



Remember to hold
each other tightly in
your heart.

News Update for April 7, 2020

Dear Siblings in Christ,

This Thursday is Maundy Thursday; the day during Holy Week when we remember the events of the Last Supper. Jesus shared a meal with his disciples that Christians use as a model for what we call the Holy Sacrament of Communion or Eucharist. Jesus gave them the great mandate (that's where the word Maundy comes from) to love one another as we have been loved. He washed their feet to show love through service.

Trinity will celebrate Maundy Thursday on-line via Zoom beginning at 7pm Thursday evening April 9th. Our worship will include celebrating Communion, so you will want to make a couple of preparations for our time together. 1) Some kind of bread product. You can use whatever you have at home: sliced bread, crackers, pancakes, you name it! 2) Some kind of drink to fill the Cup of Salvation: fruit juice, sports drink etc. Remember that Jesus used what was already at hand at the table.

Here is a copy of the Zoom invitation. There will also be one on the Trinity United Methodist Church in Idaho Falls Facebook page.

Trinity United Methodist Church is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Maundy Thursday Worship

Time: Apr 9, 2020 07:00 PM America/Boise

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/986156509?pwd=MHVuUjl3dmJ3cWpOZ3J3Z3JtODV4UT09>

Meeting ID: 986 156 509

Password: 060704

Phone in

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Meeting ID: 986 156 509

Password: 060704

Blessings,

Reverend Ruth Marsh

Trinity United Methodist Church



Connector Groups

Thank you so much for the connecting work that you have been doing. My prayer life has been greatly enriched by the joys and concerns that have been shared. Keep up the good work!

The Body of Christ is healthiest when each of us is building community as you have been doing recently.



Connected Tidbits (Connector News shared with permission)

- Casey & Mary Beth Eikelberger are safely back in Idaho Falls. Thank you for keeping them in your prayers.
- Tommy & Marcia Lew are still in California but have been visited with on the zoom calls for Theology on Tap and for the Sunday morning 10:15 fellowship time.
- Thanks to Betty Anderson and Robin Stewart for making masks for the church staff and visitors.

How we are staying connected:

1. Ruth is available for telephone support Monday through Thursday, 9am to 3pm. You are welcome to call to talk with her on the phone or to make an appointment to meet in person at a safe distance.
2. The church will be closed except for our homeless ministry which will continue, with those who need showers, food, and a compassionate ear.
3. **Connector groups** have been running for a couple of weeks now. You should have heard from your connector leader.

Leaders will call, text, or email the folks in the group to make sure they are "OK," not in need of supplies, and will ask about prayer concerns.

You can also take action now by calling the people who are in your hearts and on your minds.

4. View Worship videos that will get posted on Trinity's Facebook page ([Trinity United Methodist Church in Idaho Falls](#)). If you go to Trinity's web page (www.TUMCIF.org) you can find a link to the Facebook page. Be sure to "like" and "follow" Trinity's Facebook page if you want our content to show up in your personal Facebook feed. Please call Ruth at 208-419-7870 if you have difficulties finding the videos.
5. Check Trinity's YouTube Channel for Videos of the weekly services <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCZz1YGrdRCH6HIND2LpVCgg>
6. **Theology on Tap** will be held by ZOOM on Monday evening at 7pm. The zoom meeting link will be on the Facebook page
7. Continue to support Trinity financially. You could:
 - a. deliver your regular giving personally
 - b. go to Trinity's website and give via credit card or PayPal
 - c. call the office and give via credit card
 - d. sign up for bill-pay at your bank so they can send a check
 - e. or, use US Postal Service to send a check

Please know that I am holding you and the entire Trinity community in my daily prayers.

Reverend Ruth Marsh

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You Can Help (Updated 4/7/20)

- Promise Ridge can still use more toilet paper and cleaning supplies. Put your donations in the pink bin on the front porch.
- Soup Kitchen needs: volunteers to prepare to-go meals and monetary donations.
- Idaho Falls Food Basket needs food and monetary donations.

Things You Can Do

- Go outside and walk around the block. Just maintain a physical distance of 6 feet from other people not in your household.
- Clean the garage.
- Drag out the vacuum and detail your car
- Read the garden catalogue to design your spring plantings.
- Call a friend and talk for hours.
- Call someone you haven't talked to for a long time.
- Limit your exposure to news programs.
- Bake something from one of those cooking shows.
- Sign up for an online class.

Have you done all of these yet?