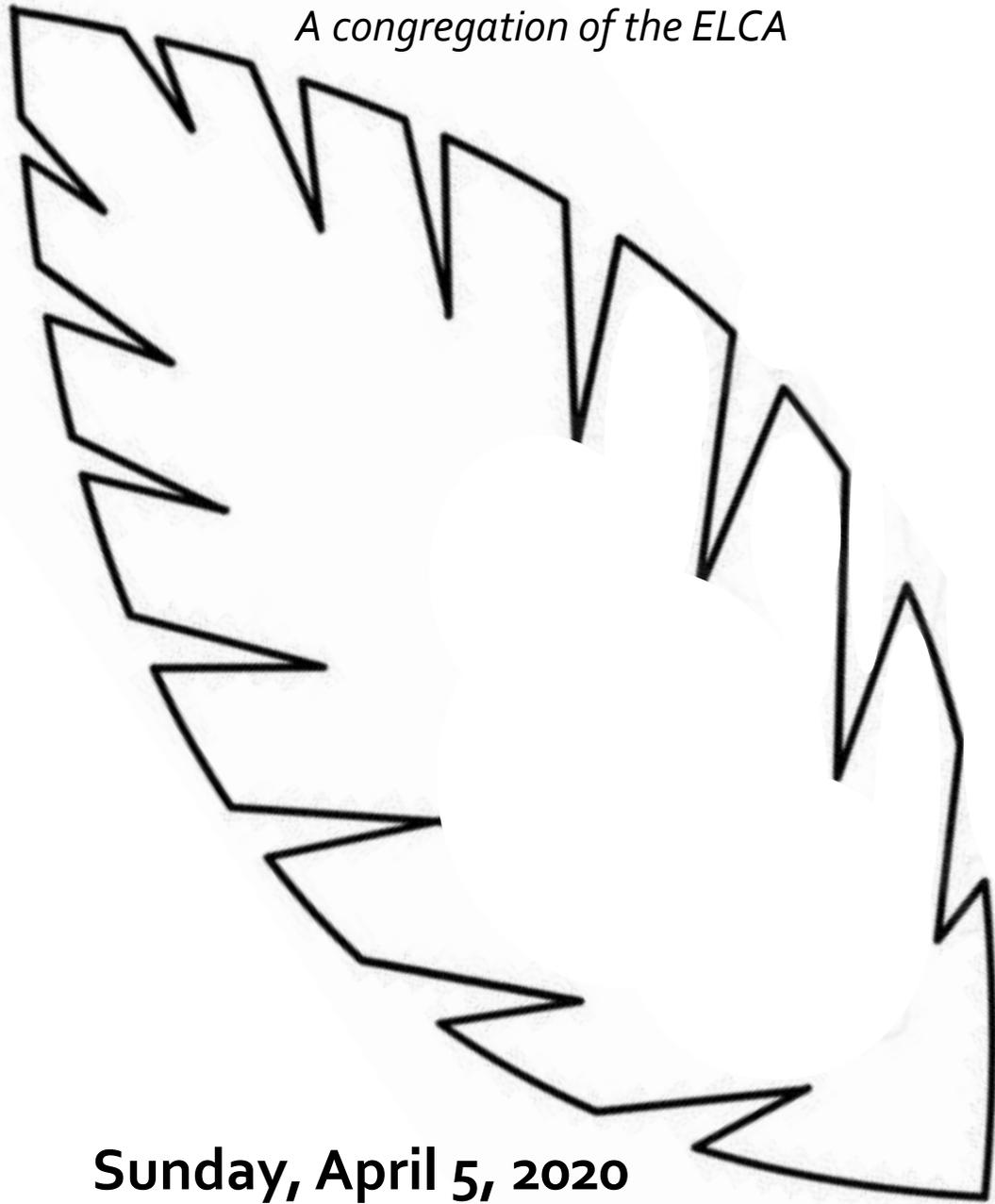




TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

A congregation of the ELCA



Sunday, April 5, 2020

Palm Sunday

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WELCOME - Thank you for worshipping God with Trinity Lutheran today. So happy you are joining us from your home! Make yourself comfortable.

You may want to eliminate distractions at home, so you are able to worship just as you would in the worship space. Or you may want to embrace the new flexibility that this kind of worship allows—sing out as if you are in the car, dance like no one is watching, pause the recording when you need to use the restroom, skip ahead if the sermon is boring, click mute and answer a question from your child, or any number of things. And the best part of all this? You can replay the recording whenever you need “a little more Jesus”.

Keeping with our tradition of fellowship time immediately following our Sunday morning worship services, you may wish to make coffee and a small snack after this worship service, and call one or more of your Trinity friends to enjoy some fellowship and socialization. Feel free to catch up on all the family happenings, tell a few jokes, and critique the sermon.

If you are interested in learning more about Trinity Lutheran, please email the church office. If you would like a call from the pastor or to be added to our newsletter email, you can note that in your email or email/call/text Karen Torbit — office@tlcmonticello.org.

A few notes on the service today—

- *Most of the service, with the exception of the message, is printed in your bulletin.*
- *The **bold** print within this bulletin indicates “all read”.*
- *Children of all ages are always welcome to worship with Trinity. There are separate children’s bulletins for your at-home printing. These are separate email attachments.*
- *Adults of all ages are also always welcome to worship with Trinity. This bulletin is produced in fairly large print so all can participant fully.*
- *Thank you to Alyssa Olson for recording and producing the worship service. Thank you to Amy Klatt for playing the piano for so many services, despite the health risks.*
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Singer	Kristina Kjellberg
Singing Artist	Alyssa Olson
Recording Artist	Alyssa Olson
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PRELUDE

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

OPENING RESPONSIVE PRAYER

We praise you, O God,

for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ.

Today, we remember his return to David's royal city,

when he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and king.

Today, we are those who spread garments and branches along his way.

Grant us the courage and the grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross.

Today, we are those who recognize that because of his death and resurrection, we enter into life anew with God through the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

PALM SUNDAY ACCLAMATION

Please stand as you are able

For today we shout with the Judean townspeople...

(All are invited to raise and wave hands, or arms, or any paper palms made at home)

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

Hosanna in the highest.

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

HOSANNA in the highest!

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

HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST!

Please walk around parade-like as you are able while you sing the hymn.

All are invited to raise and wave hands, or arms, or any paper palms made at home.

Refrain

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to you, re - deem - er, king,

to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.

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,

Refrain

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.

PRAYER

Everlasting God, in your great love for humanity you sent your son into our world—to teach us humility, to demonstrate your power and compassion, and to offer us forgiveness and reconciliation. As he suffered death on the cross, we proclaim that all was accomplished. May we forever praise you with our lips and with our living! Amen.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 50:4-9a

⁴The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens—wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught.

⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. ⁶I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

⁷The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; ⁸he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together.

Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me.

^{9a}It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 31:9-16

⁹Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble;

my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.

¹⁰**For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing;**

my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.

¹¹I am the scorn of all my enemies, a disgrace to my neighbors,

a dismay to my acquaintances; when they see me in the street they avoid me.

¹²**Like the dead I am forgotten, out of mind; I am as useless as a broken pot.**

¹³For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all around;

they put their heads together against me; they plot to take my life.

¹⁴**But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD. I have said, "You are my God.**

¹⁵My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies,

and from those who persecute me.

¹⁶**Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your steadfast love."**

SECOND READING

Philippians 2:5-11

⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, ⁷but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, ⁸he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.

⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

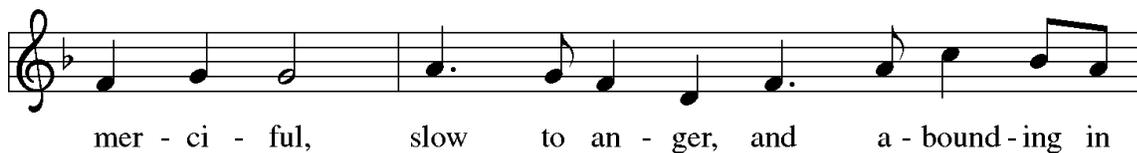
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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Parents, grandparents and caregivers, you may wish to have crepe paper streamers, ribbons, or homemade "confetti" prepared and ready for this message.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL READING

Matthew 21:1-11

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ²saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. ³If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." ⁴This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

⁵"Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

⁶The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; ⁷they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. ⁸A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David!

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

Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

¹⁰When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" ¹¹The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE

DECLARATION OF FAITH - 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,

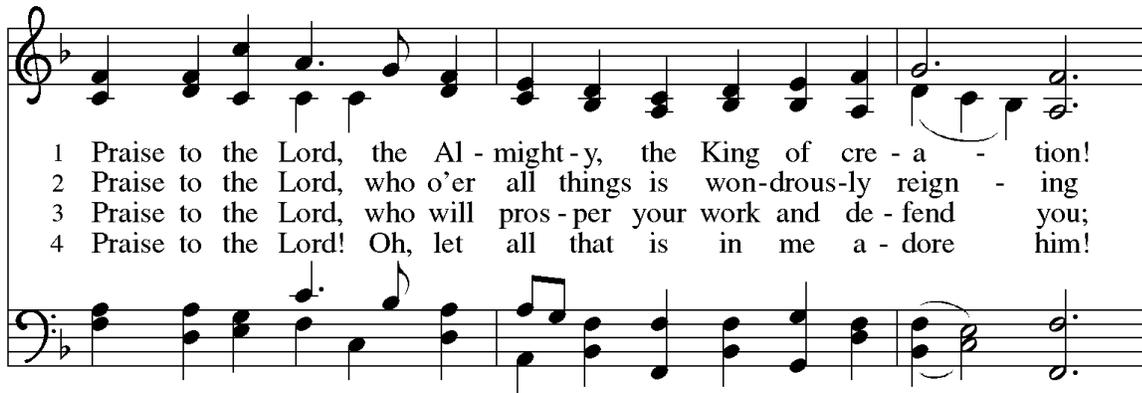
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

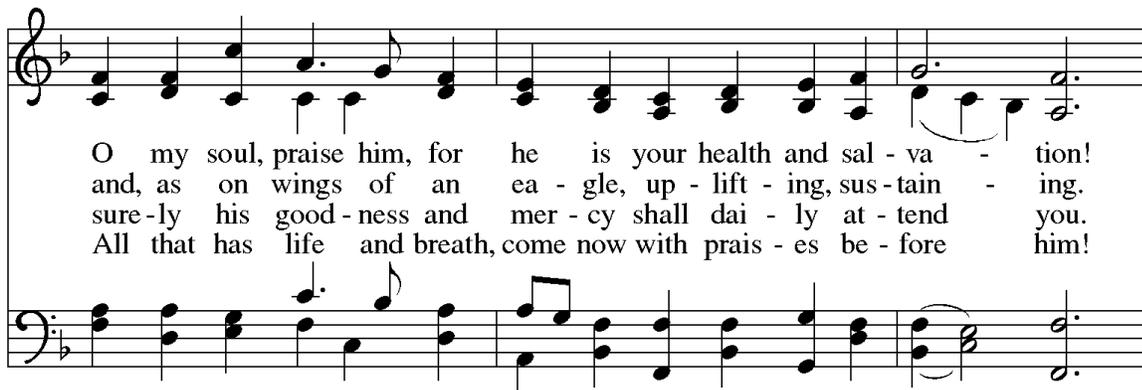
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

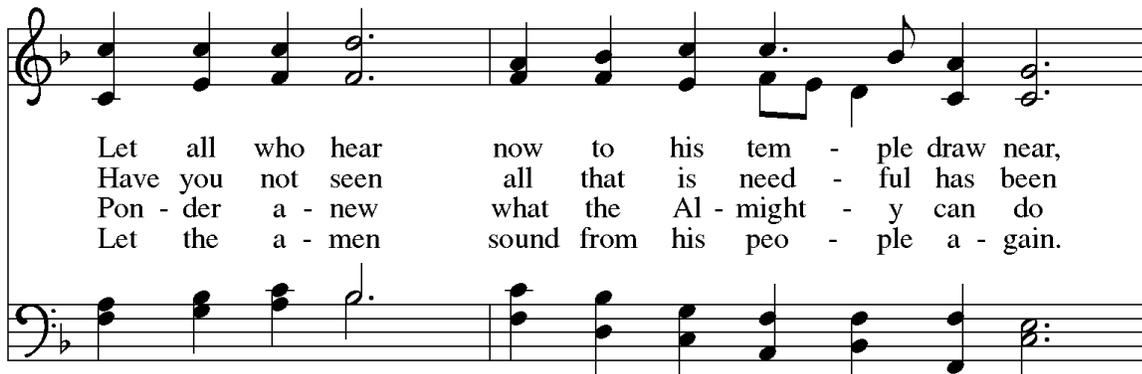
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.



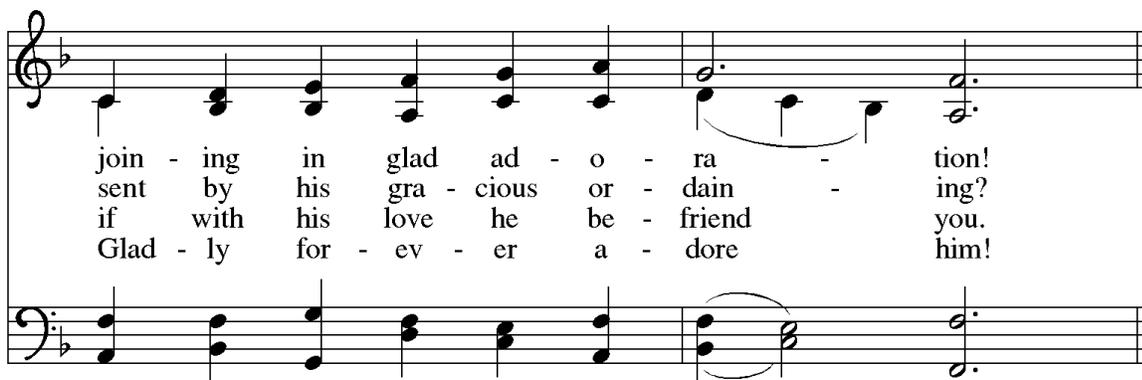
1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!
 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won-drous-ly reign - ing
 3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de - fend you;
 4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a - dore him!



O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal - va - tion!
 and, as on wings of an ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain - ing.
 sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend you.
 All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!



Let all who hear now to his tem - ple draw near,
 Have you not seen all that is need - ful has been
 Pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can do
 Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a - gain.



join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?
 if with his love he be - friend you.
 Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

Text: Joachim Neander, 1650–1680; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.
 Music: LOBE DEN HERREN, *Ernewerten Gesangbuch*, Part II, Stralsund, 1665

PRAYERS

After each petition...

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

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.

MUSICAL OFFERING

Lamb of God—Your Only Son

Amy Klatt, piano

Twila Paris

Offerings may be mailed, given automatically through Simply Giving (form attached), or given online through the Trinity website—go to www.tlcmonticello.org or https://tithe.ly/give_new/www/#/tithely/give-one-time/56813 (debit/credit or bank acct)

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

God our provider, we remember before you those who suffer want and anxiety from lack of work or a change in finances beyond their control. Multiply the gifts we offer to you, that your church may continue to faithfully do your will and your work. Bless us and these your gifts, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

BLESSING

May the God of all love and encouragement, grant you all joy and peace, all hope and strength, all love and trust, so that you may live with Christ ✝ in faith, by the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Let us serve our Lord.

Thanks be to God.

1 My song is love un - known, my Sav - ior's love to me,
 2 Some - times we strew his way and his sweet prai - ses sing;
 3 We cry out; we will have our dear Lord made a - way,
 4 Here might I stay and sing — no stor - y so di - vine!

love to the love - less shown that they might love - ly be.
 Re - sound - ing all the day ho - san - nas to our king.
 a mur - der - er to save, the prince of life to slay.
 Ne - ver was love, dear King, ne - ver was grief like thine.

Oh, who am I that for my sake my Lord should take frail
 Then "Cruc - i - fy!" is all our breath, and for his death
 Yet cheer - ful he to suff' - ring goes that he his foes from
 This is my friend, in whose sweet praise I all my days could

flesh and die? My Lord should take frail flesh and die?
 thirst and cry. And for his death we thirst and cry.
 thence might free. That he his foes from thence might free.
 glad - ly spend! I all my days could glad - ly spend!

Music: RHOSYMEDRE, John D. Edwards, 1806–1885

Text: Samuel Crossman, 1624-1683, alt.

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Announcements

WHAT IS PALM SUNDAY?

Today, we encounter the paradox that defines our faith: Jesus Christ is glorified king and humiliated servant. We too are full of paradox: like Peter, we fervently desire to follow Christ, but find ourselves afraid, denying God. We wave palms in celebration today as Christ comes into our midst, and we follow with trepidation as his path leads to death on the cross. We begin this week that stands at the center of the church year, anticipating the completion of God's astounding work through Jesus Christ.

GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP THIS FRIDAY EVENING —April 10 7:00 pm

Online worship will be provided for Good Friday, as long as we are able to produce a video recording. An email will be sent with the link to the worship service and the bulletin. For those without email, a bulletin will be mailed. The community is invited to worship together (in the Spirit) at 7:00pm on Friday, April 10. There will not be a Maundy Thursday service this year, as the service usually focuses on the Lord's Supper and first communion, and that is responsibly unavailable these days. Plus—practically speaking—four services in eight days is not feasible in the new format we are employing for worship.

EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY—April 12 9:00 am

This Easter will be different. Likely you will eat Easter ham alone at home or with immediate family only—rather than share Easter brunch at a restaurant. You might even substitute frozen chicken strips or grilled hamburgers for the occasion because ham was forgotten or in limited supply for home-delivery. Perhaps your kids or grandkids will hunt for resurrection eggs that they colored on rather than dipped, as you discover yellow is the only food coloring in the house. And quite possibly, blooming plants or cut flowers will not make the list of “must haves” because of financial constraints.

But some things will not change—the tomb will be opened and Jesus will rise. Christ will call our names and appear to us. The hands once bloodied by nail holes will reach out to us, and hold us close. This is a most holy week for Christians and this year will not be an exception. Worship in online form will happen Easter Sunday. And we will celebrate—as redeemed individuals and as a community of faith. 9:00am

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED & ALL IN-PERSON EVENTS SUSPENDED—until further notice

The church office is closed. Pastor Amy and Karen Torbit are working from home, and are available by phone, text, email, or Facebook—even if you just need to talk. All in-person worship services and activities have been suspended until further notice, in compliance with the White House, CDC, and MDH recommendations. Stay home. Stay engaged. Stay connected. Your church cares for you and is committed to offering ways to keep you connected—to God, to church, to each other.

Please pray this week for all God's children, especially those who are listed below

Nancy Axelson

James Given

Denny Holker

Russ Reigner

June Bluhm

Becky Grabski

Tammi Johnson

Joan Rohloff

Amber Cruser

David Grimes

Buddy Kalpin

Pete Stupar

Gene Decker

Brian Groff

Marcy Malone

Barb Thorpe

Loyal Dudley

Lance Gubrud

Tom Merchlewicz

Jim Thorpe

David Fickes

Debbie Hale

Natalie Myrick

Karen Wickline

Rebecca Florek

Jack Hansen

Ki Orre

Sue Yeazle

Vern Florek

Merilee Heuchert

Larry Peterson

Mary Zieman

Palm Branches—Make Your Own Palm at Home

This year no floral palm branches will be distributed for Palm Sunday worship, as we cannot be confident that handling the palm branches will not transmit the COVID-19 virus. While they were harvested carefully and left Guatemala virus-free, they were subsequently processed in Florida and shipped. Out of an abundance of caution, these will not be used—saved only for burning at a later date for Ash Wednesday ashes.

All are invited to get crafty and “make your own” using either the templates attached to the email(s) or cutting out the pattern on the front of this bulletin. Color it with markers or crayons if you want. Be creative! Tape or glue your cutout paper palm to a mixing spatula or paint stir stick, and when it’s dry, you have a palm branch to wave.

For more fun, email a picture of you and your palm(s) to office@tlcmonticello.org.

Holy Week Meditations

In recent years, it has become common practice to make the mood shift—and the theological and thematic turn—from the celebratory and triumphant entry into Jerusalem (Palm Sunday) to the somber and sacrificial tone of the crucifixion (Good Friday) midway through the Palm Sunday worship service. This year, however, is not a typical year. Today’s worship reflected this, with the “shift” occurring primarily in the last hymn.

Suggested Scripture readings for the week—

- MONDAY Read Matthew 26:14-35
- TUESDAY Read Matthew 26:36-44
- WEDNESDAY Read Matthew 26:45-75
- THURSDAY Read Matthew 26:76-27:1-26
- FRIDAY (noon - 3pm) Read Matthew 27:27-54

The Trinity YouTube channel will have meditative uploads throughout the week.



No Maundy Thursday service

Celebration of Holy Communion will occur when we are no longer physical distancing

Stripping of the Altar

Thursday, April 9 Trinity YouTube

Good Friday April 10 7:00pm

Trinity Lutheran YouTube channel

Easter Sunday April 12 9:00am

Trinity Lutheran YouTube channel