

Trinity Times

A newsletter for the members and friends of Trinity Episcopal Church

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Lent - Easter - April - 2004

CELEBRATE!

Which is the most important day in the Christian Year?

- Christmas
 Easter

The correct answer is Easter. Christmas has, in many ways, been confiscated by the secular world; it's not hard to 'cutesy' up babies, angels, wise men, animals, shepherds, mangers, etc. Then, add in Santa Claus, gift-giving and you have a slam-dunk commercial success.

How can a dead man - come to life - compete?

Take the Spring festival approach? Try bunnies and eggs; they don't have the pizzazz. How about a superhero Jesus, who morphs from a guy in a white sheet into a glowing, flying doll? The commercial world just hasn't gotten a handle on how to make a lot

of money on this holiday. So, it pales in comparison to Christmas.

Nevertheless, the Church has always considered Easter as the primary celebration of our year because it is the day of resurrection ... the day Jesus defeated sin and death, the day we realize that there really is life after death. It is a day that brings us new life. So, we celebrate.

At Trinity our celebration begins with the Easter Vigil, a festival Eucharist that includes the Old Testament stories of Creation and Israel's deliverance out of bondage in Egypt, special music, many candles, a sermon by the Rev. Mary Kisner of St. Paul's, Troy (a most excellent preacher), the Eucharist itself, and all of which is followed by our Easter Bash, a party unsurpassed. We'll probably have visitors from Church of the Redeemer at the Bash.

Come celebrate with us!

Holy Week and Easter at Trinity

Maundy Thursday, April 8. Holy Eucharist and Stripping of the Altar, 7 p.m.

Good Friday, April 9. Liturgy for Good Friday, 7 p.m.

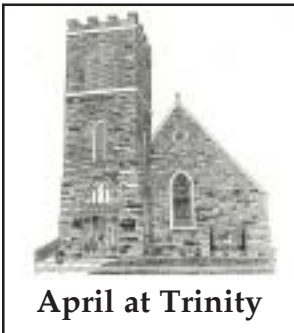
(Stations of the Cross at Redeemer at 3:05)

Holy Saturday, April 10. The Great Vigil and First Eucharist of Easter, 7 p.m.

Open House - Easter Bash at the Rectory, 8:30 p.m.

Easter Day, April 11. Holy Eucharist II at 8 and 10

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>Diocesan Prayer Cycle 4/4</i> Grace, Kingston, The Rev. Geoffrey Howson, rector; St. Peter's, Hazleton, Richard Brandreth, senior warden, The Rev. Jeffrey Funk, priest; 4/11 St. James, Dundaff William A. Bush, Jr., senior warden; Trinity and St. Philip's Church, Lansford Stella Pispcky, treasurer, The Rev. Robert Welner, priest; 4/18 Christ Church, Forest City The Rev. Stephen J. Matyiewicz, rector; St. Stephen's Pro-Cathedral, Wilkes-Barre The Rev. Canon Donald J. Muller, rector. 4/25 Christ Church, Indian Orchard, The Rev. F. Graham Cliff, rector;</p>						
<p>4 Sunday of the Passion 8:00 Holy Eucharist II 9:45 Godly Play 10:00 Holy Eucharist I 11:00 Coffee Hour</p>	5	6	7	8 Maundy Thursday 7 p.m. Holy Eucharist and Stripping of the Altar	9 Good Friday 7 p.m. Liturgy for Good Friday 3:05 Stations of the	10 Holy Saturday 7 p.m. Great Vigil and First Eucharist of Easter 8:30 p.m. Easter
<p>11 Easter Day 8:00 Holy Eucharist II 10:00 Holy Eucharist II 11:00 Coffee Hour <i>Rachel Cama</i></p>	12	13	14	15	16	17
<p>18 2nd Sunday of Easter 9:45 Godly Play 10:00 Deacon's Mass 11:00 Coffee Hour</p>	19	20	21	22	23	24 Bishop's School, All Saints, Lehighton, 10 to 3:30 Planned Giving Conversation, St.
<p>25 3rd Sunday of Easter 8:00 Holy Eucharist I Vestry Meets 9:45 Godly Play 10:00 Holy Eucharist II 11:00 Coffee Hour: <i>Vic & Carla Ross</i></p>	26 St. Mark the Evangelist	27	28	29	30	
<p><i>Anglicans Around the World 4/4</i> The Church in Jerusalem & the Middle East. The Most Rev. George Clive Handford, President Bishop 4/11 Alleluia! Christ is risen! 4/18 Church of England, The Most Rev. Rowan Williams, Archbishop of Canterbury. 4/25 Pray for Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui (The Holy Catholic Church of Hong Kong), The Most Rev. Peter Kwong, primate. <i>Diocese of Kajo Keji 4/4</i> The Romogi Archdeacony and the Congregation at Borji; 4/11 The Congregation at Kimu; 4/18 The Congregation at Lobale and Amazing Grace Orphanage, Adjumani 4/25 The Congregation at</p>						
						<p><i>Trinity Prayer Cycle 4/4</i> John & Sarah Catlin, Brittany & John Romberger; 4/11 Ned, Barbara, Alan & Doris Caum; 4/18 Joe, Stacey, Roman, Derek, Brandon & Parker</p>
						<p>3 Spring Forward!!! Daylight savings time begins tonight</p>