

A Community

Following Jesus

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The Messenger

Holy Week

By Ben A. Spalding

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As springtime arrives and we get closer to Easter we will once again observe Holy Week which brings about the conclusion of the penitential season of Lent.

Very shortly after the beginnings of Christianity, followers of Jesus who lived around Jerusalem would gather and visit the places that had shaped the end of Jesus' earthly life. Over the centuries, this practice of remembering the last

days of Jesus' life spread throughout Christianity—and it is this time of remembrance that we call "Holy Week." Holy Week recalls the events of the week that led up to the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Over the years, this week has been considered the most important and holy time in the life of the church—especially what is known as the "*Triduum*"—or Great Three Days—of Maundy Thursday, Good

Friday, and Easter morning. Two thousand years later we continue this ancient and holy practice and many of the elements of our Holy Week worship have been used by Christians since at least the year 400 AD.

Please join us for our worship during Holy Week, as we contemplate the suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Palm Sunday, April 14

Mission Campus | 8:30 and 11am | Festival Services with Trinity Choir
Shawnee Campus | 8:30 and 11am | Special Music

Maundy Thursday, April 18

Mission Campus | Noon & 7pm | Traditional Middle-eastern meal preceding each service
Shawnee Campus | 6pm | Seder meal incorporated into a communion service

Good Friday, April 19

Mission Campus | Noon & 7pm
Shawnee Campus | 7pm

Holy Saturday, April 20

Mission Campus | 5:30pm | Easter Vigil Service

Easter Sunday, April 21

Mission Campus | 8:30, 9:45, 11am | Festival Services with Trinity Choir, Brass, Percussion
Shawnee Campus | 8:30 and 11am | Special Music
Communion at 11am at Mission Campus and 8:30 and 11am at Shawnee Campus

Maundy Thursday Seder Meal

By Pastor Phil Cook



Shawnee Campus

Thursday, April 18, 6-8pm
Seder Meal Worship

Join us for a special Seder meal as we celebrate the Passover the way Jesus and his disciples would have celebrated it. We will also see how Jesus changed this traditional meal, bringing it to fulfillment as he institut-

ed the meal we now call Holy Communion. The Maundy Thursday Seder Meal runs from 6-8pm, and is a fully integrated experience, a combined time of worship and a full meal eaten together as the extended family of Christ. This year, instead of a potluck, we will be catering the meal to en-

rich the worship experience. You do not need to bring a potluck item, but it would help us plan if you would RSVP. If you would like to contribute ingredients to the meal, please sign up for one of these needs. Sign up to bring food with the QR code at left or visit tlcms.org for a link.

Maundy Thursday Middle-Eastern Buffet



Mission Campus

Light Middle-Eastern
Buffet at 11am and 6pm

Join us before worship for a light middle-eastern style buffet starting an hour be-

fore each service as we remember the Passover meal celebrated by Jesus and His disciples and by all of Judaism since the Exodus. Following the buffet, we gather for a solemn service com-

memorating the Last Supper. Communion is celebrated, the altar is stripped, and a hand-washing ceremony takes place to remember the servant nature of our Savior.

Youth Easter Breakfast

By Julie Mohling and Beth Stephens

Sunday, April 21
9 - 11am

Mission Campus
Fellowship Hall

9:30 - 11am, Shawnee
Campus Lower Level

The youth will be serving Easter breakfast at both campuses again this year. This breakfast is a fundraiser that enables youth to participate in retreat experiences that strongly help

them grow in their daily walk with Jesus. Proceeds will benefit those who are attending our summer trip to Lutheran Valley Retreat in Colorado. Thank you for your support of our youth!



Chocolate Easter Sucker Sale

By Susie Schram

April 14, Mission Campus

The LWML Ruth Circle will again be selling their ever popular Chocolate Easter

Suckers on Palm Sunday, April 14. Large suckers are \$1.00 and small suckers are \$.75. All proceeds go toward purchasing gifts for

the MLM Christmas Store. Bring cash, no plastic eggs or plastic money accepted!

50+ Spring Luncheon

By Don and Mary Moehlenkamp and Leo and Jean Schlesselman

Wednesday, May 1

11:30am

Mission Campus

The 50+ Spring Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, May 1, following the regular 50+ Bible Class. There will

be salad, sandwiches, beverages, and a dessert. Please sign up in the foyer on the counter by the office if you plan to attend, or you can sign up with the link in the eNews. The signup deadline is Monday, April 22. A

freewill offering will be collected. If you have any questions, please contact Mary and Don Moehlenkamp, 913-451-6246, or Jean and Leo Schlesselman, 913-888-9076.



New Member Class at Mission Campus

By Pastor Mark Schulz

Thursdays

6:30-7:45pm

Four Sessions

April 4 & 11, May 2 & 16

Mission Campus

At Trinity, we enjoy putting our faith into action! God speaks to us through his

Word and inspires us through the Holy Spirit. If you would like to explore what our faith community is all about, consider a membership class. Whether you are wanting to explore how faith can center your life

and give you meaning and fulfillment or you are a long-time Lutheran who has questions about faith, this class would be helpful for you. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Mark, Mark@tlcms.org.



Shoe and Sweater Donations for Guatemala Mission

By Jane Musgrove

In anticipation of warmer weather, we know many of us will begin spring cleaning. We would like you to consider donating your gently used button-up or zip-up women's sweaters as well as

women's shoes (flats, size 6 1/2 or smaller), and children's shoes of all styles and sizes. Collection boxes will be placed at both church campuses for the next several weeks. The women and

children in the village of Chuchipaca appreciate our donations every summer. Thank you for your help with the upcoming mission trip.



Easter Lily Donations—Shawnee Campus

By Dianna Mayfield

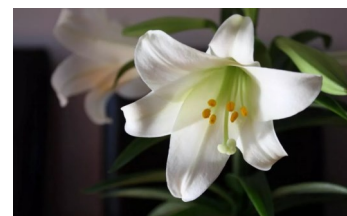
Shawnee Campus

Freewill Donation

See Bucket in Foyer

Help decorate the altar at Shawnee for Easter! We are collecting donations to purchase lilies for Easter. You

may leave your contribution in the bucket marked "Easter Lilies" on the table in the back of the sanctuary.



Hymn Festival at Trinity

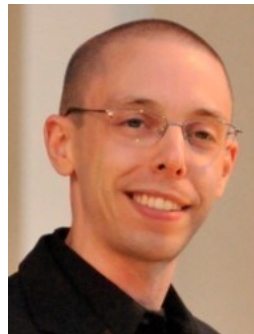
By Ben A. Spalding

Ponder Anew What the Almighty Can Do

Hymn Festival

Saturday, April 6, 5:30pm, Mission Campus

Trinity Lutheran Church Music and the Arts in collaboration with the Kansas City Chapter of the American Guild of Organists presents a community hymn festival featuring the Trinity Choir, Festival Brass, and congregation. Tom Trenney and Ben A. Spalding are hymn festival leaders. A freewill offering will be taken.



Tom Trenney



Ben A. Spalding

How to Plan a Hymn Festival

By Ben A. Spalding

Sunday, April 7, 9:45am

Mission Campus

Fellowship Hall

Have you ever wondered what goes into planning a Hymn Festival or Festival Service at Trinity?

These are very special and meaningful times of worship and Ben A. Spalding will lead an informative class on music and theology the day after our Ponder Anew Hymn Festival.

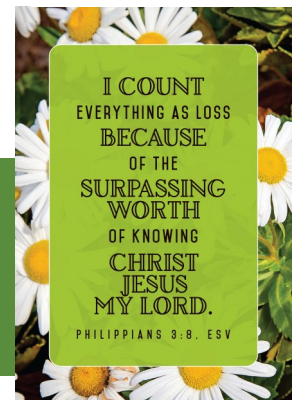
Please join Ben on Sunday, April 7, in the Fellowship Hall at 9:45 am at the Mission campus.



How Do You Plan a
Hymn Festival?

Memory Verse

...I consider everything a loss compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things.
Philippians 3:8a





Registration Open!

SHAWNEE CAMPUS | JUNE 24-28

MISSION CAMPUS | JULY 8-12

VISIT TLCMS.ORG/VBS TO REGISTER

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tlcms.org/VBS
or
use this QR code:



This epic African adventure will engage the whole herd. At Roar, kids explore God's goodness and celebrate a ferocious faith that powers them through this wild life. Each day at Roar VBS, kids travel through station rotations that reinforce relevant Bible Points and immerse kids in new adventures.



Spring Work Day at Shawnee Campus

By Chris Cox



Saturday, April 27 **Time to be determined**

Are you wanting to get some exercise and help the church at the same time? Well, pull out your work gloves and get ready for a spring work day at the Shawnee campus! On Saturday, April 27, we will get together to spruce up the campus. Please sign up to help at the welcome table in

the foyer. Here is what we are trying to get accomplished:

- Building a retention wall on the northeast corner of the playground
- Planting shrubs
- Spreading mulch

If you have any questions, please contact Chris Cox, coxybbq@gmail.com.

LWML Coffee and Tea Sale

By Elfriede Mohling



Sunday Morning, April 7 **Mission Campus**

LWML coffee and tea sale will be held between worship services at the Mission campus on Sunday, April 7. Be sure to stop by the table to select from the wide vari-

ety of flavors available. Selected varieties are available for purchase in the gift shop between sale dates. The large purple and white mite box will be available on the coffee table to deposit your loose change.

One of the many mission projects being supported by your donation is Lutheran Children's Books for Families Worldwide. Learn more about this project from the poster behind the mite box. Thank you for your support!

2019 Lenten Meals

By Pastor Benjamin Vineyard



We're continuing the tradition of Lenten meals at the Shawnee campus this spring. A meal is being provided beginning at 5:30pm each Wednesday evening in Lent for the whole congregation, especially for the Confirmation Lenten mentors and student families. Midweek Lenten worship begins at 7pm each night following the meal. The last regular Lenten meal will be Wednesday, April 10.

March Madness Fundraiser

By Beth Stephens

The youth are doing the March Madness Envelope Fundraiser again this year to support their trip to Lutheran Valley Retreat. Envelopes will be available through Sunday, April 7, so take your final shots before the buzzer! Each envelope is labeled with a dollar amount. Envelope values range from \$1-\$100. Our goal as a group is to get all

of the envelopes filled and returned before the end of the NCAA tournament. You can give via cash, check, or online giving.



Give now!



Thank You for Caring

For those who wish to keep abreast of developments with Wanda Hein's illness, the following link will redirect you to a Caring Bridge page with updates. Thank you for your prayers.

Use the QR code or find a link in the eNews.



Caring
Bridge for
Wanda Hein

Philippians 1:3-5 — "I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now." We are so very thankful to our friends at Trinity for the support, cards, prayers, and love offered to us throughout Bryan's surgery and cancer journey. You have all been such a blessing to us. Bryan is doing very well and was discharged from Mayo Clinic on March 27th. All praise and thanks be to God! We look forward to transitioning back to Omaha this weekend. God bless and be with you all!

Thanks!

Cheryl and Pastor Bryan
Drebes

Easy Gifting to Trinity

By Larry Conrad



Life today is often measured in screen time. You manage your calendar, email, instant messaging, text, Facebook, and use ApplePay to pay for groceries – all from the small screen on your phone. However, giving to the church can seem to our younger generation to be an outdated process – Where is the checkbook?

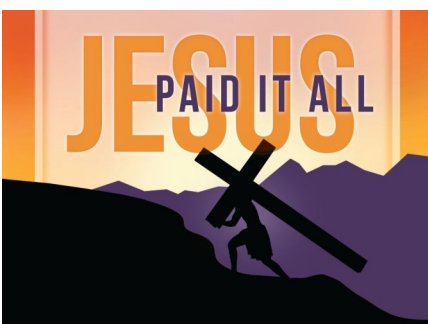
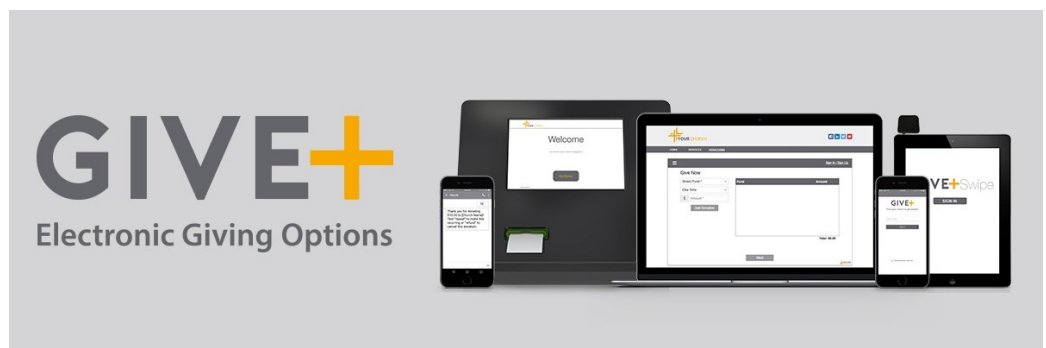
A New Way to Gift to Trinity

Give+ mobile giving app is now available to use from your smart phone.

Yes, you can still use the offering envelopes and drop a check or cash into

the plate on Sunday. However, our members are more frequently opting to use the easy electronic methods. More than 25% of the funds donated to the church arrive from electronic giving methods. Check out our Giving page at tlcms.org to learn more about our electronic giving options.

The reason you give has not changed: giving thanks to our Lord for the generosity he has given us. The church is just making the funds transfer process easier with our electronic giving options.



As Holy Week approaches, we encourage you to remember the immeasurable blessings you have received because of the death of Christ. He has set you free. He has paid your ransom. He is giving you eternal life forever with him. May God bless you with a rich and meaningful Holy Week and Easter!

Nursery Workers Needed at Shawnee Campus

By Jo Ann Emerson

Shawnee is seeking to increase its Nursery and Childcare Staff. If you are a caring, compassionate person, age 14 or above, who enjoys working with infants through 36-month-olds,

please contact Jo Ann Emerson (joann@tlcms.org; 913-563-5280) for more information. Scheduling is flexible for this paid position.



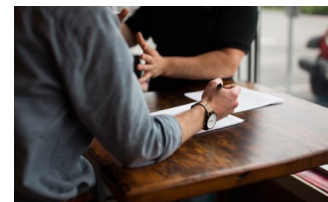
Listening to You

By Pastor Mark Schulz

One of the primary responsibilities of Trinity's Executive Committee is listening to you, the members of our "Community Following Jesus." This happens in a variety of ways, both

through organized events where input is sought as well as informally in personal conversation. Another way this happens is when one or more community members attends an Execu-

tive Committee meeting. Please know that there is an open invitation for you to do so. It would be helpful for you to contact President Cheri Wright beforehand.



Hope Lutheran School Seeks Teachers

By Nancy Jankowski

Hope Lutheran School in Shawnee, Kansas, is seeking to fill two teacher positions for the upcoming school year 2019-2020. We are seeking teacher candidates who will:

- Create a fun, energetic environment that encourages student growth and fosters a love of God, each other, and learning
- Work collaboratively with colleagues in maintaining academic excellence in a caring Christian school
- For the middle school position, teach in a departmentalized 6th - 8th grade classroom in the area of Social Studies and Language Arts
- For the elementary school position, teach in a self-contained classroom
- Actively participate in the spiritual life of the school and church
- Seek and obtain a Kansas teaching license by the end of the first year of teaching

Teacher candidates that are interested in the position, may send a cover letter and resume to Mrs. Nancy Jankowski, principal, at jankowski@hopelutheran.org.



Alaska Mission Team Upddate

By Laura Baack



Thank You!

Thanks to all of you who took part in the Ash Wednesday Soup Supper at the Shawnee Campus! I heard the food was delicious and there was great fellowship. Many of you ate before the service and many of you took soup-to-go. We estimate that we served approximately 150 people and

sold approximately 80 quarts of soup.

Prayers Are Truly Appreciated!

The lay minister in Emmonak, Alaska, is so excited about our team coming to do ministry with the people for a week. Even though there is much effort and expense that goes into such

a trip, God has great plans for His people. We want to be his servants and hope to make even a small difference in sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ with this Alaskan village.

Advice & Aid Seeks Nurse Manager

By Katy Cramer



Advice & Aid Pregnancy Centers is looking for an individual who will assist our ministry as Nurse Manager. The Nurse Manager is a medical professional responsible for the oversight of all medical staff and services at Advice & Aid. Candidates must be dedicated to the pro-life belief and the dignity, sanctity, and worth of every human life. This position is fulltime at 35 hours per

week. This individual must have the following qualifications:

- BSN Nursing Degree; Licensed RN in State of Kansas
- Certification in limited ultrasound (or Advice & Aid will provide training, if needed)
- Must be willing to work some evenings and weekends
- Must agree with Advice &

Aid Pregnancy Centers' Vision, Mission, and Statement of Faith and Core Values

Please email your resume and cover letter or questions to Ruth Tisdale at rtisdale@adviceandaid.com or mail them to Advice & Aid Pregnancy Centers, P.O. Box 7123, Shawnee Mission, KS 66207. No calls please.

Experience Germany: Lutherland and Oberammergau Passion Play

By Pastor Tom Harries



September 5-14, 2020

Pastor Tom and Diane Harries of Lenexa are hosting a Germany tour in 2020 from September 5-14. The trip will include touring

Lutherland, attending the world famous Passion Play in Oberammergau, and visiting other historic and colorful sites of Germany. Brochures and information are

available by calling 913-888-4772 or by emailing harriesth51@gmail.com. For links to a brochure and to register, please visit tlcms.org.

Therefore encourage one another...

1 Thessalonians 5:11

Birthdays



April 10 – MaKenzie Barker, Henry Tanner
April 11 – Leticia Porter, Pat Reaman, Anastasia Schultze
April 12 – Donna Fike, Nancy Hunt
April 14 – Mike Brumley, Caroline Webster
April 15 – Jeff Delaney, Charlee Latteman, Thomas Mojica
April 16 – Jane DeLeon
April 17 – Beth Collins, Kobe Hardin, Julia Henslee, Karen Jaime, Austin Matters, Reagan Maxwell, Karen Phipps, Jude Vineyard
April 18 – Barb Littell, Logan Matters, Emma Shenefield, Bob Skrukud
April 19 – Steven Mingos, Ashley Mitchell, Patty Scarborough, Gregg Smith, Marty Wells
April 20 – Virginia Beal, John Eastlund, AJ Hartje, Jeanne Stevenson, Quinn Truax, Yancy Wright
April 21 – Conan Brennan, Pam Holstein, Elaine Pattison, Robert Reese
April 22 – James Daniel, Bob Denis, Laine Guerry, Michael Richards, Buffy Rishel
April 23 – Lydia Dible
April 9 – Alan Brockman, Marc Nelson

Anniversaries



Doug & Brenda Lewallen April 12 (33rd)
 Matthew & Janai Tisdale **April 12 (5th)**
 Dan & Susie Schram **April 13 (45th)**
 Ben & Elaine Stroker **April 14 (57th)**
 Steve & Janet McCarter April 16 (36th)
 Joshua & Emily Vincent **April 18 (10th)**
 Chris & Audrey Anders April 19 (11th)
 Ken & Dianne Ehle **April 19 (61st)**
 Spencer & Rebecca Matters April 23 (36th)
 Ron & Louise Tilghman **April 23 (25th)**

Prayers



Deaths

Clay Miller, 4/2

Retirement Facility/Homebound

Betty Becker, *Park Meadows*
 Don and Glenda Bischoff, *at home*
 Norma Brock, *at home*
 Phyllis Corthon, *Victory Hills*
 Ted Dahl, *at home*
 Walter and Donna Erickson, *at home and Aberdeen Village*
 Conrad Fassold, *Lakeview Village*
 Allene Gantz, *Rose Estates*
 Robert and Shirley Hemenway, *at home*
 Phyllis Henderson, *at home*
 Dick and Audrey Humes, *Santa Marta*
 Lois Klausen, *Delmar Gardens of OP*
 Jean Klemp, *McCrites Plaza Assisted Living*
 Ruth Kroenke, *Addington Place*
 Richard Krueger, *Shawnee Post Acute and Rehabilitation Center*
 Betty Kueker, *Rose Estates*
 Evelyn Lauber, *Westchester Village*
 Bill and Charlene Millsap, *at home*
 Jerry and Lillian Mueller, *Westchester Village*
 Betty Peppers, *Bickford*
 Karen Phipps, *Homebound Facility*
 Robert Reese, *The Sheridan at Overland Park*
 Garry and Joanne Schottman, *at home*
 Rose Seifferlein, *Tallgrass Memory Care*
 Jerry and Mary Ellen Stephenson, *at Santa Marta*
 Jeanne Stevenson, *Kingswood*

Member Prayers-Mission

Tom Dempsey
 Myrna DuBois
 Wanda Hein
 Quentyn Hendrich
 Steve Martin
 Clay Miller
 Dyan Mojica
 Ann Ninneman

Member Prayers-Shawnee

Jim Hoestje

*Anniversaries and birthdays are listed from April 9-23.
 If your birthday or anniversary is not listed, please contact the church office.*



Trinity Ladies' Luncheon

Sunday, May 5, 12:30pm

Mission Campus Fellowship Hall

FREE! | **All ladies are invited!**

Guest speaker from Safehome

All ladies of the congregation are invited to our annual Ladies' Luncheon. This year we look forward to listening to a speaker from Safehome, an organization that provides support for survivors of domestic abuse. Please sign up at the information center at each campus by April 28. You may choose from two different soups offered, carrot and Italian wedding soup. We will have an ingathering for Safehome. Please help by donating:

- ✓ Home goods
- ✓ Diapers
- ✓ Toilet paper
- ✓ Cleaning supplies

Please do NOT donate cosmetics, food, or clothing.



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The next deadline is April 16 at noon.

Mission Campus

5601 West 62nd Street, Mission, Kansas 66202

Saturday Evening

5:30pm Communion Service

Sunday Mornings

8:30am Family-focused Worship with Communion

9:45am Praise Service with Communion

9:45am Sunday School

11am Family-focused Worship with Communion

Shawnee Campus

21320 Midland Drive, Shawnee, Kansas 66218

Sunday Mornings

8:30am Family-focused Worship with Communion

9:45am Sunday School

11am Family-focused Worship with Communion

Nursery

A professionally staffed nursery for ages six months to three years is available during most worship services and Sunday School.