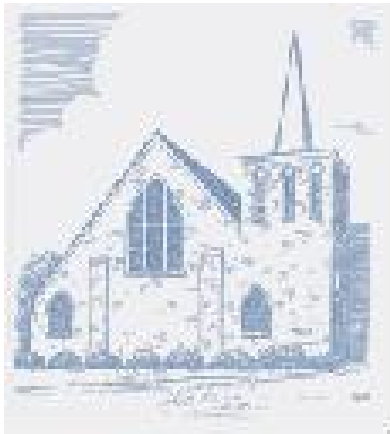


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**2026 April Newsletter**

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## April Newsletter – Regular Activities at Trinity *God's People at Work, Worship, and Prayer*

- Sunday.....9:00am..... Worship Service/Communion
- .....10:30am..... Sunday School & Adult Bible Study
- .....10:30am..... Congregational Mtg., Quarterly
- .....11:30am..... Confirmation Class (Sept.-April)
  
- Monday.....
  
- Tuesday..... 8:00am..... Early Risers Exercise!
- .....9:00am..... Seekers Bible Study
- .....6:30pm..... LWML (Monthly-1<sup>st</sup> Tuesdays)
- .....7:00pm..... Elders' Meeting (Monthly-2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays)
  
- Wednesday..... 5:30pm..... Youth Night (**5:00pm** during Lent Season)
- .....5:30pm..... Wednesday Bible Study (Spring & Fall)
- .....7:00pm..... Preschool Bd. (Quarterly-2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesdays)
- .....4:30pm..... Board of Education (Monthly-3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays)
  
- Thursday..... 6:00pm..... Ladies' Night Out (Monthly-1<sup>st</sup> Thursdays)
- .....5:30pm..... Trustees' Meeting (Monthly-2<sup>nd</sup> Thursdays)
- .....6:30pm..... Men's Club (Monthly-2<sup>nd</sup> Thursdays)
- .....7:00pm..... Church Council (Quarterly-3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays)
  
- Friday.....
  
- Saturday.....

## A Note from the Pastor

Do you like chocolate Easter bunnies? Maybe you're more of a jelly bean fan? People love to put all sorts of treats in Easter baskets, but the most popular has to be Easter eggs. Nowadays Easter eggs are usually plastic eggs filled with all sorts of candy (I like the ones with chocolate in them). Of course you might be more of a traditionalist and like to dye eggs. Whatever type of Easter egg you prefer, have you ever wondered where the custom of hunting for Easter eggs came from?



As part of their Lenten preparations, early Mesopotamian Christians would give up meat, dairy, and eggs during Lent. As Lent would draw to a close, they would dye eggs red in memory of the blood of Christ shed at the crucifixion and give them as gifts on Easter morning to celebrate the Resurrection. These Easter eggs were truly a treat and greatly looked forward to. Because of this custom, the Easter egg came to symbolize the empty tomb of Easter morning. Over the years, this tradition spread and has continued to this day.

In light of this tradition, when you “hunt” for Easter eggs it’s supposed to bring to mind how the people of that first Easter morning “hunted” for Jesus but found the tomb empty. Instead of finding a dead body, they found a living Savior! And that’s a gift truly worth looking forward to.

So whether you like traditional, dyed eggs or plastic ones filled with candy, when you find your eggs this year make sure you remember to “hunt” for the empty tomb too and find the greatest gift of all – eternal life!

Hunting for those special gifts of Easter,

Handwritten signature of Pastor Matthias Dinger

Pastor Matthias Dinger

PS – Since Easter is SO amazing and important, why not invite someone to come share it with you! What better thing can you offer someone than to share the gift of eternal life? So, as part of your Lenten preparation, make it a point to invite someone you know needs to have Jesus in their life & pray that He would open their heart to receive Him.

# Let's Dish

## Ladies' Night Out

All Ladies are welcome to join us on April 9<sup>th</sup>. This month we are going to *Marfa's*, in College Station at 6:30 pm.

We will meet at the Church at 6:00pm or at the restaurant at 6:30pm. RSVP with Sarah Dinger!



This month our meal schedule is on April 7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>.

We have main dishes & sides needed for both meals in March.

If you are interested with helping by cooking, food packaging, food delivery or for more information, please contact the Church Office. If you would like to look at the meal schedule, the sign up sheet is located in the Narthex of our Sanctuary.



Join us for a weekend of camping, fishing, & fellowship on April 10-12<sup>th</sup>! We have several sites reserved & the retreat is open to all men (sons, nephews, friends included), so be sure to invite a friend!

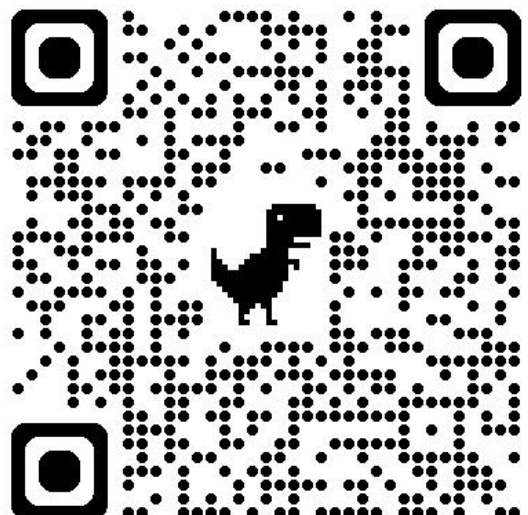
## Relay for Life

CELEBRATION OF CANCER SURVIVORS &  
HONORING THE MEMORY OF OUR  
LOVED ONES

*Join Our Team!*

Kim Ross is hosting a Relay for Life Team for Trinity Lutheran Church on May 1<sup>st</sup>! Anyone can participate, but if you would like to join our team, "Lutheran Hope Walkers," please contact the Church Office.

If you would rather support this cause by making a donation, scan this QR code!



# STEWARDSHIP

Written by Julia Schomburg

As a kid, I remember my Grandma and Grandpa Diepholz' home with extraordinary joy. Family fun. Great food. A legacy of faith. One of my lasting memories of that house was the table that sat between their twin beds. It contained a lamp, a Bible, a catechism and a hymnal. These were well-worn, as Grandpa read to Grandma every night before they went to sleep! What a treasure these tools of faith are! Let us spend some time this month in the hymnal to help us better understand our life as Christian stewards! To do this, we will use LSB 785 "We Praise You, O God."

We Praise You, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;  
In grateful devotion our tributes we bring.  
We lay it before You, and kneel and adore You;  
We bless Your holy name, glad praises we sing.

Stewardship is an act of worship. It flows from the grace and mercy we have received in Jesus! Faithful stewardship can never start with us. Our sinful nature will make us and our desires the center of our worship. Our tributes, our giving and our serving only flow from how the Lord Jesus has given of Himself for our sake! When we have this in clear view, our knees bow and our praises flow freely! All this flows from the Name that has been placed on us in Holy Baptism!

We worship You, God of our Fathers, we bless You;  
Through trial and tempest our guide You have been.  
When perils o'ertake us, You will not forsake us,  
And with Your help, O Lord, our struggles we win.

Our stewardship that flows from what God has done for us in Jesus Christ is rooted in history. Passed from one generation to the next, stewards of the Gospel connect God's provision in the past to His continued care in the present. So often, the struggles we face are self-inflicted. While there are indeed perils that can shake us from outside of ourselves, we are more likely enduring the suffering that comes because of our own choices that are outside the Word and will of God! But even in these situations, the Lord who loves us will never forsake us. When we become selfish, self-serving and self-destructive, the Lord NEVER abandons! The Lord helps us to overcome the struggles in faith and win the victory the steward rejoices in!

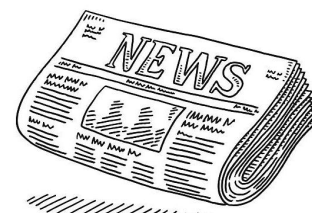
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With voices united our praises we offer  
And gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise.  
With You, Lord, beside us, Your strong arm will guide us.  
To You, our great redeemer, forever be praise!

Stewardship is more than just an individual thing. There is a corporate nature to our steward life. We see this in the Divine Service. There, stewards of all ages, all economic strata and all languages are joined in the singular task of praise. This stewardship of praise flows from the altar to us, out into the world and then back to the altar! God's strong arm leads us in this stewardship 24/7. This makes stewardship, in all times and places, a matter of worship. We praise our Redeemer who has entrusted us with this great stewardship of the Gospel which forgives our sins, grants us new life and salvation. And this treasure we freely share for God's glory and the benefit of our neighbor!

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## Sunday School News



In April, our Sunday School continues to learn about how we are delivered by God's gift of grace. We will also learn how God's grace is present in our lives daily, and because of Jesus we are always forgiven. Here is a schedule of stories and activities we have coming up:

- No Sunday School – EASTER! (4/5)
- John Tells People to Repent (4/12)
- Jesus Forgives a Woman (4/19)
- Jesus Appears to the Disciples (4/26)



## Youth Crawfish Boil



# April Worship Service Helpers Schedule

## ACOLYTES

**4/5 6:30** Easton Beseda & Cayse Beseda

**4/5 9:00** Jase Kalisek & Reid Kalisek

**4/12** Ava Wetherwax & Gus Gremillion

**4/19** Luke Gremillion & Brock Perkins

**4/26** Noah Schomburg & Easton Abke

## GREETERS

**4/5 9:00** Pat Wright & Hoot Wright

**4/12** Gwen Lamascus & Alan Lamascus

**4/19** Mary Thane & Ricky Thane

**4/26** Melba Horne & Chuck Horne

## MEDIA TEAM

**4/5 6:30** Parker Thane & Tristian Martin

**4/5 9:00** Larry Randall & Dannielle Randall

**4/12** Chase Ganske & Garth Leiber

**4/19** Dannielle Randall & Tammy Harris

**4/26** Zack Gremillion & Riley Gremillion

## April Flowers

**4/5** - Easter Lilies

**4/19** - Teri Davis

**4/12** - Laurie & Chuck Lind

**4/26** - OPEN

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## Holy Week

Maundy Thursday – April 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 7:00pm  
Good Friday – April 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 7:00pm

## Easter Services - April 5<sup>th</sup>

Easter SONrise Service – 6:30 am  
Easter Breakfast – 7:30 am  
Children's Easter Egg Hunt – 8:00 am  
Easter Celebration Service – 9:00 am

