

Spreading the Word And Living The Love Of Jesus

**Easter Sunday
April 5 , 2026**

Prelude Christ The Lord Is Risen Today Bell Choir
 Traditional arr. Nathaniel Brown

Welcome and Announcements

We Turn Our Hearts to Worship God

***Call to Worship**

Leader: On this glorious Easter Day, we have come to celebrate the greatness of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. On this great day, we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord. My sisters and brothers, let us rejoice: Alleluia!

People: Alleluia, alleluia, Jesus is Lord of all the earth. He is the King of creation.

Leader: On this most holy of days, the One whom men had thought to destroy has risen triumphant from the tomb! My sisters and brothers, let us rejoice: Alleluia!

People: Alleluia, alleluia, Jesus has died and is risen.

Leader: On this holy day, we celebrate our New Life in the Risen Christ. Through the death of Jesus, the weight of our sin has been lifted from us. Through his glorious resurrection, we have become sons and daughters of God. My sisters and brothers, let us rejoice: Alleluia!

People: Alleluia, alleluia, come, let us praise the living God, joyfully sing to our Savior.

***Opening Hymn** “Up From The Grave He Arose” #322 (UMH)

***Opening Prayer - Unison**

God of the morning light, God of Easter miracles, open our hearts to hear once again the story of love overcoming death, of joy drowning out sorrow, of hope emerging from despair. Bring Easter to this moment. Touch us. Fill us. Amen.

***Passing of the Peace**

Special Music Strings of Faith Ukulele Group *Please see the insert to sing along*

Scripture: **Matthew 28:1-10** *Please use a Bible or a Bible App for the scripture reading.*

Leader: This is the Word of God, for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Message

Sacrament of Holy Communion *Please see insert for reading*

Hymn Of Praise “Christ The Lord Is Risen Today” #302 (UMH)

Special Music “Hope is the Thing with Feathers” Chancel Choir
 by John Kosch

Offering

The offering plates will be passed through the aisles by the ushers.

Please place your prayer cards in the plates.

If you prefer to give electronically, please visit bgtrinity.org and click the tithe.ly link.

***Doxology Hymn** “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow” #625 (HWC)

*Prayer of Dedication

Song of Prayer “In The Garden” #314 (UMH)

Prayers of the People

Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

***Closing Hymn** “Easter People Raise Your Voices” #304 (UMH)

Postlude New Voluntaries for Trumpet and Piano I Dave Jex, Trumpet
 Celebration by Dave Jex Nathaniel Brown, Piano

* indicates - please rise in body or spirit



Prayer cards are available in pews. Please place your prayer cards in the offering plate when it is passed. You may indicate on the card whether you would like it read or for the pastor's information only.

Prayer Requests & Celebrations

Congregational Concerns & Celebrations:

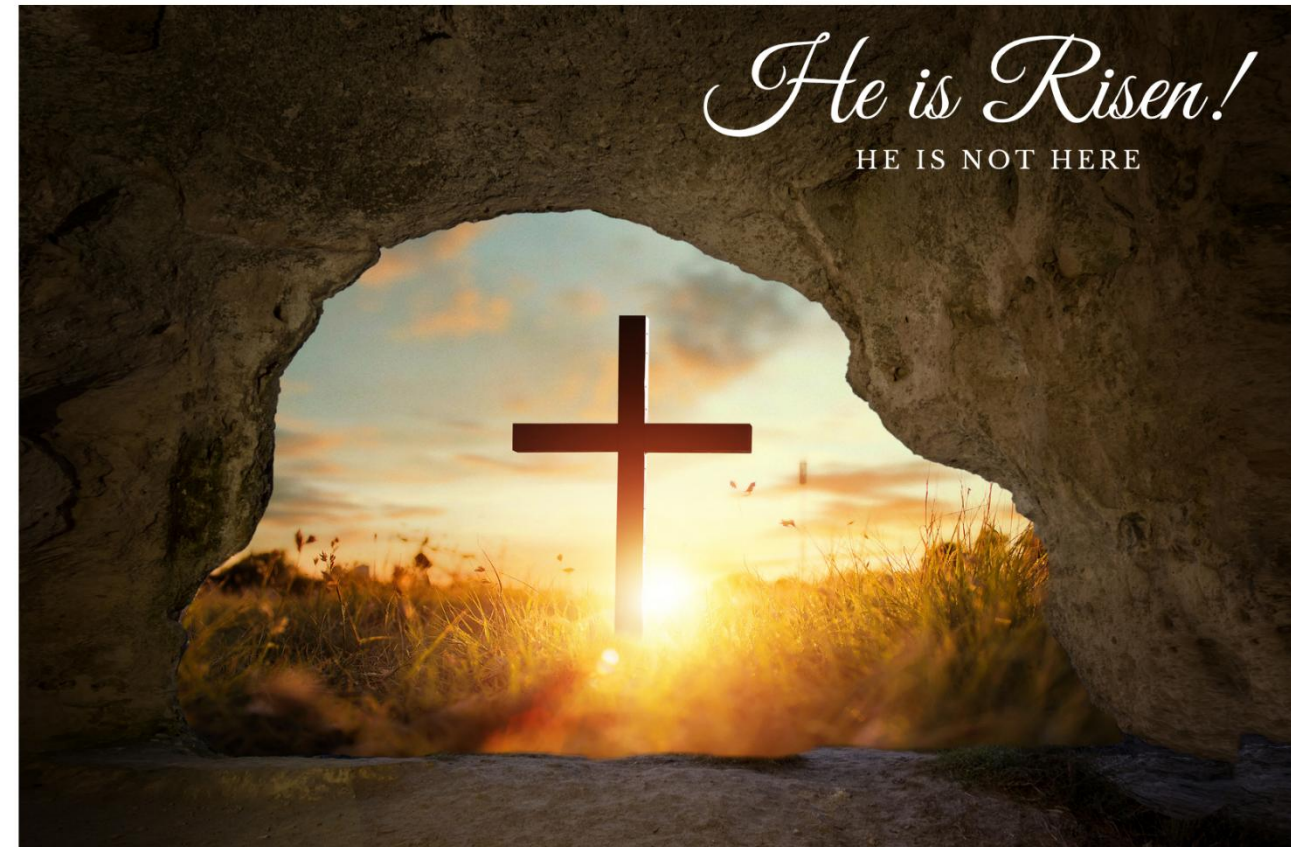
- For Linda Fite, her husband, Lloyd, recently passed away
- For Jeannie Housholder's grandson, Joshua Burchett, who is on a destroyer in the Navy and involved in the Iran conflict.
- For the health of a family member of Pastor Mary
- For continued healing for Katie Spittler's daughter, Abby, who was in an accident
- For our members who are homebound or reside in nursing care centers

World Concerns:

- For those in need in our community, country, and worldwide
- For the peace of Christ to prevail in the areas of our world where conflict persists
- For the unrest within Minneapolis.
- For our military personnel who are involved in the Iran conflict.



Welcome
TO WORSHIP



Trinity United Methodist Church
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Week of April 5-12

Sunday 04/05- Easter Sunday

Brunch 9:00am

Handbell Choir Practice 9:15am

Worship 10:00am

Choir Practice 11:15am

Monday 04/06- Office Closed

Trinity Connections at Wood Haven and Heritage

Tuesday 04/07

Wednesday 04/08

United Women of Faith 10:00 am

Strings of Faith 12:30 pm

Thursday 04/09

Sew, Knit, Crochet 1:00pm

Al-Anon 7:00pm

Friday 04/10

Scrappin' Sisters 9:00am

Saturday 04/11

Scrappin' Sisters 9:00am

Retrograde A Cappella 1:00pm

Sunday 04/12

Coffee Hour 8:45am and 11:00am

Sunday School 9:00 am

Handbell Choir Practice 9:15am

Worship 10:00am

Choir Practice 11:15am



Special Music Guests- The Winaki Trio

The Winaki Trio will be performing as special music guests during our worship service next Sunday, April 12. The Winaki Trio is made up of clarinetist Willis McClure, horn player Kirby Zinniel, and pianist Nathaniel Brown. Please enjoy the pieces they have prepared and competed with throughout the year as students at Bowling Green State University.



Handbell Extravaganza

On Sunday, April 26, St. Mark's Lutheran Church will host a Handbell Extravaganza at 3:00 pm. Admission is free. Join us for an afternoon of bell choir music from 5 choirs in the Bowling Green Ministerial Association. If you have any questions about the event, please see Nathaniel Brown.

Photography Class

Starting April 15-May 13 on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 pm-9:00 pm, Spencer Cunningham is offering a photography class here at the church. The fee for members and regular attenders is \$20, and the fee for outside community members is \$50. Registration and payment are through the church office.

Our Little Necessities Pantry Needs You!

Continued donations of non-perishable basics are needed. Every item makes a difference for someone in our community. Thank you to everyone who has and continues to support this ministry of care and compassion!

Offering made easy!

Your extravagant generosity to the church is just a click away! Consider using the QR code for tithing and offerings. You can even give to mission and special events using our “tithe-ly” link or on our website. Thank you for being so supportive as we grow in Christ’s love by sharing what God has blessed us with.



We extend our sincere thanks to everyone who helped make our Maundy Thursday gathering so meaningful and successful. Your time, generosity, and willingness to serve were a true blessing to our church community.

We are also deeply grateful to all who volunteered, donated, and prepared our Easter Brunch. Your efforts created a warm and welcoming time of fellowship that enriched our celebration of Easter Day.

We give thanks for every one of you, and for the many ways you so generously share your gifts.

*In Christ's Love,
Pastor Mary and Marie*

Ministry	April 5	April 12
Ushers	John Rutter Jerry Milnor	John Rutter Jerry Milnor
Liturgist	Marie Rittenberry	Jerry Milnor
Coffee Hour		Drew Oswald
Livestream Tech	David Avery	David Avery
Sound Tech	Doug Walter	Doug Walter
Vocalist	Britta Williams	Britta Williams
Pianist	Nathaniel Brown	Nathaniel Brown
Director of Discipleship and Outreach	Marie Rittenberry	Marie Rittenberry

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