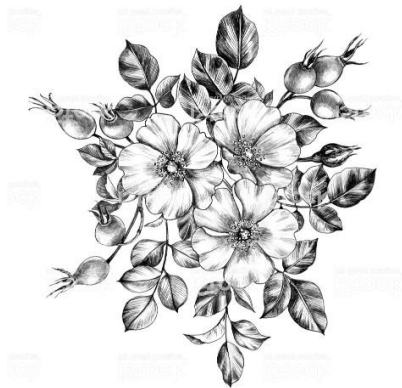


# TRINITY Lutheran Church

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## Parish Notices February 23, 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 23, 2020

9:00 AM	Holy Communion
10:15 AM	Fellowship
10:45 AM	Community Conversations
10:45 AM	Sunday School
10:45 AM	Confirmation Levels
1:00 PM	Stephen Ministry
5:00 PM	Holy Communion
6:00 PM	Youth Group: Dinner and Activity
7:00 PM	High School Youth Group

### This Week at Trinity

#### Tuesday February 25, 2020

3:30 PM	Hospitality Meeting
7:00 PM	Yoga

#### Wednesday February 26, 2020

12:00 PM	Parish Notice Deadline ( <a href="mailto:office@tlcvalpo.com">office@tlcvalpo.com</a> )
6:30 PM	Ash Wednesday Service

#### Thursday February 27, 2020

7:00 PM	We're Here For Good Meeting
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### Sunday March 1, 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
11:45 AM	Joyful Noise Rehearsal
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

Hands-on Activities for Mardi Gras and Lent, **Today**, February 23, 10:45-11:45 am. We will offer activities for preschool through Fifth grade in the Sunday School rooms. Parents are invited to attend with their children.

**Invest in our Youth** - We've put up the envelope board in the foyer. This is an opportunity to invest in our youth by supporting the Mission Trip to Denver, July 25-August 1. Simply take a numbered envelope, put that amount of money inside, and fill out the front. You will receive a postcard from one of the youth while on the Mission Trip. Thank you for your support!

**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 28<sup>th</sup>-March 1<sup>st</sup>, at the Hyatt Regency in Schaumburg, Il. \$50 deposit is due January 19<sup>th</sup>, 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](mailto: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:

We hope everyone enjoyed last Sunday's break from Community Conversations, but know that everyone is looking forward to resuming them today when Pastor Tim leads us in a lively conversation about Genesis 4 and 5. Looking forward to seeing everyone in Rooms 105/107 at 10:45, following fellowship time.

Here's what's planned for March:

March 1: Katie Carr and Diane Chilian will lead a conversation about "Building Relationships". NOTE: During our lively first conversation in January, it was revealed that the majority of folks present wanted to get to know one another better; i.e., they wanted to build relationships. This conversation is a follow-up to that first conversation.

March 8: Pastor Tim will lead a Bible Study OR a review of the worship service and sermon.

March 15: Our own Paul Schreiner will lead an energetic and engaging conversation about the "upcoming (Valparaiso) community projects, which provide opportunities for volunteers. There are three Project Neighbors projects that would welcome Trinity volunteers (another great way to get to know one another). As Paul would say, "Be there or be square!"

March 22: Spring Break, NO Community Conversation

March 29: Mr. Manse Parks from St. Andrews Episcopal congregation will lead a conversation about prison ministry, aka, God Pod. Should be fascinating.

Remember that suggestions for topics for future Community Conversations, as well as any questions you may have are most welcomed. Please contact either Marilyn Olson ( [olson1903@comcast.net](mailto:olson1903@comcast.net)) or Diane Chilian ( [dirol@frontier.co](mailto:dirol@frontier.co)).

## REMINDER!

Please turn in your annual pledge cards. The finance committee and council are working hard to make sure Trinity can keep providing what our congregation needs and wants. Without your pledge and commitment to financially support our missions it's hard to look into the future on a positive note. If you can't commit to a specific amount, at least turn in a pledge card with your name on it. Remember that Simply Giving is available. It's simple to sign up for. I give this way and my pledge comes out of my checking account every Friday before I can spend it on any extra wants, like another stop for a specialty coffee or trip to Dairy Queen for my favorite blizzard (Reese's Peanut Butter Cup with extra Peanut Butter Sauce....YUMMY). You can even split your pledge between General Funds and Here For Good, this way you contribute to two funds with one transaction. Additional Annual and We're Here For Good pledge cards can be found at the Welcome Station or ask an usher. THANK YOU for all you do for Trinity. Peace, Your Financial Secretary....Chris Iler

## 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](mailto: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](mailto:nicole.lee@valpo.edu)**

## **New Address:**

Mary Jo Nuland  
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## **Health Ministry:**

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 you let us know if someone has a special need, our entire caregiving team goes into action. We check with the care receiver to see if he/she would like visits, calls, cards or some other form of contact. We really try to be aware of all who need this special attention, so we very much appreciate your letting us know of someone we can help. This way all of us share in our calling "to care for one another." If you know someone, please contact one of us.

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## THE ELCA AND FAITH IN ACTION: 2020 Federal Domestic Policy Priorities III

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 related to the environment.

**Mitigation, Adaptation and Resiliency** — Support legislation and policies that address the global impact of greenhouse gas emissions, incorporating the principles of participation, solidarity, sufficiency and sustainability. Impacts and related policy considerations are multifaceted, including food security threats, agricultural challenges, increased health issues, national security and the forced migration of thousands.

**Sustainability** — Encourage and advocate for important legislation to protect frontline communities and vulnerable populations that disproportionately experience the negative impacts of environmental degradation, including climate-related changes that exacerbate existing racial, economic, ecological and social injustices.

**Creation care strengths of ELCA** — Amplify ELCA experiential, educational and creation care value resources, expressing faithful hope for the future, at this time of pressing and wide ranging environmental concerns.

**Resources** — Find more in ELCA social teaching resources, including the social statements *Caring for Creation: Vision, Hope, and Justice*; *Sufficient, Sustainable Livelihood for All*; and *Genetics, Faith and Responsibility*.

# 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

<b>NAME:</b>	<b>FRIEND/RELATIVE OF:</b>		
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 Reichler
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 23, 2020	March 1, 2020
<b>Presiding Minister</b>	Rev. Dr. Timothy Leitzke	Rev. Dr. Timothy Leitzke
<b>Minister of Music</b>	Szu-Ping Chang Wong	Szu-Ping Chang Wong
<b>Choir</b>	Handbells	Adult Choir/ Joyful Noise
<b>Musicians</b>	Paul Schreiner- Guitar Jeff Hellmers- Trombone Ethan Preston- Recorder	Paul Schreiner- Guitar
<b>Acolyte</b>	Eden Preston	Isabel Ecklund-Baker
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Nicole Lee	Marty Swinehart
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Kay Kielpikowski Bill Iler Lucas Ecklund-Baker	Mary Jo Nuland Lucas Ecklund-Baker Sally Ecklund-Baker
<b>Greeters</b>	Kay Kielpikowski Sally Ecklund-Baker	
<b>Lector</b>	Patricia Cummings	Bill Iler
<b>Ushers</b>	Alan Kielpikowski Mary Jo Nuland	Bill Iler
<b>Secure Offering</b>	Alan Kielpikowski	Bill Iler
<b>Fellowship Refreshments</b>	Faith In Action	Faith In Action

## Sunday Evening

	February 23, 2020	March 1, 2020
<b>Presiding minister</b>	Rev. Dr. Timothy Leitzke	Rev. Dr. Timothy Leitzke
<b>Assisting Minister</b>		
<b>Communion Assistant/Lector</b>	Sandi & Chuck Anderson	Sandi & Chuck Anderson
<b>Usher</b>	Chuck Anderson	Chuck Anderson
<b>Bread Baker</b>	Edith Young	Ben Brobst-Renaud
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Judy Phillips	Elene Amundsen
<b>Unlock Doors</b>	Mike Kinsey	Marty Swinehart

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## Key Financial Items and Attendance

### Offerings for General Fund

Last Week: \$2,842

Year-to-Date: \$43,480

### IN/KY Synod Benevolence

Last Week: \$284

Year-to-Date: \$4,349

### Attendance Last Week: 106

*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.*