April 6, 2025

Welcome to Trinity

#26 Part 7 A True Living Active Faith AND Proper Saving Knowledge of Christ.

1 Pet. 1:8-9: For whenever you possess such, it will not make you lazy or unfruitful in the

knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. But anyone who does not possess this is blind and with his hands is groping in the dark (that is to say, he does not possess any proper, saving knowledge of God and His Son Jesus Christ. He has no true, living, active faith. He is unable to properly and rigidly set his foot on the Way. Instead, he gropes around like a blind person). Indeed, he also forgets the cleansing of his former sins. For without a true, living, active faith and without the proper saving knowledge of Christ, he cannot partake of the grace of God or the forgiveness of sins or the hope of everlasting life. Take note: this is the heartfelt apostolic description of true godliness, what it entails, and what pertains to it. It is in such a context that the apostle especially here uses the word "godliness" as he says to Timothy: train yourself in godliness, that is to say, in faith, in virtue, in discernment, in moderation, in patience, in godliness, in brotherly love and love in general, so that you are not found to be lazy or fruitless in the knowledge of Christ. (Schola Pietatus-Volume 1 by Johann Gerhard, Repristination Press, p. 13-14)

Assistants

Elder – Cecil Plock (218-3064) Organist – LeeAnn Byrne No flowers during Lent

Altar Guild – LeeAnn Byrne Church Cleaning – Apr 13/20 Taul, Apr 27/May 4 Taft

The Lord's Supper

Trinity Lutheran Church observes the

Scriptural practice (*Eph 4:3, 2 John 1:10-11*) of communing only with those for whom their public profession of faith (congregational

membership) is in agreement with God's Word and the correct exposition of Holy Scripture as found in the Book of Concord (1580). All who desire to receive Christ's Body and Blood for the forgiveness of sins **are asked to speak with Pastor Henson** <u>before coming</u> **forward to commune.**

Trinity Lutheran Church is served by pastors who are members of the Evangelical Lutheran Diocese of North America(Eldona.org).

- --Those who are members of Eldona-affiliated congregations are welcome to commune after announcing to Pastor Henson.
- --Those who are not members of Eldona-affiliated congregations will need to set up an appointment with Pastor Henson to discuss their public church membership.

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Trinity Lutheran Church in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but **His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another.** Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until He comes.

Those who are not yet invited to receive the Sacrament are encouraged to meditate on God's Word in the distribution hymns and pray for the day when our divisions will have ceased.

Weekly Calendar TODAY -Adult/Child Bible Studies, 9 AM -Divine Service, 10:15 AM

TUESDAY-THURSDAY -Florida Mission Trip WEDNESDAY -No Learn-by-Heart/Catechesis Service SATURDAY -Preparation for Palm Sunday and Holy Week, 9 AM

Divine Service

Hymn LW #207

Augustana Service Book & Hymnal

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Announcements

Trinity News

Preparation for Palm Sunday &

Holy Week.—On Saturday, April 12 at 9 AM, we will make

preparations for the upcoming Holy Week, Easter vigil and Sunday services.

- **Easter Flowers.**—may be brought to the church beginning April 17. Please place them down-stairs, as last year it got too hot in the cry room. If you would like to donate money for flowers to be purchased, speak to LeeAnn Byrne.
- Eldona Synod & Colloquium 2025. April 28-May 2, 2025.

Violet Kemp's 102nd Birthday is April 8, 2025 She will be at 203 SE 2nd Street, Okeechobee, FL 34974. Preparation for Easter Vigil and Sunday Services.—

After the 10 AM Matins on Holy Saturday, April 19, we will make preparations for the upcoming Easter vigil and Sunday services.

Morning Prayer for Tuesday.

132. Lord Jesus Christ, Who alone art the Redeemer of the world, unto Thee do I lift up my heart, my will, and all my senses, to thank Thee that of Thine inexhaustible love and mercy Thou hast this night again preserved me against the craft and power of the evil one. Lord Jesus Christ, Thou art my treasure and my heritage, my salvation is all in Thy hand. I know of none other helper in heaven or earth than Thee alone. Therefore, of Thine unspeakable suffering and anguish, and the inexpressible bitterness of Thy death which Thou, Dear Lord, hast suffered in so great love for so miserable a sinner as I am, I beseech Thee to be gracious and merciful to me; and, do Thou, this day and throughout the days Thou grantest me, bless, prosper, defend, and preserve me from all evil; from this weary, miserable moment henceforth, until the day when Thou wilt graciously call me into eternal joy and blessedness. Grant this for the sake of Thy most Holy Name. Amen. (Pages 234-235)

General Prayer p.18-19

Special Prayers

- --Pastoral Office: Bishop, James Heiser, Pastor Michael D. Henson, Deacon Gary K. Harroun
- --Eldona Congregations: Peace Lutheran Mission (Ironwood, MI), Pr. Jeffrey Ahonen
- --Armed forces: Jason Melvin, Blake Darnstaedt.
- --Police officers: Daniel Byrne, Alex Byrne.
- --Shut-ins: Carolyn Westerman; Patty Rametta
- --Elderly: Violet Kemp Tom Smith
- -- Pregnant: (this space available)
- --Various Needs: Anita Prochaska, Donna Eggemeyer (4 kinds of cancer-rung the bell, Aunt of Patty Kenner), Jennifer Denton (cancer, Shirley Webb), Don Stretch (Tony's Father), Sarah Melvin (back surgery to come), Ham Walker (mass in his lung, friend of the Harrouns), Courtney Severs (brain cancer, Oletha's daughter-in-law's sister), Heidi Bunselmeyer (cancer, Todd Darnstaedt's sister)
- --**Students:** Tom Weber (Florida State University), Sadie Henson (Concordia University, Nebraska) Jonathan Henson (University of Georgia), Jessica Gordon (SIU-C, Oletha's granddaughter).



Saturday, April 19, 7:00 to 10:00 PM

Make plans now to attend the Great Easter Vigil on the Saturday

evening before Easter. Though a longer service than we are accustomed, not nearly the all-night vigils of the early Christians (Acts 20:7-12). Come and relax. Without rushing we will recall the history of God's people and rejoice in the fulfillment of all Scripture in Christ Jesus and His resurrection.

Judica Sunday



Ottheinrich Bible 1430 (III:49b) Jesus in the Temple in Luke 19:45-48

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Genesis 12:1-3

1Now the LORD had said to Abram: "Get out of your country, From your family And from your father's house, To a land that I will show you. 2 I will make you a great nation; I will bless you And make your name great; And you shall be a blessing. 3 I will bless those who bless you, And I will curse him who curses you; And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

Hebrews 9:11-15

11But Christ came as High Priest of the good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, not of this creation. 12Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption. 13For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh, 14how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? 15And for this reason He is the Mediator of the new covenant, by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions under the first covenant, that those who are called may receive the promise of the eternal inheritance.

St. John 8:46-59

46"Which of you convicts Me of sin? And if I tell the truth, why do you not believe Me? 47"He who is of God hears God's words; therefore you do not hear, because you are not of God."

48Then the Jews answered and said to Him, "Do we not say rightly that You are a Samaritan and have a demon?" 49Jesus answered, "I do not have a demon; but I honor My Father, and you dishonor Me. 50"And I do not seek My own glory; there is One who seeks and judges. 51"Most assuredly, I say to you, if anyone keeps My word he shall never see death." 52Then the Jews said to Him, "Now we know that You have a demon! Abraham is dead, and the prophets; and You say, 'If anyone keeps My word he shall never taste death.' 53"Are You greater than our father Abraham, who is dead? And the prophets are dead. Whom do You make Yourself out to be?" 54Jesus answered, "If I honor Myself, My honor is nothing. It is My Father who honors Me, of whom you say that He is your God. 55"Yet you have not known Him, but I know Him. And if I say, 'I do not know Him,' I shall be a liar like you; but I do know Him and keep His word. 56"Your father Abraham rejoiced to see My day, and he saw it and was glad." 57Then the Jews said to Him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have You seen Abraham?" 58Jesus said to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I AM." 59Then they took up stones to throw at Him; but Jesus hid Himself and went out of the temple, going through the midst of them, and so passed by.

JUDICA. PASSION SUNDAY. (VIOLET) PSALM 110/27



Introit.

Ant. JUDGE ME, || O | God | -: and plead my cause against an ungod- | ly | na- | tion.
|| O deliver me from the deceitful and unjust | man | -: for Thou art the God | of | my | strength.
Psalm. || O send out Thy light and Thy | truth | -: let them lead me; let them bring me unto Thy | ho- | ly | hill.
GLO-RY || be to the Father and to the | Son | -: and to the | Ho- | ly | Ghost.
AS IT || was in the beginning, is now, and ever | shall | be: world without | end. | A- | men. (Ant. Repeated.)

Collect.

We beseech Thee, Almighty God, mercifully to look upon Thy people, that by Thy great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore, both in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end. *Amen*.

Epistle. Hebrews 9:11–15 Gospel. John 8:46–59 Additional reading: Genesis 12:1–3

Gradual.

|| Deliver me, O Lord, from mine | ene- | mies:

teach me to | do | Thy | will.

|| He delivereth me from mine enemies; yea, Thou liftest me up above those that rise up a- | gainst | me:

Thou hast delivered me from the vi- | 0- | lent | man.

Tract. || Many a time have they afflicted me from my youth. May Israel | now | say: many a time have they afflicted me from my youth. Yet they have not prevailed | a- | gainst | me.

Communion Psalm: *Ant.* This is My Body, which is given for you: This cup is the new testament in My Blood, saith the Lord: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me. (1 Cor 11:24,26). **Ps 116:10-16.**





Passiontide

A clearly defined period within Lent begins with the Fifth Sunday in Lent. From very early times this week and Holy Week have been spoken of as

Passiontide and marked the formal ecclesiastical observance of a special period in commemoration of our Lord's Passion. It is the third step in our preparation for Easter, which began with Septuagesima. It was intensified until we reached the Sunday of Refreshment(4th Sunday in Lent), which brought the transition from the rigorous demands of Lent to the contemplation of our Lord's suffering and death. The preparation for our rising to newness of life with Christ continues, but the Savior's Passion is now introduced as an appeal to our heart and conscience. The sense of pardon is conveyed by contemplating the Sacrifice, but at the same time our compunction for sin is to be increased. Pardon given without some method of emphasizing guilt might make men think lightly of sin. This is prevented by impressing on us: "You were bought with a price." In the two weeks beginning with Judica, both elements, pardon and sacrifice, are presented. The fact that we think and speak of our Lord's suffering and death with intense concentration will deepen the solemnity of our worship, but our Services should not be morose and desolate. All during Lent our Liturgy leads us to lament our sins, but it never leaves us without the joyous assurance of acceptance by God. While the Propers of Judica and Holy Week impress upon us the enormity of our sin by holding before us the tremendous Sacrifice and the ugliness of our sins in the light of the Sufferer's holiness, a quiet joy in our redemption should pervade our worship, even on Good Friday.

The final two weeks before Easter is called <u>Passiontide</u>, a period devoted to meditation upon the suffering and death of Jesus Christ. During this time not only is the alleluia not used(as during Lent), but even the Gloria Patri is taken away.

- --With today's reading for Passion Week(4/6-4/12), we see the increasing opposition that Jesus faced the last year of his ministry (Jn 8:42f).
- --Holy Week(4/13-4/19) is devoted to the last week of Jesus' Life. Though it begins with a palm procession(Mt 21:1f), the theme of the week is clearly the extended readings from Jesus' Passion.
- --Sunday(4/13) is St. Matthew, chapters 26 & 27.
- --Tuesday(4/15) is St. Mark, chapters 14 & 15.
- --Wednesday(4/16) is St. Luke, chapters 22 & 23.
- --Friday(4/18) is St. John, chapters 18 & 19