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## Divine Worship Services

St. Paul 8:30 a.m. Sunday  
 Trinity 10:30 a.m. Sunday

## Easter — April 4

7 a.m. St. Paul and 9 a.m. Trinity

**Bible Study** Book of Revelation — Trinity 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays

## Sunday School

St. Paul 9:30 a.m.

## Wednesday School

Trinity 5:30 p.m.

## Youth Confirmation Class

St. Paul 1 p.m. Sunday

## Release-Time Class

Trinity 3:30 p.m. Wednesday

## Lutheran Women's Missionary League

Trinity Hope Circle – April 6, 2021 2 p.m.  
 Trinity Ruth Circle – April 6, 2021 6:30 p.m.  
 St. Paul Dorcas Circle – April 13, 2021 7 p.m.

## Mitchell Zone Spring Christian Life Workshop

Saturday, April 17, 2021. 9 a.m.–12 noon. Trinity White Lake  
 See page 5 for more information.

## Serving the Lord's Church in March

### TRINITY

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## Scripture Readings

April 4 Isaiah 25:6–9; 1 Corinthians 15:1–11; Mark 16:1–8  
 April 11 Acts 4:32–35; 1 John 1:1–2:2; John 20:19–31  
 April 18 Acts 3:11–21; 1 John 3:1–7; Luke 24:36–49  
 April 25 Acts 4:1–12; 1 John 3:16–24; John 10:11–18



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# Resolving Conflict through the Four G's

Conflict may be defined as “a difference in opinion or purpose that frustrates someone’s goals or desires.” These differences can range from simple disagreements such as where to go to dinner to more serious controversies that lead to divorce, lawsuit, or someone leaving a profession.

Misunderstandings, differences in goals or objectives, and competition over limited resources all contribute to conflict. However, Scripture teaches that another force initiates or exacerbates our squabbles. St. James writes: *What causes fights and quarrels among you? Don't they come from your desires that battle within you? <sup>2</sup>You want something but don't get it. You quarrel and fight. You do not have because you do not ask God. <sup>3</sup>When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives that you may spend what you get on your pleasures (James 4:1-3).*

What causes conflict? My desires. My wrong motives. Serving my personal pleasures. Sin almost always incites our conflicts. Actual sin may not spark the dispute, but two sinners in a disagreement find it all too natural to inflame the fight, defending their righteous causes with sinful thoughts, words and actions.

God's people need to acknowledge sin's role in conflict in order to respond to it biblically. To deny our sin is to deny our need for Jesus, who shed his blood on the cross for us. Admitting our sin leads us to repentance and faith, where healing and comfort are found in God's forgiveness. Proverbs teaches us, *He who conceals his sins does not prosper; but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy (Proverbs 28:13).*

True peacemaking is founded on the ministry of reconciliation, that while we were yet sinners, God reconciled the world to himself through his only son, Jesus (see Romans 5:8; 2 Corinthians 5:11–21). As forgiven children, we demonstrate love for our Father through our ministry of reconciliation to each other.

In the book “The Peacemaker: A Biblical Guide to Resolving Personal Conflict”, Ken Sande summarizes what God teaches about resolving conflict in four principles, which Ken refers to as “The Four G's”:

- **Glorify God** - How can I please and honor God in this situation, and how can I give witness to what he has done for me through Christ?
- **Get the log out of your eye** - How have I contributed to this conflict and what do I need to do to resolve it?
- **Gently restore** - How can I help others to understand how they have contributed to this conflict?
- **Go and be reconciled** - How can I demonstrate forgiveness and encourage a reasonable solution to this conflict?

Brothers and Sisters in Christ, all our efforts going forward are with the focus and priority of reconciling with our fellow members. This can only happen if we have an attitude of humility as Christ showed and is shared in God's Word. *So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, <sup>2</sup>complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. <sup>3</sup>Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. <sup>4</sup>Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. <sup>5</sup>Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, <sup>7</sup>but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup>And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross (Philippians 2:1–8).*

**We pray:** Dear God, govern us, that with spiritual eyes we may recognize and confess our inborn sickness and frailty, and so be brought to the right knowledge of Christ, and governed, purified, and sanctified by Your Holy Spirit. Amen!



*Make every effort  
to keep the unity of  
the Spirit through  
the bond of peace.*

Ephesians 4:3, NIV

*Hymn of the Month*

**461 I Know That My Redeemer Lives**



1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives; What com - fort  
 2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; He lives e -  
 3 He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to  
 4 He lives to grant me rich sup - ply; He lives to



this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, He lives, who  
 ter - nal - ly to save; He lives all - glo - rious  
 plead for me a - bove; He lives my hun - gry  
 guide me with His eye; He lives to com - fort



once was dead; He lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head.  
 in the sky; He lives ex - alt - ed there on high.  
 soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.  
 me when faint; He lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.

- 5 He lives to silence all my fears; He lives to wipe away my tears;  
 He lives to calm my troubled heart; He lives all blessings to impart.
- 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend; He lives and loves me to the end;  
 He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing; He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.
- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death;  
 He lives my mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there.
- 8 He lives, all glory to His name! He lives, my Jesus, still the same;  
 Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives: I know that my Redeemer lives!

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*Job 19:25–27; Colossians 1:18; Hebrews 7:25; John 14:2–3*

This beloved Christian hymn by Samuel Medley is from the 18th century. "My Redeemer Lives" is an affirmation and celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. The lyrics of this hymn rejoice in the life of Jesus and the salvation He gives to mankind. The second stanza of this hymn describes Jesus' life after earth saying, "He lives triumphant from the grave, He lives eternally to save, He lives all-glorious in the sky, He lives exalted there on high." Praise the eternal salvation in Jesus by singing this beautiful hymn! [godtube.com/popular-hymns/i-know-that-my-redeemer-lives/](http://godtube.com/popular-hymns/i-know-that-my-redeemer-lives/)



# Easter Devotion — Easter Expectations

 [wels.net/dev-military/easter-expectations](https://wels.net/dev-military/easter-expectations)

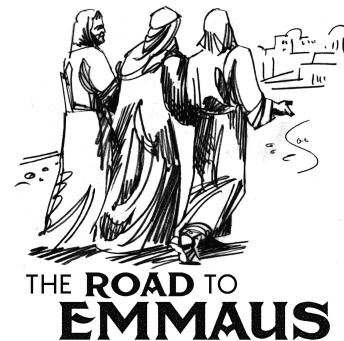
“About Jesus of Nazareth,” they replied. “He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him, but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel.” **Luke 24:19-21**

“Well, what did you expect?” The question was aimed at a disappointed youngster on an Easter morning. The blank look and the shrugged shoulders said, “I don’t know.” But what he really wanted to say was: “I expected more!” I know what the boy was thinking because I’m the one who was asked that question a while ago — well, maybe more than a while ago. Christmas had made quite an impression: the decorations, the cookies, and the presents — lots of presents. Easter had a similar buildup: a special meal was planned, extra church services held, holiday cards exchanged — and my sister had said there would be a surprise on Easter morning. Some surprise. Some hardboiled eggs, a chocolate bunny, and a handful of jellybeans! I expected more from Easter. I wasn’t the only one.

On Easter evening, two followers of Jesus were walking the road to Emmaus, talking about the unexpected events of the day. When Jesus joined them, unrecognized, they revealed their disappointment. Actually, they were disappointed in him. “He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people,” they explained to this “stranger.” Then, referring to the authorities, they reported: “they crucified him....” What a letdown! This they did not expect. Instead, they said, “we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel” (Luke 24:19-21). But he did! He did pay the ransom for the fallen human race! What more could they want? They wanted him to redeem Israel in the way they were expecting him to do it. Their expectations for Easter were far different than God’s expectations.

How sad. But how common. And how current! The disappointed youngster who grew up still needs to guard against being disappointed in God’s plans. His expectations still often run down a different path from those of his heavenly Father. On some days, he expects life to be easier than it often is: less stress, more money — and no deadly virus. On other days, he is surprised that problems have been solved; threats averted; and fears deflated — through none of his doing. He is learning not to second-guess how his God is going to work all things out for his good. He is learning to take a very hard look at what the first Easter means for him and those he loves. He is learning to expect much more from the Lord God than he could ever dream of. He is waiting to talk with those two fellows from Emmaus. He is expecting to do that on a perfect Easter-like day.

**Prayer:** Lord Jesus, your resurrection from the dead has proven that we will live forever. Keep the vision of Easter before our spiritual eyes that we may always cling to the certainty of life eternal when the day of our death comes. Thousand, thousand thanks shall be, dearest Jesus, unto thee. Amen.



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## TRINITY LUTHERANS FOR LIFE NEWS

Trinity Lutherans for Life observed Sanctity of Life Sunday, January 24, 2021 with bulletin inserts and a coffee and rolls hour for the congregation, including a short informational talk explaining LFL projects.

Following the congregational coffee hour, LFL chapter members met to report on 2020 projects and to plan for 2021.

### 2020

- Bike for Life collection was \$284. This was sent to SESD for the Ultrasound project.
- The Harvest Grant from the LCMS South Dakota District in the amount of \$2,000 was used to benefit the span of age groups from infants to nursing home residents in our community.
- Christmas aid was given to five families (12 children).
- The new metal Trinity Lutherans For Life sign was installed December 2020.
- Informational resources and LFL display are available in the addition.

### 2021

- Will continue printing either the LFL Life Quotes or Life Thoughts in weekly church bulletins.
- Will encourage youth to participate in the annual LFL essay contest.
- The Diaper Derby collection and distribution will be conducted in the same manner as last year. Diaper Distribution will be August 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>.
- Christmas aid outreach to families in the community will be conducted again in 2021.
- Will continue to support a Bike for Life collection.
- Discussion will continue on sponsoring a movie night.
- Will sponsor collecting of pop tabs for Ronald McDonald House Charities. Recycling beverage tabs can help keep families together when their child needs medical care. A cardboard house is available to collect the tabs.
- Will provide assistance to families with newborns in our

Contact any officer for more information! Jane Guericke, president; Dean Suelflow, vice president; Lorraine Mosemann, secretary/treasurer.



**SPRING CHRISTIAN LIFE WORKSHOP**  
**APRIL 17, 2021**  
**Trinity Lutheran Church, White Lake, SD**

### “More Than Memory Work – The Forgotten Parts of Luther’s Small Catechism”

8:30–9 a.m. ....	Registration
9–9:15 a.m. ....	Opening Devotion
9:15–9:30 a.m. ....	Welcome, LWML Pledge, LWML Song, Mites Offering
9:30–10:30 a.m. ....	<b>Pastor Ryan Loeslie, Presenter*</b>
10:30–10:45 a.m. ....	Break
10:45–11:30 a.m. ....	Topic continued
11:30 a.m.–12 noon .....	Announcements and Closing Prayer
12 noon .....	Luncheon (free-will offering)

*\* Pastor Loeslie notes that participants may bring their Small Catechisms if they wish.*





## SUNRISE SURPRISE

The hidden surprise in these sweet rolls hints at the reason behind Easter's joy!

### What you need:

- ½ cup chopped pecans
- 10 unbaked frozen rolls, thawed
- 10 large marshmallows
- ½ cup white sugar
- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- ½ cup melted butter
- ¼ cup brown sugar
- Adult help

### What you do:

1. Grease a round baking dish. Sprinkle pecans on the bottom.
2. Flatten each roll. Place a marshmallow in the center, wrap dough around it, and pinch edges together.
3. Combine white sugar and cinnamon. Dip each roll into melted butter and coat with cinnamon-sugar. Place in pan, seam side down.
4. Sprinkle brown sugar and remaining butter over rolls. Cover with plastic wrap and let rise 30 minutes.
5. Bake at 350 degrees until golden brown, about 30 minutes. Cool in pan.
6. As you bite into a roll, you'll see the marshmallow has melted, leaving an empty center — just like Jesus' empty tomb!



## NEWS FROM THE CENTER ~ March 26, 2021

*And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not (Galatians 6:9).*

### Be on the Right Side of History, or Study History?

by Peter Scaer

When the odds are against us, how do we know when to quit, to throw in the towel? Well, the answer is that we will never quit. We will work while it is day before the night comes, and no man can work. No one can know the future. We are told that we need to get on the right side of history, but such talk is vanity. History will be what we make of it, and more pointedly, what God makes of it.

When people claim to be on the right side of history, what they really are saying is that they are going along with the flow, that they are following public opinion in order to remain with the "in crowd" defined by phony academia, the mainstream news, Hollywood, big tech, big sports, and all the rest. But it's not their approval that we seek.









The phrase "the right side of history" is all the more ironic, as it is spoken in an age in which most everything is being thrown down the memory hole. Rather than seeking to be on the right side of history, we would do well to study history, to read older books, with the idea that we are living in an age of vanity, having no idea what we don't know, unwilling to be taught by those who came before us.

Ah, to be on the right side of history is really no more than the vanity of being popular, the vanity of being well-liked by the people who seem to matter, the so-called pillars. But we know where history is actually leading. There will come a day, sooner than ever, when our Lord will return in clouds, accompanied by his mighty angels. And then, it won't matter what the Washington Post says; won't matter the professors and celebrities tell us is true.

All that matters will be God's judgment, God's Word. And that word is available to us today. The truth of life in the womb, of real marriage, of male and female. It's all there, along with the Christ who came to save us. So, let's skip any talk about being on the right side of history, and spend our time, every day, without growing weary, working and praying that we remain on the right side of eternity. And together we'll celebrate the harvest.

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# APRIL 2021

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
 <p>CHRIST IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN INDEED! <i>Alleluia!</i></p>				1	2	3
<b>4</b> EASTER SUNDAY  <b>7 a.m.</b> SP Service <b>9 a.m.</b> TR Service	5	<b>6</b>  <b>2 p.m.</b> TR Hope Circle <b>6:30 p.m.</b> TR Ruth Circle	<b>7</b> <b>3:30 p.m.</b> TR Release-Time <b>5:30 p.m.</b> TR Wed School <b>5:30 p.m.</b> TR Bible Study	8	9	10
<b>11</b> Second Sunday of Easter  <b>8:30 a.m.</b> SP Service <b>9:30 a.m.</b> SP Sun Sch <b>10:30 a.m.</b> TR Service 12:30 p.m. SP Voters Mtg/Potluck	12	<b>13</b>  <b>7 p.m.</b> SP Dorcas Circle	<b>14</b> <b>3:30 p.m.</b> TR Release-Time <b>5:30 p.m.</b> TR Wed School <b>5:30 p.m.</b> TR Bible Study	15	16	<b>17</b>  <b>9–12 noon</b> LWML Mitchell Zone Spr Christian Life Workshop @ TR White Lake
<b>18</b> Third Sunday of Easter  <b>8:30 a.m.</b> SP Service <b>9:30 a.m.</b> SP Sun Sch <b>10:30 a.m.</b> TR Service <b>1 p.m.</b> SP Youth Confirm. Class	19	20	<b>21</b> <b>3:30 p.m.</b> TR Release-Time <b>5:30 p.m.</b> TR Wed School <b>5:30 p.m.</b> TR Bible Study	22	23	24
<b>25</b> Fourth Sunday of Easter  <b>8:30 a.m.</b> SP Service <b>9:30 a.m.</b> SP Sun Sch <b>10:30 a.m.</b> TR Service <b>1 p.m.</b> SP Youth Confirm. Class	26	27	<b>28</b> <b>3:30 p.m.</b> TR Release-Time <b>5:30 p.m.</b> TR Wed School <b>5:30 p.m.</b> TR Bible Study	29	30	