

# Trinity's Weekly Connection

## Today at Trinity: Sunday, February 16, 2020

### Sunday, February 16

*IHN Guests Arrive*

**Traditional Worship Service, 8 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.**

**Rejoice Worship Service, 9:15 a.m.**

Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.

LWR Quilting, noon

Alleluia Bells, noon

Lectio Divina, noon

Family Prayer Gathering, 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 Welcome 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 Emily Ashby, George Bauer and family, Krysta Billock, Kate Bishop, Fran Bolthuis, Amy Bonjour, Dixie Brinks, Kate Christenson, Captain Karl Crist, Jack Danielson, Samantha DeBoer, John Derbin, John Dicky, Lois Engel, Beth Engstrom, Ruth Ann Evans, Bill Fisk, Phyllis Gehl, Pam Gunderson, Mark Hahn, Joan Hansen, Bob Heine, Callan Hughes, Susan Knoll, Susan Kwast, Patrick Ladwig, Logan Landon, Larson family, Marilyn Leese, Bob & Cathy Luders, Judy Mallen, Gail Mazurek, Carolyn McCready, Marilyn Mellema, Johnny Mielock, Sammy Mielock, Jim Miller and Family, Caylyn Moglia, Roger Perham, Mae Preston and family, Jacqueline Riegling, Thiago Saliba, Chas Schaner, Joyce Schlanderer, Chris Schomberg, Schuen Family, Ilene Seadal, Karen Selle, Esther Sellman, Jim Searfoss, Michael Smith, Shirley Tedford, Jeremiah (JD) Thamban, Sheryl VanderBaan and family, Ronnie VanderVen, Dale Volkerding, John Walls, Peyton Wollen, Rick and Michelle Wolner, Dave and Kathy Young, Susan Youngren, and Kathryn Zielinski.

We also lift up in prayer this morning the Pastor Christin Fawcett and people of All Saints Lutheran Church in Mason, partners with us in mission and ministry in the North/West Lower Michigan Synod, ELCA.

## This Week's Calendar Highlights

### Monday, February 17

*IHN Guests On Site*

Fitness Class (Functional Movement), 10 a.m.

Tutoring, 10:30 a.m.

Art Class, 5 p.m.

NAMI Family-to-Family, 6 p.m.

Band Rehearsal, 6:30 p.m.

Schubert Male Chorus Rehearsal, 7 p.m.

### Tuesday, February 18

*IHN Guests On Site*

Stroller Strides, 9 a.m.

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

Fitness Class (Yoga), 11 a.m.

TLC Quilters, 10 a.m.

Worship and Music Committee, 7 p.m.

### Wednesday, February 19

*IHN Guests On Site*

Fitness Class (Tai Chi), 9 a.m.

Pastor Bob's Bible Study, 10:30 a.m.

Pastor Bob's Bible Study, 6:30 p.m.

### Thursday, February 20

*IHN Guests On Site*

Stroller Strides, 9 a.m.

Ladies Bridge, 1 p.m.

"Entering the Narrow Gate" Information Meeting, 3 p.m.

Resound Bell Choir, 6 p.m.

Trinity Choir, 7:30 p.m.

### Friday, February 21

*IHN Guests On Site*

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

Dégagé (Talsma Team) 5:45 p.m.

### Saturday, February 22

*IHN Guests On Site*

Visitation—Julia Bauer, 9:30 a.m.

Memorial Service—Julia Bauer, 11 a.m.

### Sunday, February 23

*IHN Guests Leave Today*

**Traditional Worship Service, 8 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.**

**Rejoice Worship Service, 9:15 a.m.**

Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.

Tutoring, 10:30 a.m.

Alleluia Bells, noon

Lectio Divina, noon

Valparaiso University Chorale Lunch, 1:30 p.m.

Celebration of Music Concert—Valparaiso Chorale, 3 p.m.

Confirmation Class, 3 p.m.

Life Begins at 60 Dinner, 5 p.m.

High School Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.

## Pancakes and Playtime March 7 at 9 a.m.

Each new morning is a gift to be celebrated! Breakfast, story time, and activities – look for a link in the eBlast or contact Rachele Battreall, Rachele.battreall@tlcgr.org.

## Lessons for Next Sunday, February 23

Exodus 24:12-18

2 Peter 1:16-21

Psalms 2

Matthew 17:1-9

## Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN) families arrive today!

We will be hosting several homeless families for a week at Trinity beginning today and continuing through Sunday, February 23. MANY Volunteer opportunities still need to be filled! Sign up to volunteer by using the link in Friday's eBlast. There is also an opportunity to sign up to provide groceries for our guests. If you would like more details about volunteer roles, please contact Director of Discipleship Sylvia Stouten, [sylvia.stouten@tlcgr.org](mailto:sylvia.stouten@tlcgr.org).

## Family Prayer Gathering today from 3 to 5 p.m.

Everyone is invited to join us on this afternoon from 3 to 5 p.m. for a Family Prayer Gathering. We will talk about prayer, pray in a variety of ways, and give you tools for your prayer life. Join us in praying in new and old ways!

## Midlife Social Group Food and Game Night February 22

Trinity members aged 45 (ish) to retirement are invited to Randy and Jamie Kuntzman's home for food and game night, Saturday, February 22 at 6 p.m. Contact Jamie [jamkuntzman@gmail.com](mailto:jamkuntzman@gmail.com) to sign up and/or to get directions.

## Valparaiso Chorale in Concert Sunday, February 23 at 3 p.m.

Under the direction of Dr. Christopher M. Cock, the Valparaiso University Chorale is a 48-mixed voice ensemble that performs an eclectic repertoire from traditional to significant contemporary works to selections that have multicultural perspectives, all in their original languages. Please join us Sunday, February 23 at 3 p.m. here at Trinity for what should be a wonderful concert!

## "Life Begins at 60" – let's do Pizza on Sunday, February 23!

If you are 60 years or older, join us for an early Sunday evening gathering at JT's Restaurant, 6716 Old 28th Street, on **Sunday, February 23, at 5 p.m.** To make your reservation, contact Jan Jacobson at 616.443.8638 or at [janice1546@att.net](mailto:janice1546@att.net), or contact Pastor Karen at [karen.niemeyer@tlcgr.org](mailto:karen.niemeyer@tlcgr.org). Consider making it an afternoon by attending Trinity's 3 p.m. Celebration of Music Concert with the Valparaiso University Chorale and then come join us!

## Lenten Grace Groups at Trinity – sign up is underway . . .

These small group Bible Studies meet weekly during the five weeks of Lent. This year's Grace Group study is entitled "The Return of the Prodigal Son" by Henri Nouwen. All adult Trinity members are encouraged to join a small group to read and reflect on the same topic. Sign up to participate using the link in Friday's eBlast. Books are available for Grace Group participants for a suggested donation of \$5. Contact Sylvia Stouten for more information.

## Trinity's Lenten Soup Suppers begin Wednesday, March 4

For five Wednesdays beginning on March 4, a wide variety of delicious soups will be served in The Courtyard from 5:15 to 6:15 p.m. Please consider providing soup or bread or helping with setup or cleanup for one or more of our Soup Supper dates. Sign up by using the link in Friday eBlasts where you will also find details. Contact Tess Lundgren at [tesslundgren@gmail.com](mailto:tesslundgren@gmail.com) for more information. Lenten Midweek worship will follow supper.

## GriefShare Support begins on Wednesday, March 4

Are you grieving the loss of a loved one? To support those in the grief process, a 13-week GriefShare Seminar/Support group begins on Wednesday, March 4, from 4 to 5:30 p.m. A \$15 registration fee will cover the cost of workbooks and pre-registration is required. Contact Pastor Karen at [karen.niemeyer@tlcgr.org](mailto:karen.niemeyer@tlcgr.org) to register.

## "Kids Helping Kids" Sunday School Appeal - IHN Backpacks

The Sunday School is collecting items to fill 25 backpacks for children in the Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN) program. The hope is to provide a little comfort and joy to the IHN kids during this difficult time. Check out the display by the Nursery. Donations are due Sunday, March 8.

## Worship Participants

### Pastoral Staff

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

### Music Staff

Larry Biser, Organist & Director of Bell Choirs  
Sid Hoeksema, Director of Trinity Choir  
Deb DeWitt, Trinity Choir Accompanist  
Kim Owens, Rejoice Music Coordinator  
Nick Hopkins, Rejoice Keyboardist

### Traditional Worship Services

#### **Acolytes**

8 a.m.:  
10:45 a.m.: Nicholas Derbin, Lydia Albaitis  
Hailey Pfeiffle

#### **Cantor:**

10:45 a.m.: Deborah DeWitt

**Bread Baker:** Julie Williams

#### **Sacristans**

8 a.m.: Kathy & Fred Wilcox

10:45 a.m.: Jan Jacobson, Nancy Mattson

#### **Communion Assistants**

8 a.m.: Elaine Rongey, Betty Hall

10:45 a.m.: Doug Haneline, Linda Taffs

#### **Lectors**

8 a.m.: Gloria Von der Heide

10:45 a.m.: Chris Becker

#### **Greeters**

8 a.m.: Dave & Sue Wait

10:45 a.m.: Jerry & Fran Anderson

#### **Ushers**

8 a.m.: Jim & Sue Coates

10:45 a.m.: Paul Getzin, Steve Cairns

### Rejoice Worship Service at 9:15 a.m.

**Band:** Beyond Belief

**Sound Board Operator:** Brooks Alder

**ProPresenter Operator:** Trevor Bidle

**Bread Baker:** Julie Williams

#### **Acolytes**

Abi Lamprich, Andrew Fox, Dakota Morin

#### **Sacristans**

Kristen & Abi Lamprich, Deb Rohde & Mitch Scholten

#### **Communion Assistants**

Dan Butler, Mike Bishop

#### **Lector**

Carol Butler

#### **Greeters**

Dan & Carol Butler

#### **Ushers**

Dan & Carol Butler

### For the Record:

Thank you for supporting Trinity's ministry.  
The total offering for Sunday, February 9 was \$23,462. Sunday worship attendance was 374.

YTD through 2/9/2020 Budgeted	\$46,444
YTD through 2/9/2020 Actual	\$47,271
YTD Variance	\$ 827
YTD % Variance	1.8%