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HOLY WEEK EVENTS

THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION/PALM SUNDAY MARCH 29

7:45 am - Holy Communion with Procession of Palms

9:00 am - Holy Communion with Procession of Palms

11:15 am - Holy Communion with Procession of Palms
and Rite of Confirmation

Children's Choir at the 9:00 am service
and Youth Choir at the 11:15 am service

(A nursery will be provided at the 9:00 and 11:15 am services.)

12:30 pm - Reception for Confirmands

MAUNDY THURSDAY/APRIL 2

7:00 pm - Holy Communion with The Stripping of the Altar

Good Friday/April 3

7:00 pm - Worship

THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD/EASTER DAY APRIL 5

6:30 am - Sunrise Service of Holy Communion
with Holy Baptism

8:30 am - Festival Liturgy of Holy Communion
with Adult Choir and brass
(A nursery will be provided.)

10:30 am - Festival Liturgy of Holy Communion
with Adult Choir and brass
(A nursery will be provided.)

COUNCIL NOTES

At the March meeting of the Congregation Council, the council

---noted that expenses for February were \$1,346 less than projected;
 ---received an update on the process to secure a church musician; and
 ---approved the following ninth grade youth for confirmed membership: Hunter Balck, Annaliese Bennett, Grace Jefferson, Tate Johnson, Julia McElhinny, Samantha Mosher, Erin Phillips, Thomas Rice, Andrew Rose, Ryan Semler, and Jack Wilcox.

The Trinity Family
 Invites you to a Baby Shower for
Mandi and AC Whitley
 Sunday, May 17
 2:00 to 4:00 pm
 Multipurpose Room
 This event is being hosted
 by the Parish Life Committee

NEW MEMBER CLASS

A new member class, entitled *What Does It Mean To Be a Lutheran?*, will be taught during the Sunday School hour beginning on Sunday, April 19. This five week class, designed for those who are exploring the possibility of joining Trinity, is also a good refresher course for those who have been Lutheran for some time. Members will be received on Sunday, May 17. Questions may be directed to Pastor Crowell.



YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S CHOIRS

Youth and children's choirs continue rehearsals each Sunday afternoon. The children's choirs rehearse at 4:00 pm and the youth choir at 5:30 pm. All are welcome.



ADULT CHOIR

Under the interim direction of Greg Campbell, the adult choir rehearses at 7:00 pm each Wednesday. New and returning participants are encouraged to attend.

WITHIN THE TRINITY FAMILY . . .

BAPTISM

Charlotte Younts "Lottie" Culp, daughter of Trent and Jill Culp

DEATHS

the mother of Richard Moose
 the sister of Peggy Schotsch
 Kay Sprinkle
 Charles Wyatt

ATTENDANCE FOR MARCH

	<u>3/1</u>	<u>3/8</u>	<u>3/15</u>	<u>3/22</u>
7:45	19	15	16	22
9:00	195	148	187	179
11:15	<u>157</u>	<u>138</u>	<u>95</u>	<u>133</u>
TOTAL	371	301	298	334
SUNDAY SCHOOL	154	123	117	123
LCY	79	41	36	37

OFFERING SUMMARY FOR MARCH (SUMMARY DOES NOT INCLUDE MARCH 29)

	<u>March</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Needed for Budget	100,622	301,866
Given to Budget	<u>108,592</u>	<u>269,364</u>
Difference	7,970	- 32,502
Given to World Hunger	1,574	4,254

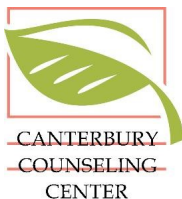
BLOOD DRIVE

The Outreach Committee will sponsor a blood drive at Trinity on Sunday, May 3 from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. Mark your calendar and plan to participate.



COUNSELING SERVICES

Because Trinity Lutheran Church participates in a Membership Assistance Program with Canterbury Counseling Center, members of the congregation pay a fee of \$25 per session for the first four sessions of counseling. To make an appointment, speak with Pastor Crowell or call the Canterbury Counseling Center at 235-7501.



PROJECT HOST SOUP KITCHEN

On Sunday, May 10 the Outreach Committee needs twelve to fifteen volunteers to staff the soup kitchen from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Volunteers must be middle school age or older. If you are interested in helping, please contact Mike Wilson at mawilson8563@gmail.com or mwilson_01@charter.net.



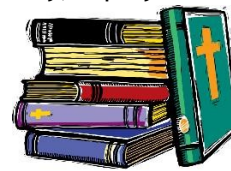
UNITED MINISTRIES

Trinity continues to receive food for the United Ministries Food Pantry on the first and third Sundays of each month.



WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY AND FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

MORNING SESSION: A Women's Bible Study and Fellowship Group led by Pastor Crowell will meet on Thursday, April 9 (one week later than usual) at 9:30 am in the Multipurpose Room. The group continues to meet on the first Thursday of the month. During the year participants are exploring the topic *Holy Moments in Scripture and in Daily Life*. All women of the congregation are invited to enjoy refreshments, study, prayer and fellowship.



Bible Study

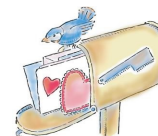
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MEN'S GROUP

This month the group will gather on Tuesday, April 14 in the Church parking lot at 11:45 am. Participants will walk to the Blue Ridge Brewery, 217 N. Main St. Please email Joe Rice at saluda171@yahoo.com or call 246-8661 by Monday at noon, so that reservations may be made. All men of the congregation and friends are encouraged to attend.

PRAYER GROUP

A prayer group meets at 11:30 am in the Library every Wednesday. The group meets for thirty minutes to share prayer concerns and celebrations and pray for individuals and ministries in the life of Trinity. Prayer requests may be emailed to Merry Mulcahy at mmulcahy@frontier.com. All are invited to attend.



TLC4TLC

Adults are invited to gather once a month for TLC4TLC (Tender Loving Care for Trinity Lutheran Church) to write notes and cards for members who are ill, grieving, or unable to attend worship. The group will meet on Sunday, April 19 from 4:00 to 5:00 pm in the Library. For additional information, please contact Mary Valenti at 322-5450 or Tracey Hoffert at 991-8547.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

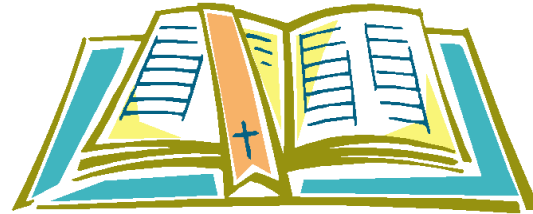
Sunday School is offered for all ages every Sunday. Classes are provided for children two years old on or before September 1 through those in Grade 12, as well as adults. A nursery is provided for infants and toddlers who miss the September 1 deadline. Young adults who have graduated from high school are invited to attend adult classes.

At 9:50 am adults of all ages are invited for coffee, conversation, parish announcements and prayer in the Multipurpose Room of the Activities Building. Adult classes follow in the Activities Building. Three classes are offered including *The God We Can Know: Exploring the "I Am" Sayings of Jesus*; *Satisfied: Discovering Contentment in a World of Consumption*; and *What Does It Mean to be a Lutheran?*.



BIBLE STUDY

A six week study of the book of Ephesians, led by Merry Mulcahy, will begin on Wednesday, April 15. The class will meet in the Library from 10:30 to 11:30 am. Participants are welcome to stay for the Prayer Group which meets at 11:30 am.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School will be Monday, July 20 through Friday, July 24 from 8:45 am to noon. Mark your calendars and plan to participate!



SOLE HOPE

Sole Hope is an outreach organization based in Uganda, with a local presence in Salisbury, NC. Many children in Africa lack shoes and have to cope with diseases and infection affecting their feet and health. You can help by cutting shoes out of old denim jeans. Each pair of cut shoes is shipped to Uganda and fabricated by someone trained and paid a fair wage. If you are interested in checking out a Sole Hope cutting kit, please contact Amy Brown.



OPERATION INASMUCH

OIAM will take place Saturday, April 18 from 9:00 am until noon. Many worthwhile projects will take place at Trinity and in the community. Please contact Lura Godfrey at luradg@charter.net or 864-423-7567 or Melanie Wessinger at pwessinger@aol.com or 864-616-1725 for volunteering information.



TOWERS EAST COLLECTION

As part of Operation InAsMuch on April 18 from 9:00 am until noon, the Outreach Committee will be collecting items for Towers East. Towers East residents are in need of clothing for men and women. There is also a need for all household items. At times, residents move in with only the clothes they are wearing. Please drop off the following items at the Red Canopy door on April 18: clothing for men and women and any type of household items that are needed to set-up an apartment.

EASTER EGG HUNT

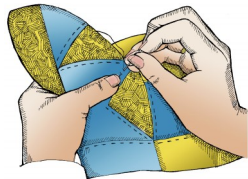
Families with children are invited to gather in the Multipurpose Room on Saturday, April 4 at 11:00 am for an Easter Egg Hunt. A free hot dog lunch will be served after the hunt. This event is rain or shine.



Easter Egg Hunt

QUILTING GROUP

The Quilting Group meets in the Activities Building at 9:30 am, twice a month on Mondays. The group makes quilts which are distributed by Lutheran World Relief. Participants do not need to know how to sew in order to make quilts. Willing volunteers who can cut fabric, iron, thread a needle or tie knots are welcome. Some group members bring their lunch to the gatherings. Work is usually finished around 2:00 pm, although participants can work as little, or as long as they like. There are also at-home sewing opportunities for those who cannot come to the gatherings. The meeting dates for this month are Mondays, April 13 and 27. For more information, contact Sarah Weeks at 246-7862 or Amy Brown at 242-5702.



QUILTING GROUP

LOVING THREADS

Loving Threads is a ministry that knits and crochets handmade prayer shawls, baby blankets and bandages for those in the community and around the world. Most work is done at home, and members gather quarterly to enjoy fellowship and to pray for those receiving the shawls. Anyone who can knit or crochet, or would like to learn, is invited to participate. The next meeting at the Church will be on Sunday afternoon, April 12 at 4:00 pm in the Parlor. For more information, contact Amy Brown through the Church Office.



YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

Trinity's Young Adults Group will meet for dinner at *Chicora Alley*, 608 S. Main Street at 7:00 pm on Thursday, April 23. Those attending are asked to RSVP to Mandi Whitley no later than Wednesday, April 22 so that reservations can be made.



FURMAN LSA

The spring semester will soon be over for Furman LSA members. The month begins with an Easter break and ends with final exams. LSA's Relay for Life team is hard at work preparing a t-shirt for the team, recruiting volunteers to walk and baking cakes to help reach the goal of \$500 or more for the American Cancer Society through this walk. Students welcome Trinity members and friends to come to the campus on Friday evening, April 17 to walk, enjoy the event and support the fight against cancer. For more information, contact Pastor Setzler.

A big thank you to the Trinity volunteers who provided a meal for the group this semester. The support LSA received is a blessing to these students, many very far from home.



ADULT MISSION TRIP

There will be a mission trip to Crisfield, Maryland this spring. Participants will depart on Sunday, May 10 and return on Saturday, May 16. The cost for the trip is \$150.00, and some sweat, aches, and smiles. Workers will receive a lifetime of benefit from this trip. But more important than that, the gifts given will also last a lifetime, God's love for humanity. Questions should be directed to Vicar Rusty.



BOOK GROUP

The Trinity Book Group meets in the Parlor at 7:00 pm on the third Thursday of even numbered months. Adults of all ages are invited to come and discuss a variety of books. The next meeting of the group will be on Thursday, April 16, to discuss *The Orchardist* by Amanda Coplin. Other upcoming selections include *An Officer and A Spy* by Robert Harris on June 18.



LEISURE/ACTION

The Leisure/Action Group is for retirees or those who would like to be. The group generally meets once a month for outings to places of interest. Adults of any age are always welcome to join the group.

On Thursday, April 16 the group will board the bus at 9:15 am for a spring outing. Participants will tour *Mushroom Mountain* in Easley, and will learn about mushroom foraging and cultivating - even at your home. The tour will be mostly inside. After the tour, the group will enjoy lunch at the *Golden Corral*. Return time will be mid afternoon. Cost per person is \$30.00 for the tour and lunch. Reservation and payment deadline is Monday, April 13.



Gameday is a time for Church members to gather for Bridge and other games. Participants will meet in the Parlor on Wednesday, April 22 at noon. Those attending should bring their lunch. Dessert and beverages will be provided.



OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH

The Out to Lunch Bunch is open to all Trinity adults who want to join in the fellowship. The group enjoys lunch together on the fourth Sunday of each month. The group will meet a week later than usual this month. On Sunday, April 26 participants will gather at 12:45 pm at *City Range* on Haywood Road.



OUT TO LUNCH
BUNCH

LYDIA GROUP

The Lydia Group will meet on Tuesday, April 14, at 10:00 am in the Parlor. Caroline Massey will be the hostess. Sally Boliek will present the program. All women of the congregation are welcome.

LUTHERAN CHURCH YOUTH

Lutheran Church Youth is Trinity's ministry program for youth in grades 6-12. All youth in these age groups are invited to participate. The gatherings are from 6:00-8:00 pm unless otherwise noted.

April 5 – NO LCY DUE TO EASTER

April 12 – MESSY RELAYS

After dinner, youth will compete in a variety of messy games and relays. All attending should wear clothes that can get dirty.

April 19 – MCPHERSON PARK

After dinner, the group will walk to McPherson Park for games.

April 26 – CAMP NIGHT

After dinner, youth will participate in a variety of camp games and activities. From 7:30-8:00, the group will sing camp songs with Vicar Rusty. Parents are invited to attend the last 30 minutes of this event.



Lutheran Church Youth

MIDDLE SCHOOL MISSION DAYS

A wonderful new summer activity is being planned for Trinity's middle school youth. On Monday, June 8 and Tuesday, June 9, we will have Trinity's first *Middle School Mission Days*. These days will be full of service in the Greenville community, fellowship and fun! On Monday, June 8, youth will meet at the Church and go to a work site in the morning, have lunch (either out for fast food or pizza at the Church), followed by a second work site for the afternoon. Then, on Tuesday, June 9, youth will meet at the Church and go to yet another worksite, followed by an afternoon of lunch and fun at *Frankie's Fun Park!*

The details of this two-day event (such as specific times and work sites) will be announced soon. Please mark your calendars now to be a part of this!

HIGH SCHOOL SMALL GROUP

All youth in grades 9-12 are invited to High School Small Group. The group meets on Wednesday nights from 6:00 -7:15 pm in the Youth Center for Bible study, devotions, service projects and fellowship. Those attending should bring their own dinner. Drinks are provided. The group will meet on April 8, 15, 22 and 29.

YOUTH GATHERING

Youth and adults who are going on the 2015 ELCA Youth Gathering in July will have their third meeting on Friday, April 17 from 6:00-8:00 pm at the home of Mark Allen and Pastor Crowell, 107 Whispering Pines Ct., Taylors. Those attending should RSVP no later than Wednesday, April 8. The group will create a group covenant at this meeting.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 11:30 PRAYER GROUP 7:00 ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL	2 MAUNDY THURSDAY 6:30 ADULT CHOIR WARMUP 7:00 HOLY COMMUNION & STRIPPING OF THE ALTAR	3 GOOD FRIDAY 6:30 ADULT CHOIR WARMUP 7:00 WORSHIP	4 9:00 WORSHIP COMMITTEE 10:00 EASTER MUSIC BRASS REHEARSAL 11:00 ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL 11:00 EASTER EGG HUNT
5 RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD / EASTER DAY EMERGENCY FOOD SUNDAY 6:30 HOLY COMMUNION 7:45 ADULT CHOIR WARMUP 8:30 HOLY COMMUNION 10:30 HOLY COMMUNION	6 OFFICE CLOSED	7 9:00 STAFF MEETING	8 11:30 PRAYER GROUP 6:00 HIGH SCHOOL SMALL GROUP 7:00 ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL	9 9:30 WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY AND FELLOWSHIP GROUP 6:30 WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY AND FELLOWSHIP GROUP 6:30 FURMAN LSA	10	11
12 SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER 7:45 HOLY COMMUNION 9:00 HOLY COMMUNION 9:50 COFFEE & CONVERSATION 10:10 SUNDAY SCHOOL 11:15 HOLY COMMUNION 4:00 INTERN COMMITTEE 4:00 LOVING THREADS 4:00 PARISH LIFE COMMITTEE 4:00 CHILDREN'S CHOIR REHEARSAL 5:00 CONGREGATION COUNCIL 5:30 YOUTH CHOIR REHEARSAL 6:00 LCY	13 9:00 STAFF MEETING 9:30 QUILTING GROUP	14 10:00 LYDIA GROUP 12:00 MEN'S GROUP	15 10:30 BIBLE STUDY 11:30 PRAYER GROUP 6:00 HIGH SCHOOL SMALL GROUP 7:00 ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL	16 9:15 LEISURE/ACTION 6:30 FURMAN LSA 7:00 BOOK GROUP	17 6:00 YOUTH GATHERING MEETING	18 8:00 OPERATION INASMUCH SIGN IN 8:30 COMMISSIONING SERVICE 9:00 COMMUNITY MISSION PROJECTS 9:00 TO NOON CLOTHING DRIVE
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