

**April Birthdays and Anniversaries** (Please pray for them on their special day.)

- April 1 Eevie Hilyard  
3 Brandon Maki, Ann Musgrove, Deidre Teikari  
4 Dawson Laitinen  
5 Kennedie Trevillian  
7 Ruth Carlson, Cheryl Quick  
8 Steve Smith, Lillian Wilcox, David & Sue Paternoster  
10 Mary Slagle, Sierra Tatangelo  
12 Bonnie Fortier, Stacy Summerfield, Macy Trulock  
14 Iris Machus, Triston Trevillian  
15 Alex Herman  
16 Colleen Driscoll, Victoria Sorensen  
17 Devon Daugherty, Sharon Ducat  
18 Baylee Koski  
19 Shannon Barnes, Jolin Honkala, Dominic Tatangelo,  
Vance Uhazie, John & Maria Hyrkas  
20 Ossie Weinert  
21 Michael Richards, Ellie Swanson  
25 Anneli Ahola  
26 Marvin Harry  
28 Tim & Renee Swanson  
29 Bud DeLano, Alena Herman

Many thanks to the kind and generous person who bought and set up the palms for Palm Sunday! They are beautiful reminders of days gone by...



**Hospitalized since our last issue:** Donna Bailey

**Our condolences** to the family of Jack Nord, who died March 21.

**Our condolences** to Denise DeLano & family. Denise's father Leo Chapdelaine died March 21.

Graveside service for **Mark Shemanski**, April 10, 11:00 a.m., Calvary Cemetery, Wautoma, WI.

**Committee Information**

**Engaged Ministry Team**, Tuesday, April 6, 6:30 p.m., ZOOM

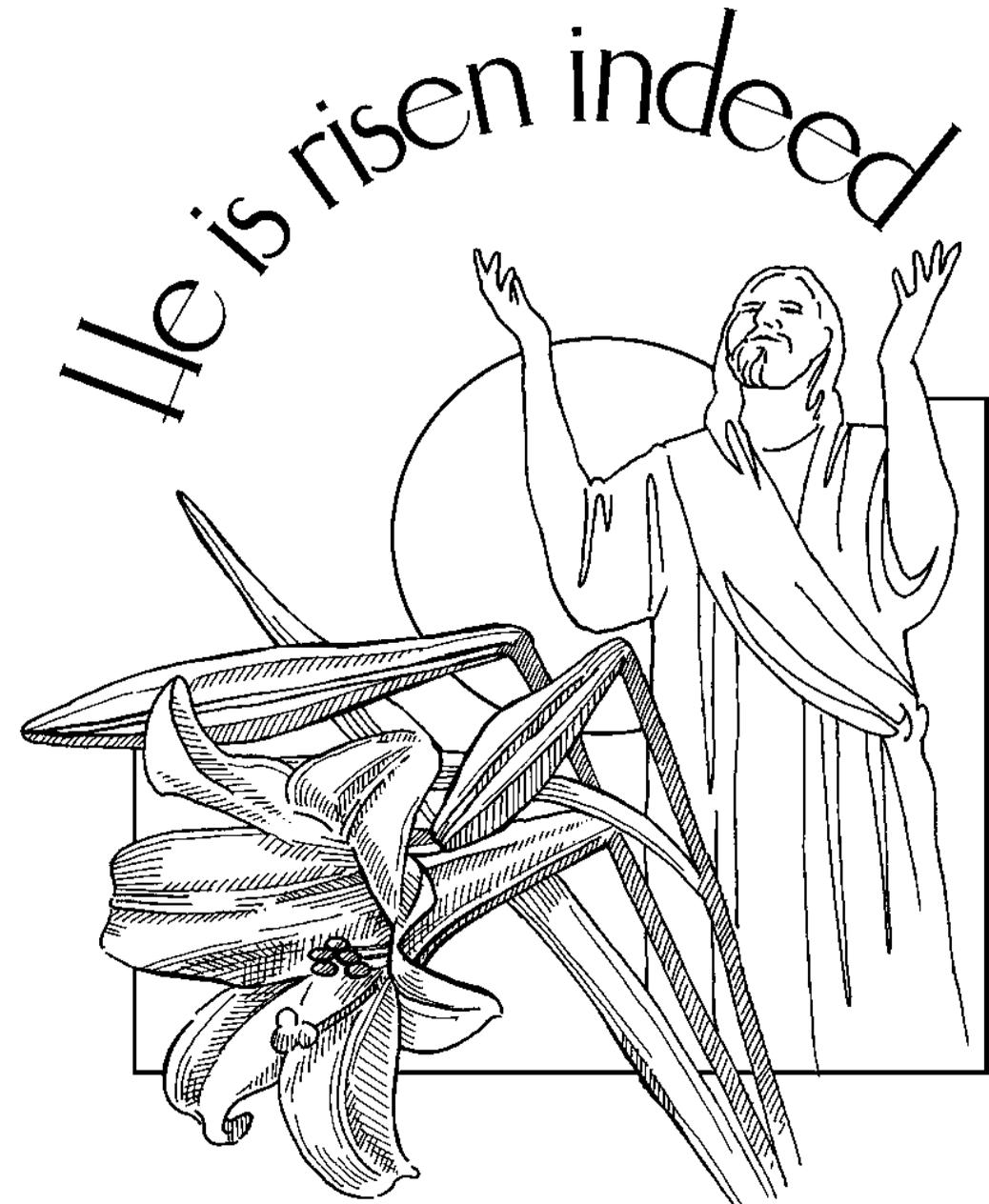
**Finance Committee**, Thursday, April 8, 6:30 p.m., ZOOM

**Church Council**, Monday, April 19, 6:30 p.m., ZOOM

**Facebook Live Worship on Sundays at 10:30. Go to**  
<https://www.facebook.com/imtrinityumc>



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## Easter Prayer Poem "New Life"

As the womb of nature opens  
to birth new life,  
we celebrate your regenerative  
energy, life-giving God.  
That which lay dormant is  
resurrected; that which appeared  
dead is now alive.  
As buds cannot resist the sun's power  
the power of your Son's love  
is irresistible to all who feel its embrace.



As we journey through Easter, holy God,  
may we be open to rebirth in our lives;  
to the river of blessings that will flow anew;  
to the growth that will be manifested  
through our prayer lives;  
to the fruit that will spring forth  
from our expanding love.  
We sing your praises  
for the rejuvenation of our being. Amen.

Prayer/Poem © Bishop LaTrelle Miller Easterling.  
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## Easter Worship 2021

Praise God, we have  
survived more than a  
year of this pandemic.  
With more and more  
vaccines being  
administered, Trinity  
UMC looks forward to  
welcoming you back to  
Sunday worship. Once  
you feel safe, know that  
the doors are open, the  
smiles are real, the joy  
is profound when the  
people of God gather  
together. There is  
plenty of room and  
**ALL ARE  
WELCOME!**

*Our Easter Morning Worship will continue to give thanks for the Streams of Living Water that God provides and has provided and continues to provide.*

*As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end.*

*The Season of Easter itself will continue for eight weeks into the month of May. During that time, we will consider the New life that Jesus offers us, through the Cross, through the season of Spring, through the movement of love in our lives, through music.*

*Yes, we are still in a time of limited singing, but we mustn't forget that the Scriptures encourage us to 'Sing to the Lord a new song...Sing God's praise in the assembly of the faithful.' Psalm 149:1 Restrictions will be respected, but at the same time, the Trinity faithful will find a variety of beautiful ways to sing to the Lord that New song which comes with the open-hearted joy Jesus offers us. Praise be to Jesus, our Risen Savior!*

**Our Engaged Ministry Team's Mission of the Month for April is the Alpha Omega House** on Brown Street in Iron Mountain. The house is zoned for eight residents and was opened in 2013 as an extension of the jail ministry.

During their stay, the men are offered assistance in finding employment, housing, transportation, substance abuse, and mental health services.

Alpha Omega House is a community outreach under Catholic Social Services of the Upper Peninsula. Donations fund most of the home's budget, and the center is run almost exclusively by volunteers.

The mission of Alpha Omega House is to provide a safe housing environment based on mutual dignity and respect, promote well-being, and encourage positive social contribution through faith. The facility serves our community by providing a sober living environment for men transitioning from addiction to sobriety.

Please give to our April Mission of the Month.

**There's a couple in our church who need a ride to church and back home again.** They live on Westwood Ave. in Kingsford and could help with gas money. Please contact the office if you are willing to consider this generous use of your time and vehicle. Many thanks.



**Tech Update News from Dean Laitinen**—We have some exciting new developments at Trinity on the technology front! We have switched our service provider to Spectrum, creating a larger "pipeline" for our internet, and we have had a tech specialist from UES Technologies come in and install two new WiFi access points and a "cloud key controller" in the building.

These moves have created a much more versatile and higher quality ability at Trinity to support the online streaming of services on Facebook Live, allow for strong quality online ZOOM meeting participation, and greatly strengthened WiFi access in general for educational and worship support.

Also, the overflow room computer station is now a full functioning spot for putting Sunday service video and audio online. Please join me in thanking Jeremiah Garrigues-Cortelyou for his strong knowledge and his awesome help in making these things a reality, and in celebrating these new capabilities for getting the Word of God out there! We are looking for folks to help run the show on Sundays and glad to answer any questions at any time.