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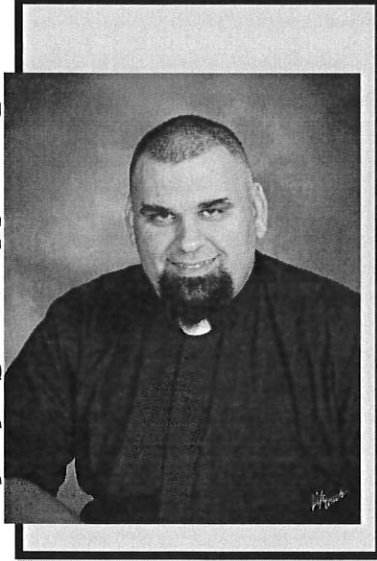
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The Trinity Trumpet

Connecting people to Jesus

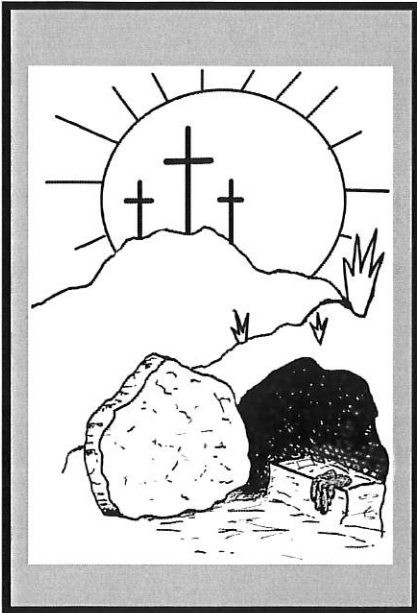
Rev Matt Gehrke



When the centurion and those who were with him, keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were filled with awe and said, "Truly, this was the Son of God." ~ Matthew 27:54

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

For most of us, this will be a first in our lifetime. An empty church during Holy Week. There will be no darkening on the lights on Good Friday. No pews full of children finding new ways to play with palm branches on Palm Sunday. No Easter Sunrise service, breakfast, and egg hunt. The church will be as empty as Jesus' tomb on that first Easter morning.

Yet, despite an empty church, the Word of God continues to be proclaimed. Facebook and YouTube will be filled with devotions, meditations, and worship services during Holy Week. If anyone says to you, "Easter is cancelled!" You might want to say, "Easter is never cancelled!" The Church will still celebrate the resurrection of our Lord, just not in our normal church buildings.

For as we go through this unique moment in time of social isolation and distancing, one thing does not change. Those words of the centurion that Jesus is the Son of God. Jesus is still alive. He is still seated at the right hand of God. He still has one foot out the door ready for the word to return to our world to fully complete His work that He did the original Holy Week. Jesus is still Lord over a church stuck at home. He is still victorious over sin and death. Easter will still happen and we will celebrate together in Spirit, because Easter is the greatest news in the history of the world. The message that Christ is risen is the message the world needs to hear right now. The solution to the Covid-19 deaths is Jesus. As the world scrambles to grasp a hold of anything of real meaning, we have the one thing that means everything, a resurrected Lord Jesus.

Now, during this unique time, the message of Holy Week will continue to empty church buildings across our land but to masses of people online. The message that the Son of God has come, died on the cross, and risen from the dead will still be proclaimed in a new way. So that other people by the grace of God can join in with the Centurion and confess, "Truly, this was the Son of God.

In Christ,
Pastor Gehrke

Prayers

We Pray this month

This is a guide to help all members of Trinity to study God's Word and be in prayer each week. The Scripture readings are based upon the upcoming Sunday's Scripture readings so that each member can have a better understanding and grasp of what worship will be centered upon. Also it contains prayer requests that members can pray for in their daily devotions and members of Trinity can be united together in their prayers throughout the week.

Beginning the week of...

Apr. 6 We read: Acts 3, Colossians 3, and Matthew 28

We Pray: For a blessed Holy Week.

For those who are sick from the Covid-19 virus.

For the mission work of Christel and James Neuendorf in Dominican Republic.

Apr. 13 We read: Acts 5, 1 Peter 1:1-9, and John 20

We Pray: For a blessed Easter Season.

For those struggling with being stuck alone.

For the mission work of David and Jennifer Preus in Dominican Republic.

Apr. 20 We read: Acts 2:36-41, 1 Peter 1:10-25, and Luke 24

We Pray: For continued faithful giving by the members of Trinity.

For our healthcare workers.

For the mission work of Danelle Putnam in Dominican Republic.

Apr. 27 We read: Acts 2:42-47, 1 Peter 2:19-25, and John 10

We Pray: For those who have lost their jobs during this time.

For all the branches our government.

For the mission work of Andrew and Kelsey Schlund in Mexico



Book of Concord Quote of the Month:

“And yet the chief worship of God is to preach the gospel.”

Apology of the Augsburg Confession, Article XV, 42 as found in Kolb/Wengert edition of the Book of Concord published in 2000 by Fortress Press.

Thursday Evening Online Bible Study continues to study the book of Daniel, Thursday evenings around 7pm.

Join our online Bible Study at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/295348361009451/> called Trinity Lutheran Church Online Bible Study. We won't meet on Thursday, April 9.

Pray WITHOUT CEASING

Happy Birthday to You, April Birthdays!!



1 Bonnie Julson

18 Leslie Bremer
Bethany Jarvis
Judy Cooper
Bill Dolphin

2 Luke Knetter
Kyle Anderson



3 Patrick Leege
Sabrina Motzkus
Angela Schulz

19 Melvin Nickel
Carrie Burns

20 Kathy Anderson

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21 Stacy Rockweiler



6 Emily Venne

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7 Shirley Leege

23 Marilyn Calderon
Angela Stecky
Carey Neubauer
Miranda Rau
Teri Kasten
Carol Kotajarvi

8 Jason Harder



9 Kyle Brand

24 Jacob Carter
Katie Wimann

10 Nikki Matrick

11

25 Adeva Volkey
VaNessa Galvan

12



13 Suzanne Chwala

26 Sue Hammerly
Desiree Pelner
Emily Gehrke

14 Brittany Jensen

15 Phoebe Anderson

27 Jane Adney

Wendi Zepplin
Marge Zimmerman

28 Lori Schultz
James Gilbertson
Benjamin Egnaty

16 Bill Burns Jr.
Rob Clark

29

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30 Jeff Nickel
Jeremy Giese
Max Obois
Linda Burns
Jace Knetter

