

TRINITY Lutheran Church

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Parish Notices February 9, 2020



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

Today at Trinity

Sunday February 9, 2020

9:00 AM	Holy Communion
10:15 AM	Fellowship
10:45 AM	Community Conversations
10:45 AM	Sunday School
11:45 AM	Joyful Noise Rehearsal
5:00 PM	Holy Communion
6:00 PM	Youth Group: Dinner and Activity

This Week at Trinity

Tuesday February 11, 2020

9:30 AM	Esther Circle
6:30 PM	Safety Team Meeting
7:00 PM	Faith in Action
7:00 PM	Yoga

Wednesday February 12, 2020

12:00 PM	Parish Notice Deadline (office@tlcvalpo.com)
6:45 PM	Handbell Rehearsal
7:15 PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal

Sunday February 16, 2020

9:00 AM	Holy Communion
10:15 AM	Fellowship
10:45 AM	Confirmation Levels I
10:45 AM	Sunday School
10:45 AM	Community Conversations
5:00 PM	Holy Communion
6:00 PM	Youth Group: Dinner and Activity
7:00 PM	High School Youth Group

Stephen Ministry

What do Stephen Ministers do? They listen, care, support, encourage, and pray with and for a person who is hurting. Each care receiver is matched with a compatible Stephen Minister. The two meet in person, typically once a week for about an hour, in a mutually agreeable setting.

If you or someone you know is facing a crisis—large or small—and could benefit from the caring presence of a Stephen Minister, talk to one of our Stephen Leaders:

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January Christian Food Pantry Report

During January 202 families were served providing food for 549 people. With the low temperatures it was appropriate to offer bean soup kits, an onion and ham hock for making home-made soup. 'It smells good and tastes great.' (It was planned that the kits were to be assembled by the Northview Kiwanis kids but due to 'crossed communications' the project was taken care of by Girl Scouts from First Christian Church.) As always the kits were well received. The 2019 year-end report will soon be sent to the seven churches sponsoring the pantry. Figures show a large financial carry-over into 2020 but it must be remembered that most monetary donations are received around the holidays late in the year and will be depended upon for getting supplies during the summer months when donations taper off. Food donations are needed year-round with special requests for juices, canned fruit, cereals, soups, canned spaghetti sauce and tuna. Hygiene products and cleaning supplies along with paper goods are always welcomed. And as always – any and all donations are greatly appreciated.

Don't hesitate to call with pantry questions:

Pantry co-directors: Nan Steeves, founder

Anne Egolf

Sharon Crowder



From the Deaconess

Nursery - We are working on establishing a staffed nursery. It is still in the planning stages. In the meantime, we ask that parents accompany their children. If you wish to take your child out of the service, we have a nursery available. It has a changing table, rocking chairs, and toys. You can also hear the worship service over a speaker in the room. Please ask an usher for directions.

VARIETY SHOW - Mark your calendars for **February 16** and start planning your act for the Variety Show!! Show off talents large and small. Tell a joke, act in a skit, dance, sing, play an instrument, jump rope, recite a poem, etc.

Rummage Sale - Mark your calendars for **May 1st & 2nd**. May 1st will be drop-off day and May 2nd will be shopping day. See me if you have any questions.

Youth Quake Signup- The youth, grades 6-12 are invited to sign up for the Quake, February 28th-March 1st, at the Hyatt Regency in Schaumburg, IL. \$50 deposit is due January 19th, along with the "Intent to participate" form.

Youth Group Meals - the high school youth group meets nearly every Sunday evening. They really enjoy being together. Something new that we started doing is cooking dinner together. On the second Sunday of each month, we meet at the grocery store and shop for our food. Then we go back to church and cook together. We have six very dedicated high school students. They are impressive young people. We do, however, still need other meals provided. We have 10 people that eat each week. Would you be willing to make a meal and do the clean up? Please let me know if you're interested. Sign-up sheets are available in the foyer!

If you have any questions, please contact Deaconess Barb Herzinger, bherzinger@tlcvalpo.com, or 462-9624, ext.



Note from the Minister of Music

Hymn of the Month

The hymn of the month for February is "**Arise, Your Light has come!**". When I studied music at Northwestern University, I took a Hymnody Seminar at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, located on the Northwestern campus. The author of this hymn, Ruth Duck (b.1947), was my professor.

This is one of her earliest hymns. In 1973, she was trying to figure out how to revise William P. Merrill's "Rise Up, O Men of God" since the texts offended her quite a bit. The hymn was about "giving heart and soul and mind and strength to serve the King of Kings." It was written for men - for the brotherhood Movement in the Presbyterian Church in 1911. Professor Duck wrote this hymn in 1974 with an inclusive text and was later included in the hymnal "Rejoice in the Lord" in 1985. The hymn focuses on light and the release from captivity that the spirit brings. Ruth Duck is an ordained pastor in the United Church of Christ and was a professor of worship at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary for 27 years before she retired.

The tune, *Festal Song*, was composed by William H. Walter (1825 - 1893) who was an organist at the church of the Epiphany and Columbia University in New York City.

Szu-Ping

Community Conversations:

In honor and celebration of Black History Month, today we welcome long-time community member Lois Reiner, who will present a review of Black history in Valparaiso and the role she and her husband played in bringing African Americans to our community. Please join us for an engaging conversation with this amazing woman!

Here's what is planned for the rest of February:

~~Sunday the 16th: Midwinter Break; therefore, no CC

~~Sunday the 23rd: Pastor Tim will resume his Bible Study with a focus on Genesis 4 & 5

Looking forward to seeing everyone at today's Community Conversation! As usual, we'll meet from 10:45 to 11:45 in Rooms 105/107. Suggestions for topics for both Trinity and Valparaiso communities and questions are welcomed. Please contact either Marilyn Olson (olson1903@comcast.net) or Diane Chilian (dirol@frontier.co).

Interested in Joining Trinity? Save the dates!

We will hold our next series of new member classes later this winter. Our time runs for ninety minutes on Sunday evenings, starting with dinner at 6:00 and then an hour together with some current members. It's a time to get to know members of the Worship, Faith in Action, Hospitality, and Congregational Life teams, get to know fellow new members, and get to know more about what Trinity does. Childcare is provided. We are finished at 7:30.

This year we will meet on *March 1, March 8, March 15, March 29, and April 5*. We will aim to welcome new members at the Vigil of Easter, Saturday April 11 at 6:30 pm. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Pastor Tim. Prtim@tlcvalpo.com or 219-462-9624.

INTERESTED IN LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS?

During the season of Lent, I wondered if there might be interest among members of the congregation in meeting for a simple supper before Wednesday 6:30 p.m. services. I would be happy to co-ordinate a schedule and contribute to the meals. Please contact me if you also would like to see this happen.

Nicole Lee - email: nicole.lee@valpo.edu

A Winter's Night In Paris

Fundraising Dinner & Silent Auction

Saturday, February 22 at 6:00pm

Advance Ticket Sales ONLY: order deadline is Sunday, February 16th.

To order follow the link provided on the homepage of the Trinity website at www.tlcvalpo.com.

Call for Silent Auction Items!

Please consider contributing to the 'We're Here for Good' dinner and silent auction on February 22.

- Something you make yourself like art, knitting, quilt, or baskets
- A service like baby sitting or yard work
- Something you might rent out like a cabin
- A new and unused commercial item other might like

Please contact Larry Chew at 304-400-7601 to get your item on the list

Bible Breakfast Club

Sat., February 15, 9:00 a.m.

Pines Village, Hannell Room

Study: We Are Called

Lesson: "Disciples of Christ"

(Gather magazine, page 36)

Scripture: Selected from Mark, Chapters

1-3, 7-9 and Acts, Chapters 7-9.

Leader: Barbara Pearson

All women are invited and welcome. For more information call Barb at 219-242-3190.

Health Ministry:

Every 2nd Sunday of each month, Nan Paarlberg, our Parish Nurse will be performing blood pressure checks. This will take place after the morning service; and is open for all that would be interested!

Dinners Needed:

Faith in Action needs volunteers to make dinners for the men without homes who stay at the 1st Presbyterian Church. Trinity does this every second Wednesday of each month.

We need volunteers for main course, vegetable, salad, bread, or dessert for 20 men. These need to be delivered by 6:30 on the 2nd Wednesday to the 1st Presbyterian Church on Valparaiso Street. If you would like to volunteer for this service for those in need, please contact Patricia Cummings **242-9410**. Thanks for your help.

Caregiving Team

Caring for One Another

When the Caring Group becomes aware of a need, the entire caregiving team goes into action. We assess how best to serve. We ask would you like a parish nurse to visit, a Stephen Minister, a call or visit from the pastor, or someone to talk to? This way all of us share in our calling “to care for one another.”

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THE ELCA AND FAITH IN ACTION:

2020 Federal Domestic Policy Priorities II

What does our church – the ELCA – do about conditions in the world? The following are some of the 2020 federal domestic policy priorities of ELCA advocacy.

Domestic Policy: Housing

Budget concerns — Foster bipartisan cooperation and public support for budgeting of federal programs that fund affordable housing and assist people who are homeless.

Shelter and housing reforms — Ensure that the experience of churches and faith-based ministries informs federal reforms and public rule revisions that affect low-income housing programs.

Natural disaster impact — Support federal disaster aid resources and equitable access to recovery programs that assist communities before and after natural disasters.

Resources — Find more in ELCA social teaching resources, including the social message “Homelessness: A Renewal of Commitment” and the social statement “Sufficient, Sustainable Livelihood for All.”

Prayer Requests

For those in the parish:

Brandon Brkljac	Cheryl Dieter	
Carole Gilliland	Bill Jabo	Pat Jabo
Lauren Maché	Eden Preston	Lois Stanley
Rachel Swanson	Susan Swanson	Bob Tittle
Brenda Aden	Sandi Anderson	

For Friends and Family

NAME:	FRIEND/RELATIVE OF:		
Mark <i>(friend)</i>	Marilyn Olson	Dick <i>(cousin)</i>	Nancy Tittle
Karen <i>(niece)</i>	Roger & Judy Phillips	Rita <i>(friend)</i>	Patricia Cummings
Shelley <i>(niece)</i>	Kathy Schroeder	Nathan <i>(brother)</i>	David Burow-Flak
Ashlee <i>(daughter)</i>	Carol Little	Lily Grace <i>(cousin)</i>	Patricia Cummings
Sue <i>(daughter)</i>	Annamae Wheeland	Colten	Patricia Cummings
Steve <i>(son-in-law)</i>	Annamae Wheeland	Amy <i>(sister)</i>	Christine Iler
Matt <i>(friend)</i>	Patricia Cummings	Fred <i>(father)</i>	Amy Parsons
Mike <i>(brother)</i>	Patricia Cummings	Caron <i>(sister)</i>	Lori Olson
Tom <i>(nephew)</i>	Lu & Brian Blake	Christine <i>(wife)</i>	Mark Forker
Brandon <i>(grandson)</i>	Ann & Larry Baas	Sherry <i>(aunt)</i>	Reese & Madi
Dan C.	Mike & Lynn Kinsey		Mayernik
Susan <i>(niece)</i>	Barbara Pearson	Robert <i>(uncle)</i>	Reese & Madi
Martha <i>(aunt)</i>	Juanagene Nietert		Mayernik
Mary	Juanagene Nietert	Robert <i>(grandfather)</i>	Christine Iler
Mitch	Juanagene Nietert	Mildred <i>(grandmother)</i>	Christine Iler
Donna <i>(aunt)</i>	Vonda Young	Teresa <i>(cousin)</i>	Lauren Maché
Lowell <i>(uncle)</i>	Vonda Young	Dean <i>(father)</i>	Carey Johnson Young
Aubrey <i>(niece)</i>	Erma & Darrel	Bridgette <i>(aunt)</i>	Valerie Webdell
	Eichhorn	Linda <i>(sister)</i>	Barbara Pearson
Ruth Anderson family	Diann Ptacek	Garlan <i>(brother-in-law)</i>	Barbara Pearson
Bess <i>(mother)</i>	Linda Beach	Jim <i>(cousin)</i>	Larry & Ann Baas
Chloe <i>(neice)</i>	Craig & Becky Lutz	Thomas <i>(grandson)</i>	George Reichle
Jean <i>(Mother)</i>	Mike Kinsey		
Audrey <i>(sister)</i>	JoAnn Murphy	Jill Palmer <i>(friend)</i>	Barb Herzinger
Olga & Barney Roganovich <i>(family friend)</i>	Chuck & Sandy Anderson	Veronica	Chuck & Sandi
Max <i>(son)</i>	Kirsten & Mike Renehan	Carol Sue <i>(Cousin)</i>	Chuck & Sandi
Karen <i>(Friend)</i>	Patricia Cummings	Julia Young <i>(mother)</i>	Jon Young
Tristan Massey <i>(student)</i>	Juanagene Nietert	Maria <i>(Daughter)</i>	Arlene & Will Gross
		Jake Mayernik <i>(Son)</i>	Christine & Bill Iler

Sunday Worship Servers

Sunday Morning

	February 9, 2020	February 16, 2020
Presiding Minister	Rev. Dr. Timothy Leitzke	Rev. Dr. Timothy Leitzke
Minister of Music	Szu-Ping Chang Wong	Szu-Ping Chang Wong
Choir	Adult Choir	Handbells
Musicians	Paul Schreiner- Guitar	Paul Schreiner- Guitar
Acolyte	Bill Iler	Barbara Herziner
Assisting Minister	Marty Swinehart	Cynthia Breitenger
Communion Assistants	Kay Kielpikowski Lu Krieger-Blake Kati Kallay	Judy Phillips Nan Paarlberg Mark Maassel
Greeters	Kay Kielpikowski Mary Jo Nuland	Pat Hellmers Norm Hellmers
Lector	Larry Chew	Mary Jo Nuland
Ushers	Alan Kielpikowski Karen Tognetti	Scott Young Mike Delliquadri
Secure Offering	Alan Kielpikowski	Scott Young
Fellowship Refreshments	Faith In Action	Faith In Action

Sunday Evening

	February 9, 2020	February 16, 2020
Presiding minister	Rev. Dr. Timothy Leitzke	Rev. Dr. Timothy Leitzke
Assisting Minister		
Communion Assistant/Lector	Sandi & Chuck Anderson	Sandi & Chuck Anderson
Usher	Chuck Anderson	Chuck Anderson
Bread Baker	Scott Otterbacher	Amy Parsons
Altar Guild	Pat/Norm Hellmers	Terri Gingerich
Unlock Doors	Marty Swinehart	Mike Delliquadri

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The Rev. Dr. Timothy A. Leitzke

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Key Financial Items and Attendance

Offerings for General Fund

Last Week: \$3,618

Year-to-Date: \$35,641

IN/KY Synod Benevolence

Last Week: \$362

Year-to-Date: \$3,565

Attendance Last Week: 113

Offerings exclude any designated or restricted gifts.

Trinity Lutheran Church is a "tithing" congregation that sends 10% of General Fund offerings to the Indiana/Kentucky Synod. Attendance at all services last week through Sunday.