

# The ACORN

Vol. 4 Trinity United Methodist Church, Sarasota, FL April 2019

## Reflections for Holy Week from Pastor Lisa

### Palm Sunday Prayer

Blessed Are You, O Lord our God,  
King of the universe.

In Jesus, you rule and reign,  
Not as a tyrant, but as a humble servant  
Riding on a borrowed donkey  
Washing feet  
Suffering from injustice

Open our hearts with this truth  
Take your throne

Open our lips with shouts of praise  
Hosanna in the highest!  
Blessed is the King who comes in the  
name of the Lord!  
Hosanna in the highest!

### We Need to Linger

Before we get to Easter, we need to linger:  
in the vulnerability of the basin and the towel  
at the remembrance and promise of the table  
in the struggle and betrayal of the garden  
in the shadows and shouts of injustice  
at the bloody brutal beautiful cross  
in the silence of linen and spices and death

For without these, the empty tomb is empty

### You are the Resurrection and the Life

*This affirmation was inspired by Jesus final hours.  
It is amazing to me how his situations speak to our  
modern experience in fresh and relevant ways.*

– Lisa <><

*Jesus said to Martha, "I am the resurrection and the  
life. Those who believe in me, even though they  
die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes  
in me will never die. Do you believe this?"*

– John 11:25-26

In the midst of  
hunger, disease, and great need  
You are the Resurrection and the Life

In the midst of  
conquest, prejudice, and oppression  
You are the Resurrection and the Life

In the midst of  
water, bread, and wine  
You are the Resurrection and the Life

In the midst of  
questions, promises, and prayers  
You are the Resurrection and the Life

In the midst of  
loneliness, hot tears, and agonizing decisions  
You are the Resurrection and the Life

In the midst of  
betrayal, saving your own skin, and abandonment  
You are the Resurrection and the Life

In the midst of  
injustice, brutality, and the misuse of power  
You are the Resurrection and the Life

In the midst of  
mocking, torture, and excruciating pain  
You are the Resurrection and the Life

In the midst of  
grave clothes, spices, and stone  
You are the Resurrection and the Life

# Lenten Sermon Series

## LENTEN SERMON SERIES: There's More to Life

Jesus invites us to live into the fullness of God. That fullness is infinite. There is always more- more to ask for, more to discover, more to receive, more to grow into, more to become. To better understand this and claim it for ourselves, we'll explore Ephesians 3:16-21 alongside the classic Lenten stories of Jesus' encounters with Nicodemus, the woman at the well, the man at the pool, Mary and Martha.

### March 31

John 4:5-42

To the woman at the well, Jesus says there is more, even in the midst of your desperation and seeking.

*Ephesians 3:17 and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love.*

### April 7

Holy Communion at all services

John 5:1-18

To the ill man at the pool, Jesus says there is more, even after years of hopelessness and abandonment.

*Ephesians 3:18 I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, 19 and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.*

### April 14

#### Palm Sunday

John 11:1-45

To Mary and Martha, Jesus says there is more in the midst of your grief and loss.

*Ephesians 3:20 Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, 21 to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.*

### April 21

#### Easter

John 20:1-18

There's more to life, Mary- the Resurrection of Jesus Christ

## Holy Week Worship

### April 14

#### Palm Sunday

Worship at 9 am and 10:30 am

### April 17

#### Spy Wednesday

Communion at 8 am

### April 18

#### Holy Thursday

Communion at 6 pm

### April 19

#### Good Friday

Service at 6 pm

### April 21

#### Easter

7 am

Sunrise Service

9 am

Contemporary Service

10:15 am

Egg Hunt on the Playground

10:30 am

Traditional Service

Bounce house and games available 9 am – Noon

Breakfast available 8 am – 12:30 pm



## Family Ministry Events

### **Easter Eve Parents' Night Out** **Saturday, April 20** **5:00-9:00pm**

Kids enjoy a healthy and free dinner, fun games, and a kid-friendly movie while parents enjoy a night off.



### **Easter Eggstravaganza** **Sunday, April 21**

#### **Easter Egg Hunt** **Sunday, 10:15am**

Easter egg hunt (*starts after 9 am Easter Worship*), bounce house, giant slide, food and games for all children and families.

## FUMCH

### **Easter Sunday Offering for** **Florida United Methodist** **Children's Home**

Since 1908, the Florida United Methodist Children's Home has provided stability, normalcy, and care to children who have experienced difficult circumstances, harmful or abusive relationships, trauma, or great loss.

Through their experiences at FUMCH, the children come to know the love and grace of Christ and begin to understand and experience the true meaning of Easter in their own lives. The risen Jesus brings promise of resurrection, hope and a future for these lost and forgotten children.

What better time than Easter to support FUMCH? Their efforts are only possible through the generosity of people like us. Of course your donations are welcome at any time of the year, but we hope you will consider a generous gift on Easter Sunday, 4/21. Watch for the special offering envelope in your bulletin.



#### **GlorYoga**

Yoga offers benefits of exercise along with enhanced awareness of the mind, body and spirit connection. In GlorYoga, we give glory to God, our creator. Because yoga is gentle, almost anyone can do it, regardless of age or fitness level.

#### **GlorYoga Basics** - Wednesdays

A mixed level class, including mat and chair instruction. Doors open at 8:45am, class begins at 9 am until 10:15 am.

#### **GlorYoga** – Thursdays

A mixed level class, mat only. Doors open at 4 pm, class begins at 4:15 to 5:30 pm

Classes are \$5 each or \$20 per month. First class is free. Drop-ins are most welcome! No pre-registration needed.

For more information, contact Certified Fitness Instructor: Jennifer Means.  
gloryoga@gmail.com.

## Good Friday, April 19th

### Sarasota's Good Friday Pilgrimage

Good Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup> will be the eighteenth year Sarasota congregations have observed The Stations of The Cross. In past years, the procession was confined to the north sidewalk of Main Street. For the first time in 2011, a Sarasota City police escort facilitated the procession being 'in the street,' down the center of Main street. Close to 900 pilgrims in 2018 brought Good Friday to Downtown Sarasota.

Everyone is invited to *Walk Your Faith* this Holy Week by experiencing The Way or Stations of The Cross, Good Friday. Our congregation plus many other Sarasota churches will be participating with Sarasota's City and County Commissioners, and Pastors, Priests, church leaders, choirs and youth groups taking parts in this Sarasota-Happening. A Community Choir now leads the procession and performs at two Stations. Stopping for worship and prayer at each of the fourteen Stations will offer an opportunity for reflection upon the different moments of Christ's passion journey. A service booklet sharing the acts of worship for each station will be distributed to all participating pilgrims.

The Christian pilgrimage gathers at 7:15 AM and begins at 7:30 AM in front of the Hollywood 20 Theater. For those who want to park at the final station at the Church of the Redeemer, buses will be transporting pilgrims from Redeemer Church beginning at 6:30 AM to Hollywood 20. The final station is at the Church of the Redeemer, 222 S. Palm Ave. and will be reached near 8:30 AM, when all are invited to a Service of Morning Prayer (Matins). For information or to volunteer, call Rev. Dr. Tom Pfaff, Ministerial Association Chair at 941-724-5018 [tompfaff@verizon.net](mailto:tompfaff@verizon.net)

### Easter Lily

Lilies can be purchased to be placed in our sanctuary on Easter Sunday. The plants are \$9.00 each and can be bought in memory of, or in honor of, individuals. The deadline for orders is April 7. Make checks payable to Trinity and note on check "Easter Lilies." Place orders in offering plate or mail/bring them to the church office.



Given By (Name as you wish it to appear in the Bulletin):

\_\_\_\_\_

Number of Plants ordered at \$9 each: \_\_\_\_\_

**(PLEASE CIRCLE ONE):**

**In memory of / In honor of**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I will pick up my Plant: \_\_\_\_

Please pick up your Lilies after the 10:30 am worship service on Easter Sunday.

I wish mine to be taken to someone who is homebound or in hospital: \_\_\_\_

## Lenten Practice

### Lenten Practice, Praying Ephesians 3:16-21

*Pray this prayer daily leading up to Easter. Choose individuals or groups of people. Choose those you are blessing based on the prompt, or choose based on another reason.*

March 3-9 those you love  
March 10-16 those yet to believe  
March 17-23 those with power or authority  
March 24-30 those who feel desperate  
March 31-April 6 those who feel hopeless  
April 7-13 those who feel unfairly judged  
April 14-20 those who are grieving

Father, out of Your honorable and glorious riches, strengthen \_\_\_\_\_. Fill \_\_\_\_\_'s soul with the power of Your Spirit so that through faith the Anointed One will reside in his/her heart. May love be the rich soil where \_\_\_\_\_'s life takes root. May it be the bedrock where \_\_\_\_\_'s life is founded, so that together with all of Your people, he/she will have the power to understand that the love of the Anointed is infinitely long, wide, high, and deep, surpassing everything anyone previously experienced. God may Your fullness flood through \_\_\_\_\_'s entire being. Now to the God who can do so many awe-inspiring things, immeasurable things, things greater than we ever could ask or imagine through the power at work in us, to Him be all glory in the church and in Jesus the Anointed from this generation to the next, forever and ever. Amen.



## UMW Persis Circle



### *Mother Daughter Tea*

Bring your mothers, daughters, friends, girls of all ages for an afternoon of tea on specially decorated tables, delicious refreshments, games, and prizes

Sunday, April 7, 2019  
3 pm  
Trinity Haley Hall

Event is Free but please reserve your seats soon.

Contact Pam Rader 941/374-0506 or church office 941/924-7756 ext. 154 or email: [trinity@iTrinity.org](mailto:trinity@iTrinity.org)

## Music Ministry

THE PEOPLE HAVE SPOKEN!!.....

More than any other recent survey, seemingly, this one about "Camp-meeting / Hymn-sing" styled worship service drew a significant response both verbally and in script. Allow me to state, emphatically, that all responses were given in a spirit of "love, respect and a sense of dignity towards others", which may say much more than what one might assume, these days.

First, many thanks for your sincere replies which ranged from; "Let's do this every Sunday or every month," to "Let's do this just twice a year!"

By the time you read this, it will have been decided by the Pastor and Music Ministry to designate every 5th Sunday for a Camp-meeting style service with a hymn-sing the main music ministry course for the 10:30am traditional worship service. This way, we can look forward to enjoying this at least once a season, or 4 times a year. We'll see how it goes with God and you!

By the way, visiting singers/choral members are always welcome to join in our High Holy Days Celebrations this time of the season, IF, you can make the rehearsals.

Special Holy Week music ministry rehearsals will occur on the first 3 Saturdays in April at 9:30 a.m.! That's Saturday April 6th, 13th, and 20th at 9:30 in the morning. No obligations, no commitments beyond your temporary participation unless God tells you differently!

LaTerry Butler, choir director/organist

### Upcoming Special Sunday Services

- June 30<sup>th</sup> – combined service celebrating Independence Day
- September 29<sup>th</sup> – two Sunday services with a camp-meeting-style hymn sing at the beginning of the 10:30 am service
- November 24<sup>th</sup> – combined service celebrating Thanksgiving
- December 29<sup>th</sup> – two Sunday services with the chance to choose your favorite Christmas carols to sing at the beginning of the services

# 2019 General Conference Summary

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864 international delegates (half lay; half clergy) met February 23rd-26th in St. Louis, MO to discuss the report of the Commission on a Way Forward at a Special Session of the General Conference of The United Methodist Church. The General Conference is the highest legislative body in the church and the only group who can decide church law and speak officially for the church. 2019 General Conference legislation is not official church law until January 1, 2020, presuming it is deemed constitutional by the Judicial Council.

### **What did the General Conference decide?**

The decision of the General Conference was to offer majority support for the Traditional Plan. The vote was 53% for and 47% against (438-384). It needed a simple majority to pass. They also passed legislation related to protecting our pension plans and working with churches who may want to disaffiliate from the denomination.

### **What is the Traditional Plan?**

The Traditional Plan keeps the current language around homosexuality and increases accountability by streamlining the processes to enforce penalties for violations of *The Book of Discipline* related to marriage and ordination of homosexual persons.

### **What does this mean for same-sex marriage and ordination of LGBTQ persons?**

The current language of the Discipline remains the same. Churches are not permitted to host same-sex weddings, pastors are not permitted to perform same-sex weddings, and self-avowed practicing homosexuals are not permitted to be clergy.

### **What do we believe about the LGBTQ community?**

The LGBTQ community and their allies are in all of our churches and in our cities. We continue to teach and believe that all persons are welcomed in the church. Our Discipline mandates that “all persons are individuals of sacred worth” and “all persons need the ministry of Jesus.” We will continue to share God’s love with all people. LGBTQ persons are welcome in our churches and we are blessed by their faith and gifts. There are no restrictions in the *Discipline* around the baptism, membership, and lay servant leadership of LGBTQ persons.

### **What does this mean for our United Methodist Church?**

Nothing changes in our missional practices. Churches will continue to welcome all people because as our Discipline mandates “all persons are individuals of sacred worth.” We remain an open table that welcomes all. Churches are open to people of all nations, ethnic groups, ages and sexual orientations. We hope to find better ways to embrace our diversity and put divisiveness behind us so that we may focus our energies toward ministry. We should remember that loving family members can disagree, even on important issues like these. We are a diverse and global church, and because of that, we have cultural, generational and geographical differences. We seek to honor God and offer abundant grace to all.

### **What can traditionalists who agree with the results of General Conference do?**

The faith of our traditionalists is a gift to God and to our churches. Too often, their stances have been misunderstood as driven by hatred, as opposed to being of deeply held faith. Our conference includes at every level of leadership evangelicals who are of the utmost integrity. Delegates for General Conference 2020 will be elected in June at annual conference. You can ask your annual conference clergy and lay delegates to support delegate candidates who will work to maintain the action of the 2019 General Conference.

### **What can we do if we disagree with the results of General Conference?**

You can be creative and intentional in how you reach out to the LGBTQ community who are hurting and wondering if there is a place for them in our churches. There are many ways to welcome our LGBTQ brothers and sisters and still live within the Discipline. Delegates for General Conference 2020 will be elected in June at annual conference. You can ask your clergy and lay delegates to annual conference to support delegate candidates who will work to make changes to our *Book of Discipline*.

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### **Can you give more detail about what passed at General Conference?**

1). Wespeth petitions passed.

Wespeth Benefits and Investments (Wespeth) is a not-for-profit administrative agency of The United Methodist Church, responsible for the general supervision and administration of the retirement, health and welfare benefit plans, programs and funds for more than 100,000 active and retired clergy and lay employees of the Church.

Exiting churches must pay their fair share of pension liability.

Exiting clergy retain their pension but it is converted to limit further liability to the conference.

2). Current language around sexuality and restrictions on same-sex weddings and ordination of self-avowed practicing homosexuals is retained.

3). The Traditional Plan passed except for the main petition. This means there will be no required certification by annual conferences and bishops that they will follow *the Discipline* and no method for annual conferences to leave the denomination.

4). Eight parts of the Traditional Plan passed and have previously been ruled constitutional by the Judicial Council. The Judicial Council will consider their constitutionality again in April after Easter, but are not likely to reverse their decision. This means that the definition of self-avowed practicing homosexual now includes those who are in a same-sex marriage. Bishops cannot commission or ordain lesbian or gay pastors or consecrate them as bishops. Boards of ordained ministry must do a full examination of clergy candidates including whether they are a self-avowed practicing homosexual. Pastors who perform weddings and are convicted by trial will have minimum penalties of suspension (1st offense) and surrender of credentials (2nd offense). Bishops can only dismiss complaints for reasons of law or fact. Just Resolutions must acknowledge all harm done and be agreed to by the person bringing the complaint. The church can appeal a decision for egregious errors of law.

5). One part of the Traditional Plan passed but it may or may not be constitutional and awaits the decision of the Judicial Council. It would require all members of the board of ordained ministry to certify they will follow the *Discipline*.

6). An amended exit plan for churches passed but it may or may not be constitutional. It would allow for local churches to exit with their property and assets if 2/3 of the members vote to do so and they care for pension liabilities and one year of apportionments.

### **What impact did delegates from outside the U.S. have on this decision?**

Every delegate votes their own conscience and undoubtedly delegates from inside and outside the U.S. voted to support or not support all of the plans. Votes are not public. Forty percent of the delegates are from outside the U.S. and many of them are from places that hold a traditional view of marriage.

### **Can General Conference 2020 change all of this?**

The decisions of one General Conference cannot bind the decisions of another General Conference.

### **What will we do if clergy or churches do not follow the Discipline and choose to perform or host same sex weddings?**

There are processes in the Discipline for this. It begins with someone bringing a complaint against someone else. It includes fair process, a pastoral response, the potential of a Just Resolution and if needed a trial with a jury of clergy peers. We are committed to following the *Book of Discipline* as a resource for oversight and supervision in support of the church's mission.

Please join us in prayer for our church, especially for those who are disappointed by this outcome



## United Methodist Women Celebrate 150 Years in Mission



On Sunday March 10th, Trinity Sarasota United Methodist Women celebrated UMW 150 years in a grand way! Our dear Pastor Lisa gave us both services to plan and lead. We led both worship services including a skit about our legacy, past, present and future. Our skit was "A Legacy Carol" with characters from the past, present and future. Special thanks to my lovely actresses...Evelyn, Ruby, Pam and Gennie. Our members (all wearing a white rose) served in worship, as greeters and welcome center hosts, provided our history display and presented lovely refreshments for both coffee hours. It was a memorable Sunday! We even gained two new members after they heard in worship all that UMWomen do to put faith, hope and love into action!

**COINS FOR CHILDREN:** As part of our 2019 outreach, UMWomen continue to collect their loose change until mid April...and we invite everyone to join us.

There is a box in Haley Hall to deposit those coins you find on your dresser, on the bottom of your purse, in the couch, etc. We'll give the proceeds to Trinity Family Ministry to help with expenses for the Easter Egg Hunt and activities on April 21st. In Feb. we collected \$5.30. Let's fill the box in March and early April!!!

UMW Executive Board will meet on Tuesday April 2nd at 9:30 am in Haley Hall.

There will be NO individual Circle meetings in April as all ladies are encouraged to support and attend the Persis Circle Mother Daughter Tea on Sunday, April 7th, at 3 pm. Free but reservations needed. Sign up soon!!!

\*If you have scarves and hats for the "borrow table", please bring them in to Haley by Thursday, April 4th. Also needed, small items for door prizes.



Kudos to all those who are checking out and reading the books on the "Big Blue Book-case"! UMW ladies, be sure to keep track and choose some/one from each category. Take care to look and see if you have picked a Bonus Book... if you have it counts as two books. Forms are due in June if you are working toward Level I, II or III. Contact me if you have any questions. - Evelyn Miller

On Easter, April 21, the beautiful lilies on the altar are all given by individuals but usually many are left to be taken to shut-ins. To make sure these get delivered, UMW members will deliver a lily to each of our homebound members and friends.

For this to happen, Sherrill will be making up a schedule in early April. UMW ladies... If you did this last year or are willing to help this year, please let Sherrill know soon. The responsibility is that you will take a Lily and an Easter Sunday Bulletin to a person assigned sometime the week after Easter. You can pick up a Lily after the last service on Easter day, or pick one up at the church office sometime the week after Easter.

## Disciple Bible Study

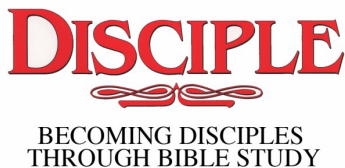
Pastor Lisa and a joyful group of students are working their way through the entire Bible on Wednesdays from 11am-12:15pm in Haley Hall. You are most welcome to come for any and all of the two week studies along the way.

April 10 (No class on April 17)  
Readings from Psalms, Proverbs, Ezra, and Nehemiah on the theme of Right Living

April 24 and May 1  
Readings from Job on the theme of Suffering

May 8 and May 15  
Readings from Daniel, Isaiah, Zechariah, Micah, and Malachi on the theme of Hope

May 22 and May 29  
Readings from Esther and Jonah on the theme of Context



## Finance Team

TUMC DOLLARS AND CENTS  
(does not include designated funds)

February income \$64,056  
(includes giving made by  
some members in advance)

February spending \$80,246

20% (\$8381.60) of apportionments paid  
for 2019.

Update: As of February 28, our operating  
expenses are more than our operating  
income by \$16,190.

**Envelope of Envelopes** is available for your monthly giving in Haley Hall. It includes one envelope for each month plus envelopes for additional mission projects. You can also give online at [www.iTrinity.org](http://www.iTrinity.org).

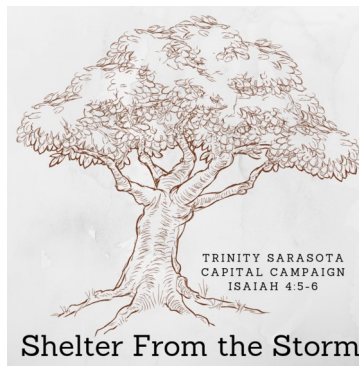
## Board of Trustee Report



Working and having fun with Spring clean up and new plants. THANK YOU Carol, Mary, Little Alan, Wendall and Mark Calmes



Have you noticed the new beautifully painted Cross & Flame on the entrance way to the Sanctuary courtyard? THANK YOU Matt Stalo and Mary Raymond



**Shelter from the Storm Donor Bricks** - At the center of our Stewardship capital campaign is a replanting of the majestic oak tree which used to be in the courtyard between Haley and Heritage Halls. It will be highlighted by a brick walkway surrounding the tree coming from the existing sidewalk. 100% of the proceeds of these purchases will go towards our Capital campaign. The bricks will be between \$100 and \$200 depending on size and style and the benches are available at a minimum of \$5000. See the display in Haley Hall for more information. To enter your order online: [www.bricksrus.com/donorsite/trinityUMC](http://www.bricksrus.com/donorsite/trinityUMC)

## Falcon Academic Buddies

What's Happening at Phillippi Shores?

In November we received a request from Phillippi Shores School for volunteers to help kindergarten students learn to read. Folks from Trinity Church and other groups associated with the school were asked to be part of a new program of community volunteers called **Phillippi Shores Falcon Academic Buddies**. Training classes were held in December and 9 Trinity volunteers attended. Volunteers were also required to complete a background check before being assigned to a classroom.

Due to the great response from the community the program was expanded to include first grade in January. All together we had 13 people from Trinity who offered to serve at Phillippi Shores. Of these, 9 are presently serving as reading tutors at least once a week at Phillippi Shores. Those who were not assigned a student at Phillippi Shores are encouraged to volunteer at Trinity Pre-school. 4 others are volunteering at other schools in Sarasota.

Thank you school volunteers for putting "skin in the game", to make a difference in the lives of neighborhood children. This is one way to be the hands, feet, and heart of Jesus. If you are one of our volunteers, we would love to publish a short account of your experiences as a school volunteer in the next Acorn. Please submit your article to [Karen@iTrinity.org](mailto:Karen@iTrinity.org). Blessings, Carol Harris

## Smart Driving Class News

- Research shows 97% who take this AARP class make one significant change making them a smarter, safer driver
- Many Florida car owners, over 55 years of age, save as much as \$100 each year on their car insurance premium
- This six hour class will be held in Haley Hall on the mornings of April 11 & 12 (9 AM to 12:15 PM)
- Cost for materials is \$15 for AARP members/ \$20 for non-members
- **This is the last time the class will be held at Trinity in 2019**
- Call Lee Moyer @484-374-3806 to register

## Birthdays



Marilyn Tranbarger 4/1  
Carroll Hatfield 4/5  
Stephen Cook 4/6  
Gordon Klee 4/6  
Ginny Lints 4/8  
Beverley Campbell 4/9  
Roy Cowles 4/10  
Sandy Thayer 4/10  
Pam Pierce 4/13  
Tom Thayer 4/13  
Emma Odenweller 4/16  
Leon Milner 4/17  
Charlyne Craver 4/18  
Barney Demes 4/18  
Nancy Smith 4/19  
Marilyn Williams 4/19  
Jeanne Jenkins 4/22  
Jan Robertson 4/22  
Daniel Miller 4/23  
Brenda Moore 4/23  
Hal Stanton 4/24  
Natasha Lunsford 4/25  
Hank Lunsford 4/26  
Ed Degrenia 4/27  
Barbara Jackson 4/27  
Addisyn Schweid 4/27  
Henry Lee 4/27  
Dwayne Diggs 4/28  
Anne Dorn-Tabeeck 4/28

## Anniversaries

Trent & Pam Rader 4/2  
Ray & Joanna Garriott 4/7  
Don & Janet Waldron 4/12  
David & Susan Francisco 4/13  
Russell & Dorothy Hopkins 4/30

# PRAYERS....

## PRAYER PROMPTORS

Please contact the Coordinator, Phyllis Pritchett with any special prayer request. Your request will be relayed through 60 prayer partners. Contact her by cell phone at 356-6943 or email [phyllispritchett@hotmail.com](mailto:phyllispritchett@hotmail.com)

**Please lift extra prayers for:** Rosario Aguilera, Britney Bang, Ken Birt, Pat Birt, Bobbie Bruce, Ruby Cook, Jerry Countryman-Marshall, Bud Duffey, Karen Duffey, John Ellsworth, Thomas Grim, Tom Hankins, Janet Headley, Brenda Lee Hickman, Barb Hohl, Bert Hooglander, Craig Jorgensen, Sara Kane, George Kistler, Luis Laborde, Don Lints, Hank Lunsford, Maryalice McIntyre, Kai Nash, George Pierce, Rob Purser, JoAnn Rall, Jerry Ralston, Sharon Sanders, Gordon Sheldon, Barbara Smith, Evan Smith, Debbie Utter, Joan Utter, Kara Voyles, Ron Williams, Pat Woodyard.

**Also please pray for our military family:** Justin Chivas, Ed Degrenia, Tanner Holly, Gunnar Kral, Joshua Marsh, Dylan Mitchell, Eric Neumeier, May-Ree Neumeier, Brandon Oberkamp, Audrey Santana, Craig Scott, Greg Sutton, Aaron Utter, Devin Voyles, Dylan Youngblood.

*If you know someone you would like to be put on the Acorn prayer list, or if you wish to be removed, call the church office at 924-7756 or email [phyllispritchett@hotmail.com](mailto:phyllispritchett@hotmail.com)*



Everyone is invited to Jared Anthofer's Eagle Scout Court Of Honor on April 22, 2019 at 7pm at St Thomas More Catholic Church, 2506 Gulf Gate Drive. Dinner and Cake at event. RSVP Pam Anthofer 941-928-7807

### April 7

9:00 am: Mark and Margie Aukland  
10:30 am: Jan Robertson, Goldie Reed  
Welcome Center: Laurie Ward  
Crucifer: Carly Ellsworth

### April 14: Palm Sunday

9:00 am: Bev and Omer Quesnel  
10:30 am: Lee and Joy Moyer  
Welcome Center: Barbara Hunt  
Crucifer: Marguerite Hankins

### April 21: Easter

9:00 am: Patty Leathers, George Hoskins  
10:30 am: Diane Freestone, Tom Surprise  
Welcome Center: Ethel Paki  
Crucifer: Marguerite Hankins

### April 28:

9:00 am: Mary Raymond, Deb Martin  
10:30 am: Emily Beck, Sandy Thayer  
Welcome Center: Solita Tay  
Crucifer: Mike Ray

April Liturgist: Owen Woodyard

Communion Prep:

9 am: Bev & Omer Quesnel

10:30 am: Joy & Lee Moyer

## Thank you notes

To all who have sent cards, we Thank You. Your thoughts and prayers are needed and much appreciated. We are starting the new year with a bang again. Thank you and Bless you friends in Christ.  
- Hal and Margot Stanton

To my friends at Trinity,

With warmest thanks, a grateful heart and deep appreciation for your thoughtfulness. Thank you all for your prayers, cards and phone calls as I've been dealing with Parkinson's Disease. Your kindness has meant a lot to me. -Don Lints

## Holy Week and Easter Services



*Come Worship With Us!*



# April 2019

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p><b>Every Sunday:</b> 9:00 am &amp; 10:30 am <b>Worship</b></p> <p>9:00 am &amp; 10:30 am <b>Adult Small Groups</b></p> <p><b>Nursery Hours</b> 9 -11:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>Promise Kids</b> 9 - 10:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>Youth Praise Band</b> 10:30 am</p>	<p><b>Every Monday:</b> 6:00 am Breakfast Group at Dennys</p>	<p><b>Every Tuesday</b> 9 am TVB Rehearsals 10:30 am Program Staff</p>	<p><b>TGIWednesday: Summer Schedule</b> 8 am: 40 minutes of hymns, a devotion and communion 9 am GlorYoga 10 am Prayer /Listening Gathering, Sanctuary 11 am: Pastor's Bible Study/ Disciples 4:30 pm Bible Buddies No Chime Time Team rehearsals in April. 7 pm X-Claim Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>Every Thursday:</b> 2pm Daniel Plan 4:15 pm GlorYoga 6:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>Every Friday:</b> 8:00 am Breakfast Group at Tasty Home Cookin' 11am Book Study at Der Dutchman Sun Porch  Church Office Closed</p>	<p>(Other weekly small groups available -  iTrinity.org  for more information.)</p>
	1	2 9:30 am UMW Board  6pm Board of Trustees	3 TGIWednesday Schedule (see above)	4	5	6 9:30 am Holy Week Choir Rehearsal
<p>7 Holy Communion 9:00 am XClaim! Contemporary Worship 10:30 am Traditional Worship 1:30 pm Brookdale ALF Worship 3:00 pm: Mother &amp; Daughter Tea</p>	8	9	10 TGIWednesday Schedule (see above)	11 9am - noon AARP Safe Driving Class	12 9am- noon AARP Safe Driving  10 am Fish Annual Meeting, Wesley	13 9:30 am Holy Week Choir Rehearsal
<p>14 <b>PALM SUNDAY</b> 9:00 am XClaim! Contemporary Worship 10:30 am Traditional Worship 1:30 pm Brookdale ALF Worship</p>	15  11:30 am Lunch Lift	16  5:30 pm Finance Team	17 TGIWednesday Schedule  No Pastor's Bible Study / Disciple Group today	18 <b>Holy Thursday</b>  12:30pm Preschool Trike-A-Thon  6pm Holy Thursday Communion Service	19 <b>Good Friday</b>  7:15 am Stations of the Cross Walk, Downtown  6 pm Good Friday Service	20 9:30 am Holy Week Choir Rehearsal  5 - 9 pm Parents Night Out
<p>21 <b>EASTER</b> <b>7 am Sunrise Service</b> 9:00 am XClaim! Contemporary Worship 10:15 am: Easter Egg- stravaganza 10:30 am Traditional Worship 1:30 pm Brookdale ALF Worship</p>	22  Noon Men's Lunch Bunch, Haley	23	24 TGIWednesday Schedule (see above)	25	26	27
<p>28 9:00 am XClaim! Contemporary Worship 10:30 am Traditional Worship 1:30 pm Brookdale ALF Worship</p>	29	30 10am Arts & Crafts Group				

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Check out the new Facebook page for **Trinity Preschool**, too.

Head to the church website, [www.iTrinity.org](http://www.iTrinity.org), for recordings of the Sunday messages and other great info.

## *Church Staff*

Pastor: Rev. Lisa Ann Moss Degrenia  
Traditional Worship Director: LaTerry Butler  
Contemporary Worship Director: Trevor Pike  
Sound Board: Mark Anthofer  
Care Ministry Director: Tee Ormiston  
Director of Children/Youth Ministry: Russell Towery  
Nursery Coordinator: Gennie Gyurica

Preschool Director: Pam Rader  
Preschool Teachers: Glenna Schrock,  
Wanda Butler, Brooke Brayton  
Business Administration: Jack Hundley  
Secretary: Karen Remfrey  
Custodian: Dwayne Diggs

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**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**  
Monday thru Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
Closed Friday