

Trinity Weekly News

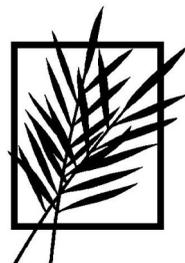
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March 26 & 27, 2023

If you would like to sponsor the chancel flowers some week to celebrate a special occasion or in memory of a loved one, you may sign up on the flower chart outside the Church Office. Sponsors typically donate \$25 to the Altar Guild on their chosen week.



This Week at Trinity:

Sunday 3/26

Lent 5

- 8:00 a.m.—Divine Service w/ Comm.
- 9:00 a.m.—Fellowship
- 9:30 a.m.—Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m.—Divine Service w/ Comm.
- 12:00 p.m.—Board of Youth
- 12:00 p.m.—Board of Christian Ed.

Monday 3/27

- 9:00 a.m.—Bible Study
- 1:00 p.m.—GLAT
- 6:00 p.m.—Divine Service w/ Comm.

Tuesday 3/28

- 5:30 p.m.—Pickleball
- 5:30 p.m.—Bd of Early Childhood Ed.
- 5:30 p.m.—Board of Trustees

Wednesday 3/29

- 7:00 a.m.—Mall Walking
- 9:00 a.m.—TLCLC Chapel
- 12:00 p.m.—Midweek Lenten Service
- 1:00 p.m.—Lutheranism 101
- 5:45 p.m.—Lenten Supper

7:00 p.m.—Midweek Lenten Service

Thursday 3/30

- 7:00 a.m.—Men's Bible Study
- 9:00 a.m.—TLCLC Chapel
- 11:00 a.m.—Communion @ Lenoir
- 5:30 p.m.—Pickleball

Friday 3/31

Pastors' Day Off

Sunday 4/2

Palm Sunday

- 8:00 a.m.—Divine Service w/ Comm.
- 9:00 a.m.—Fellowship
- 9:30 a.m.—Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m.—Divine Service w/ Comm.
- 5:00 p.m.—Handbells
- 6:00 p.m.—JCC
- 6:00 p.m.—LLL Fellowship



Easter Lilies

Sponsor a Lily!

You can sign up to sponsor a lily or help us purchase greenery and flowers to decorate the church for Easter.

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A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board across from the church office — you can sign up to sponsor a lily or give money toward the purchase of greenery and other colorful spring blooms to decorate the wooden cross during the Easter season. You can also sign up by calling or emailing the Church Office.

The cost of the lilies is \$13 each. Please make checks payable to Trinity Lutheran Church with “Altar Guild” on the memo line. Checks may be mailed to the church or dropped in the offering box.

The Altar Guild thanks you!



Palm Sunday

(4/2/23): Children ages preK-6th are invited to process behind the cross with palm branches for the 8 am and 10:30 am services.

Easter Sunday

(4/9/23): Between morning services and during Sunday school time there will be an Easter egg hunt for preK-6th. Weather permitting, the hunt will be outside but if not we will hunt for chocolate in the gym classrooms.



Wednesday March 29:

Temptation of the Whole Man

12 & 7 p.m.—Midweek Lenten Service

Maundy Thursday, April 6:

And Lead Us Not Into Temptation

12 & 7 p.m.—Maundy Thursday Service

Good Friday, April 7:

But Deliver Us From Evil

12 & 7 p.m.—Good Friday Service

Easter Sunday, April 9:

For Thine the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory

7 a.m.—Sunrise Service

Breakfast following sunrise service

10:30 a.m.—Easter Service

Monday 6 p.m.—Easter Service



A light Lenten Supper will be served before midweek evening services at 5:45 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.



Join us for Easter Breakfast on April 9th between the sunrise and second services! The Board of Youth and Youth Group are excited to be preparing and serving the meal. Come for food and fellowship!

Freewill donations will be accepted.

CALLING ALL YOUTH GROUP...

The Board of Youth needs your help filling the pastry table for the Easter Breakfast! We are in need of donations of coffee cake, cinnamon rolls and muffins. Please bring donations to the church kitchen on Saturday, April 8th, as we will be decorating and prepping that day starting at 10 am. Thank you in advance for your generosity and helping make the breakfast a success!

Higher Things

Still interested in or considering attending Higher Things? The conference is full, but you may still be able to register. Please talk to Pastor McCalley for details!



Training Session

A range and fire suppression system training session will be held in April 6th from 11:30-noon in preparation for the Easter breakfast.

Please contact the church office to sign up.



2023
Offering
Envelopes

If you missed picking up your 2023 contribution envelopes, please contact Pat Hansen or the church office to arrange to pick them up.

Stewardship & Scripture

March 26 – Lent 5

Romans 8:1 – “There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.” This is the joy of the Gospel! There is no condemnation for us before the throne of God because in His love He has provided salvation for us in Christ. We have been set free. We are His children once again, and coheirs with Christ of all the blessings of heaven. If this does not make us thankful, nothing will!

Life Thoughts

March 26 – Lent V – Almighty God wondrously and abundantly brings forth life where we only behold despair and darkness (Ezekiel 37:3-6). How much more dear does He hold embryonic neighbors, impaired persons, and aging ones than piles of bones? And would we not witness—and deliver!—miracles in voicing it to them and for them, especially amid surprise pregnancy or terminal diagnosis?

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Lectionary Preview Study

Prepare for next week: Palmarum, April 2, 2023

Palm Sunday Reconsidered by Ronald A. Stephens

Reprinted from *the Lutheran Witness*, April 9, 2022

A pilgrim's tale

If you went back to fourth-century Jerusalem, you'd meet a Spanish pilgrim named Egeria. We don't know much about her except that she traveled extensively throughout the Holy Land from about A.D. 381 to 386, keeping a very detailed travelogue of her journey — what, when and how various days and holy days were celebrated and observed. Her account has survived to this day.

For the Sunday before Easter, she notes that for the morning ceremonies and Divine Service “everything” is done “as usual” — her phrase for when what's done in Jerusalem is the same as back home in Spain — except for the afternoon. Around noon or one o'clock, everyone gathers on the Mount of Olives for a service of prayer and readings, then they process with palm and olive branches to the place where Jesus ascended, and they offer more prayers and readings. Then they process with their branches back into Jerusalem for the afternoon services around five o'clock.

At that same time, however, in the Western Church — even in Egeria's Spain — we find no mention of palms or Palm Sunday in either the readings for the Divine Service or in the names for the Sunday (of which there were many). Rather, the focus for that Sunday is on the Lord's Passion; St. Matthew's account was the standard.

But that begins to change, and in a way that's similar to what still happens today. When you go on vacation or visit a different congregation, perhaps you bring a bulletin back to show your pastor. Maybe you even suggest, “This congregation did such and such a thing ... could we try that here?” Thanks to pilgrims like Egeria (and many countless others whose names and accounts are lost to us) the palm theme migrates to other Christian communities. It first shows up, as you might guess, in Spain by the fifth century. Over the course of the next 500 years, it spreads from Spain into Gaul (modern-day France) then into Germany. Around the end of the sixth century, the practice had already been used, in modified form, in Rome.

As palm ceremonies meet the tradition of reading the Passion accounts in the West, they remain a bit distinct. The “liturgy of the palms” is placed prior to the Divine Service, as the Passion maintains preeminence in the Divine Service; our Palm Sunday rite in *LSB* still maintains this tension. However, over the course of 1,100 years, the ceremonies of the palm rite expand.

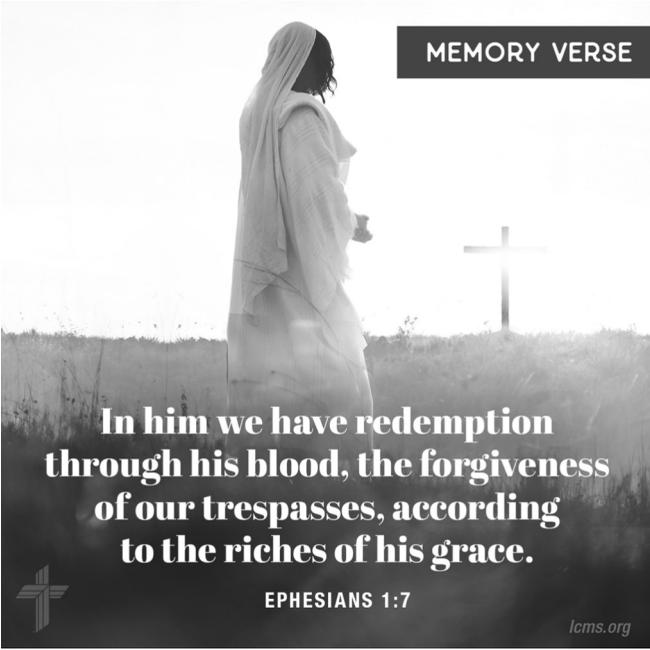
Reformation adjustments

By the time of the Reformation, the palm rite with the triumphal entry Gospel had become, essentially, a full, separate “Divine Service” culminating in, not the reception of the Lord’s body and blood, but the reception of the blessed palms. In any given region, you could find that basic structure of the Divine Service for the palms: psalms and antiphons, up to six prayers of blessing, multiple readings, sometimes a brief sermon and finally the “consecration” of the palms with its own Proper Preface, the singing of the Sanctus, the praying of the Lord’s Prayer and, finally, the distribution of the palms.

So what about the Lutherans? Well, amongst us, you found *both* the full rite with the Passion or “just” Palm Sunday. Places like Brandenburg (1540) kept the full palm rite but omitted the consecration of the palms. In 1589, Matthäus Ludecus, dean of the Lutheran cathedral of Havelberg, criticized the palm procession (he’d inherited an elaborate one) but provided most of the music for it as well as three settings of St. Matthew’s Passion.

However, places like Magdeburg, in the 1613 *Cathedral Book* (similar to our *Altar Book*), appoints simply the triumphal entry account for Palm Sunday. There’s no reading of the Passion. *The Lutheran Hymnal* (TLH, 1941) followed that tradition. It should be noted, though, that in the Holy Week 1963 issue of the early liturgical journal, *Una Sancta*, the more ancient Palm Sunday celebration (as well the more historic rites for Good Friday and the Easter Vigil) was (re?)introduced to large sections of American Lutheranism.

But no matter how you celebrate Palm Sunday, what everyone agrees on is the singing of “All Glory, Laud, and Honor,” (LSB 442). This hymn has been part of the Palm Sunday liturgy since the ninth century. Written by Theodulf (d. c. 821), bishop of Orléans, legend holds that he’d fallen out of favor with the emperor and was imprisoned. As he heard the palm procession pass by the prison, he began singing his hymn. It so impressed the emperor that he had Theodulf released and restored to his position, requesting that the hymn be sung during the palm procession every year. The emperor’s request has been met ever since.



MEMORY VERSE

In him we have redemption
through his blood, the forgiveness
of our trespasses, according
to the riches of his grace.

EPHESIANS 1:7

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VBS—Save the date!

June 6th-9th from 5:30-7:30pm,
dinner from 5:00-5:30pm

Theme: God's Living Water

*this is a time change from previous
years with a 30 minute time shift
forward for dinner and then the
start of VBS*



Eyeglasses Collection

Do you have eyeglasses that you no longer wear? Vesper Guild is looking for eyeglasses that you no longer have use for, sunglasses too. These are being collected for an ingathering at the national LWML convention in Milwaukee on June 22-25 this year. The recipient is the MOST Ministries organization. They provide short term mission opportunities for individuals to support Christian ministries around the world through witness and service. Some members from Campus Lutheran participated in this as a mission project a few years ago.

Please leave your recycled and like-new eyeglasses in the labeled box or drawer at the Christian Resource Center (brown cabinet in hallway diagonally across from Pastor Thieme's office). Thank you! Any questions, contact Betty Buchheit 573-823-2664 or dbuchheit305@aol.com

Men's Bible Study



Thursday Morning Bible Study

The Thursday morning men's Bible Study now meets at 7 a.m. (instead of 6:30). We are studying what we believe, teach, and confess in relation to other Christian denominations. This study will be guided by the October 2022 edition of *The Lutheran Witness*. Join us!

Trinity LLL Fellowship Club

LLL meets on the first Sunday each month through June. Anyone interested is invited to join us. Meeting format consists of a brief business meeting followed by Bible study and fellowship.

Date: Sunday, April 2, 2023 &
Sunday, May 7, 2023

Time: 6 PM

Event: Bible Study & Fellowship

Location: Church Basement

Collections for Community Missions

Thank you for your generous donations to our community missions! Please continue to collect and donate the items listed below. You can place them in the labeled bins inside the Christian Resource Center (brown unit in the hallway). If you need assistance getting the items to Trinity or have other suggestions for collections, please contact the Church Office.

- *Bibles and Devotional Materials*
- *Canceled postage stamps including Forever stamps (No Love or Christmas)*
- *Coupons with no expiration date*
- *Eyeglasses you no longer use*
- *Food (nonperishable, no glass containers)*
- *Soda & Soup Can Pop Tops*



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Stephen Ministry reminders for you...

- ◆ Trinity Lutheran Church has a caregiving ministry. When you face a difficult time, reach out to one of our pastors and consider a caring relationship with a Stephen Ministry caregiver. The ministry is free and completely confidential. Quotes from past care receivers: "It is a wonderful thing available to people in need." "The Stephen Ministry and my caregiver were a Godsend." A tri-fold flyer and a yellow information card are available from the information stand in the narthex. Meetings with a caregiver can be at your home or a neutral location (library, church, restaurant).
- ◆ The ministry is also designed to train and spiritually equip fellow believers to seek our Lord as they walk beside and support our brothers and sisters in Christ through sad and difficult times. Contact one of our Stephen Ministry leaders and/or visit stephenministries.org to learn more.
- ◆ Stephen Ministry has a resource available to you. *Journeying through Grief* book sets can help you extend care and minister to people you know who are grieving the loss of a loved one. It is sometimes difficult to know how to minister to others who are grieving. Our hope is this will be a loving and effective way for you to extend care to people in your life. The book sets are available to you at no cost or obligation. A sample set is on display in the information stand in the narthex. If you would like to obtain a set of the books, text or leave a message to Barbara Barrett: 573-268-0056 or email her at Barbara.barrett5@outlook.com

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Pastor Thieme 573-445-2112

Radio & Podcast Resources

The Lutheran Hour

The Lutheran Hour with Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler proclaims the salvation story of Jesus every week to hundreds of thousands of listeners. The Lutheran Hour weekly half-hour program can be heard on www.lhm.org, on their mobile app, or Sundays on several area radio stations:

8:00 a.m. on **KMCV 89.9FM**

8:00 a.m. on **KLTE 107.9FM**

9:00 a.m. on **KMCR 103.9FM**

10:00 a.m. on **KMMO 1300AM**

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CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org: Begin studying the book of Judges on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), study John 16-18 on Sharper Iron's "The Word Made Flesh" (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), and hear the final Lenten organ recital and midweek worship service from Peace Lutheran in St. Louis at 11:00 a.m. CT on 3/29. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or the KFUO Radio app!



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