

United and empowered to worship, connect, serve.

Easter

8:00, 9:30, & 11:00 am

April 21

Celebrate Easter at Trinity; invite friends to hear “The Greatest Story Ever Told”

Choose the time and service that's best for you, your family, and friends to celebrate Easter Sunday, April 21, at Trinity. There are six services:

- 8:00 am, Traditional, Nave
- 8:00 am, Contemporary, Fellowship Hall
- 9:30 am, Traditional, Nave
- 9:30 am, Contemporary, Fellowship Hall
- 11:00 am, Traditional, Nave
- 11:00 am, Contemporary, Fellowship Hall

Worship spaces will be filled with fragrant spring flowers, and also with festive balloons that our kiddos love. The music will be outstanding as usual, shared with us by many talented musicians who energize and move us. In traditional services, you'll be engaged by our vocal and bell choirs, organ, piano, and brass; in contemporary services, you'll be equally engaged by our FaithX band and its vocalists.

The message.

Pastor Horner will inspire you with "The Greatest Story Ever Told," our Easter Sunday sermon theme. After all, there is no greater story than the risen Christ, and no better inspiration. He is risen indeed!

Holy Week. Starting with Palm Sunday on April 14, Trinity has something going on every day and/or night leading up to Easter Sunday. Don't miss any of it.



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God's story, my story, your story by Pastor Jack Horner

I've been researching my family origins through Ancestry.com. I want to know where my family came from, how and when we arrived from the "old" country, what historical events shaped our family's destiny, and what family secrets might be waiting to be uncovered.

Stories of our past help us understand who we are and where we came from. Biblical stories help us understand who we are as people of faith. They come to us as ancient stories, yet for centuries Christian pastors—and before that Jewish rabbis—have shared the stories and taught how they inform who we are today as followers of God. And just like family history, the Holy Scripture stories belong to all of us. They are our story. They form us as members of the family of God. The stories "speak" to us. They

help shape our priorities and our character. They make us who we are today.

Jesus' life, death, and resurrection continue to touch Christians and give hope to a hurting world. The events of Holy Week especially show us the highs and lows of human experience. Jesus is celebrated by crowds, betrayed by a friend, falsely accused, unjustly convicted, inhumanly punished, and left for dead between two thieves. All the forces of sin and death rejoiced at his passing, and yet God raised him from the dead.

Hope, redemption, and new life became as much a part of the human story as what preceded it. Jesus' story is our story. In life we face challenges and yet hope and resurrection reign forever!



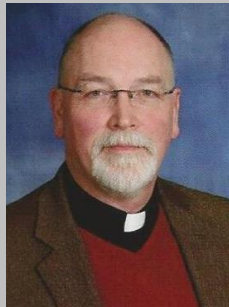
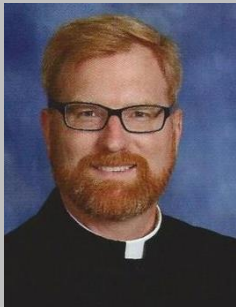
Travel to Germany in 2020 in the steps of Martin Luther

You can plan now for next year's 11-day trip to Germany, "In the Steps of Martin Luther," and featuring the *Passion Play of Oberammergau* (pictured at left).

From September 23 to October 3, 2020, you'll visit the Rhine Valley, Eisenach, Erfurt, Eisleben, Wittenberg, Berlin, Leipzig, Nuremberg, and Munich. Co-hosting the trip are Pastor Jack Horner and Pastor Kurt Hutchens (Shalom Lutheran

Church, Pinckney, MI), through Nawas International Travel. Cost is \$4,199 per person from Washington, D.C., and includes round trip airfare, hotel accommodations, most meals, ticket to the passion play, comprehensive sightseeing, and all hotel service charges.

Pick up a detailed brochure in the Gathering Space with tour highlights, a day-to-day itinerary, pictures, and reservation form. Questions? Talk to Pastor Horner.



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Prepare for Easter – So much going on!

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. John 3:16

Trinity members can feel truly engaged with the many services and activities that lead to Easter Sunday, including something every day during Holy Week.



- **Steps to the Cross, all of April.** Visit the Library-Chapel hallway to take a Lenten journey through the last events of Christ's life. Read, reflect, and meditate as you FEEL Christ's sacrifice for all of humankind. This outstanding exhibit, coordinated by Amy Heinly and Elizabeth Bush, features artwork by Amy that will take your breath away. Her *Jesus at Gethsemane* is shown at left.

• **Follow the Footsteps, Friday, April 5,** is an event for all ages, especially kids Pre-K to grade 7 with parents. Come any time from 6-8 pm for this journey to Jerusalem. Experience the Last Supper, the crucifixion, the empty tomb, and more. **New this year:** a glow-in-the-dark egg hunt.



- **Passion/Palm Sunday, April 11-13-14**

Thursday 6:30 pm • Saturday 5:30 pm • Sunday 8:30 and 11:00 am

Hear a dramatic reading, *The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ*, according to Luke. Go back in time to be with Jesus as he entered Jerusalem.

- **Holy Week, Monday-Tuesday-Wednesday, April 15-16-17 • 7 pm.**

Spoken services: Vigil of Palms, The Great Litany, Corporate Confession and Forgiveness

- **Triduum ("Period of 3 Days"), Thursday-Friday-Saturday, April 18-19-20**

Theme: *Jesus Christ: Servant, Savior, Messiah*

1. **Maundy Thursday, April 18 • 7 pm**

Experience various worship stations

2. **Good Friday, April 19 • 7 pm**

Dramatic service (Tenebrae)

3. **Saturday, Easter Vigil, April 20 • 7 pm**

Light, Affirmation of Baptism, Communion

- **Good Friday, April 19 • Noon-3 pm • Come/go as you wish**

A three-hour devotional event based on the seven last words of Christ

- **Easter Sunday, April 21 • 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 am**

He is risen! Sermon theme: *The Greatest Story Ever Told*



Saturday, May 4, at 7:30 pm

The Harrisburg Singers: "America Sings!"

Don't miss the final concert in our 2018-19 Concert Series. The ever-popular Harrisburg Singers present selections from the time of the Shakers through American folk, to hymns, spirituals, and patriotic songs, including a selection from the hit "Hamilton."

▶ Concert Series Patrons get up to 4 free tickets; non-patrons pay regular prices



Come to **Mardi Gras** in May! Sunday, May 5 • 4-7 pm

A fundraiser to benefit our Synod's **Always Being Made New** campaign for youth and young adult programs

The date for the Mardi Gras Fundraiser is fast approaching. It is not too late to get involved in this family-friendly, all-ages event. The desire of the planning committee is to have **every** Trinity member involved in some way.

Ways to get involved include purchasing a ticket and attending the actual event, assisting with set-up in Fellowship Hall before the dinner, helping during the dinner, and helping with clean-up after the dinner.

Other ways to get involved are contributing items for a silent auction basket, helping to run the auction, bidding on the baskets, and bidding on any of 20+ original paintings by member Mary Kay Fager (died Feb. 2018), who won many awards for her work. You can also support the Mardi Gras by sponsoring a table for the dinner and/or making monetary contributions for the Lower Susquehanna Synod (LSS) *Always Being Made New* (ABMN) campaign.



It's easy to take action! Look in the Gathering Space and around the church for posters and flyers advertising the event. Look for a volunteer sign-up sheet, a support opportunity sheet, and an informational card in church bulletins. A flyer with the sponsorship information has also been distributed.



Tickets for the event will go on sale beginning April 6 in the Gathering Space before and after worship services. Online ticket sales, volunteer sign-ups, and monetary donations can also be conducted through our website at www.trinitycamphill.org/mardigras.

Please take a moment and consider how you will become involved in this all-church event designed to be a fun event and fundraiser the LSS ABMN campaign.

Mardi Gras in May is hosted by Trinity's Community Outreach Ministries and our Missions Team.

Take note!

- **The Every member prayer list** is published weekly in the *Trinity Today* in our worship bulletins. The *Trinity Today* is also online at www.trinitycamphill.org. Click on "News and Events."
- **Birthdays.** The March and April birthdays of at-home members and of staff were in last month's *Trinity Parish*. Look for May birthdays in the May issue.
- **Graduations.** Start gathering information for our popular graduate listing this summer. We'll let you know in May what info we need and in what format you should send it to us.
- **Book Review Group.** May's book is *The Longest Trip Home: A Memoir*, by John Grogan. June's selection is *The Rent Collector*, by Camron Wright. The Book Review Group will meet Sunday, May 19, and Sunday, June 16, from 9:45 to 10:45 am. Contact Sue Kerr, kerrent1@hotmail.com.



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