

PASTOR'S THOUGHTS



And just like that we are almost at Easter! I was surprised last week when I realized we had only one more Lenten Midweek Worship before Holy Week. Some years it feels like Lent takes its sweet time, slowly plodding on as we draw ever so slowly to the cross, to Easter. I think some years we, or at least I need that. I need that time to sit in the season of Lent, to continue to reflect on things going on in the world, in my life, and where the two intersect. This year though, it almost feels like Ash Wednesday just happened, like I blinked, and those 40 days have all but passed us by; and to be honest, I'm not sure how I feel about that.

Because sitting in Lent has been rewarding for me in the past. Like I said the time to reflect on life, and everything going on, a little time to slow down has been welcome. Maybe you've felt that way too, maybe you've had those years where this season seems to take forever, even frustratingly so, only to then discover that you needed it to take that time...that you are somehow better for it.

This year I feel rushed towards Holy Week, that it has gone by so quickly I'm afraid I may have missed something. I might be stretching it a bit with that one, I can look back at each week throughout Lent and remember the worship services, the point in the theme we are at for each week, the people gathered together, the voices that have led Holden Evening Prayer, even the conversations I've been blessed to be a part of after service. Yet I have this feeling that it has all gone by in an instant.

For some that may feel like a blessing. There are those who have said that it feels like we have been in Lent since March of 2020. Even I remember saying once or twice in the past two Lenten seasons that they have felt like the Lentiest Lent we've ever Lented. Not this year. I'm even writing this article six days into the month! I told you, the time feels like it has flown by.

So what do I do? Well, I figure that this next week, Holy Week, that I want to be more intentional to taking in the story of Jesus' last week of earthly ministry, beginning with his entry into Jerusalem this upcoming Sunday, and culminating with his crucifixion Friday...and even sitting in the pain of that event and that day on Holy Saturday. I invite you to do so as well.

Palm Sunday/Sunday of the Passion April 10, at 9am.

Maundy Thursday April 14, at 6pm

Good Friday April 15, at 7pm

And then to gather and celebrate God's victory over death on Easter Sunday at 9&11am

Maybe you've felt like I have this year, or maybe not. Either way, we have continued to gather to hear the stories of God's great love for His people, to live the kingdom of God in the here and the now, to help make the kingdom a little bit bigger and a little bit brighter. That bit of our call, that bit of the truth of our vocation as Children of God happens at any speed.

In Christ,
Pastor Dan Forsgren

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VIDEO / IN-PERSON WORSHIP

We continue to offer livestream of our in-person Sunday morning 9:00 AM worship service online through YouTube. Additionally, you may watch the recorded service at any time on our website, the [Video Worship Archive](#) page.

In-person worship with Holy Communion is available every Sunday at 9:00 AM in our Sanctuary.

In-person worship with Holy Communion is available every Wednesday night at 6:00 pm.

FAITH FORMATION

Men's Bible Study ▶
Tuesdays 1:00 PM at TLC Meets weekly for reading and detailed, lively discussions. Our informal study is 1-1½ hours.

Men's Prayer Group and Bible Study ▶
Saturdays 7:30 AM at TLC Meets weekly for one hour, with breakfast on the first Saturday of the month.

Sunday Morning Adult Faith Formation ▶
Join us after worship on Sunday mornings at 10:15am downstairs for Bible study discussion. You are welcome to grab a couple of cookies and a cup of coffee from the atrium if you'd like!

Women's Circle meets on the third Tuesday of each month at noon with a potluck lunch followed by a scripture-based discussion. All women are welcome.

Please check our website for frequent updates, calendar information, faith resources, youth schedules, news and much more:
www.trinitylutherancda.org.

COUNCIL CHATTER

At its March 15th Church Council Meeting the good news of the evening was hiring Amy Westgarth as manager of the Trinity Lutheran food booth for the North Idaho fair, August 19th-28th 2022

You may know Amy as the very competent and professional bookkeeper for the church but put her in charge of fair food, Pita Pit to be exact, and she shines even brighter. Having Amy step up will insure that Trinity can benefit again this year from being present at the fair, and with volunteers and hard work, realize a significant monetary gain for youth and family programs.

The fair is ten days in length and we will need MANY volunteers to fill slots. Sign up to help when the volunteer sheets go up on the bulletin board in July in the Narthex. Friends and family are welcome as well.

P.S. Every shift comes with free admission to the fair AND a Pita of your choice. Yum!

Mike Grabenstein, Council President.

DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRY POSITION

As you probably have heard Penny Weiss is retiring In August 2022. The search committee has begun the process to fill the Director of Children and Youth Ministry position. The link to the job posting on our website is: <https://www.trinitylutheraneda.org/employment>. If you know of someone who may be interested, please share the link with them. Word of mouth can work wonders!

TLC Learning Center Lead Teacher Position

TLC Learning Center has a part-time position open. Lead Teacher in the Waddler Room, teaching children ages 1.5 to 2.5 yrs, 2 to 3 days per week, 8:30am to 5:30pm. Contact Nikki Betts at 208-664-0052 or send resume to directortlclc@gmail.com.

WOMEN'S CIRCLE

Tuesday, the 19th of April should be marked for a potluck lunch at noon followed by the fourth and final part in a discussion series by New Testament scholar Mark Allan Powell titled "The Kingdom of God."

Copies of the study guide are available in the office. All women are welcome.

BITS & PIECES

- **TLC Love Day** meets weekly on Tuesdays at 9:00am for quilting, fellowship, and coffee.
- **TLC Council** will meet on Tuesday, April 19th at 4:30pm.
- **TLC Singles Luncheon on Thursday, April 21st** – Bring your appetite and enjoy a delicious meal prepared and served by a great team of TLC members! Lots of good conversation and fellowship, too! It all begins at 11:30am.
- **Chorale Coeur d'Alene Concert at TLC** Friday, April 22nd, 7:00pm and Saturday, April 23rd, 2:00pm
- **TLC Garage Sale Fri./Sat., June 3 & 4.** Bring in those donations anytime up to that week!

LENT & EASTER

April 10th Sunday of the Passion-Palm Sunday

9:00 am Worship Service

April 14th Maundy Thursday

6:00pm Worship Service

April 15th Good Friday

7:00 pm Worship Service



Easter Sunday

April 17th Easter Sunday

- **Worship Services:** 9:00 & 11:00am
- **Easter Breakfast:** Breakfast will be served on Easter Sunday from 8 to 11am. To-Go orders will also be available. Can you help with supplies for the breakfast? Sign up on the Participation Place Board. Thanks!
- **Easter Egg Hunt** Candy, small toys and prizes are needed to fill eggs for the annual Easter Egg Hunt. Donations can be placed in the box in the atrium. NO plastic eggs are needed. Thanks!



TLC YOUTH

- **Kid's Club** on Wednesdays at 5:30pm
- **High School Youth** on Wednesdays at 7:30pm
- **Easter Egg Hunt** on Sunday, April 17th at 10:30am
- **Coffee Cup Faith Discussion** for Middle School & High School youth is on Sunday, April 24th at 10:30am.

TLC NEW MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

Sandee Riggs

Welcome Back to Trinity, Sandee Riggs! Recently included among new members joining our congregation, Sandee has officially returned to the church in which she grew up! Generations of the Riggs family had been active and beloved at TLC!

Looking back, both of Sandee's parents came to Coeur d'Alene as children – her mom from North Dakota and her father from Wyoming. Their union produced four Riggs siblings – Ron, Kathy, Jack and Sandee! Jack and wife Sandy Patano are TLC stalwarts and Sandee accompanied them to Trinity a few times in the past year.

“I have been attending services at the Salvation Army Kroc Center.” She says. “The services there are just different. I used to not like the (Lutheran) liturgy. But when I came with Jack and Sandy, I started thinking ‘Gosh, I kinda miss that!’ It makes me feel comfortable; secure. You know what to expect!” She also thinks that Pastor Dan is good at drawing you in with his great personality and sense of humor.

Growing up in Coeur d'Alene, it is not surprising that Sandee graduated from North Idaho College and the University of Idaho. After college, she worked for brother Jack's Immediate Care Center before helping open the first Coeur d'Alene Shopko and was promoted to the Shopko location in Kennewick, Washington. “It wasn't Coeur d'Alene, so I came back!” she says. She returned to work for Jack and stayed for 15 years. She enjoyed a 4-year stint with the City of Coeur d'Alene Wastewater Treatment and Human Resources departments and then joined the staff at the Kroc Center in 2008 where she has worked since.

Though there have been no marriages nor children for Sandee, she has been blessed with a very close relationship with her family. “It's just been live a good life,” she says, “and love the Lord.” Again, Welcome Back Sandee!

Diana Grainger

When first meeting Diana Grainger, one wouldn't expect this lively and forthright gal to be reluctant to talk about herself. But that is our new friend Diana! She enjoys observing the people around her at church, joining the weekly Love Ladies (which she finds “delightfully gregarious and welcoming”) and their regular Bible Study and potluck. She's also a regular at Bible Study following the 9 a.m. service!

Diana will tell you that there have been “a lot of shifting elements” in her life. It wasn't easy, though she came from a family of privilege, she will say the quest for status was NOT on her agenda.

Diana was born in Altadena, California, and grew up in Santa Monica and Pacific Palisades. For several years, she attended Chapel of Peace Lutheran School in Englewood, California, because her mother – who was of the Jewish faith – had a very successful dry-cleaning business a block away! Years later, Diana and her long-time companion, John, arrived in North Idaho in 2003. (He now resides in a memory care facility.) So, when looking for a church, she was thrilled to discover a Lutheran Church nearby! And TLC is glad she did!

Diana lists reading among her hobbies and enjoys volunteering at the Coeur d'Alene Library's Book Nook. (Not a bad place to find the “True Crime” novels she favors.) She also loves antiquing and her oft-played collection of old 33 records, especially “ethnic music”, Old Jazz and Blues!

Don't miss the opportunity to get to know Diana, who will tell you she leans toward the “Four L's: Listen, Learn, Lend an Ear and Laugh”! Believe me, you will enjoy your visit!

Look for Additional TLC New Member Highlights in the May Edition of the Trinity Times!

SUNDAY WORSHIP ASSISTANTS SCHEDULE – APRIL 2022

Thank you for your service!

If you are unable to serve on your scheduled date, kindly trade with someone else on the schedule when you have a conflict. Whenever possible, please contact the church office by Wednesday to inform Andrea of your change: 208-664-5743, or: office.trinitycda@gmail.com

9:00 AM	April 3 rd	April 10 th	Easter Sunday April 17 th	April 24 th
Altar Care	Paula Moore	Paula Moore Pam Hunt	Paula Moore	Paula Moore Karen Cook
Assisting Minister	Pam Hunt	Aaron Cloyd	Dick Jurvelin	Janet Gruber
Reader	Dolores Johnson	Jill Dougherty	Sue Thilo	Kathy Benson
Ushers	Paul Hunt Tad Johnson	Bob Ray Harold Fuchs	Bob Ray Tad Johnson	Bob Ray Harold Fuchs
Communion Assistants	Paula Moore Dolores Johnson	Dick & Jill Jurvelin	Tom & Sue Thilo	Kathy Benson Dolores Johnson
Acolytes	Frankie Drake	William Forsgren	Nathaniel Cloyd	Jeremiah Benson

VOLUNTEERS TO FILL ALL OF THE ABOVE POSITIONS ARE ALSO NEEDED FOR THE 11:00AM SERVICE ON EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 17TH. PLEASE LET ANDREA IN THE OFFICE KNOW IF YOU WILL ASSIST AT THAT SERVICE.

Sanctuary Saints for April: VOLUNTEER(S) NEEDED
(Stocks pew racks, fills oil in candles, etc. weekly for Sunday worship.)



CELEBRATIONS & PRAYERS

APRIL Birthdays

Tad Johnson	04/03
Jerry Anderson	04/04
Carrie Gridley -Shenfield	04/07
Drew Shenfield	04/10
Becky Anderson	04/11
Marion Keating	04/11
Hugo Riggs	04/13
Jodi Mundt	04/15
Bob Rickel	04/15
Axel Riggs	04/15
Rosamund Drake	04/16
Cindy McManus	04/16
Patricia Muchow	04/16
John Orvik	04/17
Cal McDevitt	04/18
Ausey Robnett	04/18
Simon Drake	04/22
Winnie Barth	04/25
Margaret Fedje	04/25
Audrey Gibson	04/25
Georgianne Jessen	04/25
Delores Luttrupp	04/25
Polly Fiscus	04/27
Judy Deines	04/29
Gary Everson	04/30

APRIL Anniversaries

Jerry & Penny Higgins	04/05/1967
Wayne & Sherelyn Holecek	04/10/1965
Will & Denise Wilbanks	04/16/1994
Chuck & Karen Shirley	04/17/1999

*Watch over your children,
O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide
them wherever they may be. Strengthen,
comfort, and raise them up if they fall, and in
their hearts, may your peace, which passes all*



***Please Hold In Your Prayers for Healing, Comfort, Peace
(The † symbol denotes TLC members)***

*Susan Kirkpatrick † Mavis Fuchs † Delores Luttrupp † Sally English
† Marion Keating † Lee Ray † Phyllis Bacon † Carol Price †
Dave Nordby † Ken & Darlene Amundson † Ray Kincheloe †
Carol MacLean † Donna Cedervall † Terry Fairchild †
Norm Vincent †
Wes Deitz (brother, Yvonne Deitz)
Micah Sharples (friend – Jill Jurvelin)
Janet Wilbanks (mother -Will Wilbanks)
Skip Keiflin (friend – Glenna Knepper)
Jan Johnson (friend – Glenna Knepper)
Roxie Hunt (friend of friend – Glenna Knepper)
Jonnie Dempsey (granddaughter – Rose Dempsey)
Tim Brunelle (son – Ron & Rolaine Brunelle)
Elleyna (great granddaughter – Wanda Andrews)
Claude Roberts (son-in-law – Harold & Mavis Fuchs)
Larry Bellender (brother – Pat Muchow)
Diane Knidler (friend – Kathy Benson)
Barbara Erwin (mother – Paul Erwin)
Gary Noyen (friend – Ray & Olivia Simmons)
Gary Price (son – Tom & Carol Price)
Lorne & Judy Bjornson (friends – Jay & Connie Gridley)
Karin Austin (friend – Teri Venera)
Kennedy Way (family friends's daughter- Kathy Benson)*



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Worship Schedule

Wednesdays

Evening Worship 6:00 PM

Sundays

9:00 AM Worship Service

In-Person and

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VIDEO WORSHIP ARCHIVE ON
OUR WEBSITE

www.trinitylutherancda.org

FAMILY PROMISE BENEFIT

Family Promise of N. I. Golf Classic, June 25, 2022, at the Links Golf Course, Post Falls -

Learn more at www.familypromiseni.org.

Saturday, June 25th check-in begins at 11:00am

with a shotgun start at 1:00pm. Lunch will be

provided by Pita Pit and an amazing catered

dinner by Ekness Catering at 6:00pm We still

need sponsors, golfers, and silent auction items.

For more information, please reach out to

Jonathan Green, tournament organizer, at

208-651-4612 or by email at apcar78@gmail.com.




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