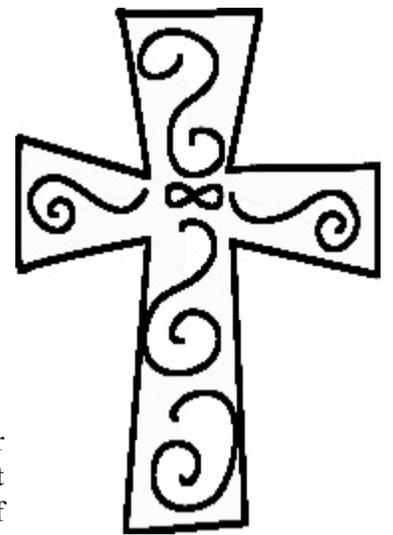


Good Morning

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Welcome to Worship!

Jesus gives us the image today that God is like a mother hen gathering her brood under her wings in an embrace of love and protection. Even when we fall short, even when we don't live up to our end of God's covenant, God loves us. This is good news for us this season of Lent.

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

Global Mission 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 TODAY! Please drop them off at the church office. Thank you!

What is Your Spiritual Type?

Just like we all have unique personality types, gifts, and leadership styles, we all have a spiritual type. Our spiritual type can be evaluated and described in a variety of ways. 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.

To learn more about your spiritual type, join the Spirituality Class which will meet on Thursdays, March 28, April 4 and 11, at 1:00 P.M. in the Fireside Room. We will explore spiritual practices that you may find meaningful, discuss famous people who share your type, celebrate our differences, and think about how it all applies to our lives and the Trinity community.

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.

Serving Others Locally

- Trinity will fulfill a variety of tasks at The Beacon House from April 7–11. We have spots available for evening and breakfast hosts, providing dinner, and overnight hosts. If you are available for a volunteer shift, you are invited to sign up at the designated sheet at Clipboard Central. Roman and Diane Fritz, Trinity members, will contact you with additional details. Thank you!
- Trinity will serve at Sojourner House on Friday, April 19, from 6:30 P.M. –9:30 P.M. We are looking for volunteers to donate two large fruit salads to be served with the meal. Sign up at the designated sheet at Clipboard Central. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Phyllis Grohn at 715.836.7055.

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. Please make the checks payable to Trinity Lutheran with memo; Friends of Flynn. Thank you in advance for your consideration and generosity in giving to Friends of Flynn.

Food Pantry Statistics

- There were 12 pantries held in February.
- Total visits were 438 families made up of 1,242 individuals including 434 children.
- Trinity purchased 15,206 lbs. of food from Feed My People; total cost was \$1,869.68.
- Kwik Trip donated 1,075 lbs. of food.
- Aldi's donated 847 lbs. of food.
- Other donations were 95 lbs. of food
- 67 volunteers donated 250 hours in February.

Save The Date

Get ready for "The Day Of Renewal." The ELCA Chippewa Valley Conference will meet on Saturday, April 6, from 9:00 A.M.–1:00 P.M. at New Hope Lutheran Church, N2698 460th Street in Downsville, WI. Lunch is provided. The presenter will be Janet Larson. She co-authored the "Growing Up Lutheran" books which are the inspiration for all the Church Basement Ladies musicals. The iscost \$13 per person; only \$10 for first time attendees. Registration forms and more information are located on the Women's Ministry bulletin board across from the nursery. Please contact Jacki Johnson at 715.864.1489 with any questions.