



# The Trinity Messenger

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## Dates To Remember

- Mar. 25: Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday Liturgy (8:15 AM)
- Mar. 25: Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday Liturgy (10:30 AM)
- Mar. 25: Palm Sunday Ham Dinner sponsored by Trinity Lutheran Youth Group
- Mar. 29: Maundy Thursday Covered Dish Supper (6:15 PM)
- Mar. 29: Maundy Thursday Eucharist (7:30 PM)
- Mar. 30: Good Friday Tenebrae Service (7:00 PM)
- Apr. 1: Easter Sunday Traditional Service (8:15 AM)
- Apr. 1: Easter Sunday Traditional Service (10:30 AM)
- Apr. 15: Congregation Council Retreat (11:45 AM)
- Apr. 28: 2018 Scranton/Wilkes-Barre Mission District Festival (St. James Lutheran Church, Wapwallopen)
- May 14: Ladies Spring Dinner (6:00 PM)
- May 20: Confirmation (10:30 service)

## The Services of Holy Week

We look forward to being your place of worship with services through Holy Week according to the following schedule:

### ***Passion (Palm) Sunday: March 25 - 8:15 AM and 10:30 AM***

Palm Sunday services with distribution of Palms will be held on Sunday, March 25 at 8:15 and 10:30. Children are invited to a Procession of Palms with Pastor Jeff and we hope children of all ages will join the celebration at the services.

### ***Maundy Thursday: March 29 - 7:30 PM***

Maundy Thursday Worship begins with a covered dish supper. The meal will be followed by the Maundy Thursday service with Holy Communion, and Stripping of the Altar in preparation for the Good Friday Tenebrae.

### ***Good Friday: March 30- 7:00 PM***

The traditional service of "Tenebrae" marks the pinnacle of our Lenten journey. Come with us as we hear of the events leading to the death of Jesus on the cross. As we progress through the service the church darkens and we experience the feelings of sadness and gloom as we await the Resurrection of Our Lord. The service will be presented on the large screen display to make the participation of the congregation easier as the lights dim.

## The Services of Easter

**Traditional Easter Sunday morning at 8:15 and 10:30 A.M.** will again be offered. (Note: Both services on Easter Sunday will be in a traditional format; the Contemporary service will resume on April 8).

The 10:30 AM service will include special music by the Choir.

### **Palm Sunday Ham Dinner**

Trinity Youth Group will host a Ham Dinner Sunday, March 25, Palm Sunday in the parish hall at 11:45. Join us for ham and all the fixings for a wonderful dinner and fellowship to help support the youth in their endeavors. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$6 for children. Please use the sign-up sheet in the church hallway or RSVP to Heather Klien (570-881-3136) or the church office at 570-587-1088.



### Trinity Lutheran Men in Mission

If we are going to continue with our projects, more participation will be required. Please consider helping. Plans for 2018 are now being formulated. Any ideas would be greatly appreciated. Then schedule is now being formulated.

#### Upcoming Events

Monday - May 14th. Ladies Spring Dinner 6 P M

### Trinity Women in Fellowship

The group met for an Easter luncheon on March 14 for a light lunch and to learn about the eleven apostles that remained after Pentecost as well as learning about "Pesach" or Passover meal. The next meeting will be Wednesday, May 9 at noon (there won't be an April meeting).

### Trinity Early Learning Center Summer Camps

Are you ready for some summer fun??? Trinity Early Learning Center will host two one week camps for 3-5 year olds this summer. "Out of This World" will take place July 30-August 3 from 9-12 daily. "Under The Sea" will be presented August 13-17 from 9-12 daily. Children will engage in daily play, crafts, snack and activities revolving around a central theme each week. The cost is \$150 per week and all supplies and snacks are included. Children must be at least 3 and bathroom independent by the time of the camp date. Registration forms are available on the table in the narthex or from the church office.



### Kindergarten Readiness Program

The KRP Art Show was a smashing success! We had over 50 guests join us to celebrate our young artists as they showed off their amazing creativity! As the weather (hopefully) begins to get warmer, the KRP kids will begin their journey into Spring with our Bird unit. We will learn about the parts of a bird, the different bird calls, and head outside for a bird watching walk around the neighborhood. We will finish the year learning about dinosaurs.



### Sunday School

There will not be classes on Easter Sunday, April 1. The April Family service will be held on Sunday, April 15 at 9:15. The last day of Sunday school will be on Sunday, May 20, our Sundae, Sunday. All are invited to have a sundae in the parish hall following the Family service.

### 2018 Mission District Festival

The 2018 Scranton/Wilkes-Barre Mission District Festival will be held on Saturday, April 28 at St. James Lutheran Church, 827 E County Road Wapwallopen, PA. Events of the day begin at 9 AM with registration followed by worship with Pastor Oliver Brown and Jim Parks; workshops; lunch and the Assembly from 1-3 PM. Workshops include Liturgical Dancing, Alternative Resources for Worship including music, and Sensitivity and Inclusiveness. Trinity is required to send two delegates (these delegates should also be available to attend Synod Assembly in June) but all who are interested in attending may sign up to go. If you would like to attend the festival, please contact the church office or Pastor Jeff Bohan.

### NEPA Synod Assembly

The NE Pennsylvania Synod Assembly will be held at Mohegan Sun Arena in Wilkes-Barre on Friday and Saturday, June 8 and 9 (times to be determined). The theme is "Sharing Ministries, Building Relationships". Trinity will need to be represented by both a male and a female delegate (also able to attend Mission District Festival in April in Wapwallopen). Persons interested in serving as a delegate should speak to Pastor Jeff or Carole in the church office. (A husband and wife may both serve as delegates).

### Vacation Bible School

"Rolling River Rampage" is coming this summer! Join us for the 2018 Epiphany/Trinity VBS currently scheduled for June 25-29 (subject to change based on school district calendars). Sessions will be held daily from 9-12:30 with worship, music, storytelling, recreation, fresh air, faith and fun! You may use the following link to register children for VBS or to register as a volunteer (completed grade 6) <https://rrr.cokesburyvbs.com/epiphanytrinity/>



### Library



“Catch the Reading Bug & Spring into Reading!”

Please stop into the library and browse through our Lenten titles as well as the book display outside of the gathering area.

All Sunday school classes are in the process of making their spring visit to the library and all preschool and KRP classes are visiting for March. We will be reading about the Lent season, waving our palms, sharing some jelly beans and talking about dough shaped like arms reminding us to pray.

Trinity library is fortunate to have obtained a signed copy by a local author’s inspiring book entitled “Stabbed in the Heart”. This book helps us through the deep and lasting pain of sudden, pointless, terrible loss. It is geared towards victims, survivors, media, clergy, family, friends and the community.

April brings with it National Library Week April 8-14. The theme for 2018 is “Libraries Lead”. In celebration of this special week, the Sunday school offering for April 22 will be donated to the Trinity library. Discover your passions and achieve your goals at the library.

Thank you to a friend of the library for donating the book “All the Apostles of the Bible”. This book studies the character of the Apostles, the Men Jesus Chose and the Message They Proclaimed.

### Quilting

The Quilting Group recently donated seven handmade quilts to a new group home for rescued teenage girls. The staff of the home is so appreciative of the gift from the quilters. The ladies have been busy as the winter weather has allowed, creating one of a kind quilts to be donated where the need arises. If you would like to request a prayer quilt as a gift to someone in need of special thoughts and prayers, you may request them through the group or through the church office.

### CROP Walk for Hunger

The Abington Area Crop Walk will be held on Sunday, April 22 beginning at 2 PM at the Dalton United Methodist Church and following the Trolley Trail up to Clarks Summit and back: approximately the distance the average person in a third world country walks to access water. Teams of walkers are being recruited from schools, churches, businesses, families...to raise funds and walk to raise awareness. The goal is 500 walkers! This is not a timed event, walk at your leisure. 25% of the money raised will benefit local agencies with the remaining funds benefiting agencies around the world. If you are interested in walking, please contact the church office. For more information visit the Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/events/251041888766136/>. This could be a wonderful fellowship opportunity as well as raising funds and awareness for hunger and thirst around the world.

### Bear Creek Camp

Bear Creek Camp, which is operated near Wilkes-Barre by the Northeast and Southeast PA Synods, will host their weekly summer camps for children who have completed grades 1-12, beginning June 17 and continuing each week through August 11. There are several camp options including:



Try Camp (a half week camp- June 17-23 and June 24-30); full week camp and Family Camp (July 1-6). For more information please contact Pastor Jeff, Mrs. Klien or the church office. Scholarships are available and information can be obtained from Pastor

Jeff or the church office. Posters and brochures are available on the bulletin boards in the church and Sunday school area.

### Mission Statement

*Trinity Lutheran Church is a family of believers in Christ who grow in their faith and their relationships with God and each other by participating in common experiences of Worship, Christian Education, and Fellowship.*

*Inspired by Christ’s love, we are called through our faith to witness to the Good News and reach out to serve the needs of people within our congregation, the community, and the world.*

### The Next Issue of the Newsletter

The next issue of the parish newsletter will be the "Pentecost Season (Summer)" edition. The deadline for articles will be Monday, May 7; the mailing date will be May 16. Articles are due to the church office prior to May 7.

### Graduations

If a member of your family will be graduating from an institution high school or college this spring, please notify the church office (587-1088) or "office@trinitylutherancs.com". A summary of graduates will be included in the next edition of the parish newsletter.

### Spring Concert

The Wally Gordon Singers, a community singing group that some of our members sing with will present their Spring Celebrations Concert, "An Evening on Broadway" on Saturday, May 5 at 6 PM at Clarks Summit United Methodist Church.



### TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

*A Congregation of the  
N.E. Penna Synod of the  
Evan. Lutheran Church in America*

**Jeffrey Bohan**  
*Interim Pastor*

**Krystle and Ignacio Madrussan**  
*Missionaries in Argentina & Uruguay*

**Carole Hamersly**  
*Office Manager and Pre-School Registrar*

**Heather Klien**  
*Director of Youth Ministries and  
Sunday School Superintendent*

**Jeremy Prostka**  
*Organist and Choir Director*

**Tammy Rade**  
*ELCA Deacon*

**Terry Bockelkamp**  
*Librarian –Card Ministry Coordinator*

**Suzanne Bolig**  
*Prayer Ministry Coordinator*

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CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED

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March 25, 2018 - April 28, 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Mar 25</b></p> <p>8:15 AM Worship Service</p> <p>10:30 AM Palm Sunday Eucharist</p> <p>12:00 PM Youth Group Ham Dinner for Congregation</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Mar 26</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Mar 27</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Mar 28</b></p> <p>10:00 AM Quilting Group</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Mar 29</b></p> <p>6:15 PM Maundy Thursday Covered Dish Supper</p> <p>7:30 PM Maundy Thursday Eucharist</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Mar 30</b></p> <p>7:00 PM Good Friday Tenebrae</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Mar 31</b></p>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Apr 15</b></p> <p>8:15 AM Worship Service</p> <p>9:15 AM Confirmation Class</p> <p>10:30 AM Worship Service</p> <p>11:45 AM Congregation Coffee Hour</p> <p>11:45 AM Congregation Council Retreat</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Apr 16</b></p> <p>7:00 PM Congregation Council Meeting</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Apr 17</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Apr 18</b></p> <p>10:00 AM Quilting Group</p> <p>7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Apr 19</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Apr 20</b></p> <p>8:30 AM St. Francis Kitchen Sponsor a Day</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Apr 21</b></p>
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*Birthdays and Anniversaries: March 25, 2018 - May 05, 2018*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Mar 25</b> Clyde Morris JR Bolig	<b>Mar 26</b> <i>Beth and Thomas Collins</i>	<b>Mar 27</b>	<b>Mar 28</b>	<b>Mar 29</b> Richard Bell	<b>Mar 30</b> David A. Hamersly	<b>Mar 31</b> Jenna Phillips
<b>Apr 1</b> Haydn Evans	<b>Apr 2</b>	<b>Apr 3</b> <i>Kerry and Chris Mathews</i>	<b>Apr 4</b> <i>Patricia and Edward Kiefer</i>	<b>Apr 5</b>	<b>Apr 6</b> Carole Hamersly Michael Rosencranz	<b>Apr 7</b> Louis Uslin
<b>Apr 8</b> Leslie Lam	<b>Apr 9</b> Gregory Davis	<b>Apr 10</b> Stephen Kelley	<b>Apr 11</b> Christine Uslin Lori Langan	<b>Apr 12</b> Alex Manning	<b>Apr 13</b> Thomas Langan, Jr. George C. Mathews	<b>Apr 14</b>
<b>Apr 15</b> Carl Sampson	<b>Apr 16</b> George Duhigg Louann Viercinski	<b>Apr 17</b>	<b>Apr 18</b>	<b>Apr 19</b>	<b>Apr 20</b> Melissa Cipollina Donovan Yelland	<b>Apr 21</b> Nathan Worrell
<b>Apr 22</b> Leile Saxe Jill Rosencranz	<b>Apr 23</b> Arnold Flam Tamara Evans	<b>Apr 24</b> Deborah Brown Marc McDermott	<b>Apr 25</b> Sarah Boyle	<b>Apr 26</b> Angelo Martarano	<b>Apr 27</b> Thomas Langan, Sr.	<b>Apr 28</b>
<b>Apr 29</b>	<b>Apr 30</b> <i>Karen and Edward Woytach</i>	<b>May 1</b> Ray Worrell	<b>May 2</b> Joann Meoni	<b>May 3</b> <i>Michelle and Stanley Stravinskas</i>	<b>May 4</b>	<b>May 5</b> Elizabeth Godusky

## VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Names in **BOLD/ITALIC**: blank space in schedule filled in by volunteer

Calendar Update: 3/23/2018

DATE	COMMUNION				OFFERING	ALTAR
	ACOLYTES	USHERS	ASSISTANTS	LECTORS	COUNTERS	GUILD
<b>Mar 29</b> <b>(7:00pm)</b>	Deenna Richmond	Bill Oehler John Pacyna	<i>(intinction)</i>	Laura Worrell Suzanne Bolig	Carole Hamersly	Pat Kiefer
<b>Mar 30</b> <b>(7:00pm)</b>	Deenna Richmond Emily Klien					Pat Kiefer
<b>April 1</b> <b>(8:15am)</b>	Evan Rade	John Pacyna Dave Hamersly	<i>(intinction)</i>	Ronald Rade		
<b>April 1</b> <b>(10:30am)</b>	Emily Klien Elizabeth Harvey	Larry Wood Bob Klien	<i>(intinction)</i>	Joyce Schwabe Dee Smith	Linda Sheehan Marci McDermott	
<b>April 8</b> <b>(8:15am)</b>	Ben Worrell	Bill Oehloer	<i>(intinction)</i>	Todd Rehder Elyse Rehder		
<b>April 8</b> <b>(10:30am)</b>	Deenna Richmond	JR Bolig Charlie Saxe	<i>(intinction)</i>	Mike Krahlung Suzanne Bolig	Suzanne Bolig JR Bolig	
<b>April 15</b> <b>(8:15am)</b>	Evan Rade	John Pacyna	<i>(intinction)</i>	Debbie Miller	Linda Sheehan	
<b>April 15</b> <b>(10:30am)</b>	Emily Klien Ben Woytach	Ed Schwabe Larry Wood	<i>(intinction)</i>	Cathy Sheffler Marci McDermott	Carole Hamersly Larry Wood	
<b>April 22</b> <b>(8:15am)</b>	Deenna Richmond	Bob Klien	<i>(intinction)</i>	Deenna Richmond	Carole Hamersly	
<b>April 22</b> <b>(10:30am)</b>	Ben Worrell	JR Bolig Dave Hamersly	<i>(intinction)</i>	Laura Worrell Dee Smith	Maxine Gilligan Marci McDermott	
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<b>April 29</b> <b>(10:30)</b>	Emily Klien Elizabeth Harvey	Larry Wood Ed Schwabe	<i>(intinction)</i>	Joyce Schwabe Suzanne Bolig	Diane Remetta Linda Sheehan	
<b>May 6</b> <b>(8:15am)</b>		John Pacyna	<i>(intinction)</i>	Todd Rehder		
<b>May 6</b> <b>(10:30am)</b>	Deenna Richmond		<i>(intinction)</i>	Debbie Miller Marci McDermott	Suzanne Bolig JR Bolig	



## Every Sunday Is Easter Sunday

*On the first day of the week, when we were gathered together to break bread... - Acts 20:7*

From the early days of the church we've worshiped on Sunday morning. Please note that I'm not saying that you can't go to a Saturday night service or anything like that - but very early on in church history the standard became to gather together on Sunday morning and celebrate the Lord's Supper. There's a very good and simple reason for this.

You see, there's a new most important event in the history of the world. In the days of the Old Testament, the people of God were called to ponder the Sabbath, the day of rest that God Himself took in creation. That day that even pointed forward to the rest Christ would take in the tomb on Holy Saturday. And that is a mighty, wondrous thing to ponder. That was an important day!

Easter trumps it, though. Seriously...the resurrection tops everything. There is nothing in the world that is bigger or more amazing or astonishing than the reality that Christ Jesus rose from the dead. It stops everything else in its tracks. It is the jaw-dropping moment of the entire history of the world. God became Man, was dead, but then, He rose. And until the Last Day, there's nothing bigger or more wondrous than that!

And so, when we pause now from our busy lives (as is good) to hear the Word of God, to receive His Supper, we generally have done it on Sunday morning, mirroring and echoing that great Sunday morning of the first Easter.

And I say first, because in reality, every Sunday (and every Saturday night or Monday night, or Wednesday noon, or whatever time your congregation might hold the Divine Service) is in reality a celebration of Easter. Every time we are gathered to worship, we are gathered to receive the forgiveness that our risen Lord and Savior gives us. It's never worship without or apart from Easter. We never show up wondering, "Hmmm, I wonder if there will be forgiveness today. What if Jesus lost and Satan won--maybe we'll hear that today." By no means! Whenever we are called to gather together in His House, Jesus proclaims the fruits of His death and resurrection for us. Indeed, as often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim His death until He comes, until He comes again, because He is risen, lives and reigns to all eternity, and shall come again! Come quickly, Lord Jesus!

Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection and celebrate Easter every Sunday Amen.