

This Week at Trinity – May 2, 2021

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Tuesday, May 4th 6:30 p.m. – Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, May 5th 10:00 a.m. Prayer group via Zoom * Choir Rehearsal 6:00 pm

Saturday, May 8th 10:00 a.m. – Pet Pantry

Dear Friends in Christ,

Jesus is Risen!

The author of our Sundays and Seasons worship planning resource writes:

Jesus lingers with the disciples before his death and prepares them for the time when he will no longer be present day to day to help them make their way in the world. Words slip from his mouth: "Apart from me you can do nothing" (John 15:5). These are difficult words as the disciples try to make sense of Jesus' impending death and the promise of his continued presence.

"Apart from me you can do nothing" may also be a difficult word for a self-reliant, individualistic culture such as our own, focused on personal achievement and success. God is the vine grower, Jesus the vine, and we the branches, who, separated from the life-giving vine, can do nothing.

Yet, these are gracious, gospel words from Jesus. He's been preparing his disciples for years to take this step. These are words that point not toward individualistic, self-reliant independence but toward dependence on the one whose life defies death and whose perfect love casts out all fear. Connected to the vine, these branches are given a death-defying life free from fear. These are gracious, gospel words from Jesus that point to a community nourished by this life-giving vine and bearing fruit for the sake of the world.

Now that we have resumed "in-person" worship services at 9:30 a.m. we have special needs! There are Time, Talent and Interest inserts in your bulletins with immediate needs in **bold** print. Every baptized believer of all ages is gifted for a ministry! Please place them in the offering plates after the services or mail them to the church office.

As always you are encouraged to read the appointed readings before worship:

MAY 2

Acts 8:26-40: Philip teaches and baptizes an Ethiopian

Psalms 22:25-31: All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord. (Ps. 22:27)

1 John 4:7-21: God's love perfected in love for one another

John 15:1-8: Christ the vine

MAY 9

Acts 10:44-48: The Spirit poured out on the Gentiles

Psalms 98: Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands. (Ps. 98:4)

1 John 5:1-6: The victory of faith

John 15:9-17: Christ the friend and lover

In Christ,

Jeffery Alvestad, Pastor

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Thank You! Thank You! Thank You! Trinity received a warm and heartfelt Thank you from LINK for participating in their meal service during the pandemic. We want to thank Miceli's Restaurant for helping us provide those meals.

Prayer Group will resume Wednesday morning at 7:15 a.m. in the Chapel. The prayer Zoom will continue at 10:00 a.m. All are welcome to join either group. If interested in the Zoom link please contact Harriet Shaffer at shafferharriet@gmail.com

Mark your calendars! VBS will be hosted at Trinity on June 13th and 14th! We are planning to provide a socially-distanced, outdoor VBS this summer! We will follow CDC guidelines. Masks will be required for all participants. We will have crafts, games, music and snacks to go for children 4 to those who have finished 4th grade. Trinity, First Baptist, and Plymouth churches are partnering again to provide a chance for children to be strong in the Lord and explore how we put on the armor of God. \$5 per child. \$10 max per family. Fees can be waived if requested. This money helps defray some of the costs. It will be held from 6-7:30 p.m. in the parking lot, sidewalks, and grassy areas on Trinity property. If you are interested in volunteering or would like more information, please contact Jennifer Alderdice at 785-760-4678 or jralderdice@gmail.com

If you have an announcement for Sunday's Bulletin, please send an e-mail to the office by 11:00 Tuesday Morning to jeanine@tlclawrence.org or call the church office at 843-4150

If you have a mailbox in the church office, please check it on a regular basis. Some of them are really full!



PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER

Prayers for those who mourn: Prayers for comfort and God's peace for Carol Khoury and family at the death of her husband Robert. There will be no public memorial services at this time.

Prayers for comfort and God's peace for the family of Emil Wiley, especially for his wife Donna, and for their daughters, Cheryl Wiley, and Crystal and Steve Miles; for Tracy and Joel Hood and family at the death of Tracy's father, Robert Wagner; for Bruce & Joan Wohlers on the death of their dog Wil.

Prayers for the ill, injured, recovering, or for support: Frank York (brother to Alita Cooper); Brian Cooper (nephew of Alita Cooper); Mary Jane Riemenschneider (great aunt of Tami McNemee); Debra and Patti (friends of S. Lehman Pickardt); Eleanor (Cathy Box's aunt); Jan & John Taft (parents of Karen Nicholas); Marley Hecker (granddaughter of Webb & Anna Hecker); Tylee (granddaughter of Charles & Vivian Baars); Teri Riemenschneider (cousin of Tami McNemee); Vonna Arnold (sister of Charles Baars); Dwight Brinkley; Bob Nyquist; Amy Spain (Kari Lyche's cousin); Donna (Barb Kurtz's daughter); Jacob Hecker family (Webb & Anna Hecker's son); Bob Adams (Anna Hecker's brother-in-law); Tori Scott (Melanie King's daughter).

To add prayer listing requests, contact Harriet Shaffer at shafferharriet@gmail.com or (785) 841-2158 **For prayer chain requests** contact Ruth Sarna at rsarna@sunflower.com or (785) 842-0230

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