



**TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH  
1186 Jason Drive, Greencastle, PA**

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We want to be a congregation who continues:  
Trusting God  
Loving and Connecting with God and one another  
Reaching out to all God's children

**PALM SUNDAY  
March 26, 2026 10:15 AM**

**Rev. Denise Horn – Interim Pastor  
Ministers to the World – Congregation of Trinity Lutheran  
Mission – *To Share Christ in Word and Deed*  
Office Phone – 717-597-9348**

## WE WELCOME ALL WHO WORSHIP HERE THIS DAY!

- If you are visiting with us, we are honored by your presence. If you are seeking a church home, please contact the Pastor.
  - Holy Communion is celebrated in this morning's worship. All are welcome to the table. Young children should follow the practice of their home congregation.
  - The Worship Service will be available on You Tube, Facebook and the Website after the service. It is being recorded through Facebook Live.
  - Congregational responses are in bold.
- \* *Please stand*

### Welcome, Announcements, Opening Prayer

## GATHERING

### Call to Worship

*Ride On, Ride On in Majesty* (SBH #73) 5 verses

### \***Processional Gospel** – Matthew 21:1-11

*Jesus enters Jerusalem*

<sup>1</sup> When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, <sup>2</sup> saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. <sup>3</sup> If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." <sup>4</sup> This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet:

<sup>5</sup> "Tell the daughter of Zion,  
Look, your king is coming to you,  
humble and mounted on a donkey,  
and on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

<sup>6</sup> The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; <sup>7</sup> they brought the donkey and the colt and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. <sup>8</sup> A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. <sup>9</sup> The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

"Hosanna to the Son of David!  
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

<sup>10</sup>When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" <sup>11</sup>The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

### **\*Blessing of the Palms**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way.

Bless these branches and those who carry them.

Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

Let us go forth in peace,  
**in the name of Christ. Amen.**

### **Processional Hymn**

*All Glory, Laud and Honor* (ELW #344) 5 verses

### **Prayer of the Day**

As we now enter into the contemplation of the passion of our Lord Jesus Christ and meditate on the salvation of the world through his sufferings, death, burial, and resurrection, let us pray together:

**Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## **WORD**

### **First Lesson – Isaiah 50:4-9a**

<sup>4</sup>The Lord GOD has given me  
a trained tongue,  
that I may know how to sustain

the weary with a word.  
Morning by morning he wakens,  
wakens my ear  
to listen as those who are taught.

<sup>5</sup>The Lord GOD has opened my ear,  
and I was not rebellious;  
I did not turn backward.

<sup>6</sup>I gave my back to those who struck me  
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;  
I did not hide my face  
from insult and spitting.

<sup>7</sup>The Lord GOD helps me;  
therefore I have not been disgraced;  
therefore I have set my face like flint,  
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;  
<sup>8</sup>he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?  
Let us stand in court together.  
Who are my adversaries?  
Let them confront me.

<sup>9a</sup>It is the Lord GOD who helps me;  
who will declare me guilty?

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Second Reading - Philippians 2:5-11**

<sup>5</sup>Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, <sup>7</sup>but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, <sup>8</sup>he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup>Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup>so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup>and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

The passion of Christ according to Matthew the twenty-sixth chapter.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

### **A Reading of the Passion Story**

The Gospel of our Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**\* Hymn of the Day**                    *Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed* (ELW #337) 5 verses

### **\*Apostles Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**\*Prayers of the Church** - *(Each petition ends with "Hear us, O God." The Congregation responds "Your mercy is great.")*

### **\*Sign of Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.** *(If you are joining us on Facebook, please share Christ's peace with one another in the comments.)*

### **MEAL**

*You are invited to come forward for the traditional distribution of Communion or if you prefer, take a prepackaged kit available from the Usher and remain seated. The Pastor will give instructions to you prior to communing the Assistants.*

### **\*Offertory**

O God, maker of heaven and earth, your steadfast love embraces all creation. You send rain and sunshine to nourish the earth and bring forth its bounty. Through these gifts of bread and wine, draw us into the death and life of your Son, who calls us to bear witness to his saving work.

We ask this in Jesus' name.

**Amen.**

**\*Dialogue**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**\*Preface**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ, whose suffering and death gave salvation to all. You gather your people around the tree of the cross, transforming death into life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

**\*Words of Institution**

The night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again after supper, Jesus took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

### **\*Lord's Prayer**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, we pray the prayer Our Savior taught us: **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.**

### **\*Invitation to Communion**

Come to the table. Feast on God's goodness and mercy.

**Pew Communion:** *Those who wish to commune from their seats using the prepackaged kits please open them now. Take and eat and drink, the body and blood of Christ given and shed for you.*

### **Assistants Commune**

### **Communion**

The body of Christ given for you.

The blood of Christ shed for you.

### **Communion Hymns:**

*Tell Me the Story of Jesus* (CCLI #2823825) 3 verses *Public Domain*

*Lamb of God* (ELW #336) 3 verses

*My Song is Love Unknown* (SBH #65) 6 verses

### **\*Table Blessing**

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

### **\*Post Communion Prayer**

God of our salvation, we give you thanks for this meal that restores our souls, reconciles us to you, and strengthens us for the journey. Through the body and blood of your Son, may we become Christ's body in the world, bearing witness to your love for all creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## SENDING

### \*Benediction

Receive the blessing of the holy Trinity: God, who calls all things into existence, Jesus Christ, who redeems us, and the Holy Spirit, whose breath sustains creation, † bless you now and always. **Amen.**

### \*Sending Hymn

*Beneath the Cross of Jesus* (ELW #338) 3 verses

### \*Dismissal

Go in peace. Believe the good news.

**Thanks be to God.**

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**Maundy Thursday April 2 at 7pm at Evangelical Lutheran Church,  
130 N. Washington St., Greencastle.  
Pastor Denise Horn Presiding and Pastor Alan Wilson preaching.**

**Good Friday April 3 at 7 pm at Salem Lutheran Church,  
99 Miller Rd, Chambersburg (5 miles up rte. 11 to Miller Rd. near Marion)  
Pastor Denise Horn and Mr. Andy Wagner leading.**

**Easter Vigil, Saturday April 4 at 5 pm at ELC,  
Seminarian David Wolfe and Pastor Denise Horn leading.**

### ***EASTER DAY AT TRINITY***

8:30 AM Easter Breakfast in the Fellowship Room  
9:30 AM Easter Egg Hunt for the Children  
10:15 AM Easter Worship Service

**SERVING TRINITY TODAY**

Director of Music – Sandra Wingert  
Assisting Minister – Scott Valentine  
Communion Assistants – Sue Wunderlich and Mary Thomas  
Communion Cups – Josie Thomas  
Singer – Matt Cessna  
Usher – Charlie Ford  
Greeter – Sue Wunderlich  
IT Ministry – IT Team  
Communion Preparers – Charlie and Beth Ford

Passion Story Readers – Scott Valentine, Charlie Ford, Mary Thomas,  
Donna Wolfe and Pastor Denise

**TODAY WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER:** Gust Barbuzanes, Debbie Boggs, Sally Bohn, Marie Dean, Sue Deardorff, Terry and Laura Ellis, Shirley Freeman, Nancy Freshman, Sally Funk, Sue Gardenhour, Desarie Dean Gregory, Joan Hall, Jake Johns, Tracy Loucks, Doug McCullough, Beth Miller, Don Swart, Jess Swart, Bud and Donna Wolfe.

*The prayer list will be purged at the end of the month. If you wish a name to be retained (other than homebound members) please call or email the office – 717-597-9348/ [tlcsecoffice@gmail.com](mailto:tlcsecoffice@gmail.com).*

Each week we also remember four members and friends of our congregation: Barbara Arnold, Autumn, Christian and Ophelia; Keith and Pam Arnold; Gust Barbuzanes; Tim, Jennifer, Reece and Alexis Barbuzanes.

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