

# **Palm Sunday**

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concerns  
Recent shooting  
victims & their families  
Hurricane/Flood  
Victims  
People of Israel  
Innocent Victims in  
Gaza

## **WELCOME & INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY**

*This week, the center of the church's year, is one of striking contrasts: Jesus rides into Jerusalem surrounded by shouts of glory, only to be left alone to die on the cross, abandoned by even his closest friends. Though we lament Christ's suffering and all human suffering, we also expect God's salvation: in the wine and bread, Jesus promises that his death will mark a new covenant with all people. We enter this holy week thirsty for the completion of God's astonishing work.*

*\*Indicates please stand as you are able*

## **PRELUDE**

*"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"*

J. Wayne Kerr

## **\*ACCLAMATION**

**P** Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

**C** **Hosanna in the highest!**

## **\*BLESSING OF PALMS**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray. We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and king by those who spread garments and palms along his way. Bless these palms and those who carry them. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*The congregation may be seated.*

## CHOIR ANTHEM

*Trinity's Adult and Children's Choirs  
(Congregation Sings Verse 4, below)*

### Ride On, Ride On in Majesty!

4 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly  
pomp ride on to die, bow your meek head to mor - tal  
pain, then take, O Christ, your pow'r and reign!

The image shows a musical score for a choir anthem. It consists of three staves of music in G major (one sharp). The lyrics are: "4 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly pomp ride on to die, bow your meek head to mor - tal pain, then take, O Christ, your pow'r and reign!". The music is written in a simple, accessible style suitable for a children's choir.

Text: Henry H. Milman, 1791–1868, alt.  
Music: THE KING'S MAJESTY, Graham George, 1912–1993  
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## A TIME FOR CHILDREN

Rev. Susan McCarthy

*Children are invited to come to the front of the nave for a time of worship and learning.*

*The congregation may remain seated.*

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who writes the law on our hearts,  
who draws all people together through Jesus.

**Amen.**

Held in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.  
*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Holy God,

**we confess that we are caught in snares of sin and cannot break free. We hoard resources while our neighbors are hungry and cold. We speak in ways that silence others. We are silent when we should speak up. We keep score in our hearts. We let hurts grow into hatred. For all these things and for sins only you know, forgive us, Lord. Amen.**

Here is a flood of grace: Out of love for the whole world, God draws near to us, breaks every snare of sin, washes away our wrongs, and restores the promise of life through † Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

## APOSTOLIC GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

**Sovereign God, you have established your rule in the human heart through the servanthood of Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, keep us in the joyful procession of those who with their tongues confess Jesus as Lord and with their lives praise him as Savior and King, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-9a

*The image of the servant of God is one of the notable motifs in the book of Isaiah. Today's reading describes the mission of the servant, whom early Christians associated with Jesus. Like Jesus, the servant does not strike back at his detractors but trusts in God's steadfast love.*

<sup>4</sup>The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher,  
that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word.

Morning by morning he awakens— wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught.

<sup>5</sup>The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward.  
I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;  
I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

<sup>7</sup>The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my  
face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; <sup>8</sup>he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?

Let us stand up together.

Who are my adversaries?

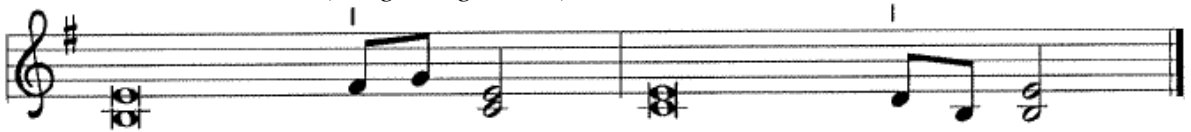
Let them confront me.

<sup>9a</sup>It is the Lord GOD who helps me;  
who will declare me guilty?

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM: Psalm 31:9-16 (sung using tone 8)



<sup>9</sup>Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I <sup>|</sup> am in trouble;  
my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat <sup>|</sup> and my belly.

<sup>10</sup>**For my life is wasted with grief, and my <sup>|</sup> years with sighing;  
my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones <sup>|</sup> are consumed.**

<sup>11</sup>I am the scorn of all my enemies, a disgrace to my neighbors, a dismay to <sup>|</sup>  
my acquaintances;

when they see me in the street <sup>|</sup> they avoid me.

<sup>12</sup>**Like the dead I am forgotten, <sup>|</sup> out of mind;  
I am as useless as a <sup>|</sup> broken pot.**

<sup>13</sup>For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is <sup>|</sup> all around;  
they put their heads together against me; they plot to <sup>|</sup> take my life.

<sup>14</sup>**But as for me, I have trusted in | you, O LORD.**

**I have said, “You | are my God.**

<sup>15</sup>My times are | in your hand;

rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who | persecute me.

<sup>16</sup>**Let your face shine up- | on your servant;**

**save me in your | steadfast love.”**

*Here ends the Psalm.*

## **SECOND READING: Philippians 2:5-11**

*Christ did not act to attain status and glory but was obedient to God even to the point of death. Following Christ’s example, we do not seek personal status or glory but care for others as God cared for us in Christ’s death.*

<sup>5</sup>Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

<sup>6</sup>who, though he was in the form of God,

did not regard equality with God

as something to be exploited,

<sup>7</sup>but emptied himself,

taking the form of a slave,

being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form,

<sup>8</sup>he humbled himself

and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.

<sup>9</sup>Therefore God also highly exalted him

and gave him the name

that is above every name,

<sup>10</sup>so that at the name of Jesus

every knee should bend,

in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

<sup>11</sup>and every tongue should confess

that Jesus Christ is Lord,

to the glory of God the Father.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and mer - ci - ful,



slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

## \*HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 11:1-11

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 11<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, [Jesus] sent two of his disciples <sup>2</sup>and said to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. <sup>3</sup>If anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.’” <sup>4</sup>They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, <sup>5</sup>some of the bystanders said to them, “What are you doing, untying the colt?” <sup>6</sup>They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. <sup>7</sup>Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. <sup>8</sup>Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. <sup>9</sup>Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

“Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

<sup>10</sup>Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

<sup>11</sup>Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## KIDS’ COOKIE BREAK

*Children are invited to the social hall for an activity and a snack.*

## SERMON

Rev. Susan J. McCarthy



**\*HYMN OF THE DAY**

## All Glory, Laud, and Honor

*Refrain*



All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to you, re - deem - er, king,



to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring.



- 1 You are the king of Is - rael and Da - vid's roy - al Son,
- 2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels are prais - ing you on high;
- 3 The mul - ti - tude of pil - grims with palms be - fore you went;
- 4 To you, be - fore your pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise.
- 5 Their prais - es you ac - cept - ed; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

*Refrain*



now in the Lord's name com - ing, our King and Bless - ed One.  
cre - a - tion and all mor - tals in cho - rus make re - ply.  
our praise and prayer and an - thems be - fore you we pre - sent.  
To you, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.  
great au - thor of all good - ness, O good and gra - cious King.

Text: Theodulph of Orleans, c. 760–821; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.  
Music: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN, Melchior Teschner, 1584–1635

**\*NICENE CREED**

Let us confess our faith, using the words of the Nicene Creed.

**We believe in one God,**

**the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,**

**the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven;**

**by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary,  
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;**

**he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

**With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.**

**He has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen**

## **\*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*We begin our prayer together in worship each week. Please continue our prayer Monday-Saturday by praying each day for the concerns of the church, the world, and all those in need. Please pray for those on our prayer list daily.*

Trusting in God's promise to reconcile all things, let us pray for the church, the well-being of creation, and a world in need.

*A brief silence.*

Blessed One, today the church sings glad hosannas as we enter Holy Week. Prepare us to bear witness to Christ's suffering and death endured for our sake. Gather your people around the cross and comfort us with resurrection hope. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Renew your good creation and protect the balance of life on earth. Encourage the work of foresters, scientists, arborists, gardeners, and river keepers. We pray for the health of pollinating insects, songbirds, and native plants. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Establish peace and justice among the nations. Hold to account any with authority to judge others. Grant that courts, legislatures, and local governments will serve with integrity and compassion. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Bring hope to any who feel forsaken or forgotten. Make a way for refugees and asylum seekers. Reunite families enduring separation. We pray for any who are incarcerated, institutionalized, or in foster care, that they may know your love. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Heal anyone in need of care in mind, body, or spirit and embrace them in ways they can feel. We especially pray for those we name before you, *pause for individual prayer*, and those on our prayer list. Hear us, O God,

**Your mercy is great.**

Give energy and joy to our pastor/s, deacons, worship leaders, and musicians. Bless baptismal candidates, their sponsors, confirmands, and teachers. Watch over those who travel. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

Blessed One, our times are in your hand. Sustain us in discipleship throughout our lives and receive us into everlasting life. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Accompany us on our journey, God of grace, and receive the prayers of our hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**Amen.**

**\*PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*Those gathered offer a sign of Christ's peace with those around them. This may be a handshake, a hug, a wave, a smile, etc.*

**OFFERING**

*The season of Lent invites us to deeper discipleship and closer relationships with the Lord and with each other. Thank you for dedicating your life to Christ's work and to our neighbors here in East Berlin and around the world. This Lent, let us renew our focus on giving of ourselves in the name of Love.*

**OFFERING**


“Calvary”

African American Spiritual  
Richard Billingham

**\*OFFERTORY**



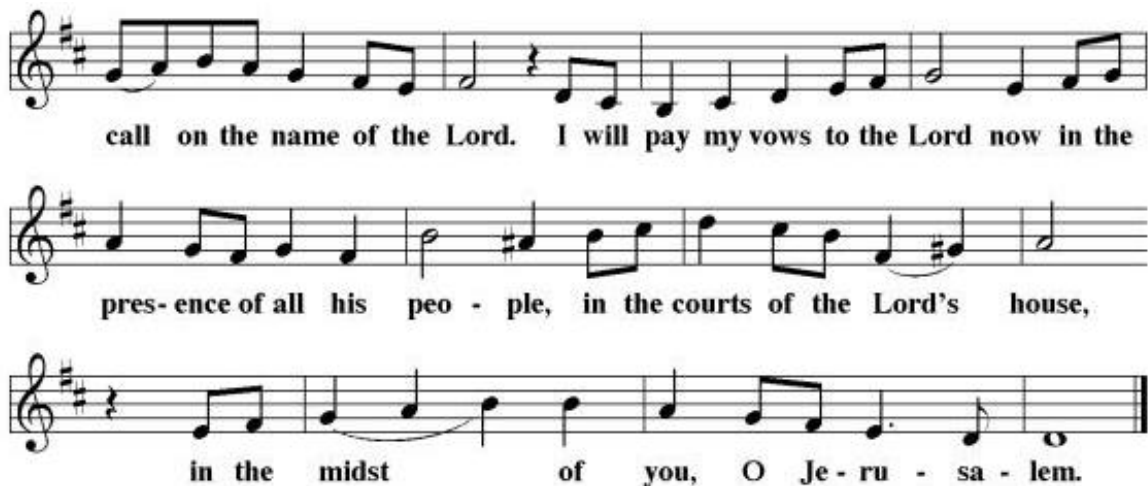
What shall I ren- der to the Lord for all his ben - e - fits to me?



I will of- fer the sac-ri - fice of thanks- giv - ing and will call on the



name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal - va - tion and will



call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the  
pres- ence of all his peo - ple, in the courts of the Lord's house,  
in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

### **\*OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray.

**Jesus, you are the bread of life and the host of this meal. Bless these gifts that we have gathered that all people may know your goodness. Feed us not only with this holy food but with hunger for justice and peace. We pray this in your name. Amen**

### **\*GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. You bid your people cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast. Renew our zeal in faith and life, and bring us to the fullness of grace that belongs to the children of God. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes



in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

### **\*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

## \*LORD'S PRAYER

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.

## DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

*We believe Christ himself invites you to this holy meal. All believers are welcome to receive the sacrament at his table. Holy Communion will be served in a continuous flow. Please come forward to receive the bread and wine from the ministers. Also available are gluten free wafers, grape juice, and sealed pre-consecrated wafer/juice packets.*

## \*LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

## Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross



1 Je - sus, keep me near the cross, there's a pre - cious foun - tain;  
2 Near the cross, a trem - bling soul, love and mer - cy found me;  
3 Near the cross! O Lamb of God, bring its scenes be - fore me;  
4 Near the cross I'll watch and wait, hop - ing, trust - ing ev - er,



free to all, a heal - ing stream flows from Cal - v'ry's moun - tain.  
there the bright and morn - ing star sheds its beams a - round me.  
help me walk from day to day with its shad - ow o'er me.  
till I reach the gold - en strand just be - yond the riv - er.

*Refrain*



In the cross, in the cross be my glo - ry ev - er;



till my ran - somed soul shall find rest be - yond the riv - er.

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820–1915

Music: NEAR THE CROSS, William H. Doane, 1832–1915



## There in God's Garden



1 There in God's gar - den stands the Tree of Wis - dom,  
2 Its name is Je - sus, name that says, "Our Sav - ior!"  
3 Thorns not its own are tan - gled in its fo - liage;  
4 See how its branch - es reach to us in wel - come;



whose leaves hold forth the heal - ing of the na - tions:  
There on its branch - es see the scars of suf - f'ring;  
our greed has starved it, our de - spite has choked it.  
hear what the Voice says, "Come to me, ye wea - ry!



Tree of all knowl - edge, Tree of all com -  
see there the ten - drils of our hu - man  
Yet, look! it lives! its grief has not de -  
Give me your sick - ness, give me all your



pas - sion, Tree of all beau - ty.  
self - hood feed on its life - blood.  
stroyed it nor fire con - sumed it.  
sor - row, I will give bless - ing."

5 This is my ending  
this my resurrection;  
into your hands, Lord,  
I commit my spirit.  
This have I searched for;  
now I can possess it.  
This ground is holy.

6 All heav'n is singing,  
"Thanks to Christ whose passion  
offers in mercy  
healing, strength, and pardon.  
Peoples and nations,  
take it, take it freely!"  
Amen! My Master!

## O Sacred Head, Now Wounded



1 O sa - cred head, now wound - ed, with grief and shame weighed down,  
2 How pale thou art with an - guish, with sore a - buse and scorn;  
3 What lan - guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear - est friend,  
4 Lord, be my con - so - la - tion; shield me when I must die;



now scorn - ful - ly sur - round - ed with thorns, thine on - ly crown;  
how does thy face now lan - guish, which once was bright as morn!  
for this thy dy - ing sor - row, thy pit - y with - out end?  
re - mind me of thy pas - sion when my last hour draws nigh.



O sa - cred head, what glo - ry, what bliss till now was thine!  
Thy grief and bit - ter pas - sion were all for sin - ners' gain;  
Oh, make me thine for - ev - er, and should I faint - ing be,  
These eyes, new faith re - ceiv - ing, from thee shall nev - er move;



Yet, though de - spised and gor - y, I joy to call thee mine.  
mine, mine was the trans - gres - sion, but thine the dead - ly pain.  
Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er out - live my love to thee.  
for all who die be - liev - ing die safe - ly in thy love.

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607–1676, based on Arnulf of Louvain, d. 1250; tr. composite

Music: HERZLICH TUT MICH VERLANGEN, German melody, c. 1500; adapt. Hans Leo Hassler, 1564–1612

**\*POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.  
**Amen.**

**\*POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Generous God,  
**at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace. As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread, now make us one loaf to feed the world; in the name of Jesus, the Bread of life. Amen.**

**\*ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*BENEDICTION**

Beloved, we are God's own people, holy, washed, renewed.  
God bless you and keep you, shower you with mercy, fill you with courage,  
and ✝ give you peace.  
**Amen.**

**\*DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Share your bread.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

*"O Sacred Head Now Wounded"*

J.S. Bach



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# Announcements

*To Serve God And His Church  
During The Coming Week*

Sunday.....	10:30a.m.	Christian Education
Sunday.....	6:00p.m.	East Berlin Singers Rehearse
Sunday.....	6:30p.m.	AA Meeting
Monday.....	6:00p.m.	Bible Study
Monday.....	6:30p.m.	Girl Scouts
Wednesday.....	8:30a.m.	Fellowship @ Graybill's
Wednesday.....	10:00a.m.	Prayer Service
Wednesday.....	7:00p.m.	Handbell Rehearsal
Thursday.....	7:30p.m.	Maundy Thursday
Thursday.....	6:30p.m.	AA Meeting
Friday.....	7:30p.m.	Good Friday
Saturday.....	4:00p.m.	Children's Program Rehearsal
Sunday.....	7:00a.m.	Easter Sunrise Service (Inside)
Sunday.....	8:00a.m.	Continental Breakfast
Sunday.....	9:00a.m.	Children's Easter Program
Sunday.....	10:15a.m.	Easter Festival Service

**Assisting in the Service Today:** Assisting Minister: Chris Long; Lector: Pr. Terry McCarthy; Communion Assistant: Ruthann Bowen; Ushers: Leon Leas, Jay & Susan Smith; Altar Guild: Noelle Kline; Hymn Leaders: Sue Clauser, Joshlyn Sharrer; Kid's Cookie Break: Lisa Miller; Acolyte: Grace Warner.

**We welcome visitors** – If you have questions during worship, feel free to ask the ushers in the back or anyone around you. We believe Christ himself invites us to His Table; all believers are invited to share in Holy Communion. If you'd like to join our mailing list, please fill out a visitors' slip and place it in the offering plate or scan the QR code here. We're glad to have you with us!



**NEWSLETTER MAILING LIST** – Are you on our mailing list? If you're not and would like to be, please submit your mailing information to Jen in the office, or drop a note into the offering plate. We'd love to connect with you!

**Offering Plates** are located in the rear of the sanctuary and in the narthex (lobby) near the front entrance. Please make your giving your first or last act of worship today. Thank you for participating in Christ's ministry here!

**Kids' Cookie Break:** Kids 6<sup>th</sup> grade & younger are invited to take a break after the Gospel to GO to the Social Hall for a snack & activity. They'll return in time for Holy Communion.

**Bible Study:** Join us for Bible Study Monday evenings at 6:00pm via zoom. The link will be sent in Monday's announcement email.

**Coffee Hour** will be held this morning Sunday, March 24 after worship in honor of Josh Sweetser to wish him well as he prepares for his upcoming deployment. Everyone is invited!

**Children's Easter Program Rehearsal:** We will have practice for the Children's Easter Program on Saturday, March 30th from 4-6 PM in the social hall. The first hour will be practice, and then we will have our egg hunt and eat dinner during the final hour. Please bring a food item or dish to share. Hotdogs, rolls, and drinks will be provided. A sign-up sheet is on the downstairs church bulletin board that you can write down what food item you will be bringing to share.

**Prayer Chain Update:** Trinity's Prayer Chain is maintained by Bonnie Boyer (717-259-0879) and is an email chain dedicated to prayer for those in immediate need, and those on our prayer list. If you'd

like to join the Prayer Chain, let Jen (717-259-9125) or Bonnie know. Every lifted prayer is important. Won't you add your voice?

**Save Your Palms! Please save your palms and return them to church.** Palms may be left on the table in the narthex or outside of Pr. Susan's office. If you take them home, let them dry out naturally and don't bag them. We'll gather before Lent begins next year to prepare them to serve as our ashes for the Ash Wednesday services.

**Thrivent Members:** As a reminder, eligible Thrivent members with remaining 2023 Choice Dollars® have until March 31, 2024, to designate any undirected funds. For more information, visit [Thrivent.com/thriventchoice](https://Thrivent.com/thriventchoice)

**Pie Sale!** Lemon sponge and Blueberry pies can be preordered on the bulletin board downstairs. Pie sale will take place April 18 & 19.

**We Love You, Andie!** Andrea Guiher, our longtime videographer, has resigned her position at Trinity effective Easter Sunday following the 10:15 a.m. worship service. We cannot, as a congregation, ever thank Andie enough for her leadership, vision, and dedication these past four years. We wish her well as she continues her collegiate studies and other pursuits and hope she visits us often! Thank you, Andie, for EVERYTHING! In the meantime, the job Andie wrote for us is available. Applications should be made through the office.



# HOLY WEEK

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**Please join us for Holy Week Services:**

*Maundy Thursday, March 28, 2024 7:30pm (Social Hall)*

*Good Friday, March 29, 2024 7:30pm (Sanctuary)*

*Easter Sunrise Service, March 31, 2024 7:00am (Sanctuary)*

*Easter Continental Breakfast 8:00am (Social Hall)*

*Children's Easter Program 9:00am (Social Hall)*

*Easter Festival Service 10:15am (Sanctuary)*



*Your generous support of our ministries not only keeps the lights on but empowers Trinity to contribute to and fully fund MANY ministries. Want a full report? Ask us in the office and/or check out all the info on our website. Thank you!*

<b>2024 Weekly Contributions</b>			
<b>Budget vs. Actual</b>			
<b>Through March 18, 2024</b>			
<b>Month</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>YTD 2024</b>	<b>%</b>
March Budgeted Income	13,308	53,231	
March Actual income	12,513	53,214	
Over/(Under)Budgeted Income	(794)	(17)	(0.0)

**March 17, 2024 Worship Totals**

Church Service.....57  
 Retreat Worship Service.....27  
 Online Livestream \*Views.....\*41/82

\*Our church attendance record is maintained for both in-person attendance and online views through Trinity’s YouTube page. The ELCA offers guidance for tracking online worship attendance. The number of online views is counted for seven days following the service. Each view is multiplied by 2 (as an average household).

***Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church  
East Berlin, Pennsylvania***

**Our Mission:** We are a family of Christian disciples committed to making Christ known while loving and serving God and neighbors.

**Our Vision:** To fulfill our mission, we will:

**Worship** through liturgy, music, prayer & Sacraments;

**Teach** God's Word and nurture spiritual growth;

**Serve** and provide for those in need;

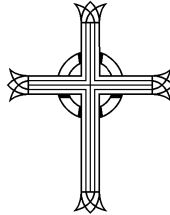
**Witness** to others by sharing the Gospel;

**Celebrate** with fellowship;

**Return** with joy what God has given;

**Be active** in our community and the Church.

**Worship, Serve, Celebrate!**



*Worship: Sunday, 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, 10:00 a.m.*

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