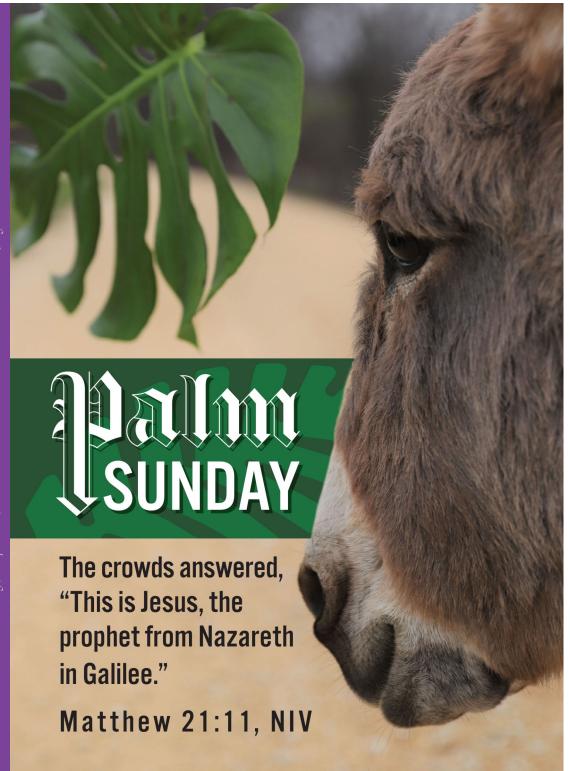
Palm Sunday Sunday, April 2, 2023 – Traditional Service with Holy Communion



WELCOME TO ALL

Welcome to worship at Trinity Lutheran Church! We are glad you are here.

We are delighted to gather as one people in the name of the risen Lord Jesus,
in whose power over disease and death we take hope.

Please use this bulletin to participate in the liturgy
and take it with you when the service is ended.

Based on revised CDC guidance, we are no longer encouraging the wearing of masks for those attending worship, regardless of vaccination status. However, if you have symptoms, have tested positive for Covid or been exposed to someone with Covid-19, we ask that you do wear a mask. Please feel free to continue wearing a mask in worship for your safety, if desired.

This guidance may change if our risk level changes.

Bathrooms are located down the hall from the side entrance to the sanctuary.

Children are always welcome during worship, but if desired,
there is a nursery in room 107 available for children ages birth to school age.

Please be aware that we are streaming our services. If you do not wish to be on camera please contact the church office.

Palm Sunday

Sunday, April 02, 2023 Traditional Service with Holy Communion

Today, we encounter the paradox that defines our faith:
Jesus Christ is glorified king and humiliated servant.

We too are full of paradox: like Peter, we fervently desire to follow Christ,
but find ourselves afraid, denying God.

We wave palms in celebration today as Christ comes into our midst,
and we follow with trepidation as his path leads to death on the cross.
Amid it all we are invited into this paradoxical promise of life
through Christ's broken body and outpoured love in a meal of bread and wine.
We begin this week that stands at the center of the church year,
anticipating the completion of God's astounding word.

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregation responds in bold print.

Please respect the silence of those around you preparing for worship.

PRELUDE "March Triumphant Into Jerusalem" Thygerson

Please stand as you are able.

PROCESSIONAL READING

Matthew 21:1-11

Jesus enters Jerusalem

¹When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ²saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. ³If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." ⁴This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

⁵"Tell the daughter of Zion,

Look, your king is coming to you,

humble, and mounted on a donkey,

and on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

⁶The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; ⁷they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. ⁸A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

"Hosanna to the Son of David!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

¹⁰When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" ¹¹The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."



All Glory, Laud, and Honor



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

Hosanna in the highest.

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.

Please be seated.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Everlasting God,
in your endless love for the human race
you sent our Lord Jesus Christ
to take on our nature
and to suffer death on the cross.
In your mercy
enable us to share in his obedience to your will
and in the glorious victory of his resurrection,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.
Amen.



WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 50:4-9a

The servant of the Lord expresses absolute confidence in his final vindication, despite the fact that he has been struck and spit upon. This characteristic of the servant played an important role in the early church's understanding of the suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

⁴The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher,
that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word.
Morning by morning he wakens— wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught.
⁵The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward.
⁶I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face

⁷The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; ⁸he who vindicates me is near.
Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together.
Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me.
^{9a}It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Word of God. Word of Life. Thanks be to God!

from insult and spitting.



Isaiah 50:4, NRSV

who are taught.

to **listen** as those

PSALMODY Psalm 31:9-16

We will speak the Psalm responsively.

Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit. (Ps. 31:5)

⁹Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble;

my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.

¹⁰For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing;

my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.

¹¹I am the scorn of all my enemies,

a disgrace to my neighbors, a dismay to my acquaintances;

when they see me in the street they avoid me.

¹²Like the dead I am forgotten, out of mind;

I am as useless as a broken pot.

¹³For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all around; they put their heads together against me; they plot to take my life.

¹⁴But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD.

I have said, "You are my God.

¹⁵My times are in your hand;

rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

¹⁶Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your steadfast love."

Please stand as you are able.





SECOND READING

Philippians 2:5-11

Paul uses an early Christian hymn to help us comprehend Jesus' obedient selflessness on the cross and how God has made Christ lord over all reality.

The perspective of the cross becomes the way we rightly understand God, Christ, our own lives, and fellowship within the community of Christ.

⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
⁶who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
⁷but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
⁸he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.

⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Word of God. Word of Life. Thanks be to God!

Please be seated.

CHILDRENS SERMON SERMON

Pastor Richard Ruff

CHOIR ANTHEM

"Hosanna, Hosanna We Sing" Senior Choir

Pethel

Please stand as you are able.

APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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

Names of family & friends in prayer found on page 16.

A brief silence.

Response following each petition:

L: Merciful God, R: receive our prayer.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you!

















OFFERING

Thank you for your generous and faithful support during these extraordinary times.

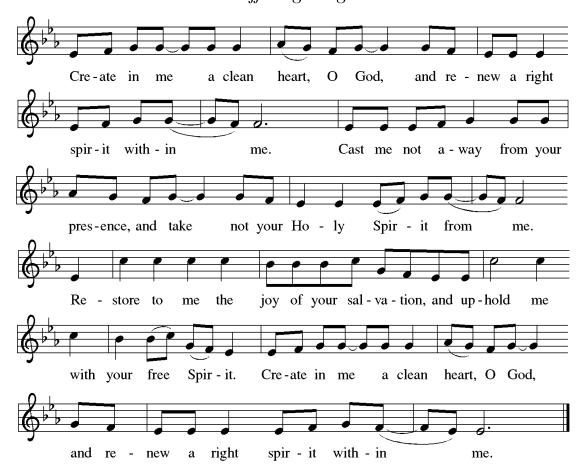
Out of an abundance of caution, we are not currently passing the collection plates.

Instead, you may place your offerings in the plates provided

by the door as you enter or exit worship.

If you prefer, Trinity offers 5 other ways to give as well: Text, Mail, Mobile, Automatic Transfer, & Online. Contact the church office for details.

Create in Me a Clean Heart Offering Song



MEAL

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

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.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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

Come and receive Jesus, our strength in the wilderness. **Thanks be to God.**

Please be seated.



COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION

All baptized followers of Christ are welcome at the Lord's Table.

Communicants are ushered forward row-by-row.

Please open your hand and the pastor will place the bread in your hand.

Once you have eaten the bread, the communion assistant will offer you a cup of wine.

Please take the cup of wine from the tray.

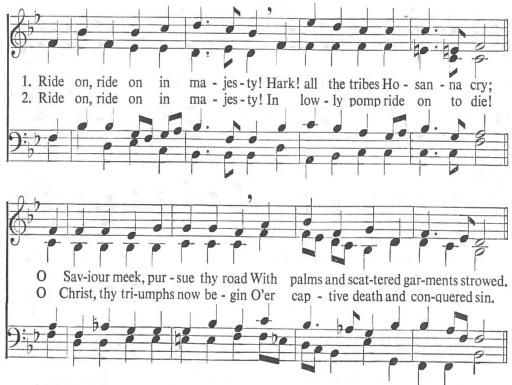
After drinking the wine, you may return to your seat along the side aisle. If you prefer, grape juice is available which you may request from the communion assistant.

Please stand as you are able.

COMMUNION BLESSING THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER THE BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL HYMN

SBH 73



4 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh:
The Father on his sapphire throne
Expects his own anointed Son.

5 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die!
Bow thy meek head to mortal pain,
Then take, O God, thy power and reign.

Henry Hart Milman, 1791-1868 a.



SENDING

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve in love.

Thanks be to God.

Please be seated.

POSTLUDE

"All Glory, Laud and Honor"

Mark Hayes

Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of loved ones, by Dave & Louisa Etter





The children's bulletins are given to the Glory of God, and in honor of Trinity's children, by Dave & Becky Morningstar

LAST WEEKS ATTENDANCE:		
Sunday, March 26, 2023:	93	
Online views:	102	

Next week's Lesse	ons:
Acts 10:34-43 Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Colossians 3:1-4 Matthew 28:1-10	HOLY

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS		
Preacher /Presider	Pastor Richard Ruff	
Organist	Robert Eyer, Jr.	
	10 AM	
Ushers	Dick Snurr	
Ushers	Wallace Whitworth	
Acolyte	Hannah Ross	
Lector	Phil Lobaugh	
Communion Asst.	Kathy Ashway	
	Erich Vogel	
Communion Prep	Don Grier	
Livestream Team	Jason Brown	
Nursery	Brenda Runshaw	
	Ken Runshaw	



We Pray For

FAMILY & FRIENDS

Bernice Conner **Bob Kitzmiller** Marlene Fisher Larry Royce **Bob Shannon** Mary Royce Doris Krieble Jerry Bitner Donna Shetter **Doug Price** Phyllis Dusman Sue Freeman Betty Leonard **Shirley Shilling** Floss Sterner Deb Hutsler Jerry Crist Michele Phillips Ray Guldin Sue Lensbower Curt Stambaugh Connie Renshaw Thomas Clarke Cheryl Kelly Richard & Gloria McCauley Brenda Zullinger Cameron

MEMBERS

Vickie & Jeff Ed & Helen Wlazlowski Thomas Woodcock Greg & Barb Woods

**Names may be added / removed by calling the church office.

**Names will normally be removed after <u>4 weeks.</u>

OFFERING

Budgeted amount needed: \$8,072.12 03.26.23: \$3,788.00

Thank You!

TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS





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Trinity Scholarship Applications

Applications will be accepted until *April 15*, 2023

Applicants must be a member of Trinity

To apply for a scholarship:
Stop by the church office for an application
Call / email the church office
for an electronic copy.





SEWING GROUP

April 26, 2023 @ 11 AM @ Jean D's home. For more info call/email the church office.



SPONSORS NEEDED

Sign-up on bulletin board in hallway or call the church office.

Altar Flowers

\$40+

Children's Bulletins \$3

IN APPRECIATION April 16th following worship

You are invited to lunch on April 16, following worship. Trinity is appreciative of your many gifts: time, talents, money, and prayer. We give thanks for your generosity. *Please RSVP as early as* possible but no later than April 9.

INTENT CARD DEADLINE EXTENTION

April 13th

We now have a total of 82 Intent Cards. We are so close to meeting our goal of 100 cards.

THIS WEEK @ TRINITY

Sunday - 04/02	9:00 AM 9:00 AM 9:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:00 AM	Sunday School for all ages - Library Confirmation - Cloud 9 Sunday School for High Schoolers - Social Hall Scripture & Coffee Worship - Sanctuary Palm Sunday
Monday - 04/03	7-8:30 PM	Boy Troop - Scout Room
Tuesday - 04/04	11:00 AM 6-9 PM 7:00 PM	Worship Committee - Lounge Cub Scout Committee Mtg - Scout Room Property Committee - Lounge
Wednesday - 04/05	10:00 AM 5:30 PM 7:00 PM	Service/Witness - Lounge Yoga - Social Hall Choir Practice - Sanctuary
Thursday - 04/06	6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Learning Committee - Cloud 9 Maundy Thursday Service - Sanctuary
Friday - 04/07	7:00 PM	Good Friday Service - Sanctuary
Saturday - 04/08		Holy Saturday
Sunday - 04/09	9:00 AM 9:00 AM 9:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:00 AM	Sunday School for all ages - Library Confirmation - Cloud 9 Sunday School for High Schoolers - Social Hall Scripture & Coffee Worship - Sanctuary Easter Sunday





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Vision

"Growing in God"

Mission Statement

"Seed - Planting and Growing in our Faith
Sow - Sharing the word of God with our community
Steward - Giving to all the love of God
Service - Showing the love of God with our community"