

**Report of
Ministry Director for Parish Life
The Rev. John H. Brock
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While April was busy, nothing really out of the ordinary for Lent/Easter took place: did several home visits; we had lots of extra worship.

We have successfully begun our monthly worship at both Messiah Village and Bethany Village. They are very much appreciated by the residents there. We are hoping to be able to reach out beyond just our Trinity base, and attract other folks, Lutheran or not.

Trinity was host to the Lower Susquehanna Synod's annual Renewal of Vows service for all rostered people. There was a nice turnout. And it was good to have our member, Bishop Jim Dunlop, worship in his own congregation.

I do want to say that I fell all the worship between Palm/Passion celebration and Easter morning was great. We need to thank all the MANY volunteers who helped out during those nine days. Most of those services were things we have done in the past, the exception being Maundy Thursday. We tried a "narration" this year, and I feel it went well. We received several positive comments on it. And, I believe we need to give Tim Koch, Debbie Wilson, and ALL the musicians who took part in Easter morning a tremendous *Thank You!* Music that morning was fantastic.

On a personal note, April was the month that my mother transitioned from her independent living apartment into Assisted Living. So, with not a whole lot else going on in my life throughout April, I had to clear out her two bedroom place, figure out what she would need in a Much Smaller apartment, decide what to do with the excess, sort through years worth of my life that she had stored, receive my final preventative treatment for cancer, and try not to argue with my sister and her husband as they "helped" - by which I mean, caused me to stress a bit. But no, really, I'm okay.

Thank you all for praying for me. I honestly could not be here without your spiritual help.

God's peace,

Pastor John Brock