



# TRINITY *tidings*

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER | TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, ROLLING MEADOWS |  
MARCH 2024

## SNIPPETS OF MARTIN LUTHER'S EASTER SERMONS...

"DEATH IS SWALLOWED UP IN VICTORY. O DEATH, WHERE IS THY STING? O GRAVE, WHERE IS THY VICTORY? . . . THANKS BE TO GOD, WHICH GIVETH US THE VICTORY THROUGH OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST." 1 Cor.15:54-57

*Luther preaches...* This is a strange and unprecedented message, such as reason cannot comprehend. It must be accepted in faith. The message is that Christ is alive and yet died, and died in such a way that in Him death itself has had to die, and lose all its power . . . .

And as the Lord Christ has conquered death, He has also conquered sin. For in His own Person He is pure and just; but because He takes upon Himself the sins of others He becomes a sinner.

That is why sin can assault Him. And He, the Lord Christ, is very ready to be thus assaulted and nailed to the cross in order that He may die, as if He had Himself sinned and brought His death upon Himself.

But there, hidden under the sin of others, His holiness is so great that death cannot overcome Him. Thus sin, like death, attacked the wrong man, and so grew weak and died in His body.

And likewise the devil wanted to prove his power over Christ, and uses all his might against Him, trying to bring Him down. But He meets with a higher power which he cannot overcome. And all this has been wrought in order that our Lord Christ might glory because by being cast down He was lifted up on high, and these three mighty foes, sin, the devil, and death, must lie low under His feet.

This great victory we celebrate today. Now all power consists in this, that we take it well to heart and firmly believe in it.

— Luther's Sermon for Easter Day, 1544. W.A. 52.249f.

## HOLY WEEK SERVICES

- **Mar 24<sup>th</sup>—Palm Sunday Worship, 9:30am**
- **Mar 28<sup>th</sup>—Maundy Thursday, Worship, 7pm**
- **Mar 29<sup>th</sup>—Good Friday Worship, 7pm**
- **Mar 31<sup>th</sup>—Easter Worship, 9:30am**

“AND THE ANGEL ANSWERED AND SAID UNTO THE WOMEN: FEAR NOT :. . . HE IS NOT HERE . . . HE IS RISEN . . .” Matt. 28:5-6

*Luther Preaches...* The dear angels preach very well, for they have good reason so to do. The substance of their preaching is this: You seek Jesus in the tomb. But He is become a different man. You believe that He was crucified, but we will tell you where He is now. ‘He is risen from the dead and is not here.’ You will not find him in this life.

On earth, which is the realm of death, you must not seek Christ. Different eyes, fingers, or feet are needed to see Christ, to take hold of Him or to walk towards Him. I will show you (he says) the place where He lay, but He is no longer there. His name is now ‘He is not here,’ as St. Paul writes to the Colossians (3:1-3): ‘If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above’ . . .

Christ is Not Here. Hence a Christian must also be Not Here. Therefore no one can tie down Christ or a Christian with certain special rules. It says, ‘He is not here.’ He has left the husks down here, such as earthly justice, piety, wisdom, the Law, and whatever else belongs to earth; of all those He has stripped Himself entirely. You must not seek Him in the things which appear upon the earth.

They are nothing but husks, and husks are never used a second time. Therefore, no one, in so far as he is a Christian, can be caught in them, but, as Christ is above all things, so is a Christian above all things. Christ has in Himself overcome all things and left them behind. And in that we believe this, we too are called ‘Not here,’ even as He is. As St. Paul says, ‘Set your affection not on things on the earth.’ What a wonderful saying it is. Your life is hid, not in a chest, for there it might be found, but in Him who is Not Here. Our life shall be above all human wisdom, justice, and piety. As long as you abide in yourself, you are not devout, which means that our life is hidden high above our eyes . . . and high above all that we can feel.

–Martin Luther’s Sermon from the year 1530, W.A.32.49f.

“CHRIST WAS DELIVERED FOR OUR OFFENCES, AND WAS RAISED AGAIN FOR OUR JUSTIFICATION.” Rom.4:25

*Luther preaches...* When I look at my sins, they slay me. Therefore I must look upon Christ, who drew my sins upon Himself and has become a blessing. Now they lie no longer on my conscience but on Christ, and they seek to slay Him. Let us see, then, how they get on with Him. They cast Him down and kill Him. O, Lord God, where is now my Christ and my Redeemer? Then God comes and brings Christ forth and makes Him alive, and not only alive, but He sets Him in heaven and lets Him rule over all things. Now where is sin? It is on the gallows.

And when I hold on to this and believe it I have a joyful conscience, like Christ, for I am without sin. Now I dare death, the devil, sin, and hell to do me harm. Inasmuch as I am a descendant of Adam they can harm me; I must shortly die. But now that Christ has laid upon Himself my sin, and has died for it, and been slain for it, they can do me no harm, for Christ is too strong for them. They cannot hold Him. He breaks forth and smites them to the ground, and ascends into heaven, binds and fetters sin and sorrow, and rules over them eternally. Therefore I have a good conscience, I am joyful and blessed, and fear those tyrants no longer, for Christ has taken my sin away from me and laid it on Himself. But they cannot remain on Him.

–Luther On the fruit and power of the resurrection of Christ. W.A.10.1(ii).221



## The Beautiful Valentine's Day Tea

## TLC COUNCIL NEWS & 7-APR CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

- April 7, after Sunday Worship, there will be a congregational meeting to approve Council members. Three Council members' 1 year term expires in April, Vice President, Secretary and Council member.
- The Council member position was vacated and this role needs to be filled.
- Want to join Council? If yes, please advise Pastor John, Tina Frankiewicz, Dan Phillips, Dena McIntosh, Betty Anderson or Lynn Griesmeyer.
- It is possible the current Vice President [Dena McIntosh] and Secretary [Lynn Griesmeyer] may offer to continue in their roles for another one-year term, if so the congregation needs to approve these people, unless congregant members request to become the Vice President and / or Secretary.
- The two-year term Council roles were approved in April 2023 at that congregational meeting, continuing as President, Tina Frankiewicz, and Council members Joan Anderson and Betty Anderson.
- Dan Phillips is Treasurer and due to the complexity of the Treasurer role there are term exceptions.
- Please note, the 2023 Financial Audit was completed.

## THE PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION

- Is March 19 from 6:00 am until 7:00 pm at your designated polling place.
- Early voting for the presidential primary starts March 04 through and including March 18, Monday through Saturday with shortened hours on Sunday.
- Check the [www.cookcountyclerk.kil.gov](http://www.cookcountyclerk.kil.gov) for early voting sites and times the sites are open.

## FREE FOOD & FREE FILM

Sunday, March 10, 2024 Right Here At  
Trinity

(After Church Service)

(Come and Bring a Guest/s)

### FOOD

- 6" Sandwich
- Potato Salad
- Fruit
- Chips
- Cake
- Soft Drinks/  
Coffee

### FILM:

### Bonhoeffer – Agent of Grace

What is a moral  
person to do in a  
time when their  
government  
directed savage cruelty and immorality?

Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a scholar and German  
clergyman, openly opposed the Nazi's policies of  
Germany before and during World War II.

His courageous behavior caused him to be hung  
just before the end of World War II.

THIS IS HIS STORY.

### SCHEDULE

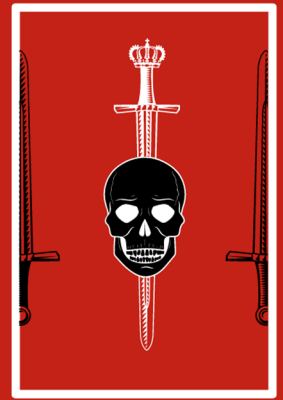
- Lunch starts after Church service.
- Movie starts approximately 30 minutes later  
while participants are eating.
- Film lasts approximately 1-1/2 hours.

Questions can be directed to Al Corbett (312-720-  
3242) and/or Shirley Walter

(847-347-6769)

*Thank you Al & Shirley!*





The Tragedy of  
**HAMLET**  
Prince of Denmark

WRITTEN BY WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE

DIRECTED BY JEREMY MICHAEL COHN

**On February 10, A Number of  
TLC's Congregation  
Traveled To Columbia  
College in Downtown  
Chicago To See A Matinee  
Performance Of "Hamlet"  
Under The Direction Of  
Trinity's Own Jeremy Cohn!**

**"To Be Or Not To Be?"**

**Bravo Jeremy!**

A HEARTY WELCOME  
TO TRINITY'S NEWEST  
MEMBERS...

TO THE LEFT IS RALPH  
& DEB COPE AND TO  
THE RIGHT IS CHRISSEY  
BARILE.


GOD BLESS THEM ALL  
AS HE HAS BLESSED US  
WITH THEIR PRESENCE



## Financial Update: General Fund 2024

	INCOME	EXPENSES	NET SURPLUS OR (DEFICIT)
Jan	\$ 9,846.73	\$ 13,875.55	\$ (4,028.82)

Donations can be made electronically from your smartphone using the "Vanco Mobile" app available from the App Store or Google Play, or use our website QR code, or go to the Donations link on our website [tlcrm.com](http://tlcrm.com) or our secure website at <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-YRVQ/home>



Thank you for your continued support!

## TRINITY LADIES GROUP

**THE LADIES GROUP WILL MEET OFFSITE ON MARCH 12 AT 12 NOON AT THE RESTAURANT RED APPLE, 2109 PLUM GROVE ROAD, PALATINE, PHONE 847-925-8048, WEBSITE: [WWW.REDAPPLEOFPALATINE.COM](http://WWW.REDAPPLEOFPALATINE.COM)**

**RED APPLE IS AT THE CORNER OF KIRCHOFF AND PLUM GROVE ROADS, WITH ITS PARKING LOT OFF DUPONT RD, CONTINUE STRAIGHT AS IF STILL ON KIRCHOFF RD TO PARKING LOT.**

**HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!**



*Remembering  
With Love  
Our Christian  
Brother,  
Chris*

# Chris Strader

1963-2024

GET INSPIRED WITH

*Chip*  
**Messiner**

(ON-AIR DJ IN ROCKFORD, IL. /  
AWARD WINNING SONGWRITER)

**Sunday, March 10th  
3pm**

**ST. COLETTE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

3900 MEADOW DRIVE  
ROLLING MEADOWS, ILLINOIS

**FREE WILL OFFERING**

For more information: 847-394-8100  
Website: [www.stcolette.org](http://www.stcolette.org)

Father John Dearhammer of St. Colette's in Rolling Meadows has invited our congregation to a Christian music concert on March 10th at 3:00 p.m.

















## SOY SAUCE CHICKEN

- **4 Chicken Breasts (skinned & boned)**
- **1 Cup Sour Cream**
- **1/4 Cup Soy Sauce**

**Place chicken in greased casserole dish.**

**Mix sour cream and soy sauce together. Spread over chicken.. Bake covered for one hour @ 350 degrees**

**ENJOY! DOTTIE**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
<p><b>25</b></p> <p>9:30am Trinity Worship Service - Worshipping At Church AND via ZOOM 10:30am Book Study With Pastor Hildner 11:00am Peaceful Baptist Church Worship 2:30pm Masihi Church of God Worship</p>	<p><b>26</b></p>	<p><b>27</b></p> <p> 10:00am "Come And See" Bible Study  7:00pm TLC Council Meeting</p>	<p><b>28</b></p>	<p><b>29</b></p>	<p><b>1</b></p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p>10:30am Tu Familia SDA Worship</p>		
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<p><b>10</b></p> <p>9:30am Trinity Worship Service - Worshipping At Church AND via ZOOM  10:30am TLC-Movie &amp; Lunch After Church 11:00am Peaceful Baptist Church Worship 2:30pm Masihi Church of God Worship</p>	<p><b>11</b></p>	<p><b>12</b></p> <p> 10:00am "Come And See" Bible Study  12:00pm Talk, Lunch, Crafts - TLC Ladies Club 4:30pm Girl Scouts - Troop 45736</p>	<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 10px;"> <h3>March Anniversaries</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chuck and Jan Cosman, Married 03-07-1992</li> <li>• David Patterson and Denise Williams, Happy Together 03-20-1986</li> </ul> </div>		<p><b>13</b></p>	<p><b>14</b></p>	<p><b>15</b></p>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p>10:30am Tu Familia SDA Worship</p>
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<p><b>31</b></p> <p>Easter Day  9:30am Trinity Worship Service - Worshipping At Church AND via ZOOM 10:45am Trinity Easter Breakfast 11:00am Peaceful Baptist Church Worship 2:30pm Masihi Church of God Worship</p>	<p><b>1</b></p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p> 10:00am "Come And See" Bible Study  7:00pm Fellowship Ministry</p>	<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 10px;"> <h3>Trinity Lutheran Church</h3> <p>3201 Meadow Drive Rolling Meadows, IL 60008 847-398-7122 <a href="http://www.tlcr.com">www.tlcr.com</a></p> </div>		<p><b>3</b></p>	<p><b>4</b></p>	<p><b>5</b></p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p>10:30am Tu Familia SDA Worship</p>