

APRIL, Anno Domini 2020
Christ has died! He is risen! He shall come again!

THE PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE ~

Fellow servants of God, loved and redeemed by Him in Christ the Crucified: The Church has for two millennia joyed in the Gospel of God, confessing: *"Christ has died. He is living. He shall come again!"* Throughout the whole of the Christian life, especially in uncertain times like the present, we cling in hope to this truth of God's glorious work in Jesus past, present and future.

See what Jesus has done **for us by His suffering and dying**; He paid the full price to redeem us. God condemned our sin, putting it on Jesus instead of us. He comforts us by Word of Jesus' death and resurrection for us. Christ springing to new life from the dead confirms God's pledge to save us from sin, death and hell, conquering Satan and giving us life. The *living* Christ, true to His word, is with us ***always!*** Though we cannot gather together in person for Holy Week and Easter Services, we can still rejoice, knowing Jesus is tenaciously continuing His work to ready us with believers of all times for heaven. By God the Holy Spirit, doing God's holy work in us through God's Word and Sacraments, His Word of life prevails. Jesus is present with us in these, gifting us with the benefits of peace with God, His full pardon, and the assurance we will live forever with our God.

The fullest blessings of God and Heaven await us when Christ *"shall come again in glory"* one final time in Triumph as Victor to gather to Himself all who trusted in Him as saving Lord. What a glory is ours who remain in Him. Celebrate His shared victory by regularly receiving Him, proclaiming Jesus' death and rising until He comes again! Praise God for your share in His kingdom and life immortal!

Living in Jesus' sacrificial love and Resurrection light,

Pastor Kramp

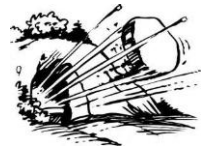
St. John & Trinity, April 2020

St. John and Trinity on Facebook

OUR HOLY WEEK and EASTER SERVICES will be aired on Facebook:

Tune in to Services broadcast online from the sanctuary at St. John, Hillsboro. The link is: <https://www.facebook.com/stjohnhillsboro/> We will also post church updates here. Spread the word and *like* St. John/Trinity Lutheran Church's Facebook Page. Thanks to Stacey Riemer and Ginger Kramp for the posts. **Pastor**

Who among us imagined observing Holy Week and Easter while physically distanced from each other. Prudent as the practice is for our mutual protection and limiting the spread of the Coronavirus, we Christians are not accustomed to this! While it is best that we not assemble together for now, it is God's will to feed us with His Word together, albeit physically apart. If you have access, link to our church Facebook page for the proclamation of God's Word of Christ. You will find there Sunday and midweek Lenten Services from the past few weeks. Services for Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday will be uploaded there as those special days in the church year arrive.



RECEPTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER:

Christ instituted His holy Supper for the comfort and strengthening of His disciples in Christian faith, and in body and soul. In order that Trinity and St. John members desiring to receive the Lord's Supper may do so and maintain social distancing so as not to contract or spread the COVID-19 virus, Pastor will offer the Supper during Holy Week as follows: **at Trinity on Holy Wednesday, April 8 from 4 to 6:30 p.m.**
at St. John on Maundy Thursday, April 9 from 3 to 6:30 p.m.

To protect your health, Pastor asks you to wait in your vehicle until he invites you to enter the building. He will use sanitary wipes on door handles between communing households. *St. John members, please park in one of the handicapped spaces.*

Please call Pastor at (701)430-7117 to arrange to be communed at other times. *If any one in your household has been ill or has immune-deficiencies, please refrain for now.*



April Programming

Apr 5, Palm Sunday: The documentary *“The Holy Land-The Eternal Rock Tour,”* airs for the entire hour, replacing *This is the Life* and the local worship service, and shows locations where many Biblical events occurred. Join this journey through the Holy Land. Walk where Jesus walked. You will see lots of rocks on this tour, but look beyond the rocks and see the Eternal Rock – Christ Jesus our Lord. Our tour begins in Nazareth where the Angel Gabriel appeared to Mary. We visit the place where Mary visited Zechariah and Elizabeth. In Bethlehem we see where Jesus was born and laid in a manger. *“And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn” Luke 2:7.* See the Jordan River and visit the Hosanna Road where Jesus made His triumphal entry into Jerusalem – on what we call Palm Sunday. Visit the Garden of Gethsemane, follow the Via Dolorosa, see the empty tomb and more.

Apr 12, Easter Sunday: the Rev. Dr. Dale Meyer, President of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, will deliver a special Easter Sunday message based on John 20: 1-18, which takes us from the first visit to the empty tomb to the appearance of Jesus to the disciples in the upper room.

Apr 19: Rev. Kirk Lee, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Parkers Prairie, MN, presents the message: *“Blinded by the Light,”* based on John 9:1-14. *“This Is The Life”* program: *“Boy on the Fence.”* Young Tom is faced with a dilemma as he chooses new friends when his family moves to the city.

Apr 26: Rev. Clark Jahnke, St. Andrew Lutheran Church, West Fargo, ND, presents the message: *“Life from Death,”* based on John 11:1-53. *“This Is The Life”* program: *“The Sin of Roy Baxter”* deals with a man who is overcome with guilt, after making a decision that goes terribly bad.

Programs are broadcast at 9:00 am on KVRR Fargo-Moorhead Channel 15.1, AND at 10:00 am on the following WDAY & affiliate Xtra Channels: WDAY Xtra Channel 6.3 Fargo-Moorhead, WDAZ Xtra Channel 8.3 Grand Forks, as well as cable and satellite systems carrying these stations. You can also view these on the website: <https://www.mainstreetliving.com> until the Friday following the broadcast.

OTHER PROGRAMS AND DEVOTIONS

Issues, Etc. is a ten-hour weekly syndicated radio talk show and podcast. Programs feature expert guests, expansive topics, while extolling Christ. Programs are hosted by Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod Pastor Todd Wilken and produced by Jeff Schwarz. Tune to various programs via their website: <https://www.issuesetc.org/>

Lutheran Hour Lenten Devotions: Go to: <https://www.lhm.org/lent> to read or listen. Their devotional series this year is entitled: *Deliver us, Jesus Sets us Free.*

KFUO Radio, a media ministry extension of LCMS congregations, shares Christ for you anytime, anywhere on **KFUO.org** via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. You can find programs on demand at kfu.org and @**KFUOradio** on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#).

As Easter arrives, we begin a new series “The Righteousness of God for You” studying Romans on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), continue study of the book of Revelation on Thy Strong Word (weekdays, 11 a.m. CT), and worship with us in Daily Chapel at 10 a.m. CT. Find programs on demand at kfu.org!

WHAT ABOUT CATECHISM?

Pastor Kramp is exploring setting up sessions using online media to begin the week after Easter. These sessions will be especially for the eighth and ninth graders who were nearing confirmation. Emails and text messages will be sent separately to each household with students in catechism instruction.

April Birthdays

2	Kaitlyn Buethner	16	Lisa Rotvold
4	Seth Mulder	20	Jim Ellingson
8	Dietrich Schlichtmann	21	Tracie Aasen
11	Ramsey Ludwig	22	Tessa Tovar
12	Brian Bohnsack	25	Grace Miller
12	Curtis Riemer	26	Sharon Schlichtmann
12	Vicky Grothmann	29	Rob Oelrich
13	Piper Erstad	29	Jasmine Poitra
15	Elysia Gietzen	30	Kay Rotvold
16	Paul Brown		
16	Natalya Gietzen		

April Anniversary

12 Richard & Dianne Schlichtmann

Please let Pastor know of any additions or corrections.

The Triumphal Entry

A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. Matthew 21:8

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



Y	Z	A	F	B	G	L	S	D	H	I	M	R	N	V	K	E	T	J	O	W	X	Q	C	U	P
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

1. 5-13-3-14-24-10 _____

2. 9-20-14-16-17-1 _____

3. 15-11-7-7-3-6-17 _____

4. 13-20-3-9 _____

5. 8-10-20-25-18 _____

6. 24-20-7-18 _____

7. 24-7-20-3-16 _____

8. 24-13-20-21-9 _____

DONKEY	VILLAGE	ROAD	BRANCH
SHOUT	CROWD	CLOAK	COLT



**GOD REVEALS HIS GREAT
LOVE FOR THE WORLD BY
HIS DEAR SON JESUS, WHO
GIVES HIS LIFE FOR ALL.**

John 3:16-17 (NIV)

D C E S E N D B E L I E V E S
B H N S G J N H C J Y V A E G
T G S V J Q Z T P G G O X T O
G G G A Y A R H K S O M A E B
A N A E T E A B F A A D D R E
V C F T V C T H R O U G H N G
E I O E Z D X J I I W W M A D
L T O N Y P E R I S H Z Q L J
F H A C D J E L G C Y R R H B
W W K P O E K G D A B O H C D
Y G X X B R M M B Y W K M N P
H Y U S K W U N L U A N L A D
Y I W K A L B N Y L O V E D K
Y A M U S V O R L S B N O Y E
Q D Q A L C E Y V E M H L P W

**BELIEVES CONDEMN ETERNAL GAVE GOD
HIM LIFE LOVED ONLY PERISH SAVE
SEND SON THROUGH WHOEVER WORLD**

A Word Search – from the Word from God

The Empty Tomb – John 20:1-18



G W W S O M A G D A L E N E Q
T O K C P Z D C C F I R S T D
E M B R O T H E R S I Y D M I
A A F M A O P Z Y M E K N E S
C N W Y E M K F I O S K Z U C
H L D T J B F R N V N I E P I
E G I D H Z E R G E E G P A P
R H A K L F C W J D A A H Q L
W E H R K K Q J O K J J R G E
D T Q E D U E F A T H E R L S
F A E M U E Y V E N N X D L Y
M W R A R X N V B O L R E A O
Y A A K C D A E T L O G G B N
J G R D A Y R S R L N V B S D
F X H Y F V V I R A W Q R W Z



Word List

ANGELS BROTHERS CRYING DARK DAY DISCIPLES EARLY
FATHER FIRST GARDENER LORD MARY MAGDELENE
MOVED STONE TEACHER TOMB WEEK WHITE WOMAN

Bible Memory Verse: Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: *“I have seen the Lord!”* And she told them that *Jesus* had said these things to her. **John 20:18 (NIV)**

Meals on Wheels

As of April 1st, the Hillsboro Senior Center is still counting on volunteers to deliver meals.

OUR WEEK IS APRIL 20 – 24

If you are in good health and able, please sign-up at the church on the calendar or call or text me at 701-430-1500. Stacey Riemer
Email: trinitystjohn@outlook.com

LWML

No April meeting. Spring Event is moved to possibly May. March mites were sent in and we made a donation to Shepherd's Hill at the Crossroads. (our Green Stocking recipient)

Quilting is completed: 54 large, 6 youth, 6 baby. Our graduates will receive a quilt of their choice. Praying for the day we can display our quilts on the pews.

Next scheduled meeting is May 9th at 9:30 a.m.

The ND District Convention will be here before you know it. "Great is the Lord" will be held June 26 – 28 in Fargo at the Delta Hotels by Marriott. Information online at www.ndlwml.org

Orphan Grain Train

The LWML will be collecting items for the Orphan Grain Train the beginning of May. (God willing)

Items Needed:

Children's shirts, pants, shorts, dresses(any size)
Children's coats/jackets/sweaters
Children's shoes
Women's shirts, pants, shorts, dresses (any size)
Women's coats/jackets/sweaters
Women's Shoes
Men's shirts, pants, shorts (any size)
Men's coats/jackets/sweaters
Men's shoes
Clothing accessories: belts, scarves, gloves, hats
New Bath Towels New washcloths
Cloth diapers
Diaper Pins Receiving blankets
Infant sleepers and small onesies

NO USED UNDERWARE OR SOCKS

Items should be clean and in good repair.

Thank you to everyone listed below for purchasing an Easter Lily. Because we will not be having an Easter Service at the church the decision was made not to purchase the lilies. You can either:

1. Receive your money back or
2. Consider the \$10 a donation to the flower fund.

Email the church: trinitystjohn@outlook.com or talk to Rachel or Betty if you would like your \$10 back.

Raphael & Nicole Gietzen in memory of our daughter Odessa May
Joel and Angie Hamre in memory of Family
Don & Kathy Hanson in honor of our Children and Grandchildren
Pastor and Ginger Kramp in memory of Loved Ones
Wayne & Betty Manthey in memory of Family
John Meyer in honor of St. John Church
Rachel Mulder & family in memory of Ron Mulder
Curtis & Stacey Riemer in memory of Family
Marjorie Riemer in memory of Family
Peggy Riemer in memory of Family
Darrell & Kay Rotvold in honor of Family
Raymond & Sharon Schlichtmann in memory of Parents
Richard & Dianne Schlichtmann in memory of Parents & Ralph Mayers

St. John Treasurer's Report

General Fund	February	YTD
Contributions	6,170.31	13,040.35
Expenses	8,983.83	17,659.17
Surplus/(Shortfall)	(2,813.52)	(4,618.82)

General Fund Balance 11,684.68
 Building Fund Balance 55,617.40

Meatball Dinner proceeds, \$2876.59 were distributed equally to:
 Hillsboro Women's Club & Hillsboro Food Pantry

Online Giving

A few more people signed up to give online. The link to sign-up is on our website at: www.trinitystjohn.com. Online Giving is listed across the top of the page, click on the link. Our Google Calendar is also listed across the top of the page. There is work to be done on our webpage but those two links are still important.

We are thankful to those who mail their offering to the church. Mail can be addressed: Attention Treasurer, St. John Lutheran, PO Box 99, Hillsboro ND 58045

Our Finance Secretary, Nicole Haffely, an employee of the Goose River Bank in Hillsboro, said you can also drop your offering envelope at the drive-up window as St. John has their account at the Goose.

March Attendance

Sun., March 1	63
Wed., March 4	36
Sun., March 8	42
Wed., March 11	23
Sun., March 15	53
Wed., March 18	cancelled
Sun., March 22	cancelled
Wed., March 25	cancelled
Sun., March 29	cancelled

NORTH DAKOTA DISTRICT LCMS Financial Information February 2020

INCOME	
Congregational Mission Giving	\$49,059.35
Synodical Pledge (35%)	(17,170.77)
Other Gifts	2,044.94
Total left for District Missions, Expenses	\$33,933.94
EXPENSES:	
Local Missions and Committee Activities: (Includes Wittenberg Chapel, Life Skills & Transition Center, Deaf Ministry, Youth)	\$17,269.13
Congregational Support (Includes General Operations, District President, Business Manager, Board of Directors)	42,793.35
1-1-1 Mission Giving	(1,776.16)
Current gifts given for these missions	(2,136.00)
International Missions	
Christ's Care for Children - Kenya (\$10,000)	0.00
Chile Mission (\$25,000)	\$0.00
(These missions were voted on by the District Convention. They will be paid quarterly as funds are available)	
Net Expenses	\$56,150.32
NET OPERATING LOSS FOR FEBRUARY	(\$22,216.80)
Funds Given in the Past used for Current Expenses	\$400.00
YTD NET LOSS	(\$21,816.80)

Congregational giving was below average for February. I'm hearing there are some questions on how the District funding works. If you have questions, please call me. I would be happy to talk to you personally or do a presentation to your congregation. Gifts from individuals and congregations designated for our international missions are sent on at the end of each fiscal quarter. Those amounts are not included in income or expense totals. YTD designated gifts for international missions as of February 29, 2020:

Christ's Care for Children - Kenya	\$200.00
Chile Partnership	\$200.00

Please contact Tami Ulland at lcms.nd.busman@gmail.com or call 701-293-9001 if you have more questions.

Prayerfully consider sending a donation check for missions to PO Box 9029, Fargo ND 58106 and note which mission(s) you are supporting. Thank you!

North Dakota District LCMS Message in the Pew March 2020

CHRIST THE WAY RADIO MINISTRY

Christ the Way is a radio ministry hosted by Concordia Lutheran in Jamestown, ND. This 15 minute program includes a devotion from one of our ND District Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod pastors. *Christ the Way* airs every Sunday from 7:30 to 7:45 a.m. over the radio station KSJB 600 AM in Jamestown, ND and reaches people in North and South Dakota, Minnesota, Montana and Iowa. *Christ the Way* first went on the air back in 1929 to share the Word in our sinful and hurting world.



Christ the Way could use your financial support. If every LCMS congregation in the North Dakota District gave just \$50 a year to *Christ the Way*, this would cover their broadcast and production costs for the year. Please consider supporting this radio ministry! Donations may be sent to Concordia Lutheran Church, 502 2nd Ave. N., Jamestown, ND 58401 or to the North Dakota District Office, PO Box 9029, Fargo, ND 58106. Thank you for your support!

Congregations' Status

St. Peter, Belfield and Redeemer, Grassy Butte: vacancy (served by Rev. Anthony Ahrendt and Rev. Michael Wolters)

Trinity, Tolley: vacancy (served by Rev. Joel Brandvold.)

Peace, Barney and Trinity, Great Bend: vacancy. Will apply for a seminary candidate. (served by Rev. Matthew Tooman).

Zion, Claire City: vacancy. Along with Zion, Brown Valley, MN, will apply for a seminary candidate. (served by MN North District.)

Your servant in Christ,

ND District President
 Rev. Arie Bertsch

Pastors and DCE'S

Rev. Steve Schulz, Immanuel, Fargo returned a call to Holy Cross, St. Cloud, MN.

Rev. Rick Jones, Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch, is considering a call to Tabor Evangelical, Mountain, WI & Emmanuel Evangelical, Breed, WI.

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*He is not here;
he has Risen!*

Luke 24:6