

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 1 THROUGH JANUARY 8

TODAY - JANUARY 1

9:00 am Holy Communion
9:50 am Coffee & Conversation
10:10 am Sunday School
10:45 am Adult Choir Warmup
11:15 am Holy Communion

MONDAY

OFFICE CLOSED

6:00 pm Sr Boys BB Game @ St. George
7:00 pm Sr Girls BB Game @ 4th Pres

TUESDAY

9:00 am Staff Meeting
6:00 pm I-Mites BB Practice
6:00 pm Mites Boys BB Practice
7:00 pm Senior Girls BB Practice

WEDNESDAY

11:30 am Prayer Group
6:00 pm Minor Girls BB Practice
6:00 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal
6:00 pm Middle School Boys Group Building
7:00 pm Junior Girls BB Practice
7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY

9:30 am Women's Bible Study and Fellowship Group
4:00 pm Minor Boys BB Practice @ 2nd Pres
5:30 pm Mites Girls BB Practice @ St. George
6:00 pm Junior Boys BB Practice
6:30 pm Women's Bible Study and Fellowship Group
7:00 pm Senior Boys BB Practice
7:00 pm Men's BB Game @ Westmin Pres

SATURDAY

8:30 am Jr Girls A BB Game @ 4th Pres
8:30 am Jr Boys A BB Game @ St. Matthew
8:30 am Jr Boys B BB Game @ St. George
9:15 am I-Mites BB Game @ Christ Church
9:30 am Confirmation Events
9:30 am Minor Girls BB Game @ 1st Baptist
12:30 pm Mites Boys BB Game @ 1st Baptist
1:30 pm Minor Boys BB Game @ St. James
1:30 pm Jr Girls B BB Game @ 4th Pres
2:00 pm Mites Girls BB Game @ 2nd Pres

NEXT SUNDAY - JANUARY 8

8:30 am Adult Choir Warmup
9:00 am Holy Communion
9:50 am Coffee & Conversation
10:10 am Sunday School
10:45 am Adult Choir Warmup
11:15 am Holy Communion
12:30 pm Creation Care Team
1:30 pm Congregation Council
1:30 pm Baptism Event
3:30 pm Children's Choir
4:00 pm Theology Roundtable
5:00 pm Youth Choir
5:30 pm Holden Evening Prayer
6:00 pm LCY



Activities and Opportunities

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January 1, 2017

Birth

A son, Robert Kade Corell, to Jena Floyd and Brandon Corell on December 26.

Deaths

Our Christian sympathy is expressed to the family of Chris Wunderlich at his death on December 20, and to Terry Morgan and her family at the death of her mother.

Announcements

Amy Brown is away this morning.

2017 Envelopes. The offering envelopes for next year have been mailed. If you have not received your envelopes, please call the Church Office.

Discipleship Group - Wednesday, January 18, 6:30 to 7:45 pm, Assembly Room. A new Discipleship Group focused on prayer and meditation, facilitated by Philip Wessinger and Pastor Crowell, will begin meeting on Wednesday January 18. The group will continue meeting through February 15. Participants will study scripture, build relationships, and experiment with some alternative prayer and meditative practices. Registration is \$20.00 and the group is limited to fifteen participants.

Holden Evening Prayer - next Sunday, January 8, 5:30 pm, Sanctuary. The congregation is invited to gather for a thirty minute service, to include a meditation from a member of the congregation on the theme *Jesus is the Light of the World*. The congregation will continue to gather for Holden Evening Prayer during the season of Epiphany on January 22, February 12 and February 26.

A Congregational Beach Retreat will be held June 18 through June 25 at the Coastal Retreat Center on the Isle of Palms. All members are invited to participate. Options for the beginning of the week, end of week, or full week are available. Reservation forms will be mailed to those who participated in last year's retreat. Others may request forms by contacting the Church Office in January at kmcook@trinitylutheran.ws or 242-5702.

The January issue of the *Living Lutheran* magazine and the November/December issue of the *SC Lutheran* are available in the Narthex, the Pence Building hallway, and the Multipurpose Room.

Prayer Requests. If anyone has a special request to share with Trinity's Prayer Ministry Team, please write your request on a Prayer Card located in the pew racks and place it in the wooden Prayer Box located on the table close to the Pulpit.

Devotional booklets are available in the Narthex and the Multipurpose Room for adults and families with children.

Relational Groups

Prayer Group - Wednesday, January 4, 11:30 am, Library. A prayer group meets 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 placed in the Prayer Box or emailed to Merry Mulcahy at marmulcahy@icloud.com. All are invited to attend.

Women's Bible Study and Fellowship Groups - Thursday, January 5, 9:30 am and 6:30 pm, Rooms 12 & 13, Activities Building. These groups are led by Pastor Crowell. All women of the congregation are invited to enjoy refreshments, study, prayer and fellowship. In addition to devotions and prayer, participants will engage in a service project. Muffins and coffee are provided at the morning session. At the evening gathering, participants are invited to bring refreshments to share with the group.

Creation Care Team - next Sunday, January 8, 12:30 pm, Parlor. Trinity's Creation Care Team is exploring issues regarding recycling, energy efficiency, and care for the earth. Current projects include washing the china mugs after Coffee and Conversation each Sunday, picking up the recycling (plastic, cans, and paper), and investigating ways to make the campus more green. The Persons who are interested are invited to the speak with David Potts, Peggy Schotsch, Lura Godfrey or Mark Godfrey.

Theology Roundtable - next Sunday, January 8, 4:00 pm, 2nd Floor of the Pence Building. This group for adults usually gathers on the first and fourth Sundays of the month at 4:00 pm. Participants will gather to discuss *Life Together* by Dietrich Bonhoeffer. All adults are welcome to participate. Joe Rice facilitates the discussion. Questions may be directed to him at saluda171@yahoo.com or 246-8661.

Music Ministry

Handbell Choir Rehearsal - Wednesday, January 4, 6:00 pm, Handbell Room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building. Youth are also welcome. There will be no rehearsal on Wednesday, January 25.

Adult Choir Rehearsal - Wednesday, January 4, 7:00 pm, Choir room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building. Youth are also welcome. There will be no rehearsal on Wednesday, January 25.

Children's Choir - next Sunday, January 8, 3:30 pm, Choir Room, 2nd floor of the Pence Building. This choir is for children in K5 through Grade 5. There will be no rehearsals on Sundays, January 15 and 29.

Youth Choir - next Sunday, January 8, 5:00 pm, Choir Room. Youth Choir, for those in grades 6 through 12, rehearses most Sunday afternoons. On this date, Holden Evening Prayer beings at 5:30 pm, so rehearsal will end right before that service. There will be no rehearsals on Sundays, January 15 and 29.

Outreach Opportunities

United Ministries. Trinity continues to receive food for the United Ministries Food Pantry on the first and third Sundays of each month. There is a particular need for beef stew, green beans, canned fruit and ramen noodles. Other items are appreciated as well.

Education

Sunday School -Today. Sunday School classes are available for all ages this morning. Adults will gather in the Multipurpose Room for a combined class led by Pastor Parham. The topic will be *The Gospel According to Matthew: Jesus as the New Moses*. Next week, three adult Sunday School classes will begin. *Living Fully, Dying Well* is a course that will help participants make careful, wise and prayerful preparation for life's most important moments. In the class *Knowing Jesus*, students will explore some of the writings of James Alison regarding the witness of the apostles on the resurrection and how it impacted the writing of the gospels and our faith today. The final class *John: the Gospel of Light and Life*, is a study of the stories and themes in the gospel which make it one of the favorites for Christians today.

Confirmation Events - Saturday, January 7, 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. For eighth grade students and at least one parent, this Bible event will give participants and overview of God's saving story and how Lutherans view the Bible. For ninth grade students, the Confirmation Cross event, is required. Ninth graders will spend time building relationships and will travel to the stained glass studio to begin making their confirmation crosses.

Baptism Event - next Sunday, January 8, 1:30 to 3:30 pm, Multipurpose Room. All children in grades K5 through Grade 5 are invited for a *Baptism Celebration*, sponsored by the Education Committee. There will be crafts, skits, stories and food to help learn about and celebrate each person's baptism. The event will end at 3:30 pm, so children can go to choir.

Children and Youth

High School Sunday School - Today, 10:10 am, Youth Center. Youth in grades 9 through 12 are invited to attend Sunday School each week. The class is led by Megan Koon. Today's class will include a discussion of the Moravian Love Feast and New Year's Resolutions.

Middle School Boys Group Building - Wednesday, January 4, 6:00 to 7:00 pm, Youth Center. Trinity's boys in grades 6, 7, and 8 are invited gather on Wednesday nights during the month of January. The events will begin with a meal, followed by a variety of group building activities and devotions. Those who plan to attend are asked to sign up with Mandi Whitley the Sunday before the event.

LCY Ski Retreat. LCY's annual ski retreat will be Friday, January 27 through Sunday, January 29. Registration forms and payment information have been emailed to parents and are due to Mandi Whitley this morning.

LCY will resume next Sunday, January 8.

High School Girls' Retreat - Friday, March 31 through Sunday, April 2. Trinity's 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th grade girls are invited to attend a retreat at Lutheridge. The group will enjoy group building activities, fellowship, devotions and a service project in the Asheville community. Parents have been emailed a registration form. Registration, with payment of \$100.00, should be returned to Mandi Whitley no later than Sunday, February 5.

High School Mission Trip - Sunday, June 11 through Saturday, June, 17. Working with TEAMeffort in Golden Isles, Georgia, the group will minister to children and adults through service projects and working to repair homes. Those who have not yet turned in a registration form and \$50.00 deposit should do so as soon as possible.