

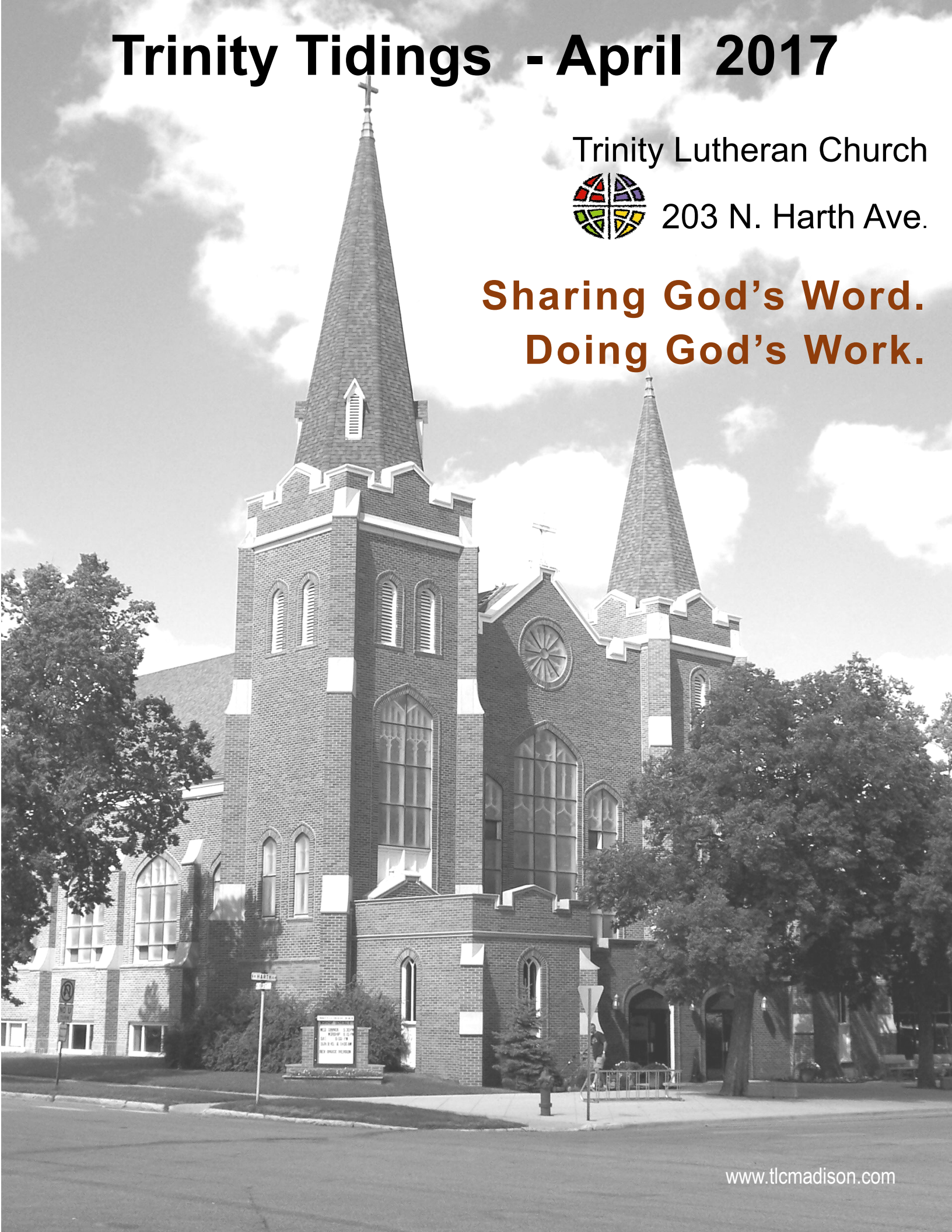
Trinity Tidings - April 2017

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 canned fruit. Donations can be brought to Trinity.



EMAIL ADDRESS



If you are currently receiving the Trinity Tidings in the mail and would like to receive it electronically, please contact the church office. Also, we send out "e-news"

that will delivered to your inbox weekly! If you have not received this and would like to, please let the office know your email address.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION



**IS YOUR
INFO UP
TO DATE?**

Have you moved? Did you disconnect your land line? Did you change your email 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 let us know when you have an address change, email change, marital status change, etc. If you are on Facebook or Twitter, or look under "Forms" on our website, you can find a new information change form on our page. Check it out!

CARE TEAM

If you or someone you know is hospitalized, please contact the church office to let us know. Thank you from Trinity's Care Team.





PASTOR'S NOTES



Friends in Christ,

Grace and peace to you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit! – What's in a name? Have you ever noticed that you hear a name and you immediately associate it with something, good, bad or indifferent, it really doesn't matter? What matters is that once you hear a name, you have an emotional reaction. I remember my mom's strong reaction to Pastor Dirk's and my proposal of naming Paul "Paul". "You can't do that!" she exclaimed. Bewildered I asked: "Why not?" "Because I had an Uncle Paul, and he was mean!" See, the name "Paul" brought forth an emotional response in my mom. Every time I call "Emma" by her name, I am fondly reminded of my grandmother, and how I still miss her dearly after all those years that she is gone. So, what's in a name for you?

I can tell you what's in a name for Mary. In John 20:16 we become "ear-witnesses" of how Mary's entire world is changed by Jesus calling her by name. Here is what it says in 20:16: "Jesus said to her, 'Mary'. She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, 'Rabboni!' (which means 'Teacher')." Being called by her own name by a familiar voice evokes a tremendous emotional response on Mary's part. While she thought Jesus was dead, gone forever, she now is filled with new hope and a future. Sure there were the angels at Jesus deserted grave side, but their message didn't have the same effect as Jesus talking to her personally, calling her by her name.

You know all about that, really, when you think of it. There is no sweeter sound than your children calling out "Mom", "Dad". I know your heart jumped for joy when your grandchildren lovingly called you "Grams", "Papa" or whatever else those sweet little voices call you and you respond immediately with a warmed heart. I know that Lyman and Paul couldn't wait for Emma to say their names and call out to them. Even teenagers have a soft spot for sweet little voices that call their name.

In the waters of baptism we don't hear a sweet little voice, but we hear God's voice, whatever you imagine it to sound like, calling our name. "Constanze, I have called you by name, you are mine forever. And there is nothing that will ever be able to separate us two from each other." I am not sure that I can grasp the full scope of that promise. But I am sure, God, who is patient, and slow to anger, will continue to show me. As I ponder what Easter means to me and in that respect to all of us personally, I come back to the truth that at Easter God wants us to feel that the resurrection happened for you and for me, so that death will have no power over us anymore. And I am not just talking about the big final show down, I am talking about those little deaths we live with every day. The defeating self-talk, the gossip, the chronic illness, or whatever else holds you back and tells you every day that death is real. Easter is a reminder that yes, death is real! Christ really died! But God is "realer" and calls you every day to face death head on with the assurance that death does not have the last word, but life does.

In Christ,

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		
David Rossing	President	256-3851
Jennifer Briggs	Vice-President	480-1870
Joan Merager	Secretary	256-2296
Katie Nelson	Treasurer	556-0051

BOARD OF DEACONS		
Nancy Sabbe (19)	Chr./Worship and Music	256-3664
Ann Marie Rossing (18)	Mission Momentum	256-3851
Linda Brick (20)	Sacraments & Services	256-2375
Patti Weber (20)	Life & Growth	480-3231
Chase Hanson (20)	Evangelical Outreach	480-2259

BOARD OF PARISH EDUCATION		
Amy Townsend (18)	Chr./Elementary Education	256-5733
Carolyn Feige (19)	Continuing Education/Library	270-1320
Dana Hoff	Youth Ministry	480-0047
Julie Jones (19)	Preschool & Early Childhood	256-2771
Adam Shaw (19)	Confirmation Education	270-4302
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Keith Knutson (19)	Chr./Stewardship	256-3006
Randy VanRosendale	Church/Sanctuary Property	256-9669
Wayne Halma (20)	Education Wing	291-2174
Peggy Hoff (18)	Development & Planning	480-4157
Elizabeth Molstad (20)	Insurance	482-8254

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		
Jennifer Briggs (18)	Vice-President	480-1870
Tom Farrell (17)	Treasurer	256-6777
Rob Thuringer (18)	Commission Member	480-0917
Nancy Kasuske (21)	Secretary	483-3199
Valerie Kuhl (20)	Chr./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

NOMINATING COMMITTEE		
Nancy Presuhn (18)	Congregational Delegate	256-3419
Mike Brooke (18)	Council Delegate	256-0245
Becky Brown (18)	Council Delegate	256-2509
Randy VanRosendale (19)	Congregational Delegate	256-9669
Karen Kalvig (20)	Congregational Delegate	256-2347
Tim Walburg (20)	Congregational Delegate	556-0103

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



I would like to thank everyone who has come to the Lenten Soup Suppers in March and April for your support in helping our campers go to Bible Camp! I would also like to thank the campers, camper parents, Confirmation Guides, confirmands, and Service Groups for all of their work with the Soup Suppers and delivering soup to the 21 shut-ins of our congregation for the last six weeks!

The Acolyte Schedule for this month is as follows: 4/2/17-8:45 a.m.-Colby Briggs/Makena Schultz; 11:00 a.m.-Cam Buchholtz/Trey Smith; 4/9/17-8:45 a.m.-Braxton Gulbranson/Mallorie Schultz; 11:00 a.m.-Cam Buchholtz/Trey Smith; 4/16/17-8:45 a.m.-Rebecca Sims/_____; 11:00 a.m.-Colby Vostad/Breckyn Leighton; 4/23/17-8:45 a.m.-Casey Meadows/Rebecca Sims; 11:00 a.m.-Drew Moore/Brionna Joppa; 4/30/17-8:45 a.m.-Casey Meadows/Rebecca Sims; 11:00 a.m.-Rylee Hall/Ally Drew.

On Sunday, **April 2, 2017**, the second grade students 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 Constanze will meet with the second grade students, teachers, and parents to have a time to do a learning activity together in the Fireside Room.

We will have "Second Breakfast" on Sunday, April 9, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. in the Youth Room for Grade 5-6. We will have a video. Rachael Jencks/Amy Shafer's class is responsible for the breakfast. Grade 7-8 will have their "Third Breakfast" on April 23, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. in the Youth Room. We will have a video. Dan Lemme's class is responsible for the breakfast.

We want to thank all of the parents who have helped serve the Wednesday night suppers! We have the following helping this month-4/19/17-Meadows family, and 4/26/17-Kim Bruns/Bridget VanLiere.



On Tuesday, **April 18, 2017** at 5:15 p.m., the Summer Ministry Committee will meet in the Church Office.

The Registration form/Health form for Day Camp is in this newsletter. Day Camp will be for youth who have completed Kindergarten-grade 5 (as of 5/17). It will be June 26-29, 2017 from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. and held at the Lake County 4-H grounds. The actual cost of Day Camp is \$50 per person but the charge will be \$25 each or a family maximum of \$50. There are camperships available for Day Camp.



The registration form for Preschool Bible School was in the March "*Trinity Tidings*" newsletter. Preschool Bible School will be for children that have completed Preschool I, Preschool II, and Kindergarten Sunday School and will be held June 4-8, 2017 from 5:45-7:30 p.m. Please turn these registration forms in by Friday, April 28, 2017 to the church office. If you have any questions, please call 605-256-2771 or 270-9510.

The deadline for the eighth grade confirmands with their Mentor Program is to have Worksheet #1, Worksheet #2, and an interview with the assigned Pastor was Friday, **March 31, 2017**. The deadline for Worksheet #3, Worksheet #4, a Statement of Faith, and an interview with the other Pastor is Friday, **May 19, 2017** (PLEASE NOTE CHANGE). The confirmands and Mentors need to attend two Worship Services together and turn in their two "Worship Notes" by Sunday, September 10, 2017.



Seniors 2017! Have you turned in a senior picture and a short resume of your future plans to me for a special display that we are planning for you? Please turn this in by Friday, **April 7, 2017**. Your promptness will be greatly appreciated!

Sandy Rhode, AIM



FIRST COMMUNION CLASS 2017

The following fifth grade students will have their "First Communion" at the Maundy Thursday Worship Service on **Thursday, April 13, 2017**. The Milestone Ministry committee will be giving the students a NRSV Bible and a Prayer Stone Set to honor their "First Communion".

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| 1. Braxton Rodney Bjorklund | 11. Levi John Paul Olesen |
| 2. Maxon Eldyn Bruns | 12. Jack Travis Olson |
| 3. Charles P. Callahan | 13. Megan Jayne Richardson |
| 4. Manuel Joseph DeCastro | 14. Dylan Lee Riedel |
| 5. Raeana Joelee Eggert | 15. Carsen Terry Schneider |
| 6. Margaret Ann Engebretson | 16. Adam Bradley Souter |
| 7. Jacob Lowell Hansen | 17. Ava Rose Townsend |
| 8. Henry Johan Hope | 18. Chase Michael Ulwelling |
| 9. Oliver Jack Husher | 19. Amanda Sue Vacanti |
| 10. Emily Elizabeth Lanners | 20. McKenna Marie Williams |



CONGREGATIONAL INFORMATION

Deaths:

- March 4, 2017- Dennis Hilde
- March 8, 2017- Robert "Bob" Miller
- March 17, 2017- Richard "Dick" Olson

New Members:

- February 2017-Eric, Stace, Ellie, and Maddie Osthus
- February 2017-Maria Jones
- March 2017-Glen and Jan Enright

Members Transferred Out:

- February 2017-Lanny Lembcke to Trinity Lutheran Church in Hemet, CA
- March 2017-Samantha Martinez and Hayden Seitz to First Lutheran in Mitchell, SD
- March 2017-Melissa Molskness Riechers to West Side Lutheran in Sioux Falls, SD
- March 2017-Carol DeSchepper to First Lutheran in Mildford, IA
- March 2017-Helene VanderWerff to First Lutheran in Mildford, IA



TRINITY YOUTH NEWS

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

April 2, 2017-10:45 a.m. MSLYO Committee ONLY Meeting in the Youth Room.

April 29, 2017-2:00-3:30 p.m.-Helping with Bingo at Bethel Nursing Home. Please sign up at the "Middle School Youth" bulletin board. I will have a list of "prizes" we will need to supply for the residents.

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

April 3, 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.

April 5, 2017-8:00 p.m.-HSLYO Committee only Meeting in the Youth Room.

April 15, 2017-9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon. We will be practicing and setting up for the Easter Sunrise Service and Breakfast.

April 16, 2017-7:00 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service led by the high school youth. **8:00-11:00 a.m.** Easter Breakfast served by the high school youth.





HEALTH TIPS FOR MARCH

Third Annual CAREGIVER CONFERENCE

Sponsored by Lake County Aging Alliance

Educational opportunity
for caregivers of seniors... spouses,
children, loved ones, friends, volunteers!

Date: Thursday, May 4, 2017

Time: 5:30 - 7:30 PM

Place: Nicky's Restaurant

Guest speakers will present information on the following topics:

- 211 Information Line - SF 211 People
- Self-Care for the CareGiver - Tracy Barton-Opdahl
- Nutrition & How to Help Elders Eat Properly - Kathy Lindsay & Dietician

DAYCARE/ELDERCARE PROVIDED

Complimentary appetizers

Door Prizes

Cash bar available





APRIL CALENDAR

Sun

Mon

Tue

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

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)

*Communion on the 1st and 3rd Sat/
Sun.*

Wednesday Schedule for April 5th:

4:30 pm—Youth Jubilant Bell Choir (SB)
 5:00 pm—Epiphany Bell Choir (SB)
 5:15 pm—Covenant Choir (FS)
 Chancel Choir (YR)
 6:00 pm—Chapel Choir (S)
 6:00 pm—Adult Choir (FS)
 8:05 pm—Celebration Practice (S)

2 Communion

****See Sunday Schedule**

10 am—Milestone Ministry (FS)
 10:45 am—MSLYO Committee Meeting (YR)
 1:30 pm

3

9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR)
 5 pm—Pizza Ranch Fundraiser
 6:30 pm—Webelos 1(FS)
 7pm —Troup 5 Boy Scouts (FH)

4

8:30 am—Staff Meeting (CR)
 9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR)
 1 pm—Quilting (FH)
 6 pm—Wolves (FS)
 6 pm—Bears (YR)
 6 pm—MRT-LSS (Room 18)
 6 pm—Altar Guild Meeting (S)

9 Palm Sunday

****See Sunday Schedule**

10

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)

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****See Council Schedule**

8:30 am—Staff Meeting (CR)
 9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR)
 1 pm—Quilting (FH)
 5:15—**NO** Milestone Committee Meeting
 5:30 pm—Altar Guild Practice (S)
 6 pm—MRT-LSS (Room 18)
 6 pm—Wolves (FS)
 6 pm—Bears (YR)

16 Easter

7:00 am—Sunrise Service (S)
 8:00 am-11 am Easter Brunch
 8:45 am—Worship Traditional (S)
 11:00 am—Worship Celebration (S)

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**No Preschool
Office Closed**
 7pm —Troup 5 Boy Scouts (FH)

18

8:30 am—Staff Meeting (CR)
 9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR)
 9 am—Mary Circle (FH)
 1 pm—Quilting (FH)
 5:15 pm—Summer Ministry Committee (CO)
 6 pm—MRT-LSS (Room 18)
 6:30 pm—Pack 5 Meeting (FH)
 7 pm—Martha/Naomi Circle (Bethel Apartments CR)

23

****See Sunday Schedule**

24

9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR)
 7pm —Troup 5 Boy Scouts (FH)

25

8:30 am—Staff Meeting (CR)
 9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR)
 1 pm—Quilting (FH)
 6 pm—MRT-LSS (Room 18)
 6:30 pm—Pack 5 Committee (FS)

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**Teacher Appreciation
Council Coffee Hour (FH)**
****See Sunday Schedule**
 7:00 pm—Piano Recital



APRIL CALENDAR

Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Wednesday Schedule for April 12th, 19th, and 26th: 4:30 pm—Youth Jubilant Bell Choir (SB) 5:15 pm—Epiphany Bell Choir (SB) Covenant Choir (FS) Chancel Choir (YR) 6:00 pm—Chapel Choir (FS) 6:45 pm—Adult Choir (FS) 6:45pm—Celebration Practice (S)</p>	<p>Council Schedule: <i>(2nd Tuesday of the month)</i> 1:00 pm—Finance Com .(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 (CR) 6:30 pm—Board of Ed (CO) 8:00 pm—Council Meeting</p>		<p>1 8 am—Parish Ed Board (CO) 6 pm—Worship (FH) with Communion</p>
<p>5 9 am and 12:30 pm— Preschool (SR) **See Wednesday Schedule 5:30 pm—Lenten Soup Supper 6:15 pm—Confirmation Small Groups (YR) 7 pm—Lenten Service (S) 8 pm—HSLYO Com (YR)</p>	<p>6 9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR)</p>	<p>7 6:45 am—Men’s Group (FH) 9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR)</p>	<p>8 2 pm--Bridal Shower 6 pm—Worship (FH)</p>
<p>12 9 am and 12:30 pm— Preschool (SR/ FH) **See Wednesday Schedule</p>	<p>13 Maundy Thursday 8:30 am--Worship Committee (FS) 9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR/FH) 7 pm—Maundy Thursday Ser-vice with First Communion/ Milestone</p>	<p>14 Good Friday No Preschool 6:45 am—Men’s Group (FH) 6:30 pm—Good Friday Service 8:30 pm—”Watch the Lamb”</p>	<p>15 9 am Sunrise Practice 10 am--Baby Shower (FS) No Saturday Evening Wor-ship</p>
<p>19 9 am and 12:30 pm— Preschool (SR) **See Wednesday Schedule 5:30 pm—Confirmation Supper 6:30 pm—Confirmation Small Groups 6:45 pm—High School Bible Study (YR)</p>	<p>20 Organ Tuning Preschool Parent Confer-ences (FS) 9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR) Lydia Circle (FH)—NOT meeting this month</p>	<p>21 6:45 am—Men’s Group (FH) 9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR)</p>	<p>22 6 pm—Worship (FH)</p>
<p>26 9 am and 12:30 pm— Preschool (SR) **See Wednesday Schedule 5:30 pm—Confirmation Supper 6:30 pm—Confirmation Small Groups 6:45 pm—High School Bible Study (YR)</p>	<p>27 9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR) 7 pm—Prairie Piecemakers Quilt Guild (FH)</p>	<p>28 6:45 am—Men’s Group (FH) 9 am and 12:30 pm—Preschool (SR)</p>	<p>29 6 pm—Worship (FH)</p>



APRIL MISSION OF THE MONTH

THE GATHERING

Matthew 25:35 *"For I was Hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink. . . "*

The Gathering is a community ministry which fulfills Jesus' words to His disciples in His teachings from the Mount of Olives.

Since 2004, the Gathering has been feeding and nourishing body and soul of anyone who needs a meal and warm hospitality and fellowship. Initially the Gathering, which is hosted by First United Methodist Church, welcomed people twice a month. The numbers served at the first meals were in the 30's, and today on a weekly basis there are about 120 individuals who come to the Gathering for a meal "to nourish body and for fellowship to feed the soul". The Gathering is staffed week by week by civic, business, youth, and a wide variety of groups from the area who are dedicated to the care of others in our community. The Gathering became a weekly service to those desiring to share a meal in 2011.

Trinity has been an integral part of the Gathering feeding ministry, and our church will have an opportunity to serve the meal on May 15, 2017. Help will be needed to set up the dining area, welcome and dish up the food for the guests, fellowship during the meal and clean up the dishes and area when the meal is complete. The meal is served from 5:00 to 6:00 PM. This service project requires approximately 9-12 volunteers from our congregation. In the fall of each year, the youth of Trinity have also faithfully served at the Gathering. The generous giving of time from our young people has been a witness to those who attend and use the Gathering service. Trinity provides the cost of the food for that occasion as well.

April's **Mission of the Month** is the Gathering. Any donations collected will be used to help defray the cost of providing a meal for our service time on May 15, 2017 and helps with the fall meal. Please consider what you can give financially during April in terms of financial giving and in May with giving of your time and service.

For questions or to sign up to help call the church office 256-2771 or Ann Marie Rossing 256-3851.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

April 9, **Palm Sunday**

There will be a Readers Theatre at all week-end services.

April 13, **Maundy Thursday**

7 PM Worship with Communion and First Communion

April 14, **Good Friday**

Tenebrae Service at 6:30 PM

"Watch the Lamb" at 8:30 PM

April 16, **Easter Sunday**

Sunrise Service with Communion at 7 AM

Easter Brunch 8 AM-11 AM

Traditional Service with Communion at 8:45 AM

No Sunday School

Celebration Service with Communion at 11 AM



HOLY WEEK



MEMBERSHIP APPRECIATION BREAKFAST

On behalf of the entire Church Council, the Board of Trustees is inviting all Members of the Congregation to enjoy a simple breakfast. It will be at 10:00 AM, between Services, on **April 30, 2017**, in the Fellowship Hall.

We need your input! The Trustees are developing a Maintenance and Care Plan for all Church Property. We need your help remembering when we have taken on major repair, replacement or maintenance projects, such as roof replacement, painting of the sanctuary, etc. With this information available, we will then establish a schedule to address the ongoing maintenance needs of our facilities. This will allow us to take a more Proactive Approach rather than Reactive Approach to the care of our Faith Family Home.

Because these projects would have required Church Council approval, we would especially hope that Past Presidents and Past Church Council Members would attend.

This will be a time of Fellowship, Remembering and Reminiscing. Please plan on attending!

ALL CHURCH

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BREAKFAST

LYDIA CIRCLE

Lydia circle *will not* be meeting in the month of April.

However, as April showers bring May flowers...

It will also bring Lydia Circle meeting at its regular time again!

Stay tuned for more information

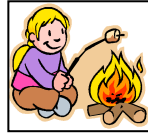
See you in May!





NESODAK DAY CAMP REGISTRATION

NeSoDak Day Camp Registration



“For You” I Thessalonians 5:16-18

We will have Day Camp on **June 26-29, 2017 from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.** at the 4-H grounds for youth who have **completed grade K-5 (as of 5/17)**. The actual cost is **\$50.00** per person but the charge will be **\$25.00** per person or a family maximum of **\$50.00**. There are camperships available, please call Sandy at 256-2771, if you need one.

Please complete this form & Health Form and return to the church office by **Friday, April 28, 2017**.

Camper's Name: _____ M or F (circle one)

Age: _____ Grade Completed 5/17 _____ Birthdate: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone: _____ Home Congregation: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Email _____

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY:

Contact person: _____

Telephone: _____ or _____

Alternate Contact _____

Telephone: _____ or _____

Family Physician: _____ Telephone: _____

Any restrictions for normal activities? (if yes, please explain) _____

Authorization by Parent or Guardian:

I hereby give my permission for my child to participate in any activity and field trips planned by the staff for the day camp program. NeSoDak Bible Camp and Trinity Lutheran Church may use any pictures or videos that my child appears in for promotional purposes. I also authorize delivery of necessary emergency care by available medical personnel.

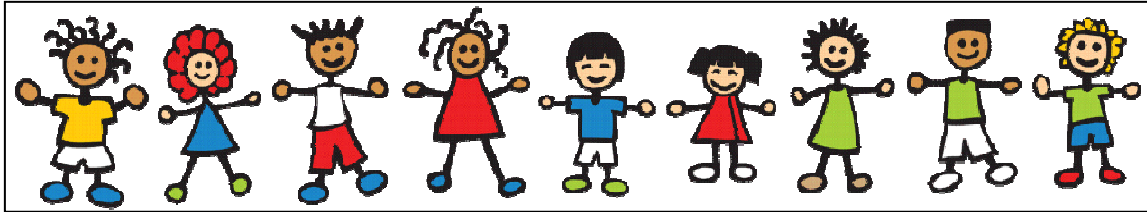
Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please pick up your health form from Sandy. They will be available in the office as well.



PRESCHOOL VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

PRESCHOOL VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION



June 4-8, 2017-5:45-7:30 p.m.

PRESCHOOL I, PRESCHOOL II, KINDERGARTEN

Name _____ Birthdate _____ Completed Grade (5/17) _____ t-shirt size _____

_____ t-shirt size _____

_____ t-shirt size _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: _____ Parent's signature: _____

In case of emergency, contact: _____

Allergies or other medical conditions: _____

"Old Testament Stories For You and Me"

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

I would like to help with VBS in the areas marked below.

_____ Teacher _____ Helper

_____ Preschool I

_____ Preschool II

_____ Kindergarten

I am interested in leading or assisting in these areas:

_____ Leader _____ Assistant _____ Music _____ Supper

_____ Bible Storyteller _____ Games _____ Crafts

Other ways I would like to help:

Thank you for volunteering to help. Please return the registration and volunteer sheet to the Church Office by Friday, April 28, 2017.



MARCH COUNCIL MINUTES

March 14, 2017 at 8:00 P.M.

Council members recited the Mission Statement of Trinity Church, "Sharing God's Word, Doing God's Work."

The March council meeting of Trinity Lutheran Church was called to order by President David Rossing.

Council member absent and excused was Adam Shaw.

Amy Townsend led in devotions and prayer.

President Rossing presented the agenda. Then he presented the February 14th council minutes and a motion to approve was made by Jennifer Briggs and seconded by Amy Townsend. Motion passed.

Trustee Keith Knutson reported on the Financial Report and expressed that we are \$8000. behind in expenses versus income. There was discussion and a motion was made to accept the report by Peggy Hoff and seconded by Linda Brick. Motion passed.

STAFF REPORTS WERE PRESENTED BY:

Sandy Rhode, Parish Education coordinator reported:

- A Middle School lock-in was held on March 3rd with 21 youth, 7 High School members, and 6 adults.
- First communion retreat will be March 26th.
- She is working on summer ministry and they will be studying the Old Testament stories and the dates are: Pre-school June 4th thru 8th and Day Camp June 26th thru 29th at the 4-H Grounds.
- Making arrangements for the High School trip and working on fundraisers.
- Milestone Ministry is continuing.
- The youth are helping with the Lenten Suppers and delivering soup to the shut-ins.

Pastor Constanze reported:

- Faith Community nursing is going very well. The health cabinet will have a summer walking Bible Study group in June and July. This fall they will work with the Community Center on a healthy living class.
- Annual meeting report will be circulated.
- Lenten coloring pages are a big hit!
- Lydia Circle is going well and it is a joy to attend. Everyone is Welcome.
- Pastor Dirk & Constanze are moving to a smaller home.

President David Rossing reported:

- We had hoped to report on the Medary Conference meeting from this past Sunday but it was canceled because of weather. It sounds like it may be rescheduled for March 26th. I would like to have the Council consider submitting a resolution. We will consider this under new business.
- We are in the process of implementing the Trustees recommendation to move the Parsonage Fund from a bank CD to a CD ladder with the ELCA Mission Investment Fund. This had been approved at the last Council meeting but has been more involved than originally anticipated.
- All of you received a copy of Trinity's Constitution when you joined the Council. I would like to encourage each member to read this document paying close attention to authority and responsibilities. My goal will be for us to continue to do our best to follow it and I ask your assistance in doing so. If you have misplaced yours it is available in an electronic version through the Church office.

Vice President, Jennifer Briggs: no report

Parish Education Chairman, Amy Townsend reported:

- Mentor program is on going with 7 out of 20 students completing their worksheets. They have 2 more weeks to have them completed.
- The High School trip is coming along good and we are reserving hotel rooms and tickets.
- Preschool Bible School is June 4th thru 8th. We are working on the schedule.
- Teacher appreciation gifts have been ordered.
- Parish Ed. will have a special meeting on April 1st at 8:00 a.m. and will be looking at new Sunday school material for the fall as the current materials are discontinued.



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Trustee Chairman, Keith Knutson reported:

Wayne Halma will be in contact with Mike B. to discuss opportunities available for finding a consulting engineer to assist with assessing the building needs.

Discussed a member appreciation breakfast and emphasize attendance of Past Presidents and council members to discuss when past building projects and repairs were completed at Trinity.

Approved paying the bills.

Deacon Board Chairman, Nancy Sabbe reported:

Piano has been tuned and organ will be tuned on April 20.

Music is selected for April.

Mission of the month for March is "Voices of the Martyrs."

February Trinity Care Fund raised \$258.00.

13 have signed up to attend St. Dymas.

Trinity serves The Gathering on May 15th.

Soup Lenten suppers and coffee hour are all on track.

May need to realign service groups.

Home communion is delivered on the third Sunday and we serve 10 and they are in Howard, Ramona, Winfred, and Madison. We encourage more volunteers.

New Business:

David proposed the following resolution:

Introduction:

An ongoing genocide against Christians is currently occurring in the Middle East.

Christians continue to be persecuted throughout the world as has been the case since the time of the early church.

Resolution:

Be it resolved that the membership and leadership of the ELCA pray for persecuted and imprisoned Christians and their families around the world, advocate on their behalf and urge other Christian denominations to do so as well.

After Council discussion, Nancy Sabbe made a motion to adopt this resolution and Jennifer Briggs seconded. Motion passed.

Old Business:

TLC Campaign Update:

The Trustees are working to accurately identify defining building maintenance needs and want to obtain expert input. The Executive Committee is considering talking to Consultants such as the ELCA Mission Investment Fund and Kairos to see what they would have to offer in the area of planning a Campaign. We want to move thoughtfully and carefully with our planning.

Thank you for your generosity! Your congregational council would like to extend their heartfelt appreciation for your financial gifts in response to the mailing earlier this year. While our shortfall is not rapidly rising, it has seen a slight increase. The council continues to carefully monitor expenses and will keep you informed. Many brother and sisters in Christ have expressed a desire to utilize electronic giving, a safe and secure way to support mission and ministry at Trinity. The council understands busy schedules and family commitments. Therefore congregational council representatives would like to assist those who desire to sign up to give electronically rather than by envelope or cash. Therefore council members will be available in the narthex/entry way on Sunday, March 26th and Sunday, April 9th from 9:45 am -12:15 pm to assist you with the sign up process. Thank you for making mission and ministry a priority in your life through your financial contributions and your prayers. Sincerely, Your Trinity Lutheran Congregational Council members.

The meeting was adjourned and the council all stood and joined hands and prayed The Lord's Prayer.

Next Council Meeting will be April 11th.

March treats were provided by the Officers. April treats will be provided by the Trustees.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Merager, Council Secretary



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