

Lent 2008
Holy Trinity UMC

Throughout Lent, Holy Trinity continues to be a “church at rest.” Wherever possible, committee meetings will be suspended and people will be encouraged to participate in a Wednesday evening time of *Soup and Scripture* from 6:30 – 8:00 each Wednesday throughout Lent. A light supper will be served and there will be time for prayer and reflection on scripture. Everyone is welcome to join this time of spiritual renewal.

The Worship Theme for Lent is *People Touched by Jesus*.

March 2 **Fourth Sunday of Lent**
One Great Hour of Sharing - Service of Word and Table
Using the lectionary reading from John 9: 1 – 41, the man born blind will tell his story. Rev. Susan’s Communion Meditation will ponder the question “Eyesight or Insight?”

March 9 **Fifth Sunday of Lent**
John 11: 1 – 44 provides the text for the raising of Lazarus. Psalm 130 is the psalm for this Sunday of Lent. Rev. Sharon Dunbar-Link will be the guest preacher.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

March 16 **Palm/Passion Sunday – Reception of New Members**
This Sunday’s worship will begin with the celebration of Palm Sunday and conclude with a Dramatic Reading of the Passion Story. The Cherubs will sing and there will be music from the Jr. Bells & Chimes.

March 20 **Holy Thursday** - A 7:00 PM service of scripture, hymns and Holy Communion will be held to honor the Last Supper and Jesus’ final hours. The Confirmation Class will participate in this Holy Thursday service. The Christ Candle will be extinguished and silence will be observed at the conclusion of the service.

March 21 **Good Friday** – 6:30 AM - Meet in church parking lot to walk Stations of the Cross followed by breakfast. Noon Ecumenical Good Friday Service at First Church Congregational, 41 Centre Street.

March 23 **Easter Celebration** - Our all church family service will celebrate the resurrection. The gospel will be read from John 20: 1 – 18. The Sunday School will sing “Above All” and there will be music from the Jr. Bells, the Jr. and Senior Choirs.

THE EASTER SEASON

March 30 **50th Anniversary Celebration at Holy Trinity**
Bishop Peter Weaver will be our guest preacher. Our District Superintendent, Jan Davis, and former pastors will participate in this service of celebration. Charles Turner is composing a new festival anthem for combined Senior, Junior and Senior Bell Choirs. A high tea will follow worship.