

Activities and Opportunities

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March 12, 2017

Hospital Patients

Jennifer Weeks - 355, St. Francis Eastside

Announcements

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.

The March 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.

Lenten devotional booklets are available in the Narthex and outside the Sacristy for adults and for children.

Congregation Beach Retreat - June 18-25, Coastal Retreat Center on the Isle of Palms. There are still spaces available on a first come, first served basis. Contact Kay Cook in the Church Office if you are interested in participating.

Relational Groups

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

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

Prayer Group - Wednesday, March 15, 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 <u>marmulcahy@icloud.com</u>. All are invited to attend.

Young Adults Group - Thursday, March 16, 7:00 pm. Trinity's Young Adults Group will meet for dinner and fellowship at *Passerelle Bistro*, 601 South Main Street. 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.

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.

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. 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.

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.

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 gathering on Wednesday mornings during Lent for Bible study prior to lunch and worship at 10:30 am in the Library to study Luther's *Small Catechism*.

LENTEN DISCIPLESHIP GROUP - A new discipleship group is meeting on Wednesday evenings, 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 is *Engaging in God's Mission in your Own Neighborhood*. A light meal is provided for participants. The group is exploring God's call to Christians to reach out to their neighbors right at home. The group engages in short readings, discussion, and a hands-on mission project.

Outreach. 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.

LWR SCHOOL KITS. 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. 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).

Announcements (Cont'd)

Property Workday. The Property Committee will sponsor a workday on Saturday, March 25 beginning at 9:00 am.

Children and Youth

High School Sunday School - Today, 10:10 am, Youth Center. Participants will discuss St. Patrick's Day and the concept of *luck*.

LCY - **Today, 6:00 pm.** After dinner, youth will travel by bus to play kickball at North Main Park. Pick up is 8:00 pm at the Church.

Kids' Stuff and Club 345 - Sunday, March 26, 2:30 pm. Children in grades K5 through Grade 5 and their families are invited to attend SC Children's Theatre's production of *Llama, Llama*. 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 will be no Children's Choir on that day.

Education

Sunday School - Today. Sunday School classes are available for all ages this morning. Three adult Sunday School classes are 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.

Confirmation Events - Saturday, April 8, 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. SERVICE EVENT for eighth grade students and at least one parent. At this event, participants will practice discipleship by working together on a service project for those in need in the community. READY TO AFFIRM EVENT for ninth grade students. Ninth graders will complete the confirmation journey, practice for the confirmation ceremony, and receive acolyte training.

Music Ministry

Children's Choir - Today, 3:30 pm, Choir Room, 2nd floor of the Pence Building. This choir is for children in K5 through Grade 5. Rehearsals will be Sunday afternoon on March 12 and 19.

Youth Choir - Today, 5:00 pm, Youth Center. Youth Choir, for those in grades 6 through 12, rehearses on Sunday afternoons.

Handbell Choir Rehearsal - Monday, March 13, 6:00 pm, Handbell Room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building. Youth are also welcome. Handbell Choir will rehearse the first two Mondays in March, then take a break from rehearsals until Wednesday, April 19.

Adult Choir Rehearsal - Wednesday, March 15, 7:15 pm, Choir room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building. Youth are also welcome.

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.

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.

Outreach Opportunities (cont'd)

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 <u>rachel@balckfamily.org</u> or 915-6039 or Cathy Westbrook at <u>cwestbrook8114@bellsouth.net</u> or 370-8114 for additional information. Contact volunteer coordinator, Rita Kirven, at <u>rkirven@charter.net</u> 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.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 12 THROUGH MARCH 19

TODAY - MARCH 12

- WEDNESDAY (CONT'D)
- 8:30 am Adult Choir Warmup 6:15 pm **Evening Prayer** Holy Communion Lenten Discipleship Group 9:00 am 7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal 9:50 am Coffee & Conversation 7:15 pm Sunday School 10:10 am Adult and Children's Choir Warmup 10:45 am THURSDAY 11:15 am Holy Communion Young Adults' Group 7:00 pm Congregation Council 1:30 pm 3:30 pm Children's Choir NEXT SUNDAY - MARCH 19 5:00 pm Youth Choir 8:30 am Youth Choir Warmup 6:00 pm LCY 9:00 am Holy Communion MONDAY 9:50 am Coffee & Conversation 10:10 am Sunday School 9:00 am Staff Meeting Adult Choir Warmup 10:45 am Handbell Choir Rehearsal 6:00 pm 11:15 am Holv Communion TUESDAY 1:15 pm Leisure/Action 3:30 pm Children's Choir 10:00 am Lydia Group 12:00 noon Men's Group 5:00 pm Youth Choir 6:00 pm LCY WEDNESDAY Lenten Bible Study - Library 10:30 am 11:30 am Prayer Group
 - Holy Communion

Lunch - Assembly Room

11:45 pm

12:30 pm

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
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Given by: