

March 28 & 29, 2026 Weekly Bulletin

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✠ This Week at Trinity ✠

Saturday, March 28: PALM SUNDAY

9:30 AM Food Pantry
5:00 PM Divine Service

Sunday, March 29: PALM SUNDAY

9:00 AM Divine Service (Ensemble)
10:30 AM Education Hour

Monday, March 30:

Pastor Billings' Sabbath
9:00 AM Shelter Sewing
6:00 PM At Home Prayer
6:30 PM Women's Bible Study (Men. Pub. Lib)

Tuesday, March 31:

6:30 AM Ladies Bible Study (see location p. 2)

Wednesday, April 1:

5:00 PM Confirmation Classes

Thursday, April 2: MAUNDY THURSDAY

9:00 AM & 6:30 PM Divine Services
6:00 AM Men's Bible Study
12:00 PM School Noon Dismissal
5:15 PM Handbell Rehearsal
7:30 PM Ensemble Rehearsal

Friday, April 3: GOOD FRIDAY

Church & School Offices Closed
12:00 PM Tre Ore Service
6:30 PM Tenebrae Service

Saturday, April 4: EASTER VIGIL

7:30 PM Easter Vigil Divine Service

Sunday, March 29: EASTER SUNDAY

6:30 AM Easter Sunrise Divine Service
7:30 AM Easter Breakfast
8:15 am Easter Egg Hunt
9:00 AM Easter Sunday Divine Service

✠ We Pray For... ✠

The Sick: Dave & Eileen Acker, Miley Anderson, Kathy Baehman, Tom Baer, Jared Bahn, Steve Baldauf, Mark & Jean Becker, Elisabeth Billings, Jasen Brown, Michael Burns, Carrie Collins, Jeff Dionne, Tom Drum, Judith Durkey, Char Elliott, Russell Elliott, Sara Flater, Robert & Karon Flater, Shirley Fleischer, Lorna Forbes, Lana Gast, William Jahsman, Geri Johnston, Paula Jordan, Alex Kamprath, Alice Kircher, Carla Kobs, Sandra (Sam) Kollman, Randy LaBelle, Genevieve Larsen, Fritz Larson, Jackie Lenox, Michelle Mahoney, Rev. Ronald Meier, Betsy & Donald Meverden, Phyllis Moran, George Ohlrogge, Diane Peotter, Chantay Peterson, Joan Reinke, Kathy Rigotti, Randy Ross, Dan Schael, Ken Schmidt, Irene Schwerbel, JoAnn Smoody, Scott Steenpoorte, Mike Stier, Liz Swaney, Artem Tabakaev, Brian Tobin, Elaine Trimberger, Joyce Tschirgi, Tony & Shellie Van Ark, Joyce Virchow, Rudy Vitek, Kurt Wendler, LaVerne Werth and Martin Wiese.

Those with Birthdays: Joan Alliet, Sandra Bengs, Linda Eckrich, Michael Godwin, Scott Gutzmann, Brian Reichert, Ann Sokel and Logan Wendler.

Those with Anniversaries: Marc & Sandy Guiley and Todd & Dawn Henrickson.



Easter Lily Orders – Last Chance

Please order your Easter Lilies no later than Monday, March 30th.

Good Friday Cross Walk

We gather at 10:30 AM in Riverside Park, on Wisconsin Avenue in Neenah by the Fountain. Contact for this event is Pastor GeRue (217) 725-8137.

News, Events, Requests, Etc.

Visit us at: www.trinitymenasha.com or
“Like” Us on Facebook.

Altar Flowers

Altar flowers are given by the Ladies Aid
to the glory of God.

This Weekend’s Banners

“He Comes” & “Sent to Serve”

† Stewardship †

Matthew 21:3 – *“If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will send them at once.”* Did Jesus really need the donkey? If the man had refused to give the donkey, would the work of salvation have been derailed? Of course not. But what an honor for the man who owned this donkey and foal! Likewise, with us – the Lord needs none of us, but what an honor for God to choose to use our generosity in the work of His church.

HOLY COMMUNION

Out of faithfulness to our Lord's Word and in love for all those who desire to commune, we practice closed communion. Our altar is open to those baptized Christians who confess oneness with us in doctrine, are communicant members of our congregation or a sister congregation of the

Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and are not under church discipline in another congregation. If you are not a member of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, please speak to one of the pastors before approaching the altar.

THRIVENT CHOICE \$ LAST CALL!

Thrivent Members this is the last call - Important reminder that eligible Thrivent members have until March 31, 2026, to direct any remaining 2025 choice dollars. Simply logon to www.thrivent.com/ThriventChoice and log in to check your account balance, and to allocate your choice dollars. Please take advantage of this opportunity prior to March 31st!

BIBLE STUDIES

- SUNDAY:** Sunday School K4—4th Grade
10:30 AM with Elizabeth GeRue—3rd -4th Grade Classroom
- SUNDAY:** “Ezra” and “Nehemiah”
10:30 AM with Pastors Billings & Alliet—SFH
- SUNDAY:** “What They Didn’t Teach You in Sunday School” with
10:30 AM Pastor GeRue, Conf. Room
- MONDAY:** Women’s Bible Study
6:30 PM “Leaning on Jesus” A Study of God’s Strength by Deb Burma, Contact: Connie Henkel, Menasha Public Library
- TUESDAY:** Ladies Bible Study
6:30 AM 3485 Thornberry Dr., Appleton Contact: Dottie Kraus All are welcome!
- THURSDAY:** Men’s Bible Study
6:00 AM “Titus” Contact: Steve Reinke Conference Room

For more information, please get in touch with the contact person listed above, or the church office.

EASTER BREAKFAST—APRIL 5 • 7:30 AM

Please join us as we celebrate our Lord's resurrection. Easter Breakfast is a wonderful time of great food and fellowship. We have so many reasons to celebrate our Lord and what He accomplished on our behalf.

If you would like to donate needed items for the breakfast, there are sign-up sheets in the narthex. We also need volunteers to help us set up, serve, and clean-up. Again, this year we will try to make clean up as simple as possible so all can attend the 9:00 AM church service

MENU: Scrambled Eggs, Ham, Cheesy Potatoes, Breakfast Casserole, Fruit Salad, Pastries, Cold Cereal and Beverages

Join us as we celebrate our Risen Lord.

MUSICAL OFFERINGS:

Sunday: Ensemble

✠ Serving the Lord This Weekend ✠

Saturday, 5:00 PM, March 28: PALM SUNDAY

Elder on Duty: Robert Allen
Usher Team: Jerry Maynard
Communion Asst.: Vern Jahsman
Altar Guild: Carol Evensen
Greeter: Barbara Kester
Acolyte: Richie Sprouse

Sunday, 9:00 AM, March 29: PALM SUNDAY

Elder on Duty: Michael Bekx
Usher Team: Jim Wittmann
Communion Asst: Scott Gutzmann
Altar Guild: Jill & Craig Thomas
Flower Delivery: Jill & Craig Thomas
Greeter: Connie Henkel
Acolyte: Emma Anderson

Thursday, April 2: MAUNDY THURSDAY

9:00 AM & 6:30 PM Divine Services

EOD 6:30 PM: David Little
Both Services Usher Teams: Maynard/Wittmann
Altar Guild: Jean Zeinert (9AM & 6:30PM)
Acolyte: Robbie Kohler

Friday, April 3: GOOD FRIDAY

12:00 PM Tre Ore Service (No Communion)
6:30 PM Tenebrae Service (No Communion)
Both Services Usher Teams: Maynard/Wittmann
Acolyte 6:30 PM: Richie Sprouse



Memorial Gifts Received in Loving Memory of:

A gift was given to the AED Fund in memory of: **Mary Howden.**

A gift was given to Trinity in memory of: **Barbara Bartel.**

A gift was given to Trinity in memory of: **David Edwards.**

✠ Serving the Lord Next Weekend ✠

Saturday, 7:30 PM, April 4: EASTER VIGIL

Elder on Duty: David Little
Usher Team: Gast/Corrente Teams
Communion Asst.: TBD
Altar Guild: Jean Zeinert
Greeter: Dan & Peggy Dahms
Acolyte: Emma Anderson

Sunday, April 5: EASTER SUNDAY

6:30AM Easter Sunrise & 9:00AM Easter Sunday


EOD 6:30 AM: TBD
EOD 9:00 AM: Craig Thomas
Usher Team: Dave Collingwood
Communion Asst: Lee Weinig
Altar Guild: Jill & Craig Thomas
Flower Delivery: Jill & Craig Thomas
Greeter: Rosemary Collingwood
Acolyte 6:30 AM: Robbie Kohler
Acolyte 9:00 AM: Richie Sprouse


GLUTEN-FREE HOSTS AVAILABLE

If you prefer a gluten-free host for communion, please talk with one of the pastors before the service.

 **Lamb Cake Sale 2026** 
Handbell Fundraiser 

Order YOURS TODAY!! Only \$20!!
Pound cake! Shaped like a lamb!

 Order Forms available: on posters in the narthex, church office, and from Rose.
Fill out Order Form and **return with payment BY 29 March, Palm Sunday!**

Your cake will be ready Easter morning!
✠ ♥ in the library (room off the Narthex)  your name will be on your cake!

All proceeds will help to pay the purchase of 3rd Handbell Octave (due to ship 1 April)!!

Thank you for supporting the Handbell-3-octave purchase!!

\$ SCRIP News \$

SCRIP will be sold on Palm Sunday. SCRIP will not be sold on Easter Sunday weekend.

Palm Sunday Psalm 118:19 - 29

Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord. This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it. I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Save us, we pray, O Lord! O Lord, we pray, give us success!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! We bless you from the house of the Lord. The Lord is God, and he has made his light to shine upon us. Bind the festal sacrifice with cords, up to the horns of the altar!

You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God; I will extol you. Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

It was customary in the days of Jesus that when a king entered a town or village, people would line the street to greet the king with great pomp and circumstance. But why did the people greet the king?

There was often a belief that the arriving king could help the people somehow. Perhaps it was the need for food or the desire to be freed from oppression.

So, what were the people of Jerusalem saying as they called out to Jesus as He entered? They were saying, "Hosanna!" Hosanna means, "save us now."

While the people of Jerusalem saw Jesus as an earthly king coming to save them from their Roman oppressors, Jesus did come to save them, but in a different way.

Jesus came to save His creation from their sin, from death and from the power of the devil.

For this reason, the words of the people of Jerusalem that first Palm Sunday are now our words, too. We sing and call out "Hosanna" to Jesus because we must also be saved.

Psalm 118 today helps us remember this story of Palm Sunday too; it begins by saying, "Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them" (**Psalm 118:19**). Jesus has entered the gates of Jerusalem to go to the cross for us, to die, so that we may be made righteous, that is, forgiven. So we must follow Him now to His cross.

But as we go to the cross, we cannot forget to call out, "Hosanna," or as the psalm reads, "Save us, we pray, O LORD!" (**Psalm 118:25**). And Jesus does! He dies in your place, for your sin and death, so that you would be forgiven and receive eternal life.

When times of fear and need arise in your lives, never forget Palm Sunday. Always keep the short prayer of these people upon your lips: "Hosanna!" That is, "Save us, we pray, O Lord!"

PRAYER

Lord Jesus, just as the crowd welcomed You with palm branches and shouts of "Hosanna," we give You thanks that You have saved us through Your death and resurrection. Continue to forgive our sins, as we rejoice that You are our true King. In Your name we pray. Amen.

School Calendar

March 30	9 am School Opening
March 31	9 am School Opening 3:45 pm Boys Volleyball @ Celebration
April 1	9:00 am School Opening 3:45-5:00 pm Faculty Meeting
April 2	Maundy Thursday 9:00 am Divine Service NOON DISMISSAL 6:30 pm DS
April 3	Good Friday NO SCHOOL 10:30 am Cross Walk 12-3:00 pm TreOre 6:30 pm Tenebre
April 4	7:30 pm Easter Vigil
April 5	Easter 6:30 am Sunrise Service 7:30 am Easter Breakfast 8:15 am Easter Egg Hunt 9:00 am Easter Service