



Activities and Opportunities

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Death

Our Christian sympathy is expressed to Betsy League and her family at the death of her brother.

Announcements

Pastor Crowell is away today.

Amy Brown is away today.

Holden Evening Prayer - Sunday, February 26, 5:30 pm, Sanctuary. The congregation is invited to gather for a thirty minute service, to include a meditation by Lisa Panhorst on the theme *Jesus is the Light of the World*.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner - Tuesday, February 28, Multipurpose Room. All Trinity families are invited to a Pancake Dinner including pancakes, sausage, fruit and juice. Food will be served from 5:30 - 6:15 pm. While there is no cost for the meal, those planning to attend are asked to sign up through the Church Office no later than Friday, February 24.

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

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.

Shrove Tuesday Musical Event - Tuesday, February 28, 6:15 pm. Following the pancake supper, Trinity members and friends are invited to come to the Sanctuary for a musical *dessert*, an organ concert offered by four members of the Greenville chapter of the American Guild of Organists. David Coleman, organist for Second Presbyterian Church and winner of national and international organ performance competitions, will play Handel's *Organ Concerto in G minor*. The Reverend Robert Glick, associate professor of organ at Erskine College and Minister of Music at First Presbyterian Church in Greenville, will play an organ concerto by Johann Walter. Catie Moyer, who has served several times as a guest organist at Trinity, will play *Variations on the Hymn Tune Kremser* by Evan Becker. Pastor Parham will play the *Organ Sonata III in G Major* by Joseph Rheinberger.

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

Music Ministry

There will be no Children's Choir or Youth Choir rehearsals today.

Handbell Choir Rehearsal - Wednesday, February 22, 6:00 pm, Handbell Room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building. Youth are also welcome.

Adult Choir Rehearsal - Wednesday, February 22, 7:00 pm, Choir room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building. Youth are also welcome.

Relational Groups

Out to Lunch Bunch - Today, 12:45 pm. The Out to Lunch Bunch is a group that enjoys Sunday lunch together once a month after the 11:15 am worship service. The group is open to all Trinity adults who want to join in the fellowship. Participants will meet at 12:45 pm at *Flat Rock Grille* at Cherrydale. Speak with Amy Brown before the 11:15 am service if you would like to attend.

Prayer Group - Wednesday, February 22, 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.

Leisure/Action Gameday - Wednesday, February 22, noon, Parlor. Gameday is a time for Church members to gather for Bridge and other games. Participants are invited to bring their lunch. Dessert and beverages will be provided.

Young Adults Group - Friday, February 24, 7:00 pm. Participants will gather at the home of Amanda Cook, 55 Cantera Circle, for dinner and fellowship. Those attending are asked to bring a side dish, salad or dessert to share, and should RSVP to Mandi Whitley no later than Wednesday, February 22.

Leisure/Action - Sunday, March 19, 1:15 pm. The group will attend the Anderson Follies, a variety show, in Anderson, SC. 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.

Children and Youth

High School Sunday School - Today, 10:10 am, Youth Center. Today's class will include a Nooma video and discussion.

There will be no LCY this evening.

Basketball Banquet - Thursday, March 2, 5:45 pm, Multipurpose Room. Cost is \$5.00 per person for this dinner to recognize players and thank coaches. Reservations and payment may be made through the Church Office by Sunday, February 26. Jerseys, gym bags and keys should be turned in at this time.

Safe Sitter - Saturday, March 11, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm. Moving forward, Trinity youth who wish to volunteer in the Church Nursery must be Safe Sitter certified. The cost for the class is \$25.00 per person, which covers the training materials and a light lunch. Sign up through the Church Office no later than Sunday, March 5.

Education

Sunday School - Today. Sunday School classes are available for all ages this morning. Three adult Sunday School classes continue. *Living Fully, Dying Well* is a course that helps participants make careful, wise and prayerful preparation for life's most important moments. In the class *Knowing Jesus*, students are exploring 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.

Baptism Event - next Sunday, February 26, 1:30 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.

Confirmation Event - Saturday, March 4, 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. The *Worship Event* is for eighth or ninth graders and a parent.

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 are available in the Narthex, outside the Sacristy, and in the Church Office. All are invited to take part in the worship, education, fellowship, and outreach opportunities that will take place during the Lenten season.

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.

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 Lord's Prayer, Confession, 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 Lord's Prayer, Confession, Baptism, and 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.

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. The Outreach Committee will be 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, rice, canned fruit, boxed crackers, and boxed macaroni and cheese.

Lent (cont'd)

LWR School Kits. The Outreach Committee will be 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. The week of March 5 - 70 sheet spiral notebooks and 30 centimeter ruler or ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other. The week of March 12 - blunt safety scissors and 16 or 24 box of crayons. The week of March 19 - 2 1/2 inch erasers and black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink). The week of March 26 - unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers and small pencil sharpener. The week of April 2 - 70 sheet spiral notebooks and blunt safety scissors. The week of April 9 - 16 or 24 box of crayons and 30 centimeter ruler or ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other. The week of April 16 - unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers and black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink)

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.

Greenville Area Interfaith Hospitality Network - Sunday, March 26 - 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 will be located in the Parlor beginning next Sunday, February 26. The items should be returned to the Kitchen in the Activities Building no later than 11:00 am on Sunday, March 26.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 19 THROUGH FEBRUARY 26

TODAY - FEBRUARY 19

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
12:45 pm Out to Lunch Bunch

MONDAY

OFFICE CLOSED

TUESDAY

9:00 am Staff Meeting

WEDNESDAY

11:30 am Prayer Group
12:00 pm Leisure/Action Gameday
6:00 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal
6:15 pm Furman LSA
7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY

7:00 pm Young Adults Group

NEXT SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 26

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
1:00 pm Education Committee
1:30 pm Worship Committee
1:30 pm Baptism Celebration
3:00 pm Children's Choir
4:00 pm TLC4TLC
4:00 pm Theology Roundtable
4:00 pm Property Committee
4:20 pm Youth Choir
5:30 pm Holden Evening Prayer
6:00 pm LCY