



# Trinity Lutheran



## PARISH NOTICES February 28, 2016

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### ► Today at Trinity

Sunday, February 28, 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
- 4:00 PM VARIETY SHOW FUNDRAISER – FELLOWSHIP HALL
- 6:00 PM “BECOMING TRINITY” – FELLOWSHIP HALL

### ► Opportunities This Week at Trinity

Tuesday, March 1, 2016

- 7:00 PM LENTEN YOGA – FELLOWSHIP HALL

Wednesday, March 2, 2016

- 12:00 PM PARISH NOTICES DEADLINE
- 6:30 PM HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER – NAVE
- 6:45 PM HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSAL – ROOM 103
- 7:15 PM ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL – CHOIR ROOM

Friday, March 4, 2016

- 6:00 PM FAMILY GAME NIGHT – FELLOWSHIP HALL

Saturday, March 5, 2016

- 8:00 AM MEN’S BIBLE STUDY – ROOM 103
- 8:30 AM ZUMBA – FELLOWSHIP HALL
- 5:30 PM SPOKEN HOLY COMMUNION – CHAPEL

Sunday, March 6, 2016

- 8:00 AM HOLY COMMUNION – NAVE
- 9:30 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL & ADULT FORUM
- 10:45 AM HOLY COMMUNION – NAVE
- 4:30 PM LEVEL I-III CONFIRMATION – ROOM 105/107
- 6:00 PM YOUTH GROUP MEETING – YOUTH ROOM
- 6:00 PM “BECOMING TRINITY” – FELLOWSHIP HALL

### 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

### mark your calendar!

#### “Becoming Trinity”

February 28  
March 6, 13 & 20

Commissioning  
of New  
Stephen Ministers  
Sunday, February 28  
10:45 AM Service

Variety Show  
Sunday, February 28  
4:00-6:00 PM

**CHILI COOKOFF**  
Saturday, March 5  
Eagle’s Lodge • Valpo

Installation for  
Council Members  
Sunday, March 6

**HOLY COMMUNION  
INSTRUCTION**  
April 9, 16, & 23  
4:00- 5:00 PM



## Christian Food Pantry

The number of people served in January is higher than what has been helped in quite a while — 295 families, providing food for 736 people. With more families needing help, more items are needed for the basic giving at the pantry. It seems the same items are always requested but they are offered to everyone each visit: pork ‘n’ beans, bathroom tissue, canned fruit (not pineapple), tuna in water, saltine crackers, soups, rice (1 lb.), and Kleenex (cold/flu season). Dish and laundry detergents are frequently requested. Bean soup kits along with pumpkin pie kits and corn muffin mixes will be offered during February or until gone.

If you get calls asking if the pantry is open, the rule is – if the schools are closed, the pantry is closed. So far the weather has not caused us to have to use this rule.

As always, questions can be directed to Nan, Anne, or Sharon.

And, as always, your sharing pantry information with your congregations is appreciated.

Sharon

## 3 D's

(DISABILITY AND DISORDERS  
WITH DIGNITY)

# 3RD ANNUAL *Chili* COOKOFF

**EAGLES LODGE**  
805 Elm Street • Valparaiso  
*(between Garfield Ave.  
& Roosevelt Rd.)*

**SAT., MARCH 5, 2016**  
**12 PM - 4 PM ?**

**TICKETS: \$10**

*For tickets, please contact  
Mary Jo Nuland.*

## Prayer Requests

### For Friends & Family

#### For the Parish:

##### THOSE IN NEED:

Lu Krieger-Blake  
Sandi Anderson  
Wandalee Blair  
Brandon Brkljac  
Josephine Kaluzny  
Paul & Lauren Mache  
Eden Preston  
Kendall Scheetz  
Lois Stanley  
Rachel Swanson  
Susan Swanson  
Margaret Vondorkovich

##### AVALON SPRINGS:

Eva Kingston

##### PINES VILLAGE:

Eva Jane Fryer

##### NAME:

Daisy *(aunt)*

Raymond

Carole Sue *(cousin)*

Marge *(mother)*

Bethany

Amy

Audrey *(cousin)*

Mike *(father)*

Crocker family

Marsha

Jon

Brian

Carrie *(niece)*

Randy

Janet *(sister)*

Bob *(brother)*

Tom

##### FRIEND/RELATIVE OF:

Richard & Vel Schultz

Richard & Vel Schultz

Sand & Charles Anderson

Barb Herzinger

Amy Parsons

Amy Parsons

Richard & Vel Schultz

Matt & Karen Hernes

Christine Cawby

Larry & Ann Baas

Larry & Ann Baas

Richard & Vel Schultz

Richard & Vel Schultz

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##### NAME:

Jerrie

Les *(father)*

Michael

David & family

Arlene & family

Brandon *(brother-in-law)*

Christa *(niece)*

Carol *(sister)*

Barb

Kathy

Roger

Betsy

Barbara

Thomas *(grandson)*

Samantha *(daughter)*

Trevor *(son)*

Bessie

##### FRIEND/RELATIVE OF:

Bob & Edith Young

Jennifer Hora & Craig Heisel

Susan Swanson

Christine Cawby

Christine Cawby

Matt & Karen Hernes

Larry & Ann Baas

Annamae Wheeland

Annamae Wheeland

Annamae Wheeland

George Reichler

Susan Swanson

Susan Swanson

Lori

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

## “Becoming Trinity”

Interested in becoming a member of Trinity?

Please join us for any of the remaining sessions of orientation. Come and fellowship with current members and Pastor Leitzke, discuss selected scripture passages, and learn what it means to be “Gathered by God, living in grace, and called to love and serve.”

Save the following Sunday evenings, 6 to 8 PM: February 28th, March 6th, 13th, and 20th. Dinner will be provided!

You will be officially received into the community at the Easter Vigil service on March 26th.

Contact Pastor Leitzke or Betty in the office to RSVP.

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### Help needed for “Becoming Trinity”

*There are three ways you could help:*

- 1 Help prepare dinner for one (or more!) of the sessions. We are coordinating all of this with Confirmation and Youth Group, so contact Pastor or Deaconess Barb if you want to help. The food needs to be delivered to the kitchen by 5:45 PM on these days: March 6th, 13th, and 20th. (The Youth will be at Quake Zone on March 13, but we will still meet.)
- 2 Make a brief presentation about one of Trinity's ministries. One person will speak on our being “gathered by God.” Another on “living in grace.” Another on being “called to love.” And another on being “called to serve.”
- 3 Attend the sessions. Pastor Leitzke has suggested that, ideally, as many current members will attend as new members. This is a ten hour commitment: two hours each Sunday evening from 6:00-8:00 PM in the five weeks leading up to the Easter Vigil. Dinner is provided.



Trinity welcomes and encourages all who are baptized to receive Holy Communion whenever it is offered. This spring, we will offer instruction in Holy Communion. Classes will be:

— SATURDAYS —

**APRIL 9, 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**

or

**prtim@tlcvalpo.com**

## Connect – for Parents!

We are moving our Connect–for Parents discussion about **Financial Stewardship**, to a Sunday in April. Please consider attending the great Adult Forum discussions planned in March!

*A wheelchair has been donated to Trinity and will be kept in the west lobby, parking lot entrance. Please feel free to use it at Trinity for those who may need extra assistance.*

## Health Ministry

Consider adding yoga to your life as a quiet Lenten Practice. The potential health benefits of yoga include:

**Stress reduction.** A number of studies have shown that yoga may help reduce stress and anxiety. It can also enhance your mood and overall sense of well-being.

**Improved fitness.** Practicing yoga may lead to improved balance, flexibility, range of motion, and strength.

**Management of chronic conditions.** Yoga can help reduce risk factors for chronic diseases, such as heart disease and high blood pressure. Yoga might also help alleviate chronic conditions, such as depression, pain, anxiety, and insomnia. (mayoclinic.org, 2016)

**ZUMBA CLASSES** – Join us as we continue to ZUMBA on Saturdays, March 5, 12, & 19 in the Fellowship Hall from 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM. Suggested donation: Adult \$2; Child \$1. If you are able to do mild aerobic activity, standing OR sitting, this class is for you! Exercise is more fun with family and friends, so bring the kids, bring your spouse, bring a friend!

**WALKING GROUP** – Although it's chilly, there is still an outside walking group that is meeting on Saturday mornings at 8:30 AM at church. So if you don't want to Zumba, but need some incentive to get up and move, join the walkers!

**YOGA CLASSES** – Tuesdays in the Fellowship Hall at 7 PM during Lent. Remaining dates include March 1, 8, \* 15, & 22 (\*Tuesday, March 8th, will be at Christ Lutheran Church, Entrance #14). Suggested donation: \$3. Invite your friends, and bring along kids who would enjoy the quiet practice of yoga!

**Are you a Thrivent Member?  
Did you know that every Thrivent member can apply for \$250 Thrivent Action Team funds twice a year?**

### HOW IT WORKS:

Think about an unmet need in your community and how you could help. Apply to lead your volunteer team in a one-time fundraiser, service activity, or educational event that can be completed within 90 days. Once your project is approved, you'll receive a Thrivent Action Kit including: Promotional banner, Invitations and thank you cards, Thrivent Action Team T-shirts, and a \$250 Community Impact Card you can use as seed money to purchase project supplies and create promotional materials.

Search for  
Thrivent Action Teams on  
**Thrivent.com**  
for more information  
and to apply. Ask Karen  
Hernes if you need ideas  
how to use your funds!

## From the Deaconess...

**CONFIRMATION LEVELS I-III & YOUTH GROUP** will meet next Sunday, March 6, at our regular times.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** will be collecting hats, scarves and gloves for winter to give to men or women in need through the end of February.

**VARIETY SHOW** is today, February 28, from 4:00-6:00 PM in Fellowship Hall. The youth will provide a limited menu for the snack bar of which the proceeds will go towards their trips. Come and enjoy our congregation's talents and abilities through skits, comedy, singing, and other forms of entertainment. Feel free to bring your friends and neighbors. Please come and enjoy the show!

**EASTER BREAKFAST** falls during Spring Break this year on March 27. I am asking for volunteers to make donations of breakfast casseroles, pastries/bread, and fruit. A sign-up sheet will be available in the foyer and Fellowship Hall during the month of March. Thank you!

Information about Lutheran Outdoor Ministries is available on a table in the foyer. Check out the brochures for our own Indiana Kentucky Synod. I also have some 50% off coupons for LOMO: Lutheran Outdoor Ministries Ohio. See me if you're interested.

*Any questions, contact Deaconess Barb at:*

(219) 462-9624, ext. 4 • bherzinger@tlcvalpo.com

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## 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:*

- **LGBT, life-gets-better-together**, a peer support group for gay, lesbian, bisexual, trans-gender men, women, teen (w/ parent permission) and questioning community members takes place **Wednesdays at 6:00 PM** at the **Dayspring Counseling Center, 1005 N. Campbell Street**. For more info, call (219) 364-2732 or email rochse@pcfcc.org.

## 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.



# Commissioning of NEW STEPHEN MINISTERS

February 28, 2016

Today, during the 10:45 AM service, Trinity will be commissioning **Donna Gierse, Terry Paarlberg,** and **Diane Marten** (also a Stephen Leader) as Stephen Ministers. They have completed substantial training to join ten Stephen Ministers and Leaders who are currently serving our congregation and community. A Stephen Minister serves by being:

- A child of God who walks beside a person who is hurting
- A caring Christian friend who listens, cares, prays, supports, and encourages
- A lay person who has received 50 hours of training in providing emotional and spiritual care
- Someone who will “be there” for his or her care receiver, meeting faithfully for about an hour each week, for as long as there’s a need

As we commission Diane, Terry, and Donna, let us thank God for all that they will bring to this congregation and community in providing care to others, and let us promise them our prayer and support as we send them out to minister among us!

*For more information regarding Stephen Ministry  
or to receive care, contact:*

**GEORGE REICHLER**

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## **Saturday Service Fellowship Time!**

**MARCH 12, 2015**

The Hospitality Team at Trinity will be holding a short Fellowship Time after the Saturday worship service on March 12. It will be held in the Gathering Space with a few appetizers and beverages. This will provide a brief time for those worshippers to spend time together along with Pastor and some members of the Hospitality Team. These will be held about every 4-6 weeks. Everyone is welcome!

*The Trinity Hospitality Team*

*Our next Noisy Offering  
will be collected on  
Palm Sunday, March 20.  
The money gathered  
will go toward buying  
animals for people in  
villages through the  
ELCA Good Gifts  
program.*



## **Adult Forum**

**FEBRUARY 28 -**

Larry Baas will talk about Bias Motivated Incidents in Northwest Indiana and the project that has tracked these incidents from 1990-2015. This will be very informational so please join us.

**MARCH 13 -**

We will welcome Dr. Heath Carter, History Professor and Chair of the Valparaiso Human Relations Committee. He will discuss with us current community activities and some history of the ways the church has been both actively involved and complicity silent around justice issues throughout history.

*Jane Schreiner,  
Norm and Pat Hellmers*

## Worship Servers

SERVICE	SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27 5:30 PM	SATURDAY, MARCH 5 5:30 PM
<i>Presiding Minister</i>	The Rev. Dr. Timothy A. Leitzke	The Rev. Dr. Timothy A. Leitzke
<b>SERVICE</b>	<b>SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28 8:00 AM &amp; 10:45 AM</b>	<b>SUNDAY, MARCH 6 8:00 AM &amp; 10:45 AM</b>
<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 (Electronic Wind Inst.)</i>	Harlan Bjornstad	Harlan Bjornstad
<i>Guitar</i>	Paul Schreiner	Paul Schreiner
<i>Pianist</i>	Jeffery Hellmers	
<i>Choir</i>	8:00 Adult Choir 10:45	Joyful Noise! Adult Choir
<i>Acolyte</i>	8:00 Sam Burow-Flak 10:45 Anthony Traficanti	Tom Muchesko Reese Mayernik
<i>Assisting Minister</i>	8:00 Patricia Cummings 10:45 Diane Marten	Paul Parsons Diane Marten
<i>Communion Assts.</i>	8:00 Kelly Levenhagen Kay Kielpikowski Judy Phillips 10:45 Laura Yokovich George Reichler Barb Pearson	Karen Muchesko Lu Krieger-Blake Sally Finck Joanna Truemper Michael & Gregory Lichtenberger
<i>Greeters</i>	8:00 Mike & Lynn Kinsey Marilyn Hanson 10:45 Paul, Amy, Chloe, & Stella Parsons Barb Pearson	Amy Parsons Karen Muchesko Joanna Truemper Len & Diann Ptacek
<i>Lectors</i>	8:00 Jane Schreiner 10:45 Harlan Bjornstad	Lu Krieger-Blake Linda Beach
<i>Ushers</i> <i>*offering only</i>	8:00 Gary & Lene Behrens Mark & Kelly Levenhagen 10:45 Matt, Karen, Chrystal, & Valerie Hernes	Scott Young Bob & Edith Young Jane Shreve Dennis & Linda Beach Christine Cawby Madi Mayernik
<i>Secure Offering</i>	8:00 Gary Behrens 10:45 Matt Hernes	Scott Young
<i>Bread Baker</i>	Diann Ptacek	Martha Sass
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Donna Gierse	Pat & Norm Hellmers
<i>Fellowship Time</i>	Stephen Ministry	



## 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  
JUDY PHILLIPS

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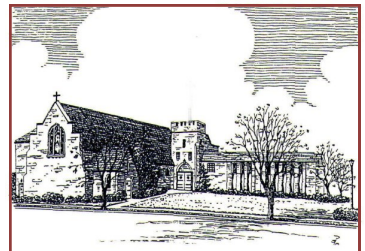
## Staff Office Schedule

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.

## 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.



## Key Financial Items And Attendance

### 1. Offerings for

#### General Operations:

<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year-To-Date</u>
\$4,826	\$40,507

### 2. Benevolence sent to IN/KY Synod:

<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year-To-Date</u>
\$483	\$4,051

### 3. Attendance:

<u>Last Week</u>
186

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.