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with Christ's love, care, and hope*



## Welcome To Worship April 21, 2024

First the vine, then the branches, and afterwards the fruit. With our Father as the Vine, we are privileged by our Baptism to be grafted in as His branches. Today, during worship, the Father will be preparing your heart so that fruit will be what you produce as your response of gratitude in the week ahead.

**Trinity Lutheran-Medford**  
**Trinity Lutheran-Chelsea**  
The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**  
**April 21, 2024**

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**Welcome, welcome!** Welcome to worship! Since this is the Lord's Day, it's a wonderful day to gather together in His presence, to hear His Word, to sing our praises to our God, and to be refreshed for the week ahead. As you worship today, God bless you and all you do for Him!

## **NOTES & EVENTS**

**DAILY READINGS: April 21:** Lev. 8: 1-13, 30-36, Luke 9: 1-17; **22:** Lev. 9: 1-24, Luke 8; 18-36; **23:** Lev. 10: 1-20, Lev. 11:1-15:33, Luke 9: 37-62; **24:** Lev. 16: 1-24, Luke 10: 1-22; **25:** Lev. 17: 1-16, Luke 10: 23-42; **26:** Lev. 18: 1-7, 20-19:8, Luke 11: 1-13; **27:** Lev. 19: 9-18, 26-37, Luke 11: 14-36

## SERVING US AT WORSHIP TODAY AND LOOKING AHEAD

**Sunday, April 21st:** Mission Sunday  
8:00am Bible Study (M)  
9:00am Joint Worship Service (M) w/ HC  
Reader:  
Acolyte: Ian Stickney  
Jr. Usher: Ian Stickney  
Ushers:  
10:15am Christian Education (M)  
1:00pm Crafting/Quilting Event (M)

**Monday, April 22nd:** 6:00pm Bible Study

**Wednesday, April 24th:** 4:00pm Catechism  
Snack: Micki Shorey  
6:30pm Worship Service (M) w/ HC

**Sunday, April 28th:** 8:00am Bible Study (M)  
9:00am Worship Service (M)  
Reader:  
Acolyte: Maddie Mcfaul  
Jr. Usher: Maddie Mcfaul  
Ushers:  
10:00am Christian Education (C)  
10:15am Christian Education (M)  
10:15am Voter's Meeting (M)  
11:00am Worship Service (C)  
12:00pm Voter's Meeting (C)

**MISSION SUNDAY:** Today, we will have a combined Mission Sunday service at the 9:00 a.m. Medford service. Our preacher and mission speaker will be Rev. Mark Moss from Lutheran Heritage Foundation. Light refreshments will be served in the Narthex between the Divine Service and mission presentation. Please give a warm Trinity welcome to Rev. Mark Moss.

**FRIEND TO FRIEND PADS:** Please sign the Friend to Friend pads each week and mark if you attend communion. Thank you.

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:** Come join us for our Christian Education today. All kids ages 3-8th grade are included. Looking ahead our Sunday School children will sing Sunday, May 19th as part of our last Sunday of Sunday School.

**ABIDING CARE ANNUAL BANQUET:** We have tickets available for the Abiding Care Annual Banquet on Thursday, April 25th beginning at 5:00pm. If interested please contact Pastor or the church office. Please see the insert for more details.

**CEMETERY CARE:** Our cemetery caretaker kindly requested that all old decorations be removed from the cemetery in preparation for the mowing season. Thank you in advance for attending to this matter.

**QUARTERLY VOTER'S MEETING:** Following our services on Sunday, April 28th our Quarterly Voter's Meeting will be held. Plan now to attend.

**BIBLE STUDY:** Trinity currently has two opportunities to study God's Word. Our first opportunity is Sunday Mornings before the Divine Service from 8:00-8:45 a.m. We meet in the Trinity Room, where our topic is the book of James: Faith in Action. Our second opportunity is on Monday evenings, except for when Elders and Council meet. This study will go 6:00-7:00 p.m. in the Trinity Room as we study the Gospel of Matthew. Come join us at either study or both as we grow together from God's Word in the fear and love of the Lord.

**CATECHISM 6-8TH GRADE:** Our Catechism Classes for grades 6-8 will continue this Wednesday. The kids will enjoy a snack before class begins. Classes end at 6:00pm.



**CRAFTING & QUILTING EVENT:** The next Crafting Event with Quilting for Missions will be held today, from 1:00—3:00pm. No experience needed. Bring your crafting project and enjoy a time of fellowship & fun.

**FOOD COLLECTION:** During the month of April, the Ladies Aid invites you to join them as they collect items of your choice for Indianhead the local food pantry.

**CHURCH LIBRARY:** Browse our Church Library. Find something you like, check it out and return when finished to the appropriate basket so it can be returned to its proper place. If you have a book or other item you may have borrowed from the library in the past, please return it so it can be accounted for.

**ELECTRONIC GIVING:** Vanco, an arm of LCEF, provides the opportunity to set up electronic giving where your offerings are automatically deducted from your bank account weekly, once or twice a month. You also choose where you want the funds used (operating, missions, debt reduction, etc.). It's easy to set up. Contact Nancy Graun and she will provide you the simple form.

**CHURCH USHERS:** We are looking for confirmed individuals (men or women) who would be willing to serve as a church usher. It is not difficult, just arrive about 30 minutes prior to the service. Please stop by the reception counter and sign-up, one week, several weeks or the entire month. Thank you in advance for your assistance.

**COUNTY MARKET GIFT CARDS AVAILABLE AT MEDFORD:** Gift cards, which function like debit cards or pre-paid gift cards are available each Sunday at the table in the narthex. For each \$25 card you purchase, Trinity receives a \$1 rebate; for each \$100 card you purchase, Trinity receives a \$4 rebate. It's a great way to support your church without any added cost to you since the cards cost their face value.

**CULVER'S GIFT CARDS AVAILABLE AT MEDFORD:** Gift cards, which function like debit cards or pre-paid gift cards are available each Sunday at the table in the narthex. For each \$25 or \$50 card you purchase, Trinity receives a 10% rebate. It's a great way to support your church without any added cost to you since the cards cost their face value.

**KWIK TRIP GIFT CARDS AVAILABLE AT MEDFORD:** Gift cards, which function like debit cards or pre-paid gift cards are available each Sunday at the table in the narthex. For each \$25, \$50 or \$100 card you purchase, Trinity receives a 5% rebate. It's a great way to support your church without any added cost to you since the cards cost their face value.

**CONGREGATIONAL OFFICERS & FINANCE COMMITTEE:** We thank all who are serving in 2024 as elected leaders of our congregation: President– Al Leonard; Vice President– Mike Thompson; Secretary– Darla Schulz; Treasurer– Sharon Graun; Elders– Mike Graun, Neal Mueller and Jim Lemke; Financial Secretary– Nancy Graun; Trustees– Ed Noland; Sunday School Superintendent– ; Head Usher– Ed Kalepp; Finance Committee– Stacy Leonard, Randy Anderson, Mike Graun, Candy Nau, Michele Patterson and Jim Lemke

**CHELSEA CONGREGATIONAL OFFICERS:** We thank all those who are serving in 2024 as elected leaders of our congregation: President– David Roder; Secretary– Betty Roder; Treasurer– Dawn Jensen; Elders- John Nelson, Rodney Goodrich and Rick Jensen; Trustees– Ryan Nelson, Shaun Roder and Adam Roder; Sunday School Superintendent– Shaun Roder

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:** Lanny Zimmerlee—Our House Senior Living in Medford; Dora Krause



## **STATS**

|                            | Medford      | Medford          | Chelsea       |
|----------------------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|
| <b>Attendance:</b>         | 4/10/2024– 8 | 4/14/2024– 83    | 4/14/2024– 18 |
| <b>Offerings Received:</b> |              | 4/10 & 4/14/2024 | 4/14/2024     |
| <b>Operating</b>           |              | \$2120.05        | \$327.00      |
| <b>Missions</b>            |              | \$192.00         | \$20.78       |
| <b>Debt Reduction</b>      |              | <u>\$25.00</u>   |               |
| <b>Total received:</b>     |              | \$2337.05        |               |
| <b>Weekly Goal:</b>        |              | \$3277.98        |               |
| <b>Difference:</b>         |              | -\$940.93        |               |

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## INTROIT

*Psalm 23; antiphon: John 10:14, 15b*

I am the good shepherd.

I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down  
my life for the sheep.

The LORD is my shepherd;

I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures.

He leads me beside still waters.

He restores my soul.

He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of  
death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me;

your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my ene-  
mies;

you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of  
my life,

and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son**

**and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning,**

**is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

I am the good shepherd.

I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down  
my life for the sheep.





## OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Genesis 12:1–3*

<sup>1</sup>Now the LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup>And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. <sup>3</sup>I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”



## EPISTLE

*Ephesians 6:11–17*

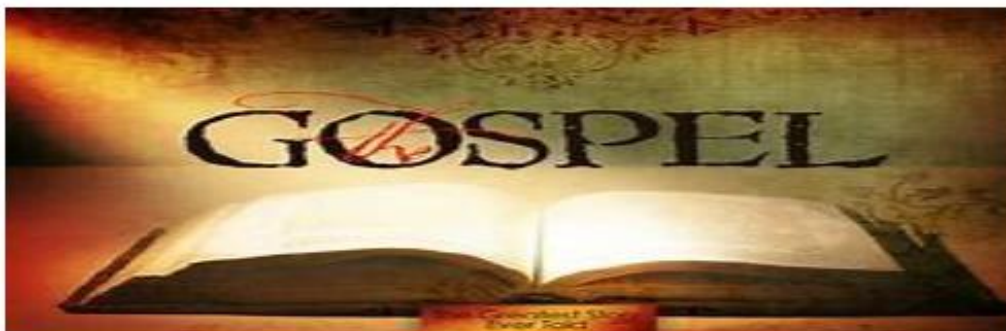
<sup>11</sup>Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. <sup>12</sup>For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. <sup>13</sup>Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. <sup>14</sup>Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, <sup>15</sup>and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. <sup>16</sup>In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; <sup>17</sup>and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.



## HOLY GOSPEL

*Matthew 28:16–20*

<sup>16</sup>Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. <sup>17</sup>And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. <sup>18</sup>And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup>Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup>teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”



## **Divine Service III**

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