

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Sunday, March 10

8:00am-9:00am: Worship Service-Communion
9:30am-10:15am: Sunday School and Adult Bible Classes
10:30am-11:30am: Worship Service
1:00pm-3:00pm: Jr. Youth Bowling
2:00pm: LWML Baby Shower Tea & Children's Fashion Show

Monday, March 11

9:00am-3:00pm: World Relief Quilting
6:30pm-8:30pm: Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, March 12

10:00am-11:00am: Seniors' Bible Study

Wednesday, March 13

6:30am-7:30am: Sunrise Bible Study
8:15am-9:30am: School Chapel
12:00pm-3:00pm: Ladies Aid Meeting
4:00pm-5:00pm: Public School Catechism
5:30pm: Lenten Meal
6:30pm-7:30pm: Mid-week Lenten Worship

Thursday, March 14

8:30am-3:30pm: The Trinity Wood Workers
9:00am-2:30pm: Trinity Quilters

Friday, March 15

No Scheduled Events

Saturday, March 16

5:30pm-6:30pm: Worship Service

LENTEN SCHEDULE

- Wed., Mar 13, 6:30pm Lenten Service-School
5:30pm Dinner:
- Wed., Mar 20, 6:30pm Lenten Service-School
5:30pm Dinner: Quilters
- Wed., Mar 27, 6:30pm Lenten Service-School
5:30pm Dinner: Women with Mission
- Wed., Apr 3, 6:30pm Lenten Service-School
5:30pm Dinner:
- Wed., Apr 10, 6:30pm Lenten Service-School
5:30pm Dinner:

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

- Sun., Apr 14, 8:00am and 10:30am Palm Sunday Services (Confirmation at 10:30am)-Church
- Thurs., Apr 18, 6:30pm Maundy Thursday Communion Service-Church
- Fri., Apr 19 1:10pm Good Friday Service-Church
- Fri., Apr 19, 7:00pm Tenebrae Service-Church
- Sat., Apr 20 5:30pm Holy Saturday Service-School
- Sun., April 21, 6:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am Easter Sunday Service
Church Breakfast at School 8:00am-11:00am

UPCOMING EVENTS

LENTEN SEASON CONTINUES WITH SERVICES AT THE SCHOOL: On Ash Wednesday, the Church began a holy season of prayerful and penitential reflection. Our attention is especially directed to the holy sufferings and death of our Lord Jesus Christ. From ancient times the season of Lent has been kept as a time of special devotion, self-denial, and humble repentance born of a faithful heart that dwells confidently on His Word and draws from it life and hope. Let us pray that our dear Father in heaven, for the sake of His beloved Son and in the power of His Holy Spirit, might richly bless this Lenten season for us so that we may come to Easter with glad hearts and celebrate this wonderful gift in truth and sincerity. The season continues with weekly Lenten services at the school, preceded by a Lenten dinner at 5:30pm.

JR YOUTH BOWLING ADVENTURE: Strikes and spares await one and all on **Sun., Mar. 10**, from 1pm-3pm. Youth in 7th and 8th grade are invited to come along and even bring a friend. Cost is determined by the total number of people. Email Morgan Grillot at mgrillot@trinity-luther.com, if you are interested!

BABY SHOWER TEA & CHILDREN'S FASHION SHOW: All gals are invited-young and old-on **Sun., Mar. 10**, at 2:00pm at the Trinity Parish Center for a couple of hours of fun, fellowship, and giving a helping hand. This Tea is sponsored by the Springfield Zone LWML to benefit the Pregnancy Care Center of Springfield. The shower "gifts" (donations of baby items or monetary) that we bring that afternoon will be given to the Pregnancy Center. A list of suggested gifts can be seen at www.SpringfieldPregnancyCare.org. The fashions will be little dresses made from pillowcases or other yardage that will then be sent to young girls in need around the world. Thank you to Thrivent for their support of this Baby Shower Tea through the Thrivent Action Team program. Please RSVP by **Mon., Mar. 4**, to your Ladies Aid President, Donna Gram, 217-787-5897, fudge13@sbcglobal.net or WWM President, Shannon Shannon, runnerdragon28@gmail.com.

LADIES AID MEETING: Will meet on **Wed., Mar 13**, at noon in the parish hall. A potluck lunch will be provided by the J-Z members. Member Lisa Krueger will be sharing information about Days for Girls, a program that supports the menstrual needs of women and girls throughout the world. As a servant, we will be preparing items for Days for Girls' kits. Debbie Rodenburg will lead devotions. Contact Florence Matheny, if you need transportation.

THE TRINITY WOOD WORKERS: Will meet at the Midwest Mission Center, **Thurs., Mar., 14**. For more information, contact Roger Schlichting at 217-836-2053 or raschlichting@comcast.net.

SPRINGFIELD PREGNANCY CENTER: In Celebration of 40 years of service, the Pregnancy Care Center will hold its Annual Spring Luncheon on **Mon., Apr. 8**, from 10:30am-1:00pm at the Northfield Center. This fun spring event includes lunch, a silent auction, a bake sale, a raffle and musical entertainment by "On Occasion," A Quartet from Sound Celebration Chorus. Lunch will be served at noon. Seats are \$30 and reservations are required. To reserve a seat can call the Center at 217-525-5630.

30TH ANNUAL LUTHERAN HIGH BLUE TIE AND PEARLS AUCTION: The Lutheran High Association Office is now accepting donations for the **Sat., Apr. 27**, annual auction at Northfield Center. We hope you plan to join us at this fun event. Doors open and silent auction begins at 5:00pm, with dinner at 6:45pm. The live auction begins at 8pm. Reservations are first come, first serve. DUE to limited seating, you must RSVP with payment. Tickets: \$60 before **Mon., Mar. 11**; \$70 after **Tues., Mar. 12**.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES

THIS WEEK IN SUNDAY SCHOOL: Today in Sunday School, the children will explore the story, "Jesus Clears the Temple". Jesus' cleansing of the temple carries a twofold message for the Jews and for us: first, that the true Lord of the temple was here in the flesh and second and more important, that Jesus is the true temple, who houses and perfects us, raising our bodies to be like His. Parents should ask, "Why did Jesus clear the temple? How is Jesus our temple?"

SUNDAY MORNING HIGH SCHOOL BIBLE CLASS: *What's YOUR Worldview*, taught by Youth Director Cindy Good in the church library.

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE CLASSES:

● **Women's Bible Study:** Join us for Women's bible study on Sunday mornings. Women of all ages are welcome to participate in the discussion! We will be using *He Restores My Soul: Writings on Cross and Comfort* edited by Katie Schuermann (Sherman, IL). There are signed copies available for purchase for \$15 from either Amy Holmes or Karen Hemenway. This study will show us how to find Christ in dire situations many women find themselves in on a daily basis. Topics will include miscarriage, abortion, same sex attraction, terminal illness, and depression. We will equip ourselves with the tools needed to show the grace of Christ where it is needed most. Class is led by Amy Holmes and Karen Hemenway and meets in the Extend Care Room.

● **Lord's Supper Bible Study:** Pastor Holmes will resume last winter's Lord's Supper Bible Study in the Eighth Grade Classroom.

● **How to Read the Bible:** Have you ever tried to read the Bible but found yourself confused about where to start and how it's done? Or maybe you tried once and found yourself so frustrated, baffled or even angry that you just stopped? It doesn't have to be that way! Join us for **How To Read The Bible**. This new two week class on Sunday mornings is designed to give the necessary tools to stay in the Word of God and help you better understand what He says to us in it. This class runs **Mar. 10** through **Mar. 17** and is led by Pastor Hemenway and will meet in the Parish Hall

● **Conquering the Sins We Love:** Falling for temptation isn't inevitable. We don't have to lose the fight. In fact, we can win if we understand the root of the problem and what Christians have done from the beginning to beat them. In this class, we will study the parts of God's Word that reveal the time-tested methods for getting victory over sin. The sins we will discuss are not what most would consider to be the "biggies," like infidelity or theft. Instead, we will focus on the everyday temptations that all of us fall prey to, including desire, anxiety, procrastination, media, pride and laziness. This class will be led by Pastor Hemenway in the Parish Hall, at the conclusion of **How To Read the Bible**.

TUESDAY MORNING LADIES BIBLE STUDY: Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study will meet in March at Vickie Douglas' home, 1204 Interlacken (near Our Savior's). We will continue our study of *Proverbs*. On March 26, we will meet at Debbie Rodenburg's home, 3908 Marigold. For more information, please call 698-8554.

TUESDAY SENIOR CITIZENS BIBLE CLASS: Class begins at 10:00am in the Parish Center. For more information, please call the church office at 217-787-2323.

SUNRISE BIBLE STUDY (Wednesday): Join us in the school library for Sunrise Bible Study every Wednesday at 6:30am. For more information, please contact Bill Rast at 217-585-0571.

UPCOMING EVENTS CONTINUED

RELIEF FUND: Over the years, many individuals and families have received much needed assistance through Trinity's Relief Fund. Thank you for your generous and many gifts to make this possible. However, a special collection for the Relief Fund has not occurred since 2016. As a result, the Relief Fund is seriously depleted. We're asking for your prayerful assistance at this time. Please make out your check(s) to Trinity Lutheran, noting "Relief Fund" in the memo line. Please deposit those offerings in the collection plate. In addition, include your envelope number on the memo line would be most helpful. An option to contribute via e-giving is also available.

TRINITY TRIVIA NIGHT: The 8th grade class will be hosting a trivia night on **Fri., Mar. 22**, at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall to help fund the upcoming 8th grade class trip. If you are interested in reserving a table, please contact the school office.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

LENTEN DINNERS: We have openings for Lenten Dinner hosts on **Wed., Mar., 13**, and **Wed., Apr. 3**. If your group would like to provide dinner one of these dates, please call the church office at 217-787-2323.

CHURCH CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS: Contribution Statements for 2018 have been mailed out and delivered. If you have not received your statement, please contact the church office at 217-787-2323.

EASTER OFFERINGS AND E-GIVING: During the Easter season, it is encouraging to see both new and familiar faces at our worship services! Throughout the year, many of you already support the congregation with your time, talent and financial contributions and Trinity is blessed by your stewardship. As you contemplate your future contributions, we encourage you to look into our electronic giving program as a convenient option to support our mission of "Sharing Christ, Meeting Needs". Electronic giving is a way to automate your giving and provides much-needed donation consistency for our congregation. It takes just a few minutes to set up a recurring giving plan or make a one-time donation. Visit Trinity's Giving page at <http://www.trinity-lutheran.com/giving/to> learn about our online, mobile app and text giving options.

HELPING HANDS SHELTER: The meal dates scheduled for the remainder of 2019 are: **Apr. 1, May 31, July 1, Aug. 30 and Nov. 4**. If you or your group are interested in participating with this project, please call Byron Welt at 217-803-0107. A meal will cost in the range of \$160-\$180. If you wish to help with funding, please make your check payable to Trinity Lutheran Church, memo line "Helping Hands".

ALTAR FLOWER OPPORTUNITY: Providing flowers can be a wonderful opportunity to commemorate a special event or loved one, as well as reminding us of the beauty of God's creation and the life we have obtained through Christ. Plenty of dates are still available for the opportunity to donate altar flowers: **July 14, 21, 28; Sept. 8; Nov. 3, 17; Dec. 22**. *Flower charts* for signing up for this great opportunity are available in the Parish Center lobby or in the narthex of the church building. The price in order to purchase the flowers is \$40 plus tax – or for a more elaborate arrangement \$50 plus tax. A reminder with the steps for ordering the flowers will be sent to you when the date you have graciously selected gets near. Plus, you will have the opportunity to take the flowers following the 5:30pm or 10:30am service to decorate your own home. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Janie Rast at 217-585-0571 or Susan Schultz at 217-483-5225.

LWML CID MISSION GRANTS UPDATE: The LWML CID has funded \$55,000 in mission grants so far this fiscal year. Student aid for church workers received \$30,000; improvements to the Camp CILCA kitchen and Christian Growth Center received \$15,000; the Seminary Food Banks at Ft. Wayne and St. Louis have received \$10,000 (\$5,000 each). Those pennies, nickels, dimes, and quarters do add up. There is, however, another \$16,250 in grants that still need funding before the fiscal year ends on March 31. Camp CILCA's removing barriers to make the camp more handicapped accessible is still awaiting funding of \$12,000; Deaconess Kim Bueltmann's ministry as a Refugee Outreach Facilitator is waiting for partial funding of \$4,250. New mission grants will be voted on at the District Convention in Danville on April 27th. Will Camp CILCA and Deaconess Bueltmann be funded? Which projects will be funded for the 2019-2020 FY? Stay tuned for updates.

To submit an announcement, please visit trinity-lutheran.com/submission.

The deadline for the next bulletin is Tuesday, March 12, at 6am.

CHOIR SCHEDULE:

MARCH 2019

Preschool/Kindergarten

March 23: 5:30pm Service

Primary Choir

March 17: 10:30am Service

March 27: 6:30pm Service

Junior Choir

March 16: 5:30pm Service

March 20: Lenten Service

Trinity Choir

March 10: 10:30am Service

March 13: Lenten Service

March 31: 8:00am Service

Adult Choir

March 10: 8:00am Service

March 24: 8:00am Service

March 31: 10:30am Service

TRUSTING IN THE LORD CONTRIBUTIONS REPORT:

Through the month of February 2019

Months completed: 27

Months to go: 9

Pledges made: \$746,518

Amount received (80%): \$603,307

REBATE: By staying current with our mortgage payments last year, we were able to receive a \$19,258 interest rebate from the Central Illinois District Church Extension Fund.

This was applied back toward the principal on our construction loan. The Church Extension Fund was able to offer this rebate for the last eleven years to congregations with mortgages from CEF due to good management on their part and the faithful payment on those loans. Please continue to support our District's Church Extension Fund when you are looking to invest. You not only get a good return on your money but you are helping to expand ministries in our District.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL PHONE NUMBER

217-787-2323 is the primary phone number for *both* the church and the school.

We all have times that tragedy can happen and a pastor needs to be contacted immediately. The emergency phone number is intended for emergencies such as a death, serious accident/injury. When you call the emergency phone number you will be connected with our answering service. The operator who receives the call will take your message and promptly forward it to the pastor on-call.

Emergency Phone Number: 217-522-8151.

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOT LUNCH MENU

Monday, March 11:

Ravioli, Garlic Stick, Fruit, Milk

Tuesday, March 12:

Chicken Chili Crispto, Green Beans, Fruit, Milk

Wednesday, March 13:

Taco, Refried Beans, Corn, Salsa, Fruit, Milk

Thursday, March 14:

Hot Dog Bar, Mixed Vegetables, Chips, Fruit, Milk

Friday, March 15:

Fish Shapes, Tater Tots, Fruit, Milk.

ATHLETICS

BASKETBALL

TOURNAMENTS HOSTED AT TRINITY: On behalf of the 7/8, 5/6 Boys Youth Group, 7/8 GSLAA Boys Tournament Committee's and the Athletic Committee we want to say thank-you to everyone who stepped forward to help during each. All were great successes which wouldn't have occurred without you.

LUTHERAN STATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT: For a second year in a row our Varsity Girls Team participated in the State Basketball finals. The Girls played their hearts out, winning 1 game and losing 2 heartbreakers, one by 2 pts and the other by 3. Congratulations on a Great Season Ladies! All of our Teams this year played hard each and every game with some wins and tough loses. The future looks bright for our Boys and Girls Basketball Programs.

TRACK: Here we go! Basketball and winter is about over with spring just around the corner which means it's time for the Track Season to begin. Coach Eric Budde is excited about the upcoming season and building on successes participants had last year. We highly encourage Student Athletes in grades 4-8 to come out for the Team, you never know what hidden talent(s) you may have unless you give it a try. You may go to: <https://band.us/n/a3afz724qfa3S> and join the Trinity Track Band App. Coach Budde will be using this to keep you updated on practice times and any cancellations or changes due to weather.

Below are the dates for this year's meets. All are held on Saturdays except the LSA State Meet which occurs on a Sat. and Sun. **May 18 and 19.**

Mar 30 – St. John's Champaign at the U. of I. Armory on the Campus of the University of Illinois

Apr 13 – Good Shepherd Collinsville at the Collinsville H.S.

Apr 27 – Bethel Morton at Bethel H.S.

May 4 – CID Meet Hosted by Trinity Bloomington at Heyworth H.S.

May 11 – Trinity Bloomington "last opportunity to qualify" Meet at Olympia H.S.

May 18 & 19 LSA State Meet at Concordia University Chicago, River Forest, IL

LUTHERAN HIGH ANNOUNCEMENTS

6TH GRADE DAY: All 6th grade students are cordially invited to 6th Grade Day, **Fri., Mar 22.** Students will attend mini-classes from 9-11:30 with a spaghetti lunch in our cafeteria until noon. If students are able to stay for the afternoon, our drama department will put on a dress rehearsal of its production, "*Nice Work: If You Can Get It*".

STUDENT REGISTRATION: Thinking of registering your student at Lutheran High School for the 2019-2020 school year? Now is the time! Please contact Administration Coordinator, Kim Wilson, at 217-546-6363 ext 138 or k.wilson@spiluhi.org to learn how your family can become part of LuHi's 40th year of leading from generation to generation!

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

TOGETHER IN MISSION: As a congregation we recently made a donation of \$1,500.00 to Central Illinois District (CID) Missions. CID Missions provides major financial support to 4 campus ministries (U of I, ISU, EIU, WIU) deaf ministry (the only District deaf ministry of its kind in the Synod), two ministries conducting outreach in Spanish, two pastors doing prison ministry, and an emerging urban ministry prospect on the south side of Peoria. Pastor Ken Schurb reported to the District convention last year that, "The District cannot continue doing precisely what we have been doing. We cannot financially afford all these current endeavors. Bluntly, without a substantial increase in income, reconfiguration seems unavoidable. Somewhere or other, activity will be curtailed. Since missions comprise so much of District activity, missions will end up curtailed." We have posted the most recent copy of Central Illinois District newsletter "The Gate Post" at the Church and School or you can read it on-line at cidlcms.org/gatepost. Please prayerfully consider supporting this very important mission by using your 'Together in Mission' contribution envelope!

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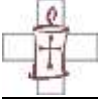
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MEMORIALS FOR FEBRUARY

In Honor of Travis & Margie Hindman's 50th Wedding Anniversary:

Music Fund-Dr. Richard & Bette Bilinski, Dan Courtney, Denise Druhot, Larry Hardy, Mr. & Mrs. Herb Denniss, Pat Schulz, Robert Stuart.



SPECIAL BIRTHDAYS IN MARCH

3/3: Ruth Young
3/17: Lee Luebke



ANNIVERSARIES IN MARCH

3/03/1983 (36) Scott & Deborah Pedersen
3/12/2012 (7) Adam & Jessica DeJaynes
3/12/1994 (25) Mark & Karen Lopian
3/16/1985 (34) Ed & Dawn James
3/17/1984 (35) Thomas & Valerie Baker
3/20/1982 (37) Tim & Tonna Kloeden
3/22/1969 (50) Ray & Carol Boehner
3/23/1985 (34) Robert & Sue Ann Long
3/25/1972 (47) Jack & Donna Gram
3/26/1983 (36) Pat & Rita Devine
3/29/1975 (44) Delbert & Betty Fulton
3/30/1996 (23) Brad & Suzanna Stephens