



Trinity Times April 2024

Pastor Tim Nappe's Paragraph

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March 28

Maundy Thursday Service 7:00pm with Communion

March 31

Easter Worship Service at 8:00am
Breakfast to follow worship

"My Lord and my God!"

(John 20:28)

Sometimes, it just seems to take a while to sink in.

This confession of faith from John 20 is spoken by the disciple, Thomas a week after Jesus' resurrection. He finally gets to see the risen Lord with his own eyes. Jesus offers him the opportunity to put his finger in the hole left by the nails in His hands. He is offered the chance to put his hand in Jesus' side, where the mark of the spear left a wound.

Thomas is finally convinced! Jesus really is the Messiah! He is the fulfillment of all of the Old Testament prophecies! He is the Savior of the world! He is God!

Remember that Thomas has already had three years of experiences with Jesus. He has been traveling with Jesus all over Galilee, Samaria, and Judea. He has witnessed miracles, healings, and demonic exorcisms. He has seen with his own eyes the stilling of the storm, the feeding of the five thousand, Jesus walking on water, and dozens of other miracles. He has heard Jesus preach and teach. He has listened to His prayers and been able to ask his own questions.

But now, in the Upper Room, three years later, he is finally able to confess Jesus as Lord!

I believe that God is incredibly patient with us, His skeptical, hesitant, and many times, dense children. Everyday, we have ample opportunities to see God's hand at work in the world around us. We experience answers to prayer, but many times come up with other explanations. We witness the glory of creation, but many times simply take it for granted. And we may hear the testimony of others, but we wonder about their experience.

Thank God that He doesn't give up on us! He keeps coming, over and over again, affirming His love and verifying His presence. Until finally, we have that breakthrough moment! That epiphany experience, where we recognize that His Word is true! His existence is real! He is our Lord, our Savior, and our God!

Hold on to that revelation! Don't let it slip away. Confess it, believe it, and cling to it! It is life changing and everlasting!

Pastor Tim

April Worship Notes

1st Sunday Bucket of Bucks for ATLAS, other Sundays, Noisy Offering for The Good Samaritan Fund

April 7th, Second Sunday of Easter: 10:00 am Worship. Communion at the Rail. Blessing of the Seeds. John 20:19-31. Thank you for Thomas' strong confession of faith, "My Lord and my God!" May we have that same confidence and conviction to stand firm in our confession of faith!

April 14th, Third Sunday of Easter: 10:00 am Worship. Baptism of Natalie and Abigail Kassel. Luke 24:36b-48. Dear Jesus, just as you opened the minds of the disciples to understand the Holy Scriptures, we pray that you will open our minds, through the Holy Spirit, that we might have understanding and insight into your Word.

April 21st, Fourth Sunday of Easter: 10:00 am Worship. Continuous Communion. First Communion for Tyson and Jocelyn Hager. John 10:11-18. Thank you, Lord, for being our Good Shepherd. Many times, we are not even aware of your protection, support, and guidance. May we never forget how fortunate we are to live as beloved sheep in your flock.

April 28th, Fifth Sunday of Easter: 10:00 am Worship. John 15:1-8. Most Holy God, you are our source of strength and life! Keep us firmly connected to you, that we might grow strong, healthy, and fruitful.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Easter Breakfast



Easter Breakfast at Trinity on Sunday, March 31, after 8:00am worship service. The menu will be Fluffy Roaster eggs, sausages, rolls/donuts/ yogurt/juice and coffee. We hope you and your families can join us and celebrate "Our Risen Lord and Savior".

Freewill offering will go towards 'future projects'.

In order to provide this experience, we will need some help. If you would be available to help setup (on the 27th), serve and or clean up, please sign up on the sign up sheet.



BLESSING OF THE SEEDS: You are invited to bring your garden seeds to worship on Sunday, April 7 for the BLESSING OF THE SEEDS.



TELC SPRING CLEANING: We will be cleaning the inside and outside of the church on Saturday, April 6th. Cleaning supplies will be provided; bring your own outdoor tools. There will be a list made of what needs to be cleaned.



PRAYER TEAM: Would you be interested in being on a team that would meet weekly in the PRAYER CHAPEL. The team would pray weekly on congregation and community concerns. If you are interested please contact Bev Nappe.

TELC COUNCIL MINUTES for March 3.12.2024

Call to order: Vice President Brenda Tutje called the meeting of TELC council to order at 7:00 pm.

Present: Kelly Buchman, Kim Schnepf, Brenda Tutje, Brenda Hibbing, Taylor Hibbing, Robi Brose via conference call, Linda Fick, Pastor Nappe, Steve Rosenberg, Connie Wollmuth

Absent: Daryl Tutje, Jan Henningsen, Vicki Zylstra

Devotions were led by Pastor.

Pastor's report was given.

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the last meeting and minutes from the organizations meeting by Steve and seconded by Taylor, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Checking Balance	\$ 54,282.24
Sunday School	\$ 1,391.71
Luther League-Youth Group	\$ 8,595.32
Ultimate CD-Projects Fund	\$ 96,000.00
Projects Fund	\$ 4,750.83
Missions	\$ 925.00
Folker's Endowment (Maintenance)	\$ 4,125.65
Security Cameras	\$ 365.00
Emergency	\$ 13,880.00
Lights-Fellowship Hall	\$ 561.00
Furnace	\$ 3,171.67

A motion was made to approve the report by Kim and seconded by Taylor, motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Worship/music: Sharon G, Arlene K, and Brenda H will take care of the Men's Lenten breakfast. There will be a signup sheet for those willing to help set up, serve, and clean up after the Easter breakfast. First Communion will be April 7 for Tyson and Jocelyn Hager.

Looking into having a children's bulletin.

Christian Ed: No report

Stewardship/Evangelism: We will no longer provide valet service due to insurance concerns. Will be purchasing 500 labels for water bottles at a cost of \$125. Water bottles will be handed out at the fair again. Will be purchasing sleeves to put over a Hershey's chocolate candy bag at cost of \$40 for 150. Thoughts are to hand these out to visitors. Had discussion on a new marquee for outside and possibly moving it to a different location. Discussed putting this on the wish list for memorials.

Building and Property: Spring clean up will be April 6. Received a bid of \$56,000 to add a 2" layer of asphalt over the existing parking lot. This bid does not include that additional area that we are looking at adding on the east side entrance. Waiting for contractor to bid on concrete work for the parking lot. Deck at parsonage needs repairs.

Old Business:

- A new contract will be drawn up and distributed to the congregation on the usage of the building.
- Will look into placing an "ad" on the LCMC website for Pastors to see if there is any interest in a part-time position with the opportunity for full time when pastor retires in the fall of 2026.

New Business:

- Still working on putting a Vision team together.
- Property and workman's comp insurance has gone up substantially.
- Still need volunteers to make the coffee Sunday before church. Robi has volunteered but could use one or two more.
- Need help with taping the church service. Could use a few more volunteers for this also.

Communion for April – Linda

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Taylor and seconded by Brenda H, motion carried. We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Linda Fick, Secretary

April Birthdays

2	Pastor Tim Nappe Mary Laverman Brett Schmidt
4	Helen Hensch
5	Tommy Taylor
6	Paula Beltman John Onken
7	Sarah Jensen
8	Chelsea Hodapp
9	Connie Schnepf
10	Chris Wolter
12	Emma Johnson
16	Kavik Voss
19	Jamey Beltman
20	Trey Schuck Gary Wollmuth
21	Ethan Voss
22	Kylia Wollmuth Tyler Woelber Traci Henning
24	Alan Seivert
27	John French Dorian Johnson



Special Services & Events



First Communion
Sunday, April 21st
Welcome to the table
Tyson Hager & Jocelyn Hager



APRIL 7th
Blessing of the seeds



Lord, bless Madelynn Meyer and Abigail and Natalie Kassel with all the love heaven can release. Give them strength and grace and happiness each day.

Baptism April 6

Congratulations to **MADLYNN SUE MEYER** on her Baptism. Madelynn is the daughter of Brian & Cassie Meyer. Her sponsors for baptism are Sara Dykstra and Lindsay Helmers.

Baptisms April 14

Congratulations to **ABIGAIL KAY KASSEL** and **NATALIE GRACE KASSEL** on their Baptisms. Abigail and Natalie are the daughters of Marc Gibbons & Katherine Kassel and Nathaniel Kassel. Their sponsors for baptism are Isabell Bugay and Tessa Kassel.

Project Fund as of March 22

Future Project	\$ 7,213.39
Ultimate CD (project)	\$ 96,000.00
Emergency	\$13,880.00
Furnace	\$ 3,171.67
Lent Offerings (Reaching the Unreached)	\$ 2,003.00
Lights (fellowship hall)	\$ 561.00
Maintenance (Folker's Endowment)	\$ 4,125.66
Missions	\$ 1,325.00
Security System	\$ 365.00

Offerings

March 3, 2024

General Fund: \$3,374.00
Bucket of Bucks—ATLAS: \$57.06
Attendance: 97

March 10, 2024

General Fund: \$ 3,703.00
Noisy Offering: \$84.56
Attendance: 104

March 17, 2024

General Fund: \$2,009.00
Noisy Offering: \$52.76
Attendance: 87

March 24, 2024

Next Month

March & April Noisy Offering will be given to: Good Samaritan Fund



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Serving At Worship in April & May 2024

APRIL 7

Organist:

Lector: Daryl Tutje

Acolyte: Adam Genschorck

Sound System: Kevin Wollmuth

Ushers/Greeters: Kevin & Stephanie Wollmuth

Head Ushers: Ron Prins & Ray Schuster

Altar Care: Linda Fick

Communion Helper: Linda Fick

Serving Coffee Fellowship: **VOLUNTEERS**

MAY 5

Organist:

Lector: Vicki Zylstra

Acolyte: Adam Genschorck

Sound System: Daryl Tutje

Ushers/Greeters: Daryl & Brenda Tutje

Head Ushers: Dan Berkland & John Maxwell

Altar Care: Patty Dreessen

Communion Helper: Connie Wollmuth

Serving Coffee Fellowship: **VOLUNTEERS**

APRIL 14

Organist:

Lector: Stephanie Wollmuth

Acolyte: Carson Renner

Sound System: Todd Ackerman

Ushers/Greeters: Keith & Vicki Zylstra

Head Ushers: Ron Prins & Ray Schuster

Altar Care: Linda Fick

Serving Coffee Fellowship: Faith Work Group

MAY 12

Organist:

Lector: Jan Henningsen

Acolyte: Carson Renner

Sound System: Kevin Wollmuth

Ushers/Greeters: Duane & Carol Leach

Head Ushers: Dan Berkland & John Maxwell

Altar Care: Patty Dreessen

Serving Coffee Fellowship: Love Work Group

APRIL 21

Organist:

Lector: Dan Berkland

Acolyte: Roland Rusche

Sound System: Evan Beltman

Ushers/Greeters: Steve & Cindy Onken

Head Ushers: Ron Prins & Ray Schuster

Altar Care: Linda Fick

Communion Helper: Linda Fick

Serving Coffee Fellowship: Students Grades K-6

MAY 19

Organist:

Lector: Kevin Wollmuth

Acolyte: Roland Rusche

Sound System: Evan Beltman

Ushers/Greeters: Greg & Maralee Onken

Head Ushers: Dan Berkland & John Maxwell

Altar Care: Patty Dreessen

Communion Helper: Connie Wollmuth

Serving Coffee Fellowship: Students Grades 7-12

APRIL 28

Organist:

Lector: Ken Eben

Acolyte: Ushers

Sound System: Dan Berkland

Ushers/Greeters: Steve & Brenda Rosenberg

Head Ushers: Ron Prins & Ray Schuster

Altar Care: Linda Fick

Serving Coffee Fellowship: Team Trinity

MAY 26

Organist:

Lector: Sandy Eben

Acolyte: Ushers

Sound System: Todd Ackerman

Ushers/Greeters: Stan & Linda Klaahsen

Head Ushers: Dan Berkland & John Maxwell

Altar Care: Patty Dreessen

Serving Coffee Fellowship: Team Trinity



PLEASE remember to find a substitute if you are not able to fulfill your assigned time.