

GRACE NOTES

Scripture readings for next week (03/04/18)

Old Testament Reading –Exodus 20:1-17

Psalm – Psalm 19

Epistle Reading – 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

Holy Gospel Reading –John 2:13-22 (23-25)

Worship Assistants

	02/25/18 Second Sunday in Lent	02/28/18 Lenten Mid-week III	03/04/18 Third Sunday in Lent
Altar	Dayna VanVleet	Dayna VanVleet	Dayna VanVleet
Guild	Denise Wegner	Denise Wegner	Denise Wegner
Audio	Gary Somerfeld	NOA	Gary Somerfeld
Video			
Duty	James Neumann	Bob Nommensen	Roy Arves
Elders	Marty Bauer		Jerry Grosenick
Organist	Anita Chapman	Anita Chapman	Joy Suek
Counters	Alan & Denise Wegner		

Today Sunday – February 25th ~ *Second Sunday in Lent*

8:30 am Sunday school & Adult Bible study

10:00 am *Divine Service*

Monday – February 26th

Nothing scheduled

Tuesday – February 27th

10:15 am Sing @ Benefis SNC

6:00 pm Handbell Choir

Wednesday – February 28th

9:30 am Ladies Bible study

11:15 am **LWML Board meeting**

5:30 pm Adult Choir

6:00 pm Soup Supper

7:00 pm *Lenten Mid-week III*

Thursday – March 1st

Pastor gone to Wisconsin thru March 3rd

9:00 am Quilters @ Peace

10:00 am Sing @ Park Place

Friday – March 2nd

Church Office Closed

Saturday – March 3rd

Nothing scheduled

Next Sunday – March 4th ~ *Third Sunday in Lent*

8:30 am Sunday school & Adult Bible study

10:00 am *Divine Service*

The Endowment Committee has determined that the Endowment Fund has money to be distributed. The congregation is invited to stop in the church office and pick up an application and submit it for the committee to consider. Your project must be outside Trinity Lutheran Church's regular mission outreach programs, be for Christian education, missions and outreach. Deadline for applications is **February 28, 2018**.

Easter Lilies ~ The Altar Committee will once again be placing an order for lilies to grace our altar for Easter. If you would like to donate toward the purchase of these lilies, please make a separate check payable to *Trinity Lutheran Church*, designate on the check "**For Easter Lilies**" and drop it into the offering plate. **If you would like your donation in memory or honor of a loved one, please attach a note with the details to your check or contact Cheryl Bauer at the church office 452-2121 with that information.**

The Lutheran Witness and Portals of Prayer ~ It is time again to renew our subscriptions to *The Lutheran Witness* and *Portals of Prayer*.

The Lutheran Witness subscription is \$15.96 for a year and the *Portals of Prayer* subscription is \$8.60 for regular size; \$16.00 for digest size; and \$17.00 for large print.

If you are currently receiving these items and wish to continue those subscriptions, please place your renewal check in the offering plate, mail it or bring it to the church office. **Be sure to indicate what you are subscribing to with specifics so that we get the products you want. Deadline is Monday, April 2, 2018!**

Looking for an alternative web-based LCMS supported radio station? KFUE is the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod answer. On the web at www.kfuoam.org they broadcast seven days a week from 6:00 am to 8:00 pm Mountain Time (times vary by month). Check them out on the web at **www.kfuoam.org**.

Lutheran Hour - March 4th - "When God's Darkness Surrounds You" - Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer

When times are darkest, God wants you to know how close He really is. It's in those threatening times that you can especially learn and live in His love. (*Exodus 20:1-17*)

Tune in on the radio or at **www.lutheranhour.org**. *The Lutheran Hour* can be heard on **KMON, 560 AM Sundays at 7:00 am; or XM Radio 170 at 10:00 am-(EST)**.

Issues Etc. – Essential Exercise for the Christian Mind...Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. *This week's topics include: The Movie "Black Panther," State Islam in France, The Hymn "In the Cross of Christ I Glory," Creation, Ruth, The Church and more.* You can listen live or on-demand at **www.issuesetc.org** and on the LPR mobile app.

Lutherans for Life - February 25th - "So when we see the embryo ... in that petri dish—vulnerable, helpless, and destined for destruction—we are compelled to speak and defend and help. And not because it is the right thing to do or the moral thing to do, but because it is the *Christ* thing to do. Our God became incarnate as an embryo, giving value to all embryos." *Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, former executive director of Lutherans for Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans for Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

Celebrating a Birthday this Week

<i>February 25th</i>	<i>Jerry Grossnick</i>
<i>February 26th</i>	<i>Judy Lively, Melissa Soldano</i>
<i>February 27th</i>	<i>Tracy Lou Miesmer, Dakota Sharrah</i>
<i>March 1st</i>	<i>Kathleen Hall, Emilie Legg, Randi Meehan</i>
<i>March 2nd</i>	<i>Tristan Almon, Rachel Hill</i>
<i>March 3rd</i>	<i>Michael Bicsak, Sherrie VanVleet</i>

This Week's Baptismal Anniversaries

<i>February 25th</i>	<i>Maryann Chapman, Tim Chapman</i>
<i>February 26th</i>	<i>Anita Chapman, Samuel Chapman</i>
<i>February 27th</i>	<i>Ed Hickel, Henry Schuman</i>
<i>March 4th</i>	<i>Alexandria Thompson, Justin Thompson</i>

An Update on Giving

The offering for February 18th ~ \$3,346

Comparison of Income to our Monthly budget needs ~ February

Our Monthly budget need is \$16,450

Actual Giving to date ~ \$12,038

Needed to meet February obligations ~ \$4,412

Trinity's next payroll is scheduled for Wednesday, February 28th

Thank you Lord! Praise Your holy name! Thank you Lord for providing for Trinity Lutheran Church in 2017. Please continue to include Trinity's cash flow problem in your prayers each day. Hopefully, the Lord will bless TLC again with the \$16,450+ needed each month. Thank you to all who are so faithfully supporting God's church.

Offering Counters are needed to assist the Treasurer and Assistant Treasure count and record the offerings following each Sunday service. No experience is needed. Please call the church office (452-2121) or sign-up on the Chapel doors in the Narthex if you are willing to assist.

Read through the Gospels or New Testament in Lent ~ Last year you were challenged to read through the New Testament during the 40 days of Lent **OR**, if you found that to be too daunting a challenge, read through just the Gospels. Some of you took that challenge. We are again throwing down the challenge to Trinity to read through and be in God’s word during Lent. What better way to prepare for Easter than to read the complete story of Jesus' birth, life, death and resurrection? So dust off your Bible as we read God’s Word through these 40 days of Lent!

Read through the Gospels or New Testament in Lent		
Day	Gospels only	New Testament
February 25	Take a Break	
26	Matthew 25-Matthew 26	Luke 9 - 12
27	Matthew 27-Matthew 28	Luke 13 - 19
28	Mark 1-Mark 3	Luke 20 – end of Luke
March 1	Mark 4-Mark 6	John 1-5
2	Mark 7-Mark 9	John 6-9
3	Mark 10-Mark 12	John 10-14
4	Take a Break	

PRAYER REQUESTS

*For prayer requests, please call the church office 452-2121
or email us at trinity@trinity-mt.org*

We pray for:

Elizabeth Cromwell (Boyce's daughter); **Ellen Carpenter; Louise Keith; Jay Schlecht; Ruth Waetzig; Kay Kessel; Emil Neumann; Sammy Phillips and baby Ezra; Vanessa** (friend of Alan & Denise Wegner); **Peggy** (friend of Pam Grosenick); **Nellene Hickel** (Rachel Keeley's daughter); **Taylor Wojak** (Shelden's grandson); **Marek & DebbeWojak** (Shelden's son-in-law and daughter); **Herman Trautner** (Len Koelbel's cousin's husband); **Terrie Craven Green Jones; Chris Wallace** (past LWML District President); **Jereme** (Sarah Lautenschlager's cousin); **Jessica Heiser**, (daughter-in-law of Ardyth Jeszenka); **Derek Boyce** (Boyce's son); **Jennifer** (friend of Judy and Keener Boyce's niece); **Betty Adelmeyer** (Mike Adelmeyer's mother); **Harry & Jerry Schlehr**, (Penny Hill's brothers); **Kim Mansch** (Scott Mansch's sister in law); **Reverend Erich Kaelberer; Kristal Dawson** (Jenny Shaw's sister)

We pray God's peace and comfort for our members who continue to battle health issues and for our shut-ins:

Gary Adams, Paul Birkholz, Alice Irion, Rachel Keely, Lydia Laubach, Ilene Leishman, Richard Mauseth, Evelyn McNaight, Emma Millet, Alene Morrell, Gladine Nehus, Alvina Presler (Millie Birkholz's mother), **Bud Quickenden, Dorothy Rosenberg, Ruth Schwartzenberger, Gordon Stach, Myrtle Storhaug, Juanita Winter and Ted Young**

We pray for those serving in the military:

Jaymes Crumley USAF; Tech Sgt Jared Dudden USAF; Joshua Graham USA (Sherrie Blomstrom's grandson-in-law); **Clifton Grilley USN** (Gary & Janet Headington's son); **Jared Grina USN** (Janet & Gary Headington's son-in-law); **Steffen Meeks USA** (Sherrie Blomstrom's grandson); **Private Brendan Murphy, USMC** (Gary & Sylvia Adams grandson); **Michael Somerfeld USN** (Gary & Mary Somerfeld's son); **Tech Sgt Tanner Tilton USAF** (Millie Birkholz's grandson); **Senior Airman Brady Toole USAF**

Dear Congregation,

Our congregation is participating in the LCMS *re:Vitality* Lutheran revitalization program. “Vital” is the key component of “revitalization.” Wherever the Word is proclaimed in its purity and God’s Sacraments are rightly administered, there is spiritual vitality. *Re:Vitality* builds upon spiritual vitality and guides the church in positive action for sustainable, adaptable, focused, and healthy ministry for years to come. The first step in the *re:Vitality* process is to submit honest feedback about our congregation from everyone involved. I want to encourage every adult (18 years and older) to fill out this simple online questionnaire. Simply click this link when you are ready to begin: www.lcms.org/survey/revitality and enter our congregation code: **C376019**.

The church does have a computer that you may come in during office hours and use to take the assessment.

You may also pick up a paper copy of the assessment in the church office and return it there by **February 27th**.

We need to hear from everyone, individually. That means husbands and wives should both fill out a questionnaire separately. We want to hear from you whether you’ve been a member here your whole life, or you’re brand new to Christianity; Whether you’re a member, frequent attendee, or occasional visitor, we want to hear from you.

Your responses are completely anonymous. No one will know your name, and I will not see individual responses. It is important to be honest in your feedback so that we can have an accurate assessment about where we are as a congregation, and how we can grow.

Help us find the answer to, “Where are we...*really*?” Thank you for submitting your responses by **March 4th**.

Blessings,

Pastor Gerald Paul

“40 Days for Life”

**Prayer Vigil begins on Ash Wednesday
and continues through Palm Sunday.**

Lutherans for Life has supported this endeavor for 10 years. On Valentine’s Day, pro-life couples stood in front of Planned Parenthood to pray for an end to abortion...particularly at this facility.

**LFL organizes three dates for standing in front
of Planned Parenthood:**

Friday-- February 23 7 am to 7 pm

Friday-- March 9 7 am to 7 pm

Wednesday--March 21 7 am to 5 pm

Look for a new “promote life” bench ad at 4th and
9th Street South, two blocks from Planned
Parenthood.

If you don't come and stand, pray at home for an end to this tragedy that has killed 60 times the number of people who live in Montana.

There isn't a city in the USA that has 60 million citizens, the number of lives aborted in the last 45 years.