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THIS WEEK AT TRINITY – February 11 &12, 2023

The Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Sunday: 8:00am & 10:30am Worship Services with Communion

New Member Welcome at the 10:30am service

9:30am Reception for New Members

Sunday School & Adult Bible Class

Monday: 9:30am Circuit Pastor's meeting at Trinity, Billings

11:00am Youth Lunch at TYM Square with CLDI

6:30pm Fellowship Meeting

Tuesday: 6:00am Men's Bible Study

9:00am Quilting

7:00pm Bible Study led by Rev. Dr. Bruce Zagel

Wednesday: 8:30am Chapel at TLS

1:00pm Wrinkled Righteous Game Day
6:30pm FIRE Youth Group Meeting
6:30pm First Year Confirmation Class

Thursday: 10:30am Bible Study

6:30pm Choir Rehearsal

Saturday: Noon Flicker Youth Group

2:30pm Flame Youth Group

5:00pm Worship with Communion

Sunday: 8:00am & 10:30am Worship Services

9:30am Sunday School & Adult Bible Class

12:30pm Retirement Celebration for Pastor Rinderknecht at TLS

Knowing Christ and Making Him Known

<u>THE ALTAR FLOWERS</u> are given in praise and glory to God by Sherrie Murray in memory of her brother, Don Heimbuck, and sister, Dorothy Angell Houchen.

SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK ARE FOR:

Sharla Arend, Fred Borman, Jim Browne, Tim Buechler (Bob Locke's cousin), Katie Cardillo, Cateleya Castanon (granddaughter of Mary Uecker), Marilyn Fischer (Sue Hayes' mom), Linda Flechsig, Walter & Betty Flechsig (Linda's parents), Ronda Gale, Ralph Gurney, Zelena Halcrow, Brittney Hatzell, Alyana Hutchings (Marti & Ron Jacobsen's granddaughter), Keith Johnson, Keira Knell (Bev Schock's niece) Sonja Kober, Dee Krohn, Don Kunkel, Don Leikam, Garry Leikam, Mary Anne (a friend of Mary Jane Muth), J.C. Modde (John Modde's son), John Modde, Kinsley Murri (Rod & Phyllis Myers' granddaughter), Ginny Oriolia (friend of Bev

Hoose), Scott Perdew, Christian Reck, Martin Schock (Bev's brother), and Darlene Zimmerman.

The February church

newsletter is now

available.

Pick up a copy in the

Narthex!

LENTEN DINNERS: As the wonderful season of Lent and Easter draw near it is time to think about our Lenten dinner schedule. There are six dinners to plan for February 22, March 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29. The LWML has volunteered to host February 22, Fellowship will host March 1 and Wrinkled Righteous will host March 15 which leaves us looking for ministry boards or other groups to plan and serve the other 3. The dinners are served from 5:00pm to 6:00pm. This allows time for those that attend our 6:30pm worship service to not have to rush home to prepare dinner and get to church on time. Please contact Pam Kercher at 406-861-2639 if you or your group are willing to host one of these. Thank you for your service to the members of our congregation.

FINANCES & FIRST-FRUITS' GIVING

Budgeted Church/School Income(Year to Date)	\$ 1,479,779
Actual Church/School Income (02/05/2023)	\$ 1,639,973
Actual Church/School Expenses (02/05/2023)	\$ 1,377,968
A difference of:	\$ 262,005
Budgeted Offering Target (July 2022-Jan 2023)	\$ 610,622
Actual Offering (July 2022-Jan 2023)	\$ 612,812
A difference of:	\$ 2,190
Weekly Offering Goal – February, 2023	\$ 20,624
Actual Offerings in February (1 of 4 weeks)	\$ 18,070

Last Week's Attendance – February 4 & 5, 2023

Saturday Worship Service	129
Sunday Worship Services	236
Total Attendance Last Weekend	365
Sunday School	41
Adult Bible Class	66

Offering Counters for February 12th

Ellen Gernant, Roxy Klundt, and Cheryl Wagenman

Offering Counters for February 19th

Carol Corder and Liz Kercher

Retirement Celebration for Pastor Rinderknecht

All are invited to join us for a retirement celebration for Pastor Rinderknecht on **Sunday**, **February 19**, **at 12:30pm at Trinity School**. The event will include a catered meal and short program as we give thanks to God for Pastor Rinderknecht's ministry. No RSVP is necessary. A gift table will be available at the celebration and checks should be made directly to Pastor Rinderknecht (not to the church). The most meaningful gifts are our words of thanks, so we encourage everyone to write a personal message that shares what you have appreciated most about Pastor Rinderknecht's ministry at Trinity. Both the 10:30 service and the Celebration program at TLS will be livestreamed. Look for the links on our website. Join us for this time of celebration and farewell!



Moving Help Needed

Tim and Kathy Teachout have decided to move to South Carolina to be closer to their kids (and grandkids!). They would appreciate help loading their moving van, especially since Tim had shoulder replacement surgery last fall! They will be loading the van on Tuesday, February 28, starting around 8:30am. If you can lend a hand, please contact Tim at 406-647-3499. *Thank you!*

WE ARE BLESSED TO WELCOME the following new members to the Trinity family through transfer, adult confirmation or affirmation of faith in the last few months:

Wanda Baker
Drew & Christina Christiansen
Mark Christiansen
Ron & Marti Jacobsen
Jayme Jares
Derrick Johnston
Geoff Koppes
Arthur & Christin Moreau
Russ & Evelyn Noennig
Chris Peter
Reilly Spence
Kathryn Work

It is our prayer that we will be able to help them continue to grow in their relationship with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, as we serve Him together.

Pastoral Call Update

In January President Forke met with our congregation to lay out the process for calling our next senior pastor. One significant step in the process has already been completed, and that is to create a call committee. The Elders have appointed the following members to the call committee: Rev. Bruce Zagel, Ray Koschel, Rob Reeves, Bob Locke, Pam Meier, Johanna Thompson, and Rick Thomas. In the coming weeks we will be completing a congregational self-study, which will help assess and communicate our church and ministry This will likely be completed in March. Once the self-study is completed, the call committee, in coordination with President Forke and the Elders, will communicate the results of the self-study and begin accepting nominations for our next senior pastor. In the interim, we are grateful that Rev. Zagel has agreed to serve Trinity as a pastoral assistant. He will serve alongside Pastor Keinath to help with preaching, teaching, and visitation duties. God continues to care for us in so many ways, and we give Him the thanks and praise for His provision and guidance!

<u>**DVD Library Volunteer**</u> – Lynn Shafer, our current DVD librarian, has decided it is time to retire, so we are in need of a volunteer. If you would like more information, please call Lynn at 259-7296 or the church office at 245-3984.

~Thank you!