

**Dear friends in Christ
of Trinity Lutheran Church,**

A BLESSED EASTER JOURNEY

Easter Sunday – April 17, is the high point of the Christian Church Year and will be a day of joyous celebration. The week of April 10 – April 17, Holy Week, is a whole week of emphasis leading up to the celebration of Easter. I hope all of the members of Trinity Lutheran will prepare themselves for this most joyous season.

The Holy Week services beginning on Palm Sunday are really one continuing service through Easter Sunday and I would encourage you to participate in all of the Holy Week services as you follow Christ on His way to the cross and His joyous resurrection.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday: April 10
8:45 am Palm Sunday Worship
10:00 am Sunday School
11:00 am Palm Sunday Worship

Maundy Thursday: April 14
7:00 pm Worship with Holy Communion
1st Communion for 3rd, 4th & 5th graders

Good Friday: April 15
7:00 Worship Service - Stations of the Cross

Easter Sunday: April 17
7:00 am Early Easter Service
8:00 – 9:00 am Easter Breakfast
8:45 & 11:00 am Easter Festival Worship
All services will include Holy Communion
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

FIRST COMMUNION MAUNDY THURSDAY – APRIL 14

Instruction for Holy Communion has been held during the Sunday School time for third through fifth graders. Those completing their instruction on Holy Communion and will be invited to participate in the Sacrament of Holy Communion on Maundy Thursday.

If you have a child that has not been part of the classes and would like to receive instruction, contact the church office or call Pastor Hansen.

CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE

The call committee has received another candidate name for consideration for call to be the pastor of Trinity Lutheran. Please remember the only time specific information about a candidate will be made public is after the call committee has made a recommendation to the church council and the council then presents the candidate to the congregation for call. Remember to keep the process in prayer.

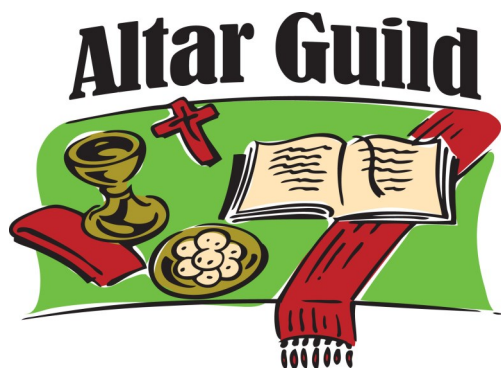
BRING A FRIEND TO CHURCH ON EASTER SUNDAY!

Many people who do not have any association with the Christian church are searching for answers to life's difficult questions and many will be thinking about the message of Easter this month. There are persons in your neighborhood that may need someone to reach out to them with the comforting message of the Gospel. The last weeks of Lent and Easter are excellent times to reach out and invite a neighbor to church.

Invite a friend to church on Easter.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Bob & Suzanne Hansen



The Altar Guild will meet on Tuesday, April 12, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. in the sanctuary to practice stripping and veiling the altar for Maundy Thursday. Anyone interested in the Altar Guild is welcome to join our group. We have lost some members and will gladly welcome any interested persons. If anyone has any questions, please contact Lana Johnson, Chairman, at 605-256-2827 or 605-480-1800.

Serve the **LORD** *with* **GLADNESS**

Medary Conference WELCA Spring Gathering

Saturday, April 23, 2022
St. Paul's Lutheran, Clear Lake
Theme: After the Storm—A Rainbow

Registration (\$12) and Coffee start at 9:30 a.m.
Opening Hymn Sing at 10:00 a.m.
Bible Study
Guest Speaker: Beacon Center of Watertown
Style Show put on by St. Paul's
Silent Auction: Proceeds to Beacon Center
Fellowship with Coffee about 3 p.m.

Theme Verse: "And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us." *Romans 5:3-5*

Financial Response

January through February Net Income was \$15,067.39. Total income was \$79,515.54 compared to total expenses of \$64,448.15. Complete financial records are available for review in the church office. Thank you for your financial contributions!

“Come Share the Lord”

You are invited to sing with the adult choir at the April 14th Maundy Thursday service. The anthem, “Come Share the Lord,” will be sung as the children receive their first communion. Rehearsal will be April 10th at 10:00 in the Fireside Room. All are welcome!



Membership Information

Is your info. up-to-date?

Have you moved? Did you disconnect your land-line? Did you change your e-mail address? Did you get married? Did you have a baby? Did you get a divorce? Do you wonder why the church has not been connecting with you? Please notify the church office when you have an address change, e-mail change, marital status change, etc. or update the information on your Realm account.

Bethel's Annual **Cleanup**



It's Spring Cleaning time at

Bethel Lutheran Home

and would love to have you come and take part!

We will be picking up branches and litter, raking, weeding and generally sprucing up the Bethel grounds.

Wednesday, April 27 starting at 4pm

Saturday, April 30 starting at 9am

Sunday, May 1 starting at 1pm

Contact Jona at the Bethel Foundation

to sign up yourself or your group.

Jonas@bethelcommunity.com

605-427-2195

Gloves, trash bags and drinking water will be provided along with special treats for all who volunteer.



February 2022 Council Meeting Minutes

Trinity Lutheran Church
 Council Meeting
 February 15, 2022
 7:00 p.m.

Pastor Hansen opened the meeting with prayer.

President Danny Brown called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., and led the council in reciting Trinity's mission statement.

Members present were Pastor Bob Hansen, Deacon Suzanne Hansen, President Danny Brown, Vice-president Wade Briggs, and secretary Nancy Sabbe

Deacons: Jim Iverson, Lora Erslund, Brianna Routier, Virginia Lemme

Trustees: Dana Hoff, Corey Strom, Ron Jorgensen

Parish Education: Jennifer Briggs, Lori Schultz, Carli Nighbert

Absent and excused: Kristin Morse, Becky Brown, Tim Walburg

Vice-president Wade Briggs led the council in devotions.

The agenda was amended to include an item about the Medary Conference. Motion by Jennifer Briggs, seconded by Brianna Routier, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

Motion by Lori Schultz, seconded by Dana Hoff, to accept the minutes of the January 11 meeting as printed. Motion carried.

The financial report was discussed. Motion by Jim Iverson, seconded by Corey Strom, to accept the financial report. Motion carried.

Motion by Lori Schultz, seconded by Brianna Routier, to publish the monthly income and expenses in the bulletin and newsletter after council approval of the monthly financial report. Motion carried.

REPORTS

Pastor Hansen:

- Presented a draft of the plans for Lenten services
- Thanked the council for the get well gifts and wishes
- Announced that the pastoral candidate that the call committee has been working with has withdrawn from consideration

Deacon Suzanne:

- Deferred her report to the Board of Parish Ed
- President Danny Brown:

- Reported on the Lay Ministry Program he attended. Suggestions from the program included that the council take a look at the constitution and bylaws, set goals, and that it is

okay to try new things

- Alex has established a link between Realm and Vanco to enter electronic giving automatically
- The annual report has been filed with the South Dakota Secretary of State's office

Vice President Wade Briggs:

- Is looking forward to helping in any way
- Board of Parish Education: Jennifer Briggs gave the report.

- Kristin Morse will be chair of the board for 2022
- Instruction for first communion will be offered to 3rd through 5th graders during Sunday School. Deacon Suzanne has the curriculum.
- The last day of Sunday School is May 1
- Confirmation classes will help with soup suppers
- There will be no Bingo Bash this year
- High school students will be responsible for the Easter sunrise service and breakfast
- The National Youth Gathering has been cancelled. The money already paid will be refunded. There is a possibility of a mission trip to Tennessee.

Board of Deacons: Jim Iverson gave the report

- Recommended that the Mission of the Month be promoted with information about the mission included in the newsletter and the bulletins
- Suggested that the free-will offering from soup suppers be designated to I AM IN campaign
- The Holden Evening Prayer will be the order of service for Lenten services
- Stations of the cross will be offered in the sanctuary on Good Friday
- Virginia Lemme is working on the worship service for March, April, and May
- Lora Erslund has sent the letter for coffee and soup suppers

Board of Trustees: Dana Hoff gave the report

- There are some software details to work out before the digital sign board is available for use
- Voted to pay the bills

BUSINESS

Sale of church car was approved at the annual meeting. Motion by Jennifer Briggs, seconded by Lora Erslund, to charge Danny Brown and Wade Briggs with the sale. Motion carried. The vehicle will be offered to members of Trinity initially. It will be sold as is and at fair market value.

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April

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
<p>Holy Communion on the 1st and 3rd Sundays Home Communion on the 3rd Sunday</p>		
<p>03</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8:45AM–9:45AM Traditional Worship : Sanctuary • 9:45AM–10:45AM 1st Communion Instruction • 10:00AM–10:45AM Fellowship Coffee Hour & Open Forum Discussion : Fellowship Hall ; Sunday School : Sunday School Rooms • 11:00AM–12:00PM Celebration Worship w/ Bowen Johnson Baptism : Sanctuary • 12:00PM–1:00PM Worship Broadcast on KJAM 1390 AM 	<p>04</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6:00PM–7:00PM Cub Scout Den Mtngs. : Youth Room • 7:00PM–8:00PM Troop 5 BSA Meeting : Fellowship Hall 	<p>05</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10:00AM–11:00AM Staff Meeting : Church Office • 1:00PM–4:00PM Quilting : Fellowship Hall • 5:30PM–6:30PM LSS MRT Group : Room 18 • 6:30PM–7:30PM BSA Pack 5 Wolf Den Mtng. : Youth Room
<p>10 <i>Palm/Passion Sunday</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12:00AM–11:59PM Passion/Palm Sunday • 8:45AM–9:45AM Traditional Worship w/ Children's Palm Processional : Sanctuary • 10:00AM–10:45AM Fellowship Coffee Hour & Open Forum Discussion : Fellowship Hall ; Sunday School : Sunday School Rooms • 10:00AM–10:30AM Adult Choir Rehearsal : Fireside Room • 11:00AM–12:00PM Celebration Worship w/ Children's Palm Processional : Sanctuary • 12:00PM–1:00PM Worship Broadcast on KJAM 1390 AM 	<p>11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:00AM–12:00PM Piano Tuning : Fellowship Hall, Sanctuary • 6:00PM–7:00PM Cub Scout Den Mtngs. : Youth Room • 7:00PM–8:00PM Troop 5 BSA Meeting : Fellowship Hall 	<p>12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10:00AM–11:00AM Staff Meeting : Church Office • 12:00PM–1:00PM Finance Meeting : Zoom • 1:00PM–4:00PM Quilting : Fellowship Hall • 5:00PM–6:00PM Precouncil Executives' Meeting : Fellowship Hall • 5:30PM–6:30PM LSS MRT Group : Room 18 • 5:30PM–6:00PM Altar Guild Rehearsal : Sanctuary • 6:30PM–7:00PM Parish Education Board Meeting : Youth Room ; Deacons' Board Meeting : Fireside Room ; Trustees' Board Meeting : Fellowship Hall • 6:30PM–7:30PM BSA Pack 5 Wolf Den Mtng. : Conference Room • 7:00PM–9:00PM Council Meeting : Fellowship Hall
<p>17 <i>Resurrection of Our Lord/Easter Sunday</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7:00AM–8:00AM Early Easter Worship : Sanctuary • 8:00AM–9:00AM Easter Breakfast : Fellowship Hall • 8:45AM–9:45AM Easter Sunday Festival Worship w/Holy Communion : Sanctuary • No Coffee Hour • No Sunday School • 11:00AM–12:00PM Easter Sunday Festival Worship w/Holy Communion : Sanctuary • 12:00PM–1:00PM Worship Broadcast on KJAM 1390 AM 	<p>18 <i>Easter Monday</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Office Closed • No Preschool • 6:00PM–7:00PM Cub Scout Den Mtngs. : Youth Room • 7:00PM–8:00PM Troop 5 BSA Meeting : Fellowship Hall 	<p>19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:30AM–11:00AM Mary Circle : Fellowship Hall • 10:00AM–11:00AM Staff Meeting : Church Office • 1:00PM–4:00PM Quilting : Fellowship Hall • 5:30PM–6:30PM LSS MRT Group : Room 18 • 7:00PM–8:00PM Martha/Naomi Circle : Fellowship Hall
<p>24</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8:45AM–9:45AM Traditional Worship w/HS Senior Recognition : Sanctuary • 10:00AM–10:45AM Fellowship Coffee Hour & HS Senior Reception : Fellowship Hall ; Sunday School : Sunday School Rooms • 11:00AM–12:00PM Celebration Worship w/HS Senior Recognition : Sanctuary • 12:00PM–1:00PM Worship Broadcast on KJAM 1390 AM 	<p>25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6:00PM–7:00PM Cub Scout Den Mtngs. : Youth Room • 7:00PM–8:00PM Troop 5 BSA Meeting : Fellowship Hall 	<p>26</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10:00AM–11:00AM Staff Meeting : Church Office • 1:00PM–4:00PM Quilting : Fellowship Hall • 5:30PM–6:30PM LSS MRT Group : Room 18

2022

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		01 • 6:30AM–7:30AM Men's Group Bible Study	02 • 5:00PM–6:00PM Fellowship Potluck Meal : Fellowship Hall • 6:00PM–7:00PM Saturday Worship w/Holy Communion : Fellowship Hall
06 • 4:30PM–5:00PM Jubilant Bell Choir Rehearsal : Sanctuary • 5:00PM–5:45PM Covenant Choir Rehearsal : Fireside Room • 5:15PM–6:00PM Epiphany Bell Choir Rehearsal : Sanctuary • 5:30PM–6:45PM Lenten Family Meal : Fellowship Hall • 6:30PM–7:00PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal : Youth Room ; High School Choir Rehearsal : Fireside Room • 7:00PM–8:00PM Mid-Week Lenten Worship Service : Sanctuary	07 • 1:00PM–3:00PM Coffee Time on Thursdays : Fellowship Hall • 6:30PM–7:30PM Webelos 2 Den Meeting : Fireside Room	08 • 6:30AM–7:30AM Men's Group Bible Study	09
13 • 4:30PM–5:00PM Jubilant Bell Choir Rehearsal : Sanctuary • 5:00PM–5:45PM Covenant Choir Rehearsal : Fireside Room • 5:15PM–6:00PM Epiphany Bell Choir Rehearsal : Sanctuary • 6:30PM–7:00PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal : Youth Room ; High School Choir Rehearsal : Fireside Room	14 <i>Maundy Thursday</i> • 12:00AM–11:59PM Maundy Thursday • 1:00PM–3:00PM Coffee Time on Thursdays : Fellowship Hall • 6:30PM–7:30PM Webelos 2 Den Meeting : Fireside Room • 7:00PM–8:00PM Worship w/Youth First Communion : Sanctuary	15 <i>Good Friday</i> • No Preschool • 6:30AM–7:30AM Men's Group Bible Study • 7:00PM–8:00PM Good Fri. Worship : Sanctuary	16
20 • 4:30PM–5:00PM Jubilant Bell Choir Rehearsal : Sanctuary • 5:00PM–5:45PM Covenant Choir Rehearsal : Fireside Room • 5:15PM–6:00PM Epiphany Bell Choir Rehearsal : Sanctuary • 6:30PM–7:00PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal : Fellowship Hall ; High School Choir Rehearsal : Fireside Room • 7:00PM–8:00PM HS Youth Group : Youth Room	21 • 1:00PM–3:00PM Coffee Time on Thursdays : Fellowship Hall • 6:30PM–8:00PM Pack 5 Pack Meeting : Fellowship Hall	22 • 6:30AM–7:30AM Men's Group Bible Study	23
27 • 4:30PM–5:00PM Jubilant Bell Choir Rehearsal : Sanctuary • 5:00PM–5:45PM Covenant Choir Rehearsal : Fireside Room • 5:15PM–6:00PM Epiphany Bell Choir Rehearsal : Sanctuary • 5:30PM–6:30PM 6th–8th Confirmation : Fellowship Hall, Upper Level Sun. School Rooms • 6:30PM–7:00PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal : Fellowship Hall ; High School Choir Rehearsal : Fireside Room • 7:00PM–8:00PM HS Youth Group : Youth Room	28 • 11:00AM–11:30AM Preschool T/R a.m. Spring Program : Sanctuary • 1:00PM–3:00PM Coffee Time on Thursdays : Fellowship Hall • 2:30PM–3:00PM Preschool T/R p.m. Spring Program : Sanctuary • 6:30PM–7:30PM Webelos 2 Den Meeting : Fireside Room	29 • 6:30AM–7:30AM Men's Group Bible Study • 11:00AM–11:30AM Preschool M/W/F a.m. Spring Program : Sanctuary • 2:30PM–3:00PM Preschool M/W/F p.m. Spring Program : Sanctuary	30

Council Minutes Continued

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The Medary Conference will meet at Trinity Lutheran Church in Arlington, South Dakota, on February 27. Jim Iverson encouraged council members to attend the meeting where officers will be elected and resolutions will be considered before they can be taken up at the synod assembly.

Motion by Jennifer Briggs, seconded by Lori Schultz, to elect five voting members to the Foundation Commission as nominated by the nominating committee—those members being Ann Marie Rosing (2026) Tom Farrell (2025) Marc Molskness (2024) Beth Delzer (2027) and Susan Williams (2023). Motion carried.

Motion by Corey Strom, seconded by Virginia Lemme, to acknowledge Vice-president Wade Briggs as the sixth voting member of the Foundation Commission. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Brianna Routier. Seconded by Lori Schultz. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Sabbe
Secretary

Mission Kits



Each fall Trinity sends quilts and kits to the Lutheran World Relief (LWR) headquarters in St. Paul, MN. From there, these items are sent to places all over the world to people in great need. The quilts and kits we send,

along with other churches around the country, can bring hope and comfort to those in crisis.

We are all invited to help collect items for Personal Care Kits. Bags with supply lists attached are ready in the narthex for you to take home and fill. For each kit, the items needed are: 1 light-medium weight bath towel (dark color preferred), 3 bars of soap, 1 toothbrush, 1 sturdy comb and a nail clippers.

Please return your filled bags to the church by Sunday, September 11, 2022 or any time before. There is a bin marked “Mission Kits” in the narthex for your donations. Thank you!

SEE YOU IN CHURCH



NEWS FROM THE FOUNDATION

Recent Memorials

In Memory of Debra Nold

Myron and Clara Downs
Dennis and Nancy Rook

In Memory of Martin Morse

Myron and Clara Downs
David and Marian Wheeler
Matt and Kim Bruns
Bill and Diane Bruns
James and Stacie Remme
Lana Johnson
Linda Bruns
Sharol Bargmann
Larry and Ada Jorgenson
Dan and Sharon Carlson

In Memory of Donna Oines

Dan and Sharon Carlson
Doug and Joan Merager

In Memory of Bev Hunter

Dan and Sharon Carlson
Doug and Joan Merager

In Memory of Terry Heibult

Doug and Joan Merager

In Memory of Marlys Schultz

Doug and Joan Merager

In Memory of Gerri Lillis

Marv and Sandy Rhode



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From the Bishop's Desk

Easter People,

May the risen Christ greet you in the midst of your own grief and the grief the world finds itself in. All four Gospels share various shades of Jesus' resurrection. They may not align on the details, but they leave no doubt about Christ's resurrection.

He has risen!

He has risen indeed!

In the midst of life's turmoil, unfathomable realities of war and strife, and our daily grind, we know that death is real. It shows up differently for each one of us, but we know it is real. But as Easter people, people who trust and believe that God raised Christ from the tomb in spite of what others say, we know that Christ is real-er and that no matter what stronghold death thinks it can hold over us, God will find us in the midst of our grief and bring about life in the midst of death and out of death. Therefore, dear Easter people, let us cling to the promise that nothing, absolutely nothing will ever be able to separate us from the love of God. Thanks be to God!

Journeying with you,

Bishop Constanze Hagmaier

“If we believe...”

Rev. Renee Splichal Larson

“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead ...” -1 Peter 1.3a

A good friend of mine, who happens to be a Benedictine Nun, once said to me: “If we believe that Jesus Christ was raised from the dead, then we can believe that an incarcerated person can have new life.” She and I did prison ministry together for 9 years, and our trust and belief in the resurrection of Jesus from the dead, kindled in us a living hope that God creates a way where there doesn't seem to be one.

How might you or your congregation finish this sentence:

“If we believe that Jesus Christ was raised from the dead, then ...”

I invite you to ponder this phrase this season of Easter, and trust in God's great mercy that gives you a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

Perplexed

Rev. Jonathan Steiner

According to the NRSV translation of Luke's Easter story, the women are “perplexed” at the empty tomb. They have come expecting to grieve and instead are confused at what God has already done.

I believe that in our lives, we also are perplexed when we encounter resurrection. When we expect brokenness, pain, or death, God has often already shown up to bring community, comfort, or new life. As the world rages around us, I invite you to recognize those moments of resurrection we encounter here and now in our churches.

Although the pandemic has changed so much of our lives, as churches we have recognized the importance of community, of being in relationship with one another, and the blessings God offers us through people. Although the National Youth Gathering was canceled, congregations are pivoting to still give meaningful experiences to young people. Even as war and conflict occur in the world, our churches proclaim the Gospel of peace, love, and grace through Christ.

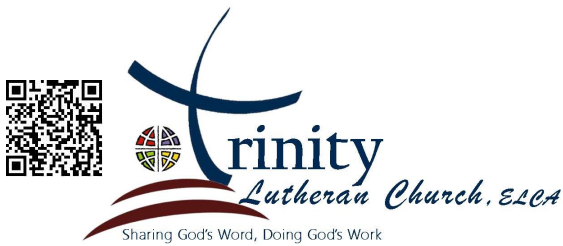
I pray that you will be perplexed at what God is up to, that where you expect things to look down, you instead find abundant life. The Holy Spirit is up to incredible things in our world, our communities, our churches, and your life. Resurrection abounds, and that is Good News indeed!

On the Road Again...

Rev. Alan Blankenfeld

We find ourselves inching closer to spring each day, but then the weather changes and we seem to be going the other way, but we have hope in the fact that spring is coming. As I travel across this great synod I am seeing signs of spring and with them renewed hope. Walking with a rancher in the southern Black Hills and seeing green grass in the sheltered areas, from there to the north central farm and ranch country, seeing new born calves, planters and air seeders getting tuned up for planting season, spring is getting closer.

With these signs of spring I can't help but think of Easter, through Jesus' life, death and resurrection we all have new life and this year maybe more than ever we all need to feel the renewed hope within our congregations, the synod, across this country and around the world. So, we celebrate spring but more importantly we celebrate Easter and what Jesus has done for each one of us. We celebrate new Life and renewed Hope.



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Financial Giving Options

- Checks can be mailed to the church.
- Credit cards can be processed in the church office.
- The church website (www.tlcmadison.com) allows for one-time or recurring donations using a checking/savings account or a credit/debit card.
- The Electronic Giving option through Vanco can also be initialized by filling out an application form in the church office.
- If you should have questions with any of these options or would like to discuss which one is the best option for you, please call Alex at the church office at 256-2771.

Mission of the Month

The April Mission of the Month is Church on the Street, Sioux Falls, an outreach of the SD Synod led by Rev. Chris Matson. This ministry reaches out to the homeless with worship held in city parks or the Multi-Cultural Center.

*Gifts may be designated on offering envelopes
to Mission of the Month Fund.*

Food Pantry

The Lake County Food Pantry mission of the month for April is canned fruit.

Congregational Information

Deaths: Steven Lovro on February 28

Galen Crosby on March 20

Joseph Thompson on March 25

Baptisms: Willa Ellens on March 27

Weddings: none

Help Wanted

Trinity Lutheran Church has a job opening for a wedding coordinator. Contact the church office if interested.

Home Communion Helpers

Thank you to the following for delivering home communion during March: Tom & Joyce Farrell, Jim Iversen, and Susan Williams.