

Activities and Opportunities

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Announcements

New Member Class - Today, 10:10 am. What Does It Mean To Be a Lutheran? is being 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.

Congregation Beach Retreat - June 16-23, 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.

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.

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.

Lenten Devotional booklets are available in the Narthex and outside the Sacristy for adults and for children. Columbarium Information Meeting - Wednesday, March 20, 1:15 pm, Parlor. The columbarium will be located in the space in the courtyard behind the altar in the church. To learn more about this project and how you can reserve a niche, the Columbarium Committee invites you to attend this information session. It would be most helpful if you could communicate to the Church Office if you plan to attend this gathering.

In order for a columbarium on Trinity's campus to become a reality, a number of niches must be reserved before a contract can be signed. Each double niche will cost \$4,400. Niches reserved between March 4 and May 31 will be available for a reduced cost of \$4,000. In the unlikely event that enough niches are not reserved to support the Columbarium project, all monies will be returned. A packet of information has been mailed, and information may also be found on Trinity's website.

Good Samaritan Ministry. Anyone wishing to make a donation to this ministry may make their check payable to Trinity Lutheran Church and place in the offering, marking it for *Good Samaritan Ministry*. This congregation is an ELCA mission start in Stone Mountain, Georgia which ministers primarily to refugees.

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

Relational Groups

Quilting Group - Monday, March 18, 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, March 20, 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 marmulcahy@icloud.com or <a href="marmu

Congregational Book Discussion - Thursday, March 21, 6:30 to 8:00 pm, Rooms 12 & 13 of the Activities Building. All members of the congregation and friends are invited to read Nadia Bolz-Weber's new book entitled Shameless: A Sexual Reformation and gather at the Church for discussion. In this new book, Nadia Bolz-Weber takes a bold look at how conservative Christian norms around sexuality affect worshippers in every aspect of their lives, including attitudes toward sex. Participants will discuss the messages they have received from the church about sex, the body, and gender, the impact those messages have had, as well as the impact those messages continue to have on their adult lives. Megan Koon and Pastor Crowell will be leading the discussion. To register, please call the Church Office by Monday, March 18.

Bingo - Friday, March 22, 6:00 to 8:00 pm, Multipurpose Room. The Parish Life Committee will host Trinity's annual intergenerational Bingo Night. Pizza, salad, and drinks are provided. Those attending are asked to bring a small prize for the *prize buffet*. Sign up through the Church Office by Monday, March 18.

Young Adults Group - Thursday, March 28, 6:30 pm. Trinity's Young Adults Group will meet at *Stone Pin Bowling*, 304 E. Stone Avenue for dinner and bowling. Sign up with Mandi Whitley no later than Monday, March 25.

Out to Lunch Bunch - Sunday, March 31 (note change of date), 12:45 pm. The Out to Lunch Bunch is a group that enjoys Sunday lunch together each month after the 11:15 am worship service. The group, open to all Trinity adults who want to join in the fellowship, will meet at Moes Original Bar B Que at 109 W. Stone Avenue in downtown Greenville. Contact Amy Brown if you plan to attend.

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.

Adult Choir Rehearsal - Wednesday, March 20, 7:00 pm, Choir Room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building. Youth are also welcome.

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 though 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 classes are offered this morning, including Swimming Against the Current: Living the Life God Intends for Us; Growing With: Parenting Teens and Young Adults; and What Does It Mean to Be a Lutheran?

Confirmation Event - Today, 12:30 pm. There will be lunch and a *Worship Event* for 8th or 9th graders and at least one parent. Speak with Amy Brown if not already registered.

Children and Youth

LCY - Today, 6:00 pm. After dinner, youth will rotate through a variety of interactive prayer stations.

Outreach Opportunities

New Meal Ministry. Additional volunteers are needed to expand Trinity's current meal ministry, which provides a meal to families celebrating the birth or adoption of a child, to also include providing meals when members are recovering from surgery, have been hospitalized, or are in crisis. Meals may be home cooked or purchased. If you are willing to be a part of this team, please sign up in the Church Office. Questions may be directed to Pastor Crowell.

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.

Blood Drive - Sunday, March 31, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. The Outreach Committee will sponsor a blood drive on Sunday, March 31. Registration and refreshments will be in the Parlor, and the *Blood Connection* bus will be used for the actual collection. Reservations may be made in the Narthex after worship each Sunday or by contacting Bob Whitley at wapgit@gmail.com or 610-620 -5921. Donors should remember to bring a driver's license or donor card.

Operation InAsMuch - Saturday, April 6. Trinity will join other Lutherans across South Carolina for a day of mission work. Please return sign up forms to the Church Office or place in the offering plate no later than Monday, April 1.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 17 THROUGH MARCH 24

	TODAY - MARCH 17		WEDNESDAY (CONT'D)
9:00 am	Holy Communion	6:15 pm	Holden Evening Prayer
9:50 am	Coffee and Conversation	6:45 pm	Furman LSA Dinner
10:10 am	Sunday School and New Member Class	6:45 pm	Lenten Launch Group
10:45 am	Adult Choir Warmup	7:00 pm	Adult Choir Rehearsal
11:15 am	Holy Communion		Thursday
12:30 pm	Confirmation Event		I HURSDAY
3:00 pm	Early Elementary Children's	6:30 pm	Congregation Book Discussion
	Choir Rehearsal		FRIDAY
3:30 pm	Upper Elementary Children's		
	Choir Rehearsal	6:00 pm	Bingo Night
4:00 pm	Internship Committee		NEXT SUNDAY - MARCH 24
5:00 pm	Youth Choir Rehearsal		
6:00 pm	LCY	8:30 am	Adult Choir Warmup
		9:00 am	Holy Communion
	MONDAY	9:50 am	Coffee and Conversation
9:00 am	Staff Meeting	10:10 am	Sunday School and New Member Class
9:30 am	Quilting Group	10:45 am	Adult Choir Warmup
		11:15 am	Holy Communion
	TUESDAY	1:30 pm	Stewardship Committee
6:15 pm	Handbell Choir Rehearsal	1:30 pm	Outreach Committee
		3:00 pm	Early Elementary Children's
	WEDNESDAY	2.20	Choir Rehearsal
10:30 am	Lenten Bible Study	3:30 pm	Upper Elementary Children's
11:30 am	Prayer Group	4.00	Choir Rehearsal
11:45 am	Lunch	4:00 pm	Theology Roundtable
12:30 pm	Holy Communion	4:00 pm	TLC4TLC
1:15 pm	Columbarium Informational Meeting	5:00 pm	Youth Choir Rehearsal
	Solambarian informational Meeting	6:00 pm	LCY

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Lilies will again be used to decorate the Church on Easter Sunday. If you would like honor or memory of someone, complete the form below and return it with \$12.0 Wednesday, April 10. You may pick up your lily immediately following the 10:30 Easter Sunday, April 21, or on Tuesday, April 23, between 8:30 am and 4:30 pm.	0 no later than
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