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WORSHIP SERVICES: 8:45 and 11:00 am • CHURCH SCHOOL: 9:55 am • Mark K. Holman and Ingrid C. A. Rasmussen, Pastors

GREAT AND HOLY WEEK

Since Palm Sunday, our worship journey has taken us through what St. Augustine called the “Great and Holy Week.”

Unfortunately, in large measure, at least in the churches of North America, people too often make a liturgical leap from the waving of the palms to the empty tomb. So much is missed, ignored, about the passion of Christ. When we miss the awful events of Jesus’ last days in Jerusalem, we miss the Savior’s passion for God’s people and all of God’s creation. We need to hear the terrible news before we hear the good news.

As many read these lines, worshipers from our congregation are in the midst of the Triduum, the holiest three days of the liturgical calendar. Through the “one service of three days,” we begin at dusk on Holy Thursday, remembering the birth of the Eucharist. In the humbling act of foot-washing, we hear and practice Jesus’ *mandatum* (mandate) commanding his disciples to love one another. On Good Friday we mingle our contemporary laments with Jesus’ love and mercy for all people of all time. Then, on Saturday, we gather in Vigil to recall the salvation history of God’s people.

As we journey through the events of his last days, remembering the cruel and unjust humiliation and execution of Jesus, we are powerfully reminded that there is no human condition, no human suffering, that does not affect the very heart of God. In our birthing, living, and dying, God is one with us, even in the bleak mess of the world and the brokenness of our lives.

But, then. Come Sunday, we gather to celebrate the good news of the greatest moment in human history. Join us in hearing and sharing the good news: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

—Mark Holman, Pastor

PRAYER VIGIL FOR VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT

April is National Child Abuse Awareness Month and Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Area churches are working together to combat any form of abuse and the proliferation of prostitution that harms our community. Partner churches will be hosting a Prayer Vigil on Thursdays in April. Early mornings are busy times of day for trafficking; we will meet at 7:30 a.m. to create a positive, prayerful force on our streets that supports victims and asks for an end to the demand.

April 13: St. Paul’s Lutheran—Meet at 15th Ave. S. and Lake St.

April 20: Holy Trinity Lutheran—2730 E. 31st St.

April 27: Our Saviour’s Lutheran—Meet at 3045 Chicago Ave. S.

There’s also a box in the Community Room to collect items for hygiene kits to be donated to Pride, Breaking Free, and the MN Indian Women’s Resource Center. Consider donating any of the following: toothbrushes & paste, soap, deodorant, hair care items (particularly for women of color), razors, nail clippers, tampons, women’s socks and underwear.

ENCORE! TOUR STATE CAPITOL BUILDING

Join us for a tour of the newly remodeled state capitol building at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 25. Suggested donation \$5. You can meet us at the Capitol rotunda at 10:45 a.m., or take light rail (cost ~\$2 each way) with some of us. We will go to lunch afterwards somewhere on University Avenue. Sign up in the Community Room. Deb Sodt or Joyce Peterson can answer your questions.

EASTER SUNDAY

On this day the Lord has acted! On the first day of the week God began creation, transforming darkness into light. On this, the “eighth day” of the week, Jesus Christ was raised from the dead. We celebrate this new creation in the waters of baptism and in the feast of victory. With great joy we celebrate this day of days, even as we begin the great fifty days of Easter. Filled with hope, we go forth to share the news that Christ is risen!



READINGS

Acts 10:34-43
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
Colossians 3:1-4
John 20:1-18

ADULT FORUM--in the Library

10:00 am

APRIL 16 EASTER SUNDAY
No Adult Forum

APRIL 23 “Spiritual Reflections on 2016 Academy Award Films”
Doug Wallace

Exploring three of the Academy Award best film nominations, Doug focuses on *Fences*, *Hidden Figures*, and *Lion* to identify three messages of hope—the practice of discerning and living into what we once thought was impossible.

LSS-MN HOSTS 2ND ANNUAL IFTAR DINNER THURSDAY, JUNE 15

The second annual Iftar dinner to benefit Refugee and Immigration Services at LSS-MN will be on Thursday, June 15, at 8:00 p.m. at the Center for Changing Lives, 2400 Park Ave. S., Minneapolis. At this meal, we will learn about Ramadan, hear stories of refugees and their lives, and learn about the services LSS provides. If you have any questions before the event, contact Hope Johnson (hjohnson003@luthersem.edu) or Amy Hahn (Amy.Hahn@lssmn.org).

2017 EARTH DAY OPPORTUNITIES

- Saturday, April 22—Scientist’s March with MN350 Climate Youth. Meet at St. Paul’s Cathedral Park, 11:00 a.m.
- Saturday, April 29—People’s Climate Solidarity Local Event, 2:30-6:00 p.m. Minneapolis Federal Building, 212-3rd Ave. S.
- Saturday, April 29—People’s Climate March in Washington, D.C. MNIPL and MN350 are organizing buses to D.C. Buses depart at various times on April 26, 27, and 28; all return on Sunday, April 30.

2017 GRADUATES

If you have a family member who is graduating this spring from high school, college, post-grad program, or apprenticeship/trade program – or if you are a graduate yourself – we’d like to recognize that person in our display case near the church’s east entrance. Please contact Linda Jury with the name of the graduate and an email address or cell phone for that person so Linda can contact them directly for details. We’ll assemble the display case in mid-May. Thanks!

PARISH INFORMATION

ADULTS INTERESTED IN BAPTISM

A couple of Holy Trinity adults have approached Pastor Ingrid expressing an interest in being baptized. We celebrate their want to receive God's public promises and the community's affirmation. This sacrament is for everyone, regardless of age! We are currently working with these individuals to create baptismal services that will feel like grace and love. For instance, one adult does not wish to stand in front of the congregation in worship on a Sunday morning, so we are planning to gather a community of family and friends to surround her at another time. If you are an adult who has not been baptized and would like to be, please talk to Pastor Ingrid. This community is ready to meet you wherever you are on your journey of faith.

ENCORE! AT TURTLE BREAD THURSDAY, APRIL 20

Encore! (the group for members 50 years of age and older) will meet at Turtle Bread (4205 E. 34th St.) at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 20. There is no agenda. Breakfast goes simply get to know one another. No sign up necessary.

JOHNSON SYMPOSIUM DATE CHANGE

The Ninth Annual Johnson Symposium has been scheduled for **November 10-11, 2017**. This is a change from previous announcements.

PROPERTY WORK DAY SATURDAY, APRIL 29

Our property needs a little extra TLC as the weather changes. Come and help us with digging and bagging, weeding and trimming. We'll work from 9:00 a.m.-noon. (If it rains, we'll meet on Saturday, May 6.) Sign up in the Community Room by April 23.

FIRST FRIDAYS WITH FRIENDS, MAY 5

It's time to dust off your bikes. Join Lisa and Bruce Martens for an evening bike ride. More details to follow.

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT FRIDAY, MAY 5, 6:00-9:00 P.M.

Adults and youth work together caring for HTLC children while their parents go "out" from 6:00-9:00 p.m. Sign up in the community Room to help with childcare or to save a spot for your kid(s) in the nursery. Volunteers can easily complete a necessary background check through the church office.

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| PARISH EVENTS April 16-22, 2017 | |
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| Sunday | EASTER SUNDAY |
| | 8:45 am Worship Service with Holy Communion |
| | 9:55 am Godly Play |
| | 10:00 am Scavenger Hunt for Trinity Village |
| | 11:00 am Worship Service with Holy Communion |
| | 2:00 pm Swahili Service |
| Monday | 9 am-12 pm AARP Tax Aide in the Library (last day) |
| | 6:00 pm Executive Committee |
| | 7:00 pm Church Council |
| Tuesday | 11:00 am Worship Readings Discussion |
| Wednesday | 6:00 pm Youth Choirs |
| Thursday | 7:30 am Prayer Vigil for Victims of Trafficking |
| | 8:00 am Encore! at Turtle Bread |

Altar Guild/Communion Supplies in memory of Shelley Grimes by Bev Peschiutta; World Hunger by Juliann Breting Rohn, Stephanie/John Sulzbach

| WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS APRIL 16, 2017 | | |
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| 8:45 AM | | 11:00 AM |
| Liz Rudrud | Assisting Minister | Lynda Nordholm |
| Johnn Waddick, Amelia Waddick | Acolytes | Alyssa Krig, Linnea Krig |
| Jeff Weiss | Crucifer | Bob Hulteen |
| Intinction | Communion | Intinction |
| Tina/Robert Russell | Altar Guild | Libby/Keith Olstad |
| Bob Peschiutta, Julie/Tom Cahoy | Ushers | Riley Conway, George Christians, Kathy Ohler, Camilo Rudolph |
| Sandra Thornby, Joel Wiberg | Coffee Servers | Rachel/Jim Trelstad Porter |
| Joyce Peterson, Julie Cahoy | Counters | Gary Johnson, Vicki Mann |
| | Closer | Rod Johnson |

| Financial Report | April 9 | Year to date |
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| Budget Requirement | 14,725.00 | 220,875.00 |
| Budget Receipts | 25,593.28 | 212,328.82 |
| Opening Doors | 562.37 | 52,633.20 |
| World Hunger | 535.00 | 1,206.00 |