

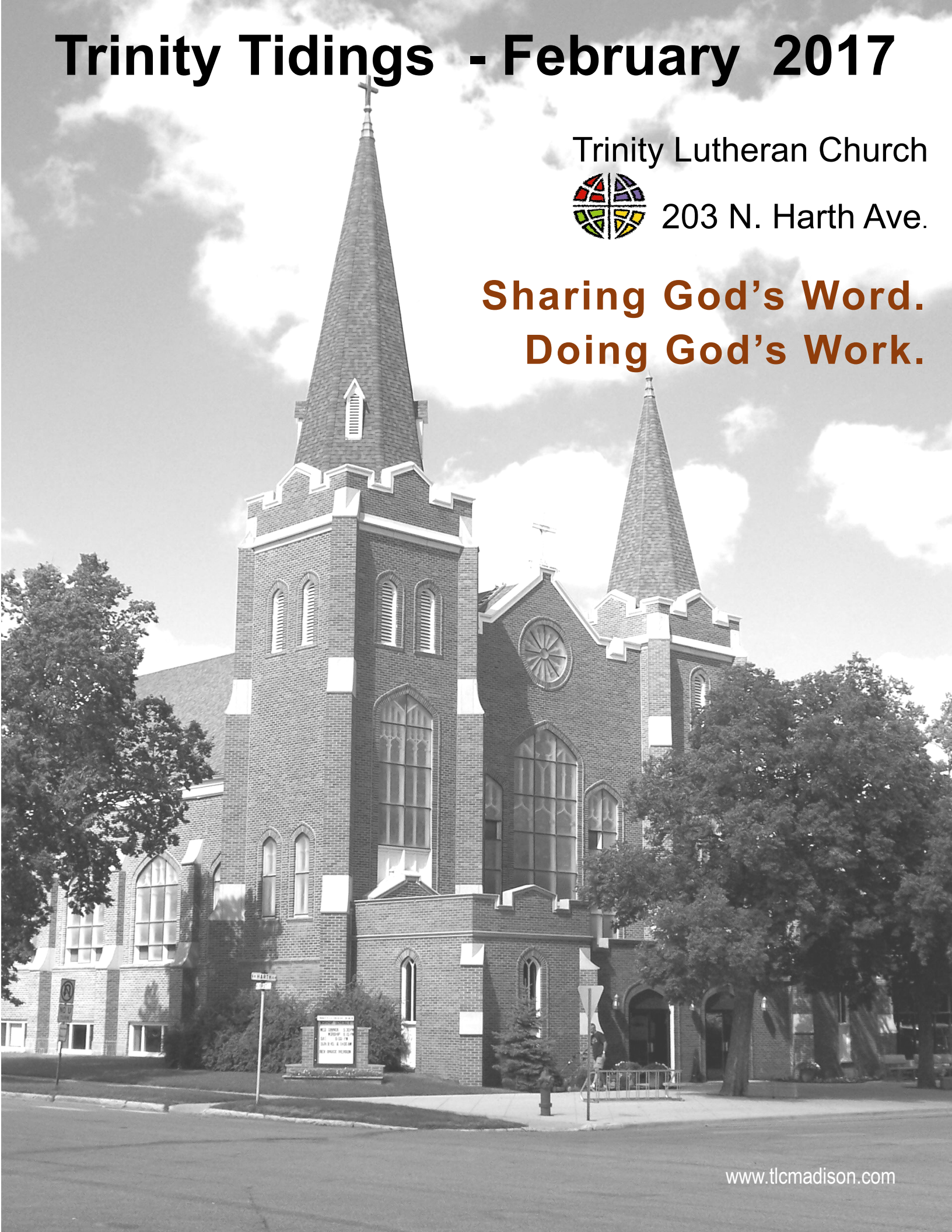
Trinity Tidings - February 2017

Trinity Lutheran Church



203 N. Harth Ave.

**Sharing God's Word.
Doing God's Work.**





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YOUTUBE

You can now view all Sunday worship services on our YouTube channel! Just search for *Trinity Lutheran Church ELCA* or click on the link on our website!



FOOD PANTRY

The Lake County Food Pantry mission of the month is pancake mix and syrup . Donations can be brought to Trinity.



OPERATION BRIGHTER CHRISTMAS

A great big THANK YOU to everyone who helped with our McCrossan Boys Ranch shoe box project this year! Together, we filled 100 boxes for these boys! A thank you letter is on the bulletin board near the kitchen for you to read. Thank you also to Carol Verhey and Val Verhey for helping wrap the boxes!

When we brought the boxes to the Ranch, staff said that some boys had already asked if the shoe boxes were coming again this year. The boys receive other Christmas gifts (clothes, etc.) through a program within the Sioux Falls community, but, we learned the small gifts in our shoe boxes are a favorite for many and they really look forward to them!



CONGREGATIONAL INFORMATION

Baptisms:

December 25, 2016 - Cameron James Core, son of Patrick and Casey Core

December 25, 2016 - Wilder Louis Crowfoot Keane, son of Daniel Keane and Jennifer Tomscha

Weddings:

December 31, 2016 - Brittany (Rymerson) and Jon Waldman

Deaths:

January 23, 2017 - Darlene Helvick

New Members:

January 2017 - Steven and Marie Millage & family



PASTOR'S NOTES



Dear Friends in Christ,

Grace and peace to you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit!

A friend of mine was so generous to gift me with an annual subscription to the "Parent" Magazine. As I was enjoying it by the page, I ran into an article titled: "10 quick and easy toddler-meal ideas, from toddler". Emma, being an ordinary 21 months old, likes to eat, but even for a good eater like her, some meals are more a miss than a hit. Needless to say that I instantly grabbed a pen and a piece of paper to jot down what I need to pick up at the grocery store the next time I go. Are you ready for the toddler friendly meals, by toddlers? Here it comes:

- Grass
- One bite out of 15 different apples
- The cat's tail
- Toast, but cut the exact opposite way of however you just cut it
- Whatever you are eating
- Just jelly. No peanut butter, no bread. JUST THE JELLY PART
- Construction paper
- Dirt from the bottom of assorted shoes
- Tub water
- A sweet yet savory pork medallion garnished with a white-wine truffle sauce ... just kidding, toaster waffles

Did you find yourself laughing, checking off the things on the list your toddler does or did, or shaking your head in disbelief? I found myself laughing out loud. It even brought memories back of a jelly ONLY eating Paul! Oh what fun! You may ask yourself, why is she sharing this? Let me explain! Better yet, let me ask you a question or two, or three.

What is the church? What works for you when you think about church? How are you the church? You see, what works for one toddler, Paul devoured jelly only, while Emma looks at me in disbelief; "What no toast?" doesn't work for the other. Your congregational council, foundation and staff continuously ask the above questions as we plan mission and ministry for Trinity. No one so far has produced a short list of what it means to be the church these days, but valuable discussion happens on all levels. For that, I am grateful!

Undoubtedly, times have changed and continue to change. Our lives are busier and our schedules are a bit tighter these days. Please know that your leadership acknowledges those truths, and has committed itself to take a truthful and candid look at how we can best serve you in your context and support you and your family in your journey of faith. This is no easy undertaking, it undoubtedly will take time. But what it most importantly takes is YOUR INPUT and SUPPORT! I encourage you to start a short list, like the one above about the 10 things on how you think we can best be the church today and in the future. Please know that your leadership is listening and likes to hear from you!

Blessings on your journey,

Pastor Constanze



STAFF

Rev. Dirk Hagmaier	Co-Pastor	256-2771
Rev. Constanze Hagmaier	Co-Pastor	256-2771
Sandy Rhode, AIM	Youth & Education Director	256-2771
Marlys Schmidt	Executive Administrative Assistant	256-2771
Julie Jones	Receptionist	256-2771
Alex Eykamp	Music & Worship Ministries	

Preschool Staff

Melissa Palmquist	Preschool Director	256-2771
Summer DuRandt	Preschool Assistant	256-2771

CONGREGATIONAL OFFICERS

Beth Delzer	President	256-6246
David Rossing	Vice-President	256-3851
Joan Merager	Secretary	256-2296
Katie Nelson	Treasurer	556-0051

BOARD OF DEACONS

Michael Brooke (17)	Chair/Evangelical Outreach	256-0245
Ann Marie Rossing (18)	Mission Momentum	256-3851
Linda Brick (19)	Sacraments & Services	256-2375
Susan Langner (17)	Life & Growth	480-0734
Nancy Sabbe (19)	Worship and Music	256-3664

BOARD OF PARISH EDUCATION

Becky Brown (17)	Chair/Confirmation Education	256-2509
Carolyn Feige (19)	Continuing Education/Library	270-1320
Amy Townsend (18)	Elementary Education	359-6989
Julie Jones (19)	Preschool & Early Childhood	270-9715
Adam Shaw (19)	Youth Ministry	256-6150
Sandy Rhode, AIM	Youth & Education Director	256-2771

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Keith Knutson (19)	Stewardship	256-3006
Stacy Krusemark (17)	Church Sanctuary Property	280-6824
Roger Olson (17)	Chair/Education Wing	427-3391
Peggy Hoff (18)	Development & Planning	480-4157
Randy VanRosendale (17)	Insurance	256-9669

Church Council meets at 8:00 p.m. in the Fellowship hall the second Tuesday of each month. All members are welcome to attend a council meeting, or contact any of the above leaders with any concerns, suggestions, or questions. We are here to serve you!

If you would like to participate in any of these opportunities, please feel free to contact the contact person listed. If you have an interest in an activity not listed, please contact the church office (256-2771).

FOUNDATION COMMISSION

David Rossing (17)	Chair	Council Vice-President	256-3851
Tom Farrell (17)		Treasurer	256-6777
Rob Thuringer (18)		Commission Member	480-0917
Nancy Kasuske (21)		Secretary	483-3199
Valerie Kuhl (20)		Commission Member	256-6882
Marc Molskness (19)		Commission Member	483-3561

CHOIRS

Vocal Directors:

Adult	Sandy Cole	256-3222
Chapel (Grades 9-12)	Virginia Lemme	483-3125
Chancel (Grades 5-8)	Emily Knuth	270-6269
Covenant (Grades 1-4)	Mary Hunter	256-3280

Sunday School Choir Directors:

Preschool 1-Kindergarten	Tami Christiansen	480-0727
Grade 1-4	Stacey Riedel	256-3665

Handbell Directors:

Epiphany	Diane Plack	256-3665
Youth	Sandy Cole	256-3222

Celebration Team Director

Virginia Lemme	483-3125
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NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Nancy Presuhn (18)	Congregational Delegate	256-3419
Jennifer Briggs (17)	Council Delegate	480-1870
Sandy Cole (17)	Council Delegate	256-3222
Randy Van Rosendale (19)	Congregational Delegate	256-9669
Karen Kalvig (19)	Congregational Delegate	256-2347
Chris Giles (17)	Congregational Delegate	256-7630

FUNERAL COMMITTEE

Sandy Cole	256-3222
Mary Hutchinson	256-0281
Nancy Miller	256-2145
Kay Johnson	256-4798
Sharol Bargmann	256-3865
Mary Cole	256-1543

MISCELLANEOUS

Newsletter	Julie Jones	256-2771
Mission of the Month	Ann Marie Rossing	256-3851
Prayer Chain	Marlys Schmidt	256-2771
Video Communication	Roger Hillestad	256-4087
Trinity Women	Nancy Miller	256-2145
Wedding Coordinator	Robin Boldt	256-2771



FROM THE YOUTH DIRECTOR SANDY



On Wednesday, February 1, 2017, we will have a Mentor Meeting at **7:30 p.m.** in the Nursery **for Mentors only.**

8th Grade Confirmation students and parents: There will be a Mentor, Confirmand, and Parent Information Meeting on **Wednesday, February 1, 2017 at 8:00 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall.

On **Sunday, February 5, 2017 at 10:45 a.m.**, the Middle School LYO Committee will meet in the Youth Room for their monthly meeting. The High School LYO Committee will meet on **Wednesday, February 8, 2017 at 8:00 p.m.** in the Youth Room.

The Acolyte Schedule for this month is as follows: **2/5/17 8:45 a.m.** Abbey Allen/Casey Meadows; **11:00 a.m.** Rylee Hall/Ally Drew; **2/12/17 8:45 a.m.** Breanna Coomes/Abbey Allen; **11:00 a.m.** Ethan Buskness/Gabriel Janke; **2/19/17 8:45 a.m.** Emily VanLiere/Allison Bruns; **11:00 a.m.** Rylee Hall/Ally Drew; **2/26/17 8:45 a.m.** Colby Briggs/Brayden Ulwelling; **11:00 a.m.** Aspen Denne/Drew Moore.

I want to thank all of the parents who have volunteered to serve a Wednesday night supper for the confirmands/congregation members. The following parents have volunteered to provide supper for this month: **2/1/17** Margaret Buchholtz/Julie Sims, **2/8/17** Meadows Family, **2/15/17** Krysten Cruz/Stacey Olesen, and **2/22/17 NO CONFIRMATION-“Guide Huddle”**.

On **Sunday, February 5, 2017**, the high school juniors will be honored and will be receiving their “Milestone Ministry” gift and blessing from the Milestone Ministry Committee at both the **8:45 and 11:00 a.m.** Worship Services. At **10:00 a.m.**, Pastor Dirk will meet with **the high school juniors and parents** to have a time to do a learning activity together in the **Fireside Room**.

We will have “Second Breakfast” on **Sunday, February 12, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.** in the Youth Room for Grade 5-6. We will have a guest speaker. Penny Johnson/Neisha Bjorklund’s class is responsible for the breakfast. Grade 7-8 will have their “Third Breakfast” on **February 19, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.** in the Youth Room. We will have a guest speaker. Stephanie Krusemark/Betsy Schamber/Christy Leighton’s class is responsible for the breakfast.

The Milestone Ministry Committee will meet on **Tuesday, February 14, 2017 at 5:15 p.m.** in the Church Office.

On **Tuesday, February 21, 2017 at 5:15 p.m.**, the Summer Ministry Committee will meet in the Church Office.

On **Sunday, February 26, 2016**, the Kindergarten students will be honored and will receive their “Milestone Ministry” gift and blessing from the Milestone Ministry Committee at both the **8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.** Worship Services. During the Sunday School hour at **10:00 a.m.**, Pastor Constanze will meet with the **Kindergarten students, their parents, and teachers**, to have a time to do a learning activity together in the **Fireside Room**.

Seniors 2017! Please call the church office, if you are considering attending Augustana University for the fall 2017 term, so we can put your name on the PACT form.

Seniors 2017! Please turn in a **senior picture and a short resume** of your future plans to me for a special display that we are planning for you. Your promptness will be greatly appreciated!

Sandy Rhode, **AIM**



HEALTH TIPS FOR FEBRUARY



7 Things Every Child Should Hear

February is the time for love and admiration but sometimes as caring adults for our kids and teens we need to be both tough and tender. Listed below are Josh Shipp's The 7 Things Every Kid Needs to Hear

I love you- If they don't hear it from you, who will they hear it from? Always be strong enough to say I love you to your kids.

I'm proud of you- It is important to applaud effort more than achievement, because achievement is often subjective to the group we are competing against.

I'm sorry- Taking responsibility as an adult is important for our kids to see. We have to model what it looks like to be an adult and apologize when we make mistakes.

I forgive you- Its crucial for young ones to know that to succeed you must be willing to fail. Screw-ups happen. Let your kids know its ok to make a mistake.

I'm listening- Be willing to listen and ask questions instead of lecturing. It's not about control but influence. This will help them come to their own decisions and beliefs about situations.

This is your responsibility- Don't bail your kids out of problems they can solve. Instead be like a coach, prepare them and cheer them on with moral support and guidance!

You've got what it takes- If they know you believe in them they will be better prepared to achieve their goals and dreams and face difficult situations

BONUS: NO- Sometimes the most loving and caring thing you can say to you child is NO. They won't always appreciate it in the moment but by saying no to the wrong things allows us to say yes to the right things.

Compliments of Tracy Barton-Opdahl, Faith Community Nurse

GRIEF SHARE OPPORTUNITY

The Madison Area Faith Community Nursing Ministry would like to invite anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one, family member, or friend to our Grief Share meeting.

We will be journeying through a developed curriculum over 13 sessions. Frequency will be determined by the group. A time to share.

February 12, 2017 3:30-4:30pm

Madison Regional Hospital

Conference Room 1

madisonfcn@avera.org

605-322-3381 **RSVP: TRACY BARTON-OPDAHL RN**



DECEMBER 2016 MEMORIALS

In Memory of Robert Olson

Leland and Carol White

Peggy Hoff

Jean Tommeraasen

In Memory of Beda and Raymond Tidblom

Alice Crapse





FEBRUARY MISSION OF THE MONTH

TRINITY CARE FUND

The month of February is often associated with love, hearts and flowers. Not all experience the cozy reminders of Valentine remembrances. During these cold months, most of us are blessed to have a warm place to call "home". There are many in the community who struggle with the cost of heat, electricity, food or a place to live on a day to day basis. "Home" may not feel very comfortable or cozy in these cold winter months.



We know that Trinity is a source of God's hope and love to many in our community. We pray that as we serve the physical needs of those who enter our church "home" seeking help, that they will see God's love through the sharing of our Trinity generosity in their time of need.

The financial gifts you share are carefully managed and documented by our pastoral staff. Your generous offerings are seen as a "sacred trust" and shared with discretion and discernment.

The Trinity Care Fund is our Mission of the Month for February, and it is an arm of our church's ministry in the community of Madison serving those in need throughout the year. Please consider a financial gift which is a tangible expression of Jesus love to others.

LYDIA CIRCLE

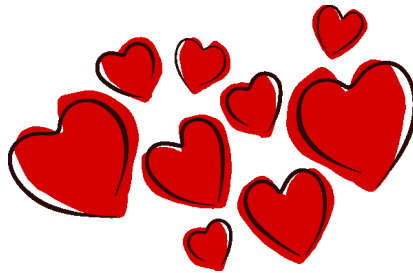


FOR THE LOVE OF IT

Join us Thursday, February 16 @ 7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall for our next Lydia Circle gathering. We get together to study God's Word, learn something new and have fun. February's theme is "For the Love of it" and Tracy Barton-Opdahl, our Faith Community Nurse, will give a presentation on heart health.

All women of Trinity are invited. If you haven't had a chance to attend previously, that's OK. If it only works for you to come once in a while, that's fine too. This is not a group that you need to be at each and every gathering. Come because you're curious and come back because you enjoy it!

If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Constanze.





FEBRUARY CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue
<p>5 **See Sunday Schedule 10 am—Milestone Ministry Junior Class(FH) 10:45 am—MSLYO Committee Meeting (YR)</p> <p>8 am to 1 pm —Boy Scout Pan-cake Feed</p>	<p>6 9 am and 12:30 pm— Preschool (SR) 5 pm—Pizza Ranch Fundraiser 7pm —Troup 5 Boy Scouts (FH)</p>	<p>7 8:30 am—Staff Meeting (CR) 9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR) 1 pm—Quilting (FH) 4 pm—Scouts Pack 5 Banquet (FH) 6 pm—Wolves (FS) 6 pm—Bears (YR) 6 pm—MRT-LSS (Room 18)</p>
<p>12 **See Sunday Schedule 6:30 pm—8pm Valentine Candle-light Dinner (FH)</p>	<p>13 9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR) 4 pm—Cancer Support Group (Nicky's) 5:30—Troup 40052 Girl Scouts (FS) 6:30 pm—Webelos I (FS) 7pm —Troup 5 Boy Scouts (FH)</p>	<p>14 Valentine's Day **See Council Schedule 8:30 am—Staff Meeting (CR) 9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR) 1 pm—Quilting (FH) 6 pm—MRT-LSS (Room 18) 6 pm—Wolves (FS) 6 pm—Bears (YR) 6 :30 pm—Webelos (Room 8)</p>
<p>19 **See Sunday Schedule</p> <p>Communion Jingle Change</p>	<p>20 Washington's Birthday</p> <p><i>No Preschool</i></p>	<p>21 8:30 am—Staff Meeting (CR) 9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR) 9 am—Mary Circle (Diana Olson's Home) 1 pm—Quilting (FH) 5:15 pm—Summer Ministry Committee (CO) 6 pm—MRT-LSS (CR) 7 pm—Martha/Naomi Circle (Bethel Apartments CR)</p>
<p>26 **See Sunday Schedule 10 am—Milestone Ministry Kindergarten Class (FS)</p>	<p>27 9 am and 12:30 pm— Preschool (SR) 6:30 Webelos I (FS) 7pm —Troup 5 Boy Scouts (FH)</p>	<p>28 8:30 am—Staff Meeting (CR) 9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR) 1 pm—Quilting (FH) 6 pm—MRT-LSS (CR)</p>



FEBRUARY CALENDAR

Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1 9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR) **See Wednesday Schedule 7:30 pm—Mentor (only) Meeting Nursery 8 pm—Parent/Mentor/Confirmand Information (FH)</p>	<p>2 9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR)</p>	<p>3 6:45 am—Men's Group (FH) 9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR) 5:15 pm—MS/HS LYO Stampede Game</p>	<p>4 6 pm—Worship (FH) with Communion</p>
<p>8 9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR) **See Wednesday Schedule 8 pm—HSLYO Committee Meeting (YR)</p>	<p>9 8:30 am—Worship Committee (FS) 9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR)</p>	<p>10 6:45 am—Men's Group (FH) 9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR)</p>	<p>11 6 pm—Worship (FH)</p>
<p>15 9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR) **See Wednesday Schedule 9:30 am—Ruth Circle at Prairie View Apartments</p>	<p>16 9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR) 7 pm—Lydia Circle (S)</p>	<p>17 6:45 am—Men's Group (FH) 9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR)</p>	<p>18 5 pm—Potluck (FH) 6 pm—Worship (FH) with Communion & Jingle Change</p>
<p>22 9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR) **See Wednesday Schedule</p>	<p>23 9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR) 7 pm—Prairie Piecemakers Quilt Guild (FH)</p>	<p>24 6:45 am—Men's Group (FH) 9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR)</p>	<p>25 6 pm—Worship (FH)</p>
<p>Room Codes: CO=Church Office CR=Conference Room FS=Fireside Room FH=Fellowship Hall S=Sanctuary SB=Sanctuary Balcony SR=Sonshine Room YR=Youth Room</p>	<p>Council Schedule: <i>(2nd Tuesday of the month)</i> 1:00 pm—Finance Committee (CR) 5:15 pm—Precouncil (CR) 5:15 pm—Milestone Ministry Committee Meeting (CO) 5:45 pm—Executive Council (CR) 6:30 pm—Board of Trustees (FH) 6:30 pm—Board of Deacons</p>	<p>Sunday Schedule: 8:00 am—Coffee Hour (Narthex) 8:45 am—Worship Traditional (S) 9:45 am—Coffee Hour (FH) 10:00 am—Sunday School 11:00 am—Worship Celebration (S) <i>Communion on the 1st and 3rd Sat./Sun.</i></p>	<p>Wednesday Schedule: 4:30 pm—Youth Jubilant Bell Choir (SB) 5:15 pm—Covenant Choir (FS), Chancel Choir (YR), Epiphany Bell Choir (SB) 5:30 pm—Confirmation Supper (FH) 6:00 pm—Chapel Choir (FS) 6:30 pm—Confirmation 6:45 pm—Adult Choir (FS) 6:45 pm—Celebration Practice (S)</p>



JANUARY COUNCIL MINUTES

January 10th, 2017 at 8:00 P.M.

The council recited Trinity Lutherans Church Mission Statement, "Sharing God's Word, Doing God's Work." Council members absent and excused were Roger Olson, Sandy Rhode, Becky Brown, Adam Shaw, Amy Townsend, and Stacy Krusemark.

President Beth Delzer called the January 10th, 2017 council meeting to order. Peggy Hoff led in devotions.

The agenda was presented by President Delzer and she asked for a motion to approve; Mike Brooke made the motion and Peggy Hoff seconded. Motion passed.

The council minutes from December 13, 2016 were presented and President Delzer asked for a motion to approve; Ann Marie Rossing made the motion and Keith Knutson seconded. Motion passed.

Pastor Constanze presented the Educational Moment with a New Year's Theme package. She expressed a Thank You to all council members, those who have completed their term and to the members who will continue to serve on council.

President Delzer shared the financial report and reported that we were \$9108.00 behind in expenses versus income. A motion to accept the report was made by Keith Knutson and seconded by Mike Brooke. Motion passed.

STAFF REPORTS WERE PRESENTED BY:

Sandy Rhode, Parish Education coordinator was ill and had submitted a written report.

Pastor Dirk reported:

- Pastors' in-laws and niece have returned to Germany.
- Inquiry from St. Peter Lutheran about worship opportunities.
- He is teaching the Cub Scout lesson on "God and Me."
- He is working on Lenten services.
- He is preparing for next year and thinking of focusing on finances and God.
- He is anxious to attend the Planning/Visioning Retreat on January 28th given by Dr. Richard Hanson.
- He is working on confirmation and is facing challenges with families who are not attending church services so their child may take sermon notes.
- He will be attending a Multi culture committee meeting in Sioux Falls.
- Possibly attending Senior Pastors' retreat in January.
- Pondering the congregation's deficit and he prays that God' love will lead us in the direction to take.

Pastor Constanze reported:

- She has had several funerals.
- She is working on the administrative business of the year.
- She encouraged Council members who are done with their term please recycle your notebooks and return to the office to Marlys.
- She encouraged Council members to attend the January 22nd Annual Meeting and be proud of the work you have done on the council.
- The new council will have a short organizational meeting directly after the Annual Meeting.
- January 29th is the Bingo Bash and to celebrate with family and friends in faith.
- She appreciates council evaluations as they give her good ideas.
- Thank you to our board members who are completing their terms, Beth Delzer, Roger Olson, Mike Brooke, Becky Brown, Susan Langner, and Stacy Krusemark for serving our church.
- Council installation will be on February 12th, at 8:45 am or 11:00 am services and orientation will be held between services as an educational moment.
- The Christmas Appeal was a great opportunity to invite people to support mission and ministry, the results are by no means a reflection on the paid or elected leadership.
- Our world around us is changing rapidly and with that the church needs to adapt to the change by keeping its mission in mind. God is always with us but it does not mean her will always shelter us and won't challenge us.



JANUARY COUNCIL MINUTES

- Faith Community Nursing is going well and the health cabinet and task force are meeting regularly. Mission and ministry is happening.
- Miss Melissa Palmquist has resigned as Preschool Teacher and her helper Miss Summer duRandt will replace beginning the 2017/18 school year. We will be thanking her for her work with the Preschool later.

President Beth Delzer reported: She thanked the council for their great work and help in making her year of 2016 as president a wonderful year, and she hopes we will have a great 2017!

Vice President David Rossing reported: He has high hopes for the Planning/Visioning Retreat on Saturday, January 28th from 8:30 – 3:30 pm. The facilitator will be Dr. Richard Hanson, Interim Provost and VP for Academic Affairs, Dakota State University and also a Lutheran layman who is very committed to helping organizations like Trinity. All current and new Council and Foundation members and staff are invited. Lunch will be provided. There will also be two breaks and attendees will be asked to bring their favorite snacks to share. A survey will be sent out by Dr. Hanson to all those invited. Please fill it out as soon as you are notified by him. Please notify me by January 19, 2017 if you will not be able to attend so that our lunch count will be as accurate as possible.

Deacon Board Chairman Mike Brooke reported:

- Worship & Music will meet Thursday for regular planning meeting.
- Starting to think about Reformations 500th year anniversary on October 29th.
- Planning and thinking about Celebration Teams anniversary event.
- Mission Momentum: St Dymas visit April 6th & November 2nd.
- Mission of the Month for January is the Union Gospel Mission and February is TLC Care Fund.
- The Trinity Lutheran Care Fund gift for December 2016 was \$2315.00
- Life and Growth: We have a new service group leader Kirsten Thuringer.
- Boy Scouts Pancake breakfast is February 5th.
- Susan plans to help new Deacon especially on soup suppers.
- Services and Sacraments: Linda continues to meet and greet worshippers and is recruiting volunteers for worship assistants.
- Cindy Nielsen is resigning from Home Communion leadership and a transition is being made.
- Evangelical Outreach: Blue Christmas service went well.
- Christmas Eve 5:00 pm service was broadcast on KJAM.

Parish Education Board report was given by Julie Jones and Carolyn Feige:

- Reviewed Sunday School Teachers evaluations.
- Discussed Candlelight Dinner coming on February 12th, 2017. Tickets will go on sale January 15th and it will be an Italian supper.
- Tabled – Goals for Board of Parish Ed.

Trustee Board Report was given by Keith Knutson:

- Approved paying the bills.
- Will allow the CD to mature and decide how funds will be invested.

Lydia Circle will meet on January 19th. Everyone is Welcome.

A motion was made by David Rossing and seconded by Linda Brick to approve Katie Nelson as Treasurer and Joan Merager as council secretary. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned with all standing and joining hands and praying The Lord's Prayer.

January treats were provided by the Deacons. February Treats will be provided by Parish Education.

Respectfully submitted,
Joan Merager, Council Secretary



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TRINITY YOUTH NEWS



MIDDLE SCHOOL LUTHERAN YOUTH ORGANIZATION (MSLYO-GRADE 6-8)

February 3, 2017 5:15-10:30 p.m. Stampede Game in Sioux Falls **due by 1/20/17**. We will leave by 5:15 p.m. from Trinity. Falls. **\$12 ticket money**

March 3-4, 2017-Friday, 9:00 p.m.-Saturday, 8:00 a.m. Lock-In at Trinity Lutheran. Bring a pillow, sleeping bag, and \$7.00 for expenses. **You must sign-up ahead for this event!** We will need a signed covenant and health form for this event! Watch for a sign-up sheet at the "Middle School Youth" bulletin board.

HIGH SCHOOL LUTHERAN YOUTH ORGANIZATION (HSLYO-GRADE 9-12)

February 3, 2017 5:15-10:30 p.m. Stampede Game in Sioux Falls. \$12 ticket money due by 1/20/17. We will leave by 5:15 p.m. from Trinity.

February 6, 2017 5:00-8:00 p.m. Pizza Ranch Fundraiser. We will receive a percentage of the dine-in and carry-out orders. Please plan to join us for supper with your family! This is a fundraiser for the High School trip to Minneapolis

February 12, 2017 6:30-8:00 p.m. Our Annual "Valentine Candlelight Dinner" for singles, couples, groups are all welcome!