## The Piper



## March 30/31, 2024

### Trinity Lutheran Church

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## Prayer List

#### TLC DISCIPLES

Linda Leslie, Barb Roberts, Elaine Burn, John & Nancy Owens, Jerry Lauchle, John Larson, Bill Campbell, Mary Lou Kiel

#### <u>TLC Friends</u>

Rita & Mary Shetler, Jonathan, Josh Potter, Patrick Moseley, Adam Feather, Laurel, Keith & Mary Trostle, Vincent, Dunley family, Linda & family All names will be removed next week. <u>Readings</u>

Acts 10:34-43 Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Mark 16:1-8



Jiyoon Jeong, our organist, will be having a piano recital on Saturday, April 13th at 3:00 pm—4:30 pm

Mark your calendar for this event.



# EASTER

#### **TRINITY EVENTS** SATURDAY, MARCH 30 10:00 am Zumba 5:00 pm Worship w/Communion SUNDAY, MARCH 31 EASTER SUNDAY 8:15 am Worship w/Communion 9:00 am Easter Breakfast 9:30 am Easter Egg Hunt 10:00 am Worship w/Communion **TUESDAY, APRIL 2** 5:30 pm Executive Team 5:45 pm Zumba WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3 6:00 pm Dinner 6:45 pm The Chosen/Season 2 THURSDAY, APRIL 4 5:45 pm Zumba SATURDAY, APRIL 6 10:00 am Zumba 5:00 pm Worship w/Communion SUNDAY, APRIL 7 8:15 am Worship w/Communion 10:00 am Worship w/Communion w/Children's Church

11:00 pm Deeper Waters Class



Just a reminder for any child who will be participating in the Easter Egg Hunt this week—

Please remember to bring your own basket to collect eggs.

# From the Pastor's Desk

The Day of Resurrection

Sunday, March 31, 2024

Dear Beloved of God,

When you were growing up, did your parents ever say to you, "How many times do I have to tell you?" I suspect all parents have and do make that statement. Parents repeat certain statements because our children and others—don't always remember. Somewhere I came across one of those observations that only children can make, "If you love someone you need to tell them often that you love them, or they will forget." And, we do forget, far too frequently!

God loves us. Perhaps at Easter, we celebrate God's love most fully in the death and resurrection of Jesus of Nazareth. Now, we can be reminded of God's love every day, and frequently throughout the day. We humans tend to forget.

In the Gospel Reading for the Celebration of the Resurrection, we read, "When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint [Jesus' body]." Clearly, the women (and the disciples) had forgotten what Jesus had taught them. We humans tend to forget.

In their grief and sorrow, the women do what was their custom when a loved one dies: they prepared to anoint and properly bury the body of Jesus, the one they saw die on a cross. They are not thinking. We humans often fail to think when we are overcome by emotions and find ourselves in the midst of tragedy. As a pastor I have conducted far too many funerals and in most cases the family and loved ones struggle to deal with the pain and loss. Rather than thinking, many find themselves reverting back to old habits, as a way to cope with their loss.

The amazing news of the Resurrection, of course, is that the One who died now lives. God has raised Jesus from the dead. As a seminary professor of mine pointed out that one of the challenges we face as humans is we can only keep our promises up to the point when we die. On the other hand, if someone has death behind them, noting can stop that person from keeping any and all of their promises.

So, today we remember, not how Jesus died but that God has raised him from death. Death itself has been defeated. As Jesus lives, we shall live also! And so, we greet one another, "Christ is risen!" And respond, "He is risen indeed!"

May the richest blessings of this holy season be yours in abundance, now and forever!

Yours in Christ,

Paster Ron

Pastor Ron

#### CELEBRATING THE RESURRECTION.

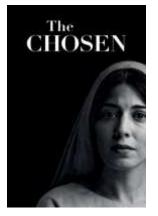
What a wonderful celebration of Christ's victory over the cross, as well as sin and death. The good news that "Christ is risen!" is the foundation of our day's events. As many have noted, "many hands make light work." To that end, we owe a great deal of appreciation to a number of people, (while running the risk of missing someone)! So, our thanks to:

- Our music staff and choir members who led our joyous worship celebrations;
- The kitchen/hospitality volunteers who came early to donate, prepare, and serve our Easter Breakfast;
- Those who volunteered in worship, guiding people as needed and helping out with worship to keep things moving smoothly;
- The Easter Egg Hunt Crew who helped our younger disciples find a place in our community on this very special day; and,
- To you, if you are reading this, then none of us would be here without you!

Thank you all, members of the Body of Christ known as Trinity Lutheran. This is still a wonderful congregation to serve as Pastor. Thank you for continuing to grant me that honor and privilege!



Please donate your gently worn, used and new Shoes to the **BSA Troop 375** for a fundraiser. There will be a bin in the narthex from March 17th to May 12th for donations. Any and all types of shoes are accepted. Please no shoes with holes and they do need to be a pair of shoes. Feel free to ask friends, family and neighbors. If you have any questions or have a large donation, please see Mason Sheaffer or email Lena Sheaffer at (Lena@psu.edu)



Menu subject to change as needed

Dinner & The Chosen Season 2 resumes Wednesday, April 3rd at 6:00 pm Dinner will be:

Pot Roast Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Peas & Carrots; Steamed Broccoli Salad; Dessert



## Easter Flower Sponsors

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