

Trinity Tidings

From the Rector:



HOLY WEEK AND EASTER AT TOTH April 13-April 20

April 13, 8:00 and 10:30 am - Palm Sunday

The use of palm branches on this day is an ancient custom, though in climates where palms did not grow, the use of other branches was common. On Palm Sunday, we will begin our

service in Kelly Hall. After the palms have been blessed and the Gospel lesson about Jesus' entry into Jerusalem is read, we will process around the block and then into the church. The Gospel of the day will be the Passion Gospel - the complete narrative of the betrayal, trial, and crucifixion of Christ, with parts read by various members of the congregation. The remainder of the Palm Sunday service is somber. The palm branches distributed on Palm Sunday have been blessed and should be treated accordingly. If you must dispose of them, please burn or bury them, or bring them back to church. Traditionally, palm branches are placed behind a picture or cross at home and are returned to the church by Shrove Tuesday to be burned to make the ashes for Ash Wednesday.

April 16, 12:30 p.m. Wednesday in Holy Week Normal Wednesday healing service and Holy Communion

> April 17, 7:00 pm - Maundy Thursday Liturgy 8:30 pm-11:30 a.m. Vigil in the Chapel

Maundy Thursday marks the beginning of the holiest three days in Holy Week, called in Latin the *Triduum*, meaning "three days". These days are in actuality one liturgy, beginning with the Maundy Thursday Eucharist and foot washing, continuing on Good Friday with the solemn collects and communion from bread and wine consecrated on Thursday, and culminating with the renewal of our baptismal vows and the first Eucharist of the resurrection at the Great Vigil of Easter.

The liturgy of Maundy Thursday commemorates the humility of the Lord in his willingness to do the most lowly of tasks. The word "maundy" is an English version of the Latin *mandatum*, from the 'new commandment' that Jesus gives his disciples after washing their feet. In our re-enactment and remembrance of that event, the clergy wash the feet of volunteers of the gathered congregation who then, in turn, wash others' feet. At the conclusion of our eucharistic feast on this solemn and somber night, the church is quietly stripped of all adorn-

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Weekly Worship Schedule Sunday

8 am: Rite I Holy Eucharist

10:30 am Rite II Holy Eucharist (with music)

6:00 pm Choral Evensong (1st Sunday—no Compline) 7:00 pm: Compline

Wednesday
12:15 pm: Healing Service
St. Athanasius Chapel

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ment by members of the altar guild and altar party, while the congregation remains kneeling, reciting Psalm 22. We are invited, as were the first disciples, to watch and pray with the Lord on the night before his crucifixion and death. Consecrated bread and wine are removed to an "altar of repose" in the chapel, and members of the parish keep watch through the night and the next morning. We leave the church in silence that night – for we know what the first disciples did not: that Jesus will soon be arrested, tried unjustly, and put to death.

April 18, Good Friday; Noon to 3:00 p.m. Three Hours Service 6:00 p.m. Passion Gospel and Communion from Reserved Sacrament in the Chapel

This marks the day on which we commemorate the Lord's crucifixion and death. This year, we are reviving the tradition of the Three Hours' Service from Noon to 3:00 p.m. with guest preachers, music, and reflective silence in the nave (main Church). At 6:00 p.m. we will have the proper liturgy for Good Friday in the Chapel. The worship offered is, in fact, a continuation of the liturgy begun the previous night at the Maundy Thursday eucharist and it will not 'end' until the Great Vigil of Easter. Consequently, the liturgy begins – or more properly, continues – without the familiar acclamation and it ends without a formal dismissal. The vesture of the sacred ministers is simple, recalling the solemnity and sobriety of the day, and the passion Gospel according to John is read. Afterwards the solemn collects—a series of intercessory prayers dating from the second century—are read. Finally, communion is shared from bread and wine consecrated at the Maundy Thursday eucharist, and all depart in silence to the awkward waiting of Holy Saturday and the restrained anticipation of the Great Vigil of Easter.

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	SAVE THESE DATES!
April 13, Palm Sunday	8:00 am: Liturgy of the Palms and Passion Gospel 10:30 am: Liturgy of the Palms, Procession, and Passion Gospel (service begins in Kelly Hall)
April 17	7:00 pm: Maundy Thursday Eucharist and foot-washing.
Maundy Thursday	8:30 pm—11:00 am: All-night vigil at the altar of repose.
April 18, Good Friday	12 noon—3:00 pm: The Seven Last Words of Christ. The Chancel Choir will sing for the first hour. Guest preachers will be in attendance.
April 19	7:30 pm: The Great Vigil of Easter. Bring hand-bells.
Holy Saturday	Incense will be used.
April 20, Easter Day	8:00 am: Holy Eucharist, Rite I
	9:15 am: Brunch in Kelly Hall
	10:30 am: Holy Eucharist, Rite II, with brass accompaniment.
	Incense will be used at 10:30 am.
	11:45 am: Easter Egg Hunt

FROM THE SENIOR WARDEN

Hello!

On Saturday, March 29, we had our annual Vestry retreat. We spent about four productive hours getting to know each other better, learning about The Difference Course and how it can help in our relationships with others, and making plans for Trinity on the Hill for the upcoming year.

We started by playing "two truths and a lie." We each wrote two truths and a lie about ourselves, then tried to guess each others' lie. We laughed a lot and learned some interesting things about each other. Here are mine if you care to guess which one is the lie. I had to dig deep since I've been part of TOTH for more than 25 years!

I was the drum major in my high school marching band.

I used to be afraid to sing in front of other people.

I gave a speech at my high school graduation.

Mother Mary Ann talked to us about The Difference Course, which she and other local clergy have been discussing. She has also been doing some teaching on it throughout the Lenten program. We spent time talking about the three habits that the course outlines and how they are represented in our lives. Very briefly, the habits include:

Be curious: Listen to others' stories and see the world through their eyes;

Be present: Encounter others with authenticity and confidence;

Reimagine: Find hope and opportunity in the places where we long to see change.

Of course, there is a whole lot more to this and I certainly don't want to take away from Mother Mary Ann's teaching. I mention it because I think these are three important points that we can all consider when talking with family, friends, and other people with whom we communicate.

The last part of our retreat was spent on church business as we tried to be curious, be present, and reimagine some things at TOTH. Currently, our financial situation is better. For the fourth month in a row, our revenues have been more than our expenses. Thanks be to God! Additionally, our Junior Warden, along with our Buildings and Grounds committee, will be scheduling work days throughout the year. Please be on the lookout for those and think about how you can help. There are many projects, large and small, that when completed will make a big impact in the health and appearance of our campus.

It's hard to believe that Easter is almost here. I look forward to the journey of Holy Week and the celebration of Easter with all of you.

In Christ, Kandice Favorite Senior Warden

P.S. Here is a picture from spring break when we had a delicious dinner with the kids at Los Poblanos in Albuquerque.

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April 19, 8:00 pm—The Great Vigil of Easter (astronomical sunset is at 7:46 pm in Los Alamos on April, 2024)

The Great Vigil of Easter is the most solemn and ancient liturgy of the entire year. It is the culmination of Lent and Holy Week, and the *Triduum*. The service consists of four parts: The Service of Light, in which new fire is kindled to light the Paschal (Easter) Candle, and the entire congregation lights candles from the Paschal Candle, and then processes into the church; The Service of Lessons, in which God's saving deeds in history are retold; The Baptismal Covenant, in which new Christians are baptized and believers reaffirm their commitment to the Christian way; and The Holy Eucharist, which breaks the Lenten fast with the proclamation of the Easter Alleluia and the first celebration of the Eucharist since Maundy Thursday. The altar and clergy are vested white, symbolizing the light of Christ.

Worshippers at the Great Vigil of Easter are encouraged to bring with them any sort of hand-held bell they would like to ring as we sing "The Strife is O'er" at the beginning of the first Eucharist of Easter and during the final hymn.

April 20, 8:00 and 10:30 am - Easter Day

Services on this day are solemn high celebrations of the Eucharist for Easter Day. The church is filled with flowers and there will be special music and guest instrumentalists. Please feel free to bring bells to ring during the final hymn.



The Kindling of the New Fire during the Great Vigil of Easter 2024

FROM THE JUNIOR WARDEN



By the time you read this, the Buildings and Grounds (B&G) Committee will be up and running, having had its annual meeting and work day. For anybody who was not able to attend and is still interested, we will be meeting and having another work day soon, never fear! We welcome any and all to join in beautifying our fabulous church in whatever way you wish. We have a long list of items to check off and we will be adding to it as suggestions are made.

Last week, Patrick Moore, Mark Hartman, and I conducted a tour of the building to create our initial work list. However, we are always more than open to more suggestions since we don't know every committee and issue that you may have.

Stop us in the hall and chat! Grouse! We also have a job jar and Post-It Notes in the Narthex if you would like to comment by archaic text instead!

Thank you for the love, caring, and interest you show in our church. Every little bit helps!

Blessings, Lisa Rothrock

Hebrews 10:24-25: And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another.

THE 2025-26 VESTRY

Left to right: Lisa Rothrock (Junior Warden), Paul Lisowski, Mary Ogle, Michelle Carr, Kandice Favorite (Senior Warden), Claire Singleton (Clerk), Patrick Moore, Andy Light. (Absent: Isabella Stephens and Christy O'Brien)

Children's Sunday School

2nd grade and under Sunday, 9:15 – 10:15am Meets in Classroom 5

Another fun string of Sundays, where our kids continue their look into the New Testament. After reviewing the Christmas story and the characters outlined in Matthew and Luke, we then narrowed our discussion to "Growth". As Jesus grew in learning God's scripture and into an adult, our overall theme for this month was to focus on how each of the students are growing – academically, physically, socially, and in God.

This is our classroom plant named "Grow Love." As "Grow" grows, our students plan to keep track of how they grow tooacademically, physically, socially, and in God.





Our study about baby Jesus, Simeon, and Ann



Kids having fun on a rope course during February's Young Family Night







Our lesson covered the story of Jesus in Jerusalem, his parents cannot find him for three days, and Jesus responds that He was in His father's house. Kids built temples out of Legos.

SHOP ON THE CORNER NEWS

TOTH's thrift shop, Shop on the Corner, continually receives wonderful donations from church members as well as from countless people in the Los Alamos community and beyond. Of course we couldn't operate without those donations!

Recently, we received a large volume of sets of fine china dishes. They are selling quite well, although we only have space for a fraction of them in any given week. We welcome anyone from TOTH who is in the market for new dishes, for themselves or as gifts, to come and see our displays. We are open on **Wednesdays 8:30-noon** and will be open **Saturdays**, **April 12 and May 10** (same hours). Just a few sets are pictured below.

For more information, please contact one of our leaders:

Valarie Prestwood, Ruth Cox, Cathy Walters, Jill Sherrill, and Juanita Jebbanema













Sundays:

- Holy Eucharist Rite I at 8 am.
- Holy Eucharist Rite II with music at 10:30 am; streamed via Facebook live at www.facebook.com/trinityoth
- **Compline**, 7 pm in the Sanctuary. Prayers by candle-light, with plainsong. All welcome!
- Choral Evensong: 6:00 pm, first Sunday of the month (no Compline)

Tuesdays:

• Women Alive at 7:30 am; in Sherrill Hall (2nd and 4th Tuesdays), via Zoom (3rd/5th Tuesdays). Contact Rozelle Wright or Claire Singleton for the link. First Tuesday walks around sunrise, followed by breakfast.

Wednesdays:

Service of Healing with Holy Communion, 12:15 pm in St. Athanasius Chapel.

Thursdays:

- Men's Group, 7:30 am, Sherrill Hall
- Bible Study, 12 noon, Library, led by Fr. Kelly

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Trinity on the Hill's Mission

The Mission of Trinity on the Hill is to share the power and joy of God's love, to fully embrace all God's children, and to respond to the needs of our community and the world in the spirit of Jesus Christ

The next regularly scheduled issue will be in May. <u>Submission deadline</u>: Monday, May 2, 2025.

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APRIL VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

April 2025

Date	Time	Acolytes	LEMLR	Prayers of the People, 10:30	Media Team 10:30	Usher 10:30	Altar Guild
Apr. 6	8:00	Ben Schilling	Rozelle Wright				Marilyn and Paul Lisowski
	10:30	Ben Foley, Server Peter Maginot, Crucifer Gregory and Zachary Maginot TBs	Marilyn Lisowski, LEMLR Renee Roybal, LEM	Joanna Gillespie	Richard/ Rachel	Paul Lisowski (training) Greeter: Kandice	Andy and Linda Light
Apr. 13	8:00	Louisa Singleton	Rob Baran				Rozelle and Brad Wright
raill S.	10:30	River Yamada, Server Josh Moore, Crucifer Cece Gulsby, Anna Moore TB	Lisa Rothrock, LEMLR Susan Sprake, LEM + Passion Readers	Laurie Glascock	Nancy/Rick	Andy Light Greeter: Patrick	Andy and Linda Light Mary and Bill Ogle
Apr. 17 Maund. Thurs.	7:00p	Susan Sprake, Server Isabella Stephens, Crucifer Josh and Anna Moore, TBs	Lynn Godwin TBD			Maggie Moore	Linda and Andy Light
Apr. 18 G. Fri.	12:00 -3 pm	CHOIR FIRST HOUR ONLY	Claire Singleton TBD				Rozelle and Brad Wright
Apr. 19 Easter Vigil	7:30p	Isabella Stephens, Thurifer Mariah Stephens, Server Susan Sprake, Crucifer Andy and Linda Light, TBs	Rozelle Wright, LEMTR Readers: TBD		Rachel/Nancy	Rick Rothrock	Rozelle and Brad Wright Susannah Smith Andy and Linda Light Judy Crocker
Apr. 20 Factor	8:00	Richard Triplett	Rozelle Wright				Renee Roybal
Tage of the same o	10:30	Ben Foley, Thurifer, Mariah Stephens, Server Peter Maginot, Crucifer Gregory Maginot, Cece Gulsby, TBs	Susan Sprake, LEMIR Lynn Godwin, LEM	Linda Light	Bill/Rick	Maggie Moore Andy Light Greeters: both	Kathy and Peter Peterson Rozelle and Brad Wright
Apr. 27	8:00	Matt Brennan	Rob Baran				Ellie Giovanielli
	10:30	River Yamada, Server Peter Maginot, Crucifer, Zachary and Gregory Maginot TBs	Linda Light, LEMLR Andy Light, LEM	Claire Singleton	Robin/Bill	Christy O'B. Greeter: Patrick	Sarah Rochester

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