



Trinity Trumpeter



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Mission statement: "To make disciples of all people through a faithful ministry of Word and Sacrament."

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When the Diagnosis Doesn't Look Good

"...I will not forget you! See, I have engraved you on the palms of my Hands..." Isaiah 49:15b, 16a

Somehow, it just doesn't have the impact until you're the one facing the probable diagnosis of a serious or terminal illness. You run the course of your life... plan your plans... set your goals... perform each day's routines...and then, it happens.... The situation doesn't look god.

And nobody can crawl inside your skin and understand what you're feeling. Not really. Oh, your loved ones hurt and ache because they love you. But, still, it's you and you alone...your body...your mind...that's been invaded.

And the questions: "Why me?" Why now? Did I do something to deserve this? Does God understand? Does God love me?"

It's quite a reality check, isn't it? The truth swirls through every fiber of your being. "I'm not going to live her, forever. This could be the beginning of the end." Although we all realize we are going to die, the reality of a prolonged illness - possibly death -- as you are facing this moment, is shocking and repulsive!

In the Book of Isaiah, the forty-ninth chapter, we are given a lament by God's people because of what they had to endure. "But Zion said, 'The Lord has forsaken me, the Lord has forgotten me.'" (Is. 49:14).

And look at God's response for His people...for all times: "Can a mother forget the baby at her breast and have no compassion on the child she has borne? Though she may forget, I will not forget you! See, I have engraved you on the palms of my hands..." (Is 49:15,16a).

Quite a truth, isn't it? Think of something engraved --scarred -- into the palms of your hands. It's always there! You always feel it! You can't let go of it! It's in your grasp! It's part of you!

That's exactly where you are with God through faith in Jesus Christ this very moment of your life. YOU ARE ENGRAVED ON THE PALMS OF GOD'S HANDS. He's always there. He holds you dear to him. He can't and won't let go of you. You are in His grasp. You are part of Him.

And if you are thinking that, possibly, God is angry with you because of your sinfulness or that your less than perfect life has caught up with you, then you would do well to remember: Jesus willingly went to Calvary to bear ALL the punishment for ALL of your sin. "As far as the east is from the west, so far had He removed our transgressions from us. As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him; for He KNOWS how we are formed, HE REMEMBERS that we are dust." (Psalm 103:12-14 NIV).

And Paul writes, "Therefore, THERE IS NOW NO CONDEMNATION for those in Christ Jesus..." (Rom. 8:1 NIV).

"But what about tomorrow?" you ask. "What about the unknowns yet to come in whatever process of suffering, or healing, I have to face?"

Do you remember what Jesus said about a sparrow falling to the ground? "Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from the will of your Father. And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. So don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows." (Matt. 10:29-30 NIV)

Wonderful thoughts, wouldn't you agree? If the Lord doesn't allow a sparrow to fall to the ground apart from His will, then you can be sure that all your tomorrows and whatever trials and suffering you face will be in accordance with His good and gracious will for your life -- earthly and eternal! Besides, "the very hairs of your head are ALL numbered." He already knows the details of your life.

Of Course, you don't know the unknowns. But God does, and His promise is yours: "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you." (Heb. 13:5b).

Pastor Kohuke

Ladies Tuesday Bible study will be held in April! We will finally start the new study of the Old Testament books of Ezra and Nehemiah. We would like to invite all the ladies of the congregation to join us. *Mask will be worn until everyone is seated.* Please let Shirley Holtzen know if you will be joining and she will get you a copy of the study. Ph. 531-289-0396



Sunday Morning Bible Class: Resumes on Sunday, April 25th with Pastor Holtzen

Monday Night Zoom Bible Study Location: Zoom

New Study Begins Monday April 12, 2021

How We Got the Bible

Sixty-six books, more than 1,100 chapters, an astounding 30,000 verses, a mind-boggling 700,000 words—it's no wonder it's the world's most fascinating book. See how it was all put together in *How We Got The Bible*, featuring Dr. Paul L. Maier. Five lessons

April 12 to May 10, 2021 on Zoom from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Sign up link:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904084AADA82BAAFF2-howwegot>

Alaska Mission for Christ Seeking Volunteers

Alaska Mission for Christ is seeking individuals to serve on Work & Witness projects in Haines and Fairbanks, Alaska. These projects would be scheduled in May, August, and September. Work includes clearing debris from a major landslide in Haines, as well as reconstruction of various structures. In Fairbanks, work will continue at Bingle Camp on the log cabin structures.

Contact Jan Bruick, AMC Servant Event Coordinator: 402-641-9691 for more information.

Camp Luther Victory Summer 2021

We are more than conquerors through Him who loved us Romans 8:37



You're invited to join us at summer camp! Camp Luther offers unique programs where people of all ages can grow through Christ-centered community and activities. We are passionate about sharing Jesus and his love with others! Camp programs build relationships through experiential learning in a safe environment. Find the best way for your family to connect with camp and join us this summer. Our 2021 theme is "Victory!" Through Christ, we are all victorious. He has defeated sin, death, and the power of the devil. Although we still live in a broken world, we have hope. We know that we belong to Christ and his death and resurrection have redeemed us. Nothing can separate us from God's love. In Him, we are victorious! We share in His victory!

Our Mission Dollars at Work

Our \$500 Mission Dollars for March goes to support Lutheran World Missions

LUTHERAN WORLD MISSIONS

"Faith brings about a tree, and then the fruit, which is good works, grows. First, the tree must be there; then the fruit will follow. The fruit does not produce the tree, but the tree produces the fruit." Martin Luther



Lutheran World Missions is a 501(c)(3) non profit organization designated by the IRS. Contributions are appreciated and acknowledged.

Our Board represents all three Lutheran Synods. LWMI is a 501(c)(3) non-profit charitable organization. Lutheran World Missions has provided grant assistance to numerous Missions both locally, nationally and globally.

We have assisted individuals and organizations with their charitable giving goals and capital campaigns.

We have provided assistance with disaster relief in the Midwest and in Haiti.

We believe that all the world should hear the Gospel message of Christ our Risen Lord and Savior. As our Lord himself said:

"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Matthew 28: 18-20

Water monitoring system from Church Mutual

Sitting on the filing cabinet in Pastor Kohnke's office is a small monitor. It talks to two other devices that are in the basement of the church. If water is detected in the basement, the alarm will go off, and send a text message to Kirk Nisley, and Laura Hametis. If you come across these gray devices please do not move them. IF you have any questions please ask Krik.

Mary & Martha League: Will meet in person, April 15, 1:30 pm.

Due to the need to close the Bennet Food Pantry, Sunday, March 21st was our last collection for that purpose. Your generous donation of 143 food items, 15 health items and \$50 in cash was greatly appreciated and will be given to those in need. The Mary and Martha League will be looking into some other way to help feed the hungry in our community.



Holy Week & Easter Schedule; Walking with Jesus

All services will be offered in the sanctuary and streaming online. Maundy Thursday and Easter 10:00 a.m. service will also be offered on the TV in the parking lot.

Maundy Thursday, April 1, 2021

7:00 p.m. Printed Service

Theme: "Jesus gave His Last Will and Testament" Text: Mark 14:12-24

Good Friday, April 2, 2021

7:00 p.m. Printed Service

Theme: "Jesus Died at Calvary" Text: Matthew 27:45-56

Easter April 4, 2021

8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. (also parking lot) DS III p. 185

Theme: "Jesus Rose From the Dead" Text: Luke 24:13-35

2021 Parades



It looks like some parades are in the planning stages for 2021. According to social media Eagle, NE will have a parade on Saturday, June 26th. No other details are provided.

If you learn that Palmyra Old Settlers, Bennet 4th of July will hold parades in 2021 please let Pastor Kohnke know.

Sunday Circle: The Sunday Circle will be meeting on April 11th in the fellowship hall following the church service. They are currently using old jeans to make book bags for the Bennett School system.

Dinner Out: Still on hold....As more and more people are vaccinated, would there be any interest in having "bring your own" picnic at the church? Send your thoughts regarding this to Laura Hametis

April Birthdays

4/3 Doris Heineke
4/4 Sandy Kemper, Shirley Retzlaff
4/5 Erin May
4/9 Erin Singh
4/12 Ethan Singh
4/14 Tom May
4/15 Margaret Broening
4/16 Caitlin Peterson
4/19 Jill Rink
4/21 Betty Hodtwalker, Roger Krahrmer
4/25 Andrew Haase, Nancy Malone
4/27 Mary Kohnke
4/28 Bianca Singh



Anniversaries

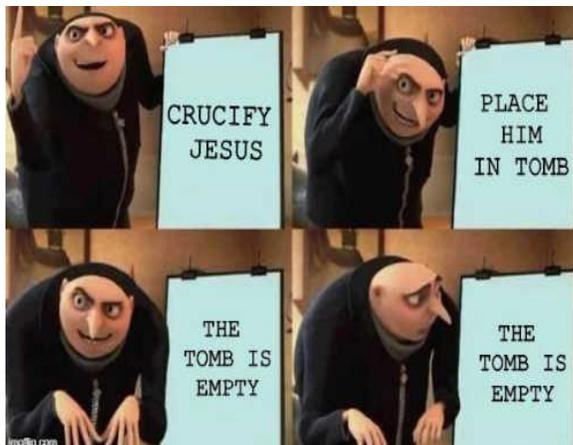
4/22/2018 Mike & Sandy Kemper
4/24/2010 Jacob & Erin May
4/29/2012 Jim & Laura Hametis



Update on the new sound system:

Our new system is being installed. The speaker is up and more items are being added each week. It is hopeful the full system will be in use on Easter Sunday, April 4th.

Alberts Joke of the month!



From your Secretary!

My friend just gave me this and said
"I got you a vegan easter egg"





Trinity Lutheran Vacation Bible School

June 7th -11th

Ages 3-6th Grade

5:30p.m.-8:00p.m.

Go to website to sign-up students

www.tlcwalton.360unite.com

Volunteers Needed

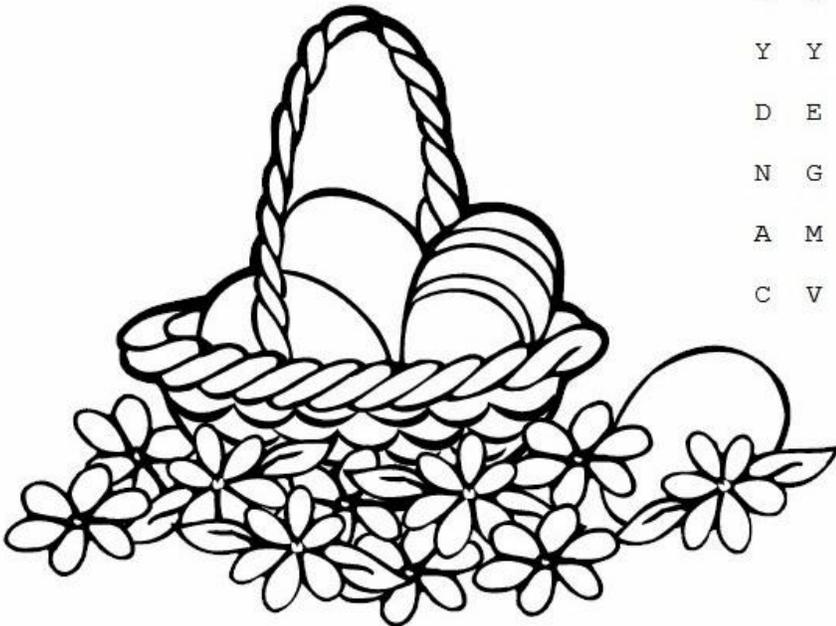
More Information to Follow

Or Contact Erin Singh

402-560-7845

Easter

WORD SEARCH



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C	V	Q	P	P	Q	N	E	G	G	S

BASKET	CROSS
BIBLE	EASTER
BUNNY	EGGS
CANDY	JESUS
CHURCH	LAMB

April 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Maundy Thursday 7:00 p.m. Worship with Holy Communion	2 Good Friday 7:00 p.m. Worship	3
4 Easter 8 am Divine Service 9 am Sunday School 9:30-10 Hymn Sing 10 am Divine Service	5 NO Zoom Bible class	6 Woman's Bible Study 12:45 Fellowship Hall	7	8	9	10 Elder's Meeting 7:30am
11 9 am Sunday School 10 am Divine Service	12 Zoom Bible Study: 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	13	14	15 1:15 p.m. Mary & Martha League	16 Newsletter Deadline	17
18 9 am Sunday School 10 am Divine Service	19 Zoom Bible Study: 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	20	21	22 Newsletter Print Date	23	24
25 9 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10 am Divine Service Mite Box Sunday 11:15 Voters Meeting	26 Zoom Bible Study: 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	27	28	29	30	

Those serving in April, 2021 Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Elders

4th Hank Oetjen
11th Roger Pearson
18th Tracy Refior
25th Alan Retzlaff

Altar Guild

4th Deb Pavey
11th Laura Hametis
18th Kristi Refior
25th Shirley Retzlaff

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