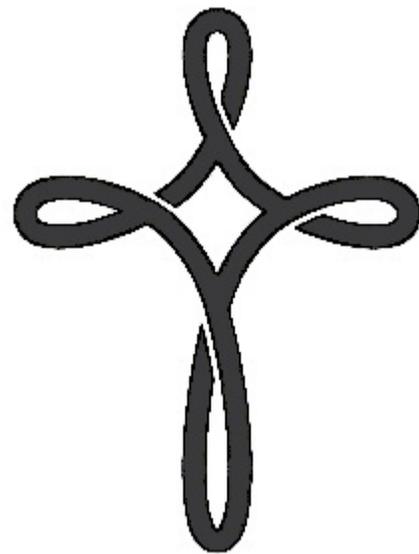


GOOD MORNING

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Welcome

What a fascinating narrative we read today in Luke's Gospel with this severe face-off between the devil and Jesus. But we notice how Jesus does not argue or give credibility to any of the devil's claims. He simply aligns with the authority that he trusts in—which is God's Word. This story establishes Jesus's authority and credibility as the true and obedient Son of God, as he begins his ministry and journey to the cross, giving us confidence as we commit to follow him.

Folded hands—Gethsemane; Was there the master prayed.

Clutching hands—has Judas; For silver he betrayed.

Washing hands—Tis Pilate; Who decided to comply.

Pierced hands—the king of Kings; So ridiculed and scorned.

Wringing hands—has Mary, As beneath the cross she mourned.

Serving hands—the blessed Lord; An example in humility gives.

—Unknown



You are invited to participate in an extraordinary 40 day journey, walking "*Hand in Hand with the Master*" through the opportunity provided in our Lenten worship time together. This year's Lenten Series is based on the poem above. This is a time of year to experience a deeper dive into our relationship with God as we take a look at significant happenings surrounding the passion of Christ and what the scriptures and the Holy Spirit have to say to each one of us in our respective spiritual quest. Please see this also as a special opportunity to invite a friend, neighbor, or work colleague to experience the discipleship ministry of Trinity through this significant series on Wednesdays with worship at 12:15 P.M. or 6:30 P.M.

- March 13 • Folded Hands • Matthew 26:36–39
- March 20 • Clutching Hands • Matthew 26:47–49; 27:3–5
- March 27 • Washing Hands • Matthew 27:11–14, 24–26
- April 3 • Pierced Hands • Matthew 27:27–31
- April 10 • Wringing Hands • John 19:25–27
- April 18 • Serving Hands—Maundy Thursday • John 13:1–8
- April 19 • Open Hands—Good Friday • John 18:1–19:42

Lenten Soup Lunches

Each Wednesday after the 12:15 P.M. Lenten service, the Trinity Room will be the place for marvelous soup and bread, enjoyable fellowship, and something sweet to end the meal. The menu will be posted before the service. The free will offering goes to our Prayer Shawl Ministry.

Walk the Labyrinth this Lent

You are invited to walk Trinity's Labyrinth during Lent. As well as a personal experience, walking the labyrinth is a good experience for a small group or a family. In the past, members have invited friends to join them for a shared spiritual experience. The Chapel will be set up as sacred space, and you are welcome to enjoy the space for quiet time or prayer without using the labyrinth.

The Labyrinth will be available in the Chapel during the times listed below:

- Wednesdays, March 13, 27 from 10:00 A.M.–8:00 P.M.
- Thursdays, March 7, 14, 21, 28 from 10:00 A.M.–5:00 P.M.
- Fridays, March 8, 15, 22, 29 from 9:00 A.M.–1:30 P.M.

Today's Adult Forum

Just like we all have unique personality types, gifts, and leadership styles, we all have a spiritual type. Learning about your spiritual type can show you what faith practices suit you and what aspects of worship are especially important for you. Learning about the spiritual types of others can help you understand their needs and appreciate your differences. Join Pastor Natalie in the Fireside Room following the 8:15 A.M. and 9:45 A.M. worship services.

Global Missions in Jamaica

The Cross-Generational Mission Trip Team welcomes your support by providing funds for purchasing supplies. Pick up a sponsorship slip in the lobby today or give directly online at Trinity noting: "Jamaica Project." The participants pay their own expenses and also contribute toward materials, but your support helps make the projects a success.

Re-Purpose

Do you have men's ties no longer in style? Want to re-purpose your men's ties? Your ties can find a new home in Jamaica at Jabneb Christian Academy. Any ties donated will be used for a children's craft project. The deadline for tie donation is Sunday, March 17. Please drop them off at the church office. Thank you!

Friendship Group

The Friendship Group will meet on Wednesday, March 13, at 10:30 A.M. in the Fireside Room. After a brief meeting, our program will be on early Eau Claire newspaperman, Waldemar Ager. This year marks the 150th anniversary of Ager's birth. We will look at and discuss the many events being sponsored by the Ager Association.

It's Friends of Flynn Fund Drive Time!

Donations are being sought this month to help fund the Friends of Flynn efforts. We know that many of you give to this wonderful community service mission through your weekly or monthly gifts. Others donate through memorial gifts and/or make donations of books, school supplies, and more. We appreciate those donations and we thank you.

Our goal is to raise \$6,100 or more this month. Thank you in advance for your consideration and generosity in giving to Friends of Flynn.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Summer!

Summer will come! So it's time to mark your calendar for Summer Day Camps! Summer brochures were mailed out in early March, and registration will be online! Check out our website for more information. Registration will open on Monday, March 18, at 8:00 A.M. www.trinity-ec.org/children_summer_camps.phtml

- Great Pretenders: June 10–13
- Luther Park Day Camp: June 17–20
- Camp Come and Play: Session 1: June 17–20; Session 2: July 8–11
- Cook and Book & Master Chef: July 8–11
- Backyard Bonanza: Wednesday's, June 12–July 10
- Vacation Bible School: July 22–26

Vacation Bible School "Promises in God's Word"

VBS is scheduled for July 22–26 from 8:45 A.M.–12:15 P.M. Join us for a week of learning about God's promises! The cost is a suggested \$25 donation per child. VBS is for children who are three through those completing sixth grade. The Kickoff Event is Sunday, July 21, at the 9:45 A.M. worship service. Registration will be online and will open on March 18 at 8:00 A.M.

High School Counselors & Middle School Volunteers Needed

Trinity's Summer Day Camp Ministry is looking for high school counselors (completing grades 9–12) and middle school volunteers (completing grades 6, 7, or 8) to assist with Day Camps in June and July. For more information and to apply, visit our website at www.trinity-ec.org/children_staff.phtml. Applications must be received by April 30.

YOUTH MINISTRIES

No Club 78 or Club 9 on March 27

Just a reminder that there will be no programming on Wednesday, March 27. Have a wonderful and safe Spring Break.

Summer Stretch

GATHER together to learn from the Bible and one another, SERVE our community with our time and presence, and PLAY together through activities and fun. Summer Stretch gives youth who have completed grades 5, 6, 7, or 8 a safe, healthy place to belong where they can contribute to the community and socialize with their peers. Summer Stretch dates are July 16, 17, 18, 30, and August 1. We have something new this year! Our first date to gather, July 16, will be a trip to Bloomington, MN for rock climbing. We will use this experience to discuss why participating in service around our community is so important. The registration deadline is June 1. Registration information may be found at the Toolbench.

Luther Park Summer Camp

Spots are filling up fast, so get registered today! Pastor Brahm and Ashley are inviting all students who are completing grades 6, 7, or 8 to attend Camp Pathfinders on June 16–21 at Luther Park Bible Camp in Chetek, WI. Check out www.lutherpark.org to learn more about Luther Park Summer Camps and to register.

For more information about any of the scheduled events listed above, please contact Ashley Olson at ashley@trinity-ec.org or call her at 715.832.6601 ext. 209.

Winter Parking Etiquette & Inclement Weather Policy

As winter continues, parking around Trinity is affected by snowbanks. When you are parking on the residential streets, please be careful to park four feet away from neighbors' driveways. Periodically neighbors call Trinity with concerns about vehicles restricting visibility and driveway access. Please be kind and park appropriately.

During the winter, there are times when we cancel children's programs due to snow or ice storms. Please check our website for updates, or call the church office if unsure.

If schools are closed

- Noah's Ark Preschool will be closed.
- Early Childhood Education classes will be cancelled.
- MWF Exercise Class will be cancelled.
- Thursday Morning Text Study will be cancelled.

If there is a two hour delay

- Noah's Ark Preschool will follow its normal schedule.
- Early Childhood Education will follow its normal schedule.
- MWF Exercise Class will follow its normal schedule.
- Thursday Morning Text Study will be cancelled.

"Become Your Best US" Marriage Class

Every couple is unique. They're an "US." There are things they like to do, places they like to go, histories that are their own. And whether they are loving their US, wondering if their US is going to make it, or somewhere in between, every couple at some level wants to become their best US. They just may not be sure how. So,

- While the way we are wired both individually and as a couple may be different . . .
- While our stage of life might be different . . .
- While our situations may be different . . .

There are some great relationship habits that empower all of us—specifically four core habits that come from Scripture that can help every couple become their best US.

We'll explore these core habits and more on five Sunday evenings at 6:00 P.M. in the lobby beginning March 17. Register by Monday, March 11, at Clipboard Central or online at www.trinity-ec.org by clicking on the blue "Sign up Here" button to ensure your spot. Cost is \$10 per couple to cover materials. Checks made payable to Trinity Lutheran or cash may be dropped off at the church office. Childcare will be available upon request.