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Daily 7:30 AM & 7:30 PM WOW Channel 9  
Sunday DirectTV Channel 377

**May 3, 2020 – Fourth Sunday of Easter**

Psalm 23; 1 Peter 2:19-25; John 10:1-4, 10-11

“The Shepherd and His Sheep” - Sermon Text: John 10:1-4, 10-11 - Rev. Dr. Walter Maier III

**May 10, 2020 – Fifth Sunday of Easter**

Psalm 146; 1 Peter 2:2-10; John 14:1-14

“The One Person” - Sermon Text: John 14:2-3 - Rev. Thomas Eggold

**May 17, 2020 – Sixth Sunday of Easter**

Psalm 119:89-93, 105; 1 Peter 3:13-22; John 14:15-21

“Another Helper” - Sermon Text: John 14:16 - Rev. Shayne Jonker

**May 24, 2020 – Seventh Sunday of Easter/The Ascension of our Lord Observed**

Psalm 47; Acts 1:1-11; Luke 24:44-53

“With Great Joy” - Sermon Text: Luke 24:44-53 - Rev. Paul Shoemaker

**May 31, 2020 – The Day of Pentecost**

Psalm 25; Acts 2:1-21; John 7:37-39

“Hear Love’s Language” - Sermon Text: Acts 2:1-21 - Rev. William Mueller

**GRADUATES**

It is time to recognize our graduates. If you or someone you know is graduating, please let the office know. Thanks!

During the month of April, the following people were in the hospital, had surgery, recovering at home or our shut-ins – **RON KORFF, ED MCCOY, MEVELYN FEAGLEY, DORIS TURPIN, VIVIAN RUFF, CLYDE BRODERHAUSEN, HELEN MARIE WORTMANN, IVAN WORTMANN, MARTY KOCH, GAYLE O’RISKY, DONNA SENSMEIER, NEAL WATHEN, NINA THURMAN, GIL KAHRE, PAUL SCHNUTE, MARGARET CHEANEY, LOIS KAHRE, ROBERT KRON, and WANDA KAHRE.**

**CHURCH ATTENDANCE**  
(PARKING LOT)

Sunday, April 12....EASTER.....61  
Sunday, April 19.....48  
Sunday, April 26.....48

# **WHAT’S COMING UP**

**NEWSLETTER ITEMS:** If you have an item for the monthly newsletter it must be in no later than the 20<sup>th</sup> of every month! Nothing will be accepted after business hours on the 20<sup>th</sup>. You can also submit items by emailing them to: [trisha@tldarm.org](mailto:trisha@tldarm.org)

**SUNDAY SCHOOL AND BIBLE CLASS:** Join us on-line at [trinitydarmstadt.org/education](http://trinitydarmstadt.org/education). This month’s topics include “How Christianity Changed the World: Impact on Education, Connections to Science, and Abolition of Slavery.”

**SPECIAL VOTERS MEETING:** A special voters meeting will be held in the parking lot after church on May 3. The only topic on the agenda is to vote on a Legacy Fund Allocation Request to disburse funds from the Maintenance category to purchase and install a new HVAC system for the church. As our church constitution does not allow proxy voting, please try to attend so that we may have a quorum.

**SECURITY TRAINING:** Our congregation will be hosting a church security workshop on **Friday and Saturday, AUGUST 7 & 8**, led by *Strategos International*. As violence, tragedies, and medical emergencies in this fallen world continue to rise in our churches across the country, this workshop will help leaders develop a security plan for their church and train ushers and deacons for service. More information is on our website at [trinitydarmstadt.org/service](http://trinitydarmstadt.org/service). Contact **KEITH KAHRE** at 812-760-6113 to register.

**WORSHIP SERVICES:** Because of the corona virus, we have temporarily suspended our indoor, public worship services; however, under the governor's stay-at-home orders, religious gatherings are still deemed essential operations as long as they adhere to the CDC's guidance for social gatherings. Therefore, we will offer a Sunday drive-in service at 9:30 AM where members may remain in their cars in the parking lot and hear the service broadcast with our public address system or on the radio at FM 88.7. Paper copies of the service and hymns will be distributed, offerings will be collected, and Holy Communion will be offered to those desiring to receive the Sacrament in their car, following safe hygiene practices.

You may also worship at home using the on-line resources on our website at [trinitydarmstadt.org/worship-service](http://trinitydarmstadt.org/worship-service). Daily devotionals are available at [trinitydarmstadt.org/daily-devotions](http://trinitydarmstadt.org/daily-devotions). Synodical resources are available at [lcms.org/coronavirus](http://lcms.org/coronavirus).

For those who are not on-line, hard copies of the Sunday bulletin, sermon, and announcements are also being mailed to homes. Please call Pastor Temme if you would like to be added to the weekly mailing list. *Worship Anew* can be seen at 9:00 AM Sunday WEVV-TV Fox 44.2, Daily 7:30 AM & 7:30 PM WOW Channel 9, Sunday DirectTV Channel 377.

Please remain a good steward by mailing your offering to church in your offering envelope.

Please call Pastor Temme at 812-470-5007 or Pastor Knea at 920-285-9719 for any emergencies or for prayer and counsel.

## PRESCHOOL

Trinity Lutheran Preschool is enrolling for the 2020-2021 school year. If you know anyone looking for a preschool, please give them our information. All families that enroll before **June 1, 2020** will receive a \$75 tuition credit.



## “CHEERS & TEARS”

Cheers to **IVAN WORTMANN**, who celebrated his 93<sup>rd</sup> birthday on April 28<sup>th</sup>.

Cheers to **JERRY & ELLJEAN NICHOLS**, who celebrated their 56<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on April 18<sup>th</sup>.



Tears to the Family and Friends of:

**WALTER SOMERS** – who died on April 15<sup>th</sup>

## THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone for the cards & prayers and especially the visits from Pastor Temme during my recent surgery. **LINDA SUE KORFF**

We thank all those who are helping to continue our worship services during these changing times. We thank **PASTOR KNEA** for setting up our online video system and for making the radio transmitter for our parking lot services. We thank **SARA & JOSH KNEA** for video recording our services. We thank **KEVIN ELLERBUSCH** for playing organ and piano for both our recorded indoor and outdoor services. We thank **BOB & VALERIE EBERHART** for decorating the sanctuary for the Easter season. We thank **ALAN LETTERMAN** for building and installing a new sound and video cabinet in the sanctuary and for **TRISHA LETTERMAN** managing the office. We thank our congregation for remaining faithful in their offerings.

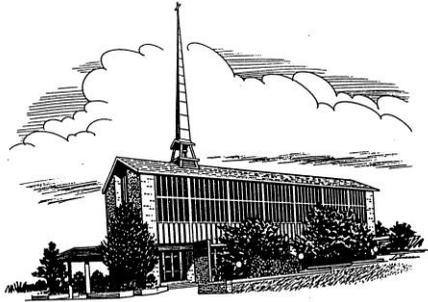
The Family of Walt Somers would like to thank Pastor Temme and the congregation for remembering Dad over the years with visits and cards. Dad always enjoyed the visits with Pastor. Also thanks to Pastor Temme for the comforting funeral service and to the congregation for the thought, cards and prayers at his passing.

**THE FAMILY OF WALT SOMERS**

# TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

## DARMSTADT

### NEWSLETTER



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#### Give Us Today Our Daily Bread

Grace and peace to you from our Lord Jesus Christ, especially in this time of isolation and anxiety caused by the corona virus.

In Exodus chapter 16, God's people, Israel, found themselves in a similar position that we find ourselves today. They had been in bondage in Egypt, but by God's miraculous deliverance through the ten plagues and his servant, Moses, they were free from slavery. But now they were alone in the desert with nothing to eat. They remembered how in Egypt they sat by pots of meat and ate bread to the full. Their provision, which they thought had come through the Egyptian gods, had been stripped away. They worried about where their daily bread would come from now. And with this worry came stress and anxiety and finally grumbling. Grumbling against God and his deliverer, Moses.

In the past few years, our country has been rolling along pretty smoothly. The economy has been growing, jobs are plentiful, and stocks are up. Our health care and technology have continued to extend life into old age. But suddenly, with the advent of COVID-19, those things we have trusted to provide for our needs are being stripped away. We have lost jobs and income. Our investments are plummeting. There have been shortages at the grocery store. Our medical professionals are up against a new killer that plagues our land, with death tolls rising. We worry about our daily bread and with that worry comes stress and anxiety and finally grumbling about our plight. Many of us feel alone and isolated. To whom shall we turn for help?

The Lord heard the grumbling of the Israelites for bread, but not to worry. He already had a plan in place to feed them. Actually, God had been giving daily bread to the pagan Egyptians

and His people while they dwelled in Egypt, even to evil Pharaoh, though they did not realize it. Now, God would provide for his people in a miraculous way. In the morning He would rain down bread from heaven, called manna, and in the evening He would provide quail for meat. Each day God provided enough food for one day. Some people hoarded the manna like toilet paper, but it spoiled by the next day and stank. The people learned to trust God for literally their DAILY bread.

We need to realize the same thing as the Israelites. Even in this time alone in the wilderness, God has a plan to provide daily bread for us and all people. He just wants us to realize that it all comes from Him and to thank Him for it. In the Fourth Petition of the Lord's Prayer, we pray, "Give us this day our daily bread." According to our catechism, *What does this mean?* "God certainly gives daily bread to everyone without our prayers, even to all evil people, but we pray in this petition that God would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving."

*What is meant by daily bread?* "Daily bread includes everything that has to do with the support and needs of the body, such as food, drink, clothing, shoes, house, home, land, animals, money, goods, a devout husband or wife, devout children, devout workers, devout and faithful rulers, good government, good weather, peace, health, self-control, good reputation, good friends, faithful neighbors, and the like."

Notice how in this time of crisis, God is still providing our daily bread in and through these things. We still have stores, banks, businesses, and devout employers and workers through which to receive our food, drink, clothing, shoes, money, and goods. We still have devout family members, good friends, and faithful neighbors who love us, serve us, and help us in time of need. We have faithful rulers and good government who continue to serve our welfare. We have first responders, hospitals, and health care professionals who see to our health. Now God does not want us to trust in these things or idolize them as gods above Him. But He does want us to recognize these things as our daily bread which come from Him and to thank Him for them. Indeed, we have so much to thank Him for! And so, in good times and in trying times, we continue to pray, "Give us this day our daily bread."

Let us pray.

Lord God, Heavenly Father, you indeed provide our daily bread, everything we need to support this body and life, each and every day. We give you thanks, especially in this time of national crisis, for providing us with food and shelter, electrical power and light, devout family and faithful neighbors, caring employers and honest workers. Grant our national and local governments wisdom and discernment to guard our welfare and provide relief for those who have lost jobs and income. Guard and protect our first responders, doctors and nurses, and all health care professionals as they serve to keep us safe and well in health. Bring our nation to repentance for all our sins and turn us again to faith in you. Grant our petitions and receive our thanks for every blessing you provide through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Lord be with you always, Pastor Temme