



Activities and Opportunities

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Announcements

New Member Class - beginning Sunday, March 10. *What Does It Mean To Be a Lutheran?*, will be taught during the Sunday School hour. 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, March 31 at the 9:00 am Service. Questions may be directed to Pastor Crowell.

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.

Grace Bags. Bags containing canned food and snacks, as well as a list of agencies in the community who can help individuals move beyond poverty, are available in the Narthex for worship guests in need of a meal. In lieu of giving money, worshippers are encouraged to give Grace Bags to guests in need.

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

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

Relational Groups

Theology Roundtable - Today, 4:00 pm, Room 302, 2nd Floor of the Pence Building. This group for adults usually gathers on the first and fourth Sundays of the month. The group will discuss *Accidental Saints* by Nadia Bolz-Weber. All adults are welcome to participate. Joe Rice facilitates the discussion. Questions may be directed to him at saluda171@yahoo.com or 864-704-4616.

Quilting Group - Monday, February 4, 9:30 am, Activities Building. The group makes quilts which are distributed by Lutheran World Relief. Participants do not need to know how to sew in order to make quilts. Willing volunteers who can cut fabric, iron, thread a needle or tie knots are welcome. For more information, contact Amy Brown at 242-5702.

Prayer Group - Wednesday, February 6, 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 or Terry Morgan at tfmorgan101@gmail.com. All are invited to attend.

Women's Morning G.I.F.T. Group - Thursday, February 7, 9:30 am, Rooms 12 & 13, Activities Building. All women of the congregation are invited to gather for fellowship, prayer, faith conversation, and packing of Period Packs. Group members are asked to bring tampons, pads, and pantliners for this project. Questions may be directed to Lura Godfrey, the group's coordinator, at 423-7567 or luradg@charter.net.

Women's Evening G.I.F.T. Group - Thursday, February 7, 6:30 pm, Rooms 12 & 13, Activities Building. All women of the congregation are invited to gather for fellowship, prayer, faith conversation, and packing of Period Packs. Group members are asked to bring tampons, pads, and pantliners for this project. Participants are encouraged to bring a food item to contribute to the group's dinner. Questions may be directed to Sue Boeker, the group's coordinator, at sueboeker@charter.net or 284-0077.

FAVOR (Faces and Voices of Recovery) Lunch and Learn Workshop - Sundays, February 10 and 17, 12:15 pm, Dining Room of the Activities Building. 72,000 people died of drug overdose in the US in 2017. That's more than died in combat in the Vietnam War! What is Substance Use Disorder? How do we fight it? Please come to a Lunch and Learn Workshop to hear Rich Jones, CEO of FAVOR, discuss this important and timely topic. Lunch will be provided at no cost.

Welcoming ALL of God's Children - Thursday, February 21, 6:30 to 8:30 pm, Multipurpose Room. Do you or someone you love identify as LGBTQIA+? Are you striving to be an ally? Are you seeking knowledge or a deeper understanding of our LGBTQIA+ siblings in Christ? Please join our congregational family for learning and conversation, led by Mandy Achterberg, a candidate for ordained ministry in the ELCA and a Chaplain for *Reconciling Works*. This educational opportunity will help the Trinity family continue to embrace our identity as a Reconciled in Christ congregation and encourage and empower our efforts to truly and authentically love, honor, value, welcome, and celebrate all of God's people. Please register for this event through the Church Office by Tuesday, February 19. Child care will be available upon request.

Children and Youth

LCY - Today, 3:30 to 5:00 pm, Activities Building. The group will gather for a pre-Super Bowl party, including tailgating snacks, flag football, and a chance to guess the winner.

Kids' Stuff and Club 345 Sleepover - Friday, February 8, 6:30 pm to Saturday, February 9, 8:00 am. The group will meet for the annual sleepover. Drop off is on the trophy case side of the Activities Building. The group will travel by bus to *Greenville Gymnastics*, returning to the Church at 9:30 pm for a movie and sleep. Pick up time is at 8:00 am on Saturday, February 9. The cost for the event is \$18.00 per person which includes snacks, gymnastics and breakfast. Registration forms have been emailed to families. Child Protection Policy trained parent volunteers are crucial for this ministry. Those interested in helping should contact Mandi Whitley.

Education

Sunday School - Today. Sunday School is offered for all ages every Sunday between the 9:00 and 11:15 am services. Children under the age of four may attend the *First Faith* class with their parents, for fellowship and Bible stories. A nursery is also available. Children's 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 who have completed grades 6 through 12 will meet in the Youth Center to enjoy food and fellowship, faith sharing and hands on service projects.

Adult Sunday School always begins with Coffee and Conversation in the Multipurpose Room beginning at 9:50 am. Three adult classes are offered. *Dialogues On: The Refugee Crisis* explores issues related to immigration and refugees. *18 Plus: Parenting Your Emerging Adult* is for parents of high school seniors, college students, and young adults. *Short Stories by Jesus: The Enigmatic Parables of a Controversial Rabbi* is a look at some of Jesus' parables through the lens of a Jewish teacher.

Confirmation Events - Saturday, February 9, 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. A Bible Event for 8th graders and at least one parent, as well as a Cross Event for 9th grade students will be held. Today is the deadline to sign up for these events.

Music Ministry

Early Elementary Children's Choir Rehearsal - Today, 3:00 pm, Choir Room on the 2nd Floor of the Pence Building. This choir is for children K4 through grade 1.

Upper Elementary Children's Choir Rehearsal - Today, 3:30 pm, Choir Room on the 2nd Floor of the Pence Building. This choir is for children in grades 2 through 5.

Youth Choir - Today, 5:00 pm, Choir Room on the 2nd Floor of the Pence Building. This choir is for youth in grades 6 through 12.

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

Adult Choir Rehearsal - Wednesday, February 6, 7:00 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. A list of suggested items may be found in the Breezeway.

Greenville Area Interfaith Hospitality Network - Sunday, February 24 through Sunday, March 3. Volunteers are needed in all areas including setup, breakfast and dinner preparation, evening and overnight hosts, day center, and takedown. Contact Louise Fletcher at lfletcher@c3cp.com or 420-5494 for additional information. Contact volunteer coordinators, Amanda Cook at amanda.cook@fluor.com or 905-7940, or Lara Wannemacher at wannemacherc@bellsouth.net or 630-5325 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, February 24.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 3 THROUGH FEBRUARY 10

TODAY - FEBRUARY 3

8:30 am Adult Choir Warmup
9:00 am Holy Communion
9:50 am Coffee and Conversation
10:10 am Sunday School
11:15 am Holy Communion
3:00 pm Early Elementary Children's Choir Rehearsal
3:30 pm Upper Elementary Children's Choir Rehearsal
3:30 pm LCY
4:00 pm Theology Roundtable
5:00 pm Youth Choir

MONDAY

9:00 am Staff Meeting
9:30 am Quilting Group

WEDNESDAY

11:30 am Prayer Group
6:00 pm Furman LSA
6:00 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal
7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY

9:30 am Women's Morning G.I.F.T. Group
6:30 pm Women's Evening G.I.F.T. Group

FRIDAY

6:30 pm Kids' Stuff/Club 345 Sleepover begins

SATURDAY

8:00 am Kids' Stuff/Club 345 Sleepover ends
9:30 am Confirmation Events

NEXT SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 10

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
12:15 pm FAVOR Lunch and Learn
1:30 pm Congregation Council
3:00 pm Early Elementary Children's Choir Rehearsal
3:30 pm Upper Elementary Children's Choir Rehearsal
5:00 pm Youth Choir
6:00 pm LCY
6:00 pm Education Committee