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**Trinity Lutheran Church
Milledgeville, IL**



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



Palm Sunday Word Search

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- CHRIST
- REMEMBER
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EASTER WORDSEARCH



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WORD LIST

ANGEL
BIBLE
CHRIST
CHURCH
CROSS

FAITH
GLORY
GOD
GOSPEL
HEAVEN

HOLY
JESUS
LAMB
MIRACLE
PALM

PASSION
PRAYER
RISEN
SAVIOR
WORSHIP



West Jordan

Worship Helpers

Alter care, communion assistant, Ushers/greeters

Feb. 4th, & 11th Brian & Paula Beveroth

Lector Brain Beveroth

Feb. 18th & 25th Amy & John Sumption

Lector Melissa Woessner

Lenten Prayer Services will be on Thursday nights at 6:30 at the Trinity Chapel -"Promises at the Crossroads of History and Hope" the Prayer Service will be February 22nd, 29th, March 7th, 14th, and 21st.

*Promises at the Crossroads
of History and Hope*

Palm Sunday March 24th regular service times, at both church's

Maundy Thursday; is March 28th. That will be a joint worship at Trinity at 6:30pm.

Easter Sunday March 31st regular service times at both church's

In our prayers:

From First:

Roger Hinrichs, Ramon & Melissa Woessner,
Dodie Whitmer, Rhonda Ramirez,
Debbie Howlett, Bob & Shirley Woessner,
Polly Adams, Frank Lazansky,
Roxanne Klein, Lloyd Mull,
Brian Beveroth, and Gary Sibley

From Trinity:

Lori Anderson, Bill Borth,
Dick Bushman, Shirley Cheeseman,
Tom Cleary, Betty Dettman, Chet Gerdes,
Larry & Mary Gerdes, Ronald Gerdes
Roger Hinrichs, Joyce Lancaster,
Jonathan Lenhart, Mikey Remmers,
Shirley & Bob Woessner.
Pam LaBarron, Roberta Moseley,
Keep the family of Karen Landers in your prayers she passed away February 16th.

**Grace Meals are back
At Trinity Lutheran Church
grace meal on **March 19th, 2024**
At 11:30 in Social Hall
All seniors welcome**



*Food
Pantry*

March 5th, 2024

9:00 to 11:00 AM

6:00 to 8:00 pm

Church Leaders Directory

Trinity Lutheran Church

President Tammy Miller
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What Is “Maundy Thursday,” And What Does “Maundy” Mean?

No, *Maundy Thursday* is not a typo for Monday Thursday.

Maundy Thursday—also known as Holy Thursday and Sheer Thursday, among other names—is a Christian holy day that commemorates events known as the Washing of the Feet and the Last Supper.

This day is part of the Holy Week leading up to Easter. *Maundy Thursday* comes after Holy Wednesday, and is followed immediately by Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and then Easter Sunday. These occasions, in Christianity, correspond to events that lead to the resurrection of Jesus Christ after his crucifixion.

What does *maundy* mean?

On its own, the word *maundy* means “the ceremony of washing the feet of the poor, especially commemorating Jesus’s washing of his disciples’ feet on Maundy Thursday.”

Recorded around 1250–1300, the word *maundy* comes from the Old French *mande*, in turn from the Latin *mandātum*, which means “mandate or command.” As you may have guessed, this Latin word is the source of the English mandate.

The specific mandate or command at hand refers to the words Jesus is believed to have spoken after washing the feet of his disciples during the Last Supper. In the New King James Version of the Gospel of John, chapter 13, verse 34, Jesus said: “A new commandment I give you, that you love one another; even as I have loved you, that you also love one another.” *New commandment*, in the Latin of the Vulgate, is *novum mandātum*.

What was *Washing of the Feet*?

During the Last Supper, Jesus washed the feet of his 12 disciples as they shared their final meal. The meaning of washing feet is layered: it’s said that in the ancient world, a host would offer water for guests to wash their feet (sandals being the footwear of the day). So, washing feet is a sign of hospitality—of welcoming and care.

It is also an act of humility, as it’s said servants often washed feet. The son of God, as Christians believe Jesus is, doing something so lowly? Christians have come to interpret Jesus’s washing of the feet as an illustration of a humble mission of service.

The act has also come to symbolize the cleansing of sin from his fellow Christians—and so Jesus’s new commandment was urging his disciples to show forgiveness to all.

Today, this act is frequently reenacted, among other occasions, during *Maundy Thursday* services, with priests washing the feet of their parishioners.

What was the *Last Supper*?

You have probably seen Leonardo da Vinci’s iconic painting of (and called) the *Last Supper*—and if not, you have probably seen the many references to it in popular culture, from *Battlestar Galactica* to *The Da Vinci Code*.

In the Gospels, the Last Supper is described as the final meal of Jesus Christ and his 12 disciples before his arrest and subsequent crucifixion.

It is called the Last Supper because it was the final (last) time they all gathered around a table together to a meal (supper) of wine and bread—which became the institution of the Eucharist, remembering how Jesus gave his body (symbolized as bread) and blood (wine) in a sacrifice for the salvation of humanity.

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

Emergency Pastoral Care Concern?

*Hospitalizations, Illness,
Family Crisis*

**Call Pr. Susan Davenport at
Cell phone # 563-613-3892**

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. Susan.
She will return it as soon as possible.

E-mail Pastor Susan

pastorsusan678@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@mediacommb.net**

Contact a council member

Our Southtown Ministry

Will be Tuesday, March 19th. at 4:30

Lynn Kaufman, Jodi Woessner &
Greg Kruse, leaders

THE SEWERS ARE BACK

We will be sewing again Mondays at 10:30am.

There will be a lite lunch of what ever dish you
bring. They are working on tying quilts And sewing
quilts for lap & singles bed.

Trinity Lutheran Web Page & Facebook Service

The web page has the most current Newsletter plus the last
12 years of annual reports. Web Page is found at
www.trinitymville.com

Facebook where all the Sunday Services can be viewed if you
can't make it to church. You would have to have Facebook ac-
count on your computer, laptop , tablet or phone. Just "Like"
Trinity Lutheran Church Milledgeville, to view the church's Fa-
cebook page and you can view the service. And get other post

CONGREGATIONAL RESOURCING EVENT

You are invited to join us on
March 16, 2024 at Sauk
Valley Community College
for the Northern Illinois
Synod's Congregational
Resourcing Event (CRE).



We will gather around this year's theme of Open God's Story.
This will be a time to connect God's work throughout the Bible
with God's work in our lives. Registration is now open!

This event will run 8:30 a.m. - 3:45 p.m. with opening prayer
beginning at 9:30. We will have time to hear from Bishop
Stacie Fidlar, and our keynote speaker is Rev. Miguel Gomez-
Acosta, the Senior Director for New Ministry Development
and Evangelism at the Churchwide Office of the ELCA. This
engaging pastor will inspire us to share God's story with others
in our everyday lives.

For more information, including the schedule for the day,
please check out our synod website: **CRE Webpage**
Registration for CRE is \$35. This includes breakfast treats,
coffee, and lunch. To register yourself or members of your
Congregation, please check with Trinity church office.

March Daily Prayer

Mar 1st—Creator God, we thank you that we are part of your awesome creation. Hear our songs of praise! Amen
Mar 2nd—God of vulnerable power, thank you for sending your Son to save the world in unexpected ways. Amen
Mar 3rd— God of insight, thank you for experiences and time to reflect so that our belief in you grows. Amen
Mar 4th— God of true wisdom, keep us ever focused on your word and on following your Son. In his name. Amen
Mar 5th— Heavenly God, as Jesus is in your presences on our behalf, help us advocate with our neighbors. Amen
Mar 6th— God, we praise and thank you for bringing us into immeasurably good relationship with you! Amen
Mar 7th - God our provider, forgive our impatience. Help us trust in you, knowing that you are faithful. Amen
Mar 8th— Eternal God, even though we cannot comprehend your forever love, we gratefully rejoice in it! Amen
Mar 9th— Merciful God, thank you for freeing us by grace through faith, that we may do good works of love. Amen
Mar 10th— God of life, thank you for sending your Son to us and being a gotcha God of love. Amen
Mar 11th— Creator and Healer, thank you for making our wondrously diverse world. Help us to care for it! Amen
Mar 12th— Faithful God, help us bear each other's burdens. Remind us that Jesus helps us to endure. Amen
Mar 13th— Loving God, thank you for giving your Son to light our paths and guide our journeys to you. Amen.
Mar 14th— Gracious God, when we can't or shouldn't forget sins, help us forgive by laying them before you. Amen
Mar 15th— Renewing God, help us repent of our sins without excuses. Restore us to serve willingly with joy. Amen
Mar 16th— Patient God, guide me in following Jesus' model, turning control into cooperation. Amen
Mar 17th— God of all, your generous plan is for all people. Make us partners in it, we pray. In Jesus' name. Amen
Mar 18th— Holy One, enable us to see and know each other more fully, in the light of your love. Amen.
Mar 19th - All-knowing God, through your love use me to make a difference in someone's life, In Jesus' name. Amen
Mar 20th— Faithful God, teach us to trust your promise never to leave us. Amen.
Mar 21st— Lord of our lives, thank you for living among us as our example and our Savior. Amen
Mar 22nd— Shining Lord, let my life and my love always reflect your brightness. Amen.
Mar 23rd— Loving Savior, thank you for touching my life. Strengthen my faith so that I am eager to share it. Amen.
Mar 24th— Jesus, from pals and praises to scorn and pain, you gave yourself for us. Thank you!! Amen
Mar 25th— Jesus, Mary poured out all she had for you. May we be bold to do the same. Amen
Mar 26th— Jesus, you called children to your side. Teach us to honor their wisdom and take pleasure in their joy. Amen.
Mar 27th— Dearest Jesus, thank you for scripture stories that draw me closer to you. Amen
Mar 28th— Holy One, you served others in love. Teach me to follow your model, even when closeness feels uncomfortable. Amen
Mar 29th— Dear Jesus, strengthen me to draw near the cross on Good Friday. Amen
Mar 30th God of new life, renew in us your promises. Bring us with awe and wonder to resurrection joy. Amen!
Mar 31st **Risen Christ, I believe you are alive!** Empower my life with yours so I can be bold to tell your story. Amen



Daily Devotions



Mar 1st	Psalm 19
Mar 2nd	1 Corinthians 1:18-25
Mar 3rd	John 2:13-22
Mar 4th	1 Corinthians 3:10-23
Mar 5th	Hebrews 9:23-28
Mar 6th	Psalm 84
Mar 7th	Numbers 21:4-9
Mar 8th	Psalm 107:1-3,17-22
Mar 9th	Ephesians 2:1-10
Mar 10th	John 3:14-21
Mar 11th	Exodus 15:22-27
Mar 12th	1 Corinthians 10:6-13
Mar 13th	John 8:12-20
Mar 14th	Jeremiah 31:31-34
Mar 15th	Psalm 51:1-12
Mar 16th	Hebrews 5:5-10
Mar 17th	John 12:23-33
Mar 18th	2 Corinthians 3:4-11
Mar 19th	Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a
Mar 20th	Haggai 2:1-9, 20-23
Mar 21st	Philippians 2:1-11
Mar 22nd	Philippians 2:12-18
Mar 23rd	Mark 10:32-34, 46-52
Mar 24th	Mark 11:1-11
Mar 25th	John 12:1-11
Mar 26th	1 Corinthians 1:18-31
Mar 27th	Hebrews 12:1-3
Mar 28th	John 13:1-17, 31b-35
Mar 29th	John 18:1—19:42
Mar 30th	Romans 6:3-11
Mar 31st	Mark 16:1-8



THE POWER OF
PRAY



MARCH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>HAPPY St. Patrick's Day MARCH 17TH</p>		<p>hello <i>Spring</i> March 19th</p>		1	2	Shirley Cheeseman's birthday
3 Worship & Communion FWJ 8:30; Trinity 10:15	4 Cherrie Simpson's birthday Duane and Karen Landers's anniversary Sharon Judd's birthday	5 Helping Hands Food Pantry 9:00 to 11:00 6:00 to 8:00	6	7 Haley Hugh's birthday	8	9
10 Worship FWJ 8:30; Trinity 10:15 Daylight Saving Time begins	11	12	13	14	15 Joseph Green's birthday Tammy Miller's birthday	16 Gary Nye's birthday
17 Kaye Strehlow's birthday Worship & Communion FWJ 8:30; Trinity 10:15 St. Patrick's Day	18 Taylor Battles's birthday	19 Sharon Woodard's birthday Spring Begins Grace meals 11:30 at Trinity	20 Molly Shank's birthday	21 Connor Bryson's birthday	22 Avery Schildgen's birthday	23
TRINITY DELIVERS MEAL THIS WEEK						
24 Worship FWJ 8:30; Trinity 10:15 Palm Sunday	25	26	27 Kara Wade's birthday	28 Freeman Schluter's birthday Sidney Chapman's birthday	29 Alec Schmidt's birthday Kyla Eastabrooks's birthday	30 Doug Strehlow's birthday Laurie R. Byvick's birthday
31 Worship FWJ 8:30; Trinity 10:15 EASTER SUNDAY	<p><i>Jesus is Risen!</i> Happy Easter March 31st</p>					

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“And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.” – Mark 8: 32b

Without giving it a second thought, Peter professes that Jesus is the Messiah one minute and scolds him like an irresponsible teenager the next. One might imagine that the other disciples watched this scene unfold anxiously, as children watching their brother or sister arguing with their parents at the dinner table.

But it’s what happens after all of this that is truly shocking.

Jesus says, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.”

Huh? This was not what they had signed up for! They were convinced that the keys to a good life were strength and power. Instead, they got a guy who taught about loving others, feeding the hungry, and foretold his own impending death at the hands of the very same powers he was supposed to overcome.

“Why doesn’t God just fix all of this?” we wonder.

But as Lent reminds us, if we are to confess Jesus as Messiah, we must do so by standing at the foot of the cross as he is crucified. The God we worship is about more than fixing our lives. The God we worship is about laying down his life for the sake of our own.

And the moment we allow this truth to penetrate deep into our souls is the same moment we realize that the suffering we see around us—in the hospital bed, at the grave, in the prison, on the street, in the mirror—is none other than the crucified Christ laying down his life again and again in the midst of our suffering.

These are uncomfortable truths, but they are the only truth that matters.

And so, as we continue our journey through this holy season of Lent, may we walk alongside one another, bearing our crosses and proclaiming the faith of Christ crucified—the faith of radical love. Of subversive grace. And of far-reaching mercy. And may our hearts be filled with the sure and certain hope of the resurrection!

Peace,

Pastor Susan