



## Activities and Opportunities

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### December 31, 2017

#### Hospital Patients

Clare Long - discharged

Paul Youse - discharged

#### Birth

Caroline Frances Long, daughter of Charlie and Clare Long on December 22

#### Death

Our Christian sympathy is expressed to Billie Ann Moseley and her family at the death of her mother.

#### Announcements

**Pastor Crowell is away today.**

**Amy Brown and Mandi Whitley are away today.**

**2018 Envelopes.** The offering envelopes for next year have been mailed. If you have not received your envelopes, please call the Church Office.

**End of Year Giving.** According to IRS regulations, gifts should be made on or before December 31 to be considered tax-deductible for the year 2017. The Church Office is open this morning from 8:30 to 11:00 am.

**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.

**A Congregational Beach Retreat will be held June 17 through June 24** 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](mailto:kmcook@trinitylutheran.ws) or 242-5702.

**The December 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.**

**Devotional booklets** are available in the Narthex for adults and for children.

## Relational Groups

**Prayer Group - Wednesday, January 3, 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](mailto:marmulcahy@icloud.com). All are invited to attend.

**Women's Bible Study and Fellowship Groups - Thursday, January 4, 9:30 am and 6:30 pm, Rooms 12 & 13 of the Activities Building.** These groups, led by Pastor Crowell, will continue to gather on the first Thursday of the each month. *Another Look at Spiritual Practices* is the theme for the year. All women of the congregation are invited to enjoy refreshments, study, prayer and fellowship. Muffins and coffee are provided at the morning session. At the evening gathering, participants are invited to bring refreshments to share with the group.

**Young Adults Group - Thursday, January 11, 7:00 pm.** Trinity's Young Adults Group will meet for dinner at *Passerelle Bistro*, 601 S. Main St. Those interested in attending are asked to RSVP to Mandi Whitley no later than Sunday, January 7 so that reservations may be made.

**Empowering and Encouraging Girls and Their Moms - Wednesdays, January 17, 24 and 31, 6:00 pm.** Girls in Middle School and their moms are invited to gather in the Youth Center from 6:00 to 7:15 pm for dinner, devotions, and relationship building activities. This group will be led by Pastor Crowell and Mandi Whitley and will focus on encouraging, equipping, and empowering girls and their moms. Registration is \$25.00 per family, which will cover the cost of meals and supplies for all three sessions. Participants should register through the Church Office by Friday, January 12.

**Radical Hospitality Discipleship Group -** A four-week discipleship group focusing on Radical Hospitality will begin meeting on Monday, January 22 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm in the Assembly Room. Why Radical Hospitality? Our God radically and actively loves and welcomes each of us, exactly where we are. We believe that we are called, in response to God's radical welcome, to extend that very same welcome and love to all of God's people. This group will be lead by Pastor Crowell and Vicar Ellen Clough, and will discuss together ways that Trinity is being called to share God's radical welcome with people within our congregation and in our community. Registration is \$15.00

## Music Ministry

**Handbell Choir Rehearsal - Wednesday, January 3, 6:00 pm, Handbell Room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building.** Youth are also welcome.

**Adult Choir Rehearsal - Wednesday, January 3, 7:00 pm, Choir room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building.** Youth are also welcome.

**Children's Choir - next Sunday, January 7, 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 rehearsal on Sunday, January 14.

**Youth Choir - next Sunday, January 7, 5:00 pm, Choir Room.** Youth Choir is for those in grades 6 through 12. There will be no rehearsal on Sunday, January 14.

## Education

**Sunday School classes for all ages will resume this morning.** Sunday School is offered for all ages every Sunday between the 9:00 and 11:15 am services. Preschoolers (infants through children under the age of four) may attend the *First Faith* class with their parents. A nursery is also available. Sunday School for those who were four or five on September 1 meets on the first floor of the Education Building, across from the elevator. Children in grades 1 through 5 meet in *Grace Place*, upstairs in the Education Building. Youth Sunday School for middle and high school students meets in the Youth Center. Youth gather for “pick up” breakfast items, games, fellowship and devotions in a new format for this school year.

Adult Sunday School always begins with Coffee and Conversation in the Multipurpose Room beginning at 9:50 am. There will be one adult Sunday School class. The topic will be *Prophecy and Promise in the Hymns of the Gospel according to Luke: Mary’s Song, Zechariah’s Song, and Simeon’s Song*.

**Confirmation Events - Sunday, January 7, 12:30 -3:30 pm.** There will be a lunch and *We Are Lutheran Event* for 8th or 9th graders and a parent. On Saturday, January 27 at 9:30 am, there will be a *Bible Event* for 8th graders and a parent, as well as a *Cross Event* for ninth graders. The registration deadline for each event is the Sunday prior to the event. For more information, contact Amy Brown at the Church Office.

**Communion Instruction Event - Sunday, January 28, 12:30 pm.** This event, for 3rd and 4th graders and their parents, will be held in the Multipurpose Room. Led by the Church staff, this event will be a time of learning and fellowship. Lunch will be provided. Please make reservations through the Church Office by Wednesday, January 24.

## Children and Youth

**LCY will resume next Sunday, January 7.**

**LCY Ski Retreat.** LCY’s annual ski retreat will be Friday, January 19 through Sunday, January 21. Registration forms and payment information have been emailed to parents and are due to Mandi Whitley this morning.

**Youth Gathering 2018.** Youth who are attending the 2018 Youth Gathering in Houston are reminded that their registration fee balance is due today.

## 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.

## CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 31 THROUGH JANUARY 7

### TODAY - DECEMBER 31

- 9:00 am Holy Communion
- 9:50 am Coffee and Conversation
- 10:10 am Sunday School
- 11:15 am Holy Communion

### MONDAY

OFFICE CLOSED

### TUESDAY

- 9:00 am Staff Meeting
- 6:00 pm I-Mites Basketball Practice
- 6:00 pm Minor Boys Basketball Practice
- 7:00 pm Senior Boys 2 BB Game @ Westm Pres
- 8:30 pm Senior Girls BB Game @ John Knox
- 8:30 pm Senior Boys 1 BB Game @ St. Mary's

### WEDNESDAY

- 11:30 am Prayer Group
- 5:45 pm Jr Girls BB Practice @ St. George
- 6:00 pm Minor Girls Basketball Practice
- 6:00 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal
- 6:30 pm Discipleship Group
- 7:00 pm Senior Girls Basketball Practice
- 7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

### THURSDAY

- 9:30 am Women's Bible Study and Fellowship Group
- 6:00 pm Senior Boys 1 Basketball Practice
- 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study and Fellowship Group
- 7:00 pm Senior Boys 2 Basketball Practice

### SATURDAY

- 8:30 am Jr Boys BB Game @ Trinity
- 9:15 am I-Mites BB Game @ Christ Church
- 9:30 am Jr Girls BB Game @ 4th Pres
- 10:30 am Minor Girls BB Game @ St. James
- 11:30 am Minor Boys BB Game @ 1st Baptist

### NEXT SUNDAY - JANUARY 7

- 8:30 am Adult Choir Warmup
- 9:00 am Holy Communion
- 9:50 am Coffee and Conversation
- 10:10 am Sunday School
- 10:45 am Adult Choir Warmup
- 11:15 am Holy Communion
- 12:30 pm Confirmation Event
- 2:00 pm Jr Boys BB Practice @ 1st Baptist
- 3:30 pm Children's Choir Rehearsal
- 4:00 pm Theology Roundtable
- 5:00 pm Youth Choir Rehearsal
- 6:00 pm LCY