

## This Week at Trinity

### SUNDAY, MARCH 24

*Palm Sunday*

Worship, **9:30am**

Children & Worship, **9:45am**

Bread House Worship, **12pm**

### MONDAY, MARCH 25

Bread House Praise Practice, **5pm**

Monday Night Basketball, **7pm**

Worship Life Meeting, **7pm**

### TUESDAY, MARCH 26

Staff Meeting, **11:45am**

Bread House Bible Study, **7pm**

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

Men's Bible Study, **7:30am**

Bread House Family Night, **6:30pm**

WOW, **7pm**

### THURSDAY, MARCH 28

*Maundy Thursday*

WOW, **9:30am**

Maundy Thursday Service, **6pm**

Cover to Cover Book Club, **7pm**

### FRIDAY, MARCH 29

*Good Friday*

### SATURDAY, MARCH 30

Holy Saturday Prayer Service, **3pm**

### SUNDAY, MARCH 31

*Easter Sunday*

Worship, **9:30am**

Children & Worship, **9:45am**

Bread House Worship, **12pm**

# Welcome!

## Trinity Reformed Church

*March 24, 2024*

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**Palm Sunday**  
Of Hosannas & Figs  
Mark 11:12-25

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### **Trinity Reformed Church**

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Office Hours: Monday—Thursday 9:00am to 1:00pm

### **Worship Participants:**

Preaching: Pastor Amanda Bakale

Organist: Judy Koeman

Worship Leaders: Russ Johnson

### **Greeters:**

Bill VanAuken & Sandy Bedard

### **Children & Worship (ages 4-6):**

Leader—Lauren Garza & Helper—Jan VanAuken

## Order of Service

*\*Please stand in body or spirit.*

### Gathering

*Prelude*

*Tolling of the Bell*

Call to Worship: *Be Still, for the Presence*

\*Welcome + God's Greeting

### Approaching

\*Songs of Praise:

*Sweet, Sweet Spirit #291*

*All People that on Earth Do Dwell #317:1,3*

*Here I Am to Worship*

*All Glory Laud and Honor #204:1,2,3,4,5*

Scripture Reading: Zechariah 9:9 (p.1075) ; Mark 11:1-10 (p.1143)

\*Song: *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna #203:1,2,3*

Children's Blessing

Congregational News + Prayer

Offering

Song of Dedication: *Shout to the Lord*

### Listening

Scripture Reading: Mark 11:11-25 (p.1143)

Sermon: Of Hosannas and Figs

### Sending

\*Song of Response: *Lord I Lift Your Name on High*

\*Benediction

\*Closing Song: *Lord I Lift Your Name on High*

*Postlude*

## Ministry Highlights

**Easter Flower Cross:** If you would like to take a picture with the Easter Flower Cross, please do so *before* the service on Easter Sunday. It will be removed immediately following our worship service.

**Easter Flowers:** Today is the last day to sign-up to place flowers. If you purchased an Easter Flower in memory of a loved one, please make sure to pick it up immediately following the Easter service.

If you are interested in singing the **Hallelujah Chorus** on Easter Sunday morning, there will be music available as you enter the sanctuary. Please feel free to take one. We will sing along with an accompaniment CD, as in the past, from your seat in the sanctuary. Please return the music following the service.

**Connections Deadline:** Our deadline for the April issue of Connections is today. If you have something you'd like to share, please drop off a copy to the office or email [samantha@trinityrc.org](mailto:samantha@trinityrc.org) with your information.

## Staff Highlights

**Pastor Amanda** will be on vacation from April 1st to April 14th, resuming office duties on Monday, April 15th.

**Samantha** will be on vacation from April 1st to April 4th, returning to the office on Monday, April 8th. The church office will maintain regular hours during this time, courtesy of our dedicated volunteers.

# Holy Week at Trinity Church

## Palm Sunday

**Sunday, Mar 24 at 9:30am**

Together we'll enter Holy Week by following Jesus into Jerusalem amidst the shouts of hosanna and the waving of palm branches. While most years we would focus on the donkey and the palms and the crowds, this year we'll unpack why the Gospel of Mark pairs this moment with Jesus cursing the fig tree outside the Temple. What gospel truth is there for us in the story of hosannas and figs?

## Maundy Thursday

**Thursday, Mar 28 at 6:00pm**

On the night before the cross, Jesus gathered around a table with his disciples. Following his example, we'll gather around the Table to remember and believe the teaching of the Last Supper in the shadow of the cross through song and prayer and story.

<https://www.trinityrc.org/editoruploads/files/Bulletins/Maundy%20Thursday%20Supper%20%26%20Shadows.pdf>

## Good Friday

Each household will receive a devotion and prayer to remember and mark the death of Jesus for each of us, for all of us. We will not gather together instead we'll remain scattered and alone like the disciples after his death.

<https://www.trinityrc.org/editoruploads/files/Bulletins/Good%20Friday%20Household%20Liturgy.pdf>

## Holy Saturday

**Saturday, Mar 30 at 3:00-3:45pm**

You are invited to gather together for a short prayer service to mark the day Jesus remained in the tomb. Our God with us even in the grave. This prayer service will focus on silence and rest, darkness and hope.

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## Easter Sunday

**Sunday, Mar 31 at 9:30am**

With the Gospel of Mark, we'll follow the women to the empty tomb as together we grapple with what the resurrection of Jesus means of us here and now. The Trinity traditions of the Flowering Cross and Handel's Messiah will help us celebrate the glory and promise of that most unexpected of mornings.

## Prayer Practice | Make a Palm Cross

As you travel through this Holy Week, you're invited to take a palm leaf and transform it into a cross. Whether as an individual or household, you can make a palm cross as a devotional activity to prepare you for Good Friday and Easter Sunday. Then use this palm cross to remind you of Jesus this week - keeping your attention on the gospel story in the midst of busyness and distraction.

Supplies: One palm leaf strip about 24-26" in length, 1/2" in width, tapering to the end.

