

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Partner in Cooperative Ministry

First Lutheran West Jordan

N. IL. Synod of the ELCA

Ministers

The People of God

Interim Pastor **Rev. Carol Soderholm**

Secretary **Janet Barkley**

Organist **Nancy Janssen**



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**Trinity Lutheran Church
Milledgeville, IL**



**First Lutheran of
Jordan, Sterling, IL**

And





West Jordan

Worship Helpers

If we get back to Sunday services In April

April 5th & 12th Mia & Jon Meyer

Lector: Mia Meyer

April 19th & 26th Jim & Jan Wetzell

Lector Jan Wetzell

Circle Hostess: Luann Gvozdjak

News letter and the 2020 Annual Report
Can be found on the Trinity web site
www.trinitymville.com

In our prayers:

From First:

Irene Burdick, Sandy Bushman,
Alena Crossman, Myron Deets, Anita Gilbert,
Linda Habben, Milford Habben, Roger Hinrichs,
Scotty Powell, Jon Ryner, Ramon Woessner

From Trinity:

Andy Barkley, Jerry Blair, Bill Borth, Cindy Brandt, , Le-
land Bryson, Shirley Cheeseman, June Franks,
Donna Folkers Johnson, Matthew Foltz, Troy Kendall,
Lawrence Maxwell, Donna Miller, Vernon Milnes,
Ronnie Munz, Jennifer O'Brien, Debbie Oldham,
Curt Simpsom, Robin Schneider, Kim Tomasi,
Otto Wagenknecht, Ramon Woessner,

Lois Nye

%The Villas of Holly Brook
1815 Towanda Barnes Rd. Room 46
Bloomington, IL. 61704

How to get what you need at Trinity Lutheran/First Lutheran Church's

Emergency Pastoral Care Concern?

*Hospitalizations, Illness,
Family Crisis*

**Call Pr. Carol Soderholm
cell phone 312-771-1145**

Do **NOT** rely on the hospital to
contact the church.

Do **NOT** rely on word of mouth/
The grapevine.

Do **NOT** rely on mindreading
skills. Pastor missed that
class in seminary.

Non—Urgent Pastoral Needs?

*Scheduling a home visit/baptism/
wedding. Confirmation/Christian
Ed, Coffee & Conversation*

Leave a message at Trinity for Pr.
Carol. She will return it as soon as
possible.

**E-mail Pastor Carol
@carol.soderholm@gmail.com**

Questions about Administrative stuff?

*Announcements for the bulletin, ques-
tions about schedules, Financial ques-
tions, hall rental, etc....*

Call the Church and leave a message
for Janet on the Church answering
machine, for her to return during
office hours

**815-225-7410 or E-mail Janet at
telcsecretary@mediacombb.net**

Contact a council member

Church Leaders Directory

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**RESCHEDULED
JOINT WORSHIP**

**June 14th at
First Lutheran West Jordan
Service will be at 8:30**

DAN HOLMES a folk artist from **Belvidere, Illinois**, will be doing the service **Dan** is an "old school singer/songwriter" with a Christian message about our devotion to God.. Dan creates music that celebrates what God is doing in us, for us and though us. www.danholmesmusic.com



There will be a **Coffee Hour** after this musical service.



COME ONE COME ALL TO SUNDAY SCHOOL

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH MILLEDGEVILLE

9:15-10 A.M.

CORNER OF ROUTE 40 AND STOVER AVE

JOIN US FOR STORYTIME/CRAFTS/SONGS

THE WORLD IS A MUCH BETTER PLACE



Trinity's Circle

Our next Meeting will be
Thursday, May 14th @ 2:00pm
Hosted by Carol Frederick

**Grace Meals
At Trinity Lutheran Church**

Will be April 21st at 11:30 a.m.
Corn beef and Cabbage

Our Southtown Ministry

Will be Tuesday, April 21st
at 4:30 PM to 5:00

Trinity Lutheran Church Council Meeting

Trinity will have their next council meeting
April 16th, 2020 @ 7:00pm

The Food Pantry

Trinity's months for food donations is the
June and October.
Trinity's month to help at food pantry is June
2nd 8:45 to 11:00 am

Message from Bishop, Rev. Jeffrey Clements

March 23, 2020, Our Synod Council met via Zoom to discuss this year's Synod Assembly. After significant discussion, knowing that we are not fully cognizant of the long-term impact of this COVID-19 pandemic will have on the life of the Synod, the council has decided to postpone the 2020 Synod Assembly, which was scheduled to be held June 19 and 20. The Synod Council will reassess the situation at its April 18, 2020 meeting. It is our hope that we will have more information and thus be in a better position to be able to at least set a tentative Synod Assembly date at that time. We ask for your patience as we continue to monitor the situation

Good Friday Word-Find

J C C L O T H E S H E
M A R Y D I E D I O S
C R O W N J U J N U S
J R S I M O N E S R H
E Y S D T H O R N S O
W R I K I N G U A E S
S O L D I E R S I J A
P D D M A G D A L E N
E S F O H I L L S S N
A R W H I P P E D U A
R O M A N M E M A S S

See if you can find all
the words in **CAPITALS**
in the puzzle.
Use the left over letters
to fill in the blanks.



On Good Friday morning, JESUS, who had been arrested the night before, was judged by Pontius Pilate, the ROMAN governor. Pilate had him WHIPPED. Then to make fun of Him the SOLDIERS made a CROWN of THORNS and put it on His head. They threw a purple cloth on Him and beat Him with RODS, saying, "Hail, KING of the JEWS!" Then Pilate had Jesus brought out in front of the people and asked them what they wanted to do with Him. The people, who had welcomed Him into JERUSALEM a few days before with their HOSANNAS, now shouted that He should be crucified.

So Jesus was made to CARRY a heavy CROSS out of the city and up a big HILL. Because He was so weak from being beaten, a man named SIMON of Cyrene was forced to help Him. The soldiers tore off Jesus' CLOTHES and attached Him to the cross with NAILS through His hands and feet.

Jesus offered His life for our SINS. He hung on the cross for three HOURS until He DIED. Nearby were His mother MARY, JOHN the Apostle, and Mary MAGDALEN. After He died a soldier stuck a SPEAR into His side to be sure He was dead.

Did you know that at every MASS we re-offer Jesus' sacrifice on the cross in an unbloody way on the altar?

Easter Word Search

B M A L M H B B K I N G R N R
N O I T C E R R U S E R E O O
A P O S T L E S E Y S C D I O
S E C I F I R C A S H J E T S
N S N A M O R O O R R E M A T
R C D S G T T R I I K S P V E
O Y R A M B C S S V Z U T L R
H L O V E L T E M M A S I A Y
T C R O W N N Y L O H S O S Z
X C R U C I F I X I O N N K Q

APOSTLES
CHRIST
CROSS
CROWN
CRUCIFIXION
HOLY
JESUS
KING
LAMB
LOVE



MARY
REDEMPTION
RESURRECTION
RISEN
ROMANS
ROOSTER
SACRIFICE
SALVATION
SAVIOR
THORNS

Holy Thursday Unscramble

What happened on Holy Thursday?
Unscramble the words to fill in the blanks
and use the letters in circles to fill in the last blanks.

The day (EFROBF) He died, Jesus
went to celebrate the
(SPSVROEA) with His
(ISLEPSCDI)

During the meal, Jesus began to wash their feet, but
Peter would not let Him. Jesus told him, "Now
 (UOY) don't understand what I'm doing, but
 (DRAWFTRAE) you will."
Peter replied, "You will (VNEER) wash
my feet!" Jesus said, "If I do not wash you then you will
have no part with Me." Then Peter said,
"Then Lord, wash not just my feet but my head and
 (DNSHA) too!"

Then Jesus took (EADRB) and made it
into His Body and took wine and made it into His Blood.

This (STLA) Supper was the first Mass.
Jesus wants to (CMOE) to us in Holy
Communion and wants us to go (TOU) and do
His work in the (LWROD)

Jesus finished His work by offering His

to God the Father for us on the cross.



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Why are lilies associated with Easter?

Flowers play an important role during Easter time. Lily
plants can be found on the altar and in many homes,
with the beautiful trumpet-shaped white flowers sym-
bolizing purity, virtue, innocence, hope and life - the
spiritual essence of Easter.

APRIL Daily Prayer

Apr. 1st –God of patience, thank you for hearing not only my words but also my feelings. In Jesus' name. Amen

Apr. 2nd–Powerful God, thank you for giving me daily bread. Nourish my body and spirit so I may serve you. Amen.

Apr. 3rd–God of love, move us to stand together, rooted in your love revealed especially through Jesus. Amen

Apr. 4th–Good and gracious God, lead me safely to the places of rest you have prepared. In Jesus' name. Amen

Apr. 5th–Dear God, help me learn to listen to voices often not heard. For Jesus' sake. Amen

Apr. 6th–God, help me notice and learn from people in the background during my day. In your name I pray. Amen

Apr. 7th– God, may you Son, Jesus Christ, light my life's path, pointing me to your kingdom. In his name. Amen

Apr. 8th–Loving God, help me to show with love and words actions modeled after those of Jesus. Amen

Apr. 9th–Gracious God, help me love and forgive others as Jesus taught and has done for me. In Jesus' name. Amen

Apr. 10th–Listening God, thank you for knowing our needs and never hesitating to answer our calls. Amen

Apr. 11th–Thank you, Jesus, for revealing your huge gifts of love and life even in seemingly small ways. Amen

Apr. 12th–God, whatever our mix of emotions, send us to share the good news of Jesus' resurrection. Amen

Apr. 13th– God of all voices, give me courage to use mine for the good of your kingdom. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Apr. 14th– God, Stretch out my hands in love toward others in my community and beyond. In Jesus' name. Amen

Apr. 15th–Thank you, God for your steadfast love revealed always but made especially clear in Jesus. Amen

Apr. 16th– Alerting God, wake me up to your presence in my midst. We pray in his name. Amen

Apr. 17th– Holy Spirit, feed me today with faith. Strengthen me for service in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen

Apr. 18th–Fill me today, Lord. Fill me with enough. In Jesus name I pray. Amen

Apr. 19th–Holy Spirit, open doors today and let in your breath of life. In your name I pray. Amen.

Apr. 20th– Holy Spirit, give me faith in your promise of life. In your name. Amen.

Apr. 21st–God above all storms, move me today toward places and people I often avoid. In Jesus' name. Amen

Apr. 22nd–God of rebirth, in Jesus Christ and for his sake, give me new life, even if it's messy and scary. Amen

Apr. 23rd–Gracious God, you are the provider of all good things. Thanks for your blessings of today. In your name. Amen.

Apr. 24th–Everlasting God, give me faith in you today, and only in you. We pray in your name. Amen.

Apr. 25th–God of daily bread, show up to me today in my neighbors, face-to-face. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Apr. 26th– Great Storyteller, thank you for inviting me into your story of grace. In your name. Amen.

Apr. 27th–Holy God, open your word to me. As my spirit withers, give me renewed faith. In Jesus' name. Amen

Apr. 28th–Thank, God, for who you are. May I bless you today, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Apr. 29th–God of new life, feed me again at your table, In Jesus' name. Amen

Apr. 30th–God of nations, in and through Jesus make me notice all who feel unseen or misunderstood and respond in love. Amen.






APRIL

Daily Devotions



Apr 1st	Psalms 143
Apr 2nd	Philippians 1:1-11
Apr 3rd	Philippians 1:21-30
Apr 4th	Psalms 31:9-16
Apr 5th	Matthew 27:11-54
Apr 6th	John 12:1-11
Apr 7th	John 12:20-38
Apr 8th	John 13:21-30
Apr 9th	John 13:1-17, 31b-35
Apr 10th	John 18:1-19:42
Apr 11th	Romans 6:3-11
Apr 12th	Matthew 28:1-10
Apr 13th	Matthew 28:9-15a
Apr 14th	Colossians 3:12-17
Apr 15th	Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24
Apr 16th	Colossians 4:2-5
Apr 17th	1 Corinthians 15:1-11
Apr 18th	Psalms 16
Apr 19th	John 20:19-31
Apr 20th	1 Corinthians 15:12-20
Apr 21st	John 1:1-17
Apr 22nd	John 2:1-10
Apr 23rd	Psalms 116:1-4, 12-19
Apr 24th	Isaiah 26:1-4
Apr 25th	Mark 1:1-15
Apr 26th	Luke 24:13-35
Apr 27th	1 Peter 1:23-25
Apr 28th	Psalms 134
Apr 29th	John 21:1-14
Apr 30th	Exodus 2:15b-25

APRIL

			1 Birthday: Allen Chronister	2 Birthday: Linda Folkers	3	4 Birthday: Anita Gilbert Birthday: Allen Chronister
						
5 Birthday: Jenna Green	6 Birthday: Kim Stewart	7 Anniversary: Ken & Lynn Kaufman	8 9a-12p Pastor at Conference Meeting	9 2p-4p Dorcas Circle	10 Good Friday Good Friday Service at 7: p.m. U.M. Church Milledgeville	11 Anniversary: Mike & Tammy Miller
8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ	Birthday: Linda Peterson					
10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity	11a-3p Sewers Meet					
12 Easter	13	14	15 Tax Day (Taxes Due) Birthday: Amy Strehlow	16	17 Anniversary: Rick & Connie Brockhouse Birthday: Clayton Simpson	18 Birthday: Ron Lartz
8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ	Anniversary: Lawrence & Nancy Maxwell					
10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity	Birthday: Jim Wetzell					
	11a-3p Sewers Meet					
19	20	21	22 Administrative Professionals/ Earth Day Birthday: Janet Barkley	23	24 Arbor Day	25 World Malaria Day
8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ	11a-3p Sewers Meet	11:30a-1p Grace Meals				
10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity		4:30p-5p Southtown Ministry (Southtown home), Milledgeville				
26 World Immunization Week	27	28	29	30	Notes:	
Birthday: Dan Woessner	Birthday: Caden VanDyke					
8:30a-9:30a Worship @ FWJ	Birthday: Duane Landers					
10:15a-11:15a Worship @ Trinity	11a-3p Sewers Meet					

GO INTO CREATION

Mark 16:15



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OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

Spring BYG

3-6th Grades
March 20-21

Spring Jr. High Retreat

April 24-26

Spring High School Retreat

May 1-2

Memorial Day Work Weekend

May 22-25

Palm Sunday April 5th, 2020

Palm Sunday serves as a mirror for us. Also called Passion Sunday, it's a day when many ELCA congregations will process into worship and hear the Passion story.

Imagine yourself in the procession. Look for your face among the crowd as we celebrate Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Now continue the journey into a worship service full of paradox as we listen to the readings. Here is where palms meet passion. Here triumph gives way to torture, and celebration turns to crucifixion.

Sometimes when we hear the Passion narrative, we distance ourselves from the actions of the crowd or Pontius Pilate. Part of the power of this story is that it allows us to see our own reflections. We are present in that angry crowd. We are there with the mocking soldiers, even those who nailed Jesus to the cross. You and I are there.

Palm/Passion Sunday gives us a clear view of our duplicitous nature. Certainly we can choose to look away and ignore the hypocrite in the mirror. Yet it won't change that we are both saints and sinners. The more we see our reflections in the passion narrative, the more we see how we crucified Christ *then* and how we crucify him *afresh today*. When refugees are forgotten and discarded, Christ is crucified. When our neighbors are oppressed, ignored or exploited, Christ is crucified.

MATTHEW 28:1-10

EASTER SUNDAY

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ²And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. ⁵But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. ⁶He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." ⁸So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. ¹⁰Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."



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Dear members and friends of Faith on Forty

How quickly this difficult situation came upon us. Now we are sheltered inside our homes, which is a good thing. Hopefully it's holding back the virus.

The most painful thing is the possibility of a closed church on Palm and Easter Sundays. We will wait for news from the Bishop on this. Our leaders will let you know.

At this difficult time we can stay together in other ways. I am calling a few people every day to say hello, to pray, and to let you know I am here for you. Let's all do the same.

I pray for you ALL every day. May God keep us in His loving care.

I want to thank the leaders of both churches for doing an excellent job in this crisis.

Peace and love,
Pastor Carol

P. S. GOD HAS GOT THIS!!!!

Take some time to evaluate what HE is trying to teach us through this.

Peace be with you
John 14:27