

# TLC Grapevine

February 2026

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### Worship Service

9:00 am, Sunday

### Sunday School (Sept - May)

10:30 am - 11:30 am

### Weekly Bible Study

Wednesday 1 - 4 pm

Sunday 10:30 am

### Confirmation

Wednesday 4:15 pm



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## 2026 National Offering: 'Tell the Next Generation'

January 7, 2026 / Reporter / By Reporter Staff



(LCMS/Erik M. Lunsford)

The 69th Regular Convention of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) will take place July 18–23, 2026, in downtown Phoenix, under the theme “Christ Is Risen Indeed,” based on 1 Corinthians 15:20–22:

“But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.”

The theme for the 2026 National Offering reflects the church’s call to share the message of Christ’s resurrection far and wide, across space and time: “Christ Is Risen! Tell the Next Generation.” The theme is based on Psalm 78:4: “We will not hide them from their children, but tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord, and His might, and the wonders that He has done.”

The National Offering, which spans the years between conventions, provides an opportunity for congregations, districts, circuits, individuals or other groups to support the work of the LCMS vigorously to make known the Good News of Jesus Christ, that all might rejoice and give thanks to our heavenly Father.

Gifts to the 2026–2029 National Offering will directly benefit ongoing domestic work carried out at the local level by LCMS congregations, districts and others, and supported by LCMS Family Ministry, Youth Ministry, Campus Ministry and School Ministry.

In future weeks and months, additional information will be made available, including information about grant opportunities for LCMS congregations, districts and Recognized Service Organizations to take part in spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ to the next generation.

For more information, visit [lcms.org/convention/national/offering](http://lcms.org/convention/national/offering)

or contact [mission.advancement@lcms.org](mailto:mission.advancement@lcms.org).

# Group Meetings



- ❖ **Ladies Guild**  
Ladies Guild will meet on Thursday, February 5th at their NEW TIME, 1:00 pm at the Church.
- ❖ **Men of Trinity**  
Will meet on Monday, February 9<sup>th</sup> & February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30 pm at the Church.
- ❖ **Hannah Circle**  
Will meet on Thursday, February 12<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm at the Church.
- ❖ **Altar Circle**  
Will not meet in February.
- ❖ **Eunice Circle**  
Eunice Circle will meet on Tuesday, February 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am at the church. All members and any ladies interested are invited to attend.
- ❖ **Christian Singles**  
The Christian Singles will meet for lunch on Sunday, February 8<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ **Happy Quilters**  
The "Happy Quilters" meet on the 3rd & 4th Thursdays of each month at 9:00am at the church.



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## Troubled Time / Gracious Times



No doubt you may be feeling troubled over all the events taking place this past year. Events like those committed by global Islamic terrorists, against our police, and against our citizens. Troubled times in politics, society and religion such as these are difficult to come to grips with, and yet, they are not new to any society, and ours is no different. How we deal with them, however, as it has been said, will be the measure by which history judges us.

If we see the world for example, through the eyes of unbelief, in specific, if we deny Christ as Savior, we will find little reason to hope for something better. We will see this turbulent time as an ominous prelude to further trouble with no end in sight. We may even come to see that violence is the only remedy for positive change. But, if we believe in Christ, we do not have to foresee the future as having no hope. And the reason is simple, because Christians are already part of a kingdom greater than any on earth.

Jesus in fact told His disciples that they would face worldly troubles while living as children of His heavenly kingdom because of man's sinful nature. He told them that troubles would follow upon the heels of man until He returned to judge between the quick and the dead.

For this reason, Christians can be at peace in a troubled world because of the hope delivered to them by Christ's shed blood on His cross. Christians as a result are to be positive agents of God's message of heavenly peace according to what Christ has done for us. This type of kingdom thinking is what Jesus asks from us, and it's why we can see these days as gracious times because God delivered our redemption through Christ.

We should consider ourselves greatly blessed, therefore, to be under Christ's grace while we live in this great nation which still affords Christians the opportunity to openly worship Christ as Lord. We should see God's grace in our time as still being represented in our founding fathers' efforts to protect those liberties made self-evident in God's Word. Those so wonderfully stated in our Constitution like freedom of religion which we hold so dear.

So it seems to follow that our Christian responsibility under God is to uphold the message of Christ's salvation in a world struggling with the horrible effects of man's fallen nature. And since this is so, we ought to consider our personal faith in relation to God's Word of truth so that we are not party to wantonly undermining the message that Christ is the sole Savior of the world.

As we observe what is taking place, therefore, hopefully we will take note of the many things that are disparaging Christ as Lord in this country. Take for example the recent political conventions where Christians bowed their heads with those in attendance to pray with a Sikh priestess who flatly rejects Christ or when Christian's participated in a universalistic prayer with a Methodist Bishop who acknowledged that all gods are representative of Christ.

These types of deeds should send us a clear message that the greatest trouble we face in this nation and world is the rejection of Jesus as God. And certainly, we should take note that in this free land it may come to pass that we may no longer be able to speak openly before the world the most crucial message man can receive in any age, the message that hope and salvation for all peoples has come to us through Christ by His death on the cross. We may indeed, quickly lose the platform to speak that we live in gracious times rather than troubled ones because Christ has resolved mankind's greatest trouble, our need to have peace with God through the forgiveness of our sins.

So let me mention something quite interesting that John Adams, the first Vice President and Second President of this nation wrote as a founding father regarding this nation despite the fact he was a professed Unitarian that rejected Christ as his Savior:

“Suppose a nation in some distant region should take the Bible for their only law book, and every member should regulate his conduct by the precepts there exhibited! Every member would be obliged in conscience, to temperance, frugality, and industry; to justice, kindness and charity towards his fellow man; and to piety, love and reverence toward Almighty God. What a Utopia.....what a Paradise would this region be.”

Indeed, to believe in Christ as Savior is at the root of understanding correctly what it means to live in gracious times as, “One Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all!

~ God's blessings be with you in Christ!

Rev. Les Uhrinak

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**KIDS IN THE  
DIVINE SERVICE**  
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### Why do we celebrate Lent for 40 days?

Don't forget what Lent is all about! It is a time when we are reminded of what Jesus gave up for us, and a time when we look forward to and prepare for His death and resurrection!



We celebrate Lent for six weeks, or 40 days, as we remember Christ's temptation in the wilderness in the Gospel of Matthew. There **Jesus was without food** for 40 days.



We remember the temptation of **the Israelites in the desert** after the Lord had delivered them from Egypt. This lasted 40 years.



Finally, we can remember the story of **Noah and his family**. After 40 days and 40 nights of rain, the Lord delivered them as He promised.

During these 40 days of Lent, we remember God's faithfulness to His people and how His faithfulness is complete in Jesus, our Savior. Jesus remains faithful to us, always being where He promises to be: in His Word and Sacraments. Wow! What a Savior!

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## Scripture Keys to a Joyful New Year

**H**old firmly to your faith. (Hebrews 4:14)

**A**ssemble with the saints (Hebrews 10:25)

**P**ray and thank God earnestly every day (1 Thessalonians 5:17,18)

**P**ray for great blessings (Malachi 3:10)

**Y**ield not to temptation (1 Thessalonians 5:22)

**N**otice opportunities to serve others (Galatians 6:10)

**E**xamine yourself daily (2 Corinthians 13:5)

**W**ork diligently for the Lord (1 Corinthians 15:58)

**Y**earn for righteousness (Matthew 5:6)

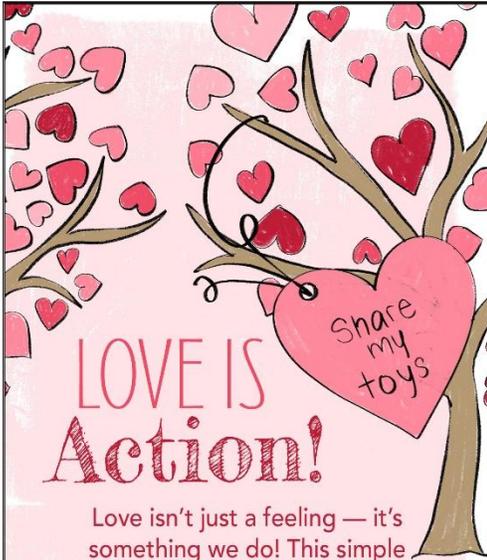
**E**xercise godliness (1 Timothy 4:7)

**A**im for sinless perfection (Hebrews 6:1)

**R**edeem the time, living wisely (Ephesians 5:15,16)



# Activity Page



## LOVE IS Action!

Love isn't just a feeling — it's something we do! This simple activity reminds us that acts of love, big or small, can grow and bless others.

### What you need:

- Construction paper (brown for the trunk, pinks and reds for hearts)
- Scissors
- Glue or tape
- Markers or crayons



### What you do:

1. Cut a large tree trunk and branches out of brown paper and glue it onto a sheet of paper or poster board.
2. Use colorful paper to cut several hearts — these will be your "leaves."
3. On each heart, write loving actions like "share my toys," "pray for others," or "help clean up."
4. Glue the hearts onto the branches to create a full, love-filled tree.
5. Hang it somewhere visible as a reminder to put love into action every day!



## LOVE CODE BREAKER

Change some of the letters below to reveal this verse!

<b>Change:</b>	C's to L	Z's to H	P's to R
	J's to A	Q's to T	X's to E
	K's to O		

(The other letters stay the same.)

" L  
 C K V X Q Z X C K P D Y K U P  
 G K D W I Q Z J C C Y K U P  
 Z X J P Q J N D W I Q Z J C C  
 Y K U P S K U C J N D W I Q Z  
 J C C Y K U P M I N D J N D  
 W I Q Z J C C Y K U P  
 S Q P X N G Q Z "

Mark 12:30



Be My  
Valentine

# DISTRICT NEWS

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## Y4LIFE SUMMIT

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FEBRUARY 20-22, 2026

### Y4Life Summit:

Open to all high school and college-aged students and their Y4Life Teams! Attend the Y4Life Summit at Concordia University St. Paul and learn how YOU can respond to life issues with a Gospel-motivated voice.

### Reservation and Cost:

This conference is made possible by a grant from The Roy D. and Ingaborg G. Randolph Memorial Endowment Fund. Space is limited. Register before Feb. 10 [HERE](http://HERE) or by scanning the QR code.

### Accommodations:

Y4Life has not reserved a room block for the 2026 Summit. For a list of hotels close to Concordia University St. Paul, click [HERE](http://HERE) or scan the QR code.

### Schedule:

#### Friday

6:00 PM: Arrival, Check-in, Meet & Greet  
7:00 PM: Welcome and Icebreaker Activities  
7:30 PM: Opening Devotion and Worship  
8:00 PM: Session 1: Christian Citizenship  
*Rev. Scot Mieling*

### Schedule Continued:

**Saturday**  
9:00 AM: Session 2: *IFV*  
*Rev. Joshua Miller*  
10:00 AM: Break  
10:30 AM: Session 3: *Marriage and Family*  
*President Woodford*  
11:30 AM: Lunch and Free Time  
1:30 PM: Session 4: *Homelessness and Mental Health*  
*Deoc. Chrissie Gillet*  
2:30 PM: Service Activity: Homeless Snack Kits  
5:00 PM: Supper  
7:00 PM: Session 5: *Gospel-motivated Voices For Life*  
*Mrs. Michelle Bauman*  
8:00 PM: Worship  
9:00 PM: Movie, Snacks, and Social Time  
**Sunday**  
8:30 AM: Worship at Jehovah Lutheran Church



TO REGISTER FOR THE SUMMIT, FOLLOW THE QR CODE OR VISIT [Y4LIFE.ORG](http://Y4LIFE.ORG) BY FEB. 10 FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT MICHELLE BAUMAN AT [MICHELLE@Y4LIFE.ORG](mailto:MICHELLE@Y4LIFE.ORG).

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I am here to help start, sustain and strengthen LCMS ministries through financial and strategic partnerships.



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INDEED



2026 LCMS Synod Convention  
July 18-23, 2026 | Phoenix, AZ

- Things to remember for synod convention preparations:
- Circuit forums to elect convention delegates will take place during September and October. Congregations and multi-point parishes should each send one pastoral delegate and one lay delegate to the forum.
  - Congregational assessments will be sent directly from the district office in early 2026. The assessments are based on 2024 statistical reports submitted last spring and calculated after estimated costs are received from the convention planners.

## SAVE THE DATE!

"I Believe"

April 10-12, 2026 at  
Redeemer Lutheran  
Church in Willmar, MN.

MN North District  
Youth Gathering  
for youth ages  
6th to 12th grade!

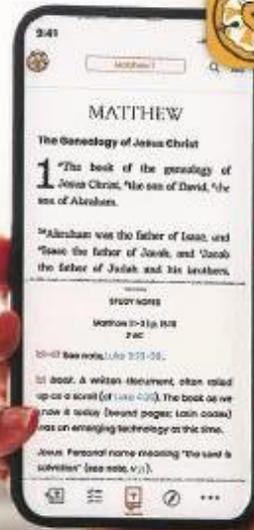
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to come!  
See you there!

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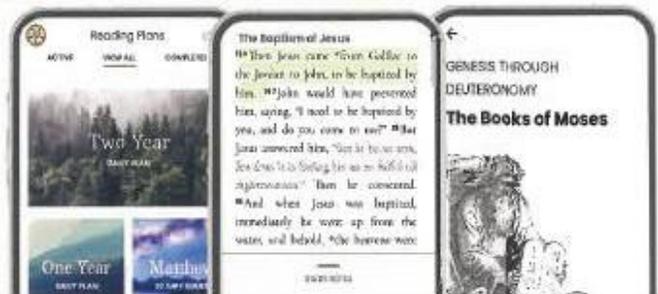
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# News & Announcements

If your family or group would like to provide one of the Lenten Suppers, please sign up on the Calendar in the hallway by the offices, or speak with Marty in the Church office.



## Lutheran Island Camp Upcoming Events



**March 20-22, 2026**

### Man Camp

Get ready for a weekend of high-energy adventure and authentic fellowship! This year's retreat features guest speaker Luke Kunze, along with plenty of opportunities to test your skills and try something new. Take aim with hatchet throwing, sign up for the optional concealed carry class, or dive into other outdoor challenges with friends old and new. Between the activities, enjoy hearty meals, great conversations, and time to recharge. Don't miss this chance to step away, gear up, and experience the adventure!

**April 8-12, 2026**

### Quilt Retreats

Bring your projects, your creativity, and your love of fellowship to our Quilt Retreats! Enjoy delicious meals you don't have to cook, time and space to dive into your quilting, and the joy of connecting with others who share your passion. Best of all, you'll get to experience our beautiful new retreat space—bright, comfortable, and perfectly designed for creativity and conversation. Come stitch, laugh, and relax with us!

**April 17-19, 2026**

### Women's Retreat

Step away from the everyday and join us for a weekend designed just for women! Our guest speaker, Deb Burma—beloved CPH author and encourager of women in Christ—will share an uplifting message on "Immeasurable More" and remind us that with God, we can do more than we ever imagine. Alongside inspiring sessions, you'll find plenty of time for relaxation, heartfelt fellowship, and even a little adventure. And of course, what's a women's retreat without a touch of chocolate? Come be refreshed in body and soul as we laugh, learn, and grow together!



**Updates to the Prayer Chain**  
The NEW EMAIL for the Prayer Chain is:  
TLCPrayerChain@yahoo.com  
To contact the Prayer Chain by phone, you can call Heather Ellis at 218-766-3079.

## The Portals of Prayer for January – March 2026



The Portals are available in the basket at the back of the sanctuary. Please take one home and Feel free to share with friends and family!

## Greeting Cards for Sale!



The Ladies Guild has refreshed the Greeting cards selection for sale in the Narthex. Please come and take a look. Single cards and boxes are priced as marked. Check or Cash. You can leave the payment in the container provided. Make checks payable to Trinity Ladies Guild.



The Council requests that everyone help in God's House by: Cleaning up after yourselves; Turning off ALL lights (except the office hallway), Locking ALL the doors before leaving the church on Sundays and anytime that you have used the building. Thank you!

**Wednesdays in Lent – February 18<sup>th</sup> – March 25<sup>th</sup>**  
Lenten Supper 5:30 pm  
Worship Service 6:30 pm

**Maundy Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
Worship Service 6:30 pm

**Good Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
Worship Service 6:30 pm

**Easter Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>**

# Our Church Directory is Online!

View our church directory online or via the

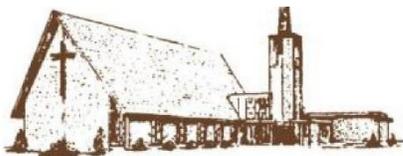
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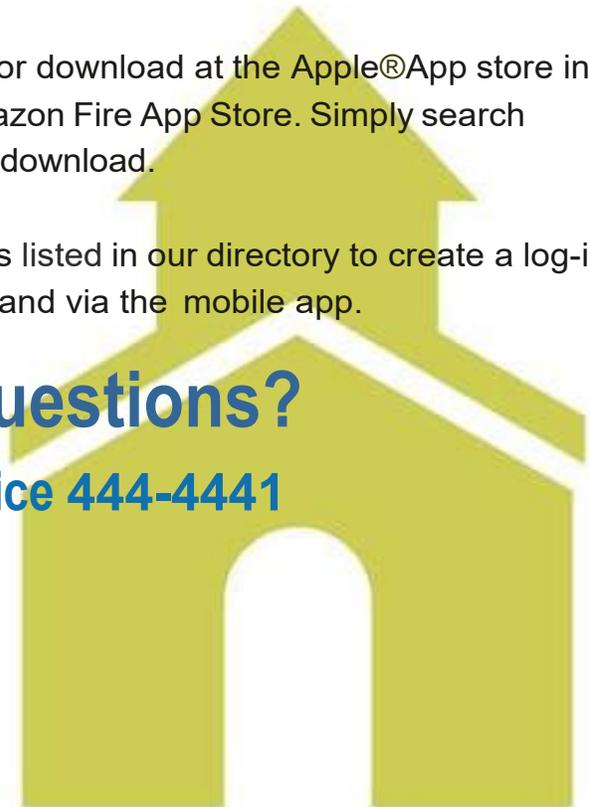
## Need help or have questions?

Please contact the church office 444-4441



Trinity Lutheran Church

123 29th Street NE, Bemidji



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# FEBRUARY STEWARDSHIP

## Table of Duties: The Forgotten Stewardship Tool

Luther’s Small Catechism is a magnificent tool. Joined with a well-used copy of the Holy Scriptures and an orthodox hymnal, and the Christian is well equipped to live a life of faithfulness to the Lord and service to the neighbor. First in German and now in English and just about any language known to man, this handy masterpiece has introduced generations of people to the central doctrine of justification by grace, through faith, on account of Jesus Christ. The Six Chief Parts have proven to be a faithful framework for a clear confession of the truth of the Gospel for nearly five hundred years!

But more than a textbook, the Small Catechism also serves well as a handbook for Christian living. As a part of its treasure, there is an element that teaches an extraordinarily strong message of stewardship. That hidden treasure that needs to be rediscovered is called the Table of Duties.

The Table of Duties is really nothing more than a categorized gathering of Bible verses. These verses are set apart for “various holy orders and positions, admonishing them about their duties and responsibilities.” Addressing pastors and people, government and citizens, husbands, wives, children, youth, workers and so many more, it very clearly lays out what faithful stewardship looks like. Even better, these assembled passages teach one important truth: we are stewards of one another!

The Table is much more than a “how-to” tool; it also lays out the interconnectedness that exists within the body of Christ. Pastors are described by what they are to be as stewards of the Word. 1 Timothy 3 highlights the characteristics of a faithful pastor. Even more, Titus 1 highlights the need for the pastor to be faithful for the sake of those under his care.

Those who hear the faithful preaching of the pastor are stewards of the pastor as well. 1 Corinthians 9 talks about the need for the people to support the livelihood of the pastor. Galatians 6 talks about how the hearers share in the good things that the pastor teaches. 1 Timothy 6 talks about the honor that is owed to the pastor, not because of WHO he is, but rather WHAT he is teaching! Hebrews 13 shows the impact of this stewardship on the pastor, that they perform their duties with joy. Joyful pastors and people are always going to be better stewards of the Gospel!

Outside the church this interdependent stewardship is on display as well. Romans 13 highlights the respect necessary for the governing authorities. As citizens, the faithful steward is called to pay taxes (Matthew 22), pray for their leaders (1 Timothy 2) and that they should be ready to serve in the civil realm (Titus 3), because they are in these positions by God’s direction (1 Peter 2).

These steward duties are in the home too! 1 Peter 3 and Colossians 3 shape the husband steward. Ephesians 5 and 1 Peter 3 shape the wife steward. Ephesians 6 form parental stewards and child stewards.

The Table of Duties is a wonderful place for the individual steward to learn how much our stewardship is more than just a “me and Jesus thing!” In fact, it ends with these words: “Let each his lesson learn with care, and all the household well share fare.” This is interdependent stewardship on clear display. As each learns stewardship in this way, the more faithful we will be as a family, congregations, communities and the church at large.



### Monthly Receipts/Expenses

### December 2025

General Fund Deposits	\$30,617.24
Interest Receipts	\$256.15
Adjustments	
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>\$30,873.39</b>
<b>TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$26,346.28</b>
<b>OVERAGE/SHORTAGE</b>	<b>Monthly +/-</b>
	<b>+ \$ 4,527.11</b>



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# February Birthdays and Anniversaries at Trinity Lutheran Church

<b>1</b>	Evan Hartshorn, Margaret Richer	<b>17</b>	Greg Anderson
<b>2</b>	Madelyn Schuette	<b>18</b>	Scott Wilson
<b>4</b>	Kyle Dahl	<b>19</b>	Louis Blocker, Nate Lundeen
<b>5</b>	Melissa Milnar	<b>23</b>	Jim Erickson, Sun Prouty
<b>6</b>	Pam Eichstadt	<b>26</b>	Arlyce Stanko, Randy Yarbrough
<b>7</b>	Linda Erickson	<b>27</b>	Clyde Bell
<b>10</b>	Vern Holzhueter	<b>29</b>	<b><i>Evan &amp; Theresa Hartshorn (13)</i></b>
<b>11</b>	Emily Manecke		
<b>14</b>	Jace Davis, Tanner Lang, Georgina Walter		
<b>16</b>	Joy Hanson, Gregory Malbraaten		



## Altar Flower Volunteers Needed!!



Sign up to sponsor the Altar Flowers for a Sunday, Cost is \$30. If you are interested, contact the Church Office.

## Address/Phone



If your address and/or phone number changes, please let the church office know so your information will be correct in the church database.  
*Thank you*



LARGE PRINT bulletins are available for those that have difficulty with the regular bulletin. If you would benefit from having one of these bulletins, please ask an usher for a copy.

If you are interested in being a Greeter or an Usher, please speak with one of the Elders.



**WHEN YOU LEAVE GOD'S HOUSE**, please turn out ALL the lights (except in the office hallway) and please check that ALL the entrance doors are LOCKED, even if you didn't unlock them.

**Portals of Prayer are in the basket at the back of the sanctuary.**



Check out our website:  
**TrinityBemidji.org**



**ALTAR GUILD**

The time of Easter begins with the season of Lent. The purple paraments symbolize sorrow and repentance. Lent offers us an opportunity for penitential reflection and renewal of faith and life. It prepares us for the glorious good news of Easter.



A "Gluten Free" option is available for communion. If you would like to take advantage of this option, please speak with Pastor or Elders.

**BEMIDJI AREA FOOD SHELF**

Trinity, along with United Methodist Church volunteers the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at the Food Shelf. Nine people are needed from 12:00pm – 3:30pm. The Food Shelf would not function without all of the volunteers that give of their time. Thank you for all you do to help make the Food Shelf run smoothly. ~ June Roxstrom



Please check the covered bulletin boards in the Entrance Hall for Letters, Events, Concerts, Meals, Fundraisers, Local Activities and News. Calendars and community resources are on the bulletin boards in the hallway.

**Check out the "RESOURCE TABLE" in the Fellowship Hall for FREE Books, Periodicals, Devotionals, and More.**

**Read Through The Bible In A Year - February**

1	Luke 2:29-32 Exodus 1-3	8	Psalm 65 Exodus 22-24	15	Psalm 72 Leviticus 1-3	22	Psalm 79 Leviticus 22-24
2	Psalm 59 Exodus 4-6	9	Psalm 66 Exodus 25-27	16	Psalm 73 Leviticus 4-6	23	Psalm 80 Leviticus 25-27
3	Psalm 60 Exodus 7-9	10	Psalm 67 Exodus 28-30	17	Psalm 74 Leviticus 7-9	24	Psalm 81 Numbers 1-3
4	Psalm 61 Exodus 10-12	11	Psalm 68 Exodus 31-33	18	Psalm 75 Leviticus 10-12	25	Psalm 82 Numbers 4-6
5	Psalm 62 Exodus 13-15	12	Psalm 69 Exodus 34-36	19	Psalm 76 Leviticus 13-15	26	Psalm 83 Numbers 7-9
6	Psalm 63 Exodus 16-18	13	Psalm 70 Exodus 37-38	22	Psalm 77 Leviticus 16-18	27	Psalm 84 Numbers 10-12
7	Psalm 64 Exodus 19-21	14	Psalm 71 Exodus 39-40	21	Psalm 78 Leviticus 19-21	28	Luke 2:29-32 Numbers 13-15

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> 9:00 AM Worship 10:30 AM Sunday School  <i>ACF Serves</i>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 6:00 PM Bells	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 1:00 PM Ladies Guild 5:30 PM Board of Elders	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 
<b>8</b> 9:00 AM Worship w/Communion 10:30 AM Bible Study 10:30 AM Sunday School 11:30 AM Christian Singles <i>Youth Groups Serve</i>	<b>9</b> 5:30 PM Men of Trinity	<b>10</b> 6:00 PM Bells	<b>11</b> 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Bible Study 4:15 PM Confirmation	<b>12</b> 1:00 PM Hannah Circle	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 
<b>15</b> 9:00 AM Worship w/Communion 10:30 AM Bible Study 10:30 AM Sunday School  <i>Men Serve</i>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 9:30 AM Eunice Circle 6:00 PM Bells	<b>18</b> 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Bible Study 4:15 PM Confirmation 5:30 PM Lenten Supper 6:30 PM Midweek Lenten Worship 	<b>19</b> 9:00 AM "Happy Quilters" 6:00 PM Church Boards 7:00 PM Church Council	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> 9:00 AM Worship w/Communion 10:30 AM Bible Study 10:30 AM Sunday School  <i>Ladies Guild Serves</i>	<b>23</b> 5:30 PM Men of Trinity	<b>24</b> 6:00 PM Bells	<b>25</b> 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Bible Study 4:15 PM Confirmation 5:30 PM Lenten Supper 6:30 PM Midweek Lenten Worship	<b>26</b> 9:00 AM "Happy Quilters"	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>

“Even now,” declares the Lord, “return to me with all your heart, with fasting and weeping and mourning.” Rend your heart and not your garments. Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love, and he relents from sending calamity. ~ Joel 2:12-13