



TRINITY Lutheran Church

PARISH NOTICES
January 15, 2017

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► Today at Trinity

Sunday, January 15, 2017

- 8:00 AM HOLY COMMUNION – NAVE
- 9:30 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAM
- 10:45 AM HOLY COMMUNION – NAVE
- 12:00 PM JOYFUL NOISE! REHEARSAL – ROOM 103
- 4:00 PM YOUTH ICE SKATING – CENTRAL PARK PLAZA

► Opportunities This Week at Trinity

Tuesday, January 17, 2017

- 7:00 PM HOSPITALITY TEAM – ROOM 105/107
- 7:00 PM YOGA – FELLOWSHIP HALL

Wednesday, January 18, 2017

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

Saturday, January 21, 2017

- 8:30 AM BIBLE BREAKFAST CLUB –
SO. BEND CHOCOLATE CAFÉ
- 8:30 AM ZUMBA – FELLOWSHIP HALL
- 5:30 PM SPOKEN HOLY COMMUNION – CHAPEL

Sunday, January 22, 2017

- 8:00 AM HOLY COMMUNION – NAVE
- 9:30 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAM
- 10:45 AM HOLY COMMUNION – NAVE
- 12:00 PM JOYFUL NOISE! REHEARSAL – ROOM 103
- 4:30 PM CONFIRMATION LEVELS I-III – ROOM 105/107
- 6:00 PM YOUTH GROUP DINNER – FELLOWSHIP HALL
- 7:00 PM YOUTH GROUP MEETING – YOUTH ROOM

mark your calendar!

CONGREGATIONAL ANNUAL MEETING

January 29, 2017

Following the 10:45 AM service
— Lunch will be provided —



SAVE DATE

VBS

July 16-21

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

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BECOME A PART OF THE CONGREGATION COUNCIL

All confirmed members are encouraged to prayerfully consider becoming a part of the Congregation Council. The elected Council consists of twelve members, each of whom serves a three year term. The terms are staggered so that each year there are four openings on the council. At the annual meeting in January, four members will be elected.

For more information about serving on the council, you may speak to any of the current members. For a complete listing of the Council, see back page of this Parish Notice.

Member Pledges Continue to Support Trinity: Not Too Late to Pledge for 2017

Once again this year, many Trinity givers have chosen to pledge their time, talents, and financial resources to Trinity Lutheran Church, our faithful worship and our missions. Regular weekly financial pledges help the congregation to plan and afford our yearly expenses. Regular giving affords the opportunity to faithfully commit to doing God's work each and every week.

Pledges can be made at any time by picking up a pledge card in the church office or at the welcome center in the foyer. Completed cards can be placed in the offering plates during services or delivered to the church office. Trinity offers a Simply Giving direct deposit option, a "Give" button on the Trinity home page, and a stock giving program. Pastor Tim can provide more information to interested members.

As of December 31, 2016, eighty-three (83) giving units have returned pledges for 2017. The total amount of these pledges is \$220,786. The total amount of all pledges for 2016 equaled \$193,908. As you can see, there is a significant increase (\$26,878) and more pledges for 2017 will continue to be returned. Thank you to all who have made commitments to Trinity's ministries.

Archives Donations

Thank you to Ruth Cavanaugh for recently donating two commemorative plates from Trinity's 50th anniversary for the Trinity archives. They are in the original boxes along with the plate display hangers. The plates say: Trinity Lutheran Church, 50th Anniversary, 1934-1984.

Please remember the archives of Trinity if you have anything you think might be of historical value to save for future generations. If you are not sure, please contact us and we will advise you.

Norm and Pat Hellmers



THIS SUNDAY'S
ALTAR FLOWERS
ARE GIVEN TO THE
GLORY OF GOD
IN CELEBRATION
OF THE

NEW YEAR

ROGER & JUDY
PHILLIPS



Adult Forum

January 15-

The Hernes family will tell about their Christmas trip west where they spent a week at Holden Village, a Lutheran retreat center in the Cascade Mountains of Washington State. Once a copper mining town, the village complete listing of the Council, see back page e was donated to the Lutheran church over 50 years ago and has become a vibrant place of education, recreation, relaxation, and worship for all who make the long journey to spent time in this remote village. Come tell your own stories about your time at Holden, watch a short historical video, and learn about the Hernes family's experience "off-the-grid." Plan to attend this interesting Adult Forum presented by the Hernes family.

January 22 – Have you ever wondered how the King James Bible was put together including when it happened and who actually did it? In Adult Forum on January 22nd we will learn about these and other questions by watching a DVD called, "The Making of the King James Bible," subtitled, "Still a Bestseller after 400 years." The reason for that subtitle is because the 400th anniversary of the making of the King James Bible was in 2011. This DVD brings to life the fascinating

history of this great work, along with the impact it still has for us today. Everyone is welcome.

January 29 – Deaconess Kristin Lewis, Co-Director of Education at Valparaiso's Lutheran Deaconess Association (LDA), will present some Bible stories and lead a discussion at Adult Forum on January 29th. She will talk about how the scriptures are full of stories of God calling people together to live in community. She will lead us on a journey as a community through some of these holy stories; exploring where God meets us, transforms us, and how God is calling each of us to live in community.

Prior to working with the LDA, Kristin served as Trinity's parish deaconess for five years. She also worked to establish Dayspring Women's Center which serves women who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. Please join us for this informative Adult Forum.

February 5 – First Contact Porter County's director, Barbara Kemler, and board member, Dan Grass, will come to Adult Forum on February 5th to talk about First Contact, a non-profit resource and referral ministry. Their main goal is to help to change lives of Porter County residents through financial

assistance, counseling, and referrals. They help to prevent homelessness, providing emergency assistance, life and financial counseling, and referrals to other agencies. Many First Contact clients needing assistance have experienced job loss, divorce, injury, or some other unfortunate situation that requires financial assistance. Their clients range in age from 18-75 years old. It will be valuable to us at Trinity to learn about the various ways that First Contact can assist our residents in need. Everyone is welcome.

*Norm & Pat Hellmers,
Jane Schreiner*



**In honor of
Lindsay's
consecration,**

we would like to make a gift to the LDA. Lindsay has undergone years of study, field work, and internship to earn her degree and meet the education and formation requirements of the LDA. Your donation in her honor supports the training of other women and men to the diaconate. Join us in celebrating Lindsay.





Stephen Ministry

Are you or someone you know experiencing the holiday blues? The joy of Christmas can turn into a time of painful loneliness and emptiness for those who have suffered a loss or who are going through a difficult time. But help is available. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to provide confidential, one-to-one Christian care. They will listen, care, encourage, pray with and for you, and support you through the holidays and as long as your need persists. If you or someone you know is hurting, find out more about Stephen Ministry by talking with one of our Stephen Leaders: George Reichler or Ann Baas. Our Stephen Ministers are there to care!

GEORGE REICHLER

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Tender Loving Care Preschool is accepting registration for 2017-2018 for present and past TLC families, and for Trinity members beginning January 2nd. Registration will be open to the public effective January 13th. Available classes are as follows:

- A.M and P.M. Early Learners classes (Tuesday & Thursday) – for children age 3 by September 1, 2017.
- A.M. and P.M. Kindergarten Readiness classes (Monday, Wednesday, Friday) – for children age 4 by September 1, 2017.
- A.M. (only) Pre-Kindergarten class (Monday through Friday) - for children at least 5 by September 1, 2017. Please note that most children in this class have had two prior years of preschool.
- P.M. Extended Day class (Monday, Wednesday, Friday) – for children in Tender Loving Care A.M. Kindergarten Readiness or A.M. Pre-Kindergarten classes.

If you, or someone you know, is interested in registering or would like information, please contact Nancy Moseley at 531-9534 or nancyjmoseley@hotmail.com as soon as possible.

I invite you to visit our website at:
www.tenderlovingcarepreschool.webs.com



From the Deaconess...

Levels I-III Confirmation will meet for class on Sunday, January 22 at 4:30 PM in Room 105/107. Youth dinner and game is at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall, and high school **Youth Group** will meet at 7:00 PM in the Youth Room.

The **Variety Show** is coming! Put your acts together and plan to participate in the Variety Show, Sunday, February 12 at 4:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Consider doing comedy, reading/reciting a poem or other work, singing, dancing, etc. A sign up sheet is posted in the foyer. The youth will host a snack bar fundraiser."

Our **VBS** is scheduled for July 17-21, 2017. The theme is "The Water of Life," and LutherRoad will be joining us.

Questions? Contact
Deaconess Barb at:

(219) 462-9624 ext. 4

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Cold/Flu Season Reminders

To protect everyone, especially the youngest and oldest among us and those with chronic illnesses, please do not attend church functions if you are ill. In general, remember the simple ways to help prevent the spread of common contagious infections.

- Wash your hands or use hand sanitizer
- Cover your coughs and sneezes with tissues, then wash/sanitize your hands
- Use an alternative “passing of the peace” by nodding, crossing your arms across your chest, or hand waving a peace sign
- Before serving and/or receiving communion wash/sanitize your hands
- If concerned, avoid the common cup during communion (or skip communion)

YOGA classes continue on Tuesdays at 7:00 PM. This is truly a class for all abilities, so please join us anytime. Choice of \$20 for a 6 session punch card or \$5 per class.

Zumba classes are held on Saturdays at 8:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall through March 25th. You may purchase a 6 session punch card for \$20 or \$4 per session. Multigenerational! Come and have some fun!

Christian Food Pantry



In December, 211 families were served providing food for 574 family members. Due to some generous monetary donations the pantry was able to provide items for the number of Christmas ‘baskets’ needed to supplement the 36 ‘baskets’ the Valparaiso FOP was able to provide for the holiday giving. Adjusting the scheduling of personnel for food purchase pick-up has worked well. These changes were

necessary because Strack and VanTil were no longer able to make deliveries. There have been pluses and minuses to the new plan, but with inventive planning the situation is working out well. For this new year, paper goods would be especially appreciated: Kleenex, bathroom tissue, and paper towels. Basic items often forgotten for donation: canned fruit, cereal, pork ‘n’ beans, and mixed vegetables. Of course, all basic items are

TLC
Electronic Giving
Now Open for Business!

As we have promised, Trinity has developed a link on our website to enable an electronic Giving option. You may find this link thru our website at:

<http://tlcvalpo.com/>

Just scroll down our home page to find the "donate" button. Clicking here will take you to a secure page for simple registration. You may give via credit/debit card, checking, or savings account. You may give as a one time donation, or may schedule regular contributions.

needed and the “if-you-use-it” extra items (for example: dish and laundry detergents, teas, coffee, shampoo) are greatly appreciated. Any and all donations are appreciated and will get the pantry-giving off to a good start for 2017. Happy New Year!

As always, any questions can be answered by one of the codirectors: Nan (219) 462-6169, Anne (219) 462-8593, and Sharon (219) 464-1764, or ask your congregational contact for help.

Bible Breakfast Club

Saturday, January 21, 2017 • 8:00 AM
South Bend Chocolate Café

All women are welcome.

Call Barb at (219) 462-6887 for more information.

Greeting Card Ministry

The Hospitality Team will be starting a new ministry beginning in January 2017. We want to show love and appreciation to the adult members of Trinity on their birthday by placing a greeting card in their TLC mailbox. We hope you will enjoy receiving these cards. The Sunday school children, youth, and confirmation classes are already acknowledged on their birthdays by Deaconess Barb and the various teachers.

The church database has birth dates for most people, but if we find that we don't have yours, we will contact you.

If you have comments or questions, contact Pat Hellmers at:
(219) 462-6222 • pat_hellmers@yahoo.com

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
(219) 364-2732
or email
rochse@pcfcc.org

Prayer Requests

For the Parish:

THOSE IN NEED:

Sandi Anderson
Brandon Brkljac
Richard Cornman
Eden Preston
Richard Schultz
Vel Schultz
Lois Stanley
Rachel Swanson
Susan Swanson
Ruth Swelstad

AVALON SPRINGS:

Eva Jane Fryer

RITTENHOUSE: Ethel Roberts

For Friends & Family

NAME:	FRIEND/RELATIVE OF:	NAME:	FRIEND/RELATIVE OF:
Robert <small>(grandfather)</small>	Christine Cawby	Jim <small>(cousin)</small>	Larry & Ann Baas
Mildred <small>(grandmother)</small>	Christine Cawby	Daisy <small>(aunt)</small>	Richard & Vel Schultz
Teresa <small>(cousin)</small>	Lauren Mache	George	Richard & Vel Schultz
Ted <small>(cousin)</small>	Cheryl Dieter	Audrey <small>(cousin)</small>	Richard & Vel Schultz
Chris <small>(nephew)</small>	Lu Krieger-Blake	Mike <small>(father)</small>	Matt & Karen Hernes
Abby <small>(granddaughter)</small>	Rev. Jane Aicher	Brian	Richard & Vel Schultz
Dean <small>(father)</small>	Carey Johnson Young	Carrie <small>(niece)</small>	Richard & Vel Schultz
Nikki <small>(niece)</small>	Richard & Vel Schultz	Randy	Richard & Vel Schultz
Carol	Richard & Vel Schultz	Janet <small>(sister)</small>	Richard & Vel Schultz
Karen	Richard & Vel Schultz	Bob <small>(brother)</small>	Richard & Vel Schultz
Cindy <small>(& family)</small>	Marty Swinehart	Tom	Richard & Vel Schultz
Bridgette <small>(aunt)</small>	Valerie Webdell	David & family	Christine Cawby
Lucas	Arlene & Will Gross	Arlene & family	Christine Cawby
Marsha	Larry & Ann Baas	Brandon <small>(brother-in-law)</small>	Matt & Karen Hernes
Linda <small>(sister)</small>	Barbara Pearson	Thomas <small>(grandson)</small>	George Reichler
Garlan <small>(brother-in-law)</small>	Barbara Pearson		

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.

Worship Servers

	SATURDAY, JAN. 14	SATURDAY, JAN. 21
SERVICE - 5:30 PM	SATURDAY, JAN. 14	SATURDAY, JAN. 21
Presiding Minister	The Rev. Dr. Timothy Leitzke	The Rev. Dr. Timothy Leitzke
Assisting Minister	Ruth Cavanaugh	
SERVICE - 8:00 & 10:45 AM	SUNDAY, JAN. 15	SATURDAY, JAN. 22
Presiding Minister	The Rev. Dr. Timothy Leitzke	The Rev. Dr. Timothy Leitzke
Minister of Music	Cheryl Dieter	Cheryl Dieter
Musicians		
Guitar	Paul Schreiner	Paul Schreiner
Saxophone	Anna Cox	Anna Cox
Choir	8:00 10:45 Adult Choir	Handbell Choir Joyful Noise!
Acolyte	8:00 Tom Muchesko 10:45 Gregory Lichtenberger Chloe Parsons	Anthony Cawby Sophie DeRuntz Liam Strietelmeier
Assisting Minister	8:00 Gloria Cornman 10:45 Barb Herzinger	Mike Beaver Paul Mache
Communion Assts.	8:00 Judy Phillips Lu Krieger-Blake Sally Finck 10:45 Christine Cawby Michael Lichtenberger Marty Swinehart	Cayley Schnick Carter Schnick Makenna Schnick Juanagene Nietert Nan Paarlberg Barb Herzinger
Greeters	8:00 Bob & Edith Young Ann & Larry Baas 10:45 Curt & Amanda Strietelmeier & family Marty Swinehart	Pat & Norm Hellmers Mike & Lynn Kinsey Patrick & Michelle Ward & family Kirsten Renehan
Lector	8:00 Lu Krieger-Blake 10:45 Karen Hernes	Mike Beaver Nicole Lee
Ushers *offering only	8:00 Bob & Nancy Tittle Mary Jo Nuland Jane Shreve 10:45 Matt, Karen, Chrystal, & Valerie Hernes	Mike & Rita Delliquadri Gary & Lene Behrens
Secure Offering	8:00 Bob Tittle 10:45 Matt Hernes	Craig & Becky Lutz Mike Renehan Kirsten Renehan*
Bread Baker	Terry Paarlberg	Mike Delliquadri
Altar Guild	Roger & Judy Phillips Nancy Tittle	Diann Ptacek Judy & Roger Phillips Nancy Tittle
Unlock Doors	Mike Delliquadri	Mike Kinsey
Fellowship Time	Behrens family Kielpikowski family	

Directories Are In!

The Hospitality Team is happy to announce that the new Trinity directories have been printed and are available in the gathering space arranged alphabetically. We want to keep track of who picks up their directory and who does not, so each directory has a name on the back cover (so as not to obscure any part of the cover).

Thank you to everyone for their patience while we took the photographs and gathered the contact information. Any corrections or additions should be directed to Betty in the church office. We will put changes in the parish notices.

A special thank you goes to Terry Lopez and Kirsten Renehan for assisting with the whole project all along the way, including working together on the cover design, and to Terry especially for putting all of the pictures and contact data into a directory format and for printing the directories.

The Hospitality Team: Ann Baas, Christine Cawby, Pat Hellmers, Deaconess Barb Herzinger, Kay Kielpikowski, Tom and Karen Muchesko, Mary Jo Nuland, Terry Paarlberg, Judy Phillips, Jane Schreiner, and Pastor Tim who attends our meetings.

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Key Financial Items And Attendance

1. Offerings for General Fund:

<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year-To-Date</u>
\$6,420	\$11,095

2. IN/KY Synod Benevolence:

<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year-To-Date</u>
\$642	\$1,110

3. Attendance:

<u>Last Week</u>
119

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.

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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, call (219) 561-3887, ext. 4.

Notice of Hospitalization

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

