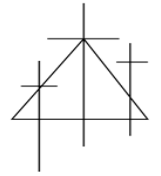
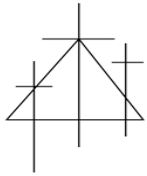


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Making Known the Love of Christ



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“Running the Race, Enduring through Faith” Hebrews 12:1-3

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### From our Pastors

#### The Voice of the Son of God

Jesus said, *Truly, truly, I say to you, an hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live* (John 5:25).

Dear Brothers and Sisters of our Lord Jesus Christ,

The human voice is a thing of great power and persuasion; we use it to speak to one another, to sing and cry, to laugh and scream. Think of everything you learn by listening carefully to someone talk. Often you can guess their age, and their gender. Maybe where they grew up. Often you can feel the emotions they feel—their happiness, their fear, and their love. Voices can create empathy and understanding; they transmit emotion. We are wired to feel each other this way. Even when you don’t understand the words someone is saying, a human voice still establishes a connection like nothing else can except, of course, when it comes to the voice of the Son of God. The voice of the Son of God does even more, it gives forgiveness for sin, life that conquers death, and peace that surpasses all understanding.

For example, a paralytic heard the voice of Jesus say these words, “Cheer up, friend! Your sins are forgiven” (Matthew 9:2), and his sins were forgiven. The same voice of Jesus delivers forgiveness to you for Jesus says of those He sets apart to speak in His name, “He who listens to you, listens to me” (Luke 10:16). When a pastor says, “As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit,” it is Jesus’ voice you hear, and it is His forgiveness delivered to you.

Jesus says, “My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. I give them eternal life” (John 10:27). When He says that and this, “Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life” (John 6:24), He’s talking about you. “The words I have spoken to you,” Jesus says, “are spirit and they are life” (John 6:63).

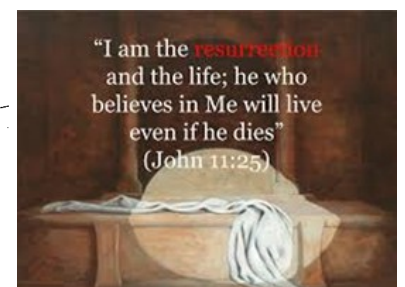
The resurrected Jesus who went to His disciples on that first Easter Sunday and said, “Peace be with you,” also comes to you with that same peace today. “Peace be with you” Jesus said through the pastor when you were baptized, and you were given the peace of knowing that our Lord will never leave you nor forsake you. “The peace of the Lord be with you always” you hear as His word delivers His body and blood every Lord’s Day in the Lord’s Supper, and you have the peace of knowing that God lives with you in Christ. Jesus said, “Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me” (Revelation 3:20). This is the feast of victory for our God we celebrate every Sunday.

Jesus said, “Truly, truly, I say to you, an hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live” (John 5:25). He is risen! He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

In Christ,

Rev. Timothy J. Mech  
Senior Pastor

Rev. John M. Berg  
Associate Pastor



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Divine Services:  
Sunday at 8:00 & 10:45 am  
Monday at 6:30 pm  
Family Education Hour  
9:30 am

Bible Classes  
(throughout the week)

Trinity Lutheran School  
3-K thru 8th grade  
2 Year Old Childcare

## April Calendar



**Sundays: Weekly**

- \* Divine Services 8: & 10:45 am

**Mondays: Weekly**

- \* Divine Service 6:30 pm

**Tuesdays: 1st & 3rd**

- \* Mom's Bible Study 8:45 am

**Wednesdays: Weekly**

- \* Lent Services 8:30 am & 6:30 pm
- \* Adult Bible Study 9:30 am (FH)
- \* Midweek Confirmation 3:30 pm
- \* Men's Choir 5:45 pm (MR)
- \* Mixed Choir 7:00 pm (MR) (during Lent 7:30 pm)

**Thursday: Weekly**

- \* Women's Bible Study 9:00 am (FH)

**Fridays: Weekly**

- \* Men's Bible Study 7 am (FH)

**April 2025**

**Wednesday, April 2**

- \* Lenten Services 8:30 am & 6:30 pm
- \* Light supper @ 5:00 pm (FH)
- \* **Grime Meet & Greet 7:30 pm (Lounge)**  
(after Lenten Service)

**Monday, April 7**

- \* **School Board Meeting 7:30 pm**

**Wednesday, April 9**

- \* Lent Services 8:30 am & 6:30 pm
- \* Light supper hosted by the LWML @ 5:30 pm (FH)

**Thursday, April 17 - Maundy Thursday**

- \* **Lenten Services 8:30 am & 6:30 pm**

**Friday, April 18 - Good Friday (No School)**

- \* **Good Friday Service 1:00 pm**
- \* **Tenebrae Service 7:00 pm**

**Sunday, April 20 - Easter Sunday**

- \* **Easter Sunrise Service 6:30 am (begins in gym)**
- \* **Easter Festival Services 8:30 am & 10:30 am**
- \* Easter Breakfast 7:30 am - 10:30 am (Gym)

**Monday, April 21 - No Trinity School**

- \* Church & School Offices Closed
- \* No Monday Night Service

**Wednesday, April 23**

- \* Confirmation Review 3:30 pm (Fellowship Hall)

**Tuesday, April 29**

- \* Profession of Faith 6:30 pm (Church Sanctuary)

**NEWSLETTER SUPPORT:** The funds in our monthly newsletter account is running low. If you would like to help sponsor the newsletter, you may send your donation (any amount) to the church office. If you would like more information, contact Chris Melcher (458-8246) or [melcher@trinitysheboygan.org](mailto:melcher@trinitysheboygan.org).

## News & Notes

**Order your 2025 EASTER LILIES**

Please complete this form and return it to the church office with payment. Make checks payable to "Trinity". Cost of each lily is \$11.00. **Deadline for your order is Wednesday, April 9.**

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**PRINCIPAL UPDATE:** On March 19<sup>th</sup> Trinity extended a solemn appointment for Mr. Nathan Grime to be the new principal of our school. Nathan will be visiting Trinity April 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup>. You are cordially invited to join us Wednesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> for dinner at 5pm in the Fellowship Hall, the Midweek Lenten Service at 6:30pm in the church, and a reception to meet Mr. Grime following the service in the Lounge. Nathan and his fiancée, Claire Seifferlein, are eager to meet the members of the congregation, Trinity staff, as well as the parents and students of our school. All are welcome!

RISE Youth Group Movie Screening:

*The Passion of the Christ*

**Sunday, April 6th**

LHS Performing Arts Center

Doors open @ 1:30 pm

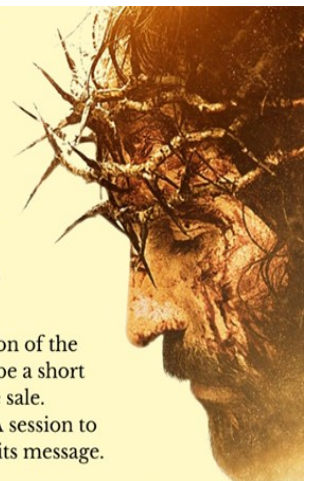
Movie Screening 2:00-4:00 pm

Q&A Session 4:00-5:00 pm

Join us for a free showing of The Passion of the Christ. Following the movie, there will be a short break with a free-will offering bake sale. We'll then transition to a Pastor-led Q&A session to reflect on the significance of the film and its message.

Q&A Session featuring:  
Rev. Dr. Josh LaFeve, Rev. Matt Shive,  
Rev. Adam Barkley & Rev. John Berg

*All are welcome!*



## From our School

“Running the Race, Enduring through Faith” Hebrews 12:1-3

Dear Trinity Members,

March and April in Wisconsin are a season of endurance. One day, the sun shines warmly, melting the last patches of snow. The next, the wind shifts, and we find ourselves reaching for our winter coats once again. Just when we start to believe spring is here to stay, winter reminds us it's not quite finished. Our students take home their snow pants, boots, hats, and gloves, only to bring them back a few days later. At times, winter can feel like an endless waiting game—until, at last, the wind calms, the sun shines brightly, the temperatures rise, and nature reawakens (and so do we!).



In many ways, our lives as Christians mirror this experience. This year, our theme verse reminds us: *"...let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God (Hebrews 12:1b-2).*

We, too, must endure. We live in a world still affected by the darkness of sin—our own and that which surrounds us. We see it in the brokenness of relationships, the pain of sickness and loss, the injustices that seem to prevail, and the temptations that pull us away from God. Sin casts shadows of doubt, fear, and despair, making it easy to wonder if light and hope will ever truly break through. Just as surely as spring follows winter, however, Easter follows Good Friday. The cross gives way to the empty tomb, and death is swallowed up in victory! The death and resurrection of Christ makes all things new!

This is the Good News we hold onto, and it is the Good News that Lutheran schools share with each new generation. In our classrooms and hallways, children learn that they are loved by a Savior who endured the cross for them. They hear that, no matter how dark life may seem, the light of Christ shines brighter. They are taught to run their race with faith, knowing that the victory has already been won for them.

As we watch the world (slowly!) wake from winter's hold, let it be a reminder of the new life we have in Christ. The promise of Easter is not just for one season, but for all eternity.

Dr. Jenna Roeske  
Principal



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**Wed. April 2, 8:30am/6:30pm**  
John 18:33-40  
"Barabbas"

**Sun. April 6, 8/10:45am, 6:30pm Mon.**  
Luke 20:9-20  
"Hope for Wicked Tenants"

**Wed. April 9, 8:30am/6:30pm**  
John 19:1-16  
"Pontius Pilate"

**Palm Sunday**  
**April 13, 8/10:45am**  
**6:30pm Mon.**  
Luke 23:26-49  
"Expectations Meet Reality"

**Maundy Thursday**  
**April 17, 8:30am/6:30pm**  
Luke 22:7-20  
"When Everything Old is New Again"



Palm Sunday

**Good Friday**  
**April 18, 1p/7p (Tenebrae Service)**  
John 19:25-37  
"John, The Gospel Writer"

**Easter Sunday Sunrise Service**  
**April 20, 6:30am**  
John 20:1-18  
"Waking Up to a New Day"

**Easter Sunday Festival Services April 20**  
8:30am/10:30am  
Luke 24:1-12  
"Not What was Expected"



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