

March

TRINITY TRANSMITTER

Change?

Have you heard this statement? “If it ain’t broke, don’t fix it”? In other words there are times that we don’t want to fix or **change** something because of our comfort or schedule. But change can be good.

We **changed** the bathrooms and narthex two years ago so that they would be more accessible to our visitors and members. We added showers in the basement for future groups traveling through or working with us on Servant Events in Garden City. We received a long arm quilting machine so that we may be able to share God’s love through the quilts that will be made. This **change** resulted in dust; moving things around; cleaning; painting; and reorganizing. This **change** looks great.

St. Paul broaches the subject of **change** in 1 Corinthians 3:1-9. “I could not address you as people who live by the Spirit but as people who are still worldly – mere infants in Christ.” How did St. Paul observe that the church in Corinth was still babes in the faith? “You are still worldly. For since there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not worldly? Are you not acting like mere humans? For one says, ‘I follow Paul,’ and another, ‘I follow Apollos,’ are you not mere human beings? Vs 3-5. St. Paul points out that both he and Apollos were servants of the Lord Jesus to help the Corinthians to believe. What did these two Servants of Christ do? Paul Planted, Apollos Watered, that was their task but it was God who has been making it grow. God makes the **change**.

What do babies need pretty regularly? **Change**. If they are going to grow up spiritually they need a **change** as well. As baptized children of God, we have been **changed** by Christ’s death and resurrection and yet we still need to be growing spiritually, we need a **change** so that our focus is more on God’s kingdom work and not on our desires and wants. Yes, to grow means to be out of our comfort and our schedules once in a while.

Lent is a time to focus on the One who has **changed** us and continues to help us grow through the Word that **changes** us.

You should have received a Lenten devotion in the mail which covers the 40 days of Lent beginning with Ash Wednesday through Easter Sunday. Please use this gift as your daily devotional guide.

March 1 is Ash Wednesday; worship will be 7:00–7:30 p.m.. Each Wednesday following the Lenten service will be drinks and goodies and some round table discussion from 6:30–7:00 in the Fellowship Hall. The Lay Ministers will serve as table leaders. Consider joining a small group discussion.

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TLC Mission Statement:

KNOW CHRIST



SHARE CHRIST



SERVE CHRIST

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Thursday mornings from 6:30 – 7:30 during the 6 weeks of Lent we will have a Men's Breakfast in the fellowship hall. All men are invited to join us in reading scripture and prayer and have a home cooked breakfast by Lisa Theye. (Leave some **change** for the cook to purchase more food for the next week).

**The theme for Lent is: The Lord's Supper
"The Salutory Gift"**

- Ash Wednesday - Life-Giving Fruit
- March 8 - Bread from Heaven
- March 15 - Healing Medicine
- March 22 - Blest Communion
- March 29 - Rest for the Weary
- April 5 - Nuptial Feast
- Maundy Thursday -Covenant Meal
- Good Friday - Sacrificial Banquet
- Easter - Feast of Victory

Easter Sunday: The youth will serve the Easter Breakfast at 8:00 a.m. Worship at 9:00 a.m.

Experience the **Change** that only God can give

A Servant who has been **Changed** by Christ and continues to grow in that **change**.

Leland

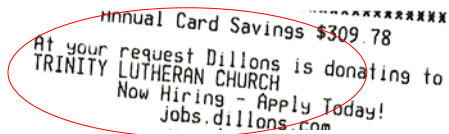
Dillons Community Rewards

Support Trinity through *Community Rewards*. Visit www.dillons.com/communityrewards and enroll your Plus Shopper's Card in the program.

YOU MUST RE-ENROLL FOR 2017!!

If you need help, please feel free to come in or call Katy, she can help you with this!

Check your receipts, ensure it reads this!



In 2016 Trinity received \$1156.13 from Kroger

TLC Family Care Connections

We pray for...

✠ **Shut-Ins:** Bill Bridges, Evelyn Kowalke, Irene Gestenslager, Eugene & Vada Hurd, Dot Merz, Esther McMichael, George Powell, Hellen Strickland, Opal Sroufe, Lillian VonLintel

✠ **Health Concerns:** Jim Baker, Pat Bridges, Kelly Chopp, Johanna Hall, Jay Holste, Gary Kraft, Aspen Phillips, Gloria Magallan, Aaron Schiffelbein, Loretta Schultz, Lupita Tapia, Shannon McCormick, Jana Horsfall, Judy Schweer

If you have a prayer concern, please call the office

**** always obtain permission before sharing another's concerns**



Early Communion:

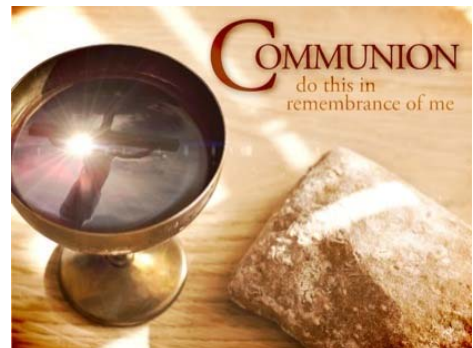
Here at Trinity provision is made for fifth graders to receive Holy Communion. Each year we offer a class to prepare students for their first communion on Maundy Thursday. This year class will be during Sunday School beginning March 5.

These are the requirements:

- † Students must complete all five lessons. Make up classes are offered.
- † At least one parent, or other involved adult, is encouraged attend with their student.
- † Parents, students and Pastor must agree that the student is ready for Communion.

Jesus gives us a wonderful gift in Holy Communion. He invites us to know the personal touch of his love and forgiveness so that we might find the strength to follow him every day.

If you have an questions, please feel free to call Cynthia Lavrenz, Director of Christian Education—Family Ministry



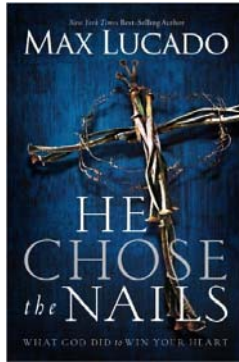
Christian Education

Sunday Morning Bible Studies 10:15 a.m.

He Chose the Nails by Max Lucado

Linger on the hill of Calvary. Rub a finger on the timber and press the nail into your hand. Taste the tinge of cheap wine and feel the scrape of a thorn on your brow. Touch the velvet dirt, moist with the blood of God. Allow the tools of torture to tell their story. Listen as they tell you what God did to win your heart.

Led by class members in the Meeting Room



Road to Coronation

Rev. Dr. Harry Wendt, author of the Lenten study, *Road to Coronation*, takes viewers with him as he retraces Jesus' steps through the Passion story of each Gospel. We come to see that Jesus' crucifixion was in fact His coronation as King of Creation, His cross was his throne!

Begin February 19. Led by Jim Hewes in the East Wing

ROAD TO CORONATION



Weekday Fellowship Opportunities

Get-together-Girls

meet on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m.

Join the ladies for fellowship, devotions, and card ministry. Drop-ins are welcome!

Brown Bag Bible Buddies

Lutheranism 101: The Lord's Supper

meet on Tuesdays at noon, bring your lunch!

Examine what Scripture and the Confessions have to say about the life-giving blessing given by God to the Church: a miracle in bread and wine established by the God-man Jesus Christ—the gift of His true body to eat and His true blood to drink for the forgiveness of sins.

Monthly Opportunities—

First Tuesday of Month, 7:00 p.m.

Men's Bible Study—Double Classroom—West Hallway



Next Meeting for Stephen Ministry

March 7 & 28 at 6:30
in the East Wing.

WEDNESDAY MIDWEEK SCHEDULE

5:45-6:30	Dinner
6:30-7:30	Midweek Classes
8:00	Young Adult Ministry

MIDWEEK CLASSES

Preschool-6th grade Confirmation Preparation. All students will be fed spiritually and learn the value of God's Word and of their church family

7th & 8th Grade Confirmation led by DCE Cynthia Lavrenz

High School small groups led by DCE Leland Jackson

ADULT BIBLE STUDIES

Before Amen, written by Max Lucado.

The power of a simple prayer.

Do you struggle to pray?

We aren't the first to struggle with prayer.

Join Max Lucado on a journey to the very heart of Biblical prayer and these six simple lines: Father. You are good. I need help. They need help. Thank you. In Jesus's name, amen.

Facilitated by Kathy Jackson—in the Meeting Room

Romans—LifeLight

God reveals the way of salvation to us through His Word.

Led by Ron Thiele—across from Cynthia's office

Financial Peace University

Financial Peace University, a 9-week DVD curriculum! It is highly entertaining for everyone, with a unique combination of humor, informative financial advice, and biblical messages. Cost: Free for members of Trinity!

Contact Church Office for more information

Study ^{the} Bible
with us



March 2017 Servants

Worship Assistants
Altar Committee

Darett Burr & Michael Reagle
Jill Reagle

Acolytes

March 1 (Ash Wednesday) Bryce Foreman & Kaleb Reagle
5 Holley Douglas
8 Lent Chloe Powell
11 5:30 Jenna Nelson
12 Colby Cessna
15 Lent Jenna Nelson
19 Calista Davis
22 Lent Holley Douglas
26 Bryce Foreman
29 Lent Kaleb Reagle
April 2 Chloe Powell
5 Lent Colby Cessna
9 Jenna Nelson

PowerPoint

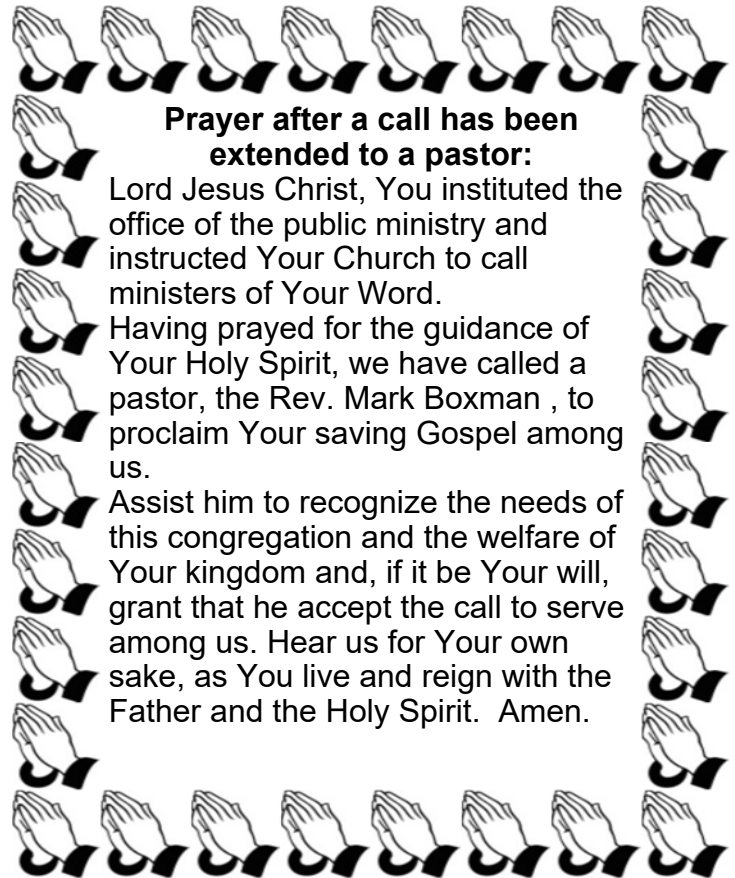
March 1 (Ash Wednesday) Grace Reagle
5 Bailey Pauley
8 Lent Alexis Powell
11 5:30 Grace Reagle
12 Chloe Powell
15 Lent Colby Cessna
19 Clara Jackson
22 Lent Alex Foreman
26 Bryce Foreman
29 Lent Grace Reagle
April 2 Bailey Pauley
5 Lent Chloe Powell
9 Alexis Powell

Lectors

March 5 Jay Meyer
11 Tim Lavrenz
12 Kelly Butcher
19 Ed Adams
26 Alice Banning

Nursery

February 5 Alexis Powell
12 Grace Reagle
19 Brianna Pauley
26 Bailey Pauley



Prayer after a call has been extended to a pastor:

Lord Jesus Christ, You instituted the office of the public ministry and instructed Your Church to call ministers of Your Word.

Having prayed for the guidance of Your Holy Spirit, we have called a pastor, the Rev. Mark Boxman , to proclaim Your saving Gospel among us.

Assist him to recognize the needs of this congregation and the welfare of Your kingdom and, if it be Your will, grant that he accept the call to serve among us. Hear us for Your own sake, as You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

JUST 4 YOUTH!



Wednesday Youth Activities

Join us Wednesdays for dinner beginning at 5:45, Youth Ministry at 6:30

Past Calendar:

Youth Quake—February 3-5



Rachelle Powell, Holley Douglas, Leland Jackson, Chloe Powell, Bryce Foreman & Mallorie Gonzales

Ski Trip February 16-19, 2017

Peter Hall, Clara & Leland Jackson, Jeremy & Kyler Millershaski and Hannah Schultz along with friends. Andrew Carlson, Trey Caffee, Tyler Cloud, Logan Durst, Sarah Hansen, Nathan Koerperich, Jayson & Levi Lambert, Ricardo Landeros, Andrew Morss, Leif Pucket, Caroline Robinson, Grace & Linda Selee, Jordan Smith, Kelly Sowers, Rod, Tara, Jesse & Anna York & Mariah Yount



Teen Fellowship Retreat—Hesston, KS March 4-5 for Senior High Youth

The focus for the overnight is on Social Media.

MEXICO MISSION

Mexico Mission Trip—March 11-17, 2017 and March 17-24, 2017

Registered include: Ed Adams, Austin Bond, Mark Estrada, Stacy Gonzalez, Peter Hall, Clara, Kathy, Leland and Tasha Jackson, Kyler Millershaski, The Nolan Family, Bailey, Brianna, Katy and Paul Pauley, Ethan Perkins, Bernie Reetz with friends a total of 24.

The Second Week has 31 participating from Missouri, Nortonville, Ottawa, Wichita, Atwood and Garden City.



Future Calendar:

Pure Rebellion coming to Garden City performing at Clifford Hope Auditorium Friday and Saturday, March 24 & 25 at 7:00 p.m.



Wild Wild West
April 7 & 8
Paintball event
in Colby and
Rexford.

Young Adult Ministry! (YAMs)

Post High School through 30's meet
Wednesdays from 8-9 p.m. in the church basement!



**Annual Memorial Day Servant Event at
LVR, May 25-29 Cost: \$25.00**

Summer Camp

Senior High at LVR—July 16-21.

Registrations open on March 1. There are only 100 spots open for this camp. \$425 is the cost of the camp. Trinity Lutheran has scholarships. Deposit is \$125.

Camp for younger elementary ages:
Cindy Messenger and Leland will work to help you get to camp this summer.

The Annual Canoe Trip is August 2-5

Cost is \$140 but for members of Trinity the cost is only \$80.00 which covers meals, transportation, camping and rental.

TLC PRESCHOOL



Spring is just around the corner, and so is preschool enrollment for the next school year! We will start pre-enrollment for Trinity members and Alumni on Wednesday March 8th at 7:30 pm; and nonmembers and new to our program on Wednesday March 22nd also at 7:30 pm. If you know of someone who would be interested in joining us please take a flyer to them and have them call the church and talk to Tammy Lampe or Brittany Barnhardt.

Have you been down our hallway and seen our "ZOO"? The walls are full and we still have more to go! March is sure going to be a busy and happy month while we continue working on more animals. Trinity 3 will also be preparing for spring, only by way of shapes! Come down and read the book we are working on, each week we will be looking to see, "What do you see?" THANK YOU to the parents, youth and members for your support to make the preschool FUN NIGHT, well fun and a success, we cannot do it without your help! Again thank you.

Serving Christ together,
Tammy Lampe & Brittany Barnhardt

Current Team

Bernie Reetz
Julie Cessna
Jay Meyer
Katy Pauley
Diann Stone
Tim and Cynthia Lavrenz

Meeting planned for March 6th @ 6:30



REFORMATION
2017 *It's Still* All About
Jesus

Interested in being part of our
TLC Planning Committee
for
2017 Reformation
Events

Contact: Cynthia
Stop by the office
Call: 276-3110

Email: dcecynthia@tlcgck.kscoxmail.com



Mark Your Calendars NOW!
CHANGE
A Week Focusing on
Bible Stories and Fun!
May 21-25
Kick Off
Sunday May 21 at 3:00pm
2 hours of VBS Activities
closing with a BBQ at 5:00
Monday 22-Thursday 25
9 to Noon



Paul Chmielewski	3/1		Taylor Odneal	3/21	
Stephanie Wright		3/2	Richard Uthe	3/21	
Evelyn Kowalke	3/3		Calista Davis		3/22
Kylee Kruleski	3/3		Harvick Sowers	3/23	
Toni Erichsen		3/8	Scott Dunagan		3/24
Aleesha Sauseda	3/9		Michelle Fief	3/25	
Chad Messenger		3/11	Kim Hamilton	3/25	
Pamela Yardley		3/11	Tenlee Beery		3/26
Kayla Kuhlman	3/12		Britaney Foreman		3/26
Caddo Meeks	3/12		Earl Robinson		3/26
William Bridges		3/14	Brandan Foreman	3/27	
Jeremy Millershaski		3/14	Zander Hallmark	3/27	
Brenda Algrim	3/16		Abby Hogan	3/27	
Lola Chmielewski		3/17	Ashley Jackson		3/28
Angela Bridges	3/18		Francisco Esquivel	3/29	
Alisha Dugan	3/18		Shannon Gigot	3/29	
Melvina Galliard		3/19	Gordon Wright	3/29	
Carlie Obregon		3/19	Harold Mai		3/30



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Harold & Connie Mai		3/3
Frank & Dawnnel Francis	3/5	
Brett & Rachelle Powell		3/10
Trent & Brooke McMillan	3/18	
Roy & Julie Cessna		3/22
Doug & Kay Petersen		3/22
Robert & Brenda Drees	3/27	
Paul & Katy Pauley	3/27	



PieceMakers

Twenty-five children, youth, and adults sewed over Christmas break and completed 16 quilts. The quilts were sent to North Carolina for Hurricane Matthew Relief. Pictured is Pastor Eric Hollar distributing a PieceMaker quilt in Lumberton, NC. Pastor Eric serves the Southeastern District of the LCMS, and has a strong presence in communities affected by Hurricane Matthew.

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod
Stewardship Newsletter Article March 2017



Lent is fast approaching. Lent is a time of reflection, repentance and renewal. The root word for "lent" is "lenchen" which means 'spring'. Beneath the brown color of late winter comes the verdant color of green, a hint of renewed growth. God has accomplished our anticipation of renewal by sending His Son. We must be ready to reflect, repent and be renewed during this season. God's great love gives us the law to point out when and where we have erred but also grants faith, faith in action, so that we are not weighed down by false belief, despair, and other great shame or vice.

How should we approach lent? Dreary, brown, perhaps cold, closed off, down-trodden, or should we raise our eyes and return to God's Word for the sure hope of Christ's resurrection? We should choose God's Word. "Anyone who receives instruction in the word must share all good things with his instructor" (Gal 6:6). In other words, everything else that we might give to during the year — laudable and worthy charities — are to be on top of what we give to our local congregation. For the local congregation is the place that serves us with the gifts of Christ's death and resurrection. The local congregation is where our spiritual needs are met when Christ's atonement is preached, when the forgiveness of sins is proclaimed, when we were baptized into the name of the Triune God, and when we partake of the body and blood of the risen and living Lamb of God.

When we receive these great gifts, what does God's Word say to us regarding faith in action. His instructions are these: to give regularly (1 Cor 6:1-2), proportionally (1 Cor 16:1-2; 2 Cor 8:12), and generously (2 Cor 8:20) of our first fruits (Gen 4:4; Prov 3:9; Lev 27:30) with a spirit of eagerness (2 Cor 9:2), earnestness (2 Cor 8:7), cheerfulness (2 Cor 9:7), and love (2 Cor 8:23).

This return to God's Word is part of our Lenten steps. Greater thought, greater reliance upon God's Word and greater faith strides will result in faith in action. This makes giving a joy. This joy has a promised blessing. For it is more blessed to give than to receive (Acts 20:35).

Anticipate the joy of the season to come by rightly using Lent to help us make greater strides in our stepping stones of faith at Trinity. God Bless your Lenten journey in 2017.

Stewardship Committee

Wednesday Schedule
March 8, 15, 22, 29, April 5,

5:45 pm Dinner
6:30 pm Lenten Worship
7:00 pm Midweek Classes & Mentor Time
Round Table Discussion in Fellowship Hall
8:00 pm Young Adult Ministry

Maundy Thursday with First Communion

April 13 at 6:30 p.m.

Good Friday Worship

April 14 at 6:30 p.m.

Easter Worship April 16

8:00 a.m. Breakfast
9:00 a.m. Easter Festival (HC)
10:15 a.m. Sunday School



Return Service Requested

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Trinity Lutheran Church : Vision Statement

To create a 21st century mission post in southwest Kansas where people of all ages are touched by the love of Jesus in dynamic worship, Bible study and fellowship;

A mission post where persistent efforts will be made to equip disciples, using every resource the Spirit makes available, to share Christ with everyone.

Mission Minded

Inspired to use spiritual gifts

Serving in love

Seeking the lost

Integrating all members

Ongoing education for all

Nurturing family environment

Praying priesthood

Opportunities for giving/receiving God's grace

Scripturally focused

Touched by Christ's love