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WORSHIP SERVICES:

8:45 and 11:00 am

CHURCH SCHOOL: 9:45 am

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

Holy Week is the 'week of weeks' - not just for the baptized, but for all people. Marcus Borg and John Dominic Crossan speak of Palm Sunday in their recent book, The Last Week:

Two processions entered Jerusalem on a spring day in the year 30...One was a peasant procession, the other an imperial procession. From the east, Jesus rode a donkey...from the west, Pontius Pilate...entered Jerusalem at the head of a column of imperial cavalry and soldiers. Jesus' procession proclaimed the kingdom of God; Pilate's proclaimed the power of empire.

They write of the rival theology and rival social order that Pilate's procession represented. The rival social order was Rome's 'domination system' of the day which required collaboration from the Jewish temple authorities in Jerusalem to make it all work. It was a system of political oppression and economic exploitation, including religious complicity with and blessing of that system. Holy Week is a train wreck about to happen. It's a collision course set between the kingdom of God and the kingdoms of this world. Rome was the superpower of that day. We are citizens of the superpower of our day. Borg and Crossan ask a fair question: *Which procession are we in?*

They speak of the cross in the New Testament as having two meanings: 1) execution by empire; and 2) the way of transformation through death and resurrection. As those baptized into Jesus' death and resurrection, are we in the procession that inevitably leads at some point to confrontation with the 'domination systems' of our day? If we walk in Jesus' alternative procession, does our baptism mean dying to the values of empire and rising into the values of God's kingdom?

Certainly the events of Holy Week contain a powerful word of hope for us as individuals. Our faith proclaims that through the life, crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus the Christ there is personal reconciliation, peace with God, salvation - whatever language you want to use - for this life and for what lies beyond. But the meaning of Holy Week and Easter is not 'all about me'. It is about a clash of kingdoms. It is about living out our baptism in this world and the possible consequences for doing so. It is about an unexpected ending when the forces of death, destruction, discouragement and injustice seem to have won the day.

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CONCERNING PEOPLE: Please pray for **Kathy Ekwall** and her family as they mourn the death of her mother; **Pat McGee**; **Kim Doss-Smith**; and **John and Elaine Jahraus**, **Randy Nelson**, **Margaret Peterson**, and **Teddy Tangen** in their continued recovery from surgery.

THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

Followers of Jesus—women who wish to care for the body of their Lord and find an empty tomb—lead in proclaiming the resurrected life.



LESSONS

Acts 10:34-43

I Cor. 15:19-26b

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Luke 24:1-12

SUNDAY ADULT FORUM

9:55 am Library

April 8 Easter Sunday – No forum

10:00 am: There will be an Intergenerational celebration in the Bartsch Room, with children of the Sunday School.

April 15 "Theology of the Academy Awards"

Doug Wallace

Join us as Doug Wallace does some theological reflection on four top films of 2006, "Babel," "Letters from Iwo Jima," "The Queen," and "Venus."

HOLY WEEK

Maundy Thursday, April 5, 7:00 p.m.

6:15 p.m. Supper 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service

Good Friday, April 6

12 noon Good Friday Service at St. Albert's

7:00 pm Service: *Holy Readings, Holy Songs*

Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 7, 7:00 pm

The practice of gathering on the eve of Easter dates back to the very early times in the history of the Christian Church. This holy hour of story and song moves from darkness to light, tracing the hand of God in leading the people out of exile.

Easter Sunday April 8

8:45 am Festival Service of Holy Communion

11:00 am Festival Service of Holy Communion

SYMBOLS OF THE FAITH Saturday, April 14

Symbols of the Faith Retreat will be held Saturday, April 14, 9 am - 4 pm. This retreat will be led by Dr. Randy Nelson. The retreat considers four symbols of the Christian faith: God, Christ, Spirit, and Church. It is open to all. There is no charge. Lunch is provided. A sign up sheet is in the Community Room.

CONGREGATIONAL CONVERSATION Sunday, April 15

Following a light lunch at 12:15, you will have a chance to consider where you are in the journey from the past into the future at Holy Trinity. Add your voice to the deliberations about the future leadership needs of the congregation. Please sign-up in the Community Room! The afternoon will conclude by 3:30.

PARISH INFORMATION

DIALOGUE LUNCH ON GLOBAL WARMING

All are invited to attend a dialogue lunch on "The Most Important Decade in Human History: A Call to Action to Address Global Warming and Build a Better Society" Wednesday April 25, 11:45 to 1:30. The speaker is Jack Nelson-Pallmeyer, Associate Professor of Justice & Peace Studies, University of St. Thomas, with a response by Minneapolis Area Synod Bishop Craig Johnson. Lunch \$5. Please call the office for reservation for lunch. The event highlights our environmental emphasis, to kick off on Earth Sunday, April 22.

HYMNALS, GIFTS ON THE OCCASION OF EASTER

Please consider purchasing a hymnal as your gift to the church this Easter. They are \$17.50, and we still need to cover \$621 of the costs that we paid. These are the new red hymnals we have been enjoying for worship since early fall. You have the opportunity to give them in honor of or in memory of someone dear to you. Call the church for details.

You may also wish to designate any of the following **special funds** for an Easter gift: Capital Improvements, World Hunger and Development, Central America Fund, African AIDS Project, or Nonviolent Peaceforce.

YOUTH SERVE AT SIMPSON SHELTER: Holy Trinity Youth prepare and serve dinner for the Simpson's women's shelter Thursday Apr 12, Mon Apr 16, and Weds Apr 25. Meet at Holy Trinity 5:30 pm. To volunteer: Karrie 728-3885.

GOOD FRIDAY WAY OF THE CROSS

A number of Good Friday walks take place in city neighborhoods, marking places of suffering. Our Saviour's Lutheran, 24th and Chicago, will hold a "healing event" for veterans and families, a Way of the Cross geared to trials and sorrows of military service. Information 871-2967.

TREES AVAILABLE - You must order by April 15

The City of Minneapolis, through Tree Trust, a local non-profit, is making 1,500 trees available to residents. Healthy trees help improve air quality, fight global warming, and keep the city cooler. Trees cost \$15 and are 6-10 feet tall. Residents may order one tree per household, first-come, first-served. Order online at Tree Trust www.treetrust.org or by phone, 651-644-5800, and pick up trees May 19 - 22 at Lincoln Elementary, 2131 12th Ave. N.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Progressive Dinner – All invited to a Progressive Dinner at members' homes **April 21** beginning at 6 pm. Please sign up in the Community Room.

Fine Arts Series - Sunday, April 22, 4:30 pm, in the sanctuary the a capella choir **Sacred Voice** will present *Divine Expressions* – music from across the centuries and across the globe. A free will offering will benefit Mental Health Resources, Inc. a program that helps people at Trinity-on-Lake.

Service of Evening Prayer: Sunday, April 22, 6:00 pm: William Obaga, organist at our Swahili service and a doctoral candidate at Luther Seminary, invites you to a Service of Evening Prayer, Praise, & Song at Chapel of the Incarnation, Luther Seminary. The service combines traditional Lutheran with African sacred music. William 651-644-2345.

PARISH EVENTS April 8 – April 14

SUNDAY	8:45, 11am	Festival Service of Holy Communion
MONDAY	11:00 am	Tax-Aides 6:30 pm Every Church a Peace Church
	7:00 pm	Youth, Chris Ed, Nurturing committees
TUESDAY	11:00 am	Tax-Aides 7:00 pm Tutoring
WEDNESDAY	5:30 pm	2 nd yr confirmation 6:30 Children's choir 7:30 Choir
THURSDAY	5:30 pm	4 th yr confirmation; Simpson shelter
	6:30, 8:30	Men's Basketball
SATURDAY	9-4 am	Symbols of the Faith Retreat

GIFTS TO BOOKS FOR BUNAZI by Dale/Carol Bosch & in honor of - Dennis Nordholm's birthday by Lyle Steinfeldt

GIFTS TO WORLD HUNGER in honor of

- Dennis Nordholm's birthday by Cathryn Olson, Bill/Eunice Milbrath, Pam/Dave Rediger

SPECIAL GIFTS in honor of

- Holy Trinity friends by Mary and Maurice Berger

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Easter Vigil	7 pm	Celebrant David Broberg
Easter Sunday	April 8, 2007	
Preacher	Bruce Arnevik	
Celebrant	8:45 am	Joel Wiberg / 11:00 am Randy Nelson
Crucifer	8:45 am	Korla Masters / 11:00 am Paul Ramsour
Liturgist	8:45 am	Carol Masters / 11:00 am Ronald Peterson
Communion Asst	8:45 am	David Moe, Nancy Moe
	11:00 am	Liz Blood, Andrea Hansen
Greeters	8:45 am	Deb Sodd / 11:00 am Margaret & Ron Peterson
Ushers	8:45 am	Bob Peschiutta, Sally Kohlstedt, Aaron Crawford, Al Mohr
	11:00 am	Rod Johnson, George Madich, Alan Libra
Altar Guild	8:45 am	Sandra Thornby, Karrie Cable Spratt
	11:00 am	Rosemary Foley, Linda Gawthrop
Nursery	8:40 am	Rachel Hefte/10:30 Matt Kane, Maggie, Nora
Coffee Servers	9:45 am	Mike & Vicki Mann 12 Mike & Susan Wootten

EGGSTRAVAGANZA EVENT Saturday April 7, Noon-3 pm

All are welcome to an Easter egg coloring and potluck lunch at the Parshalls', 3334 24th Ave S. Call Anne at 612-722-5051.

BRIGHT PROSPECTS: Bright Prospects Cooperative Preschool, housed at Holy Trinity, has Monday-Friday morning openings for this fall. Children must be at least 33 months of age and potty trained before beginning school. FFI www.ppcns.org or Karen at 722-2554.

WOMEN AT THE WELL: Prayer-Meditation for Women

Pamela Rediger invites you to a support circle to explore the feminine side of spirituality. Pamela is a spirituality mentor to women. Series begins April 12 for 8 weeks, 7 - 8:30 pm. Free will offering \$10 per session suggested. Information, Pamela at 952-474-2392.

FINANCIAL REPORT March 25 Year to date

Budget Requirement	11,244.23	146,174.99
Budget Receipts	19,734.82	137,029.16
World Hunger	20.00	1,480.14
Nonviolent Peaceforce	100.00	200.00