

Trinity Lutheran Church

2163 MAYHEW LAKE RD. NE SAUK RAPIDS, MN 56379 Trinity is a member of the Prince of Peace Lutheran School Association and the Good Shepherd Community.



Those Serving Today

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Officiating Today	8:00am	10:30am	Rev. David Hinz
Organist	8:00am		Daniel Reineke
Musician		10:30am	Ruth Immerfall
Screen Team	8:00am		Andy Freihammer
		10:30am	Creighton Clark
Lector	8:00am		Cindy Clitty
		10:30am	Sue Bastian
Acolyte	8:00am		Collin Fuchs, Daniel Dusing
		10:30am	Sydney Morin, Lacey Woodard
Visuals			Daniel Reineke
Altar Guild			Marge Haase, Joann Kath
Information Desk	8:00am	Zone - 4	Sandy Austin
	10:30am	Zone – 5	Marie Mendel
Greeters	8:00am	Zone – 4	Nancy Cloeter
	10:30am	Zone – 5	Diane Haffner, Marie Mendel, Amy Schaefer
Ushers	8:00am	Zone – 4	Marvin Neubert, Karen Petron- Broda, Wayne & Sue Kulzer, Janet Renn, Josh Morey, Russ Hackett
	10:30am	Zone –5	Luke Wendt, Jim & Kathy Stueve, Trevor Jevne
Lay Minister	8:00am		Kyle Dusing
	10:30am		Delano Schultz, Bob Terpstra

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The Second Sunday of Easter

Divine Service Setting 4 (LSB pg 203)

April 8, 2018

8:00 a.m.

AS WE GATHER Thomas is seldom remembered for anything other than his doubt. In our quest to find relatable biblical characters, we often leave Thomas as a man who needed evidence—proof. We may miss his bold confession: "My Lord and my God!" While the other ten disciples had seen Jesus eight days earlier, none of them confessed as Thomas did. And none of them believed until Jesus appeared to them and spoke His Word to them. Focus today not on Thomas's doubt but rather on his confession of faith.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN: "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds" LSB 465

INVOCATION, CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

- P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C: who made heaven and earth.
- P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- C: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word and call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P: Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- P: Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through your Spirit. Be in our

midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.



SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And with thy spirit.

- P: Let us pray... Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

CELEBRATION RINGERS: "Classical Easter"Michael Helman (Halleluia Chorus, Judas Maccabeus, Hymn to Joy)

FIRST READING: Acts 4:32-35

³² Now the full number of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one said that any of the things that belonged to him was his own, but they had everything in common. ³³ And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. ³⁴ There was not a needy person among them, for as many as were owners of lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold ³⁵ and laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

- L: This is the Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 148 (antiphon: v. 13)

P: Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; C: his majesty is above earth and heaven.

P: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens;

C: praise him in the heights!

P: Praise him, all his angels;

C: praise him, all his hosts!

P: Praise him, sun and moon,

C: praise him, all you shining stars!

P: Praise him, you highest heavens,

C: and you waters above the heavens!

P: Let them praise the name of the Lord!

C:For he commanded and they were created.

P: And he established them forever and ever;

C: he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.

P: Praise the Lord from the earth,

C: you great sea creatures and all deeps,

P: fire and hail, snow and mist,

C: stormy wind fulfilling his word!
P: Mountains and all hills,
C: fruit trees and all cedars!
P: Beasts and all livestock,
C: creeping things and flying birds!
P: Kings of the earth and all peoples,
C: princes and all rulers of the earth!

P: Young men and maidens together,

C: old men and children!

P: Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted;

C: his majesty is above earth and heaven.

P: He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his saints,

C: for the people of Israel who are near to him. Praise the Lord!

ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P: Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; **C: his majesty is above earth and heaven.**

HYMN: "Thine is the Glory"





EPISTLE: 1 John 1:1-2:2

¹ That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—² the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us-3 that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. 4 And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. ⁵This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. ⁶ If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. 7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸ If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰ If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. ¹ My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. ² He is the propitiation for our sins, and

not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

L: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

(Stand)



¹⁹On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." ²⁰When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent

me, even so I am sending you." ²² And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld." ²⁴ Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus

came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe." ²⁶ Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." ²⁸ Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." ³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹ but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Sit

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN: "O Sons and Daughters of the King" LSB 470 vs. 1-6

THE MESSAGE: Acts 4:32-35

HYMN: "O Sons and Daughters of the King" LSB 470 vs. 7-9

OFFERING (Please sign and date the Rite of Friendship pad located in the pew. The children are invited to bring their offerings to the front at this time.)

CELEBRATION RINGERS: "Easter Bells"......Michael Ryan (Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds & Jesus Christ is Risen Today)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

ALL: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

CLOSING PRAYER:

- P: Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, on God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

- P: Let us bless the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.
- P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and 承 give you peace.
- C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: "Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven" LSB 477

Calendar for the Week	Our Response in Faith		
Second Sunday of Easter	WEEK OF	TIME	ATTENDANCE
8:00am Worship Z4	4/1/2018	6:00am	104
9:15am Voter's Assembly & SS	4/1/2018	8:00am	245
10:30am Worship Z5 (HC)	4/1/2018	10:30am	288
12:00pm Anyuak Worship		Total	637
4:00pm Creative Crafts & 4H Meeting	3/29/2018		218
	3/30/2018		256
MONDAY		OFFERINGS	
OFFICE CLOSED –	General		
MN North District Convention	Fund		\$12,029.79
6:00pm Bev's CC	Offerings		<i>+</i> ,
TUESDAY	Building		
OFFICE CLOSED –	Debt		\$1,158.00
MN North District Convention	Offerings		, ,
7:00pm Friends in Harmony	Total		\$13,187.79
	Weekly		
WEDNESDAY OFFICE CLOSED –	Need:		\$11,745.05
MN North District Convention	3/29/2018		\$2,090.21
7:00am Men's Bible Study @ GS	3/30/2018		\$2,041.85
5:00pm God's Grub	Missions		\$667.00
6:00pm Confirmation Classes for 5 th & 6 th only	Rec'd to-		
	date		\$5,277.37
THURSDAY	Annual		
1:00pm LWML	Funds		\$23,000.00
5:30pm Lay Ministry Meeting	Promised		. ,
6:30pm Leadership Team Mtg. 6:30pm Brownie Mtg. FRIDAY 9:00am Parish Workers 5:30pm Brownie Event	Readings for next Sunday: Acts 3:11-21 1 John 3:1-7 Luke 24:36-49 Let's Be in the Word!		
7:30pm Narc. Anon. SATURDAY 9:00am Altar Guild 6:45pm Traditional Music Rehearsal	Third Sunday of Easter 8:00am Worship Z1 (HC) 9:15am Bible Study & SS		

21 (HC) 9:15am Bible Study & SS 10:30am Worship Z2 12:00pm Anyuak Worship



Baptized into God's family of grace during our 10:30am service today is Carson Craig Homan, infant son of Corv &

Brittany Homan. Sponsors are Kristin & Quin Pomplun. We pray God's blessing upon Carson and his family as they grow in faith.

The Risen Christ Breathes His Peace in the Holv Absolution The crucified and risen Lord Jesus appeared to His apostles on the first Easter Sunday. He "came and stood among them," and with His Word and the wounds in "his hands and his side," He granted them His peace (John 20:19-20). He sent them as ministers of the Gospel in His name to bestow the life-giving Holy Spirit for us and for His whole Church through the forgiveness of sins (John 20:21-23). Through this apostolic ministry, He calls us to believe that He "is the Christ, the Son of God," so that by such faith we "may have life in his name" (John 20:31). The apostles "have seen and heard" this divine life manifested in the flesh of Christ, and those who succeed them in this apostolic proclaim ministry now that same Absolution to us, so that we "too may have fellowship" with the risen Christ, with the apostles and "with one another" (1 John 1:1–7). The one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church lives by "their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus." and all who believe this Word are "of one heart and soul." because in Him they truly have "everything in common" (Acts 4:32-33).

If you supplied an Easter Lily, you may take it home anytime. Thank you! Today's Radio Broadcast is sponsored by Tim & Bonnie Meemken, Amanda & Rick, Katie & Grant in memory of Merill Mendel. We thank them for their generosity. We have openings in April and May. If you would like to sponsor a broadcast please complete a form and turn it in. Forms are available in the church office. The radio transmission enables our shut-ins, as well as others in our community to hear and participate in our worship. The service airs on WVAL 800 on the AM dial. at 8:00am. the internet and live on at www.800wval.com.

Sunday Morning Fellowship In April our host is Connie Mooney. Members who have last names beginning with the letters "H, I, & J" are asked to bring treats for our fellowship time. If you can help, please sign up on the bulletin board.

Confirmation Class Schedule Change

7th and 8th grade Confirmation Classes are cancelled for Wednesday, April 11th because of the MNN District Convention.

Please remember in your prayers this week: Rick lees (son of Shirley), Debbie Stock (sister of Mary Neumann) Betty Winczewski, Sandra Nordquist, Jan Gratke & Pam Hadley undergoing medical care and following surgery. Jim Bump, and Sandy Duffy as they continue their cancer treatment and care. Christine Miller following her mother's death.

Prince of Peace News:

"Shine Like Stars!" is the theme for the Prince of Peace Lutheran School annual Legacy Dinner and



Auction which will be held Sunday, April 22^{nd} at the school. Mark your calendar now and save the date to come out and provide support for our school. Tickets will again be \$14 to cover the cost of the catered noon meal – Tickets can be purchased in the Narthex.

LWML will meet this Thursday in the fellowship hall at 1pm. We will be discussing the upcoming Spring Rally at Zion in Little Falls on Tuesday, April 24th. Visitors are welcome!

Prayer Shawls - Lifegiving Gifts

Shawls are provided to all who are physically, spiritually or emotionally ill or for persons undergoing life changing events. Need not be a member to take one. You may pick up one today at the information desk.

Would you like to see the Passion Play in Oberammergau in 2020? An informational meeting will be held on Saturday, April 7th at 10:30am in the Fellowship Hall. Join us to learn more about this exciting opportunity!

We wish to recognize the members who gave of their creative talents to make the items needed for our Lenten focus "Rainbow for Lent" Sandy Molitor, Don Murphy, Arden Holzheimer and Dee Tvrdik all supplied crosses, strips of color for rainbows. An Extra Special Thank You to Daniel Reineke for his amazing work on the large cross display all through Lent. Daniel, you made this theme come to life with your extraordinary talent! Thank You!

Orphan Grain Train Collection of New Socks and Undies These items will be taken to Texas border missions and other places where new items are allowed. All sizes of undies and socks (for men, women, and children) are being collected, but children's socks for age 3 to 6th grade are very much needed, as children in Mexico cannot go to school without socks and shoes. Please send New socks and undies with pastor when he attends the 23rd Convention of the Minnesota North District- LCMS on April 9 - 11, 2018 at Arrowwood Resort and Conference Center in Alexandria. MN. Drop off your items in the the tote in the narthex. Today is the deadline!

There will be a Voter's Assembly Meeting TODAY, between services at 9:15 a.m. In the Fellowship Hall. Agenda items include the following: 1.) Devotion 2.) Update on the Planning, Mission, and Visioning Sessions that have been taking place, 3.) Open communication on decisions made by the Leadership Team on behalf of the congregation in regard to Prince of Peace Pre-School & PlayHouse Daycare, 4.) 2018 Budget Shortfall and Plan of Action. We encourage all congregational members to attend. In His Name, Trinity Leadership Team

SAFETY SUMMIT, Saturday, April 21, 2018 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

St. John Lutheran Church, 9141 County Rd 101 N, Corcoran, MN. This summit is for lay people, elders, trustees, ushers, greeters, deacons, church council members, and church workers-anyone who is interested in the safety and protection of people attending their church. Participants will learn to assess their risks and ability to respond to medical emergencies, fires, natural disasters and acts of violence. You'll also be introduced to and equipped with a basic and advanced level understanding of safety risks and preparedness. The summit will include an overview of safety risks, preparedness, planning, prevention, response and recovery from experts and practitioners in the first responder fields. There will also be breakout sessions and panels to answer questions. Participants will be given sample "Church Safety Plans" and resource lists to assist with developing customized safety plans based on risk assessment priorities. Please contact Pastor Hinz or Craig Cooper to register. Registration Deadline is April 15th.

ON Sunday, April 22nd, we will be holding our Lutheran Island Camp Registration Jamboree. This year Ken Erlandson will be joining us. He will answer any questions you might have a will take registrations. Simply give Ken your registration. There is no need for a deposit at this time. Anyone registering that day will receive a special gift from Lutheran Island Camp.

2018 Leadership Summit, Saturday April 14, 2018, 8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. (*The Summit is*

free, and lunch and snacks will be provided) South Shore Trinity Lutheran Church

2480 S. Shore Blvd., White Bear Lake, MN In the past, the doors of the church opened inward, but now the people of our communities are no longer coming in through our doors as they once did. Approximately 78 percent of LCMS congregations have reached a plateau or are declining while, at the same time, the number of people claiming little or no connection to God through His Son, Jesus is rapidly growing. God is calling the church to open our doors outward as the people of God seek to establish connections, form relationships, and invite new disciples of Jesus into life focused on His good gifts.

congregations, about some practical steps for beginning, increasing, or continuing activities that convey the spiritual vitality of Word and Sacrament ministry through our congregation for the sake of our community. Please contact either Pastor Hinz or Craig Cooper to register. Today, April 8th, is the last day to register.

Boy Scouts Troop 9 All You Can Eat Waffle Breakfast! Sunday, April 15th from 8:30am to 12:00pm at the Sauk Rapids VFW. Tickets \$8.50 in advance, \$9 at the door, children 5 and under free. Join us!

God's Grub: Tacos in a Bag

A Big Thank You! To all who brought food, volunteered and cleaned up for the Easter Breakfast! The Free Will Offering collected was \$607 and is being donated to "Feed My Starving Children," an effort dedicated to sending healthy meals to impoverished nations around the world.

New Member Reception Sunday April 22nd

On Sunday April 22nd we will welcome 10 new families to our fellowship during the Bible Class hour and then formally receive them into membership at the 10:30 a.m. worship Service. We will not be having a potluck lunch that day but encourage everyone to attend the Prince of Peace Annual Legacy Dinner and Auction. Lunch tickets can be purchased at either the school or church office. (The silent auction begins at 11:30 a.m. and meal at noon.)

Women's Bible Study starting Wednesday April 18th after God's Grub. We will meet in the ChristCare room from 6 to 7:30pm. We are planning to meet once a month, future dates to be determined. If you have any questions, contact Jenny Sprengeler by email: jsprengeler@gmail.com or phone 320-309-5952.

P.O.P SCRIP will be here on April 15th and is now offering Cashwise and Coborns gift cards. SCRIP gift cards are at Trinity every 3rd Sunday of the month.

Good Shepherd Community Meeting – April 17. We are looking for volunteers to serve on the board at Good Shepherd. Please ask in the office for details.

CEMETERY UPDATE

Notice from Trinity Lutheran Cemetery Assn. Due to increasing maintenance costs and doing business in general, the cemetery association will be increasing the cost of burial plots as follows: NOTE: You must be an LCMS member to purchase grave spaces at our cemetery in Sauk Rapids.

Old prices for	New prices			
Trinity members				
Single Grave 200	300			
Half Lot (4 graves) 700	1100			
Full lot (8 graves) 1400	2200			
Old prices for non				
Trinity Members	New Prices			
Single Grave 300	400			
Half Lot (4 graves) 1100	1500			
Full lot (8 graves) 2200	3000			

NOTE: upright monuments require the purchase of at least four grave spaces, flat markers only on singles and doubles. The cost of opening and closing will also increase by 100 to 800 for a traditional burial and 500 for cremation. These increases take effect on 7-1718. This should give ample time to buy at the old prices. We ask that any actual site reviewal be delayed until after snow melt. All single and multiple spaces will be sold in chronological order. Sincerely, Tom Machula Chairman, Trinity Lutheran Cemetery Assn. 320-252-9904

AARP Driver's Refresher Course will be held at Trinity on Monday, April 23rd at 12:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. This course allows you to receive a 10% discount on your car insurance. The class is \$17 for AARP members and \$22 for non-members. Call the church office to register. 252-3670

WE WELCOME FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

We are glad you are here! If there is a time during the Worship Service that you feel your child (or you) needs a "time out," please feel free to leave the service. If you leave the service, you can go to the **lobby** or use the **large conference room** across from the church office. The

conference room has speakers and one-way glass so you can still participate in Worship. During the Sunday school hour, (9:15am – 10:15am) and during the 10:30am worship service the **nursery** is staffed for children 0-3 years old. The nursery is in the preschool on the north end of the building. It is the first classroom on the left as you enter the preschool parent lounge area. There are also speakers in the nursery so you can listen to the service.

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Activity bags for young children to use are in the plastic tub outside the church office.

FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE, WE OFFER THESE AND OTHER SERVICES: Large Print Editions of our bulletins are available from our ushers by request. If you need further information, ask any usher or church member. Also be sure to stop by the Information Desk in the lobby. Your needs are important to us!

Bible Study for Adults on Sundays: we start at 9:15am in the fellowship hall.

Coffee & Fellowship – after the 8:00am service, come by the kitchen, have a cookie, coffee and time for fellowship. Come and meet old friends and make new friends!