

March 2023

TRINITY TIDINGS

A Newsletter of Trinity Lutheran Church, Huntley, IL

Dear Saints,

We continue this month with our reflections on famous works of Christian art. This month, we reflect on Matthias Grünewald's *Isenheim Altarpiece* (c. 1510-1515). In order to understand this painting, we must first understand its background.

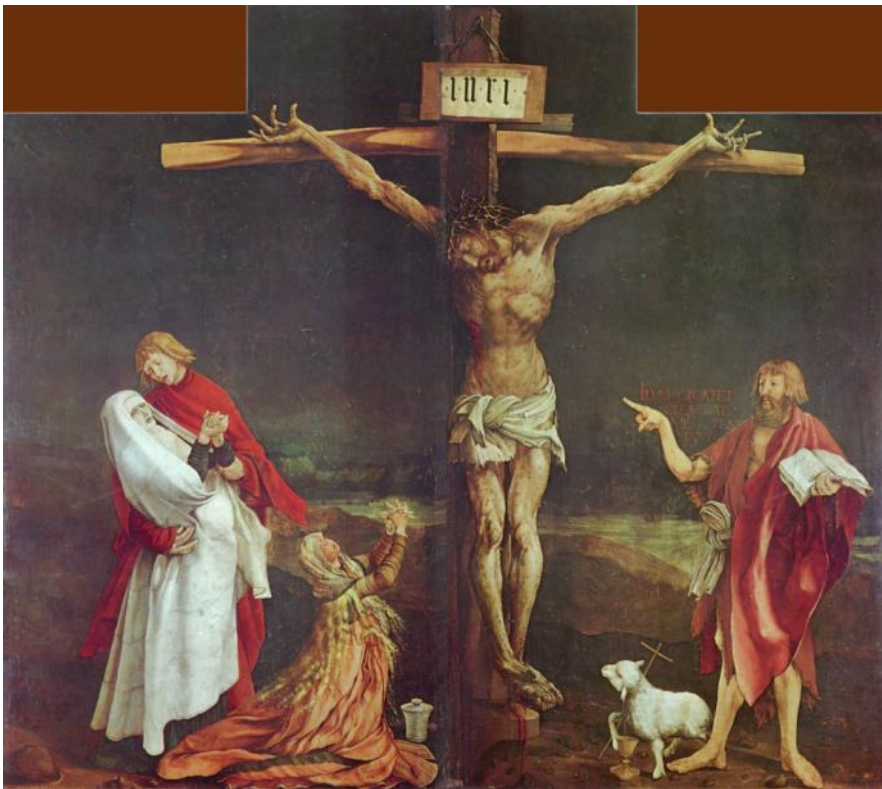
This altarpiece was commissioned by a hospital order of monks that devoted themselves to the care of people in the tiny town of Isenheim, France. Their care consisted primarily of treating patients afflicted with a terrible skin disease called "St. Anthony's fire." The disease caused painful seizures and spasms, as well as throbbing pustules and open wounds.

People who came to the hospital knew they would soon die. The monks invited Grünewald to create a painting that patients could meditate upon to help them cope with their agonies. As they suffered from their disease, they could look up to see Christ's suffering for them on the cross. He was with them in the midst of suffering.

There are several characters in the painting. On the far left is Mary, the mother of Jesus, dressed like the nuns who cared for the patients in the hospital. The apostle John comforts Mary. Jesus has asked this disciple whom he loved to care for his mother (John 19:26).

Mary Magdalene kneels in front, praying, wringing her hands in sorrow. At the hospital, Mary Magdalene would have been eye level with the patients. She embodies their experience—sorrow mingled with prayer.

John the Baptizer stands to the right pointing to Jesus and says, "He must decrease and I must increase" (John 3:30). John exemplifies the attitude of a Christian, especially during Lent: eyes fixed on Jesus, finger firmly pointing to Jesus, knowing that we must deny ourselves so Jesus can live within us.



Finally, Christ on the cross dominates the painting, towering over everyone else. The depiction is grim. His hands and feet twist and contort in pain. His body is grayish green and covered with wounds—the same sores the patients had covering their bodies.

Grünewald's image of the crucified Christ communicates one message, whether we live in the 16th or the 21st century: Christ is on the cross for us. Christ has suffered and died, and nothing—no suffering and no death—can separate us from his love (Romans 8:38-39).

This Lent, spend some extra time with this crucified Christ—whether through extra church services, prayer, or devotions—who "suffered, sad and lonely, rest to give my weary soul" (LSB 420, v. 3).

The Lord bless and keep you,

+ Pr Hatesohl

BOARD OF MINISTRY DIRECTORS *by Ken Ladage, Chairman*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

May knowing Jesus bring you peace to bless each day, hope for each tomorrow, and joy in every season. In our Lenten journey towards Easter, let us remember the One who humbled Himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross (Philippians 2:8). Let us renew our faith and receive with open hearts the love of God who makes us brothers and sisters in Christ.

Ash Wednesday was February 22nd and Easter will be April 9th. We are in the Lenten season. Midweek services will be on Wednesdays, supper at 6:00 pm and the service at 7:00 pm.

Trinity has received nine new members. The Confirmation class has eight members. Family ministries night was attended by 14 adults and 16 children. Future events are planned. Sunday School is up and running. Sunday and Thursday's adult Bible study are meeting.

Ed Dennis and the Church Security Committee are making progress in reviewing safety considerations at Trinity. Our fire extinguishers have been checked and signage will be used to clearly indicate these locations. The Committee has purchased two Trauma Kits for the Preschool. The materials in these kits contain items designed specifically for use with children in the event of an emergency. Two adult Trauma Kits, one for the main floor and one for the basement, were also purchased. The committee is now looking into training options for staff, ushers, and elders.

Trinity's financial performance continues to be strong. We continue to operate in the black. In spite of varying weather conditions, church attendance continues to be strong year to year.

Budget planning for Trinity and TLC Preschool began in February. The tentative schedule calls for budgets to be presented to the Board of Ministry Directors by April 13th. The budget will be approved by the Board on May 11th and presented to the Congregation on May 28th for their review. A Voters Meeting is scheduled for June 11th for Congregational approval. The 2023-24 budget planning includes appropriate increases based on inflation. Meetings were scheduled with the trustees to review upcoming building maintenance issues and repair schedules.

The Village Team is expecting a quote by March 8th from our General Contractor regarding costs for our building project. With that information, the Team will begin reviewing our options.

The Board will be meeting March 9th and your input is welcomed. A segment of each Board meeting, (second Thursday of the month at 5:00 pm) is reserved for Steward comments, suggestions, or questions. A suggestion box is located in the Narthex.

Your Brother in Christ,

Ken Ladage, Chairman, Board of Ministry Directors

SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS *Psalm 100:2*

March 2023 Elder / Usher Schedule

Date	Day	Time	Elder	Assistant Elder	Usher	Confirmation Usher
3/1/2023	Wednesday	7:00pm	Roger Orkfritz	N/A	Roger Stettner	Julian Gutierrez
-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3/5/2023	Sunday	8:00am	Keith Bereolos	N/A	Hoppy Kahl	Luca Kittel
		10:30am	Tim Mahnke	N/A	Reuben Velez	Gavin Kittel/Sam Sneed
3/8/2023	Wednesday	7:00pm	Solomon Post	N/A	Hoppy Kahl	Julian Gutierrez
3/12/2023	Sunday	8:00am*	Donovan Johnson	Solomon Post	Bella Westberg	unfilled
		10:30am*	Rick Castel	Steven Drescher	Matt Castel	Noah Drescher/Rylan Castel
3/15/2023	Wednesday	7:00pm	Steven Drescher	N/A	Matt Castel	Julian Gutierrez
3/19/2023	Sunday	8:00am	Roger Orkfritz	N/A	Bella Westberg	Luca Kittel
		10:30am	Donovan Johnson	N/A	Roger Stettner	Gavin Kittel/Sam Sneed
3/22/2023	Wednesday	7:00pm	Tim Mahnke	N/A	Georgina Ozga-Dortch	unfilled
3/26/2023	Sunday	8:00am*	Roger Orkfritz	Solomon Post	Georgina Ozga-Dortch	unfilled
		10:30am*	Steven Drescher	Rick Castel	Matt Castel	Sam Sneed
3/29/2023	Wednesday	7:00pm	Keith Bereolos	N/A	Reuben Velez	unfilled

* Communion



Sign up for weekly emails from Trinity!

<https://www.trinityhuntley.org/email-sign-up>

Emergency Line



Pastor is always available to you in the case of a pastoral emergency, even after hours. Simply call the main Trinity phone number, 847-669-5780, and follow the instructions.

Your call will then be forwarded to the pastor.

(Note: Pastor's cell phone number has changed. To reach him for non-emergencies, call the office or send him an email.)

OFFICIAL ACTS - FEBRUARY 2023

Baptism: Henry Simon Lesniewski, son of John and Becky Lesniewski, on February 12, 2023

New Members on February 5, 2023: Carol Johnson, Lita Lee, Randy Lee, Rosemary Rust, Annamarie Sansom, Tom Sansom, Shari Schaumburg, Annie Schoenfisch, Eric Schoenfisch, Dennis Tibbitts

A NOTE FROM OUR MUSIC DIRECTOR *by Lana Gibbons*



*Savior, thy dying love Thou gavest me;
Nor should I aught withhold, Dear Lord, from thee.
In love my soul would bow, My heart fulfill its vow,
Some off'ring bring thee now, SOMETHING FOR THEE.*

*O'er the blest mercy seat, Pleading for me,
My feeble faith looks up, Jesus, to thee.
Help me the cross to bear, Thy wondrous love declare,
Some song to raise or prayer, SOMETHING FOR THEE.*

*Give me a faithful heart, Likeness to thee,
That each departing day Henceforth may see.
Some work of love begun, Some deed of kindness done,
Some wand'rer sought and won, SOMETHING FOR THEE.*

*All that I am and have, Thy gifts so free,
In joy, in grief, through life, Dear Lord, for thee!
And when thy face I see, My ransomed soul shall be
Through all eternity SOMETHING FOR THEE.*

Savior, Thy Dying Love (LW 374)



SOMETHING FOR THEE! I remember singing this hymn from The Lutheran Hymnal and later from Lutheran Worship and have always loved it! It's about doing things for God, in the light of all He's done for us. We are motivated by His love to serve Him and to "love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength...Love your neighbor as yourself" (Luke 12:30). As we follow Jesus to the cross and to the empty tomb we learn about love and obedience. Jesus is the supreme model we emulate! His love to us and through us as we invite all people to the grace-filled life of Jesus! We are conduits of His kindness and love! We give Him our all in living lives of service, giving **SOMETHING FOR THEE!**

SOMETHING FOR THEE! How about ringing, singing, or playing an instrument in worship? Your gifts of music are a great way to serve. *Celebration Ringers* (Bells) and *Voices in Praise* (Choir) meet on Tuesday evenings - Bells at 6 pm in the loft and Choir at 7 pm under the loft. You are welcome to join us as we are preparing Lenten and Easter songs. Do you play an instrument? See me and I will get you music! Bring the children to Sunday School where they, too, are praising God! The music ministry at Trinity is certainly something you could be involved with as you are giving **SOMETHING FOR THEE!**

VOICES IN PRAISE

Handbells & Choir
Tuesdays
Bells at 6 pm, Choir at 7 pm

CELEBRATION RINGERS

See worship folder for more information

TLC PRESCHOOL NEWS *by Linda Kranz, TLC Preschool Director*

Spring is in the air (hopefully), we can feel it! The kids are enjoying having fun with Dr. Seuss stories and silly activities. We are also learning about Lent and how Jesus died but that we are happy that he is alive again and loves us so much.

Thank you to anyone who was able to join us at Rookies or who ordered flowers from our Tom's Flower fundraiser. See, the flowers got you thinking of spring already.

The staff is preparing to take CPR and First Aid training in mid-March. While only 1 certified person needs the training per DCFS regulations, we feel it's in the children's best interest for our entire staff to receive the training.

The TLC staff wish you all a joyous Easter.

TLC school year theme:



Trinity has an ongoing collection for the **Grafton Food Pantry**.

Cash donations are the best and most efficient way to offer help... every \$1 buys \$8 worth of food from the Northern Illinois Food Bank. However, they cannot purchase household supplies and personal care products, so they are the next most needed items.

All donations are appreciated, needed and used. Food items must be non-perishable.

Items are always picked up and delivered weekly from the food cart in the narthex. Contact Judy Melman with any questions.



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

Clare Bahn	3/1	Annamarie Sansom	3/13
Wayne Goers	3/1	Ace Warren	3/15
Pamela Cumpata	3/2	Marty Loughlin	3/17
Bonnie Calame	3/3	Kathleen Mayerhofer	3/18
Bob Stecher	3/4	Hoppy Kahl	3/19
Braeden Kittel	3/4	Andre Michel	3/19
Ellie Andros	3/5	Susie Treanor	3/23
Marlene Pump	3/7	John Lesniewski	3/23
Scott Ravagnie	3/8	Jim Bollinger	3/24
Terry Wilkins	3/9	Katrina Bredlau	3/25
Grace Arrigoni	3/12	Arabella Sindelar	3/26
Samuel Sneed	3/12	Mike Steinbach	3/28
Randy Bahn	3/12	Kelly Sindelar	3/28
Kristy Schultze	3/12	Diane Schoenrock	3/29
TJ Fossmeyer	3/12	Caleb Kittel	3/31
Elias Lesniewskie	3/13		
Amelia Lesniewski	3/13		

ANNIVERSARIES

Rich & Mary Mueller *59 years on* 3/14

If we have missed your birthday or anniversary, or have the wrong information, please call the church office.



Ladies, save the date of April 15th and come to the LWML Spring Meeting at Zion Lutheran Church, McHenry. The topics for the meeting include information on the new Redeeming Life Maternity Home in McHenry and the latest on our [Milwaukee Convention](#), "Lord of the Nations", on June 22-25, 2023. Our Zone delegate, Judy Hervert, will be at the meeting. We will be carpooling from Trinity, so let us know if you need a ride. The meeting starts about 8:30 am with registration. Watch the Sunday worship folder for more information .

Being a Christian is a blessing and the Joy of Jesus in our lives should be evident. The LWML website is full of information and contains all the news and events going on. You can visit them at www.LWML.org

You can check out their latest eNews newsletter by clicking [HERE](#).



Kid's Worship Bags



Kid's Worship Bags (lovingly sewn by The Trinity Quilters) are available each Sunday at the back of the Sanctuary. These bags are appropriate for kids 3 - 10 years old.

The bags are filled with crayons, coloring pages that go along with the day's scripture readings, books and other surprises which can help keep the squirms and wiggles at bay.

Kids are invited to take a worship bag into the worship service with them and are asked to place the worship bag to the return basket after service.



Serve the Lord with gladness!

Psalm 100:2

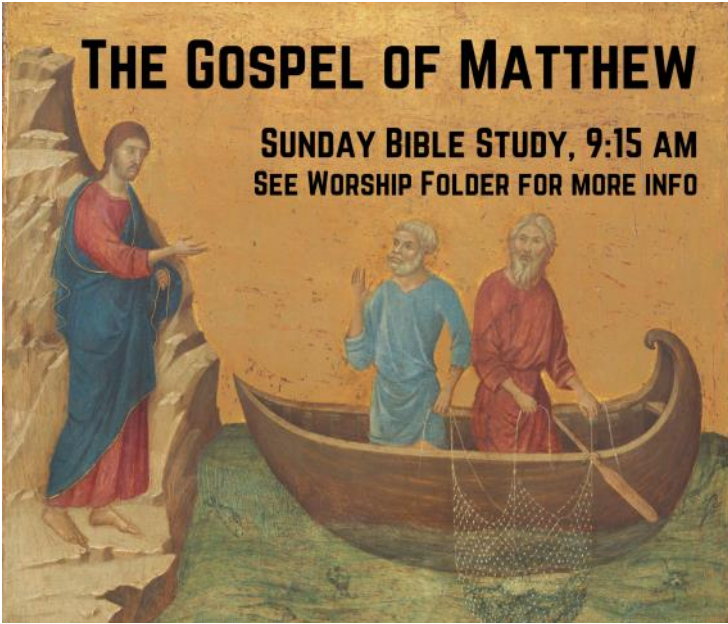



SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP HOUR FOR 2023

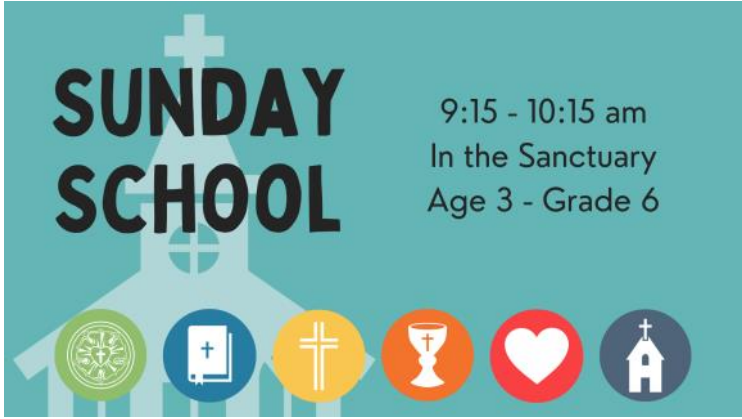
Volunteer sign-up spots are available for hosting/providing goodies for the Fellowship Hour between Sunday services (coffee and juice is provided by the church). You can host on your own, with a friend or with a group.

Sign-up on the board in the Narthex

BIBLE STUDIES, GROUPS AND EVENTS



THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW
SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY, 9:15 AM
 SEE WORSHIP FOLDER FOR MORE INFO



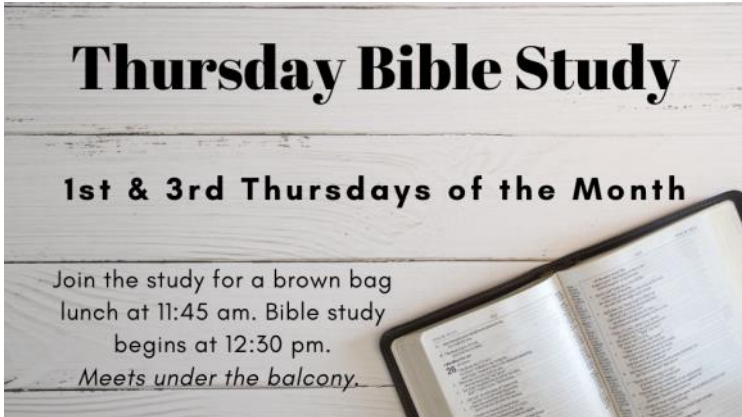
SUNDAY SCHOOL
 9:15 - 10:15 am
 In the Sanctuary
 Age 3 - Grade 6




The Trinity Quilters
 Meets on the 2nd and 3rd Mondays
 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
 Church Basement
 Contact Marilee Payne for more info



Men's Breakfast
 2nd Saturday of the Month at 8:00 am
 All men are welcome to meet for breakfast and fellowship
 Meets at the Village Inn Huntley



Thursday Bible Study
 1st & 3rd Thursdays of the Month
 Join the study for a brown bag lunch at 11:45 am. Bible study begins at 12:30 pm.
 Meets under the balcony.



For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them.
 Matthew 18:20



BOOK REVIEW GROUP
 All women are welcome!
 2nd Thursdays
 2:00 pm @ Trinity
 Join us on March 9th!
 We will hand out our first book:
 "Kitty, My Rib"
 by Katharine Luther

BOOK REVIEW GROUP

Any questions you may have may be directed to Judy Ladage, 224-858-7282 or Marilee Payne, 847-659-9086.

SNAPSHOTS OF TRINITY

Rev. John Donkoh

Bishop and President of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Ghana and secretary of the International Lutheran Council (ILC), preached and taught Bible Study at Trinity on February 5.





Quilts on Display

The Trinity Quilters gave 101 handmade quilts to the Elgin Pregnancy Center.



Baptism

Henry Simon Lesniewski was baptized on February 12, 2023.



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 Solomon Post
 Dale Schoenrock

Board of Ministry Directors

Keith Bereolos
 Ed Dennis
 Nancy Dvorak
 Ken Ladage
 Keith Nelson
 Sandy Phelps
 Janet Westberg

Trinity Worship Times

Sundays @ 8:00 am and 10:30 am

Holy Communion

2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays

Worship Service Broadcast

Every service is broadcast live on the internet. You can find it at TrinityHuntley.org/live or on the Trinity home page.



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Church Office Hours The church office is open Tuesday - Friday from 9:00 am - 2:30 pm. Pastor Hatesohl is available in the office both Tuesday and Friday mornings and by appointment.

Help Keep Church Records Up To Date If your contact information has changed or you are not receiving emails, please let the church office know. Call the church office at 847-669-5780 or email at office@trinityhuntley.org.

Prayer Chain Trinity's prayer chain is always available to pray for you and those you love. Jesus hears our petitions and He will answer according to His good and perfect will. With thanksgiving, we make our requests to Him. Call or email the church office.

Hospital Visits Please contact the church office if you or a family member are, or are planning to be, in the hospital. You can be added to the prayer chain and/or a visit can be scheduled.

Flower Chart The flower chart for 2023 is on the bulletin board above the tract rack in the Narthex. To place flowers at the altar for a special date, sign your name and occasion (if applicable) next to that date. The cost is \$35. Altar flowers may be taken home after the last service (If more than one person has signed up, please just take one vase). This is a great way to glorify God as you remember someone you love or celebrate a milestone!

Electronic Giving Trinity offers two options, Give+Online and the Vanco Mobile App. Visit TrinityHuntley.org and click on the "Giving" tab for more information.

Head over to Culver's Restaurant of Huntley, Rt. 47, on ANY Saturday evening, ANY Sunday or ANY Wednesday and present your weekend bulletin when ordering and Culvers will donate 10% of your total order to Trinity.

WORSHIP ANEW - A Program for Shut-Ins A 30-minute Lutheran worship service is televised weekly on Sunday at 8:00 a.m. on Chicago's CW station WPWR channel 50 (Comcast 184) and at 10:30 a.m. on TCT (DirecTV channel 377). A complete list of viewing options is available at WorshipAnew.org.

MCRide is a great way to get around McHenry County. It is an "on-demand" travel service available to citizens of Huntley. Riders schedule their trips in advance and the vehicle provides curb-to-curb service from the rider's desired pick-up and dropoff destinations. Call 1-800-451-4599 to schedule a ride.

Grafton Food Pantry Please place donations in the "shopping cart" located in the narthex. Please also consider a monetary gift. If you would like to make a monetary donation you may place a separate envelope from your Trinity donation in the offering plate labeled FOOD PANTRY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT! Questions: Contact Judy Melman at 847-669-6563 or lmelman02@comcast.net.

Lent & Holy Week 2023

Midweek Lenten Supper & Service

March 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29

Supper 6:00 pm, Service 7:00 pm

Palm Sunday Service - April 2

8:00 & 10:30 am

Maundy Thursday Service - April 6

7:00 pm

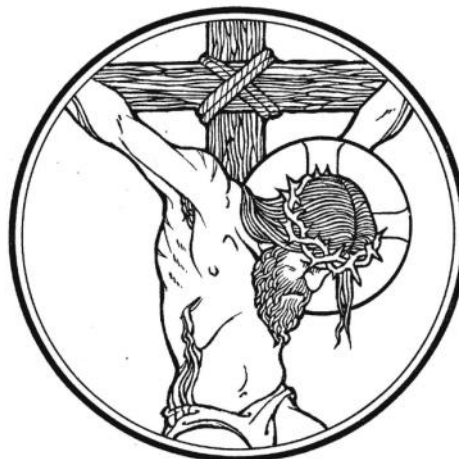
Good Friday Service - April 7

12:00 & 7:00 pm

Easter Sunday Services - April 9

6:00, 8:00 & 10:30 am

Easter Egg Hunt 9:45 am



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