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THIS WEEK AT TRINITY January 20 & 21, 2018

~Third Sunday After Epiphany ~

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| 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 – Sunday School for Parents |
| | Noon | FLAME & FIRE – Youth Gathering Meeting |
| Tuesday | 6:00am | Men’s Bible Study – at TYM Square |
| | 9:00am | Quilting |
| | 7:00pm | Ladies’ Small Group – at TYM Square |
| Wednesday | 8:30am | Chapel at Trinity School |
| | 6:30pm | FIRE Youth Group 1 st -Year Confirmation Class |
| Thursday | <i>~Boys’ Basketball Tournament at Elder Grove School – Jan. 25-27~</i> | |
| | 10:30am | Bible Class |
| Friday | 6:00pm | FIRE Luau Mystery Dinner |
| Saturday | 5:00pm | Worship Service |

Knowing Christ and Making Him Known

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are presented in praise and glory to God by Trinity’s Altar Guild as they celebrate the opportunity to serve our Lord.

SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK ARE FOR:

Karianna Jinguji, Carl Herden, Martha Wollenburg, Sol Kober, Derek Mohr, Rose Wyman, Barb Schulz, Marilyn Heinemann, Rich Hutton, and Kelly Liwosz.

RECEIVING THE BLESSINGS of Holy Baptism on Sunday at the 8:00am service is Henry William Pust. Henry was born on December 23, 2018, in Billings to Noah & Mary Pust. We welcome little Henry into God’s family here at Trinity and pray the Holy Spirit will continue lead him and his family into a life of love and service to our Lord Jesus Christ unto life everlasting.

ALSO RECEIVING THE BLESSINGS of Holy Baptism on Sunday at the 10:30am service is Blake Harper Berube, born on Thanksgiving Day, November 23, 2017, here in Billings to Derek & Kayla. We welcome Blake into God’s family and

pray the Holy Spirit would lead her and her family in steadfast faith and a sincere love for God unto life eternal with Him.

THE 2018 FLOWER CHART is hanging in the Narthex. 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!

MONTANA DISTRICT CONVENTION – The district convention will be held at Trinity Lutheran School in Billings, and our congregation will be electing a lay delegate at the brief **Voters’ Meeting and Bible Study at 9:30am on Sunday, January 28th**. You will also have the opportunity to nominate a District President and Vice President.

OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2018 are ready for pickup down in the Fellowship Hall. Please ask an usher to retrieve your box if you are unable to go downstairs to get them. Thank you!



NEW CHURCH DIRECTORIES - If you had your picture taken (or submitted a picture) for the Church Directory, your copy can be found in the Fellowship Hall – on the tables with the 2018 offering envelopes. Please pick up your copy when you get a chance. And if you didn't have a picture taken or submit one and would like a directory, we do have some extra copies in the church office you can get for \$5. *(If you don't have your name on a copy in the boxes in the Fellowship Hall and you **did** get your picture taken or submit one, please let Connie know in the church office, and we'll fix that!)*

FINANCES & FIRST-FRUITS' GIVING

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| Budgeted Church/School Income (Year to Date) | \$ 1,012,509 |
| Actual Church/School Income (7/1/17-1/14/18) | \$ 962,281 |
| Actual Church/School Expenses (7/1/17-1/14/18) | \$ 895,603 |
| A difference of : | \$ 66,678 |
| 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 (2 of 4 weeks) | \$ 31,607 |
| Expansion Offering (January 13 & 14, 2018) | \$ 1,651 |
| YTD Expansion Offering (July 1-Jan. 14) | \$ 36,995 |

Last Week's Attendance – January 13 & 14, 2018

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| Saturday Worship Service | 174 |
| Sunday Worship Services | 255 |
| Total Attendance Last Week | 429 |
| Sunday School | 46 |
| Adult Bible Classes | 92 |

Offering Counters for January 21st:

Carol Corder, Roxy Klundt & Barbara Nies

Offering Counters for January 28th:

Susan Loomans, Roxy Klundt & Cheryl Wagenman

COFFEE PALS – We are putting together a list of names of people in our congregation who would

like to be a part of a new fellowship opportunity called “Coffee Pals.” If you are on the list, you will be able to call others on the list and invite them to your house for a visit and coffee or tea, or ask if you could come to their house for a visit, if they do not drive. You could also meet someone for lunch if you'd prefer. The goal of *Coffee Pals* is to provide an easy way for people at Trinity to get to know others and build friendships in a relaxed, one-on-one setting.

If you are interested in being a part of *Coffee Pals*, please call the church office or Karole Michel (652-2048 or karolemichel@trinitybillings.org) and give us your name, phone number, and tell us if you still drive or not. The list of interested individuals will then be distributed to everyone who is a part of *Coffee Pals*. Come on – let's have coffee & visit!

DAYCARE WORKER NEEDED! Are you interested in working a few hours a week in a Christ-centered environment? Trinity's daycare is looking for an additional worker, primarily on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8:15 A.M.-12:00 Noon. Please contact Jodi Kesler, our Daycare Director, if you are interested. The Daycare number is 651-1016 or email her at jodikesler@trinitybillings.org

PRAYERS FOR CROSS LAKE - Thank you for all of your prayers and involvement in the Manitoba Mission Winter Trip! The Hope Notes were a huge blessing to the people of Cross Lake, as were the other gifts and goodies that you sent with love. The team had a great visit and brought back a number of prayer requests. Please grab a prayer sheet on your way out of church and add our Cross Lake friends to your prayers this week!

2017 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS ARE READY! Please grab your 2017 contribution statement in the narthex before you leave today. Statements will be available this weekend and next weekend. Any remaining after January 28 will be mailed out.

THANK YOU! The Altar Guild wants to thank the Property Board for the new floor in the Sacristy. It is beautiful and so easy to clean up spills. Thanks to Wayne Klundt for donating the flooring for the project.