

Trinity's Weekly Connection

Today at Trinity: Sunday, March 17, 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)
 High School Lunch and Learn, noon
 Fifth Grade Communion Class, 2 p.m.
 Confirmation Class, 3 p.m.
 Middle School Event, 5 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!

Eternal Light: The Eternal Light reminds us of God's presence among us. The Eternal Light for today was given by Cheryl and Don Bushman in memory of Gloria Nelson.

Members in Our Prayers

We pray for Trinity members 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, Ruth Ann Evans, 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, Shannon Family, Michael Smith, Tom Steel, Lauren Sytsma, Shirley Tedford, Jeremiah (JD) Thamban, Ronnie VanderVen, John Walls, Erma Wilcox, Peyton Wollen, and Kathryn Zielinski.

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

This Week's Calendar Highlights

Monday, March 18

Art Class, 5 p.m.
 Outreach Committee Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
 Finance Committee Meeting, 6 p.m.
 Band Rehearsal, 6:30 p.m.
 Schubert Male Chorus Rehearsal, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, March 19

Women's Bible Study, 9:15 a.m.
 Trinity Arts Committee, 5 p.m.
 Pre/postnatal Yoga Class, 5:45 p.m.
 Al-Anon Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 20

Pastor Bob's Quest for the Historical Jesus, 10:30 a.m.
 GriefShare Support Group, 4 p.m.
 Lenten Soup Supper, 5:15 p.m.
Lenten Midweek Worship, 6:30 p.m.
 Alleluia Ringers, 6 p.m.
 Combined Children's Choir, 6:30 p.m.
 Pastor Bob's Quest for the Historical Jesus, 7:15 p.m.

Thursday, March 21

Messenger Assembly, 9:30 a.m.
 Ladies Bridge, 1 p.m.
 Art Class, 5 p.m.
 Dégagé (Coates Team), 5:45 p.m.
 Resound Bell Choir, 6 p.m.
 Oasis Member Meeting, 7 p.m.
 Children's Ministry Committee Meeting, 7 p.m.
 Trinity Choir, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, March 22

Middle School Charge
 Women's Bible Study, 9:30 a.m.

Saturday, March 23

Middle School Charge
 Memorial Service for Jimmy Willman, 11 a.m.

Sunday, March 24

Middle School Charge; No Confirmation Class
Traditional Worship Services, 8 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.
Rejoice Worship Service, 9:15 a.m.
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Lessons for Next Sunday, March 24

Isaiah 55:1-9	Psalms 63:1-8
1 Corinthians 10:1-13	Luke 13:1-9

April 10 Interfaith Seder at Temple Emanuel

Join us on Wednesday, April 10 at Temple Emanuel in Grand Rapids for an Interfaith Seder. Sponsored by our "Standing Together" partner churches, this community event will be Seder that can be offered by all people of faith.

Rabbi Michael Schadick will be our host for a full Seder with a catered meal at \$25 per participant. Click on the link in a Friday eBlast, contact the temple office at 616-459-5976 to make a reservation and payment, or send a check to Temple Emanuel, 1715 Fulton Street E., Grand Rapids 49503.

Trinity's Lenten Soup Suppers have begun – join us!



A wide variety of delicious soups are being served on Wednesday evenings in The Courtyard from 5:15 to 6:15 p.m. during Lent. Please consider providing soup, bread, helping with setup or cleanup 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 the church office for more information.

Midweek Lenten Worship



Each week following the Soup Supper we are gathering in the sanctuary for Compline, the Service of Prayer at the Close of the Day. The Compline service begins at 6:30 p.m. on the Wednesdays of Lent. In the quiet liturgy that we offer during this season, we make ready for the story of the Passion of Our Lord that unfolds during Holy Week and culminates on Easter Day, the Resurrection of our Lord.

Trinity Fine Arts Committee Fund Raiser in the Courtyard



Do you remember a burning bush and a cherry tree in the old courtyard? A group of talented TLC members have transformed sections of those trees by bringing out the human form in each branch. These limited-edition Christ figures and angels come in three sizes and will be for sale this Sunday, March 17 between the services at the information center in the Courtyard. If there are any remaining after this week's sale, they will be available again on Sunday, March 24.

"Jerusalem" in IMAX 3D Saturday, March 23 at 10:30 a.m.



BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND - The Celebration! Cinema North & IMAX is bringing back National Geographic's award-winning film, **JERUSALEM**. Co-sponsored by the Kauffman Institute on Saturday, March 23 at 10:30 a.m., tickets are just \$6 per person but must be purchased in advance. Follow the link in the Friday eBlast or call Kyle Kooyers at the Kauffman Institute at 616.331.5702 for more information or to purchase tickets.

GriefShare Seminar/Support Group begins March 20



The 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 on Friday, April 12 at Florentine's



"Life Begins at 60" folks will gather for dinner on Friday, April 12, at 6 p.m. at Florentine's Ristorante, 3245 28th Street SW in Grandville. If you are 60 years or older, please join us! Contact our hosts, Richard and Jan Kutschinski at jlkquilter@att.net or 616.530.8661 to make your reservation.

Personal Care Items Appreciated



We are collecting personal care products at Trinity through April for distribution to area agencies. Items such as shampoo, deodorant, toothbrushes and toothpaste are simple things we take for granted but are difficult for many to afford. Please consider purchasing regular size items to put together welcome baskets for the Dwelling Place. You may drop off your donations in the labeled black barrels found in the narthex and in the

Courtyard by the Information Center through Sunday, April 28. Thank you!

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.: Kate Bredwell

Bread Baker: Marcia Schaner

Sacristans

8 a.m.: Elaine Rongey, Cathy Olson

10:45 a.m.: Jill Hahn, Jo Murphy

Communion Assistants

8 a.m.: Jim & Sue Coates

10:45 a.m.: Mary Minich-Carwell, Kris Fox

Lectors

8 a.m.: Dale Barkema

10:45 a.m.: Dale Volkerding

Greeters

8 a.m.: Dave & Sue Wait

10:45 a.m.: Don & Sandy Kishman

Ushers

8 a.m.: Jim & Sue Coates

10:45 a.m.: Wayne Snyder, Don Kishman

Rejoice Service at 9:15 a.m.

Band: Rejoice

Sound Board Operator: Brooks Alder

ProPresenter Operator: Randy Kuntzman

Bread Baker: Marcia Schaner

Sacristans:

Kim Hysell, Steve Stephan

Communion Assistants:

Todd & Bonnie Brandstadt

Lector:

Sheryl Vander Baan

Greeters:

Grace Lanning, Mae Preston

Ushers:

John Holm

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, March 10, was \$13,921. Sunday worship attendance was 293.

YTD through 03/10/2019 Budgeted	\$ 131,994
YTD through 03/10/2019 Actual	\$ 120,568
YTD Variance	\$ (11,426)
YTD % Variance	-8.7%