

Trinity's Weekly Connection

Today at Trinity: Sunday, January 13, 2019

Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN) guests arrive
Traditional Worship Services, 8 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.
Rejoice Worship Service, 9:15 a.m.
 Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.
 Youth Choir Rehearsal, 10:30 a.m.
 Mission Trip Meeting, noon
 Lectio Divina Group, noon
 Stephen Ministry Peer Support Meeting, 12:30 p.m.
 Middle School Youth Group, 2 p.m.
 Confirmation Class, 3 p.m.
 Same Sex Marriage Supper & Forum, 5 p.m.
 High School Youth Group, 7 p.m.

Worship Notes

Welcome! We're pleased you joined us in worship today. First-time visitors, long-time members – all are welcome!

Are You Visiting Today? Help us welcome you by introducing yourself to one of our pastors. Please also consider filling out a Trinity "Let's Connect" card that you can place in the offering plate or hand to an usher or pastor.

Communion: All are welcome to participate in Holy Communion at Trinity Lutheran Church. Cups on the inner ring of the trays are filled with white grape juice; cups on the outer rings are filled with red wine. Gluten-free wafers are available in the narthex, and at the Information Center in The Courtyard. Those who wish to receive by the common cup are invited to receive the sacrament from the assisting minister offering the chalice on the right side of the congregation's seating.

Nametags Help Us Connect: Please fill out a nametag today. It is good to be together in worship!

Members in Our Prayers

We pray for Trinity members Dan Babin, Lisa Barkema, Kelli Basher, George and Julia Bauer, Fran Bolthuis, Amy Bonjour, Flo Bouwman, Dixie Brinks, Joanne Brouse, Bob Carlson, Bob Carwell, Kate Christenson, Joanna Czaban, Kim and Mike Danielski, Jack and Donna Danielson, Ally DeStefano, Beth Engstrom, Pastor Donna Erickson, Kristi Flatt, Elias Frezghi, Phyllis Gehl, Diane Gohlke, Griewahn family, Mark Hahn, Ian Hall, Joan Hansen, Jerry Hendricks, Jean Hollebeck, Callan Hughes, Ashlie Johnson, Hulda Johnson, Karen Johnson, Mary Johnson, Bob Karman, Jim Kubicek, Kaitlyn Landon, Lloyd Landon, Larson family, Bob Luders, Carolyn McCready, Marilyn Mellema, Nan Pederson, Louise Pfau, Midge Reges, Jacqueline Riegling, Ethan and Caleb Ruble, Ralph Schenk, Sam Schewe, Bruce Schlanderer, Chris Schomberg, Ilene Seadal, Jim Searfoss, Esther Sellman, Shannon Family, Michael Smith, Lauren Sytsma, Linda Taffs, Shirley Tedford, Jeremiah (JD) Thamban, Ronnie VanderVen, John Walls, Pastor Bob Wendelin, Erma Wilcox, Peyton Wollen, and Kathryn Zielinski.

We additionally lift up in our prayers this morning the pastor and people of Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church in Alpena, partners with us in mission and ministry in the North/West Lower Michigan Synod, ELCA.

This Week's Calendar Highlights

Monday, January 14

Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN) guests on site
 Messenger Submissions Due
 Congregation Council Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
 Schubert Male Chorus Rehearsal, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, January 15

Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN) guests on site
 Women's Bible Study, 9:15 a.m.
 Arts Committee Meeting, 5 p.m.
 Al-Anon Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 16

Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN) guests on site
 Pastor Bob's Quest for the Historical Jesus, 10:30 a.m.
 Alleluia Ringers, 6 p.m.
 Combined Children's Choir in Sanctuary, 6:30 p.m.
 Pastor Bob's Quest for the Historical Jesus, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, January 17

Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN) guests on site
 Ladies Bridge, 1 p.m.
 Dégagé (Coates Team), 5:45 p.m.
 Resound Bell Choir, 6 p.m.
 Band Rehearsal, 6:30 p.m.
 Children's Ministry Committee Meeting, 7 p.m.
 Trinity Choir, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, January 18

Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN) guests on site
 Dinner Group Weekend
 Women's Bible Study, 9:30 a.m.
 Dégagé (Lundgren Team), 5:45 p.m.

Saturday, January 19

Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN) guests on site
 Dinner Group Weekend
 Men's Breakfast, 8 a.m.
 High/Middle School Tubing & Sledding, 5 p.m.

Sunday, January 20

Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN) guests leaving
 Dinner Group Weekend
Traditional Worship Services, 8 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.
Rejoice Worship Service, 9:15 a.m.
 Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.
 Youth Choir Rehearsal, 10:30 a.m.
 Lectio Divina Group, noon
All Congregation Potluck and Annual Meeting, noon
 Confirmation Class, 3 p.m.

Help Pack 20,000 Meals!

Kids Coalition Against Hunger meal-packing is scheduled January 27 in The Courtyard. We need many helping hands! Strong backs are needed to unload the trucks immediately following the Rejoice worship service. Meal packing will be from 11a.m. to 1 p.m. Tear down and clean up will follow. Childcare and light refreshments will be available – follow the link in the Friday eBlast to sign up.

Lessons for Next Sunday, January 20

Isaiah 62:1-5
 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Psalms 36:5-10
 John 2:1-11

IHN Families arriving at Trinity TODAY

We will be hosting several homeless families for a week at Trinity beginning today through Sunday, January 20. There are many ways to volunteer with Interfaith Hospitality Network such as preparing a meal, staying overnight, providing activities and/or helping with set-up or tear-down. Sign up to volunteer using the link in our Friday eBlasts to SignUpGenius. If you would like more details about volunteer roles, please contact Director of Discipleship Sylvia Stouten at sylvia.stouten@tlcgr.org or at 616.949.2510 x121.

Habitat for Humanity Volunteer Opportunity



Habitat for Humanity of Kent County is offering a special volunteer opportunity which is targeted to local Thrivent Financial members but open to all others in the faith community. The day reserved is Saturday, January 19 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Volunteers will help a local family in need by framing a house INDOORS, in Habitat's new wall panel factory. If you're interested in volunteering, either on your own or as a group from our congregation, email Mark at mhand@habitatkent.org for more information.

A Clean Start in the New Year



Throughout January and February, we are collecting cleaning supplies for distribution to area agencies. Suggested items include: a laundry basket or cleaning bucket, dish detergent, all-purpose spray cleaner, glass cleaner, disinfectant wipes, toilet bowl cleaner, laundry detergent, and fabric softener sheets. Please drop off your donations in the labeled black barrels found in the narthex and in The Courtyard. Thank you!

Training Workshop for IHN Volunteers on January 19

Family Promise will be hosting their annual training for IHN volunteers at Cornerstone Church on Saturday, January 19 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cornerstone Church is located at 48 Lafayette Ave SE in Grand Rapids. You won't want to miss this time of learning and connecting with a keynote speaker, breakout sessions and more. Please RSVP to Cassidy Dykstra at cassidydfamilypromisegr.org.

All-Congregation Potluck and Annual Meeting next Sunday!



The people of Trinity Lutheran Church will gather to share an All-Congregation Potluck Luncheon and attend the Annual Meeting of the Congregation next Sunday, January 20. First, we meet in The Courtyard to share a delicious meal immediately following the conclusion of the 10:45 a.m. worship service. The Annual Meeting follows our shared meal.

Copies of the 2018 Annual Report are available now in the narthex and at the Information Station in the Courtyard. Mark your calendar and plan now to be with us for the Annual Meeting of the Congregation next Sunday. All voting members are urged to be present.

For the potluck, see the sign up link in our Friday eBlast or call the church office at 616.949.2510.

Trivia Night at Trinity

Sign up for Trivia Night on the big poster board in The Courtyard! There will be fun for everyone on Saturday, February 2, beginning at 5:30 p.m. It will be a rousing night of team competition, prizes, food, and fun. Trivia is appropriate for ages 12 to 112; kids aged 4 to 11 will have pizza and watch movies; and nursery for the little ones under age 4 will be available if requested. Plan to bring a favorite appetizer or dessert to share. Contact Director of Discipleship Sylvia Stouten for more information.

Worship Participants

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Robert Linstrom, Senior Pastor
Rev. Dan Schewe, Associate Pastor
Rev. Karen Niemeyer, Assisting Pastor

Music Staff

Larry Biser, Director of Music & Organist
Sid Hoeksema, Director of Trinity Choir
Diane Biser, Director of Children's Choirs

Traditional Services

Cantor:

10:45 a.m.: Debora DeWitt

Bread Baker: Kris Fox, Dawn Brackmann

Sacristans

8 a.m.: Fred & Kathy Wilcox

10:45 a.m.: John & Elizabeth Derbin

Communion Assistants

8 a.m.: Gloria Von der Heide, Dale Barkema

10:45 a.m.: Mitchell Noland, Jamie Norris

Lectors

8 a.m.: Dale Barkema

10:45 a.m.: Kris Racek

Greeters

8 a.m.: Dave & Sue Wait

10:45 a.m.: Steve Cairns

Ushers

8 a.m.: Gordy Engstrom, Gary Hall

10:45 a.m.: Don Kishman, Wayne Snyder,
Jamie Norris, Alan Sellman

Rejoice Service at 9:15 a.m.

Band: Beyond Belief

Sound Board Operator: Brooks Alder

ProPresenter Operator: Ryan McNally

Bread Baker: Kris Fox, Dawn Brackmann

Sacristans:

Kim Hysell, Deb Rohde, Mitch Scholten

Communion Assistants:

Lisa Mead, Jim Miller

Lector:

Bonnie Brandstadt

Greeters:

Carol Butler

Ushers:

Nathan Peters

"Life Begins at 60" at Zeytin

Plans are in the making to gather at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 7, at Ada's Zeytin Restaurant. If you are 60 years or older, come and enjoy the evening with us. The good news is that there is NO LIMIT on the number of guests Zeytin can accommodate. Contact Jan Jacobson at 616.957.1962 or janice1546@att.net to make your reservation.

For the Record:

Thank you for supporting Trinity's ministry. The total offering for Sunday, January 6, was \$22,152.81. Sunday worship attendance was 440.

YTD through 01/06/2019 Budgeted	\$ 1,013,716
YTD through 01/06/2019 Actual	\$ 1,018,893
YTD Variance	\$ 5,177
YTD % Variance	0.5%