

Trinity's Weekly Connection

Today at Trinity: Sunday, February 24, 2019

Traditional Worship Services, 8 a.m. & 10:45 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 (in the Library)
 Confirmation Class – Local Service, 3 p.m.
 High School Youth Group, 6:30 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!

Baptism: Today at 10:45 a.m. we welcome Iris Harper Peterman into the Body of Christ by the waters of Holy Baptism. Iris' parents are Anna and Josh Peterman, and she is little sister to Ruby Peterman. Her sponsors are Michael and Rebecca Peterman.

Worship Flowers: Today's Sanctuary flowers are given by Dave and Kathy Young and family in loving memory of Kelly Beld.

Members in Our Prayers

We pray for Trinity members Nancy Anderson, Dan Babin, Lisa Barkema, Kelli Basher, George and Julia Bauer, Ken Block, Fran Bolthuis, Amy Bonjour, Flo Bouwman, Dixie Brinks, Joanne & Dana Brouse, Bob Carlson, Bob Carwell, Kate Christenson, Joanna Czaban, Kim and Mike Danielski, Jack and Donna Danielson, Ally DeStefano, Beth Engstrom, Kristi Flatt, Elias Frezghi, Phyllis Gehl, Diane Gohlke, Griewahn family, Mark Hahn, Gary Hall, Ian Hall, Joan Hansen, Jerry Hendricks, Hoff family, Jean Hollebeck, Callan Hughes, Ashlie Johnson, Hulda Johnson, Karen Johnson, Mary Johnson, Bob Karman, Jim Kubicek, Susan Kwast, Kaitlyn Landon, Lloyd Landon, Larson family, Pastor Bob Linstrom, Bob & Cathy 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, Alan Sellman, Shannon Family, Michael Smith, Lauren Sytsma, Linda Taffs, Shirley Tedford, Jeremiah (JD) Thamban, Ronnie VanderVen, John Walls, Erma Wilcox, Peyton Wollen, and Kathryn Zielinski.

This Week's Calendar Highlights

Monday, February 25

Art Class, 5 p.m.
 Stephen Ministry Peer Support, 6 p.m.
 Band Rehearsal, 6:30 p.m.
 Schubert Male Chorus Rehearsal, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, February 26

Council on Aging, 8 a.m.
 Women's Bible Study, 9:15 a.m.
 Hospitality Committee Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
 Book Club, 7 p.m.
 Al-Anon Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 27

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, February 28

Art Class, 5 p.m.
 Resound Bell Choir, 6 p.m.
 Trinity Choir, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, March 1

Women's Bible Study, 9:30 a.m.
 Al-Anon Speaker Meeting, 7 p.m.
 Celebration of Music Concert Series; Bach's St. Matthew Passion, Basilica of St. Adalbert, 7 p.m.

Saturday, March 2

Pre/postnatal Yoga Class, 9 a.m.

Sunday, March 3

Traditional Worship Services, 8 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.
Rejoice Worship Service, 9:15 a.m.
 High School Bible Study, 9:15 a.m.
 Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.
 Youth Choir Rehearsal, 10:30 a.m.
 Lectio Divina Group, noon (in the Library)
 Lutheran World Relief Quilting, noon
 Fifth Grade Communion Class, 2 p.m.
 Middle School Youth Group, 2 p.m.
 Confirmation Class, 3 p.m.
 High School Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.

Cleaning Supplies Appeal Concludes

We are wrapping up our collection of cleaning supplies for distribution to area agencies. Please drop off your donations in the labeled black barrels found in the narthex and in The Courtyard.

ELCA Parish in Our Prayers

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

Lessons for Next Sunday, March 3

Exodus 34:29-35
 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

Psalms 99
 Luke 9:28-36 [37-43a]

Trinity Blood Drive – give the gift of life on Monday, March 4



Please consider giving the gift of life by participating in our blood drive on Monday, March 4, from 12:30 to 6:30 p.m. in The Courtyard. Please contact Sue Babin at smbabin@yahoo.com or 267.218.5967 to schedule an appointment. The need is constant, so please give!

Pancakes and Playtime on Saturday, March 9, from 9 to 11



Families with children newborn to 3 years of age are invited to a St. Patrick's Day breakfast! We will enjoy pancakes with some fun, Irish-inspired toppings. To sign-up, look for a link in the Friday eBlast or an invitation sent to your email. For more information, please contact Director of Family Ministry Rachele Battreall at 616.949.2510 x113.

Lenten "Grace Groups" at Trinity begin in March



Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 6. To participate in one of our small group Bible Studies that meet weekly during the five weeks of Lent, please go to the link in our Friday eBlasts to SignUpGenius. You will see a variety of groups meeting on different days, times and locations.

This year's Grace Group study is entitled "At the Crossroads" with studies that follow the themes of Confession, Betrayal, Judgment, Compassion, Declaration and Obedience. All adult Trinity members are encouraged to join a small group to read and reflect on the Grace Group topics. Study guides are available at the Information Center in The Courtyard. A \$5 donation is requested for each book. Contact Sylvia Stouten at 616.949.2510 x121 for more information.

Trinity's Lenten Soup Suppers begin on March 13



For five Wednesdays beginning on March 13, a wide variety of delicious soups will be served on Wednesday evenings in The Courtyard from 5:15 to 6:15 p.m. Please consider providing soup or bread or helping with set-up or clean-up for one or more of our Soup Supper dates. Sign up to volunteer using the link in our Friday eBlasts to SignUpGenius. You can find details in the March Messenger or contact Sylvia Stouten for more information.

GriefShare Seminar/Support Group begins March 20



Are you grieving the loss of a loved one? No matter the circumstances, grief recovery is a painful process. To support those in the grief process, a 13-week GriefShare Seminar/Support group will be offered beginning Wednesday, March 20 from 4 to

5:30 p.m. Weekly gatherings will include a 40-minute video featuring nationally recognized experts on grief recovery topics such as "Is This Normal?" "The Challenges of Grief," "Why?" and "Guilt and Anger." A \$15 registration fee will cover the cost of each workbook. Contact Pastor Karen at 616.949.2510 x112 or Kristin Bradley, Faith Community Nurse at 616.949.2510 x119 to register for the group. Please note pre-registration is required for this seminar/support group.

"Life Begins at 60" Dinner at REDS on Friday, March 23



Join us as we gather for a first-class dining experience at REDS Restaurant at the Thousand Oaks Golf Club, 4100 Thousand Oaks NE, on Friday, March 23, at 6 pm. If you are 60 years or older, please join us! Note: Reservations will be limited to the first 29 people who register. Contact Carol or Dan Butler at 616.540.1660 or caroljb43@gmail.com, or Pastor Karen at karen.niemeyer@tlcgr.org to make your reservation.

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.: Brad Blair

Bread Baker: Julie Williams

Sacristans

8 a.m.: Dave & Kathy Young

10:45 a.m.: Marjorie Paul, Barb Crossman

Communion Assistants

8 a.m.: Dave & Sue Wait

10:45 a.m.: Michael Mulligan, Kate Bredwell

Lectors

8 a.m.: Shelia Talsma

10:45 a.m.: Chas Schaner

Greeters

8 a.m.: Gordy Engstrom

10:45 a.m.: Steve Cairns

Ushers

8 a.m.: Gloria Von der Heide, Vince Schumacher

10:45 a.m.: David Kuecherer, Jerry

Hendricks, Bob Crossman, Chris

Kutschinski

Rejoice Service at 9:15 a.m.

Band: Beyond Belief

Sound Board Operator: Brooks Alder

ProPresenter Operator: Randy Kuntzman

Bread Baker: Julie Williams

Sacristans:

Kristen & Abi Lamprich, Jim Kubicek

Communion Assistants:

Dave & Chris Straw

Lector:

Mike Danielski

Greeters:

Dan & Carol Butler

Ushers:

Bill Bush

Trinity's Inclement Weather Policy: *When the Forest Hills School District closes during the day, all Trinity daytime activities are cancelled and the church office is closed. After 3 p.m., check WOOD TV8 or WZZM TV13 to learn the status of our congregation's evening activities.*



When Forest Hills Schools announce a two hour morning delay, morning programming at Trinity will also be cancelled.

For the Record:

Thank you for supporting Trinity's ministry. The total offering for Sunday, February 17, was \$26,935. Sunday worship attendance was 363.

YTD through 02/17/2019 Budgeted	\$	68,025
YTD through 02/17/2019 Actual	\$	62,293
YTD Variance	\$	(5,732)
YTD % Variance		-8.4%