



**Holy
Trinity
Lutheran
Church**

Our Mission:
To make Disciples
by Baptizing and
Teaching about Jesus.

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Wednesday in Holy Week

MARCH 27, 2024

Confession and Absolution

Opening Hymn LSB 423 Jesus, Refuge of the Weary



1 Je - sus, ref - uge of the wea - ry, Blest Re - deem - er,
2 Do we pass that cross un - heed - ing, Breath - ing no re -
3 Je - sus, may our hearts be burn - ing With more fer - vent



whom we love, Foun - tain in life's des - ert drea - ry, Sav - ior
pen - tant vow, Though we see You wound - ed, bleed - ing, See Your
love for You; May our eyes be ev - er turn - ing To be -



from the world a - bove: Of - ten have Your eyes, of - fend - ed,
thorn - en - cir - cled brow? Yet Your sin - less death has brought us
hold Your cross a - new Till in glo - ry, part - ed nev - er



Gazed up - on the sin - ner's fall; Yet up - on the
Life e - ter - nal, peace, and rest; On - ly what Your
From the bless - ed Sav - ior's side, Grav - en in our



cross ex - tend - ed, You have borne the pain of all.
grace has taught us Calms the sin - ner's deep dis - tress.
hearts for - ev - er, Dwell the cross, the Cru - ci - fied.

Text: Girolamo Savonarola, 1452-98; tr. Jane F. Wilde, 1826-96, alt.
Tune: Erbaulicher Musicalischer Christen-Schatz, 1745, Basel
Text and tune: Public domain

Please stand.

Opening Versicles

LSB 260

- L** This is the day which the Lord has made;
- C** let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- L** Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;
- C** I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.
- L** Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.

- C** Teach me Your paths.
- L** Sanctify us in Your truth.
- C** Your Word is truth.
- L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Old Testament Canticle

LSB 261

- C** The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

With joy will you draw water from the wells of salvation.

And you will say in that day:

“Give thanks to the Lord, call upon His name,
make known His deeds among the peoples,
proclaim that His name is exalted.”

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

Sing praises to the Lord, for He has done gloriously;
let this be made known in all the earth.

Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitants of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy
One of Israel.

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

Please be seated.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 62:11—63:7

- L** A reading from Isaiah, the sixty-second chapter.

¹¹Behold, the LORD has proclaimed
to the end of the earth:
Say to the daughter of Zion,
“Behold, your salvation comes;
behold, his reward is with him,
and his recompense before him.”

¹²And they shall be called The Holy People,
The Redeemed of the LORD;
and you shall be called Sought Out,
A City Not Forsaken.

¹Who is this who comes from Edom,
in crimsoned garments from Bozrah,
he who is splendid in his apparel,
marching in the greatness of his strength?
“It is I, speaking in righteousness,
mighty to save.”

²Why is your apparel red,
and your garments like his who treads in the winepress?

³“I have trodden the winepress alone,
and from the peoples no one was with me;
I trod them in my anger
and trampled them in my wrath;
their lifeblood spattered on my garments,
and stained all my apparel.

⁴For the day of vengeance was in my heart,
and my year of redemption had come.

⁵I looked, but there was no one to help;
I was appalled, but there was no one to uphold;
so my own arm brought me salvation,
and my wrath upheld me.

⁶I trampled down the peoples in my anger;
I made them drunk in my wrath,
and I poured out their lifeblood on the earth.”

⁷I will recount the steadfast love of the LORD,
the praises of the LORD,
according to all that the LORD has granted us,
and the great goodness to the house of Israel
that he has granted them according to his compassion,
according to the abundance of his steadfast love.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading

Hebrews 4:1–10

L A reading from Hebrews, the fourth chapter.

¹Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it. ²For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. ³For we who have believed enter that rest, as he has said,

“As I swore in my wrath,
“They shall not enter my rest,””

although his works were finished from the foundation of the world. ⁴For he has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: “And God rested on the seventh day from all his works.” ⁵And again in this passage he said,

“They shall not enter my rest.”

⁶Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, ⁷again he appoints a certain day, “Today,” saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted,

“Today, if you hear his voice,
do not harden your hearts.”

⁸For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on. ⁹So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, ¹⁰for whoever has entered God’s rest has also rested from his works as God did from his.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm Reading

Psalm 56:1–4, 11

¹Be gracious to me, O God, for man tramples | on me;*

all day long an attacker op- | presses me;

²my enemies trample on me | all day long,*

for many attack me | proudly.

³When I | am afraid,*

I put my | trust in you.

⁴In God, whose word I praise,

in God I trust; I shall not | be afraid.*

What can flesh | do to me?

¹¹in God I trust; I shall not | be afraid.*

What can man | do to me?

Gospel Reading

John 16:25–33

²⁵“I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. ²⁶In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; ²⁷for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. ²⁸I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father.”

²⁹His disciples said, “Ah, now you are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech!
³⁰Now we know that you know all things and do not need anyone to question you; this is why we believe that you came from God.” ³¹Jesus answered them, “Do you now believe?
³²Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with me. ³³I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.”

- L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Responsory

LSB 263

- L** Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.
- C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.
- L** Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.
- C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.
- L** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
- C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

Ten Commandments

LSB 264

- C** You shall have no other gods.
You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.
Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.
Honor your father and your mother.
You shall not murder.
You shall not commit adultery.
You shall not steal.
You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.
You shall not covet your neighbor's house.
You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Apostles' Creed

LSB 264

- C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead.
 He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
 From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church,
 the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body, and the life † everlasting. Amen.

C 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.

Please be seated.

Sermon Hymn LSB 770 What a Friend We Have in Jesus



1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, All our sins and griefs to bear!
 2 Have we tri - als and temp-ta-tions? Is there trou-ble an - y-where?
 3 Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, Cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry Ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!
 We should nev - er be dis - cour-aged— Take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge— Take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; Oh, what need-less pain we bear—
 Can we find a friend so faith - ful Who will all our sor - rows share?
 Do thy friends de - spise, for - sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



All be - cause we do not car - ry Ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!
 Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak-ness— Take it to the Lord in prayer.
 In His arms He'll take and shield thee; Thou wilt find a sol - ace there.

Text: Joseph M. Scriven, 1819–86
 Tune: Charles C. Converse, 1832–1918
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Sermon

- P** The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. *Philippians 4:7*
- C** Amen.

Please stand.

Prayer

LSB 265

- L** In peace let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- L** For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- L** For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- L** For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- L** For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- L** For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- L** For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- L** For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- L** For . . . *[additional bids for prayer may be inserted here]* . . . let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- L** Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Prayer

Almighty, everlasting God, through Your only Son, our blessed Lord, You commanded us to love our enemies, to do good to those who hate us, and to pray for those who persecute us. Therefore, we earnestly implore You that by Your gracious working our enemies may be led to true repentance, may have the same love toward us as we have toward them, and may be of one accord and of one mind and heart with us and with Your whole Church; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

Collect of the Day

- L** Merciful and everlasting God, You did not spare Your only Son but delivered Him up for us all to bear our sins on the cross. Grant that our hearts may be so fixed with steadfast faith in Him that we fear not the power of sin, death, and the devil; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

Collect for the Word

- L** Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

Evening Prayer

- C** I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Blessing

- L** Let us bless the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.
- L** The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.
- C** Amen.

Closing Hymn LSB 887 Now the Light Has Gone Away

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| 1 | Now the light has gone away;
Father, listen while I pray,
Asking Thee to watch and keep
And to send me quiet sleep. | 4 | Now my evening praise I give;
Thou didst die that I might live.
All my blessings come from Thee;
Oh, how good Thou art to me! |
| 2 | Jesus, Savior, wash away
All that has been wrong today;
Help me ev'ry day to be
Good and gentle, more like Thee. | 5 | Thou, my best and kindest Friend,
Thou wilt love me to the end.
Let me love Thee more and more,
Always better than before. |
| 3 | Let my near and dear ones be
Always near and dear to Thee;
O bring me and all I love
To Thy happy home above. | | |

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PARISHSCOPE

Easter Sunday Breakfast... will be shared at 9:00 a.m. on Easter Sunday March 31st directly before the 10:00 Easter Sunday Communion Service. ***There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex for you to let us know what breakfast item you plan to bring.*** Thank you for your generosity!

Fellowship/Ping-Pong... Mondays at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Cancellations... there will be **NO Women's Bible Study or Tuesday Evening Bible Study** next week on April 2nd, while we enjoy a spring break during the Easter Season. Both classes will resume on April 9th. Also The **Council Meeting** originally scheduled for March 28th has been postponed until April 18th at 6:00 pm to allow the members to enjoy tomorrow's Maundy Thursday service without distraction.

Our next Midweek Worship Service with Communion... will be observed on Wednesday, April 3rd at 7:00 p.m. This Service, as well as all Holy Trinity Worship Services, are live-streamed on our Facebook page: facebook.com/HolyTLAlbion and on our YouTube channel: youtube.com/@holytrinitylutheranchurch9176 Service bulletins are on our website: holytrinitylutheranalbion.org/documents . Please join us in person when you are able.

LOOKING AHEAD...

LWML Spring Rally... we are taking a carload of mission-minded ladies to Peace Lutheran Church in McMurray, PA, on Saturday April 6th. There is a \$5 fee and a free will offering will be taken at the rally. We will leave Holy Trinity's parking lot at 7 AM to arrive at Peace Lutheran for the rally that starts at 9:30 AM with a continental breakfast. A business meeting and lunch, ending around 2 PM, and we will arrive back at Holy Trinity at 4:30 PM. The rally includes Speaker **Shari Crum**, Director of the **Pittsburgh Lutheran Center for the Blind**, now in its 25th year serving the visually impaired in the Pittsburgh area. A business meeting and lunch will follow, ending around 2 PM, and we will arrive back at Holy Trinity at 4:30 PM. We are asking Holy Trinity to contribute the following items for us to contribute to the Ingathering at the upcoming English District Convention in Detroit, MI at the end of April:

- For **Eli's House**: please bring donations of Juice boxes, breakfast or granola bars, individual serving size boxes of raisins, cookies, crackers and chewing gum.
- For **Camp Restore Detroit**, please bring donations of pocket folders, packages of lined notebook paper or composition notebooks.

Even if you can't attend the rally yourself, you can still take part by donation these items for us to deliver. We have one vehicle full of ladies but there is always room for more, so please contact Carolyn Lindenmuth if you would like to join us on this adventure!

Special Voter's Meeting... will be held on Sunday, April 7th, directly following the 10 a.m. service starting about 11 a.m. to discuss the estimates gathered by the trustees' for replacing the roof.

Quarterly Voters' Meeting... will be held Sunday April 21st directly after the 10:00 Communion Service, at approximately 11:00 a.m.

Car Cruisin'... Mark your calendars for our third annual Car Cruisin' to be held Saturday July 27th, 2024 (rain date August 3rd) from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Food will be provided by Heavenly Fried including Sloppy Joes and Hot Dogs, a 50/50 drawing, LWML Bake Sale, music and more! We are asking for donations for items to be raffled in the Chance Auction. See Ed Podpora for questions, comments, or if you want to help.

HOLY WEEK

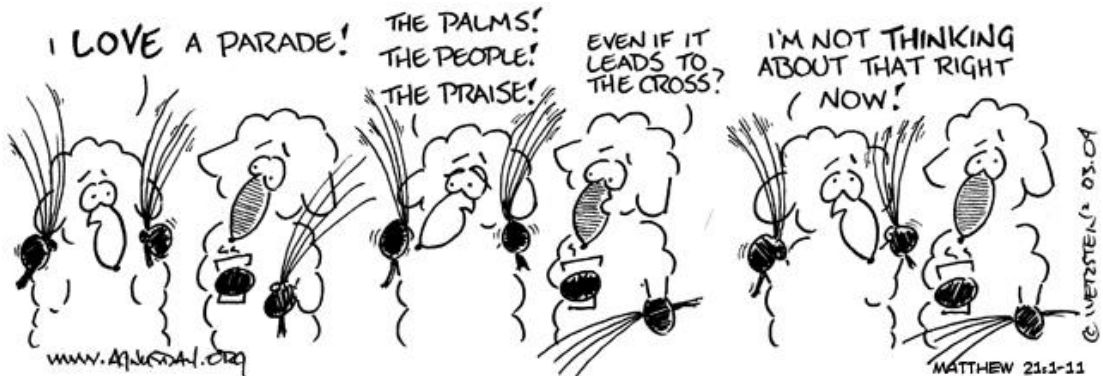


WORSHIP SCHEDULE

HOLY WEEK is the last week of the 40-day season of Lent and the week preceding Easter. In Holy Week, we focus on the last week of Christ's life, remembering especially His passion and resurrection.

Maunder Thursday	March 28th	Worship Service <i>with communion</i>	7:00 p.m.
Good Friday	March 29th	Worship Service	7:00 p.m.
Easter Sunday	March 31st	Breakfast Worship Service <i>with communion</i>	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.

LWML Monthly meeting... will be held on Sunday, April 7th directly following the 10 a.m. service starting about 11 a.m. There is much to discuss, so there will be NO Choir Practice today to accommodate the LWML meeting. This will be a full meeting complete with a short Bible Study, a report on the Spring Zone Rally, a report on our Nut Roll fundraiser and refreshments. Please plan to join us!



PRAYER GUIDE

Those needing healing...

*Robert Bright (father-in-law
of Debbie Bright)*

David Durfee

Florence English

Renee & Alyssa Isham

Pastor Blaine Jorg

Dave Knickerbocker

Emily Marler (daughter of

Pastor & Susan Taylor)

Shelby, Tracy & Patricia

Metzenbacher

John & Andy Metka (Susan

Taylor's brothers)

John Nielma

Linda (Stevens) Olmstead

Cindy Parobek

Avery Podpora

Ray & Carol Struchen

Russell Struchen

Virginia Taylor (mother

of Pastor Taylor)

Extended Needs...

Evelyn Stevens

Those in the Armed Services...

Jennifer Attridge

Adam Crosby

Julie Evans

Christopher Fromknecht

Christina Guthrie

Violette Hosack

Nate Lawrence

Joe Moore

Shawn Olmstead

John Parmarter

Thomas Reiser

Timothy Reiser

Taylor Sisson

Jarrold White

LOOKING AHEAD...

Holy Trinity hosts the Albion Area Community Garden...

Now is the time to plan your spring planting. 4' X 8' garden plots are available now for you, for free, assigned on a first come-first served basis. Some of the food grown is donated to the **Northwestern Food Pantry**. Come volunteer so that there will be more food for all. The garden was created to feed the Albion area, promote recycling, up-cycling and to bring the community together through working on many projects. Follow us @ facebook.com/albionareacommunitygarden

Portals of Prayer... the April, May June edition of Portals of Prayer is available on the tables in the narthex in both regular and large print for your personal devotions.

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Library... has 4 patrons, 80 books, 8 DVDs and one CD available to borrow. Stop by the office to become a member & borrow our media. We have expanded our selection C.S. Lewis media. In addition to **Mere Christianity, The Four Loves**, and **The Great Divorce**, we have included an anthology of his works **The Essential C. S. Lewis**, also **The Screwtape Letters, Miracles, The Chronicles of Narnia, Letters to Malcolm, The Problem of Pain**, and a BBC movie of his later years with his wife Joy Gresham called **Shadowlands**. Come to the church office if you have questions, comments or to see what else we have to offer. You can browse our materials & request items on hold on the web @ holyltrinityalbionlibrary.librarika.com/

Schedule for this week

March 28 –April 3:

Thursday March 28

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Office Hours

Friday March 29

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Office Hours

Saturday March 30

Sunday March 31 ~ Easter Sunday

9:00 am **Easter Sunday**

Breakfast

10:00 am **Communion Service**

Monday April 1

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Office Hours

6:00 pm **Fellowship/Ping Pong**

Tuesday April 2

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Office Hours

NO Women's Bible Study

NO Evening Bible Study

Wednesday April 3

9:00 am – 1:00 pm Office Hours

1:00 pm **ParishScope Deadline**

7:00 pm **Worship Service**

with Communion

Temple Servants for Easter

Sunday, April 3rd:

Reader – John Nielma

Ushers – David Lindenmuth

Ed Podpora

Elder of the Day – Chuck Stevens

Kitchen Administrator for March is
Valania Niemia, 814-756-3117

