

# Ripples of Faith 2021



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### April schedule:

4/1	Maundy Thursday Worship
4/2	Good Friday Worship
4/4	Easter
4/5	Parish office closed
4/6	Mary Circle - WLC
4/13	Parish Council meeting
4/18	Joint Parish Worship @ Trinity
4/20	Articles due for May Ripples
4/28	Assemble Ripples

Sundays — 8:30 am St. Peter  
 10:30 Trinity  
 9:00 Waverly  
 10:15 Sunday school

Confirmation—April 7 & 14

Mondays - 9 am Men's Bible Study @  
 First Lutheran in Trimont



# April Worship Schedule

		First	St. Peter	Trinity	Waverly
<b>Holy Week</b>	<b>Palm/Passion Sunday</b> Sunday, March 28 <sup>th</sup> <i>Altar: Purple</i>	Worship w/Comm <b>9:00 AM</b> & Online	Worship w/Comm <b>8:30 AM</b>	Worship w/Comm <b>10:30 AM</b> & Online	Worship w/Comm <b>10:30 AM</b> & Online
	<b>Maundy Thursday</b> Thursday, April 1 <sup>st</sup> <i>Altar: Purple</i>			Joint Worship <b>6:30 PM</b> w/Comm & Online	
	<b>Good Friday</b> Friday, April 2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Altar: None</i>			Joint Worship <b>6:30 PM</b> & Online	
	<b>Easter Sunday</b> Sunday, April 4 <sup>th</sup> <i>Altar: White</i>	Worship w/Comm <b>7:00 AM</b> & Online	Worship w/Comm <b>9:00 AM</b> & Online	Worship w/Comm <b>7:00 AM</b> & Online	Worship w/Comm <b>9:00 AM</b> & Online
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Week of Easter</b>	Sunday, April 11 <sup>th</sup> <i>Altar: White</i>	Worship w/Comm <b>10:30 AM</b> & Online	Worship <b>8:30 AM</b>	Worship w/Comm <b>10:30 AM</b> & Online	Worship w/Comm <b>9:00 AM</b> & Online
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Week of Easter</b>	Sunday, April 18 <sup>th</sup> <i>Altar: White</i>	Joint Parish Worship at Trinity <b>10:30 AM &amp; Online</b>			
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Week of Easter</b>	Sunday, April 25 <sup>th</sup> <i>Altar: White</i>	Worship w/Comm <b>10:30 AM</b> & Online	Worship w/Comm <b>8:30 AM</b>	Worship w/Comm <b>10:30 AM</b> & Online	Worship w/Comm <b>9:00 AM</b> & Online

**\*\*Note: First and Waverly will alternate worship times on a monthly basis. Above is the April schedule. In May, worship at First will be at 9:00 am and worship at Waverly will be at 10:30 am.**

In-person worship services are continuing for everyone who feels comfortable attending. Wearing a mask is required to attend in-person worship. Services are live streamed through each individual congregation's Facebook page.

- [www.facebook.com/FirstLutheranTrimont](http://www.facebook.com/FirstLutheranTrimont)
- [www.facebook.com/TrinityLutheranWelcome](http://www.facebook.com/TrinityLutheranWelcome)
- [www.facebook.com/WaverlyLutheran](http://www.facebook.com/WaverlyLutheran)

## Drive-Thru Communion Schedule

If you feel uncomfortable with attending in-person services, but would like to receive Holy Communion, drive-thru Communion will be offered. Due to Easter, the April schedule looks a little different:

- Sunday, April 4<sup>th</sup> – St. Peter & Waverly (10:00 – 10:30 am)
- Sunday, April 11<sup>th</sup> – First & Trinity (12:00 – 12:30 pm)
- Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup> – No Drive-thru Communion
- Sunday, April 25<sup>th</sup> – No Drive-thru Communion



Sunday, April 18  
10:30 am at  
Trinity in Welcome.



Both services at 6:30 pm @ Trinity in Welcome.



April 2



7 am Trinity in Welcome & First Lutheran in Trimont

9 am St. Peter in Ceylon & Waverly, rural Trimont

### NEW NOTIFICATION SYSTEM



We are excited to announce that we have a new notification service called *GroupCast*. This service will provide us with the same notification options as we have had with *Honeywell*, and so much more.

#### Why Change?

We have been using *Honeywell Instant Alert* for the last five years to notify members of Circle of Faith about worship services and cancellations, funerals and meeting reminders. This past fall we were notified that the *Honeywell Instant Alert* service would be discontinued as of August 2021. *GroupCast* is matching the price we have been paying for *Honeywell*, and they have locked in that price for the next five years.

#### What's Next?

If you had been receiving a text message notification through our *Honeywell* system, you will soon receive an Opt-In text message from *GroupCast*.

If you want to continue receiving text messages, there is nothing that you need to do.

If you wish to stop receiving text messages, the text message you receive from *GroupCast* will have instructions on how you can Opt-Out.

If you have not been receiving phone calls or text messages about our worship services, please contact the parish office to update your contact information. We will get you added to our new notification system.

..... from Pastor Anthony and Pastor Stephanie



Many of you have already heard...after nearly eight years in Martin County, God is shaking things up for us. Pastor Anthony has been called by the members of Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Albany, MN to be their next pastor. Pastor Stephanie has been called by the members of Bethlehem Lutheran Church in St. Cloud, MN to be their Pastor of Worship and Engagement. Our last Sunday at Circle of Faith will be May 16<sup>th</sup>. We both begin our new calls on June 1<sup>st</sup>.

We would have loved to continue serving at Circle of Faith for many more years. Instead, God has something different in mind for Circle of Faith and our family as He is calling us to serve His church in the St. Cloud area. We are sad to be leaving, as we will miss you all very much. And we are excited for this new adventure that God is calling us to.

In Christ, Pastor Anthony & Pastor Stephanie

# Parish Council

March 16, 2021

Members Present: Marilyn Cheever, Nancy Nordstrom, Tim Peterson, Dean Sinn Roger Matejka, MaryAnn Frerichs, Jody Franck, John Borchardt

Council Presidents: Don Nordstrom, Bob Olson  
Pastors Anthony and Stephanie Christoffels

Marilyn called the meeting to order.

A motion was made by Nancy Nordstrom, seconded by MaryAnn Frerichs to approve the agenda as printed. Approved.

Pastor Stephanie led a devotion based on Esther. On being in leadership for such a time as this.

A motion was made by Nancy Nordstrom, seconded by Tim Peterson to approve the secretary's report as printed. Approved.

A motion was made by MaryAnn Frerichs, seconded by Tim Peterson to approve the treasurer's report as printed. Approved.

Pastor's reports:

Both pastors will be gone April 17-22 at continuing education. Karen Koeder will lead worship April 18, it will be a joint service at Trinity at 10:30. There will be no communion.

Annual meetings are upcoming, Waverly and St. Peter on March 21 and Trinity on March 28. Zoom will be offered for those not comfortable being there in person.

The consultant available to help with MSP is Pastor Eunice Woodbury in Jackson. There will be compensation for her time. She is comfortable meeting in person, and would like to meet with the transition team.

Pastor Anthony has been called to Our Savior's Lutheran in Albany, his last Sunday is May 16. Pastor Stephanie is not on the active duty list. Both pastors have gotten their first covid shot, this brings them one step closer to being able to visit nursing homes.

MSPs from when Circle of Faith have been found, they include individual community information as well as joint.

It was brought up that the percentage of occupancy limits have been increased. Unfortunately until they change the 6 feet apart it doesn't change our capacities.

## Old Business

Group cast users – the contact data base is all uploaded. Pastor Anthony is being trained on using it March 17. One or more additional people are needed to be trained so that if the pastor is gone and an announcement needs to go out someone knows how to do it. Announcements can be congregation specific, can even create groups within a congregation or the parish. Announcements are automatically put on the facebook pages and the parish website.

## Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday normal times, Waverly will have an Easter children's program before the service. Parents and grandparents can attend, will be livestreamed.

Maundy Thursday service will be 6:30 at Trinity with Holy Communion

Good Friday service will be 6:30 at Trinity.

Easter Sunday services will be 7:00 at Trinity and First, with First's being an Easter children's program and 9:00 at St. Peter and Waverly to give pastor's travel time.

## New Business:

Nancy Nordstrom will be a contact person with the consultant. Waverly has 2 people lined up for the transition team, rest of the congregations still need them. As soon as the team is in place Nancy will contact her.

Four point parish proposal was gone over as written. We need interactions to talk about the proposal. A starting point can be the annual meetings.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Nancy Nordstrom, seconded by Jody Franck. Approved.

Submitted by MaryAnn Frerichs



# St. Peter Ripples



NO April meeting

To be on the safe side we will wait another month before we meet. By May we will all be vaccinated and then it should be ok to meet. Continue our self-study from "Gather". In this final study on "Journeys with Angels" we have seen how God sends angels to pull people out of despair and decay, caves and tombs and into new realms of hope and life. God still sends angels today to bring us foo, laughter and a new vision of life.

Bay May we could possibly begin our quilting also. Let's hope so!! Lutheran world Relief reports quilts and kits are needed more then ever and the inventory is almost gone. Also they report warehouses have received over 118,000 homemade masks for distribution here and abroad. LWR has created a Quilt & Kit Affinity Pin as a gift to all faithful quilters and kit makers. In three generations more than 27 million quilts and kits have been provided to our neighbors in need.. Word from the quilt committee at the Bible Camp, the auction is planned for Saturday, August 7th.

Prayers for Tuesday @ 2: 4/6-pray for that all eligible people will soon be vaccinated. 4/13-pray for the safety of our farmers as they prepare for field work. 4/20-pray for the Schley and Hatland families as they mourn their loved ones. 4/27-pray for the Christoffel family as they prepare for their move.

Our sympathy to the family of Don Schley who passed away on Feb. 26th at the age of 86. Our sympathy also to Steven Hatlands family. Steven passed on Feb. 21 at the age of 29. He was confirmed at St. Peter in 2005 and he rarely took off the cross necklace he received. Isn't that remarkable.

Next work duty: Group 1  
 April Altar care: Marge Schley  
 Honorary Birthdays: Rosemary Saggau—15th.  
 Kathryn Detert—30th

*Thank you, Lord, for angels who feed us, grab us, make us laugh and commission us to tell the good news of Easter to a world in need. With the angels we say Alleluia and Amen.*



- Love, Jeannine

# St Peter

Date	Reader
April 4	Jeannine Rasmussen
April 11	Jordan Petschke
April 18	Jeff Petschke
April 25	Jeannine Rasmussen
May 2	Jordan Petschke

# Trinity

Date	Reader	Ushers
April 4	MaryAnn Frerichs	John & Rita Garbers
April 11	Deb Philipp	Jean Schock Velma Schaal
April 18	MaryAnn Frerichs	Wes & Carolyn Strausser
April 25	Deb Philipp	Jon & Jen Saxen
May 2	MaryAnn Frerichs	Beth and Jay Mulso

# Waverly

Date	Reader	Communion Assistant
April 4	MaryLou Sherman	Laurie Sherman
April 11	Gwen Matz	Laurie Sherman
April 18	Rosemary Atzenhoefer	Laurie Sherman
April 25	Tim Peterson	Laurie Sherman
May 2	Heidi Clow	Gwen Matz

## April Ushers

Jon Helvig  
 Erwin Atzenhoefer  
 Jeff Lueth  
 Tom Peterson

## May Ushers

Steve Williamson  
 Troy Schmidtke  
 Todd Rathman  
 Jeff Matz





# APRIL

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

# 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Maisie Bentz	2	3 Aaron Burmeister Dennis Hoppe
4 Jennifer Peterson Holly Wiggins	5 Blake Lueth	6 Jordan Hovick  Brian & Heidi Clow  James & Donna Hand 30	7	8 	9	10
11 Merle Burmeister	12 	13 Brooklyn Peterson	14 Beth Mulso Norm Schley Larry Schweiss	15 Haley Jensen Rosemary Saggau  Kevin & Lynette Shaw	16	17 Brandi Gibson -Fletcher Logan Hughes
18 Paige Armburst Zac Gerhartdt Eliza Helvig Grayson Helvig Jack Helvig Brian Sandberg Don Schlager	19 Tom Hovick Kay Wohlhuter	20 Lee Thompson	21   Henry & Sun Borchardt	22 Wyatt Benge Bennett Dorschner	23 Deanne Gaalswyk Alan Johnson	24 Catherine Sherman  
25 Hunter Schmidtke	26 Kendra Helvig	27 James Chukuske Sr Zach Peterson	28 	29 Ellie Plumhoff	30 Rosemary Atzenhoefer Kathryn Detert Braedy Lueth Troy Schmidtke	



Sun

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			<p>Parish Office hours Monday—Thursday 9 am - 1 pm Closed Fridays</p>	<p>1  MAUNDY <i>Thursday</i> 6:30 pm @ Trinity</p>	<p>2  Good Friday Service 6:30 pm @ Trinity</p>	<p>3</p>
<p>4  7 am Trinity 7 am First Lutheran 9 am St. Peter 9 am Waverly Communion-all</p>	<p>5 Parish Office Closed</p>	<p>6 7 pm Mary Circle</p>	<p>7 4-5 pm Confirmation</p>	<p>8</p>		<p>10</p>
<p>11 8:30 am St. Peter 9 am Waverly/Comm 10:15 Sunday School 10:30 am Trinity/ Communion</p>	<p>12 9 am Men's Bible Study @ First Lutheran - Trimont</p>	<p>13 5:30 pm Parish Council meeting</p>	<p>14 4-5 pm Confirmation</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p>
<p>18 10:30 Joint Parish Worship @ Trinity</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 Articles due for May Ripples</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>
<p>25 8:30 am St. Peter 9 am Waverly 10:15 Sunday School 10:30 am Trinity Communion-all</p>	<p>26 9 am Men's Bible Study @ First Lutheran - Trimont</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28 9 am Assemble May Ripples</p>	<p>29</p>		



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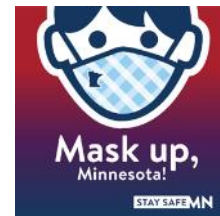
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