

# **Trinity Tidings**

Trinity Lutheran Church and School 3000 35th Avenue Greeley, Colorado 80634 March 2018

LENTEN SERVICES

10 AM & 7 PM

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BE DONE

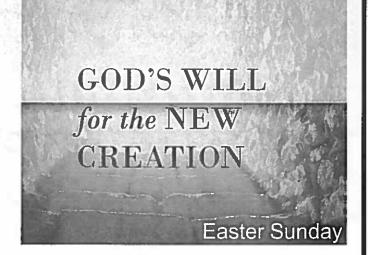


Palm Sunday





Maundy Thursday



A SERIES OF SERVICES for HOLY WEEK



## March

~ Thursday, March 1st ~ @ 1:30 pm

Mite Devotions

Program: Orphan Grain Train

Hostesses: Letha Witt and Karen McNutt

Mission Project: LWML Mites

Birthdays for January, February & March

#### ATTENTION!

The LWML/Ladies Guild is missing one of their beverage dispensers. If you have knowledge of where it is, please contact Karen Langhorn @ 970-392-1226. Thank you!



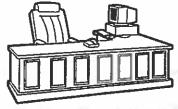
SAVE THE DATE!

ANNUAL LADIES TEA Sponsored by the LWML/Ladies Guild

Saturday, April 28th 2 pm to 4 pm in the Church Fellowship Hall

Watch the Narthex bulletin board for more information and decorating ideas. What things give flavor to your life? Decorate a table and show us the "Spice of Life" for you!

# From the Desk of our **President**



It is March already! Spring is coming. Of course, we Colorado folks know spring is really just a week in May. But it is fun to think about the flowers we will see or plant and to start planning our gardens (or in my case, the pots on the patio).

Les Durdy and Suzie Klein are planning the gardens here. They will be closer to the school this year, in place of the junipers we removed last fall. If you are interested in helping them please talk to Les.

Because of our fiscal year (Jul I to June 30) spring also means budget preparation. The Treasurer, Vicki Akin, is going to give the board Chairs a template for that soon. If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions please give them to the Finance Board members (Vicki, Kristen Merritt and Connie Mapes). The final budget will be presented to the next Voters Meeting.

We are still in the season of Lent. I hope you are enjoying the mid week services and the fellowship at either the lunch after the 10:00 service or the supper before the 7:00 service. We have some great plans for Easter music...if you are interested in singing in the choir or playing with a brass instrument group please let Pastor, Christy Kunze or me know. Did you hear? Brian Wilcox, our Middle School teacher, has volunteered to organize a Choir for Easter. If you are interested, there is a sign up sheet in the Narthex or call the church office and Debi will have Brian get in touch with you regarding practice dates and times.

We have just finished a fundraising campaign to replenish the Scholarship program. Thank you to everyone who donated to this worthy cause. We are always glad to get donations to this fund, it allows us to accept kids who would not otherwise benefit from a Christian education.

If you are wondering where I am this month, I am off on another "bucket list" trip. I will be in Israel and Jordan for 2 weeks in early March. I will miss seeing everyone here, but I am excited to go! Please keep me and my travel group in your prayers.

Blessings, Cheri



#### Trinity Lutheran Church Executive Council Notes February 10, 2018

Minutes of the January 13, 2018 Meeting - Approved and posted to the website.

Treasurer's Report through January 31, 2018 - Reviewed and approved.

#### **Board Reports**

- The Board of Elders and Spiritual Ministries
  - \*Gary Klipp discussed some of the projects included in their five-year plan
  - \*The Board will develop a survey for the congregation relating to needs and resources for members and seniors at their next meeting
  - \*DCE, Angela Erickson's quarterly report is upcoming in March
  - \*Sanctuary stained-glass windows dedication is February 11th
  - \*Working on putting together a choir for Easter services
- The Board of Financial and Stewardship Ministries
  - \*Kristen Meritt reported that cash flow is good but the shortfall has not yet been made up from the deficit approved budget so we have to be mindful of spending
  - \*Gearing up for preparation of next year's budget; Vicki will work on the template
- The Board of Property Ministries
  - \*Les Durdy reported that the Board worked on their five-year plan in conjunction with Paul Jackson
  - \*Discussed landscaping and gardening options around the bus stop and rock areas where the junipers were removed
  - \*Downstairs garbage disposal needs repair
- The Board of Education Ministries
  - \*Pam Clavir said the Board is focused on growing the school; working on both short and long term needs and plans
  - \*Kyle Erickson is working on partnering with local LCMS churches for support
  - \*In addition to the fund raising campaign at the church for the K-8 Scholarship Fund, the Board started a program to contact area business owners to sponsor TLS students as well. Pastor Hafeman is writing the introductory letter.
  - \*Board is talking about expanding the after school program
  - \*Reorganizing the Scholarship Committee. The volunteer hours for parents of scholarship recipients has been doubled and will be raised again.
  - \*New school website is live

#### **Old Business**

None

#### **New Business**

None

# Counting the Cost

Submitted by Larry Whitney Pastoral Assistant

"Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple." Luke 14:27

When the *Titanic* sank in the north Atlantic on April 15, 1912, it carried 2,200 passengers but had lifeboats for only 800. What a miscalculation!

Jesus set the record straight with regard to calculating the cost of discipleship. Following him is no picnic. It means loving Him more than one loves members of their family. It means receiving the same kind of hatred, contempt, and physical abuse heaped on Him.

Jesus cites cases of miscalculation – a man who had miscalculated the cost of building a tower and a king who underestimated the cost of a military campaign. Serious financial losses as well as ridicule followed. Jesus set the price of following Him high: "So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple" (Luke 14:33).

Jesus counted Himself in the cost of His redemptive ministry. Before His arrest in Jerusalem, He announced that He would be mocked, flogged, and crucified, adding, "On the third day He will be raised to life!" (Matthew 17:23) The outcome – Christ's resurrection and our guaranteed salvation – made the sacrifices worthwhile.

How thankful we are that Christ did not use *Titanic* arithmetic in providing salvation for only a few! St. Paul wrote to the Corinthians, "He died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised." (2 Corinthians 5:15) We have no problem now in counting the cost of discipleship. We count it a privilege.

In His Service,

Lavry A. Whitney Pastoral Assistant



# In Our Thoughts & Prayers

The following members of our church are currently either living at home or in a care facility and have limited capability of joining their church family at worship. Please remember them with prayers and perhaps by sending them a card. You may call the church office to obtain their addresses.

- \*Lois Bliss -Home
- \*Melanie Davis Home
- \*Bertha Dill Grace Pointe
- \*Rachel Einspahr Home
- \*Richard & Mildred Ewald -Home
- \*Jack & Caryle Kassahn –Home
- \*Herman Kiel Life Care
- \*Oliver Knaub -Summit -Bonell
- \*Carolyn Martin Summit -Bonell
- \*Ruth McGhghy Bonell Towers

- \*Redonda Patton Bonell Towers
- \*Dave Schonek –Home
- \*Rich Schrader –Fairacres Manor
- \*Vera Schum Someren Glen
- \*Elfrieda Schlager Garden Square
- \*Joye Shafer Centennial Healthcare
- \*Virgil & Iris Troester Bonell Towers
- \*Rosalie Wacker Life Care

### **Remember Our Missionaries**

#### **ASKINS IN ASIA**

www.lcms.org/askins or www.facebook.com/askinsinasia or www.twitter.com/royaskins E-mail: roy.askins@lcmsintl.org

#### **JOHN WOLF**

(retired AF Lt Colonel)
John will oversee all the mission
fields in Africa as a logistics person.
E-mail: John.wolf@lcmsintl.org

#### MICHAEL ERSLAND

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E-mail: Michael.Ersland@lbt.org

#### THE GARMS FAMILY

www.thegarmsfamily.com or www.twitter.com/thegarmsfamily E-mail: <u>info@thegarmsfamily.com</u>

#### **XZAIVIER JAMES** with

Colorado WAR Basketball Players Working with youth in our community to provide opportunities for a better life thru structure, discipline & leadership.

#### KFKA RADIO MINISTRY

Including the Lutheran Hour

#### ANN SIMMONS with

Faith Comes By Hearing E-mail: anns@fcbhmail.org

#### THE VOICE OF MARTYRS

www.icommittopray.com



# School and Preschool Happenings

Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

Exodus 17:11-12 says this:

"As long as Moses held up his hands, the Israelites were winning, but whenever he lowered his hands, the Amalekites were winning. When Moses' hands grew tired, they took a stone and put it under him and he sat on it. Aaron and Hur held his hands up—one on one side, one on the other—so that his hands remained steady till sunset."

We have all, at times, felt like Moses. Tired, exhausted. "Why didn't we schedule spring break in January?" We have also played the role as Aaron and Hur, there to support our brothers and sisters in Christ.



We spent time in February before the church services listening to some of our school teachers explain how God is at work in our school ministries. As their focus was predominately on their classrooms and students, I would like to take a moment to acknowledge and thank all of our Trinity staff, boards, and members for the collaborative effort in growing God's Kingdom.

Tuesday, March 6, we will send 12 staff members to the Nurturing the Faith Conference at Immanuel Lutheran School in Loveland, Colorado. We ask for your prayers that each attendee may leave the conference feeling refreshed and renewed.

March 12-16, Trinity Lutheran School will be closed for Spring Break. Prayers for safe travels and time spent with families and friends.

March 26-29, Trinity Lutheran 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students will be taking the Iowa Test of Basic Skills. This can be an exhausting week, but very beneficial in measuring and tracking the growth of our students. Prayers for our staff and students.

Upon this Rock, Katie Groves & Kyle Erickson TLS Preschool Director & Principal



We are pleased to announce that the new stained glass window project is complete. The new windows were dedicated during both services on Sunday, February 11th. What a change to the sanctuary this has made. Not only will it help with heating and cooling, it is wonderful to see God's sunlight shining through the beautiful colored glass.

This project involved many people. Last year's Easter Love offerings, through the LWML, covered the cost of the clear glass and installation. Thank you everyone who gave to the Easter Love offering. Contributions given to the memorial fund of friends and loved ones were used to purchase the colored glass.

A big thank you to Virtus Einspahr, Peggy Peters, and Cathy Witte from the Memorial Committee who were the initial team that started this project. They helped with the design, using the colors of the Paraments in the glass and working with families to release memorial funds. Virtus worked with Moffat Paint and Glass, getting the bid for removal of old Plexiglas and the installation of impact resistant, double paned thermal glass to protect the stained glass.

Kevin Knief was instrumental in installing lighting to the three windows on the west side of the sanctuary. Kevin not only installed the lighting, but also did the wiring for the project.

Rod Heiden and I are currently working on name plaques for each window. Watch for these to be installed in a few weeks.

Special thanks to Memorial fund donations from: Walt Langhorn, Virgil Heiden, Elva Hiller, Ronald Knaub, Erv Vorderstrasse, Mel Prothe, Gretchen and Randy Brass, Margaret (Peg) Kruger, and a Celebration of Life—Christine Dick.

Kathy Weber

EASTER LOVE OFFERING-It's that time of year when the Easter Love Offering envelope comes up in our giving envelope box. These envelopes are an additional offering of thanksgiving during this time of remembrance when God sent His Son to die on the cross as the ultimate sacrifice. Each year, the LWML chooses a project to direct these offerings towards. Last year, they used the funds to cover the cost of the double-paned windows that protect the new stained glass windows. This year, 10% will go to the Orphan Grain Train Mission and the remaining 90% will go towards reconditioning the pews in our sanctuary. This is a *BIG* project and the estimate to do all the pews is between \$25,000 to \$30,000,



depending on any increases in the cost of materials between now and the time the money is raised and the project started. Prayerfully consider giving to this worthwhile project. Place your contribution in the "Easter Love Offering" envelope and drop it in the offering plate on Sunday morning, anytime between now and Easter Sunday.

Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

February was another full month at Trinity for our young people and their families. Seeing people of all ages marked with our ash crosses on Ash Wednesday touched my heart — especially the littlest ones. The youth who participated in the Escape Room were able to crack the codes and escape in only 25 minutes! I was very impressed! The Prayer Stations on the last Sunday of the month had a great turn-out; my prayer is that it was an encouraging and beneficial experience for everyone who participated.

From the Director of Christian Education



Coming up in March:

1st and 3rd Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.:TNT (Thursday Night Teens)

Senior high students, meet at Starbucks near Centerplace (47<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Hwy 34) for Bible Study and fellowship. We will be looking into Lee Strobel's <u>Case for Christ</u> as a way to explore the tough questions asked of Christians in defending their faith.



#### Thursday, March 29th: Seder Meal for All Youth

Come experience the supper as Jesus and His disciples would have as we come back again to the night on which He was betrayed. From the matzo (unleavened) bread to the four cups (of grape juice). Watch for more information in upcoming Sunday bulletins. We will begin at 5:30 pm.

Coming Up Next Month:

Easter Sunday, April 1st: Easter Worship! Easter Breakfast! Easter Festivities! Stay tuned for the details!

Angela Erickson, Director of Christian Education Trinity Lutheran Church and School (830) 832-3568

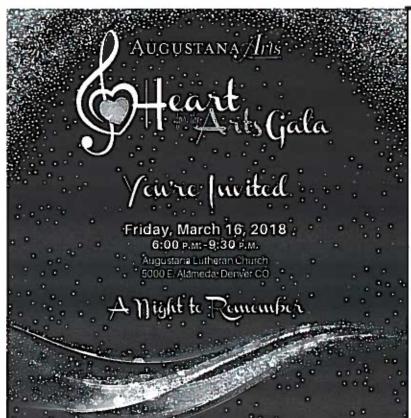
## **Cooks Night Out**

Our March Cooks Night Out will be Saturday, March 24th, at Chipotle Mexican Grill in Greeley. Chipotle's will donate a percentage of your ticket back to the school!



They are open from 10:45 am to 9 pm (lunch and supper, so plan to take your cook out to eat for lunch, supper or both!)

Coupons will be available in the Church Narthex on Sunday, March 18th. Be sure to join us for food, fun and fellowship! See you there!



Augustana Arts' Heart for the Arts
Gala -Please join us for a night to
remember on Friday, March 16, at
Augustana Lutheran Church. The evening
includes dinner, silent/live auctions, and
performances of Stratus String Quartet,
Stratus Chamber Orchestra, and the
Colorado Women's/Men's Chorale.
Tickets are \$65 per guest or \$450 a table
of eight. We are also seeking donations
for the auction.

Visit www.AugustanaArts.org for reservations or more details

Lynn Nestingen, PhD Executive Director 303-388-4962 –phone 303-941-4948 –cell

A Note from the Editor-The 2018 Winter Olympics are over. Athletes from around the world are already home or headed home. Viewers are either sad to see this once every four year winter sports event over, or they are glad to see their regular television viewing resume. Personally, I am a little sad. Not because they are over, but that I barely paid any attention to them. When I was a kid, I had a pair of skates and would regularly spend hours skating on the frozen lakes near our farm. Okay, maybe not hours, it was cold. Back then I didn't have heated anything, like today's Olympians have. I was frozen to the television set, though, watching all the ice skaters compete. My dreams have faded. They have been replaced by a "bucket list" and sometimes it seems like my bucket is full of holes. I have found, that no matter how many things I think I have to do, God is always there to guide me, prioritize for me, and comfort me when I stumble and fall flat on my face. I have found a peace in knowing that although things can seem impossible to accomplish, with God, the things that need to get done, get done. The key is to put it is His hands and let go. I can do nothing on my own, I am nothing without God. Everything I am, everything that I have, are all gifts from God (and I am blessed to have some stellar gifts in my children, my grand children, my family and friends, and so many other gifts). But this not my home. I am a sojourner here. My home is with my Heavenly Father and when it is His time, He will call me home. There I will skate to my heart's content and there will be no need for a "bucket list". May God bless you with gifts that delight your heart and provide you with all that you need.



SAVE STAMPS FOR MISSIONS -Once again a big envelope of stamps went to Texas with our friend after Christmas. Many thanks to those who are saving canceled postage stamps. This is a big LWML project in Texas that has not gone over as well here in Colorado. The Texas LWML ladies carry scissors in their purses to meetings,

rallies and conventions to trim the stamps while they listen to the speakers. All stamps are used and sold to stamp collectors. The money us used for LWML mission projects. The stamps need at least 1/4 inch of the envelope left around it-cut or torn. Stamps that bring in more money are those from other countries -write to your missionaries! Most will answer back. If the postmark is different, that brings in more money. You may save stamps at home until Christmas or give them to Margie Allmann or leave them in Pastor Allmann's mailbox above the coat rack in church. People have told me that they don't get many stamps. If 10 people save 3 or 4 stamps, that adds up to 30 or 40 stamps. Let us keep those Texas ladies busy!

Thank you.

Margie Allmann





Mark your Calendar

#### Plan ahead.

Debi will be out of the office March 13-16 over Spring Break. Larry Whitney will be answering phones in the mornings, but the office will be completely closed after noon. Scrip cards will not be available at the school that week. The bulletin deadline for Sunday, March 18th will be on Wednesday, March 7th at 3:00 pm. The newsletter deadline will remain the same, March 15th by 3:00 pm. Thank you.



I-Helen Andersen
I-Judah Kunze
2-Aaron Wicke
3-Wilbert Lutz
5 -Linda Harms
6-Verne Einspahr
6-Briana Lambert
7-Tiffani Martin
8 -Beverly Severns
10 -Albert Reichel
12 -Mathew Hammers
13 - Betty Windsheimer
14 -Donna Thorgesen
15 -Lyla Anderson

15 – Davanee McKinney15 – Donald Wacker

16 -Autumn Adema

17 -Laura Reiter

18-Sandra Cooper 20-Margie Allmann 20-Tim Brass 21-Linda Gold 21-Kayleigh Meritt 22 – Mark McKinley 22 -Hannah Roohr 24 –Dale Rains 24 -Terri Swanson 25 -Bobbie Blake 25 –Ruth Knief 26 -Randy Peters 27-Fred Meyer 28 - Fred Brockett 30 -Linda Rains 30 –Dan Swanson 31 -Carl Block 31 - Christy Kunze

Oren & Judy Nero –25 yrs.

Mike & Kim Morrison –28 yrs.

Donald & Judy Roth –33 yrs.

Jon & Gail Wicke -33 yrs.

Dan & Terri Swanson –36 yrs.

Douglas & Jeanne Bliss –37 yrs.

Doug & Betty Holgerson –51 yrs.



# March Altar Flowers

~Schedule~

You may sign up to bring flowers for future months. The chart is on the wall by door to the old church office or call the church office, 330-2485.

#### March 4

Vicki Akin/Christine Dick's 102 Birthday

March II Available

March 18

Earl & Doloros Weiss Anniversary

March 25

Palm Sunday-Available



2018 Calendar is waiting for you to pick a date!

#### ~Attendance~

January 14	Early -123	Late -81
January 21	Early -80	Late -35
January 28	Early -138	Late -63
February 4	Early -122	Late -65
February II	Early -133	Late -74
February 18	Early -122	Late87



James Rewerts

Born 7-26-1924 Died 1-24-2018



#### **Sunday Mornings**

8:00 am—Traditional service

9:20 am –Sunday School & Adult Bible Studies

10:30 am -Contemporary Service

Holy Communion 2nd, 4th, & 5th Sundays



### Ministry Assistants—March Schedule

#### March 4

Elders -8:00 am Ken Clavir; 10:30 am Dale Schlichenmayer

Ushers -Ken Einspahr

Sound -8:00 am Dan Swanson; 10:30 am Chad Kaspar

Video -8:00 am Mary Beitz; 10:30 am Marlo Kaspar

Scripture -8:00 am Luke Kunze; 10:30 am Brenda Schmidt

Organist -Ken Streeb

Security -8:00 am Oren Nero; 10:30 am Bret Schmidt



#### March II\*

Elders -8:00 am Gary Klipp & Dan Jecminek; 10:30 am Dale Schlichenmayer & Paul Jackson

Ushers -Ron Gemaehlich

Sound -8:00 am Sam Einspahr; 10:30 am Dan Swanson

Video -8:00 am Jeff Junker; 10:30 am Ron McNutt

Scripture -8:00 am Ken Clavir; 10:30 am Larry Whitney

Organist -Ken Streeb

Security -8:00 am Brian Anderson; 10:30 am Bret Schmidt

#### March 18

Elders – 8:00 am Mike Thuener; 10:30 am Dale Schlichenmayer

Ushers -Bob Cowherd

Sound -8:00 am Dan Swanson; 10:30 am Dan Swanson

Video – 8:00 am Dan Swanson: 10:30 am Terri Swanson

Scripture -8:00 am Gary Klipp; 10:30 am Larry Whitney

Organist-Sharon Lessman

Security -8:00 am Luke Kunze; 10:30 am Bret Schmidt



#### March 25\*

Elders -8:00 am John Kruger & Brian Anderson; 10:30 am Dale Schlichenmayer & Paul Jackson

Ushers - Chad Kaspar

Sound -8:00 am Cristian Wacker; 10:30 am L J Cheramie

Video -8:00 am Rochelle Wacker; 10:30 am Dan Swanson

Scripture – 8:00 am Brian Anderson; 10:30 am Kyle Erickson

Organist- Ken Streeb

Security -8:00 am Mike Thuener; 10:30 am Bret Schmidt

Ministry assistants are always needed in each of the above areas. If you are interested in serving, please call the following people.

Eiders - Gary Klipp, 351-8172 Ushers - Ken Einspahr, 454-1626

Sound/Video - Dan Swanson, 351-8815

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#### **Return Service Requested**

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Church/School Email: office@tlgreeley.com

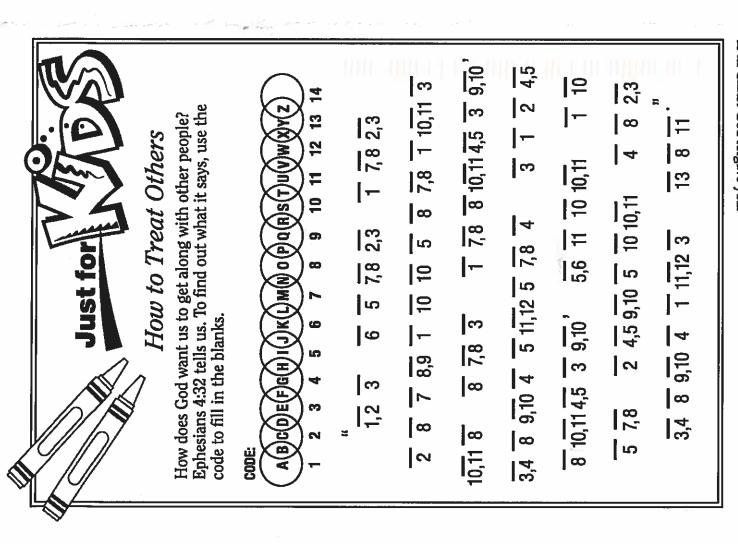
Website: tlcgreeley.org

**Worship Services** 

Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 am Adult Bible Classes Sunday School - 9:20 am

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Answer: "Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you."