

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Palm Sunday



Jesus Christ is glorified! We wave palms in celebration today as Christ comes into our midst. We begin this week that stands at the center of the church year, anticipating the completion of God's astounding work.

Thank you for joining us online as a new way of connecting to God's word as we transition during this time of social distancing to protect ourselves and others.

Please feel free to contact Pastor Tina if you need help in any way during this time. Her phone number is listed below. Just know that she is a phone call away.



The Reverend Tina Melusky, Pastor
Pastor Melusky's office hours:
Monday: 9 - 2; Tuesday: 9 -10:30, 11:30 - 12:15
Wednesday 9:30 - 12; Thursday 9 - 12
(Times are sometimes flexible with monthly meetings,
but feel free to call for an appointment or drop in)
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Carillon Call to Worship

Announcements

Gathering

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Litany

Hosanna to the Son of David.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Behold your king comes to you, O Zion,
meek and lowly, sitting upon a donkey.

**Ride on in the cause of truth
and for the sake of justice.**

Your throne is the throne of God, it endures for ever;
and the sceptre of your kingdom is a righteous sceptre.

You have loved righteousness and hated evil:
**therefore God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness above your fellows.**

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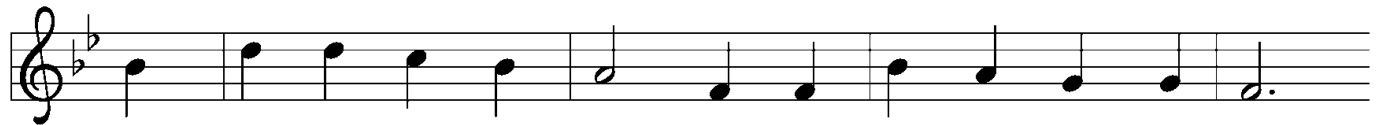
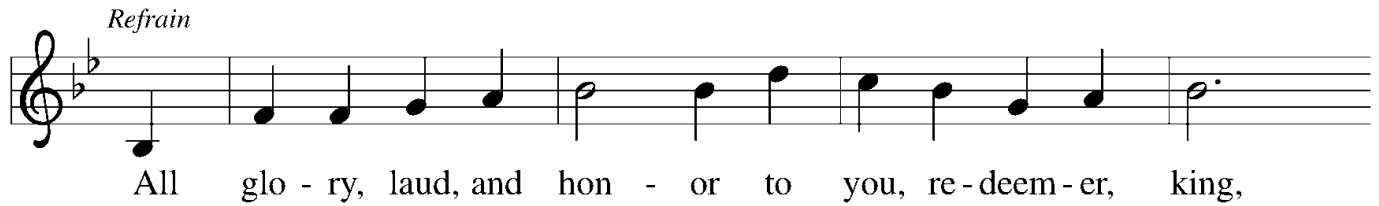
Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today, he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed Messiah and King by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Bless these branches and those who carry them. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. **Amen.**



- 1 You are the king of Is - rael and Da - vid's roy - al Son,
- 2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels are prais - ing you on high;
- 3 The mul - ti - tude of pil - grims with palms be - fore you went;
- 4 To you, be - fore your pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise.
- 5 Their prais - es you ac - cept - ed; ac - cept the prayers we bring,



now in the Lord's name com - ing, our King and Bless - ed One.
 cre - a - tion and all mor - tals in cho - rus make re - ply.
 our praise and prayer and an - thems be - fore you we pre - sent.
 To you, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
 great au - thor of all good - ness, O good and gra - cious King.

Text: Theodulph of Orleans, c. 760–821; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.
 Music: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN, Melchior Teschner, 1584–1635

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Prayer

Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

First Lesson: Zechariah 9:9-12

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!
Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!
Lo, your king comes to you;
triumphant and victorious is he,
humble and riding on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.
He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim
and the war-horse from Jerusalem;
and the battle bow shall be cut off,
and he shall command peace to the nations;
his dominion shall be from sea to sea,
and from the river to the ends of the earth.
As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,
I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.
return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;
today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading: Philippians 2:5-11

Christ did not act to attain status and glory but was obedient to God even to the point of death. Following Christ's example, we do not seek personal status or glory but care for others as God cared for us in Christ's death.

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus

every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

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Gospel Lesson: Mark 11:1-11

Jesus enters Jerusalem.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 11th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.’” They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, “What are you doing, untying the colt?” They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

“Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children’s Chat

Pastor Tina

Sermon

Pastor Tina



1 Go to dark Geth-sem - a - ne, all who feel the tempt - er's pow'r;
 2 Fol - low to the judg - ment hall, view the Lord of life ar - raigned;
 3 Cal - v'ry's mourn - ful moun - tain climb; there, a - dor - ing at his feet,
 4 Ear - ly has - ten to the tomb where they laid his breath - less clay;



your Re - deem - er's con - flict see. Watch with him one bit - ter hour;
 oh, the worm - wood and the gall! Oh, the pangs his soul sus - tained!
 mark that mir - a - cle of time, God's own sac - ri - fice com - plete.
 all is sol - i - tude and gloom. Who has tak - en him a - way?



turn not from his griefs a - way; learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.
 Shun not suf - f'ring, shame, or loss; learn from him to bear the cross.
 "It is fin - ished!" hear him cry; learn from Je - sus Christ to die.
 Christ is ris'n! He meets our eyes. Sav - ior, teach us so to rise.

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
 born of the virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried;
 he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
 he ascended into heaven,
 he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
 and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

The Word

Thanksgiving for the Word

Praise and thanks to you, holy God, for by your Word you made all things: you spoke light into darkness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being. For your Word of life, O God,

we give you thanks and praise.

By your Word you called your people Israel to tell of your wonderful gifts: freedom from captivity, water on the desert journey, a pathway home from exile, wisdom for life with you. For your Word of life, O God,

we give you thanks and praise.

Through Jesus, your Word made flesh, you speak to us and call us to witness: forgiveness through the cross, life to those entombed by death, the way of your self-giving love. For your Word of life, O God,

we give you thanks and praise.

Send your Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us: renew our faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love, for the sake of a world in need. Faithful to your Word, O God, draw near to all who call on you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;**

**and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

Sending

Blessing

You are what God made you to be: created in Christ Jesus for good works, chosen as holy and beloved, freed to serve your neighbor. God bless you + that you may be a blessing, in the name of the holy and life-giving Trinity. **Amen.**

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Henry Hart Milman, 1827

John Bacchus Dykes, 1862

1. Ride on! Ride on in maj - es - ty! Hark! all the
 2. Ride on! Ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly
 3. Ride on! Ride on in maj - es - ty! The wing - ed
 4. Ride on! Ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly

tribes ho - san - na cry; O Sav - ior meek, pur -
 pomp ride on to die: O Christ, Thy tri - umphs
 squad - rons of the sky Look down with sad and
 pomp ride on to die; Bow Thy meek head to

sue Thy road With palms and scat - tered gar - ments strowed.
 now be - gin O'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.
 won - dering eyes To see the ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.
 mor - tal pain, Then take, O God, Thy power, and reign.

Dismissal

Go in peace. Share the good news. **Thanks be to God.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Office Hours: Mondays through Thursdays, 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR . . .

Tuesday Morning Bible Study: The next Bible Study will be on **Tuesday, March 30**, at **10:30 a.m.** A Zoom invitation will be emailed on the Monday prior.

Easter Lilies: Thanks to all who were able to donate lilies for this Sunday.

Palms: The beautiful palms in the sanctuary were donated by Judy and David Hunt to the Glory of God and in memory of deceased loved ones and by Anne and Cliff Obara to the Glory of God and in honor of our children and grandchildren.

Drive-by Communion: Our next Drive-by Communion will be held on Maundy Thursday, April 1 from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. and from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Thursday, April 1: Maundy Thursday

TLS Stations of the Cross prerecorded and on their website by 8:15 a.m.

Drive By Communion: 9-10 a.m. & 4-5 p.m.

Worship with Footwashing @ 6:30 p.m.

Friday, April 2: Good Friday

Outdoor Stations of the Cross @ Hilton Christian: 1-3 p.m.

Worship @ 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 4: Easter Sunday

Sunrise Worship @ 6:45a.m.

Worship @ 10:00 a.m.

Giving to Trinity: There are a number of ways that members can give their donations to Trinity Lutheran Church during these times when we are not physically in church.

1. You may **write a check** and mail it in. It can be addressed to the attention of Carol Bessom, Trinity Lutheran Church, 6812 River Road, Newport News, VA, 23607.
2. During the church office hours, you may come in to **hand deliver your donation** to Anne, Carol or Pastor Tina.
3. Set up an **automatic withdrawal from your own bank**, which will then send it to Trinity.

And lastly, the newest method is the . . .

4. **VANCO Online giving:**

If you have questions about the donation site or how to make your donation, please don't hesitate to contact the church office, 245-7861.

Procedure for online giving:

Go to: <http://trinitylutheran-nn.com/>

Press the green "online giving" link.

PRAYER LIST

ILLNESS, SURGERY, RECOVERY, SHUT-INS: Surgery Recovery: Brad Goodman (March 24, hip surgery); **Nursing Homes:** Jeanette Cantrell (The Chesapeake, 955 Harpersville Road, AL302, Newport News, VA, 23601); Millie Christensen (Morningside: Rm. 131; Charles Kessler (The Chesapeake - Assisted Living, Rm.207); Lucille Lebold (Williamsburg Landing, Memory Care Unit); Barbara Olson, (The Chesapeake, Rm. 3013); **Shut-in at Home:** Janet Edwards, Gerda Hudgens, Joan Johnston and Doris Moeser.

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS: The Ahlen Family, Anne Brady (mother of Marc Ahlen), Paige Ahlen and Maria Goldsby, requested by Kathy Stevens; Carolyn Patterson, Shirley Skinner, and Oxana Sidor; Hannelore Voss (Karoline's mother), requested by the Ardis family; Jack and Sharon (Sherry) Johnston and Pam Little (Donna's sisters), requested by Grant and Donna Owens; Bonnie Carlson, requested by Dave Carlson; Molly Chartrand (Jacob's co-worker), requested by Patricia Wessler; Michael May, requested by Jon May; Millie Christensen; Kathleen Pietrasantra; Dee Klapperich; Mary Lucia Spake (daughter), requested by Bill Solomon; Officer Chuck Taylor (COVID complications), requested by Todd Recupero; June Geyer (grandmother), requested by Patricia Wessler; Laura Jones and Jenny Tripp, requested by Suzanne Beckstoffer; Patty Scheck (sister), requested by Sandy Sniady; Taylor Asher (Betty Hasel's grandson), requested by Dan Jungkuntz and Patricia McClelland; the family and friends of Mickey Neubaum (Trinity member living in Raleigh, NC); the family and friends of Jim Gribble; the family and friends of Terri Winkleman (friend of Pastor Tina's family), requested by Pastor Tina Melusky; the family and friends of Diana Dely Behlmar; the family and friends of Bill Nuckols (Patricia Fielding's father) and the family and friends of Catherine Dycus, requested by Sandy Cobb.

Those Who Serve, Military and Civilian Duty: James Fielding, Marine Corps; Georgia; Bryan Hunt, State Dept., Washington, D. C.; Eric Lindfors, Deputy Commander US Naval Forces - Korea; Tyler Obara, Virginia Air National Guard, LAFB and Ashby Owens, Operation Smile.