

Trinity's Weekly Connection

Today at Trinity: Sunday, March 1, 2020

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

Rejoice Worship Service, 9:15 a.m.

Senior High Bible Study, 9:15 a.m.

Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.

Luther World Relief Quilting, noon

Alleluia Bells, noon

Lectio Divina, 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.

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!

Eternal Light: The Eternal Light reminds us of God's presence among us. The Eternal Light for today was given by Kris and Mark Baker in loving memory of Evelyn Overholt.

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, 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, Chris Schomberg, Schuen Family, Ilene Seadal, Karen Selle, Esther Sellman, Jim Searfoss, Michael Smith, Shirley Tedford, Jeremiah (JD) Thamban, Sheryl VanderBaan and family, 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 Pastor Gerald Ferguson and the people of St. Timothy Lutheran Church in Midland, partners with us in mission and ministry in the North/West Lower Michigan Synod, ELCA.

This Week's Calendar Highlights

Monday, March 2

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

Blood Drive, 12:30 p.m.

Art Class, 5 p.m.

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

Property Committee Meeting, 6 p.m.

Band Rehearsal, 6:30 p.m.

Oasis Board Meeting, 7 p.m.

Schubert Male Chorus Rehearsal, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, March 3

Executive Committee, 7:15 a.m.

Stroller Strides, 9 a.m.

TLC Quilters, 10 a.m.

Fitness Class (Yoga), 11 a.m.

SOLO Together Luncheon, 11:30 a.m.

NELL Coaches Meeting, 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 4

Fitness Class (Tai Chi/Strength & Balance), 9 a.m.

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

GriefShare, 4 p.m.

Soup Supper, 5:15 p.m.

Lenten Midweek Worship, 6:30 p.m.

Pastor Bob's Bible Study, 7:15 p.m.

Thursday, March 5

Stroller Strides, 9 a.m.

Art Class, 5 p.m.

Resound Bell Choir, 6 p.m.

Trinity Choir, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, March 6

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

Al-Anon Speaker Meeting, 7 p.m.

Saturday, March 7

Fitness Class (Tai Chi/Strength & Balance), 8:30 a.m.

Pancakes & Playtime, 9 a.m.

Fitness Class (Yoga), 9:30 a.m.

Sunday, March 8

Daylight Savings Time begins – spring forward!

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

Rejoice Worship Service, 9:15 a.m.

Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.

Alleluia Bells, noon

Lectio Divina, noon

Stephen Ministry Peer Support, 12:30 p.m.

Grand Rapids Women's Chorus Rehearsal, 1 p.m.

Fifth Grade Communion Class, 2 p.m.

Middle School Youth Group, 2 p.m.

Confirmation Class, 3 p.m.

Forum Prayer Group, 4:30 p.m.

Refugee Crisis Supper and Forum, 5 p.m.

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

Lessons for Next Sunday, March 8

Genesis 12:1-4a

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

Psalms 121

John 3:1-17

Lenten Grace Groups at Trinity – there’s still time to join!



Most of these weekly small group Bible Studies will begin meeting this week and continue 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. Please sign up through the link to the Signup Genius in the Friday eBlast. Books are available for a suggested donation of \$5. Contact Angela Davis for more information.

Lenten Blood Drive - Monday, March 2 from 12:30 to 6 p.m.



Consider making a blood donation part of your Lenten discipline. Each donation can save up to three lives and keep our blood supply strong. Please contact Sue Babin at smbabin@yahoo.com or 267.218.5967 to schedule an appointment.

Soup Suppers and Midweek Worship begin on Wednesday



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 set-up or clean-up for one or more of our Soup Supper dates. Sign up by using the Signup Genius link in the Friday eBlast where you will also find details. The Service of Compliment, Prayer at the Close of the Day, will follow supper at 6:30 p.m.

Pancakes and Playtime on Saturday, March 7 at 9 a.m.



At Pancakes & Playtime, we will learn that God gives us each a new morning as a gift to be celebrated! The gathering on Saturday, March 7 at 9 a.m. includes breakfast, story time, and activities. Families with children ages preschool and younger are invited to sign up. Contact Rachele Battreal Rachele.battreal@tlcgr.org for more information.

Refugee Crisis Supper Forum on Sunday, March 8 at 5 p.m.



We will come together around the topic of “The Refugee Crisis” for the fourth and final time on Sunday, March 8 beginning at 5 p.m. (The February forum has been rescheduled to this date). Supper will be provided and Pastor Linstrom will facilitate the study as we look beyond the headlines and examine what a faith-filled response to this crisis might look like. Sign up to attend this event by using the Signup Genius link in the Friday eBlast.

“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 in their lives. Check out the display by the Nursery – donations are due next Sunday, March 8.

“Life Begins at 60” – A Night Out at Thousand Oaks



We will gather for a first-class dining experience at REDS Restaurant at the Thousand Oaks Golf Club, 4100 Thousand Oaks NE, on Friday, March 20, at 6 p.m. If you are 60 years or older, please join us. Please note that reservations will be limited to the first 30 people who register. Contact Carol Butler at 616.540.1660 or caroljb43@gmail.com or Pastor Karen 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, 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.: James Gingras, Grace Cairns
10:45 a.m.: Allyson Becker, Serafiina Ege
Ali Bredwell

Cantor:

10:45 a.m.: Debora DeWitt

Bread Baker: Julie Williams

Sacristans

8 a.m.: Kathy & David Young
10:45 a.m.: Jill Hahn, Marjorie Paul

Communion Assistants

8 a.m.: Fred & Kathy Wilcox
10:45 a.m.: Rebecca Linstrom
Donna Erickson

Lectors

8 a.m.: Cathy Olson

10:45 a.m.: Mark Mattison

Greeters

8 a.m.: Gordy & Beth Engstrom

10:45 a.m.: Bob & Barb Crossman

Ushers

8 a.m.: Dave Wait, John Potter

10:45 a.m.: Scott Stoll, Brad Kessel

Tim Lundgren

Katarina Lundgren

Rejoice Worship Service at 9:15 a.m.

Band: Beyond Belief

Sound Board Operator: Brooks Alder

ProPresenter Operator: Nick Rodammer

Bread Baker: Julie Williams

Acolytes

Eden Korb, Leah Bryce, Abi Lamprich

Sacristans

Kristin & Abi Lamprich, Jim Kubicek

Communion Assistants

Dawn Thorsen, Joanna Waite

Lector

Karen Unruh

Greeters

Morrie & Cindy Fongers

Ushers

Dave Okkema, Nathan Peters

For the Record:

Thank you for supporting Trinity’s ministry. The total offering for Sunday, February 23 was \$41,687. Sunday worship attendance was 415.

YTD through 2/23/2020 Budgeted	\$ 92,090
YTD through 2/23/2020 Actual	\$130,158
YTD Variance	\$ 38,068
YTD % Variance	41.3%