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## THIS WEEK AT TRINITY March 17 & 18, 2018

*~Fifth Sunday in Lent ~*

Sunday	8 & 10:30am	Worship Services
	9:30am	Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes Fellowship Hall – Pastor Rinderknecht – The Book of Ecclesiastes Classroom by the Sanctuary – Pastor Keinath - Sunday School for Parents
	4:00pm	Vetch/Eddy Wedding
	6:30pm	FIRE Youth Group
	7:00pm	Financial Peace Class – in the Classroom by the Sanctuary
Monday	5:30pm	Manitoba Mission Meeting – at TYM Square
	7:00pm	LWML Meeting Adult Instruction Class
Tuesday	9:00am	Quilting
	7:00pm	Ladies' Small Group – at TYM Square
Wednesday	8:30am	Chapel at Trinity Lutheran School
	5:00pm	Lenten Dinner – hosted by Trinity's Staff ( <i>Barbecue! Hamburgers &amp; Hotdogs!</i> )
	6:30pm	Lenten Worship Service
	7:15pm	1 <sup>st</sup> -Year Confirmation Class
Thursday	10:30am	Bible Class
	7:00pm	Adult Choir Practice
Saturday	9-10am	Cradle Roll Easter Party
	5:00pm	Worship Service

*Knowing Christ and Making Him Known*

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are given in praise and glory to God by Betty Kober in loving memory of her husband, Albert.

**SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK ARE FOR:**

Karianna Jinguji, Sheryl Scheafer's sister-in-law Vicki Ungefug, Linda Owen, Mike Hall, Ronda Gale, and Derek Vetch & Stephanie Eddy as they are wed here at Trinity on Sunday afternoon.

**THANK YOU!** Patricia Stricker would like to thank everyone for their kindnesses and prayers during her cancer surgeries. Her surgeries have all been completed, and she is now in recovery mode! Praise God!

**SOUND TECHS NEEDED!** If you would be interested in volunteering to help with in the sound booth during either the early or late service on

Sundays, please let us know! It is a great way to serve at the worship service, and we could really use the help! (Let the church office know if you'd like to serve in this way!) Or write it in the Red Fellowship book, and we'll forward the message!

**LWML MARCH MEETING!**

**Monday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 7pm** - The program this month will be a presentation by Steve Hamilton, Chaplin for the Billings Police Department.

**SUMMER CAMPS** – Informational posters about the 2018 Summer Camps for Bigfork & Red Lodge are posted in the narthex and by the church office. Registration forms are available for the Montana District LCMS Camps in Red Lodge – however, you will need to register online for the Trinity Lutheran Camps in Big Fork. Check out the posters for all the dates and contact information!

**LUTHERAN WITNESS RENEWAL...** The cost of a one-year subscription will be \$15.96 for the next year - beginning with the July 2018 issue. **Please drop your check in the offering plate** using the envelope provided in your box of offering envelopes or mark a plain envelope with your name and "Lutheran Witness Subscription," and make your check payable to Trinity. *Please renew by May 1st.* Thank you!

## **FINANCES & FIRST-FRUIT'S GIVING**

Budgeted Church/School Income (Year to Date)	\$ 1,291,822
Actual Church/School Income (7/1/17-3/11/18)	\$ 1,244,284
Actual Church/School Expenses (7/1/17-3/11/18)	\$ 1,176,226
A difference of :	\$ 68,058
Budgeted Offering Target (Through Feb. 2018)	\$ 624,464
Actual Offering (Through February 2018)	\$ 620,185
A difference of:	\$ -4,279
March Target Offering	\$ 81,202
Needed Per Week	\$ 20,300
Actual Offerings in March (2 of 4 weeks)	\$ 39,890
Expansion Offering (March 10 & 11, 2018)	\$ 1,255
YTD Expansion Offering (July 1–March 11)	\$ 43,324

### **Last Week's Attendance – March 10 & 11, 2018**

Saturday Worship Service	124
Sunday Worship Services	230
Wednesday Lenten Service – March 14	118
<b>Total Attendance Last Week</b>	<b>472</b>
Sunday School	46
Adult Bible Classes	89

### **Offering Counters for March 18<sup>th</sup>:**

Carol Corder, Barbara Nies & Roxy Klundt

### **Offering Counters for March 25<sup>th</sup>:**

Susan Loomans, Cheryl Wagenman & Roxy Klundt

**EASTER LILIES** - The Altar Guild is now accepting orders for lilies which will adorn Trinity's altar this Easter. The price is, once again, \$10 each. Please complete the order form (in the narthex), place it in the envelope provided (along with your cash or check payable to Trinity Altar Guild), and drop the envelope in the box located in the narthex. Also, please note if the lily is in memory of (or in honor of) a special person(s). We will run these names in the bulletin insert on Easter Sunday. We will accept orders until Easter. You may pick up your lilies following the last Easter service. Thank you for helping us decorate the altar for this special celebration!



**Butter Braids are coming TWO DAYS EARLY!** To all who ordered Butter Braids, THANK YOU for your support of our Youth and the Manitoba Mission Trip! Our order will be arriving Tuesday March 20 and will be ready for pick up at TYM Square at 4:30 PM. Please be sure to come buy and get your order so they don't start to thaw!

**HELP FOR CINDY SPEED** – We are extremely thankful that Cindy Speed is back to work after a very difficult 2017. While disability payments are helpful, they certainly don't cover all of the extra costs that go with a year-long health crisis. This Wednesday the staff will be providing the Lenten Dinner (BBQ Burgers) and proceeds will go to help Cindy with her medical costs. If you would like to help out, you can give a gift on Wednesday, or anytime. It is recommended that checks be made out to "Cindy Speed." This is due to the fact that she is an employee at Trinity, so any gifts given through the church will need to be taxed. These can be given to the church and will be passed along directly to Cindy. Regardless of how you contribute, thank you for showing your care and support!

**BELL TOWER ROOF REPLACEMENT** – Did you know that at the very top of our church bell tower there is a roof? While our main church roof is in good shape, this small 14x14' bell tower roof is in desperate need of replacement. Right now water leaks through, runs down the support beams for the steeple, and leaks right into our choir loft! This area is 50' off the ground and only has a small access panel to get it. This means that replacing it is difficult, and costly. Our low bid for this project is just under \$14,000. If you would like to help with this project, please mark your donation "Roof Fund." We hope to have the funds raised by June so that the roof can be replaced this summer.

**SUMMER MISSIONS** – We had a good turnout for our Manitoba Mission kick-off meeting last month. Our next meeting is this Monday, March 19, at 5:30pm at TYM Square. The dates for this year's trip are July 26-August 5. We are still praying for more volunteers to join us this summer, so please come and learn more if you are interested! This summer we will also be taking a team to lead a VBS and help construct a youth lodge in Muddy Cluster (Lame Deer). This is a great opportunity to go and serve for a day, or a week. Please contact Jonathan Boll (670-0124) if you would like to join us in Muddy Cluster the week of July 9-13.