

## This Week at Trinity Lutheran Church

### Sunday, April 7

Personal Hygiene Appeal  
Traditional Worship, 8 a.m.  
Rejoice Worship (Rejoice band), 9:15 a.m.  
Live Streaming of Worship, 9:15 and 10:45 a.m.  
Traditional Worship, 10:45 a.m.

### Monday, April 8

Stroller Barre, 9 a.m.  
Bible Study, 10:30 a.m.  
Schubert Male Chorus Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m.  
Safety & Security Meeting, 5:30 p.m.  
Beyond Belief Rehearsal, 6 p.m.  
Schubert Male Chorus Rehearsal, 6 p.m.  
Rejoice Band Rehearsal, 6 p.m.  
Congregation Council Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

### Tuesday, April 9

LWR Quilters, 9:30 a.m.  
GriefShare, 3:30 p.m.  
Fit4Baby, 7 p.m.

### Wednesday, April 10

Fitness Class, 9 a.m.  
Coffee & Donuts, 10:15 a.m.  
Spring Sumud Adult Forum, 10:30 a.m.  
Spring JOYful Days Lunch & Speaker, 11:30 a.m.  
Spring Sumud Adult Forum, 7 p.m.

### Thursday, April 11

COMCS Rehearsal, 10 a.m.  
Tai Chi, 10:15 a.m.  
Resound Bell Choir Rehearsal, 6 p.m.  
Choosing Peace & Serenity AFG, 7 p.m.  
Trinity Choir Rehearsal, 7:15 p.m.

### Friday, April 12

COMCS Rehearsal, 10 a.m.

### Saturday, April 13

Men's Breakfast, 8 a.m.  
COMCS Rehearsal, noon  
Taylor Swift: The Eras Tour Movie, 2 p.m.

### Sunday, April 14

Personal Hygiene Appeal  
Traditional Worship, 8 a.m.  
Rejoice Worship (Beyond Belief)  
Livestreaming of Worship, 9:15 and 10:45 a.m.  
Traditional Worship, 10:45 a.m.  
Stephen Ministry Continuing Education, 12:30 p.m.  
COMCS Rehearsal, 1 p.m.  
Stephen Ministry Peer Support Group, 1:30 p.m.  
Middle School Youth Group, 2 p.m.  
Confirmation Class, 3 p.m.  
High School Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.

## Assisting in Worship This Morning

### 8 a.m.

Sacristan: Carrie Wygmans  
Lector: Debbie Duckworth  
Communion Assistants: Debbie Duckworth  
Nancy Morrison  
Ushers: Bill Bailey, John Potter, Joel Westra  
Acolytes: Jude Westra

### 9:15 a.m.

Rejoice Band leading worship  
Sacristan: Steve Stephan  
Lector: Amy Fox  
Communion Assistants: Joanna Waite, Ed Lohr  
Ushers: Todd Brandstadt, Morrie & Cindy Fongers,  
Ethan Guis, Ed Lohr, Lisa Mead  
Acolytes: TBD

### 10:45 a.m.

Cantor: Emily Volz Mills  
Sacristan: Jo Murphy  
Lector: Jo Murphy  
Communion Assistants: Bryan & Kate Bredwell  
Ushers: David, Bergen & Theo Marquardt, Brad Kessel,  
Dorothy Postema  
Acolytes: TBD

**Bread Baker:** Alexis Mason

## Trinity Members in Our Prayers

We pray for **Trinity members in times of illness, hospitalization, rehabilitation and recovery:** Sue Bailey, Lisa Barkema, Don Barsema, David Benkert, Krysta Billock, Bev Block, Ken Block, Sue Boyse, Pat Bruin, Steve Cairns, Gordy Engstrom, Ruth Ann Evans, Grant Ferguson, Biruta Fessenden, Diane Field, Richard Gehl, Elena Griewahn, Elwyn Griewahn, Bob Heine, Callan Hughes, Carol Huttenga, Sherri Ide, Mary Johnson, Patricia Johnson, Isaac (Ike) Keller, Grace Lanning, John Leese, Marilyn Leese, Jane Legault, Judy Mallen, Tom Mannisto, Rebecca Mattison, Stephanie McLeod, Nancy Moga, Laura Norton, Julia Pfeiffle, Jesse Platt, Jacqueline Riegling, Denny Rosen, Marian Schaible, Chas Schaner, Ann Schomberg, Chris Schomberg, Lee Schomberg, Bob Sielaff, Dale Volkerding, Gloria Von der Heide, John Walls, Robert Williams, Rick Wolner, David Young, Kathy Young, and Kathryn Zielinski.

We also lift up **Trinity families mourning the loss of loved ones:** Albert Asfour, Maria Ashimine, Carrie and David Boer, Beverly and John Bosserman, Bryan and Kate Bredwell, Liz and Jason Coles, Barb Crossman, Jack Danielson, Scott and Corina Dulecki, Julie Earhart, Jon Ferguson, Diane Field, John and Kris Fox, Mary Frick, Josh and Katie Gardner, Susan and Terry Knoll, Joni and Steve Korb, Kristen Lamprich, Wendy and Jim Mielock, Dave and Julie Murray, Patrick and Jacquie Murray, Debbie and John Potter, Dee Scales, Kathy Sommers, Jonathan and Jennifer Sommers, Sylvia and Bill Stouten, Wollen/Billings families, Natalie Yeager, and Terry and Linda Zabel.

We also lift up in prayer this week Pastor William Uetrict and the people of First Lutheran Church in Muskegon, partners with us in mission and ministry in the North/West Lower Michigan Synod, ELCA.

## Readings & Hymns for March April 7

Acts 4:32-35  
Psalm 133

1 John 1:1-2:2  
John 20:19-31

- # 367 Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds (red book)
- # 364 Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia (red book)
- # 376 Thine Is the Glory (red book)

APRIL 7, 2024  
SECOND SUNDAY  
OF EASTER



*Walking in the light of Jesus together.*

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	John 20:19-31	Come and see and believe
Monday	Acts 4:32-35	The sharing of goods
Tuesday	1 John 1:1–2:2	The word of life
Wednesday	Matthew 5:14-16	Let your light shine
Thursday	Psalms 27	Song of confidence
Friday	2 Corinthians 4:1-6	Light shining in the darkness
Saturday	Psalms 133	The blessing of unity
Sunday	Luke 24:36b-48	Jesus appears to the disciples

## SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

*[I]f we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.*

1 John 1:7 (NRSV)

## PRAYERS AND BLESSING

### A Prayer for the Week:

God of love and mercy, we thank you for the community of faith that helps us to know and experience your light and truth through Jesus, our resurrected Savior and Lord. Amen.

### Mealttime Prayer:

Generous God, we thank you for this meal and pray that others may have what they need to live, serve, and trust in you through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Amen.

### A Blessing to Give:

May God's light bless you with people filled with joy.

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## HYMN OF THE WEEK

*This Little Light of Mine*



## WEEKLY MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

## CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- Do you find it easy or difficult to forgive someone? Explain.
- Why is forgiveness important to Christian fellowship?

## DEVOTIONS

Read: 1 John 1:1–2:2.

Linus from the Peanuts comic strip once said, "I love mankind... It's people I can't stand!" Living in community with others can be a challenge. For Christians, living together in community is God's gift for our broken and sinful lives. Sometimes, we deceive ourselves into thinking we are more deserving, better than, or more lovable than others. Confession frees us to welcome Jesus into our lives through God's power of forgiveness that is for all. This simple message of forgiveness is hard to experience, especially when there are people whom we have had a hard time loving or even accepting. God's light takes us out of our own darkness and brings us into a humble yet joyous fellowship with others. Unity and fellowship have always been at the heart of God's creative and redeeming work for all the world (Psalm 133). We are asked to be aware of our darkness and move into the light through the power of God's forgiving grace.

Discuss: How does confession and forgiveness of your own brokenness help you understand fellowship with others in a new light?

Pray: **God of light and truth, we thank you for forgiveness given to us through the suffering of Jesus Christ that we may have eternal fellowship with you and with all people. Amen.**

## SERVICE

Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings and theme for this week, what can you do to restore a broken relationship?

## RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

There is a long history of Christians sharing a sign of peace with one another during worship as an expression of the peace God gives to us through Jesus. This sharing of the peace relates directly to Jesus' appearance to the disciples when he said, "Peace be with you" three times (John 20:19-31). This week, when you are visited by others in your home or when you are visiting friends, take a moment to share the peace. As you shake their hand, hug them, or give a high five, greet them by saying: **Peace be with you.**