TRINITY TIDINGS NEWSLETTER

Following Jesus... Reach, Grow, Go... Real Life with Real People

<u>"He Is Not Here – Really?"</u>

Ever since Jesus' resurrection from the dead, the Christian Church has celebrated Easter with the marvelous responsive verse: "He is risen" - "He is risen indeed, hallelujah!"

This past January/February on our recent visit to Israel we visited three empty tombs. One was a first century tomb, complete with stone rolled away alongside a busy highway. The second was the tomb inside the Church of the Holy Sepulcher (I think the actual one), which of course had a Chapel built over it and around it. And third was a tomb in a garden aptly named: "The Garden Tomb" (some think this is the actual place). It is this last one that has a very unique feature; as you enter the tomb and look around and then turn to leave, on the door is a sign that reads: "He is risen, He is not here". What a tremendous reality. A reality that has changed our lives forever – literally.

While I confess the reality of that phrase with great joy and excitement, it has saddened me over the years to experience and know that for some that is not the case. Their lives are lived with an attitude, or a sadness, or even the anger of "He is not here". Jesus is nowhere, He's left me, He's deserted me, when I've needed Him most, "He is not here".

Since January I have been meditating on Psalm 46:10: "Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!" This verse was used as the theme for a Prayer Retreat at Cannon Beach; for our devotions on the Israel tour; and now for our Wednesday morning devotions during Lent. I have found great peace and strength in the words of Psalm 46, because all the verses, even the refrain (vs.7 and 11) speak to a joyous reality; He is not in the tomb, because He is HERE! My challenge is to be still enough to experience His presence, and to open my eyes enough to the presence He reveals.

This Easter we celebrate the empty tomb, not that Jesus is gone, but that He is HERE! And His being here means that we can know His presence, that He is our refuge and strength, that we need not fear though all the earth give way, that He is in our midst each day, and that His works are all around us to see.

In the words of the refrain of Psalm 46; The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress." What a marvelous Easter message!



Celebrating His presence; Pastor Bruce



Applying Bible Principles

Something to Think About

In the light of eternity, there is no higher calling than to serve God.

"...I am among you as one who serves" Luke 22:27

When you were very young, did you ever daydream about what you wanted to be when you grew up? Probably all of us did. Little girls thought about becoming nurses, models or flight attendants. Little boys thought about becoming policemen, firemen, soldiers or truck drivers. Today, both girls and boys think about becoming astronauts, politicians, business leaders or even President of the United States.

The probability is very great that "servant" will not be envisioned by many, if any. Why not? Because nobody, young or old, aspires to be a servant. And yet, that is how Jesus described Himself in Luke 22:27 as He said, "...I am among you as one who serves." Jesus came not to be served, but to serve.

Regardless of what they do or how they do it, servants have one thing in common. They do the bidding of their masters. And that includes Christians who do the bidding of their Master, Jesus Christ. Servants don't say, "Lord, do this and do that." Servants say, "Lord, what do You want me to do?" The satisfaction of the servant is to see the Lord satisfied.

No wonder our churches don't work right. We have not begun to think about how to serve Jesus. Our praises are His dinner, the hymns are the water on His table. It doesn't matter what each of us may do in life as a vocation, as Christians, we are called to serve the Lord and to serve others for the Lord's sake.

What can you do to serve the Lord?



Trinity Lutheran Church Financial Summary:

"Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty and the splendor, for everything in heaven and earth is Yours. Yours, O Lord, is the kingdom; You are exalted as head over all. Wealth and honor come from You; You are the ruler of all things". 1 Chronicles 29: 11-12



Family Ministry

Partnering with parents to guide children towards a HEART for God.

Upcoming Events:

- JAM– 1st & 3rd Thursdays from 6:30-8pm
- Community Pancake Breakfast– April 15 at 9-9:55am
- Easter Egg Hunt April 15 at 10AM
- No Sunday School April 16
- 6k Global Walk/Run for Water– May 6 at 10:00am
- Children/Youth Worship Service-May 21

Sunday School News

(Sunday school hours are 9:10-10:20am)

In March the children reached their goal of 100 acts of service. Over the last few months we have been talking about showing God's love to people and ways we can do it. Each Sunday we share what we have done through out the week to shine Jesus' light. The children hope to add another cherry blossom to the tree in the narthex before the school year ends.

If you are interested in being a part of the Children's Ministry Team please contact René Barringer 971-235-9568 or <u>children@trinityhillsboro.org</u>

<u>Trinity's 2017</u> Vacation Bible School

June 26-30

9AM to Noon





Trinity's Community Pancake Breakfast & Easter Celebration/Egg Hunt Saturday, April 15 Pancake Breakfast 9:00-9:55am Easter Celebration & Egg Hunt 10:00am

Looking for an uplifting way to celebrate Easter? Join us at Trinity Lutheran Church for a morning of Easter festivities for all ages, including a pancake breakfast, Easter Egg Hunt, the story of Easter, and games! All ages are welcome to attend. If you would like to volunteer to help at this event please contact Crystal Nunnenkamp or Rene Barringer or sign-up at the information center.

PRESCHOOL NEWS

When one door of happiness closes, another opens; but often we look so long at the closed door that we do not see the one which has opened for us.

Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God. Luke 9:62



LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL

Mrs. Sady can't believe that we are halfway through March already! I was looking at our preschool class today and feeling so blessed by these beautiful 3 year olds. I always find myself so attached to my class by the end of the school year, and amazed by the growth that takes place in them. Growth in how they learn, growth and confidence in their accomplishments and growth in them as overall little people. It is such a gift to be a part of this process, I thank God for the blessings He's given me to have impact in these precious children's lives. This month we have been talking about pets, we also did a fun unit on healthy food choices and playing grocery store. We even took a field trip to New Seasons Market, where the children had the opportunity to see how a grocery store operates "behind the scenes." After spring break we will focus on Jesus, and the reason we celebrate Easter, the gift of His death and resurrection. I am excited to share this with the children, as we all prepare our hearts for the joy that comes in exclaiming, "He is risen. He is risen indeed!"



Mrs. Williams' class had a wacky Wednesday on March 1. We wore our clothes backwards, painted with our feet, colored under the table and many other opposite activities. After things got back to normal we began learning about animals. All month we distinguished between wild animals and pets. This was done through books, art and pet show & tell. Some of our favorite books were; <u>Bark George</u> by Jules Feiffer, <u>Slinky Malinki</u> <u>Catflaps</u> by Lynley Dodd and <u>Five Little Monkeys Swinging from a Tree</u> by Eileen Christelow. Our March Bible time was spent learning more about Jesus' life and the miracles He did on earth.

Trinity Lutheran Preschool is enrolling for the 2017-18 school year. Brochures and registration forms are available at the information center and online at <u>www.trinityhillsboro.org</u>

Trinity Lutheran Preschool is selling a variety of plants including; vegetables and herbs, annual and pre-annual flowers, planters and flower baskets. Stop by our table in the narthex on April 2 & 9 to learn more about these plants and pick up an order form.

Order forms are also available now online at <u>Trinityhillsboro.org</u> and at the information center.

You may drop off your order and check payable to Trinity Lutheran Preschool in the church office or the information center in the narthex thru April 18[°] All plants will be available to pick up on Thursday, May 4 from 1:30pm-6:00pm outside the east end of the church building.





Don't forget our "Gifts of Warmth" Collection

Donations of warm clothing — hats, gloves, scarves, socks, and especially new or gently used coats and blankets — will be received during the season of Lent. There will be a grocery cart set out by the Celebration Center entrance on Wednesdays for the evening Lenten Services and by the food collection barrel in the narthex during the week. The donations will be distributed with the Christmas baskets in December.

Thank you for your generosity.

Wanted!

Christmas Gift Bags & Wrap! Grab them while they are on clearance and toss them in the Gifts of Warmth cart set out for Lent. Thanks!

Flower Calendar

Trinity's flower calendar for 2017 Sunday Worship services is up on the bulletin board in the hall outside the Celebration Center. Please sign up for a week to bring flowers. You are then responsible to see that your flowers

are on the Altar that Sunday. If you need more information, please contact our flower coordinator Queen West at 503-880-2658.







MOVING?

Take a moment to contact Lori in the church office with your current mailing address, phone numbers and transferring information. Thank you. 503-640-1693 or <u>office@trinityhillsboro.com</u>

Submissions for the Monthly Trinity Tidings Newsletter are due in the church office on the 15th of each month.

If you would like to place an *announcement in the* Weekly Events, submissions are due on Wednesdays by noon. Thank you. <u>office@trinityhillsboro.com</u>

Forest Hills Lutheran Christian School

503-359-4853

www.fhlcs.org

Easter Lilies

It is time to order your Easter Lily to enhance the worship center at Easter. The price this year is \$6.00. Fill out a separate order for each lily and take to the Information Center by **Sunday, April 9.**



World Vision

6K Global Walk/Run

Did you know 6K (3.73 miles) is the average distance many people in the developing world walk for water? We are blessed to have access to fresh drinking water with a turn of a handle. To put a dent in this epidemic Trinity is teaming up with World Vision on May 6 for a 6K walk/run. Every Global 6K for Water participant provides clean water to one child in need through their registration fee, and will get to wear the name and photo of a clean water recipient on their race bib during the race. Each participant will also receive a t-shirt and finisher's medal. It's fun for the whole family! Cost for adults is \$50 and children \$25. If you would like to join us, **sign up at**

Teamworldvision.org/team/trinitytrekkers

Questions: Mike Zentz or Rene Barringer 971-235-9568 or <u>children@trinityhillsboro.com</u>

Lost & Found, etc.

Please take a few minutes to check your Narthex mailbox for information you may have left there. Have you left your umbrella at the church building? Do you need to check the lost and found for that sweatshirt your child left at the church? Did you take a few minutes after church to sign up to pray during the upcoming annual Prayer Vigil?



CELEBRATE THE ARTS

~ LOCAL ARTISTS' EXHIBITION & SALE ~ Mixed Media, Paintings, Fiber Art, Jewelry, Glass Works, Silk Painting...

Saturday, May 20th 11:00am - 4:00pm

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH 2194 SE MINTER BRIDGE RD (Corner of River & Minter Bridge)

WWW.TRINITYHILLSBORO.COM

Birthdays & Anniversaries for April

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3 Phyllis Alexander	4	5 JoAnn Dixson	6	7	8 Vern Mock
9	10 Keith Tucker	11	12 Marilyn Duvall	13	14	15 Judy Korynasz
16	17 Velma Elmore	18 Pat Whited	19	20	21	22
23	24 Joan Hais Janice Sticka	25	26	27	28	29 Judy Angevine Dale Helmricks
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Looking for your name? Not listed? Please contact the church office to update your family membership records! 503-640-1693 or <u>office@trinityhillsboro.com</u>



A convenient alternative to writing checks

You may find it more convenient to give online. When you scan this barcode-like QR code image with a smartphone, it will instantly connect you to the mobile version of Trinity's web page. This will provide a quick and easy way to access Trinity's online giving web site. Try it yourself!



HomeTouch

Scripture Reading: Matthew 4:12-23 *"Maturity is realizing how many things don't require your comment. —Rachel Walchin* In one of the *Dear Abby* columns, "Abby" posted this definition of maturity: *MATURITY IS ...*

To be able to stick with a job until it's finished; To do one's duty without being supervised; To be able to carry money without spending it; And to be able to bear injustice without wanting to get even.



SERVICE ROSTER FOR APRIL 2017 03

	April 2	April 9 Palm Sunday	April 16 Easter Sunday	April 23	April 30 Combined Worship
Altar Guild	Patty Goldhammer Jeralyn Henson Bette Holscher		Patty Goldhammer Jeralyn Henson Bette Holscher		
Chair Team	Vern Mock Gene Landreville Henry Meyer George Waldron Gary & Sue Gallino	Duane Freudenthal Brian Meyer Maurice Frye	Ben Manny Rod Langbehn Bret Rickman Paul Burkhart Evan, Victor & Mar- tin Johnson	Harold Baesler Matt Merten Ev Pies Darrell Tanke Dave Holscher John Tysor	Jerry Maasdam Matt Placher George Waldron Todd & Gail Humphrey
Children's Church	Astri Bragstad Oana Warren	Leslie Dipaola-Haga Rene Barringer Carol Nolen		Laura Bierly Melind Ott	Laura Anderson Trisha Bell
Children's Message	Stacey Buck	Cyndi Biamont	Rene Barringer	Hannah Wilson	Stan Nichols
ounters Astri Bragstad Harold Baesler Roger Langbehn George Waldron		Bette Holscher Jane Rosato Jeryl Whipple	Carol Flemmer Helen Infausto Doug & Crystal Nun- nenkamp	John Duvall Todd Humphrey Annette Michelsen	Stewardship Ministry Team
Elders Assisting 8AM					
Elders Assisting 1030AM					
Flowers	Vern & Barb Mock Vern's 84 Birthday	Palms	Easter Lilies	Wayne & Carol Warren Lily-Rose's 14 Birthday	
Lector	Tressa Everingham	Norma Tucker		Norma Tucker	
Organist	Carol Freudenthal	Carol Freudenthal	Carol Freudenthal Diane Gatke	Diane Gatke	Diane Gatke
Tape Ministry	Annette Michelsen	Arlene Schildbach Darlene Bruckert		Diana Jane Kurth	Annette Michelsen
Ushers 8AM	John Goldhammer John Everingham George Waldron Jerry Maasdam	John Goldhammer Victor Johnson Ken Bellamy Nick VanDyke	John Goldhammer John Everingham George Waldron Tom Nygren	John Goldhammer Victor Johnson Ken Bellamy Nick VanDyke	John Goldhammer John Everingham George Waldron Jerry Maasdam
Head Usher 1030AM	Dave Gillespie	Dave Gillespie	Dave Gillespie	Dave Gillespie	Dave Gillespie



The 100th Anniversary Committee is planning two Sundays relating to missions. On April 23, our guest speaker will be Rev. Johannes Mengsteab who will focus on local missions. On Sunday, April 30, our guest speaker will be Rev. Paul Mueller from the Mission Training Center of the Northwest District. His focus will be on broader missions. Some of you may remember the Mission Festival picnics at Trinity Park in Hillsboro. Well, another such occasion is coming up! On Sunday, April 30, the 100th Anniversary Committee will have a Mission Festival luncheon after church. There are sign-up sheets at the information desk. Please let us know if you are planning to attend and also sign up to bring a side dish, salad, or dessert.

WALKING SCHEDULE WITH PAULA & JERI

TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 10:00 Rood Bridge Park 4000 SE Rood Bridge Road Hillsboro, OR 97123

TUESDAY, MAY 2, 10:00 Hillsboro Public Library 2850 NE Brookwood Pkwy Hillsboro, OR 97124

TUESDAY, May 9, 10:00 Jackson Bottom Wetlands 2600 SW Hillsboro Hwy (219) Hillsboro, OR 97123

TUESDAY, MAY 16, 10:00 Hare Field 1151 NE Grant Street Hillsboro, OR 97124 TUESDAY, MAY 23, 10:00 Griffin Oaks Park 1800 NE Griffin Oaks Street Hillsboro, OR 97124

TUESDAY, MAY 30, 10:00 Orenco Station Starbucks 6221 NE Cornell Road Hillsboro, OR 97124

TUESDAY, JUNE 6, 10:00 Venetian Theatre and Bistro 253 E Main Street Hillsboro, OR 97123

TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 10:00 Bagley Park 201 NE Jackson Street Hillsboro, OR 97124

100th Anniversary Directory/Memory Book

Trinity will be putting together a 100th Anniversary Directory/Memory Book. Our first session for family pictures will be Tuesday, May 9 through Saturday, May 13. This book will also have the history of Trinity plus some of the historic pictures. More information will follow on how to schedule your sitting. Lifetouch is also offering a "Friends and Family" program. If you know of anyone wanting to get a family photo, they can schedule a slot, get the free 8"x10" photo and will be able to purchase others. Their picture will not be in the directory, but will be a way to get a professional family photo session close to home. Contact Carol Warren with any questions.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH 2194 SE Minter Bridge Rd, Hillsboro, OR 97123 503-640-1693	SATURDAY	1 8AM—4PM Volleyball/CC	œ	15 9AM Free Community Pancake Breakfast 10AM Children's Easter Egg hunt M	22 FHLCS Auction (off site)	29	April 2017
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"SIGNS AT THE CROSSROADS"

SPECIAL EASTER SERVICE DATES

Palm Sunday, April 9

8:00AM Worship Service 10:30AM Worship Service

Maundy Thursday, April 13

10:00AM w/Holy Communion 7:00PM w/Holy Communion 8:30PM Annual 24-hour Prayer Vigil begins

Good Friday, April 14

12:10PM Worship Service 6:30PM Prayer Vigil ends 7:00PM Service of Darkness

Saturday, April 15

9:00AM Free Community Pancake Breakfast 10:00AM Easter Celebration & Egg Hunt



Easter Sunday, April 16

6:30AM Sunrise Service w/Holy Communion 8:00AM Easter Festival Worship Service 10:30AM Easter Festival Worship Service



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