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FROM PASTOR LISA

“Holy Week: The last week of Jesus' life”

Palm Sunday brings Lent to a close. It used to be that the Church focused only on Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, riding on a donkey while people waved palm branches. But as fewer people attended weekday services, we started focusing on the Passion of Christ. You can't have Easter without Good Friday.

On **Maundy Thursday**, Jesus celebrated the Passover with his friends. That night he changed some of the Passover liturgy by lifting up the bread and wine and calling it his body and blood. Christians have been celebrating Holy Communion ever since.

We call our celebration of Jesus' Last Supper, **Maundy Thursday**. Maundy means mandate or command in Latin. That night, Jesus told his friends, and all who would hear his words in the future, to love one another. That is our mandate.

After the Last Supper, Jesus went to the Garden of Gethsemane to pray. That's when Judas led the authorities to him, and he was arrested. The Roman Governor, Pontius Pilate, took Jesus before the crowd and asked what he should do with him. The same crowd who celebrated Jesus as he entered Jerusalem now shouted, “Crucify him!”

On the day we call **Good Friday**, Jesus was hung on a cross until he suffocated and died. Everyone had abandoned him except for some women who stood at a distance. Then, his body was placed in a tomb dug out of an outcropping of rock. We call this Friday, Good, because God's love is so great that not even hatred or death can stop it.

On **Easter Sunday**, the women discovered that this tomb was empty, and the angels told them Jesus had risen from the dead and was alive! In Jesus, we have new life! Please join us in worshiping God in Christ on:

- **April 13:** Palm Sunday at 8:30 a.m.
- **April 16:** No worship this Wednesday
- **April 17:** Maundy Thursday at 6:30 p.m.
This service will include the remembrance of Good Friday.
- **April 18:** No worship on Good Friday
- **April 20:** Easter at 8:30 a.m. Christ is Risen!

REMINDER:

If you need to reach Pastor Lisa, email her at nelsonkosky@gmail.com. The pastor@holytrinity-marshall.com email is no longer checked on a regular basis. Thank you.

OFFICE MANAGER

Karen Browne plans to take over as Holy Trinity's office manager this month. Her office hours are from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday. If you are at church during these times, peek your head in and say hello!

FROM THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT *submitted by Candy Lauby*

Hello!! We had a little taste of spring a few weeks ago... but have faith, it is almost here. Please keep an eye out for our spring cleanup date which is yet to be determined. We would love to have you share a little of your time with us when we are ready to get the outside of the church ready for the year.

The council has agreed to put additional lighting outside the church to help illuminate the sidewalk and part of the front of our parking lot. Likely this will take place over the summer and will benefit any evening/fall/winter activities at the church.

Finally, please take a few minutes to find our Facebook page. We post current and upcoming events. The more people who promote what's happening at Holy Trinity, we will be able to share our message, service times, activities and fund-raising events with your friends and the community.

Thank you for joining us at worship. All are welcome. ~ Candy

MARCH COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS not available as of the date of this printing

OUR 2025-2026 CHURCH COUNCIL

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Student Representative	VACANT	

We are still in need of a Council youth representative. All confirmed members up to age 30 are eligible. Please contact Candy Lauby if you would like to be the voice for youth in our church.

Owen Raisbeck, Treasurer:	608-225-3149	owenraisbeck@yahoo.com
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HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday, 4/13 8:30 worship with fellowship pancake breakfast following worship

NO Wednesday worship, 4/16

Maundy Thursday/Good Friday combined worship, Thursday 4/17 at 6:30

Easter Sunday, 4/20 8:30 worship with Easter Egg Hunt following worship

FLOWERS FOR EASTER GARDEN

If you wish to lend an Easter Lily or other spring plant for the Easter Garden at the altar on Easter Sunday, please bring it to the church after Tuesday – April 15 and place it in the library. The plants will be placed around the altar after Good Friday. You may take your plant home any time after Easter is over.

If you wish to share your plant in memory of someone or to honor someone, there is a green folder on the Welcome Desk. Please complete one of the half-sheets and return it to the folder. This information will go in the bulletin and May newsletter. Thank you.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST – PALM SUNDAY *submitted by Linda Baldrige*

Alert! Our pancake breakfast will happen in April. Come into the fellowship hall after worship on Palm Sunday, April 13 for pancakes, sausage, baked egg dish, fresh fruit, homemade applesauce and juice. Would you like to help with this event? Pick an envelope from the sticky note board and return it with a donation. (Place donations in the collection plate during worship or hand donations to a plan committee member.) There is also a volunteer sign-up sheet on the church bulletin board. Look for more news about this event. Thanks for your support.

EASTER EGG HUNT – CANDY NEEDED

There will be an Easter Egg Hunt following worship Easter Sunday – April 20. Kids are encouraged to bring their own Easter baskets. We are in need of candy (no plastic eggs needed). **If you can donate some candy, please bring it to the church before Palm Sunday – April 13. Many thanks!**

DRIVE-THRU SPAGHETTI DINNER Mark your calendars for the annual drive-thru spaghetti dinner to be held Thursday – May 8. The menu will be the usual and cost is \$10 per dinner. Remember that we sold out last year. Hope to see you driving through the parking lot on May 8 to make your purchase!

FIRST COMMUNION *submitted by Gary Waalkens*

The following students have completed their First Communion instruction, provided by Gary Waalkens. They will celebrate their First Communion on Sunday – April 6.

Camryn Smith
Lyle Gollmer

Miranda Nemec
Alonzo Chairez

Colton Studer

SUNDAY SCHOOL *submitted by Susy Pawl*

Thank you to the children for putting on a wonderful puppet show! Thank you to our fantastic families and congregation for continuing to support our children!

There will be a game night with Pastor Lisa on Wednesday, April 2nd at 6:00 prior to 6:30 service. Sunday school will be held during service on Sunday, April 13th.

CONFIRMATION is Sunday – May 4 at the 8:30 worship service. Please plan on attending as we congratulate the confirmands on the completion of this chapter in their spiritual journey. Those students, under the instruction of Kathy Deneen, are:

Kayleen Aguero Zachary Aguero Brody Chadwick Lilly Poster Sierra Stensven

It has been a pleasure to see them take on different roles during worship, such as reading, ushering, assisting with communion, and performing in programs, as well as also serving at the Marshall-Waterloo Food Pantry. Special thanks to Kathy Deneen for providing instruction and leading the way!

EVENT PLANNING COMMITTEE has been making plans for the upcoming Palm Sunday fellowship pancake breakfast following worship. The next Event Planning Committee meeting is set for Thursday – April 10 at 5:00. There will also be an Event Planning Committee meeting on Thursday – April 24 at 5:00 to discuss the upcoming Drive-Thru Spaghetti Dinner on May 8. Please come join us and bring any ideas you may have.

FEBRUARY FINANCIALS

<i>Income received in February</i>	<i>\$12,895.00</i>
<i>Obligations paid in February</i>	<i>6,257.32</i>
<i>Balance for February</i>	<i>6,637.68</i>
<i>BALANCE ON HAND</i>	<i>\$11,819.12</i>

MARSHALL-WATERLOO FOOD PANTRY 117 E. Madison St. (Hwy 19), Waterloo

Two to three volunteers are needed to serve the 12:00 noon-1:00pm shift the first Wednesday of every month. Someone is needed on April 2. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex.

It is Holy Trinity's month to host the Marshall-Waterloo Food Pantry in April. There is a sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. At least 3 volunteers are needed each shift. Shifts are Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:00 and Saturday mornings from 9:00-10:00. This is a great volunteer opportunity.

SECOND HARVEST MOBILE FOOD PANTRY Second Harvest Food Bank has taken over operation of the Marshall mobile food bank. They have changed the food bank dates to the **SECOND MONDAY** of each month at 3:30 pm in the high school parking lot. **If you wonder if there is a cancellation or not, go to Second Harvest Foodbank of Southern Wisconsin, Find Food, Mobile Pantry Schedule.** The next few distribution dates are:

Monday-April 14	3:30 pm	high school parking lot
Monday-May 12	3:30 pm	high school parking lot
Monday-June 9	3:30 pm	high school parking lot

RENTALS OF FELLOWSHIP HALL The fellowship hall is available to rent. The price for active members is a one-time event fee of \$25.00. The fee for all others is **\$50.00 per hour**. If you are thinking you may be interested in renting the hall, please contact the church office by calling 608-655-4246 or sending an email to htcstaff@holytrinity-marshall.com, to check on scheduling and details. **REMINDER: No beer, wine, or alcohol of any kind is allowed in the building or anywhere on the church property.**

PLANNED GIVING TO HOLY TRINITY

1. One way to ensure a bright future for our church is to make a planned gift that names HOLY TRINITY **in your will**. A bequest is a meaningful way to support the church's ministry without affecting your cash flow during your lifetime. Your attorney can include it when you prepare or revise your will, or you can add a codicil at any time.
2. Gifts that do not restrict their use (**unrestricted gifts**), allow Holy Trinity to use these resources where they are most needed.
3. **Restricted gifts** are monies designated for a specific purpose that advances our mission, such as support to a specific initiative or program.
4. Give to the church's **Endowment Fund**. You may now use our online giving, through holytrinitymarshall.com to make a gift directly to our Endowment Fund. At a time when secular non-profits are realizing the need to build their endowments, churches are still asking for operating support only. An **endowment gift** helps move us into a more sustainable position. (Dan Timpel has joined the Endowment Committee, replacing Jack Erb. If anyone has questions or wants to make a donation to this fund or the Memorial Fund they should contact Dan Timpel, Todd Madaus, or Owen Raisbeck.)
5. You could also choose to designate **a portion of the proceeds of your IRA to Holy Trinity** each year. We are grateful to members who have chosen this option as a way to make a sizeable annual gift.
6. Naming Holy Trinity **as the beneficiary of a life insurance policy** can convey assets in larger amounts without disrupting your current cash flow.

HEADS UP! WAY UP!!!

If you wish to submit an announcement for a bulletin, you **MUST** submit it to the office (htcstaff@holytrinity-marshall.com) **by the Wednesday prior, as bulletins are printed on Thursdays.**

For articles to be included in the newsletter for the following month, **they MUST be received in the office by the 22nd or they will not be included!** Waiting for late articles puts more stress on office staff and newsletter helpers. Getting your newsletter information in on time is a courtesy to others involved in the process. Your cooperation is needed and appreciated.

CHURCH NEWS

Worship every Sunday morning	8:30
Sunday School, April 13	
4/6 First Communion during worship	
4/13 Fellowship pancake breakfast following worship	
4/17 Combined Maundy Thursday/Good Friday worship	6:30
4/20 Easter Egg Hunt following worship	
Worship Wed evenings, Apr 2*, 9, 23 & 30	6:30
Games w/Pastor Lisa, Apr 2 @ 6:00	
Marshall-Waterloo Food Pantry, Wed April 2	12:00-1:00
Every Wednesday in April	7:00-8:00
Every Saturday in April	9:00-10:00
Catechism class, Wed April 2, 16, and 30	6:00
WELCA, Tue April 8 "Dine Out"	12:30
Council meeting, Tue April 8	6:00
Event Planning Committee, Thur Apr 10 & 24	5:00
Second Harvest, Mon April 14 in HS parking lot	3:30
Quilt Tying, Tue April 15	12:30
Quilting Day, Sat April 19	9:00-3:00
 Confirmation, Sun May 4 worship	 8:30

Quilts for LWR As quilt-making continues here at Holy Trinity, we always have an ongoing need for the supplies that go into making the quilts. Thank you to all our members and friends who keep an eye out for fabric that family members are disposing of and fabric that is available at garage sales and estate sales. We continue to request new bed sheets, used bed sheets, tablecloths, large pieces of fabric, etc. Even well-worn sheets are useful as the middle layer of a quilt. We welcome anyone who wants to get involved in making quilts either by meeting at church, by sewing at home or by cutting fabric squares at home.

One of our quilt groups meets at church 12:30 pm on the 3rd Tuesday of each month to sort donations, prepare donations for use in a quilt, and tie the layers of a quilt together. Our other quilt group comes to church on the 3rd Saturday of each month starting at 9:00 am. Sewing machines will be provided.

Please join in various quilt tasks on our quilt days for whatever amount of time you have to contribute. We are grateful for all the support we receive from our Holy Trinity family that allows us to donate quilts to the Lutheran World Relief mission of providing quilts to people in need in the US and around the world. **Please continue to provide new fabric that can be cut into squares for making quilts. It's then possible for someone to take the next step and cut 11-inch squares of fabric and donate them. **

ELCA MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS. Per Constitution and bylaws of the ELCA, a person must give a monetary gift and receive Holy Communion at least once every calendar year to be a member. Holy Trinity is required to keep records of both giving and communion. (If you put cash in the collection plate, that is not a contribution of record. We need to know your contribution came from you. There are extra contribution envelopes on the Welcome Desk in case you need one.) Please fill out a communion card at least once a year and on the day that you commune. That way we can make a record of it. Place your last name and first name of each person taking Communion on the card along with the date. You may place the card in the offering plate or hand it to an usher. You may also request a visit from the Pastor on this card.

Electronic newsletter to save paper, you may prefer to receive this newsletter electronically if you do not already. Just e-mail htcstaff@holytrinity-marshall.com and let us know that.

Our website, holytrinitymarshall.com, is regularly updated. With all the latest news and information that you might need. And share the link to our online services with family and friends!

Our thanks and gratitude to those who continue to give so much for the sake of this body of Christ such as our organists, office manager, treasurer, financial contribution secretary, custodian, ushers, readers, communion assistants, WELCA, Altar Guild, those who lead Sunday School, provide catechism instruction and First Communion instruction, and worship leaders. Thank you also goes out to those who serve on our Church Council and the Event Planning Committee.



Thank you to our quilters, volunteers who continue to work the Second Harvest mobile food bank, and volunteers on the Wednesday noon shift the first of each month at the Marshall/Waterloo Food Pantry, as well as those who helped with the Red Cross blood drive.. Thank you to the person who cares for our grounds and parking lot. We also appreciate the helpers who assemble the newsletter for mailing and everyone so willingly donating time and materials to maintain the church. Apologies if anyone was missed. Thank you all.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Marshall-Waterloo Food Pantry The Marshall/Waterloo Food Pantry is on the lower level at 117 E. Madison Street (Hwy. 19) in Waterloo. (Please use the door in the alley.) People may visit the food pantry once each month. If you or someone you know needs help, make use of this resource.

The hours are Wednesdays from noon-1:00 pm and again Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:00 pm. Saturday hours are from 9:00-10:00 am.

Second Harvest Mobile Food Pantry is Monday –April 14 at 3:30 in the HS parking lot.

Did you know that Staples will take several electronic items in-store for recycling? Call your local Staples store with questions or check their website.

Foodshare Helpline 877-366-3635 If you are in need, or know someone who is, contact this agency to see if they can help.

Wisconsin Home Energy Plus Program at 1-866-432-8947 or 608-267-8601 is available if you need help with your utility bills. Give them a call to find out if you qualify.

Holy Week

Word Search

DIRECTIONS:
Find and circle the
vocabulary words
in the grid. Look
for them in all
directions including
backwards and
diagonally.

CELEBRATION
CRUCIFIXION
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EASTER SUNDAY
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GOOD FRIDAY
HOLY SATURDAY
HOLY WEEK
JESUS CHRIST

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PALM SUNDAY
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SAVIOR
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