:00am Bridal Shower/Kaitlin Bratland 5:00pm Worship/ Communion/ Baptism of Braxton Ladsten
16 9:15am Worship/ Holy Communion/ 9 th Grade Confirmation 10:15am Fellowship 10:30am Sunday School	17	18 2:00pm Phoebe Circle, FH	19 1:00pm Eve, Manor 1-3pm Release Time (1 st , 5 th), Heritage Ctr. 3:30pm Wednesday Bible School 6:00pm Confirmation 7:00pm Handbells 8:00pm Choir	20 9:30am Worship at Manor 4:00pm Cub Scouts	21	22 10:30am AA
23 9:15am Worship/ Baptism of Everley & Stella Jergenson 10:15am Fellowship 10:30am Sunday School; Mission Trip meeting 6:00pm High School Youth Group, YGR	24	25 10:00am Assisted Living service	26 1-3pm Release Time (K, 6 th), Heritage Ctr. 3:30pm Wednesday Bible School 6:00pm Confirmation 7:00pm Handbells 8:00pm Choir	27 9:30am Worship at Tweeten Apt. 4:00pm Cub Scouts	28 9:00am Love Day	29 10:30am AA Private Baptism of Jurney Skadsem
30 9:15am Worship/ Senior Recognition 10:15am Fellowship 10:30am Sunday School	FH = Fellowship Hall (large room in basement) MR = Middle Room (upstairs by offices) YGR = Youth Gathering Room (in basement near men's bathroom)					

MAY HAPPENINGS AT TRINITY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 3:30pm Wednesday Bible School 6:00pm Confirmation 7:00pm Handbells 8:00pm Choir	4 4:00pm Cub Scouts 5:30pm Education Team, MR	5	6 9am-5:30pm Synod Assembly, Mankato 10:30am AA 5:00pm Worship/Communion/
7 9:15am Worship/Holy Communion 10:15am Fellowship 10:30am Sunday School	8	9 9:00am Deborah 9:30am Anna	10 9:30am Adah, Tweeten Apts. 3:30pm Wednesday Bible School 6:00pm Confirmation 7:00pm Handbells 7:30pm Council, FH 8:00pm Choir	11 4:00pm Cub Scouts	12	13 10:30am AA
14 9:15am Youth-Led Worship 10:15am Fellowship 10:30am Sunday School, sing at nursing home (final one for the school year) 11:15 a.m. Nursing Home service	15	16 2:00pm Phoebe Circle, FH	17 1:00pm Eve, Manor 3:30pm Wednesday Bible School (final one for school year) 6:00pm Confirmation 8:00pm Choir	18 9:30am Worship at Manor 4:00pm Cub Scouts	19	20 10:30am AA 5:00pm Worship/Communion Syttende Mai Celebration
21 9:15am Worship 10:30am –until gone Syttende Mai Meatball Dinner	22	23	24 6:00pm Confirmation (final one for school year) 8:00pm Choir	25 9:30am Worship at Tweeten Apt 4:00pm Cub Scouts	26 9:00am Love Day June/July Newsletter items due in the office 5:00pm Bratland/Agedahl Wedding Rehearsal	27 10:30am AA 3:30pm Bratland/Agedahl Wedding
28 Pentecost 9:15am Worship 10:15am Fellowship	29 Memorial Day <i>office closed</i>	30 10:00am Assisted Living service	31 2:00 pm Newsletter assembly 7:00pm Community Baccalaureate <i>Scholarship Endowment Scholarships due in the office</i>	FH = Fellowship Hall (large room in basement) MR = Middle Room (upstairs by offices) YGR = Youth Gathering Room (in basement near men’s bathroom)		



Help us “plant” an Easter Garden for our Easter morning worship services!

Please have your plant to the church on Friday, April 7.

All colorful spring plants are welcome!

You may take your flower home with you after the 11:00 a.m. Easter service.

Flower purchased by:

Name _____
(Your name is not listed in the bulletin)

My flower is given: (These names will be listed in the bulletin.)

- In memory of _____
- In honor of _____
- In appreciation of _____

Thank you for providing flowers for our Easter Garden!

Flowers will be acknowledged in the Easter bulletin.

Please return this form to the office **by Monday, April 3** in order to have your information listed in the bulletin. Thank you!



EASTER REMEMBRANCES

Monetary gifts may be given as a remembrance.
(These names will be listed in the bulletin.)

- In memory of _____
- In honor of _____
- In appreciation of _____

Please designate my gift in the amount of \$ _____ to:

- Trinity's General Fund
- Other: _____

My name: _____
(Your name is not listed in the bulletin)

Thank you for your monetary gifts!

Gifts will be acknowledged in the Easter bulletin.

Please return this form to the office **by Monday, April 3** in order to have your gift listed in the bulletin. Thank you!

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"Happy Easter..May the renewal of life
At Easter bring new
Blessings of love, hope,
Peace, good health &
Happiness to you and
Your loved ones..
Embrace the renewal of life."

—Babz

