



Lutheran Church & Christian School



Palm Sunday

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Redeemed, Restored, & Rejoicing in Jesus!

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Mission Statement

[Who We Are]

Leading with the Gospel, we at Trinity Lutheran Church and School strive to:

**HUMBLY AND KNOWINGLY FOLLOW JESUS,
SEEKING JOY THROUGH HIM IN WORSHIP,
TEACHING, AND PRAYER.**



Vision Statement

[Who We Endeavor to Be]

Leading with the Gospel, we at Trinity Lutheran Church and School endeavor to:

**LIVE [up] BY FAITH, BE KNOWN [out] BY
CHRIST'S LOVE, and REJOICE [in] HIS
FORGIVENESS.**

"Redeemed and restored, we are rejoicing in Jesus!"

AS WE GATHER

Welcome to Lent, the forty-day season (excluding Sundays) that calls the world to repentance and faith so that salvation in Christ may come. It is a season that is full of life, calling us to confession and forgiveness, prayer, celebration, hospitality, the study of God's Word, and service. Duly equipped for life in this world, we gladly make the journey. Our destination is clear – the Cross and empty Tomb. Though the season is long, remember where we are going. It is a destination that is worth the journey.

PRELUDE

Upon arrival, and with bulletin and palm in hand, the congregation is invited to gather in the Narthex to begin this morning's service.

THE BELLS CALL GOD'S PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

✠ PREPARATION ✠

INVOCATION

The sign of the cross ✠ may be made in remembrance of our Baptism.

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

Congregation: **Amen.**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Pastor: Most merciful God, as the people of Jerusalem with palms in hand gathered to greet Your dearly beloved Son when He came into His Holy City, grant that we may hail Him as our King, and when He comes again, go forth to meet Him with trusting and steadfast hearts, and follow Him in the way that leads to eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Congregation: **Amen.**

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 11:1-11 (*The triumphal entry.*)

Elder: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the eleventh chapter.
Congregation: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹ Now when they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples ² and said to them, “Go into the village in front of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. ³ If anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ say, ‘The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately.’” ⁴ And they went away and found a colt tied at a door outside in the street, and they untied it. ⁵ And some of those standing there said to them, “What are you doing, untying the colt?” ⁶ And they told them what Jesus had said, and they let them go. ⁷ And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it. ⁸ And many spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. ⁹ And those who went before and those who followed were shouting, “Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! ¹⁰ Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!”

¹¹ And he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple. And when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

Elder: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Congregation: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

OPENING SENTENCES

Psalm 24:9–10

Pastor: Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors,
Congregation: **that the King of glory may come in.**

Pastor: Who is this King of glory?
Congregation: **The LORD of hosts, He is the King of glory!**

Pastor: Let us go forth in peace,
Congregation: **in the name of the Lord.**

1. Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang;
Through pillared court and temple the joyful anthem rang.
To Jesus, Who had blessed them, close folded to His breast,
The children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.
2. From Olivet they followed amid an exultant crowd,
The victor palm branch waving and chanting clear and loud;
The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state,
Nor scorned that little children should on His bidding wait.
3. “Hosanna in the highest!” that ancient song we sing;
For Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heav’n our King.
Oh, may we ever praise Him with heart and life and voice,
And in God’s joyful presence eternally rejoice!



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Almighty and everlasting God and Father, You sent Your Son to take our nature upon Himself and to suffer death on the cross that all should follow the example of His great humility; mercifully grant that we may both follow the example of our Savior Jesus Christ in His patience and also have our portion in His resurrection; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Congregation: **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING Zechariah 9:9-12 (*The coming King of Zion.*)

⁹ Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!

Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!

Behold, your king is coming to you;

righteous and having salvation is he,

humble and mounted on a donkey,

on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

¹⁰ I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim

and the war horse from Jerusalem;

and the battle bow shall be cut off,

and he shall speak peace to the nations;

his rule shall be from sea to sea,

and from the River to the ends of the earth.

¹¹ As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,

I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

¹² Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;

today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING *Philippians 2:5-11* (Christ's example of humility.)

⁵ Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, though He was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷ but emptied Himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men.

⁸ And being found in human form, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹ Therefore God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

CHOIR "The Holy City" (*Words & Music by F. E. Weatherly & Stephen Adams*)

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 10:35-45 (*The Son of Man came to serve.*)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 10th chapter.

Congregation: Glory to You, O Lord.

³⁵ And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." ³⁶ And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" ³⁷ And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." ³⁸ Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" ³⁹ And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, ⁴⁰ but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." ⁴¹ And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. ⁴² And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. ⁴³ But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: Praise to You, O Christ.

CREEDAL RESPONSE (*From the Small Catechism*)

Pastor: What do you believe concerning Jesus Christ?

Congregation: I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence, He will come to judge the living and the dead.

Pastor: What does this mean?

Congregation: I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE & BLESSING

HYMN OF THE DAY "When I Behold Jesus Christ"

LSB 542, St. 1-3

For this, and all subsequent hymns, please see PowerPoint slides or the hymnal.

SERMON

"You Can Be First"

Notes:

HYMN OF RESPONSE "When I Behold Jesus Christ"

LSB 542, St. 4

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray to the Lord that He may hear us on behalf of the people of God and all people as they have need.

Pastor: That the humility of our Lord's suffering and death bring forth in us the fruits of faith and renewed faithfulness, for us and for all who hear His Passion today, let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: That the sufferings of Christ in our place not only strengthen us in faith but give us courage to proclaim His salvation to the ends of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: That the wounds of the sick, the suffering, grieving, and dying find healing in the wounds of Christ our Lord, [*especially . . .*], let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: That the Lord bless His Church, those who minister in His name, and all the baptized people of God in their vocations of worship, witness, intercession, and service, let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord, have mercy.

Additional petitions and praises are offered here.

Pastor: That the Lord receive the tithes and offerings we bring with the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving in our worship, as testament of our faith and as sign of our gratitude, let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord, have mercy. In Jesus' holy name. Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Congregation: And also with you.

We share that peace with our brothers and sisters in Christ.

RITE OF FIRST COMMUNION

MIA MITCHELL



✠ SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE

Pastor:	The Lord be with you.	<i>2 Timothy 4:22</i>
Congregation:	And also with you.	
Pastor:	Lift up your hearts.	<i>[Colossians 3:1]</i>
Congregation:	We lift them to the Lord.	
Pastor:	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.	<i>[Psalm 136]</i>
Congregation:	It is right to give Him thanks and praise.	

EXHORTATION TO COMMUNION

Pastor:	“I exhort you in Christ that you give attention to the Testament of Christ in true faith, and above all take to heart the words with which Christ presents his body and blood to us for forgiveness; that you take note of and give thanks for the boundless love that he showed us when he saved us from the wrath of God, sin, death and hell by his blood; and that you then externally receive the bread and wine, that is, his body and blood, as a guarantee and pledge. Let us then in his name, according to his command, and with his own words administer and receive the Testament.”
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THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Please see PowerPoint slides or the back of the hymnal.

PEACE OF THE LORD

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Congregation: Amen.

HYMN OF PREPARATION “Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)”

LSB 962

DISTRIBUTION

For those desiring to receive the LORD’S SUPPER today, please refer to the laminated card in the pew racks. Those not receiving Communion are still invited to come forward for a blessing. At the Communion rail, simply bow your head to receive a blessing.

At the time of Communion, please follow the direction of the ushers. For those receiving the individual cups, a non-alcoholic wine is offered in the center of each tray. Following the passing of the individual cups, the common cup is offered for those who wish to commune in that manner.

All who are communing are encouraged to review the Sacrament of the Altar on pp. 326-327, and the Questions on pp. 329-330, in the front of the hymnal.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence”

LSB 621

“O Christ, You Walked the Road”

LSB 424

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good.

Congregation: His mercy endures forever.

Pastor: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Congregation: **Amen.**

BENEDICTION

Pastor: Go with the Suffering Servant who died to make us righteous and gives us new life to rise again with Him to eternal life. The blessing of God the Father, the Son ✠ and the Holy Spirit be upon you and go with you forever.

Congregation: **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN “No Tramp of Soldier’s Marching Feet” *LSB 444, St. 1, 3-4*

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ATTENDANCE 3-17: 100

Families of the week: *The Clifford, Cobb and Corey families*

Birthdays:

- 24 Mar—Marlene Dabrowski
- 25 Mar—Rita Corey
- 25 Mar—Angel Crowell
- 26 Mar—Helen Poisson
- 27 Mar—Erik Neilssen (with apologies for missing Jackie on the 18th!)
- 28 Mar—Sandy Wyman
- 31 Mar—Richard Gundersen

Trinity Lutheran
Church
Holy Week Services
2024



Holy Week

- **Palm Sunday, March 24, 10:30 am:** Procession of Palms, with Holy Communion
- **Maundy (Holy) Thursday, March 28, 7:00 pm:** Reflection on the Spiritual Practice of the Lord's Supper, with Holy Communion
- **Good Friday, March 29**
 - **12:00 Noon:** Reflections on the Seven Last Words of Jesus from the Cross
 - *Sanctuary open between 1 and 7 p.m. for prayer and reflection.*
 - **7:00 pm:** Tenebrae (Service of Darkness) Worship

Easter Sunday, March 31

- **6:00 am:** Sunrise Worship Service, with Holy Communion
- **7:30 am:** Easter Breakfast
- **9:00 am:** Adult Bible Class [No Sunday School]
- **10:30 am:** Worship, with Holy Communion

Trinity Christian School will be holding a yard sale in the gymnasium on Saturday, April 6. Items to donate may be dropped off at the school from 9-4 Tuesday, April 2 through Friday, April 5.

Items should be clean and in good repair.

Helpers needed! If you would like to offer your time and talents to set up, clean up, transport items before or after the sale, or be on hand during the sale, please contact the TCS office and let them know. Your service would be greatly appreciated!

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LWML News and Updates



What: Empty, plastic prescription bottles with the labels and glue removed (preferably but not mandatory),

Why: To be donated for medical mission trips through Matthew 25 Ministries located in Ohio. We continue to make fleece blankets for Project Linus on our Saturday Work Days.

Contact Eileen Nelson: 603-313-3989
or eenelson53@gmail.com.

Also:

What: LWML NED District Convention

When: April 26-27, 2024

Where: Marriott Hotel, Trumbull, CT

Information and Application Packets on the Narthex Table

See Eileen or Miriam for more information

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Trinity Calendar for Mar 17-Mar 24, 2024

PALM SUNDAY	9:00 am	Adult Bible Study and Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship Service w/Holy Communion
Monday	6:00 am	Community Breakfast Cooking
Tuesday	5-6:30 pm	Men’s Wings Bible Study and meal: “The Book of Proverbs: Learning to Live Wisely”
Wednesday		
MAUNDY THURSDAY	10:00 am	<i>(No morning Bible Study)</i> Worship Service w/Holy Communion
GOOD FRIDAY	12 Noon	Worship Service <i>(Sanctuary open after service until 7 pm for prayer and reflection)</i>
	7:00 pm	Tenebrae (Service of Darkness) Worship Service
Saturday	8:00 am	Men of Christ Bible Study: “The Chosen: Bible Roundtable”
EASTER SUNDAY	6:00 am	Sunrise Worship Service w/Holy Communion
	7:30 am	Easter Breakfast
	9:00 am	Adult Bible Study <i>(No Sunday School)</i>
	10:30 am	Worship Service w/Holy Communion



The altar flowers today
Are given to the Glory of God
By Marlene Dabrowski

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