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Lutheran Church

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News & Notes

Spring 2022

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Sunday worship at 8:30 & 10:30am

Sunday services will still be available online either live-streamed at 8:30 or to be watched later at your convenience. They are posted on our website (www.flckzoo.com), YouTube and Facebook pages.



Midweek Lenten Evening Prayer 7pm

Lenten Suppers each week at 6pm

Incense will be used at all midweek services.

March 9, March 16, March 23, March 30 & April 6

Palm Sunday – April 10th

Worship with Holy Communion 8:30 and 10:30am

Maundy Thursday – April 14th

Worship with Holy Communion 7pm

Good Friday – April 15th

Stations of the Cross with String Quartet 12noon

Good Friday Service 7pm

Easter – April 17th

Worship with Holy Communion 8, 9:30, and 11am

*An Easter Fellowship of coffee and breakfast snacks
will be served from 9-11am*



*Families from Trinity's Youth Group
will be hosting Lenten Suppers for the
congregation each Wednesday in
Lent. These suppers will start at 6pm
in the Fellowship Hall.*

All are welcome to join us!

*Easter Devotionals are
available near the entrances to
the sanctuary as we
approach the season of Easter.*

Please help yourself!

Apr 6	• <u>Men's Bible Study</u> - Men's Bible Study meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 8am.
Apr 6	• <u>Matrix Campus Ministry</u> (ELCA Lutheran Campus Ministry for our local colleges) is collecting gently used bikes for a Bike Give-away to kids in need at our local elementary schools. If you have a bike you could donate, please bring it to church no later than April 6th.
Apr 9	• <u>Family Movie Night at Trinity on Saturday, April 9 at 5pm</u> in Fellowship Hall. Wear your comfy clothes, bring your favorite pillow or blanket, and join us for a fun, family movie night at church. We'll have pizza for dinner and then watch our movie, Rise of the Guardians. And who knows... I might throw in a few surprises!! To RSVP, please email Heidi (hmfuerst@aol.com) or sign up on the Family Ministry Facebook Page by Wednesday, April 6. Thanks!
Apr 10	• <u>First Communion Class</u> - We will be offering a first communion class for those students who are interested in receiving Holy Communion for the first time. The class will be during the Sunday school hour on April 10. Those completing the class will then be recognized during worship and receive communion as a group during the Maundy Thursday service on Thursday April 14 th at 7pm.
Apr 10	• <u>Ukrainian Egg Decorating</u> You are invited on Sunday, April 10 from 1pm-4pm in the Fellowship Hall to decorate Easter eggs using the Ukrainian (Pysanky) technique. All supplies and instructions will be provided and a free-will offering will be collected for Lutheran World Relief's aid efforts in Ukraine . Pysanky eggs are created using fresh eggs, hot wax and strong dyes, so please wear old clothes. This activity is best suited for adults and children ages 8-10 and older since we are using open flames and hot wax. Note: One egg usually takes around 30-45 minutes to complete, so please arrive before 3pm if you are coming late. Contact Heidi Albertson with any questions (hmfuerst@aol.com).
Apr 20	• <u>Men's Bible Study</u> - Men's Bible Study meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 8am.
Apr 20	• <u>Blood Drive</u> - Trinity is hosting another blood drive on <u>Wednesday April 20</u> from 11:00-4:45 and YOU are invited to come and give! For an appointment visit RedCrossBlood.org (sponsor code: TLC) or call 1-800-RED-CROSS to sign up for a slot and help save a life!
Apr 28	• <u>Quilters!</u> The quilters meet every fourth (and fifth) Thursday of the month at 9am in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is welcome, no experience necessary! Questions, please contact Teri Koretsky or Ginny Giese.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sun	<u>By Heart Sunday Morning Bible Study</u> continues through April 10 in the fellowship hall from 9:30-10:15.
Sun	<u>Family Sunday School</u> - All families with kids birth-elementary are encouraged to join us for a simple Sunday School time of songs, a Bible lesson and an activity. Meet on the second floor in the main Sunday School room from 9:30 - 10:15 to help encourage our littlest saints to grow in faith!
Sun	<u>Youth Sunday School!</u> - Emma McCleary our Youth Director is leading the Youth Sunday School and we'll be meeting in the youth room on the second floor from 9:30-10:15 each Sunday!
Tue	<u>Trinity Clothes Closet</u> The Closet is open every Tuesday from 10-2. They continue to accept all donations of gently used clothing and can always use donation of new underwear and socks.
Wed	<u>Lenten Services</u> will be each Wednesday in Lent at 7pm. These will be in-person and also live-streamed on our YouTube channel.
Wed	<u>Virtual Children's Choir</u> every Wednesday from 6:15-6:45 for preschool – 5 th grade. (Meeting ID: 763 1536 6869 Passcode: K4916n) Email Sara McGarvey with questions: sara.soprano@gmail.com
Thu	<u>Scripture and Sandwiches!</u> - Online each Thursday from 12-12:30 at the Zoom link provided on our website, through emails or our Facebook page. This is a short bible study and discussion that you can join from anywhere, and each session is independent, so you can hop in whenever you're able!
Thu	<u>Senior Choir</u> has started back up again. If you are interested in joining the choir, please contact Nate Mattson (nathan_mattson@hotmail.com). Rehearsals are tentatively set for Thursday nights at 7pm.

Wednesday Evening Lenten Offerings will be designated to Lutheran World Relief - Ukraine Crisis Fund.

Another way to participate in Lenten almsgiving is to support our Lenten Project. This year, we will be supporting our local homeless population through Ministry with Community. The needs are as follows:

- underwear, any size for men and or women
- Travel size hygiene items, especially toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, lotion and soap.

Ministry with Community has received a large donation of socks and do not need any more at this time.

If you would like to donate to this project, you can drop off items in the baskets in the Fellowship Hall or just outside the office. You may also donate funds to support the project and someone else can do the shopping. Be sure that donations are clearly marked for "Ministry with Community Lenten Project."

We give thanks for whatever you feel you can donate.

Church Office Hours - Continuing through the spring season, please be aware that the church office plans to be open Monday – Thursdays from 9am-3pm, but the necessity for flexibility remains a constant. If you are planning to come down to the church, please be aware the church building is accessible from 9-noon Monday - Thursday. If you are looking to come outside of those hours or need to speak directly with the church office, please call ahead to make certain someone will be available!

****Please be aware the Church Office will be CLOSED April 1-9***



Sign up for **Altar Flowers** in the Fellowship Hall or by calling Suze Breischaft at 269-217-4088. This is both a wonderful way to celebrate any occasion and beautify the Sunday Services, as well as an option for you to leave them for our homebound members. Especially during this past couple years, our shut-ins are always extremely appreciative of the lovely visual reminder of their church family and the love and care the flowers signify.

Fair Trade Coffee and Tea is available to purchase every first and third Sunday of the month. See Nancy Diment in the Fellowship Hall to make your purchase.

Highlights of February 2022 and March 2022 Council Meetings

- Jen Gatz was elected by council to fill the open Worship and Music council position.
- The garage was broken into in February and the snow blower was stolen.
- Gerry Molitor was reelected by council to a position on the Foundation board
- Trinity is experiencing multiple technology issues, including internet access and aging computers. Steps are being taken to define and implement a new IT architecture at Trinity.
- Work to improve the brick work and capstones on the north side of the church will begin this spring.

Weekly Emails Please take a moment to subscribe to our weekly emails! This is the most effective way to stay up-to-date on the events around the church and receive direct links to our online services. Visit our website at www.tlckzoo.com and scroll to the bottom of the homepage to subscribe or call the church office!



EASTER FLOWERS ORDER FORM

Each Easter we place flowers in our Chancel area. Daffodils, lilies, tulips and hyacinths are available in 6" pots. Each pot is \$10.00. Please use this form for your order or fill out the form in our weekly emails and include the dedication you wish to use.

Please make your check out to Trinity Lutheran Church with "Easter flowers" in the memo line and place in the offering plate. Your plant(s) may be picked up following the service on Easter Sunday.

Deadline for ordering is Wednesday, March 30.

____ Daffodils

____ Lilies

____ Tulips

____ Hyacinths

**Please be aware that all orders will be based on availability and some substitutions might need to be made by the florist.*

Please circle honor or memory:

In honor / memory of:

Donated by:

Phone

Envelope number (if available)



Germany Trip Fundraiser

Youth Support Wall

Members are invited to sponsor the youth as they head to Germany July 23 - August 2!

This summer, eight of our young people will be joining the pastors and other members of Trinity on a pilgrimage to Germany! While there, they will have the opportunity to walk in the footsteps of Martin Luther and see the historic Oberammergau Passion Play bring the story of Christ to life! To make this trip of a lifetime possible for our youth, we are kicking off a fundraiser called the "Youth Support Wall"!

This bulletin board includes a map indicating places that the youth will be visiting and experiences they will have along their journey. There are donation amounts connected to these locations and experiences so members of the congregation can participate in the experience through "sponsoring" the youth along their way! Please select an envelope with a place or experience you would like to sponsor. These envelopes can be placed in the basket next to the wall or offering plate with the amount enclosed (checks made payable to "Trinity Lutheran Church")

Included with each donation is a small magnet to take home and place on your fridge as a reminder to lift up the youth in prayer as they prepare for and enjoy the experience that you have sponsored!