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Return to the Lord, your God, for God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love. Joel 2:13

Dear Members of the Trinity Family,

The Lenten Season begins on Ash Wednesday, March 1. This day marks the beginning of the forty day Lenten journey that includes prayer, reflection, meditation, and acts of love and kindness. This season of the church year provides an opportunity for each of us to deepen our relationship with God by connecting more fully in the life we share together at Trinity.

Lent is an invitation to examine our lives, reflecting on our life as disciples of Christ. How are we being faithful? In what ways have we fallen short? In what ways do we need to change our lives How are we relving on God to show us the way? This forty-day season is a time to be honest about all the ways we fall short of the life God intends for us. It is a time to recognize our sinfulness, our brokenness, our pain, our suffering, the pain and suffering we cause others, our impatience with others, our judgment of others, our desire to be in control, our arrogance, our greed, as well as our great hunger for God. It is a time to honestly acknowledge how very far we have strayed from God's intention for us.

During this forty-day season of Lent, I invite you to connect to God and this community of faith at Trinity by choosing new ways to be involved in our life together. Make it a priority to attend worship on Ash Wednesday. Commit, along with your Trinity family, to reading the daily devotional book entitled Free Indeed. Choose to be involved in the Lenten study or the Lenten Discipleship Group. Make Sunday and Wednesday worship a priority in your schedule. Attend Sunday School. Grow closer to this community by participating in fellowship events. Reach out in love to your neighbor by taking part in the service projects planned by our Outreach Committee. Step out in faith and make a commitment to Christ. I look forward to sharing this special time of spiritual growth and renewal with each of you. Lenten blessings to you!

Peace, love, and joy,

Pastor Susan Crowell

LENT 2017 AT TRINITY

The Lenten season at Trinity is a special time of the church year that offers opportunities to more deeply connect to the life we share together in this congregation. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 1. This Lent is unique in that 2017 marks the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation providing us with the opportunity to celebrate our identity as Lutherans, Christians who focus on the radical love of God. During the season of Lent, the congregation is invited to daily engage by reading the devotion entitled *Free Indeed*, a daily devotional resource that celebrates the 500th anniversary of the Reformation by studying Martin Luther's *Small Catechism*. Copies will be available in the narthex, outside the Sacristy, and in the Church Office on February 19. All are invited to take part in the worship, education, fellowship, and outreach opportunities that will take place during the Lenten season.



ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP

Ash Wednesday Services will be held in the Sanctuary on Wednesday, March 1 at 12:30 pm and 6:15 pm and will include the Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion.



FELLOWSHIP

Members of the congregation are invited to gather in the Assembly Room from 11:45 am to 12:15 pm each Wednesday in Lent to enjoy lunch prior to the worship service. These lunches will include soup, sandwich, and dessert. Cost is \$5.00. Please register through the Church Office by noon on the prior Monday.

MID-WEEK WORSHIP

On Wednesdays at 12:30 pm during Lent, the congregation is invited to gather in the Sanctuary for a worship service that includes a meditation on a specific portion of Luther's *Small Catechism* and Holy Communion. Meditation topics include the Ten Commandments, the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, Baptism, and Communion.

On Wednesdays at 6:15 pm during Lent, the congregation is invited to gather in the Multipurpose Room for Holden Prayer Around the Cross. This service features an interplay between light and darkness, silence and music. Worship culminates with prayer around the cross and lighting of candles. Music begins at 6:07 pm. These services will also include meditations on topics covered in Luther's *Small Catechism* to include the Ten Commandments, the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, Baptism, and Communion.

EDUCATION

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY - Members and friends are invited to gather on Wednesday mornings during Lent for Bible study prior to lunch and worship. Gathering at 10:30 am in the Library, the group will begin the celebration of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation by studying Luther's Small Catechism. Participants will be encouraged to pick up and read a copy of the Lenten devotional Free Indeed: Devotions for Lent 2017 from the Narthex. This 40 day devotional book includes daily readings from the catechism and devotional reflections. Beginning on Wednesday, March 1, Amy Brown will lead this group. Participants may register through the Church Office.

LENTEN DISCIPLESHIP GROUP - A new discipleship group will meet on Wednesday evenings, March 8 through April 5 from 7:00 to 8:00 pm in Rooms 12 & 13, immediately following Holden Prayer Around the Cross. Led by Vicar Will Wing and Amy Brown, the topic will be *Engaging in God's Mission in your Own Neighborhood*. A light meal will be provided for participants. The group will explore God's call to Christians to reach out to their neighbors right at home. The group will engage in short readings, discussion, and a hands-on mission project. Limited to 15 persons, registration is now open in the Church Office.

LENTEN FOOD DRIVE

During Lent. the Outreach Committee is collecting food for Triune Mercy Center. Donated items should be placed in the baskets found in the Multipurpose Room. the Breezeway and the Narthex. Items to be collected are peanut butter, canned meat, pasta sauce, boxed cereal, powdered milk. canned vegetables, canned soup, canned spaghetti, canned ravioli. dried beans. boxed rice, canned fruit. crackers, and boxed macaroni and cheese.



LWR School Kits

During Lent, the Outreach Committee is collecting items for school kits for Lutheran World Relief. Each week, please bring in the featured kit items. A basket will be located in the Breezeway.

March 5 - 70 sheet spiral notebooks and 30 centimeter ruler or ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other.

March 12 - blunt safety scissors and 16 or 24 box of crayons

March 19 - 2 1/2 inch erasers and black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink)

March 26 - unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers and small pencil sharpener

April 2 - 70 sheet spiral notebooks and blunt safety scissors

April 9 - 16 or 24 box of crayons and 30 centimeter ruler or ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other.

April 16 - unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers and black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink)

LWR School

COUNCIL NOTES

At the February meeting of the Congregation Council, the council

- ---received devotional books entitled *Be Still and Know that I am God* to be read daily during 2017;
- ---received a treasurer's report noting that on February 1, 2017 the net working fund was over \$365,000, the second highest monthly total in the last five years;
- ---learned that the following people will be chairing Trinity's six standing committees during 2017: Education, Debbie Farstad; Outreach, Paige Dillon; Parish Life, Megan Reed; Property, Mike Parker; Stewardship, Michael Spiers; and Worship, David Nichols;
- ---adopted a motion from the Executive Committee to appoint a task force to review Trinity's existing Wedding Policy and report back any recommended updates for Council decision, in light of the change of law regarding nationwide recognition of same sex marriages. Members of the Task Force include Rachel Balck, John Beckford, Dale Hamann, Amanda Mast, Richard Moose, Merry Mulcahy, and Pastor Crowell; and
- --- approved a request for use of the facility.

MEN'S GROUP

The group will meet on Tuesday, March 14 at noon at *Kitchen Sync*, 1609 Laurens Road. Contact Joe Rice with questions at saluda171@yahoo.com or 246-8661. All men of the congregation and friends are invited.



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 30. This four 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 21 at the 11:15 am Service. Questions may be directed to Pastor Crowell.

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, March 2 at 9:30 am in Rooms 12 & 13 of the Activities Building. In addition to devotions and prayer, participants will engage in a service project for some of our neighbors at Towers East. Everyone is invited to bring a toothbrush and a tube of toothpaste to contribute to this project. All women of the congregation are invited to eniov muffins and coffee. praver fellowship. Women's Bible Study

EVENING SESSION: A Women's Bible Study and Fellowship Group led by Pastor Crowell will meet on Thursday, March 2 at 6:30 pm in Rooms 12 & 13 of the Activities Building. In addition to devotions and prayer, participants will engage in a service project for some of our neighbors at Towers East. Everyone is invited to bring a toothbrush and a tube of toothpaste to contribute to this project. Participants are invited to bring refreshments to share with the group. All women of the invited enjoy congregation are to refreshments, study, prayer and fellowship.

THEOLOGY ROUNDTABLE

This group for adults gathers on the first and fourth Sundays of the month at 4:00 pm. Participants will gather on March 5 and March 26 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.

LYDIA GROUP

The Lydia Group will meet on Tuesday, March 14, at 10:00 am in the Parlor. Sally Boliek will be the hostess. Lura Godfrey will present a program regarding *Sole Hope*. All women of the congregation are welcome.

Youth Choir

Youth Choir, for those in grades 6 through 12, will rehearse on Sunday afternoons beginning at 5:00 pm in the Youth Center.

ADULT CHOIR

Adult Choir is open to youth and adults. The choir will rehearse every Wednesday of March in the Choir Room on the 2nd Floor of the Pence Building. On Ash Wednesday, March 1, rehearsal will be at 7:30 pm, following the Ash Wednesday service. On the remaining Wednesdays in March, rehearsal will be at 7:15 pm, following Holden Prayer Around the Cross.



HANDBELL CHOIR

Handbell Choir is open to youth and adults. Rehearsals will move to Mondays during Lent. Rehearsals will be on Mondays, March 6 and 13 at 6:00 pm in the Rehearsal Room on the 2nd Floor of the Pence Building. Handbells will take a break from rehearsing from March 20 through April 17.

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 marmulcahy@icloud.com. All are invited to attend.

Prayer

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Children's Choir is for children in K5 through grade 5. Rehearsals are Sunday afternoons on March 5, 12, and 19 starting at 3:30 pm in the Choir Room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building. There will be no rehearsal on Sunday, March 26.





TRINITY'S INSTRUMENTALIST COMMUNITY

All are invited to share their musical gifts with Trinity by playing their instruments in worship. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Parham by phone at 242-5702 or via email at jcparham@trinitylutheran.ws.

LEISURE/ACTION

The Leisure/Action Group is for senior adults that meets occasionally for lunch, learning and travel. In these winter months, participants are encouraged to participate in a variety of Church activities, including the quilting group, the Shrove Tuesday dinner on February 28, and the Lenten Bible study beginning on March 1.

On Sunday afternoon, March 19, the group will attend the *Anderson Follies* in Anderson, SC. This is a variety show produced and delivered by seniors in the Anderson area. The bus will leave the Church at 1:15 pm to travel to the show at Anderson College. Participants should eat lunch before the trip, and may choose to bring their lunch and eat in the Assembly Room after the 11:15 am service. Cost per person is \$20.00. Payment is due in the Church Office by Wednesday, March 15. Tickets are limited, so sign up early!

Gameday is a time for Church members to gather for Bridge and other games. The group meets at noon on the fourth Wednesday of the month in the Parlor. In March, the gathering will be on Wednesday, March 22 at 1:00 pm, after the Lenten lunch and worship. All adults are welcome, retired or not.



QUILTING GROUP

The Quilting Group meets in the Activities Building at 9:30 am twice a month. The group makes guilts which are distributed by Lutheran World Relief. Participants do not need to know how to sew in order to make guilts. Willing volunteers who can cut fabric, iron, thread a needle or tie knots are welcome. Some group members bring their lunch on the days they meet. Work is usually finished around 2:00 pm. Participants can work as little, or as long, as they would like. There are also atsewing opportunities. home March meetings are on March 6 and 20. For more information, contact Amy Brown at 242-5702.



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. For more information contact Amy Brown through the Church Office.

OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH

The Out to Lunch Bunch is a group that enjoys Sunday lunch together on the fourth Sunday of each month after the 11:15 am worship service. The group is open to any Trinity adults who want to join in the fellowship. The group will not meet in March, due to the trip to the Anderson Follies on March 19.

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, as well as for those who are celebrating joys. The group will meet on Sunday, March 26 at 4:00 pm in the Library. For additional information, please contact Mary Valenti at 322-5450 or Tracey Hoffert at 991-8547.

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
ASH WEDNESDAY 1	2	:	9:30 CONFIRMATION EVENT
10:30 LENTEN BIBLE STUDY 11:30 PRAYER GROUP 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 HOLY COMMUNION WITH IMPOSITION OF ASHES	9:30 WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY AND FELLOWSHIP GROUP		
6:15 HOLY COMMUNION WITH IMPOSITION OF ASHES 7:30 ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL	5:45 BASKETBALL BANQUET 6:30 WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY AND FELLOWSHIP GROUP		
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10:30 LENTEN BIBLE STUDY 11:30 PRAYER GROUP 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 HOLY COMMUNION			9:00 SAFE SITTER 10:00 FAMILIES W/ YOUNG CHILDREN
6:15 EVENING PRAYER 7:00 LENTEN DISCIPLESHIP GROUP 7:15 ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL		6:00 BINGO NIGHT	
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10:30 LENTEN BIBLE STUDY 11:30 PRAYER GROUP 11:45 LUNCH 12:30 HOLY COMMUNION			
6:15 FURMAN LSA 6:15 EVENING PRAYER 7:00 LENTEN DISCIPLESHIP GROUP 7:15 ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL	7:00 YOUNG ADULTS GROUP		
22	23	24	25
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INTERFAITH	HOSPITALITY	NETWORK	

RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR

<u>5th</u> <u>12th</u> Brittany Lampson Hunter Balck

Prayers David Crigler Mike Wilson
Cantor John Park Mark Godfrey
Acolytes Julia McElhinny Madison Mercer

Andrew Rose Ellen Spiers

Greeters Jason Brinkley, Jami Mercer Jo Glymph, Beth Henry

Robbie Smith John Henry

Nursery Ashley Forbes, Scott Forbes Casey Delap, Jacob Delap

Nursery Aide Rowan Brown Anna Lee Henry

Sunday School Nursery Joyce Weiner Melanie Wessinger

11:15 am Lector Jack Wilcox Lisa Panhorst
Prayers Christine Elizabeth Owens Melanie Helling

Cantor Melanie Helling Bob Schirmer
Acolytes Walker Fletcher Bailey Hoffert
Thomas Rice Ryan Semler

Greeters Sharon Earley, Sheely Miller John Hunter, Lynne Hunter

Billie Ann Moseley
Nursery
Melanie Wessinger
Nursery Aide
Bailey Hoffert
Bob Whitley
Karen Craig
Sydney Hoffert

Communion Fill Bonnie Bridges Betsy League

Communion Clean-up (9:00) Mike and Patti Parker Tim and Martha Keaton

(11:15) Jimmy Reynolds, Mary Beth Ridenhour John and Lynne Hunter

Ushers 9:00 David Nichols (Captain), Pattimarie Jansen, Lani Ludian, Eddie Woodward

11:15 Henry Wilcox (Captain), Henry McGee, AC Whitley, Robyn Wilcox

Offering Tellers

9:00 am Lector

Team 1 Louise Fletcher (Captain) Team 2 John Hunter (Captain)

Chris Wannemacher, Lara Wannemacher

Lynne Hunter, Jimmy Reynolds

ASH WEDNESDAY

Lenten Service

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March 15, 6:15 pm

March 15, 6:15 pm

March 1, 6:15 pm March 8, 6:15 pm March 15, 6:15 pm Lector Stephen Troutman

Prayers Chip Bettler
Cantor Mark Godfrey

Acolytes Rowan Brown, Jack Wilcox

Ushers Richard Delap (Capt), Gene Bowman Mark Godfrey Joe Mulcahy

Mary Todd Bowman, Mary Margaret Delap David Potts Margaret Wyatt
Nursery Anne Branham, Bev Bresette

Communion Fill Betsy League (Intinction)

Cleanup Al and Mary Valenti

March 2017

19th

Angie McCormack Ken Branham Rowan Brown Abigail Smith Conyers Wingard

Ralph Born, Bridget Gossett

Missy Wingard

Richard Delap, Mary Margaret Delap

Emily Lynch

Ryan Macek

Kaitlin Moose Bill Renninger Jeff Rehm Anna Bennett Sammy Mosher Al Banister, Lisa Black Jeanne Blinkoff Karen Craig Caitlin Littlejohn

Caroline Massey (Intinction)

Margaret Wyatt

WW and Mary Frances Martin

<u>26th</u>

Ryan Macek Stephen Kirven Amanda Cook Hunter Balck Andrew Smith

Gregg Alley, Mike Parker

Patti Parker

Tracy Dean McElhinny, Steve McElhinny

Ryann Roth

Brenda Bridges

Mark Allen Melissa Kolb Richard Moose Walker Fletcher Jordan Forbes

Bobbi Metz, Laura Metz

Mike Metz Amanda Jensen

Sarah Weeks

Mike and Maggie Boliek Lisa Black, Jeff Rehm

Nursery Captains 9:00 Anne Branham SS Shannon Barnett

11:15 Melanie Wessinger

Audio Ministry Mike Parker
Visiting First Time Worshipers Betsy League
Sanctuary Preparation Jo Glymph
United Ministry Food Baskets Bob Whitley

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT EMERGENCY FOOD SUNDAY 8:30 ADULT CHOIR WARMUP 9:00 HOLY COMMUNION 9:50 COFFEE & CONVERSATION 10:10 SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:45 ADULT CHOIR WARMUP 11:15 HOLY COMMUNION	9:00 STAFF MEETING 9:30 QUILTING GROUP	7
3:30 CHILDREN'S CHOIR 4:00 THEOLOGY ROUNDTABLE 5:00 YOUTH CHOIR 6:00 LCY	6:00 HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSAL	
SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT 12 8:30 ADULT CHOIR WARMUP 9:00 HOLY COMMUNION 9:50 COFFEE & CONVERSATION 10:10 SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:45 ADULT AND CHILDREN'S CHOIR WARMUP 11:15 HOLY COMMUNION 1:30 CONGREGATION COUNCIL	9:00 STAFF MEETING	14 10:00 LYDIA GROUP 12:00 MEN'S GROUP
3:30 CHILDREN'S CHOIR 5:00 YOUTH CHOIR 6:00 LCY	6:00 HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSAL	
THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT EMERGENCY FOOD SUNDAY 8:30 YOUTH CHOIR WARMUP 9:00 HOLY COMMUNION 9:50 COFFEE & CONVERSATION 10:10 SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:45 ADULT CHOIR WARMUP 11:15 HOLY COMMUNION	9:00 STAFF MEETING 9:30 QUILTING GROUP	21
1:15 LEISURE/ACTION 3:30 CHILDREN'S CHOIR 5:00 YOUTH CHOIR 6:00 LCY		
FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT 26 8:30 ADULT CHOIR WARMUP 9:00 HOLY COMMUNION 9:50 COFFEE & CONVERSATION 10:10 SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:45 ADULT CHOIR WARMUP 11:00 GAIHN SETUP 11:15 HOLY COMMUNION 2:30 KIDS' STUFF/CLUB 345 4:00 TLC4TLC	9:00 STAFF MEETING	28
4:00 THEOLOGY ROUNDTABLE 4:00 PARISH LIFE COMMITTEE 4:00 OUTREACH COMMITTEE 5:00 YOUTH CHOIR 6:00 LCY	GREENVILLE	AREA

CONFIRMATION

The confirmation program, for eighth and ninth graders and their parents, involves Saturday and Sunday events during the school year. Upon completion, ninth graders will be confirmed on Palm Sunday each spring. Upcoming events include:

Saturday, March 4, 9:30 am to 12:30 pm: Worship Event for eighth or ninth graders and a parent

Saturday, April 8, 9:30 am to 12:30 pm: Service Event for eighth graders and a parent

Saturday, April 8, 9:30 am to 12:30 pm: Ready to Affirm Event for ninth graders

Sunday, April 9, 2017, 11:15 am: Rite of Confirmation for ninth graders

Sunday, July 16 to Saturday, July 22, 2017: CAMPfirmation Week at Lutheridge for current eighth graders. Register by March 1.

The registration deadline for each event is the Sunday prior to the event. For more information, contact Amy Brown in the Church Office.



Confirmation



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School is set for July 24 through July 28, 2017, from 8:45 am until noon each day. The theme this year is *Mighty Fortress: In Jesus the Victory is Won*. The directors are Lura Godfrey and Anne Branham. Mark your calendars for this exciting week of fun and learning!

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. A nursery is provided for infants and toddlers who missed the September 1 deadline. Young adults who have graduated from high school are invited to attend adult classes.

There are three adult Sunday School classes offered. Confirmation Revisited 102: What About the Catechism? Is a class that will study the elements of Luther's Small Catechism, using the Lenten devotional book Free Indeed as a resource. The class Making Sense of the Bible is an exploration of how Lutherans interpret scripture. Hebrews: Live by Faith, Not by Sight is a study of the letter to the Hebrews.



BASKETBALL BANQUET

A dinner to recognize players and thank coaches of Trinity's basketball teams will be held on Thursday, March 2 at 5:45 pm in the Multipurpose Room. The program will begin at 6:30 pm. All players are asked to turn in their jerseys, and coaches to return their gym bags and keys at this time. Cost for the meal is \$5.00 per person. Families who plan to attend should sign up through the Church Office as soon as possible.

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 group meets on Sunday evenings from 6:00-8:00 pm in the Youth Center unless otherwise noted.

March 5 - SEX EDUCATION

Lutheran Church Youth

After dinner, youth will be divided into groups based on gender and Trinity members Dr. Dave Potts and Dr. Donna Potts will lead discussions about human sexuality. Parents will receive information from the Potts prior to the event.

March 12 - KICK BALL AT NORTH MAIN PARK

After dinner, youth will travel by bus to play kickball at North Main Park. Pick up is 8:00 pm at the Church.

March 19 - ST PATRICK'S DAY PARTY

After dinner, youth will enjoy a variety of St. Patrick's Day themed games, as well as participate in a service project.

March 26 - PRAYER STATIONS

After dinner, youth will rotate through a variety of prayer stations to learn different ways to talk to God.

SAFE SITTER

Trinity is now a registered Safe Sitter training site. Moving forward, Trinity youth who wish to volunteer in the Church Nursery must be Safe Sitter certified. The first class will be on Saturday, March 11 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. The cost is \$25.00 per person, which covers the training materials and a light lunch. Trinity members Rachel Balck, Terry Batts and Cathie Landreth are the instructors. Youth who wish to attend the March 11 training should sign up through the Church Office no later than Sunday, March 5.





HIGH SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL

Youth in grades 9 through 12 are invited to attend Sunday School each week at 10:10 am in the Youth Center. The class is led by Megan Koon. This month's topics are as follows:

March 5: Making fleece hats for hospice patients

March 12: Discussion of St. Patrick's Day and the concept of "luck"

March 19: Nooma video and discussion March 26: Continued discussion of Judaism

KIDS' STUFF AND CLUB 345

Children in grades K5 through Grade 5 and their families are invited to attend SC Children's Theatre's production of Llama, Llama on Sunday, March 26 from 3:00 to 4:30 pm. Trinity has reserved 20 tickets and they are available on a first come, first served basis. The cost is \$8.50 per ticket. Those who plan to go should sign up with Mandi Whitley. The group will meet at the Red Canopy Door at 2:30 pm, and be dropped off by the bus, returning at 4:45 pm. There Just for Kids! will be no Children's Choir on that day.

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 is April 20 when the group will discuss *Eligible*, by Curtis Sittenfeld. Upcoming meeting dates and selections include *Swing Time* by Zadie Smith on June 15; and *The Gentleman from Moscow* by Amor Towles on August 17.

FAMILIES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

Families with children from birth to K4 are invited to meet at *Legacy Park*, 336 Rocky Slope Road, Greenville, for fellowship on Saturday, March 11 beginning at 10:00 am.

CREATION CARE TEAM

Trinity's Creation Care Team exploring issues regarding recycling, energy efficiency, and care for the Current earth. 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. Persons who are interested are invited to the speak with David Potts, Peggy Schotsch, or Mark or Lura Godfrey. The next meeting is on Sunday, April 9 at 12:30 pm.





BINGO NIGHT

All Trinity members are invited to the Parish Life Bingo Night on Friday, March 10. The evening starts at 6:00 pm in the Multipurpose Room with a free pizza and salad dinner, followed by a fun night of Bingo. Those attending are asked to bring a \$5.00 to \$10.00 prize for the prize buffet. Please sign up through the Church Office for this fun night with your Church family.





FURMAN LSA

The Lutheran Student Association at Furman is a small, close-knit group that gathers to break bread together, and offer support pray, encouragement for one another as they navigate the rigorous life of being a student at Furman. LSA will be meeting at Trinity for Lenten worship services, and several members have offered to cook a meal for these Lenten gatherings. Please Wing contact Vicar Will at 242-5702 wmwing@trinitylutheran.ws to volunteer to cook a meal.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

Trinity's Young Adults Group will meet for dinner and fellowship at *Passerelle Bistro*, 601 South Main Street on Thursday, March 16 at 7:00 pm. Those who plan to attend are asked to RSVP to Mandi Whitley no later than Sunday, March 12 so that a reservation may be made.

PROJECT HOST SOUP KITCHEN

On Sunday, April 2, twelve to fifteen volunteers are needed 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.



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY FAITH BUILD

Trinity Lutheran Church will be joining other churches in our community this spring for the Habitat for Humanity Faith Build. Learn more during Coffee & Conversation on March 19. Contact Cathy Baus or Paige Dillon for additional information.



OPERATION INASMUCH - SAVE THE DATE!

Please mark your calendars for Trinity's Spring OIAM, a day of community mission work, on Saturday, May 6 from 9:00 am until noon. Look for project details and sign-up forms in the April *Tidings*.

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.

Counseling Services

Pantry Needs

CANTERBURY COUNSELING CENTER

Because Trinity Lutheran Church participates in a Membership with Assistance Program 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.

GREENVILLE AREA INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK

Trinity Church will host guests from the Greenville Area Interfaith Hospitality Network Sunday, March 26 through Sunday, April 2. Please note that this is a change from the original dates. Volunteers are needed in all areas including setup, breakfast and dinner preparation, evening and overnight hosts, day center, and takedown. Contact Rachel Balck at rachel@balckfamily.org or 232-6969 or Cathy Westbrook at cwestbrook8114@bellsouth.net or 370-8114 for additional information. Contact volunteer coordinator, Rita Kirven, at rkirven@charter.net or 616-9328 if you would like to volunteer.

Food items are needed to pack lunches and provide snacks for GAIHN guests during host week. A display containing a list of needed items as well as a sign up sheet is located in the Parlor. The items should be returned to the Kitchen in the Activities Building no later than 11:00 am on Sunday, March 26.

Food and Shelter

WITHIN THE TRINITY FAMILY . . .

HOSPITAL PATIENTS

Sarah Weeks, Jim Wood, and Carolyn Wyatt have been discharged.

DEATHS

the brother of Betsy League

MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

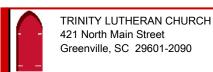
Frank and Christie Green and their children Marcus, Daniel, and Lucy by Letter of Resignation

ATTENDANCE FOR FEBRUARY

	<u>2/5</u>	<u>2/12</u>	<u>2/19</u>
9:00	181	163	174
11:15	<u>130</u>	<u>145</u>	<u>130</u>
TOTAL	311	308	304
SUNDAY SCHOOL	129	107	119
LCY	16	50	-

OFFERING SUMMARY FOR FEBRUARY (SUMMARY DOES NOT INCLUDE FEBRUARY 26)

	<u>February</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Needed for Budget	\$ 105,130	\$ 210,261
Given to Budget	<u>57,418</u>	<u>223,314</u>
Difference	- \$47,712	\$ 13,053
Given to World Hunger	\$1,150	\$2,588
Given to Preserving Our Heritage	\$18,308	\$ 636,543 (Campaign to date)



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EASTER LILIES

Lilies will again be used to decorate the Church on Easter Sunday. If you would like to give a lily in honor or memory of someone, complete the form below and return it with \$12.00 no later than Wednesday, April 5. You may pick up your lily immediately following the 10:30 am service on Easter Sunday, April 16, or on Tuesday, April 18, between 8:30 am - 4:30 pm.

Enclosed is my \$12.00 for a lily given () in memory of

-		() in	honor of	
Given b	y:			



DON'T FORGET!

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME
BEGINS

ON SUNDAY, MARCH 12.