

# Us Easter! Hallelujah!

Wow! Can you believe it is our second Easter in quarantine? It's so hard to imagine! The pandemic closed our church doors last year around this time and we wondered what we would do. But we are creative and resilient.

Rev. Read lead the way in getting us active on Zoom, and many people help out each week to keep our community active online: Gary, Aaron, Sheri...all of Council...and more!

Our Trinity community has remained faithful and even grown bigger and stronger throughout this unprecedented pandemic. Christ is risen and so have we!

Hallelujah, indeed!

Christ is risen indeed!

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

- Philippians 4:13 -

Mary
Magdalene
went to the
disciples with
the news:
"I have seen
the Lord!"
And she told
them that he
had said these
things to her.

- John 20:18 -



## Rev. Read Sherman's Message

Hi Friends!

Easter is coming - I can't wait!!

Soon we'll be celebrating, so I was inspired to write a new hymn text – enjoy!

#### **Now is Christ Arisen**

Now is Christ arisen, Easter joy is here! Death's dark shadow gone, and all our fear.

Jesus newly risen! Life and hope re-born! Hallelujah, Loving, Living Lord!

Women at the graveside, wonder where he'd gone! Mary knew he'd risen with the dawn! *Refrain* 

Go and tell the others! Go to Galilee! There you'll see him! Body whole and free! *Refrain* 

Death now a beginning! Faith, a call to live! Celebrate the joy that Jesus gives! *Refrain* 

Words: Read Sherman, March 5, 2021 Tune: McNaught (Ron Klusmeier copyright 1974) Dedication: To the Easter faith of the people of Trinity-Anjou, living through the death and shadows of COVID-19 and ready, soon, to rise again!

All in the Love of Christ Jesus – the Always Rising One!









# Easter Worship

Join us on Zoom as we gather and worship together.

**MEETING ID: 409-899-9875** 

Go to <u>zoom.us</u> and click "Join a Meeting" then enter the meeting ID Or call +1 438 809 7799 and key in the meeting ID (4098999875#)

### Holy Week Services 11:15 Am:

O Sunday, March 28: Palm Sunday

Please colour the attached palm and have it ready for our palm parade!

O Friday, April 2: Good Friday

It has been said that there is no Easter without Good Friday. Come be with friends during this sombre time.

O Sunday, April 4: Easter

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Join us online as we celebrate this joyous event! Bring Flat Jesus (see later on in this newsletter)!

## Other times to Gather

O Friendship Group

Every **Tuesday** morning at **10:30 AM**. Come chat, check in, and play games together.

#### O The Living Room

Every **Wednesday** night at **7:30 PM**. Join Rev. Read Sherman and others as we sing, pray, and discuss together in this relaxed atmosphere.

#### O Prayer Meetings

Every Saturday morning at 11 AM.



Let's walk through Holy Week with Jesus! You will find a picture of Jesus in your envelope. Go ahead — colour him and cut him out.

He'll walk with you through all of your activities this week.

Each day there is a Bible reading, and two activities. We invite you to read the Bible passage and then complete an activity or two.

We invite you to post photos of your completed activities on our Facebook page so we can share in the journey together.

**Prepare**. In commemoration of Holy Week (March 28 – April 4), we invite you to participate in the following activities:

March 28 **Sunday:** Jesus enters Jerusalem (Matt. 21: 1-11).

- **O ACTIVITY 1**: Cut out the palm in your envelope and bring it to church with you so you can sing Hosanna! to Jesus.
- **O ACTIVITY 2**: Use your stuffed animals or other friends to create a palm parade for Jesus.

March

Monday: Jesus cleanses the temple (Matt. 21-12-17)

- O **ACTIVITY 1**: Take some time today cleanse out your own temple: your body. ask forgiveness for something you've done. Say you're sorry to someone you've hurt.
- **O ACTIVITY 2**: Sort through your clothes, toys, or kitchen supplies. What can you give away to someone who needs it?

March 30

tuesday: Jesus washes his disciples feet (John 13: 1-17)

- O **ACTIVITY 1**: Humble yourself and list ways God can use you.
- O **ACTIVITY 2**: Be a secret agent for God: how many nice things can you do for people in your home (or community) without getting caught?

Wednesday: Jesus and his disciples share The Last Supper (Matt. 26:17-30)

- **O ACTIVITY 1**: Bring Jesus to dinner with you and re-enact Jesus sharing communion.
- **O ACTIVITY 2**: Find out about Passover and how it connects Judaism and Christianity.

thursday: Jesus prays (Luke 22:39-44)

- O **ACTIVITY 1**: Create a prayer space.
- **ACTIVITY 2**: Come watch King of Kings at 7:30 PM for the Holy Week Film Festival.

Friday: Jesus dies and is placed in a tomb (Matt. 26:45-61)

- O **ACTIVITY 1**: What needs to "die" in your life? Learn to let go.
- O **ACTIVITY 2**: Build a person-sized fort to represent Jesus' tomb.

Saturday: The disciples wait in fear.

- **O ACTIVITY 1**: Come watch Black Panther at 3:00 PM for the Holy Week Film Festival.
- **O ACTIVITY 2:** Make a prayer jar: mix oil, water, food colouring, and glitter in a sealable jar. When you're afraid, swirl it around and let the glitter carry your fears away.

**Sunday:** Jesus is alive! (Matt. 28:1-10)

- O **ACTIVITY 1**: Come worship with us on Zoom! Bring Jesus!
- O **ACTIVITY 2:** Chalk up your neighbourhood with signs of God's love.

March 31

April 1

> April 2

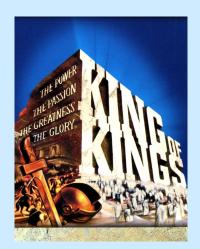
April 3

April

# Announcements!

#### Holy Week Film Festival!

Let's join together online to watch films with meaning as we journey through Holy Week!



King of Kings Thursday, April 1 at 7:30 PM

King of Kings is the the 1961 classic of Jesus' life and death.



Black Panther (Marvel)
Saturday, April 3
at 3:00 PM

Discuss: What's the place of sharing and justice in a warring world?

See you online on the usual TAPC worship Zoom channel.

Don't forget your popcorn!!

### We Have a New Secretary!

After many years of faithful service, Vera has decided to retire. Thank you, Vera, for all the years of hard work! We are blessed to have Christine Tatarewicz as our new secretary. Say hello by emailing <a href="mailto:office@trinityuc.net">office@trinityuc.net</a> or by calling the church office at 514-721-1830.



#### Mask Fundraiser

Great news! The Trinity Mask fundraise brought in \$314 to benefit the church!

Thanks to everyone who participated, and to Kim, Ashley, and Christine for the idea, ordering, and delivering.

#### Homemade Bread!

Diane Best is ready to use her bread-making machine to bake you up a delicious loaf of white bread - all proceeds to be donated to Trinity!

\$5 each.

To order, call Diane at 438-765-7904 or email diane\_red-pink5@live.com.



## Looking to Support Trinity Financially?

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#### Cheques

Including post-dated cheques (made payable to "TRINITY UNITED CHURCH") — can be mailed directly to the church office.

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#### PAR

(Pre-Authorized Remittance)

Pre-authorized remittance is a direct payment that comes out of your bank account or on your credit card on the 20th of every month.

To get on PAR, find it online, at <a href="mailto:www.unitedchurch.ca">www.unitedchurch.ca</a> under PAR and send it to Shirley Cartmill <a href="mailto:tazmagoo@sympatico.ca">tazmagoo@sympatico.ca</a> or call her at 514-376-2159.

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### E-transfer

You can send an etransfer directly to finance@trinityuc.net, using the password Communion

Thank you for your continued support throughout the pandemic.



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Please keep in touch! We love to hear from you!



