

Trinity Lutheran Church



PARISH NOTICES

April 10, 2016

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► Today at Trinity

Sunday, April 10, 2016

- 8:00 AM HOLY COMMUNION – NAVE
- 9:30 AM INTERGENERATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL
- 10:45 AM HOLY COMMUNION – NAVE
- 4:30 PM LEVEL I-III CONFIRMATION – ROOM 105/107
- 6:00 PM YOUTH GROUP MEETING – YOUTH ROOM

► Opportunities This Week at Trinity

Tuesday, April 12, 2016

- 9:30 PM ESTHER CIRCLE – ROOM 105/107
- 7:00 PM SOCIAL MINISTRY
- 7:00 PM YOGA – FOYER

Wednesday, April 13, 2016

- 12:00 PM PARISH NOTICES DEADLINE
- 6:45 PM HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSAL – ROOM 103
- 7:15 PM ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL – CHOIR ROOM

Saturday, April 16, 2016

- 8:00 AM BIBLE BREAKFAST CLUB – SOUTH BEND CHOCOLATE CAFÉ
- 4:00 PM HOLY COMMUNION INSTRUCTION
- 5:30 PM SPOKEN HOLY COMMUNION – CHAPEL

Sunday, April 17, 2016

- 8:00 AM HOLY COMMUNION – NAVE
- 9:30 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL & ADULT FORUM
- 10:45 AM HOLY COMMUNION – NAVE
- 12:00 PM JOYFUL NOISE! REHEARSAL – ROOM 103
- 4:30 PM LEVEL I-III CONFIRMATION – ROOM 105/107
- 6:00 PM YOUTH GROUP MEETING – YOUTH ROOM

mark your calendar!

YOGA

Tuesday, April 12 • 7:00 PM

Holy Communion Instruction

April 16 & 23 • 4:00 PM

ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE

April 23 • 7:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Trinity Round Robin

April 29 • 6:00 PM

MISSION STATEMENT

Trinity Lutheran Church is
a Christian community

Gathered by God,

Living in grace,

Called to love
and serve.

We do this through:

Worship – Meeting Christ in
Word and sacraments

Hospitality – Welcoming all
people into worship and
fellowship

Congregational Life –
Nurturing the community of
faith through faith formation,
spiritual growth, building
relationships, and caring for
one another

Faith in Action – Spreading
God's love through Word and
service in the community and
world

Spring Is Here! Must Be Cookie Season!

Again this spring, Trinity members Tom Muchesko and Eddie Cooper are training to participate in the Kairos prison ministry retreat at the Indiana State Prison in Michigan City April 21-24. Trinity families are asked to support the Kairos program by providing each of our two volunteers with 200 dozen cookies, by signing up to be part of the weekend prayer chain, and by offering our own prayerful encouragement for the work of Kairos.

A sign-up board for home cookie baking is located in the foyer at Trinity. Recipes and instructions for baking cookies and packaging (ISP guidelines must be followed), along with plastic bags for packing, will be provided. Cookies can be dropped off at the church through Wed., April 20.

The Kairos ministry team offers a never ending supply of chocolate chip cookies to incarcerated men during the weekend retreat. These cookies serve as a welcome treat, and they also symbolize the freely given, never ending love of Christ whose forgiving and redemptive grace surrounds all of us. Any questions, call (219) 464-2151.



TRINITY PHOTO DIRECTORY

Thank you to those of you who have had your picture taken for the new Trinity photo directory. We will continue to take photographs, so if you have not had your picture taken yet, one of our photographers will be standing by the mailboxes for that purpose. Remember that you don't have to "dress up" for your photograph since it is only a head and shoulders view and will probably be printed in black and white.

In addition, we would like everyone to complete one of the information forms in the Parish Notices so that we can have your correct information to include in the directory. This will also help us update our record-keeping software in the church office. If you have any questions or concerns, contact one of the Hospitality Team members: Ann Baas, Jan Blodget, Pat Hellmers (chair), Kay Kielpikowski, Tom Muchesko, Terry Paarlberg, or Judy Phillips.

Bible Breakfast Club

SATURDAY, APRIL 16

8:00 AM

**SOUTH BEND
CHOCOLATE CAFÉ**

For information, call:

BARB PEARSON
(219) 462-6887

Prayer Requests

For the Parish:

THOSE IN NEED:

Sandi Anderson
Brandon Brkljac
Eden Preston
Lois Stanley
Rachel Swanson
Susan Swanson

AVALON SPRINGS: Eva Kingston

PINES VILLAGE: Eva Jane Fryer

RITTENHOUSE: Ethel Roberts

For Friends & Family

NAME:	FRIEND/RELATIVE OF:	NAME:	FRIEND/RELATIVE OF:
Marsha	Larry & Ann Baas	Carrie (niece)	Richard & Vel Schultz
Linda (sister)	Barbara Pearson	Randy	Richard & Vel Schultz
Garlan (brother-in-law)	Barbara Pearson	Janet (sister)	Richard & Vel Schultz
Jim (cousin)	Larry & Ann Baas	Bob (brother)	Richard & Vel Schultz
Daisy (aunt)	Richard & Vel Schultz	Tom	Richard & Vel Schultz
Raymond	Richard & Vel Schultz	David & family	Christine Cawby
Audrey (cousin)	Richard & Vel Schultz	Arlene & family	Christine Cawby
Mike (father)	Matt & Karen Hernes	Brandon (brother-in-law)	Matt & Karen Hernes
Brian	Richard & Vel Schultz	Thomas (grandson)	George Reichler

Names will appear for approximately one month. If you wish a name "renewed," call (219) 462-9624 before noon on Wednesday for Sunday's parish notices.

MISSION ENDOWMENT GRANTS

Grants will be awarded this year from the Mission Endowment Fund (MEF) of Trinity Lutheran Church. The MEF Committee has recommended to the Council a distribution from the Fund of up to twenty-two thousand dollars (\$22,000).

The MEF Committee will provide a grant proposal package to all parish leaders. This “request for proposal” packet includes details of the grant process, the grant application form, and the timeline for the process. Proposals will be due April 17, 2016.

Grant requests must be initiated by members of Trinity Lutheran Church. Grants from this fund cannot be used for the operating budget.

GRANTS FROM THIS FUND SHOULD BE TARGETED FOR THE FOLLOWING AREAS OF MINISTRY:

- *Outreach into the local community*
- *Extraordinary programs, capital improvements, or other ministry initiatives*
- *ELCA Church-wide ministries*

If you would like to submit a request, complete the grant application form and return it to the church office. Additional copies of “request for proposal” packet are available upon request in the church office.

Sincerely,
MEF Committee

Mike Kinsey, Ron Landgrebe, Diane Marten,
Dot Pakan, Mike Renehan (chair)

Opportunity to Serve Saturday Evening Meals Needed

The open arms women’s shelter has undergone some really positive change. Women can now go to a central location, rooms at Housing Opportunities at 2001 North Calumet Ave. The women no longer need to move from church to church each night. Thanks to Dayspring Women’s Shelter, women can receive counseling and other services to assist them.

Our new role is to **provide Saturday evening meals**. We are told how many people to prepare for, and we deliver a meal to the Housing Opportunities location by **6:15 on Saturday**. **A sign-up sheet for meal makers hangs on the bulletin board in the foyer** here at Trinity. If you can, sign up to prepare a meal. If you need help with the details, contact Mike Delliquadri at (219)508-4422.

Being the Church...

Each Sunday, we join together to worship, praise, and give thanks. Each of us is aware that our lives as people of God give us opportunities to be the Church every day of the week. Here are opportunities to bring a Christian presence to activities going on in our community:

■ The **Valparaiso Human Rights Council** will hold its next meeting on **Tuesday, April 19 at 5:30 PM at Thomas Jefferson Middle School** to deliberate on whether to advance the Human Rights Ordinance. The meeting, led by Dr. Heath Carter, is open to the public, however there will not be community feedback at this session.

■ **LGBT, life-gets-better-together**, a peer support group for gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender men, women, teen (w/parent permission), and questioning community members takes place **Thursdays at 6:00 PM at the Dayspring Counseling Center, 1005 N. Campbell Street**. For more information, call or email:

(219) 364-2732
rochse@pcfcc.org

† Health Ministry

Have you noticed all of the great Health Ministry activities going on over the winter? Are you interested in helping to continue this important mission of Health Ministry... **to promote health and wholeness of body, mind, and spirit in the faith community of Trinity Lutheran Church?** We would love to keep the momentum going, but we need YOUR help. Anyone who shares this passion for promoting wellness is welcome to join us — you do not need to be a health care professional to join Health Ministry. Contact Parish Nurses Karen or Nan at nurse@tlcvalpo.com or leave us a message at (219) 462-9624.



BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS will be done between services next **Sunday, April 17** outside the Fellowship Hall. High blood pressure is known as the “silent killer” because there are often no signs or symptoms even though it may be damaging blood vessels and other body organs. Stop by for this simple painless screening!

WALK & TALK / WALKING TOGETHER WITH SCRIPTURE. Available at the Health Ministry table are weekly readings/prayers for the month of April. These are intended as a devotional to be used while you walk with a friend, a group, or by yourself. Please pick one up and enjoy enriching your walk this month with a focus on “The Abundant Life.”

WALKING PARTNER – Interested in having a walking partner to keep you motivated to get outside and move? Sign up at the Health Ministry table, and we’ll contact you about a walking partner.

YOGA – Tuesday evening Yoga will meet either in the Fellowship Hall or the foyer at **7:00 PM!** Cost is \$20 for 6 sessions or \$5 per class. Suzanne Chick is our instructor, and is very helpful to help beginners with poses and to challenge more experienced participants. Children who are able to enjoy an hour of quiet yoga are welcome to come with a parent. Consider adding the practice of yoga into your week! Pick up a flyer at the Health Ministry table and invite a friend!

From the Deaconess...

Confirmation and **youth** will meet today at our regular times.

Intergenerational Sunday School — Join us today, Sunday, April 10, 9:30-10:30 AM for an Easter-themed intergenerational event. Hands-on activities for people of all ages. Stop by Fellowship Hall and join in the fun.

Rummage Sale — It's almost time for the annual Rummage Sale, Saturday, April 23, 7:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Plan to drop off any donations on Friday, April 22, 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Tax receipts are available. We are looking for home decor, tools, exercise equipment, videos, games, furniture, bedding, etc. If you've been cleaning, decluttering, or remodeling, we can take the stuff you no longer want.

Any questions, contact
Deaconess Barb at:
(219) 462-9624, ext. 4
bherzinger@tlcvalpo.com



Stephen Ministry

Stephen Ministers are caregivers; Christ is the cure-giver. Find out how to use your gifts to bring *Christ's healing love to hurting people*. For more information, please call:

George Reichler (219) 477-2080 • **Ann Baas** (219) 476-5926 • **Diane Marten** (219) 395-6202

Holy Communion Instruction

Trinity welcomes and encourages all who are baptized to receive Holy Communion whenever it is offered. This spring, we are offering instruction in Holy Communion. The two remaining classes will be:

SATURDAYS, APRIL 16 & 23 • 4:00 - 5:00 PM

Classes are open to children, whether they do not already commune or do commune but have never had any instruction. Please contact Pastor Tim if you have any questions or know a young one who you would like to bring.

(219) 462-9624

prtim@tlcvalpo.com



Christian Food Pantry

The pantry provided 265 families (681 people) with food during the month of **MARCH**. Hams and Easter menu items were collected by 77 families. Now it is time to start thinking about preparing Kid's Kits for families with children home for meals during the summer. Some items are 'food' while some items are 'treats.' A kit usually contains 1 can each of tomato and chicken noodle soup, several 6 ounce real fruit drinks, fruit and applesauce cups, pudding snack cups, canned pasta, small boxes of raisins, and 1.5 ounce bags of crackers and/or Teddy grahams. These kit items can be donated to the pantry starting now. (Each child in a family gets a kit and kits are assembled to provide the same things so there doesn't have to be a 'discussion' about differences of goodies in the bags.) Basic food items often forgotten when donating to the pantry are pork 'n' beans, tuna in water, canned fruit, cereal, and peanut butter. Paper towels, Kleenex and bathroom tissue are greatly appreciated also. Another reminder— any money donations go for the perishable items that are offered: hamburger, hot dogs, milk, eggs, and a choice between margarine or cheese. So far the money available has been 'holding up.' Often after the holiday funds shrink and going into the summer months looks like things will be difficult. So far, this season things look pretty good. Thank you to all of you who continue to support this service of providing food and help to friends in our neighborhoods that need our assistance.

*Thank you for caring and sharing,
Nan, Anne and Sharon*

TRINITY ROUND ROBIN

*Looking for a way to
grow in your sense of
faith and community?*

*Looking to cultivate your
relationship with God and
with your friends in Christ?*

*Looking for a meal
on a Friday night?*

On April 29 at 6:00 PM, Trinity holds its first Trinity Round Robin. Modeled on (okay, plagiarized from) the LDA Round Robin meal, the Trinity Round Robin is a four course intergenerational potluck meal. Participants share appetizers, salad, an entrée, and dessert, each time with different table mates. Faith conversation topics are provided for each course. The theme for this first Round Robin is, fittingly, New Things. It is a chance to nurture community here at Trinity.

Please indicate your interest by signing up on the Big Board in the Welcome Center. As we get closer to April 29, a new signup for individual potluck items will appear.

*If you have any questions,
please contact:*

PASTOR TIM

prtim@tlcvalpo.com
(219) 462-9624 and/or

SARAH JOHNSON

sarahmarikojohnson@gmail.com



APRIL 10 - Intergenerational Sunday -
No Adult Forum

APRIL 17 - Adult Forum will welcome James Cooper to talk about a disability rights group he formed called 3-D — Disabilities and Disorders with Dignity. When Cooper was a young boy he was diagnosed with Duchenne muscular dystrophy and as an adult must use a wheel chair for mobility, but he has not let his condition define him. He is involved in social justice issues and wants to make life better for people with disabilities. He and his organization strive to make people aware of their own prejudices against disabled people. Cooper wants to use his gifts and his life experiences to teach others to be positive and to strive for their highest potential in life. Mary Jo Nuland will join Mr. Cooper in providing information about the 3-D organization and in our discussion. Everyone is welcome to come to Adult Forum.

APRIL 24 and MAY 1 - Adult Forum will honor teachers by showing and discussing the documentary “Rise Above the Mark.” The film focuses on Indiana’s struggles with public school reforms—the same types of struggles experienced in schools throughout the United States. Experts will discuss how America can make positive changes to provide an exceptional public school system for all children. Juanagene Nietert and Jeff Hellmers will lead the discussion.

Teacher Appreciation Day is May 3rd. Please plan to thank all of the teachers you know for the wonderful spirit-led teaching that they do all day affecting positively so many children.

■ **ADULT FORUM REPORT** — On April 3, 2016, a group of VU students came to Adult Forum to tell about a project they are involved in this spring with The World Relief Campaign (WRC) which is carried out by the students who are members of the Social Action Leadership Team (SALT). This year’s project is to raise \$30,000 to help train Syrian medical students in anesthesiology and laboratory practices to care for the growing number of wounded Syrians. The situation in Syria is one of the greatest humanitarian crises of our time. The funds will provide 450 textbooks, transportation fuel, and instructor salaries. If you would like to help, send your donation to: Chapel of the Resurrection, 1600 Chapel Drive, Valparaiso, IN 46383. Checks payable to Valparaiso University with “WRC” in the memo line. Questions can be directed to: Katie Bernabei, World Relief Campaign Chair, at katherine.bernabei@valpo.edu or (630) 770-7233.

Jane Schreiner, Norm & Pat Hellmers

Attention All Facebook Enthusiasts!

This is a reminder that Trinity Lutheran Church has a Facebook page that you can ‘friend.’ We will be posting more of our upcoming events on this social media such as Adult Forum topics, yoga and Zumba classes, Holden Evening Prayer, game night, etc.

Please take a moment to share these opportunities with your FB friends. You can also turn on notifications from TLC so that you don't miss a thing. Let's share our light and love in our community.

The Hospitality Team

Worship Servers

	SATURDAY, APRIL 9 5:30 PM	SATURDAY, APRIL 16 5:30 PM
SERVICE		
<i>Presiding Minister</i>	The Rev. Dr. Timothy A. Leitzke	The Rev. Dr. Timothy A. Leitzke
SERVICE		
<i>Presiding Minister</i>	The Rev. Dr. Timothy A. Leitzke	The Rev. Dr. Timothy A. Leitzke
<i>Minister of Music</i>	Cheryl Dieter	Cheryl Dieter
<i>Musicians</i>		
<i>Congas</i>	Ethan Preston	Ethan Preston
<i>EWI</i> (Electronic Wind Inst.)	Harlan Bjornstad	Harlan Bjornstad
<i>Guitar</i>	Paul Schreiner	Paul Schreiner
<i>Choir</i>	8:00 10:45 Adult Choir	Adult Choir Adult Choir
<i>Acolyte</i>	8:00 Marty Swinehart 10:45 Gregory Lichtenberger	Sam Burow-Flak Sophie DeRuntz
<i>Assisting Minister</i>	8:00 Patricia Cummings 10:45 Diane Marten	Paul Mache Cynthia Breitingner
<i>Communion Assts.</i>	8:00 Pete & Kathy Brannen <i>Mark Maassel</i> 10:45 Laura Yokovich Michael Lichtenberger Martha Sass	Donna Gierse Tom & Karen Muchesko Nan Paarlberg Keith & Terri Gingerich
<i>Greeters</i>	8:00 Bob & Edith Young Chuck Anderson 10:45 Curt & Amanda Strietelmeier & family Amy, Chloe, & Stella Parsons	<i>Kandyce Hannon</i> Mike & Lynn Kinsey Barb Pearson Christine Cawby Madi Mayernik
<i>Lectors</i>	8:00 <i>Mark Maassel</i> 10:45 <i>Max Otterbacher</i>	<i>Kandyce Hannon</i> <i>Karen Hernes</i>
<i>Ushers</i>	8:00 Gary & Lene Behrens Mark & Kelly Levenhagen 10:45 Scott, Max, Brett, & Cassie Otterbacher	David & Ben Burow-Flak Bob & Nancy Tittle <i>Matt, Karen, Chrystal,</i> Valerie Hernes
<i>Secure Offering</i>	8:00 <i>Gary Behrens</i> 10:45 <i>Scott Otterbacher</i>	<i>David Burow-Flak</i> <i>Matt Hernes</i>
<i>Bread Baker</i>	Dot Pakan	Rita Delliquadri
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Erma Eichhorn Nancy Tittle	Judy & Roger Phillips Terri Gingerich
<i>Fellowship Time</i>	Bjornstad family Patricia Cummings Holford family	

Give and Take to Perform

MAY 8, 2016

2:00 PM

FELLOWSHIP HALL

Come hear an eclectic mix of great music from Paul Simon and James Taylor to Irish folk songs and jazz standards. The performance will feature a surprise cameo as well.

Admission is free, but a free will offering will be taken for a local cause.



AMERICAN CANCER – RELAY FOR LIFE

TLC is exploring the possibility of assembling a team to participate in this year's Relay for Life being held at TJ Middle School on May 14, noon to midnight. Tom Muchesko, assisted by Karen Hernes, have agreed to head up the effort. We wanted to make sure we have enough support with people willing to walk prior to committing to a team. If interested, please see Tom or Karen.

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Pastor Tim's office hours are Mondays 9:00 AM to noon, and Wednesdays & Thursdays noon to 2:00 PM. Outside office hours, please call (219) 462-9624, ext. 3.

Deaconess Barb's office hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays 10:00 AM to noon and Wednesdays 3:00-5:00 PM. Outside of office hours, Deaconess Barb may be reached at (219) 561-3887.

Key Financial Items And Attendance

1. Offerings for

General Operations:

<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year-To-Date</u>
\$6,531	\$72,151

2. Benevolence sent to

IN/KY Synod:

<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year-To-Date</u>
\$653	\$7,215

3. Attendance:

<u>Last Week</u>
164

1. The offerings total for general fund excludes any designated or restricted gifts.
2. Trinity Lutheran Church is a "tithing" congregation. We send the Indiana/Kentucky Synod 10% of our general fund offerings each week.
3. Attendance at all services last week through last Sunday.

Notice of Hospitalization

Please notify the church office at (219) 462-9624 if you or a loved one is hospitalized and wishes a visit. Because of the HIPAA laws, that information is not shared by the hospital.

