



Joyful Noise

MARCH 2019

A Message from Your Pastor...

Dear Friends of Trinity,

Three Billion, One Hundred Fifty-Three Million, Six Hundred thousand! (3,153,600,000). Does this number mean anything to you? It's a big number, right? Actually in our nation, this number isn't really as big as some of the numbers we are hearing about daily. It is not enough money needed for the southern border wall. We spend many more billions on welfare programs. And then there is the national debt which exceeds 22,000,000,000,000 dollars!!! The number I started with is actually kind of small compared to the budget numbers that we toss around in our country.

But does the number 3,153,600,000 have any significance for us as members of Trinity?

You bet it does! On Sunday, March 17th, we are celebrating our 100 year anniversary as a Congregation. By now, I know that this is not "news" to you. We have been talking about it for some time already. So, what about that 3 billion plus number I am tossing out to you? I did the calculations several times, and if I am right, this is the number of seconds that it takes to make up a 100 years. I just wanted to think about our centennial history time frame from a different perspective. Just think, God has been doing great things for us for at least 3,153,600,000 seconds!

Now that I have put it in this way, I don't know if it helps or hinders our thinking about what God has been doing. On the one hand, 100 years seems like a LONG time, but 10 digits of seconds doesn't seem to be THAT BIG. From God's perspective, it's not a long time at all. From eternity's point of view, it is just a flash in the pan. But from a mission and ministry point of view, every second has been important as thousands of people have

been receiving the blessings of great things done for them by the Lord through Trinity Lutheran Church and later, Trinity Lutheran School! God's Word has been taught and proclaimed so that many people have already been called out of the darkness of sin and death into God's marvelous light and truth of the Gospel. The Lord has used the Sacrament of Holy Baptism to bring thousands into the family of God. The blessings of Holy Communion have strengthened the faith of countless disciples and helped to keep them in faith to the time when they left this place of pilgrimage to their true home in heaven. Many of those seconds were spent visiting and counselling the lost, straying and hurt lambs of God. Others were spent in loving fellowship and support among the members throughout the years. Many were spent in educating several generations at our School!

God continues to give us His perspective as we learn and follow His Word. Yes, "The Lord has done great things for us and we are filled with joy!" (Psalm 126:3). Come to the Lord's House on March 17th for either the 8:00 a.m. or 10:30 a.m. services (Saturday service on March 16 is being cancelled to focus on the Sunday Morning celebration.). Join in the fellowship time downstairs at 9:30 a.m. You still have until March 4 to get your ticket for the Sunday Brunch at the Double Tree Hotel after the second service. Contact the Church Office for details at 245-3984.

In His Service and Yours,
Pastor Dan Rinderknecht



Knowing Christ and Making Him Known

School and YOUTH



SCHOOL ENROLLMENT IS NOW OPEN!

Trinity School is a place where children are shown God's love and are in God's Word each day. Our students receive an excellent academic education, but more importantly they learn about Jesus and His love. We are now enrolling students for the 2019-2020 school year and currently have openings in preschool (ages 3+) through eighth grade! This year we plan to add a morning and afternoon 5-day Pre-Kindergarten class for children ages 4 and up. You can apply online at www.trinitybillings.org or call the school at 656-1021 to set up a visit and see why Trinity is a great place for your child!

– Richard Thomas,
Principal of
Trinity Lutheran School



**Thank you
FOR YOUR
PARTICIPATION
IN THE
TRIVIA NIGHT ON
FEBRUARY 23!**

LCMS NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING

Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for your continued support of the 33 youth and adults heading to Minneapolis as participants in July's LCMS National Youth Gathering! But did you know Trinity will actually be represented by a couple more people as well?! Hailey Shaw and Grace Horman will both also be there serving in different capacities to help with the gathering! Please continue to pray for and encourage all of our youth, alumni, and adults who are heading to Minnesota this summer.



BUTTER BRAID SALES

Join us on Sunday, March 3, as we kick-off our Butter Braid sales for this year at Sunday Morning Bible Study! We will be serving some sample Butter Braids for you to try!! Sales this year will go from Saturday, March 2, through Sunday, March 31, with delivery on Wednesday, April 10.

Celebrations

NATIONAL LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK

REAL.
PRESENT.
GOD. | PSALM 46

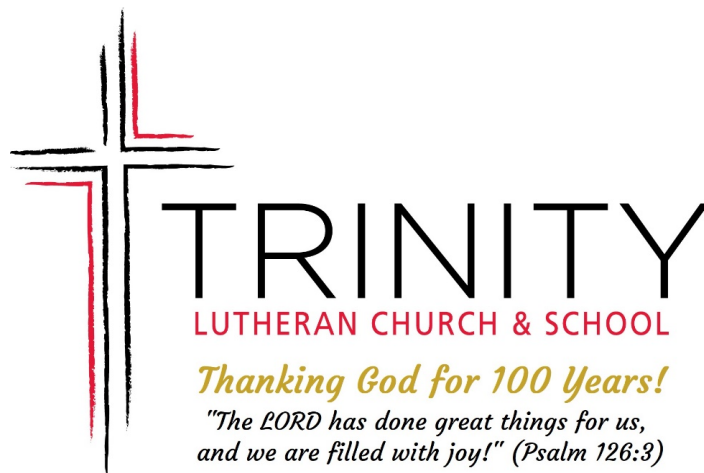
Join us as we celebrate March 11-17, 2019

Tuesday, March 12, @ 2pm - Spelling Bee for Grades 5-8

Wednesday, March 13, @ 8:30am - Chapel Led by 2nd Grade

Friday, March 15, @ 2pm - Spelling Bee for Grades 1-4

Sunday, March 17, @ 8am - Choirs Sing at Trinity's 100th Anniversary Service



Thanking God for 100 Years!

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

Let's Celebrate on Sunday, March 17th!

Celebration Worship | 8:00 am and 10:30 am (no worship 3/16)

Fellowship & Fun | 9:30 am

Brunch at the Double Tree | 12:30pm

Brunch tickets are still available until Monday, March 4th. You can pick them up at the church office or online at www.trinitybillings.org.

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--|---|---|---|---|---------------------------------|---|
| <p>ACOLYTES: Saturday: Aspen Harris Sun. 8:00: Makenzie Bohnet Sun. 10:30: Kyralee Jinguji</p> <p>ALTAR DUTY: Shared Duty _____</p> <p>Trinity Worship Services on Community 7 8am Sundays & 5pm Tuesdays</p> | | | | | | |
| <p>3 <i>Psalm 119</i> MITE BOX SUNDAY 8 & 10:30am Worship 9:30am Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes 6:30pm Financial Peace at TYM</p> | <p>4 <i>Mark 3</i> NOON P.A.R. at TYM 7pm Adult Class</p> | <p>5 <i>Deuteronomy 34:1-12</i> 9am Quilting 6:30pm Properties Mtg. Fellowship Mtg Youth Board Mtg</p> | <p>6 <i>Hebrews 3:1-6</i> ASH WEDNESDAY NOON P.A.R. at TYM 1pm Kitchen Guild 1pm Visitation Guild 2:15pm Chapel at TLS 5pm Lenten Dinner 6:30pm Ash Wed. Service with Communion 7:15pm FIRE Youth Group</p> | <p>7 <i>Luke 9:28-36</i> 10:30am Bible Study 7pm Choir Rehearsal</p> | <p>1 <i>Mark 2</i></p> | <p>2 <i>Proverbs 29</i> 1pm Pickle Ball 5pm Worship w/Communion</p> |
| <p>10 <i>Psalm 120</i> 8 & 10:30am Worship w/Communion 9:30am Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes 6:30pm Financial Peace at TYM Daylight Savings Time Begins</p> | <p>11 <i>Mark 5</i> 8:30 am Pastor's Circuit Meeting at St. John in Laurel NOON P.A.R. at TYM 5:30pm Stewardship Mtg 6:30pm Evangelism Mtg 7pm Adult Class</p> | <p>12 <i>Deuteronomy 26:1-11</i> 9am Quilting 6pm Cradle Roll Mtg. 6pm Ladies' Small Group 6:30pm Christian Ed Mtg</p> | <p>13 <i>Romans 10:8b-13</i> 8:30am Chapel at TLS NOON P.A.R. at TYM 5pm Lenten Dinner 6:30pm Lenten Service 7:15pm 1st Yr. Confirmation 7:15pm FIRE Youth Group</p> | <p>14 <i>Luke 4:1-13</i> 10:30am Bible Study 6pm PPC Meeting 7pm Choir Rehearsal</p> | <p>15 <i>Mark 6</i></p> | <p>16 <i>Proverbs 31</i> 1pm Pickle Ball No Saturday Service – Join us for Worship on Sunday for our 100th Anniversary celebration</p> |
| <p>17 <i>Psalm 121</i> 100th Anniversary Celebration 8 & 10:30am Worship 9:30am Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes 12:30pm Brunch at Double Tree Inn 6:30pm Financial Peace at TYM</p> | <p>18 <i>Mark 7</i> NOON P.A.R. at TYM 7pm Adult Class 7pm LWML Meeting</p> | <p>19 <i>Jeremiah 26:8-15</i> 9am Quilting</p> | <p>20 <i>Philippians 3:17-4:1</i> 8:30am Chapel at TLS NOON P.A.R. at TYM 1pm Wrinkled Righteous Game Day 5pm Lenten Dinner 6:30pm Lenten Service 7:15pm 1st Yr. Conf. & FIRE</p> | <p>21 <i>Luke 13:31-35</i> 10:30am Bible Study 7pm Choir Rehearsal</p> | <p>22 <i>Mark 8</i></p> | <p>23 <i>Proverbs 1</i> 1pm Pickle Ball 5pm Worship</p> |
| <p>24 <i>Psalm 122</i> 8 & 10:30am Worship w/Communion 9:30am Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes 6:30pm Financial Peace at TYM</p> | <p>25 <i>Mark 9</i> NOON P.A.R. at TYM 7pm Adult Class NO SCHOOL at TLS</p> | <p>26 <i>Ezekiel 33:7-20</i> 9am Quilting 9:30am Rock of Ages at Home @ Tecca's 7pm Lay Ministry Mtg</p> | <p>27 <i>1 Corinthians 10:1-13</i> 8:30am Chapel at TLS NOON P.A.R. at TYM 5pm Lenten Dinner 6:30pm Lenten Service 7:15pm 1st Yr. Conf. & FIRE</p> | <p>28 <i>Luke 13:1-9</i> 10:30am Bible Study 7pm Choir Rehearsal</p> | <p>29 <i>Mark 10</i></p> | <p>30 <i>Proverbs 2</i> 1pm Pickle Ball 5pm Worship 6:15pm Manitoba Mission Meeting at TYM</p> |
| <p>31 <i>Psalm 123</i> 8 & 10:30am Worship 9:30am Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes 6:30pm Financial Peace at TYM</p> | <p>LAY MINISTERS: Saturday: Brent Carstens Sun., 8:00: Tim Grove Sun., 10:30: Paul Kober</p> | | | | | <p>CHURCH: 245-3984 SCHOOL: 656-1021</p> |



Lutheran
Women
in Mission

LWML MEETING

March 18 at 7:00pm

Opening Devotion:

Pastor Daniel Keinath

Program:

"A Man Called Martin," Part 3:

The Mission, Session 5

Financial REPORT

| January Finances | | |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Income | | 149,549 |
| Expenses | | 135,956 |
| Net Margin | | 13,593 |
| 2018-2019 Finances | | |
| | <i>Actual</i> | <i>Target</i> |
| Offerings | 575,712 | 573,941 |
| Total Income | 1,101,117 | 1,099,000 |
| Total Expenses | 1,039,608 | 1,085,215 |
| Net Margin | 61,509 | 13,785 |
| Phase 1 Completion Drive (Goal of \$325,000 to Pay Off Loan) | | |
| Gifts and Pledges (through Feb.) | | 51,300 |
| Remaining Needed to Complete | | 273,700 |

Our Phase 1 Completion Drive continues, and we are asking all of our members to please consider a gift toward this. Please pick up a pledge card in the narthex if you have not already done so!

ADDRESS CHANGES

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Marianne Wegner – 855-5369

BAPTISMS

Morgan Bailee Welbes.....1/27/2019

Fletcher McPhillips Hein.....2/3/2019

Susan Margaret Kobelt.....2/17/2019

MEMBERSHIP ADDITIONS

By Adult Confirmation on February 10, 2019:

Susan Bohl

Reese Heiliger

Tony & Annie Hernandez

Justin Hettinger

Deborah Hudson

Jonathan D. Kober

Mary Ouzts

Aaron Smith

Jennifer Ullman

Kara Wahl

Kristen Walter

FUNERALS / MEMORIALS

Mary Essman passed away on February 1, 2019.

Funeral Service was held on February 6, with Rev. Daniel Keinath presiding.

Linda Owen passed away on February 16, 2019.

Funeral Service was held on February 22, with Rev. Daniel Rinderknecht presiding.

Special Events

**EVERY WEDNESDAY
MARCH 6 - APRIL 10**

Lenten Dinner @ 5:00pm
Lenten Worship @ 6:30pm

SUNDAY, MARCH 10

Daylight Savings Time Begins

MARCH 11-17

National Lutheran Schools Week

SATURDAY, MARCH 16

No Saturday Worship
Join us Sunday!

SUNDAY, MARCH 17

100th Anniversary Celebration!
Worship @ 8am and 10:30am
Brunch at the Double Tree @ 12:30pm



News

welcome

*On Sunday,
February 10,
Trinity welcomed
27 new members into
our church family!
We thank God for
blessing us with
these new families
and look forward
to getting to
know them!*



Knowing Christ and Making Him Known