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**The Gospel of Mark
Lent 2024**

This Lent, let us hear the familiar stories once again and listen for how Jesus is inviting us now to follow him on the way.

Upcoming Services

March 3:	<i>Communion</i> Mark 10:46-52 The Way of the Cross: <i>The Desire to See</i>
March 10:	Mark 12:38-44 The Way of the Cross: <i>A Widow's Trust</i>
March 17:	Mark 14:1-11 Lent: The Way of the Cross: <i>In Memory of Her</i>
March 24:	<i>Palm Sunday</i> Mark 11:1-11 The Way of the Cross: <i>Of Hosannas & Figs</i>
March 28:	<i>Maundy Thursday 6PM</i> Mark 14:12-26 (John 18:1-17, 31-35)
March 30:	<i>Holy Saturday Vigil</i> Service of Prayer 3:00—3:45pm
March 31:	<i>Easter Sunday</i> Mark 16:1-8 The Way of the Cross: <i>An Unexpected Morning</i>

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?

Mauandy 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.

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.

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.

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.

TUESDAY COFFEE WITH PASTOR AMANDA



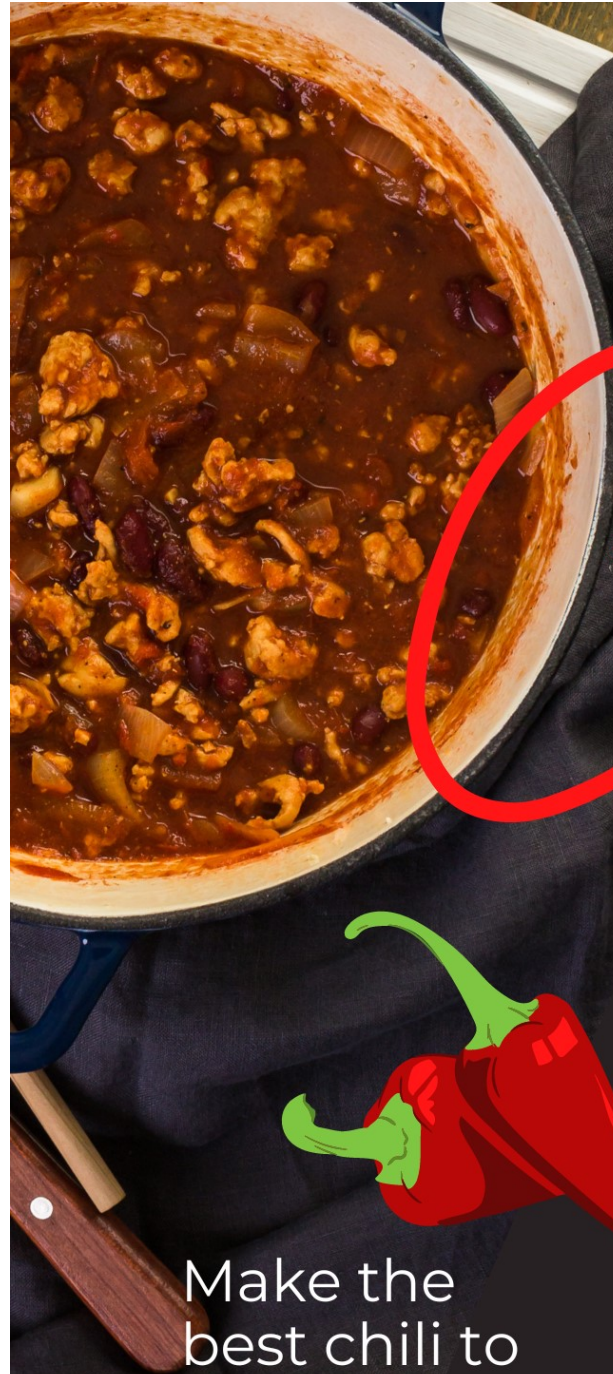
10:30AM

While I've met many folks, there's always more to learn about each other. And there's folks I haven't gotten to know yet. Let's have coffee together!

I'm setting aside every Tuesday morning at 10:30am for coffee. Your house. A local coffee shop. My office.

Whatever works best for you!

Just sign up in the Church Office for an upcoming Tuesday, then I'll reach out and confirm details!



Join Us Saturday,
March 23, 2024

Chili COOK OFF



Make the
best chili to
win
bragging
rights!

3:00 PM AT TRINITY CHURCH
Sign up to let us know
if you plan to make
chili AND/OR if you are
just coming to enjoy
chili!

FREE TO ENTER & FREE TO
TASTE





Second Sunday Brunch

Sunday, March 10



Oatmeal & Yogurt Breakfast Bar

Kindly join us after the Sunday morning worship service. Further details on how you can participate and RSVP can be obtained at the Welcome Desk.





Aspire

Author & Bible Teacher
HEATHER DIXON



Comedy by
AMBERLY NEESE



Music by
JAIME JAMGOCHIAN



Attention Ladies –
Join us for an evening full
of laughter, learning and
music held on
Friday, April 19, 2024 at
7:00PM. The event is held at
Fairway Church in Jenison.
Ticket price is \$30.00
(checks payable to Trinity
Church). Sign-up at the
welcome desk by Sunday,
March 31, 2024. Payment is
also due by March 31, 2024.
If you have any questions,
please see Teresa
Harrington.



Trinity Church Children's Choir

The Children's Choir continues to meet
Sundays at 10:45-11am.

Rehearsal Schedule

No rehearsals in March—we will resume
on Sunday, April 7.

Children's ministry at Trinity

Children and Worship will meet every Sunday in March. Children 4 yrs. old - 2nd grade are welcome.

NURSERY care: we are looking for additional adults who can serve in Nursery. If you are willing to be 'on call' please let Lauren know.



Cover to Cover Book Club

The 2023/2024 Book Club meets the 4th Thursday of every month. Participation is limited to 12 people. There are a few spots open - let Sharon Kruse know if you are interested in joining!

MARCH 28

Empty Mansions by Bill Dedman

APRIL 25

The Thursday Murder Club by Richard Osman

MAY 23

The Book of Lost Friends by Lisa Wingate

**COVER TO COVER BOOK CLUB WILL MEET AT THE
MARRIOTT DOWNTOWN HOLLAND @ 7PM.**

We are in need of people to get the pots brewing and set out the cups and such and clean up afterwards. Many hands make light work, so ask a friend to join you! If you would like to get involved, contact Sandy Bedard @ 616-212-3944 or bedardjs@comcast.net



It's
COFFEE TIME

Opportunities To Serve at Trinity

- ◆ Launder towels, tablecloths etc. after dinners or events
- ◆ Organize and sort through library books and library resources
- ◆ Pick up diapers from Nestlings for Care Closet
- ◆ Bake cookies for fellowship time following Sunday worship
- ◆ Prepare and/or help with Sunday morning coffee time
- ◆ Work with pastor/custodian on sanctuary decorating
- ◆ Water urn in front of church
- ◆ Care Closet volunteers once per month
- ◆ Substitutes for Wednesday morning bulletin folding

***For more information,
please give the church office a call (1-616-396-6526)
or email samantha@trinityrc.org***

If you are attending in-person services and would like your name removed from our weekly mailing list, please contact the church office.

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 Bob Koning
 Lynda Simmons
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Sandy Bedard
 Tom Lampen
 Steve Lundy
 Shirley Perez
 Jay Lynn Wheeler

March Birthdays

Judy Shoemaker	03/01	Arloa Dykstra	03/11	Don Kane	03/27
Betty Nyhoff	03/09	Bob Long	03/11	Roger Kleis	03/28
Sydelle Kroll	03/10	Cynthia Nyhoff	03/11	Cliff Ponstein	03/28

March Anniversaries

Glen & Shirley Vereeke	3/02	Cliff & Nancy Ponstein	3/26
Doug & Arloa Dykstra	3/26		

Church Office Hours

Monday-Thursday — 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

After Hours Emergency Contact

Pastor Amanda: 519-497-8654 (call or text) or amanda@trinityrc.org

REMINDER: ALL CHURCH ACTIVITIES ARE CANCELLED IF A SEVERE WEATHER WARNING HAS BEEN ISSUED. IF INCLEMENT WEATHER IS EXPECTED IN THE EVENING, PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE OR WATCH THE CLOSINGS ON THE LOCAL NETWORKS FOR INFORMATION REGARDING TRINITY.

March 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25 8:00am - 9:00am TRC Worship Team Rehearsal 9:30am - 11:00am TRC Worship 9:45am - 10:30am TRC Children + Worship 10:30am - 11:30am Bread House Pre-Service Prayer 10:45am - 11:00am TRC Children's Choir 10:45am - 11:30am TRC Post-Service Coffee 11:00am - 12:00pm BH Set-up + Rehearsal 11:00am - 12:00pm Bread House coffee & breakfast 12:00pm - 4:00pm Bread House Worship	26 5:00pm - 7:00pm Bread House Praise & Worship Practice 7:00pm - 9:00pm Monday Night Basketball 7:00pm Worship Life Meeting	27 12:00pm - 1:00pm Staff Meeting 7:00pm - 9:00pm Bread House Bible Study	28 7:30am - 9:00am Men's Bible Study 10:00am - 11:00am Folding Group 6:00pm - 9:00pm Sunday School Ministry Mtg 7:00pm - 8:30pm WOW	29 9:30am - 11:00am WOW 1:00pm - 2:00pm Escape Ministries 6:30pm - 9:00pm Bread House Family Night	1 World Day of Prayer	2
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