**Update: April 6, 2020**

Hello Trinity, God’s peace and love to you as we are now beginning Holy Week!

Here are a few updates for us on this Monday.

**Prayer Concerns:**

- Lisa Engh and her family. Lisa’s mom, Karen Guggenbuehl, passed away unexpectedly yesterday.

-For John, the son of a pastor in our synod, who is a funeral director in Chicago, who had to pick up the bodies of three people in one day who had died as a result of the corona virus. Prayers for safety for all those who tend to our loved ones, and all who work to keep us safe.

*If you have any prayer concerns, please contact Pastor Mark at* [*pastor.tlcsparta@gmail.com*](mailto:pastor.tlcsparta@gmail.com) *or at 608.487.2030.*

**Morning Prayer:** We gather via ZOOM on Tuesday and Thursday mornings for a time of prayer, reading of Scripture, and discussion at 8 am. If you would like to join us, please email Pastor Mark ([pastor.tlcsparta@gmail.com](mailto:pastor.tlcsparta@gmail.com)) and he will send you an invitation.

**Speaking of Zoom:** Zoom is a technology that allows groups to meet together at once using the computer or a phone. If you would like to use Trinity’s zoom account for a bible study, a committee or time meeting, a time of prayer, or even just the chance to see some friendly faces, please let Pastor Mark know and he can help arrange a zoom meeting.

**Hey Trinity!** How about we share some photos from Home; of worship, meals, anything. Maybe videos of your family proclaiming: “Alleluia, Christ is Risen! Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia! Pastor Mark will be working on a short film with your images. Shoot him an email with whatever you would like to share.

**Holy Week at Trinity**

**Maundy Thursday, April 9**

This Thursday will be a Dinner Church Worship! Instead of gathering downstairs in the fellowship hall, we will be worshiping from our dinner tables. On Wednesday morning, an order of worship as well as an accompanying video will be available to assist you in this worship.

**Good Friday, April 10**

We will have two opportunities for worship on Friday;

11:00 am: Sparta Ministerial Association; ‘Stations of the Cross’; this worship will be streamed live on You Tube (a link will be made available on Thursday) and will be recorded for latter viewing.

7:00 pm: *Come, Mourn with Me Awhile:* This worship will be a meditative worship that will be pre-recorded and the link will be made available on Thursday.

**Vigil of Easter, April 11**

On this Saturday Evening, we worship God and mark Christ’s Passover from death to life. This worship will be pre-recorded and the link made available on Facebook, and our website.

**Easter Sunday, April 12, 9:00 am**

We celebrate Christ’s Resurrection on this coming Sunday, Easter Sunday. Our worship will be streamed live on Facebook and recorded for sharing a little later in the morning.

Dear Friends, here is a prayer for us, shared by the Sisters of Mercy. Let us pray . . .

***God of mercy, in the midst of our growing awareness that all life on Earth is connected, we ask for the heart to respect and cherish all life. We pray that all peoples recognize that we are all your children. We trust in you and your power working in us, hear our prayer! In Jesus' Name. Amen.***

In the love of Christ,

Pastor Mark