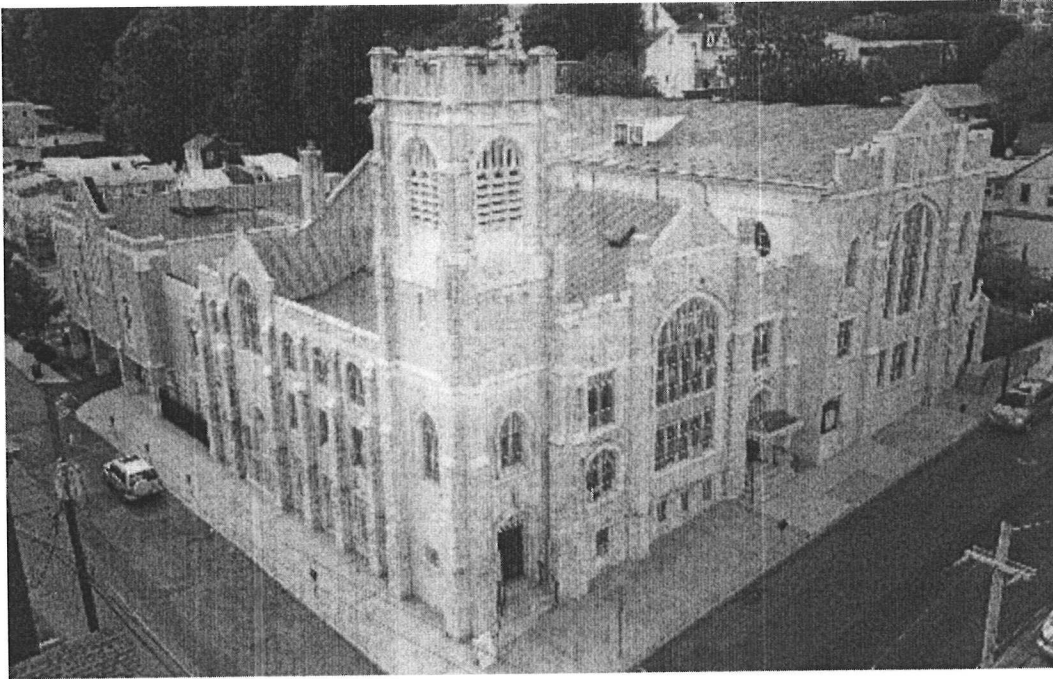


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3rd Sunday of Lent
March 02-03, 2024

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Deadline is Monday, March 18th

Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who brings us out of captivity into freedom, out of the wilderness into the promised land, out of death into life.

Congregation: Amen.

Pastor: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
(Kneel)

Pastor: Gracious God,
Congregation: we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and what we have left undone. Forgive us and give us strength to turn from sin and to serve you in newness of life.
Amen.

Pastor: By water and the Holy Spirit, God gives us a new birth, and through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, God forgives us all our sins. Almighty God, strengthen us in all goodness and keep us in eternal life.

Congregation: Amen.

Prelude: Lenten Meditation

Gerald Peterson

Entrance hymn: #326 Bless Now, O God, the Journey

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Bless Now, O God, the Journey

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1 Bless now, O God, the jour - ney that all your peo - ple make,
 2 Bless so - journ - ers and pil - grims who share this wind - ing way;
 3 Di - vine e - ter - nal lov - er, you meet us on the road.

the path through noise and si - lence, the way of give and take.
 your hope burns through the ter - rors, your love sus - tains the day.
 We wait for lands of prom - ise where milk and hon - ey flow,

The trail is found in des - ert and winds the moun - tain round,
 We yearn for ho - ly free - dom while of - ten we are bound;
 but wait - ing not for plac - es, you meet us all a - round.

then leads be - side still wa - ters, the road where faith is found.
 to - geth - er we are seek - ing the road where faith is found.
 Our cov - e - nant is writ - ten on roads, as faith is found.

Greeting

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Congregation: **And also with you.**

Kyrie

Pastor: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Congregation: **Amen.**

Canticle #14 Listen! You Nations

Refrain

Listen! You nations of the world: listen to the Word of the Lord. Announce it from coast to coast: declare it to distant islands.

The Lord who scattered Israel will gather his people again; and he will keep watch over them as a shepherd watches his flock.

Refrain

With shouts of joy they will come, their faces radiantly happy, for the Lord is so gen'rous to them; he showers his people with gifts.

Refrain

Young women will dance for joy, and men young and old will make merry. Like a garden refreshed by the rain, they will never be in want again. Break into shouts of great joy: Jacob is free again! Teach nations to sing the song: "The Lord have saved his people!"

Prayer of the Day: Holy God, through your Son you have called us to live faithfully and act courageously. Keep us steadfast in your covenant of grace, and teach us the wisdom that come only through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **AMEN**

First Lesson:	Exodus 20:1-17	Today's Readings Insert
Psalm:	Psalm 19	Today's Readings Insert
Second Lesson:	1 Corinthians 1:18-25	Today's Readings Insert

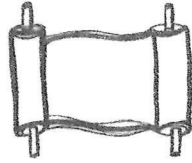
Congregation: **Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.**

Pastor: The holy gospel according to St. John the 2nd Chapter
Congregation: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel: John 2:13-22
Pastor: The gospel of our Lord.
Congregation: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon
Hymn of the Day: #323 God Loved the World

Pastor Chris
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Today's Readings

Third Sunday in Lent

March 3, 2024

Prayer of the Day

Holy God, through your Son you have called us to live faithfully and act courageously. Keep us steadfast in your covenant of grace, and teach us the wisdom that comes only through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

First Reading

Exodus 20:1-17

God spoke all these words:

²I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; ³you shall have no other gods before me.

⁴You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. ⁵You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, ⁶but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

⁷You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

⁸Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. ⁹Six days you shall labor and do all your

work. ¹⁰But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. ¹¹For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

¹²Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

¹³You shall not murder.

¹⁴You shall not commit adultery.

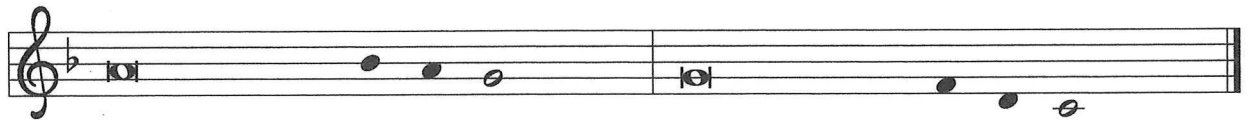
¹⁵You shall not steal.

¹⁶You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

¹⁷You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Psalm

Psalm 19; tone 2



The heavens declare
the glo-¹ry of God,
and the sky proclaims
its¹ maker's handiwork.

²**One day tells its tale¹ to another,
and one night
imparts knowledge¹ to another.**

³Although they have
no¹ words or language,
and their voices¹ are not heard,

⁴**their sound has gone out into all lands,
and their message**

**to the ends¹ of the world,
where God has pitched a tent¹
for the sun.**

⁵It comes forth like a bridegroom
out¹ of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion
to¹ run its course.

⁶**It goes forth from the uttermost edge
of the heavens**

**and runs about to the end of¹ it again;
nothing is hidden
from its¹ burning heat.**

continued

Psalm, continued

⁷The teaching of the LORD is perfect
and re-¹ lives the soul;
the testimony of the LORD is sure
and gives wisdom¹ to the simple.
⁸The statutes of the LORD are just
and re-¹ joyce the heart;
the commandment of the LORD
is clear and gives light¹ to the eyes.
⁹The fear of the LORD is clean
and en-¹ dures forever;
the judgments of the LORD
are true and righteous¹ altogether.
¹⁰More to be desired are they than gold,
more than¹ much fine gold,
sweeter far than honey,
than honey¹ in the comb.

¹¹By them also
is your ser-¹ vant enlightened,
and in keeping them
there is¹ great reward.
¹²Who can detect one's¹ own offenses?
Cleanse me from my¹ secret faults.
¹³Above all, keep your servant
from presumptuous sins;
let them not get dominion¹ over me;
then shall I be whole and sound,
and innocent of a¹ great offense.
¹⁴Let the words of my mouth
and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable¹ in your sight,
O LORD, my strength
and¹ my redeemer.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:18-25

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning
I will thwart.”

²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom,

God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe.

²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, ²³but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Gospel

John 2:13-22

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ¹⁴In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. ¹⁵Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. ¹⁶He told those who were selling the doves, “Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!” ¹⁷His disciples remembered that it was writ-

ten, “Zeal for your house will consume me.”

¹⁸The Jews then said to him, “What sign can you show us for doing this?” ¹⁹Jesus answered them, “Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.” ²⁰The Jews then said, “This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?” ²¹But he was speaking of the temple of his body. ²²After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

LENT

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God Loved the World

1 God loved the world so that he gave his on - ly
2 Christ Je - sus is the ground of faith, who was made
3 If you are ill, if death draws near, this truth your
4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son for - gives all
5 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly

Son the lost to save, that all who would in
flesh and suf - fered death; all who con - fide in
trou - bled heart can cheer: Christ Je - sus res - cues
sins that you have done, and jus - ti - fied by
Spir - it, Three in One! To you, O bless - ed

him be - lieve should ev - er - last - ing life re - ceive.
Christ a - lone are built on this chief cor - ner - stone.
us from death; that is the firm - est ground of faith.
Je - sus' blood, your bap - tism grants the high - est good.
Trin - i - ty, be praise now and e - ter - nal - ly!

Text: *Gesangbuch*, Bollhagen, 1791; tr. August Crull, 1846-1923, alt.
Music: Edward Miller, 1731-1807, adapt.

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Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally
begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God
from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things are made. For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven, was incarnate
of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures;
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
And his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one Holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Offering

Anthem: Glorify Thy Name
 Senior Choir

Larry Mayfield

Offertory Response: #182 Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a
harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather
the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our
table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.
renew a right spirit within me.

Prayer Hymn-#752 Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

Prayers

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Great Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation:(sung) And also with you.

o Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

Congregation:(sung) We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Congregation:(sung) It is right to give our thanks and praise.

o Pastor

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection open to us the way of everlasting life. And so with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Congregation:(sung)

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

o Pastor:

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying; Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Pastor:

The Peace of the Lord be with you all.

Congregation: And also with you.

o Pastor:

Greet one another with the peace of the Lord.

Hymns during communion:

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
Have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
Have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
Grant us peace, grant us peace.**

Communion Hymn: # 468 Around You, O Lord Jesus

HOLY COMMUNION

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Around You, O Lord Jesus

1 A - round you, O Lord Je - sus, your own you gath - er still
2 We hear your in - vi - ta - tion, and heed, O Lord, your call;
3 We are your own for - ev - er; un - til our fi - nal breath

to share the feast you give us with grace our lives to fill.
your word of con - so - la - tion is spo - ken here to all.
we will be true and nev - er— in joy, in grief, in death—

You say to us so lov - ing - ly, "Take, eat! This is my
It draws us to your lov - ing heart; it brings to us your
de - part from you, for you are still a - mong your peo - ple

bod - y! Take, drink! This is my blood!"
bless - ing, which nev - er will de - part.
dwell - ing, as you have said you will.

Pastor

May the Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His Grace. **Amen.**

Post Communion Canticle #200

Now, Lord, you let your servant go--in—peace: your word has been fulfilled.
My own eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared in the sight of all people:
a light—to reveal you to the nations and the glory of your people Israel.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. **A—men.**

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

Blessing

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace
in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

Dismissal

Pastor: Go in peace to Love and Serve the Lord.
Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Recessional Hymn: #338 Beneath the Cross of Jesus

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LENT

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Beneath the Cross of Jesus

1. Be - neath the cross of Je - sus I long to take my stand;
2. Up - on the cross of Je - sus, my eye at times can see.
3. I take, O cross, your shad - ow for my a - bid - ing place;

the shad - ow of a might - y rock with - in a wea - ry land,
the ver - y dy - ing form of one who suf - fered there for me.
I ask no oth - er sun - shine than the sun - shine of his face;

a home with - in a wil - der - ness, a rest up - on the way,
And from my con - trite heart, with tears, two won - ders I con - fess:
con - tent to let the world go by, to know no gain nor loss,

from the burn - ing of the noon - tide heat and bur - dens of the day.
the . . . won - der of his glo - rious love and my un - wor - thi - ness.
my . . . sin - ful self my on - ly shame, my glo - ry all, the cross.

Text: Elizabeth C. Clephane, 1830-1869
Music: Frederick C. Maker, 1844-1927

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*God be with you till we meet again, By His counsels guide uphold you,
With His sheep securely fold you, God be with you till we meet again.*

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DATE & TIME		WORSHIP ASSISTANT	LECTORS
Saturday, March 2 -6:00pm	3rd Saturday Lent	Michael Clancey	
Sunday, March 3– 9:30am	3rd Sunday Lent	Matthew Angelo	Christina Linder
Thursday, March 7th	Noon day Services		
Saturday, March 9– 6:00pm	4th Saturday Lent	Debbie Sheehan	
Sunday, March 10– 9:30am	4th Sunday Lent	Debbie Sheehan	Michaela Tobash
Thursday, March 14th	Noon Day Service		
Saturday, March 16– 6:00pm	5th Saturday Lent	Christine Linder	
Sunday, March 17– 9:30am	5th Sunday Lent	Bob Thomas	Joe Denning
Thursday, March 21	Noon Day Service		
Saturday, March 23–6:00pm	Palm Sunday	Zachary Jefferson	
Sunday, March 24– 9:30	Palm Sunday	Mike Ward	Zachary Jefferson
Thursday, March 28th	Maundy Thursday		
Friday, March 29th	Good Friday		
Saturday, March 30 7:30pm	Easter Vigil	Christine Linder	
Sunday, March 31 8:30am & 11:00am	Easter	Bob Thomas Karen Wood	Bob Wood

Trinity upcoming events:

Spaghetti Dinner Sunday March 10th 11am-1pm Tickets are on sale after service and in the church office.

Costa Candies on sale proceeds from the sale will go towards adopt-a-child. Order forms available after service and in the church office. (orders due March 1st.)

Easter Tributes are available in the bulletin insert or church office. Due March 15th

Prayer List: March 02-03, 2024

Members of Trinity with immediate concerns: Judi Barton, Pam Brennan, Ron Brennan, Doug Camodeca, Josephine Cicero, Jodi Denning, Debbie Ebert, Gene Ebling, Joel Ebling, Sharon Fessler, Margaret Gretskey, Edward Helman, Arline Hufnagle, Megan Kimmel, Jodi Klein, Andrea Madara, Thelma Mansfield, Margie Mataka, Cindy McGeever, Ray Moyer, Diane O'Leary-Hughes, Suzanne Rich, Ruth Russell, Ron Schaeffer, Peg Schappell, Kay Shaw, Jack Shuey, Margaret Snyder, Dorothy Thomas, Edna Uranko, Barbara Wagner, Helen Walasavage,

Members of Trinity with ongoing concerns: Ruth Bensinger, Brian Bohr, Sam Carroll, Barbara Conrad, Carole Coyle, Dennis Fredericks, Carolyn Gauntlett, Jarred Heckart, Betsey Lord, Dennis Lord, Camie McGonigle, Adam Morrow, Chester Moyer, Marilyn Reed, Jill Schaeffer, Albert Schneider, Linda Seiwell, Cindy Seltzer, Sally Spotts, Colin Studlack, Jill Weaver, Brock Weber, Ellen Wesnoski, Kerry Willard, Ivan Willard, Mary Jane Wilson, Sissy Wilson, Haley Wiscount, Sadie Wiscount, Pat Wishousky, Donna Wood, Karen Wood, Damon Yost

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***STATEMENT OF CONGREGATIONAL MISSION
TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH***

Trinity Lutheran Church is a worshipping, learning, witnessing, and serving community of baptized Christians. It is a welcoming place where the Word is proclaimed and the Sacraments are celebrated according to the Gospel. As a community of believers, we challenge each other to respond to the call of our Lord to love and minister to persons at home and throughout the world. We encourage each other to share our time, our talents, and gifts to further the mission of our Lord Jesus Christ. In these ways, we bear witness to the love we have first received from God through Jesus Christ.

*Adopted by the Congregation
January 25, 1998*

TRINITY CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Saturday, March 2nd	6:00pm	Worship—3rd Lent
Sunday, March 3rd	9:30am	Worship —3rd Lent
	10:30am	First Communion Class
	10:30am	Confirmation Class
Monday, March 4th	6:30pm-8:30pm	Adult Volleyball
	6:30pm	Strategic Planning
Tuesday, March 5th	10:00am– 11:00am	Adult Exercise
	6:00pm	Evangelism Committee Mtg.
	6:00pm	Staff and Records
Thursday, March 7th	12:00 (noon)	Lenten Noon Day Service
	8:00am	Pottsville Business Association Mtg.
	12:00pm	Circle V Meeting
Friday, March 8th	10am-11:00am	Adult Exercise
	5:00pm-6:00pm	3rd & 4th Grade Basketball

<u>Date</u>	<u>Pastor/Vicar</u>	<u>Worship Assistant</u>	<u>Lector</u>
Saturday, March 2nd	Pastor Chris	Michael Clancey	
Sunday, March 3rd	Pastor Chris	Matthew Angelo	Christine Linder

“THE CONNECTING LINK” - Sunday mornings, WPPA, 1360 AM at 11:00 a.m.

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YOUTH / CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS

You're invited to the Table...

First Communion classes will take place in the sanctuary following worship Sunday March 3rd, 10th and 17th. Students will receive their First Holy Communion on Maundy Thursday, March 28th at the 7:30PM service. Classes are open to anyone **Fifth grade** and above who have not received instruction leading to their first communion.

If someone you know is interested in participating in these classes, please call the church office @ 570-622-9910.

ELCA National Youth Gathering in New Orleans, LA July 16-20, 2024

Spaghetti Dinner

Youth and adults attending the National Youth Gathering are hosting a Spaghetti Dinner in conjunction with Men of Trinity on **March 10 from 11 am – 1 pm**. Tickets are \$12.00 for adults, \$6.00 for kids ages 5 – 12 and kids under age 5 eat for free! Menu consists of Spaghetti and Meatballs or Chicken Parmesan, salad, bread, dessert and drink. Advance tickets are available in the church office and will be available after all services this weekend. A limited number will be available at the door.

Thank you for supporting our youth in this faith journey!

Sunday School and Confirmation

Confirmation class this weekend will focus on “Worship” as we begin planning our youth-led services to be held on the weekend of April 6 – 7. Youth (outside of confirmation) are welcome to participate once kids have service planned. Please watch your bulletin for future announcements on practice, etc.

The Rock-A-Thon is back! All youth in grade 1 – 12 (and their friends) are invited to participate. Our confirmation youth have decided to rock for Camp Dragonfly, a weekend bereavement camp for children who have lost a loved one. An informational meeting will be held on Sunday, March 17, following worship. The Rock-A-Thon will be held April 13 – 14. More information about the Rock-A-Thon and Camp Dragonfly will be provided in upcoming bulletins.

Join us for worship next weekend, when our Sunday Funday kids will sing. A children's time will also be a part of service. See you then!

SOCIAL MINISTRY NEWS

In Ian's Boots

The shoe collection box will remain available for your donations of gently used boots or shoes for adults and children.

Let's continue to be good stewards of the abundance that God has provided us. Remember that through our donations to In Ian's Boots, we help to ensure that our most vulnerable neighbors have boots and shoes to wear!

Prayer Group

A monthly prayer group is meeting the fourth Thursday at 1 pm and the second Tuesday at 11 am (after exercise group) in the large Sunday school room. Everyone is welcome to join us!

Prayer Shawl Ministry

A Prayer Shawl Ministry has been started to provide a gift of love and comfort to people in life transitions. Supplies for creating shawls including yarn, knitting needles and crochet hooks are available. We already have over 30 prayer shawls ready to be handed out.

If you know someone who could use prayers and the loving embrace of a shawl to help them navigate life's challenges, feel free to stop by our room off the main Sunday School room to select a shawl. Remember to sign the log so that we can pray for the shawl recipient.

Blessing Bags

Beginning in February, we will be collecting the following items to fill "Blessing Bags" for the homeless in our community:

Socks, Peanut Butter Crackers, Granola Bars, Lip Balm, Deodorant, Bottled Water, Toothpaste, Beef Sticks, Snacks Crackers, Breath Mints, Wipes and Hand Sanitizer.

Blessing bags will be delivered to Your Father's House, Servants for all on Center Street for distribution to the homeless in our community. This collection will continue throughout February and March. Your thoughtful consideration will be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Newspapers for Hillside SPCA

A box has been added to our table in the Main Sunday School room for newspaper collection. If you receive the newspaper we'd be glad to take them! Thank you for your recyclables!!

Cash or Check # _____ Amount Paid _____

2024 Easter Tributes

To Honor or Memorialize a loved one, please fill out this form and return it to the church office. For a complete listing and description of funds, see reverse.

****Additional forms are available at the usher's station or from the church office. ****

Name: _____

Phone #: _____ Deadline: Friday, March 15, 2024

_____ Number of Lilies \$12.00 Cost _____ Amount Paid
_____ Do you want your Lily to be delivered to a shut-in?
_____ Do you want to pick-up your lily after services?

- \$ _____ Adopt A Child Fund
- \$ _____ Bear Creek Camp Fund
- \$ _____ Boiler Fund
- \$ _____ Rev. Philip S. Bendle, III Scholarship Fund
- \$ _____ Elevator Fund
- \$ _____ Food Pantry Fund
- \$ _____ Charles K. & Ross C. Heffner Emergency Fund
- \$ _____ Kitchen Fund
- \$ _____ Memorial Garden/Property
- \$ _____ Music Ministry Fund
- \$ _____ Organ Fund
- \$ _____ Radio Ministry Fund
- \$ _____ Digital Ministry Fund
- \$ _____ Rismiller Memorial Carillon Fund
- \$ _____ Senior Coordinator Fund
- \$ _____ Umbenhen Fund
- \$ _____ Van Fund
- \$ _____ Welfare Fund
- \$ _____ World & Local Hunger Fund
- \$ _____ Youth Coordinator Fund
- \$ _____ Other: _____

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In Honor of:

In Memory Of:

By:

Please include payment with your form: If check, write out to: Trinity Lutheran Church

UPCOMING GROUP MEETINGS AT TRINITY

FRIEDA HOH

Next scheduled meeting is March 19th at 6:30pm
Continue making sunflowers for the Mother's Day Brunch.
In case of inclement weather meeting will be canceled.
Any questions, contact Marie Weikel at (570) 449-6484

CIRCLE V

Next scheduled meeting is March 7th following Lenten Luncheon
Mr. Ron Devlin– Republican Herald “Schuylkill
History Book” Columnist
Hostesses: Joyce Miller and Peggy Schappell
For more info, details or transportation contact Teresa Stoffregen at
(570) 622-7918

Trinity's youth would like to thank all who participated in our Souper Bowl of Caring. To date, we have collected \$390.00, which will be forwarded to the Pottsville Soup Kitchen. In addition, we are running our canned goods food drive until the end of the month. Those items will be donated to the Salvation Army's Food Pantry. If you'd like to participate, but haven't yet had an opportunity to do so, monetary donations can be mailed or dropped off at the church office. Boxes for canned goods are located outside church office, stage in Main Sunday School and outside the lounge. Once again, thank you for your generosity and helping to feed people locally!

Trinity Lutheran Day at the Reading Phillies

Please join us on Sunday April 28th for our third annual Trinity Lutheran Day at the Reading Phillies. This event is open to all members, families and friends of Trinity. Tickets are \$25. (children 4 and under are free) and include a buffet lunch and seats in the Club 67 picnic area along third base. First pitch is scheduled for 3:15pm. The picnic area will open at 2:15pm. Please contact Mike Vigoda at 570-527-4258 or mpvigoda@gmail.com or the church office if you are interested. I hope to see you at the ballpark.

