

# Joyful Noise

FEBRUARY 2019

## A Message from Your Pastor...

Dear Friends of Trinity,

Each year on February 14th, countless people exchange gifts, cards, flowers, chocolates and sometimes even diamonds. It's a day for affection and love and romance to be shown and appreciated. It's a day we know very well as Valentine's Day. As I think about Valentine's Day, I think that it is good to have a day to think about and be intentional about showing and sharing love with significant people in our lives. I think it could lead people to consider how they should express their love and appreciation of their spouse or sweetheart more intentionally throughout the year.

But as Christians, I think Valentine's Day offers us the opportunity to think about something more; it offers us a day to intentionally show our love and appreciation not just for people who love us, but for <u>all</u> people. Consider Jesus' teaching in John 13:34 "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another." Jesus calls us to love everyone.

That's what Trinity Lutheran Church has been doing for 100 years. We have been sharing and showing the love of Jesus to the community of Billings and beyond for a century. That's what we will be celebrating next month on March 17th when we celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Trinity Lutheran Church (there are more details about that celebration inside this newsletter).

Loving people is what Trinity Lutheran Church will continue to do even after our anniversary celebration. Why? Because people today – just like 100 years ago – need the love of Jesus. Today, just like a hundred years ago, people battle sin; people face death; people need to know that they are loved. People need to know that they have a Savior named Jesus, who loved them enough to give up His life for them.

In fact, since the middle of January, the church has provided some space to a group called P.A.R. – Power for Abundant Recovery. They are a group that provides Christ-centered healing for people battling addiction. They are a group that helps people struggling with sin know that they are loved and redeemed by Christ and that Christ has power over their addiction. P.A.R. is a group who shows Christ's love to people who are struggling; that aligns well with the mission and ministry of Trinity – "Knowing Christ and Making Him Known."

On Valentine's Day, people make their love known by showing and sharing it with people they love. Loving people, Jesus says, is a mark of discipleship – just look up John 13:35. For 100 years, Trinity has rejoiced in Christ's love, and for 100 years, Trinity has shared

Christ's love. As you think about ways to show and share your love on Valentine's Day, may you also think about ways to show and share Christ's love to everyone.

In Christian Love,

Pastor Keinath



Knowing Christ and Making Him Known

## School and YOUTH NEWS



#### CARING AND BEING ABLE TO SHARE

Greetings. We are at the 1/2 way mark of the school year. We are already planning for the next school year. Our Kindergarten Open House is February 19, at 6:30, at the school. The purpose of this night is to share with parents what we can offer their family here at Trinity. Now, back to the title. We are so blessed with 2 programs that support families that just can't pay all of their tuition here at the school. I think we are close to assisting families with \$100,000 this year! Wow, very hard to believe. People always ask me where does it all come from? My answer: "Not a clue." The Lord leads His people to share with those who just can't make it. Trinity is blessed with such caring and sharing people. I have watched people who were helped in the past when they were in need, step forward and now help others. This need seems to grow each year. Each year, His people step forward and share. Thank you in advance for living your faith. Also, don't forget to let others know about our Kindergarten Open House coming up.

- Richard Thomas, Principal of Trinity Lutheran School



#### KINDERGARTEN

#### **OPEN HOUSE**

TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL

2802 BELVEDERE DR. - BILLINGS www.trinitybillings.org

Tuesday, February 19, from 6:30-8:00pm

#### **FEBRUARY YOUTH EVENTS**

During their Confirmation Retreat on January 19, our group of 1st year Confirmands connected with some of our members who play Pickleball on Saturdays.

# Trivia #Night

Join us for fun, fellowship, food, prizes, and (mostly) useless information on **Saturday, February 23rd,** starting at 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall! All proceeds will benefit Trinity's 33 participants attending this summer's National Youth Gathering in Minneapolis. Cost is \$15 per person or \$50 for a team of 4 or \$90 for a team of 8. Complimentary snacks and drinks will be offered with additional menu items available to order. Childcare will also be provided! Contact Cameron Heiliger for information about reserving your teams' table today!



## Completion Drive

In January, we kicked off our Phase 1 Completion Drive. Including the purchase of property, infrastructure upgrades and construction, this was a \$2.8M project. Praise God that we only have \$325,000 remaining on the loan from this project, and it is our hope to pay it off this year as part of our 100th Anniversary celebrations! Below is a chart that demonstrates how this could happen.



Information about the completion drive, along with pledge cards, can be found in the narthex. Please prayerfully consider a generous, maybe even sacrificial, gift toward the completion drive. On the very first day of our drive, someone stepped forward in faith and gave \$25,000 – praise God! Gift of all sizes are important, so we are asking all of our members to make a gift, whether it be for \$25 or \$25,000. We have been enjoying the blessings of added parking and new facilities. Together let's finish the project!

"The LORD has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy!" PSALM 126:3

Phase 1 Completion Drive Progress Chart (\$325,000 goal)

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\$125	10	\$1,250	0	2	2	\$0	\$250	\$250	
\$75	10	\$750	0	1	1	\$0	\$75	\$75	
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#### **100TH CELEBRATION**

The committee for the 100th celebration would like to let you know what we have going on for this very special time for our church. We are getting closer to March 17, 2019. In fact, it will be here soon. In October, we have had LWML kick-off the fun by sharing



about LWML through the years. In November, the

youth sponsored a HOT DISH Cook off, to celebrate 100 years of youth ministry (and Lutheran potlucks). In January, the Lay Ministers shared their celebration of Trinity's first 100 years. In March, it will be the school's turn to join the celebration. Save the date! The weekend of March 17th will be the big celebration. Pastor Thompson will be back at Trinity to preach for this special occasion. There will also be a banquet brunch on March 17th at the Double Tree with Pastor Forke as the guest speaker. Watch for more details and for tickets to go on sale. We have other surprises too, but you will have to wait to find out what they are!

#### **ADDRESS CHANGES**

Patrick Hertz

2901 Monad Rd #200 Billings, MT 59102

**Amanda Hertz** 

3011 Boulder Ave #3 Billings, MT 59102

Wavne & Julie Larson

406-855-1822 - Wayne 406-855-1844 - Julie Landline no longer in use

#### **BAPTISMS**

Emryee Jean Hernandez	1/20/2019
Paizlee Sue Hernandez	1/20/2019
Tennasyn Marie Hernandez	1/20/2019
Tony Hernandez	1/20/2019
Wyatt Eugene Hudson	1/20/2019
Avery Elizabeth Wahl	1/6/2019
Oliver James Wahl	1/6/2019

#### **Doris Jannings**

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**Aaron & Amanda Kobelt** 

915 Yellowjack Way #3 Billings, MT 59106

Kendra (Freeck) Moran

3226 Rosemont Way Billings, MT 59101

#### MEMBERSHIP ADDITIONS

Ralph & Rena Naumann....12/5/2018 **Clara Mae Bird**......12/18/2018 **Ken & Shirley Wegner** ...... 1/15/2019 **Denise Harper**.....1/18/2019

#### FUNERALS / MEMORIALS

Denis Kerby passed away on December 15, 2018 Memorial Service was held on January 10, 2019, with Rev. Daniel Rinderknecht presiding

**John Michel** passed away on December 23, 2018

Memorial Service was held on December 29, 2018, with Rev. Daniel Rinderknecht presiding

Charles Duenow passed away on December 24, 2018

Memorial Service was held on December 31, 2018, with Rev. Daniel Keinath presiding

#### WEDDINGS

Dalton Heiliger & Reese Duce McNabb	12/28/2018
Michael Grau & Elizabeth King	12/30/2018
Scott Moran & Kendra Freeck	1/5/2019



#### LWML MEETING

#### February 18 at 1:00pm

Opening Devotion: Deb White

Program: Adult Resource Alliance, Joan Kimball

#### **LWML HOSTS** 2019 PRAYER SERVICE

God CARES for you! "When the cares of my heart are many, your consolations cheer my soul" (Psalm 94:19). The 2019 LWML Prayer Service will be held at Trinity on Saturday, February 23, 2019 at 10:00 am. It will be followed by a delicious brunch and the fellowship of ladies throughout the Montana Southern Zone. Please invite a friend to attend with you! Call Pam Kercher at 259-1820 to register.

## Pinancial REPORT

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December Finances							
Income 205			205,608				
Expenses			1	73,035			
Net Margin				32,573			
2018-2019 Finances							
	1	Actual		Target			
Offerings	51	13,865	5	07,457			
Total Income	95	51,568	9	40,285			
Total Expenses	903,652		9	30,184			
Net Margin	47,916			10,101			
Phase 1 Completion Drive (Goal of \$325,000 to Pay Off Loan)							
Gifts and Pledges (through Jan.)				35,650			
Remaining Needed	l to Co	mplete	2	289,350			

Thank you for your generous year-end giving and faithful support of Trinity's ministry and mission! December offerings were very strong, and we are on track to meet our annual giving goal. It is important that we hit our offering target as we anticipate our school revenue will not meet our budgeted goal. Our revenue decreases significantly during the summer months, which requires that we build up a bit of a surplus before that time.

# Special Events

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 6:30PM

Financial Peace Preview at TYM

#### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10

New Member Recognition National Youth Gathering Meeting @ Noon Financial Peace Class Begins @ 6:30pm

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 6:15PM

Manitoba Mission Kick-Off Meeting

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17, NOON

Voters' Meeting

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 6:30PM

Kindergarten Open House at TLS

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23

LWML Prayer Service @ 10:00am Trivia Night at Trinity @ 6:30pm



### News



**Course Preview:** 

Monday, Feb. 4, @ 6:30pm

9-week Course:

Sundays @ 6:30pm (Feb. 10-April 7)

Register at <a href="https://fpu.com/1080576">https://fpu.com/1080576</a>

