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THIS WEEK AT TRINITY February 3 & 4, 2018

~Fifth Sunday after Epiphany ~

Sunday	~Mite Box Sunday~ 8 & 10:30am Worship Services 9:30am Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes Fellowship Hall – Pastor Rinderknecht – “Lord, Teach Us to Pray!” Classroom by the Sanctuary – Pastor Keinath - Sunday School for Parents
Monday	~8 th Grade Trip to Yellowstone Park – February 5-9~ 5:30pm Stewardship Board Meeting 7:00pm Financial Peace Class – in the Classroom by the Sanctuary
Tuesday	6:00am Men’s Bible Study – at TYM Square 9:00am Quilting 6:30pm Properties Board Meeting Fellowship Board Meeting – at TYM Square Youth Board Meeting 7:00pm Ladies’ Small Group – at TYM Square
Wednesday	10:00am Kitchen Guild Meeting 1:00pm Visitation Guild Meeting – at TYM Square 2:15pm Chapel at Trinity School 6:30pm FIRE Youth Group 1 st -Year Confirmation Class
Thursday	10:30am Bible Class 6:00pm Parish Planning Council Meeting 7:00pm Adult Choir Practice
Saturday	5:00pm Worship Service

Knowing Christ and Making Him Known

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are presented in praise and glory to God by Bob & Judy Drinkwalter in loving memory of Judy’s father, Duane Sobotka.

SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK ARE FOR:

Karianna Jinguji, Patricia Stricker, Derek Mohr, Fred Pierce, Helen Gookin (Kathleen Ford’s mother), Lola Temme, and the 8th graders & their chaperones as they venture to Yellowstone Park.

BUTTER BRAIDS ARE BACK!

From **February 4 - March 11**, Trinity's youth will be selling Butter Braids in preparation for the next Youth Gathering in summer of 2019. Stop by and see us in the Fellowship hall on the weekends after worship services or on Wednesdays during Lenten dinners. Butter Braids will be delivered to church

on Thursday, March 22, in the late afternoon.

Consider supporting the Manitoba Mission trip by purchasing a Butter Braid or two to be sent along with the mission team! Thank you!!

PASTOR RINDERKNECHT'S NEXT ADULT INSTRUCTION CLASS is scheduled to begin on Monday, **February 12th** at 7pm. Please spread the word to.....your spouse, son, daughter, friend, relative.....whoever may be interested in sharing God's Word and learning more about what Lutherans believe. It's also a great class for members who may want a refresher confirmation course. Please give the office a call so we can add your name to the class list! (245-3984)

BE A BLESSING – BE A JUDGE! On February 15-17, the National Christian Forensics & Communications Association Region III Tournament will once again be in Billings. High School students from the Rocky Mountain region will be displaying their tremendous speech and debate skills, but they need your help. Please consider signing up to be a judge at the tournament, which will be held at Billings Christian School. **It is easy, it is fun and it requires no previous experience.** All you have to give is 3 hours of your time! If you would like to be a judge, please contact Sandra Hamilton at 208-7286 or MTJudges@gmail.com.

FINANCES & FIRST-FRUITS' GIVING

Budgeted Church/School Income (Year to Date)	\$ 1,082,338
Actual Church/School Income (7/1/17-1/28/18)	\$ 1,010,699
Actual Church/School Expenses (7/1/17-1/28/18)	\$ 983,165
A difference of :	\$ 27,534
Budgeted Offering Target (Through Dec. 2017)	\$ 491,772
Actual Offering (Through December 2017)	\$ 489,738
A difference of:	\$ -2,034
January Target Offering	\$ 64,604
Needed Per Week	\$ 16,151
Actual Offerings in January (4 of 4 weeks)	\$ 64,537
Expansion Offering (January 27 & 28, 2018)	\$ 300
YTD Expansion Offering (July 1-Jan. 28)	\$ 38,375

Last Week's Attendance – January 27 & 28, 2018

Saturday Worship Service	168
Sunday Worship Services	287
Total Attendance Last Week	455
Sunday School	54
Adult Bible Classes	102

Offering Counters for February 4th:

Sherrie Murray, Deb White & Amy King

Offering Counters for February 11th:

Ellen Gernant, Vivian Roberts & Kathy Myers

THE 2018 FLOWER CHART is hanging in the Narthex...with a few spaces left. The cost for flowers is \$20.00, and checks should be given to the Altar Guild – **made payable to Gainans**. To help the Altar Guild with their bookkeeping duties and to keep our account at Gainans current, **we are asking you to pay for your flowers when you sign up.** There is an envelope available for you to put your payment in. Please fill out the info on the front of the envelope and place it in the box marked 'Flowers.' Thanks!

ONE SPOT AVAILABLE! The Wrinkled Righteous Senior Group is taking a trip to Yellowstone Park February 14 – 16. They will be taking the Snow Coach guided tour through the park, and they have one open spot! Please call Bill Crago (248-3867) or Sherrie Murray (696-4981) as soon as possible if you are interested in joining the group for this adventure!

ROCK OF AGES – This Toddler Bible Study Group meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month for about an hour starting at 9:30am downstairs in the toddler playroom. Everyone with a toddler is welcome to join the group! A Bible story is shared along with a small activity, while a few of our 'Grandmas' enjoy being around the little ones. The parents stay and enjoy the fellowship time as well. This month's **Rock of Ages** is scheduled for Tuesday, February 13th, at 9:30am. Please join us!

THE 2018 OFFERING ENVELOPES that have not yet been picked up are now on a table in the narthex. Please stop by and pick up your box. (It really helps the counters when you use your envelopes!) Thank you!

OPEN HOUSE ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20! Do you have a child who will be going into Kindergarten or First Grade this fall? If so, please consider coming to Trinity School's Open House on Tuesday, February 20, from 6:30-8:00pm. At Trinity we truly believe that a quality, Christ-centered education is one of the greatest gifts we can give our children. Come and see why Trinity School is a great place for your child to grow academically, spiritually, and relationally!

HERE I AM LORD, SEND ME! This summer Trinity has committed to offering three summer ministry programs: Trinity School on June 18-22; Muddy Cluster, MT (Lame Deer), on July 9-13; Cross Lake, Manitoba, on July 26-August 5. ***On Sunday, February 18, we will have kick-off meetings to begin planning with our Muddy Cluster and Manitoba teams.*** The Manitoba meeting will be at noon in the Fellowship Hall, and Muddy Cluster will immediately follow at 1:00pm. These are incredible opportunities to share Jesus, serve with other Trinity members, and grow in your faith! We need over 75 volunteers to make these ministries a reality, so please ask God if He is calling you to serve!