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FROM PASTOR ZIEGLER'S DESK

CALLS AND MEETINGS IN FEBRUARY



Home	3
Hospital	13
Shut-Ins	9
Meetings & Classes	30
Hours Counseling	5

FEBRUARY

This is really unusual, but in February there were no baptisms, confirmations, marriages or funerals. Several baptisms were scheduled for the 17th, but because of the weather, were postponed until March.

CALL

On February 10th, our Voter's extended a Call to Robert Hoffman of Trinity Lutheran Church, Huntley, Illinois, to become our associate pastor here at Trinity. Pastor Hoffman is in his tenth year of ministry, a graduate of Concordia University, St. Paul, Minnesota and Concordia Seminary, St. Louis. He was a railroad engineer before becoming a pastor. His wife is Aileen, also a graduate of Concordia, St. Paul. They have three daughters: Grace, 9, Ruth, 5, and Joy, 3. Pastor and his family were here to visit on Tuesday evening and Wednesday, February 19th-20th. Please be praying for Pastor Hoffman as he makes his decision about our Call.

ASH WEDNESDAY

Next week, March 6th, Lent begins with Ash Wednesday. Each Wednesday through April 10th, we will have a worship service at 7:00 p.m. The theme of our Lenten messages this year is "Words that Last Forever", about the words our Lord spoke from the cross. If you have not already, you will receive a devotional booklet entitled "Faith Facts for Lent". Also, in the packet there will be an

"ICHTHUS" fish token to remind you it is Lent. We pray that you will be present for each service and that this season of repentance and reflection will be spiritually enriching for you.

Each service will be preceded by a Lenten Supper, 5:00-6:30 p.m. Since Daylight Savings Time begins on March 10th, it will be light at the end of our services. Be sure to invite and bring a guest with you.

CHOIR AND ORCHESTRA

We were sorry that the Chamber Choir and Orchestra from St. Paul High School, Concordia, Missouri had to cancel their concert because of the weather. The director said they plan to re-schedule in the Spring.

KAIR RADIO BROADCASTS

We are still looking for sponsors for our 2019 KAIR Radio Broadcasts. As of this writing we have 29. We need 52, so we are looking for 23 more. Cost: \$50.00 per Sunday.



BUILDING COMMITTEE

Our Building Committee (Bryan Becker, Jim Duitsman, Bart Lennington, Terry Mills, Rachel Goodpasture) has contracted with Mr. Larry Lisbona to be the architect for the building plans that are being put together. The committee is still in the dreaming and discussing stage – talking about restrooms, childcare, etc., added to our present church building and a building to replace the mobiles which will contain offices, Sunday School and Bible Classrooms, etc. In planning there are lots of things to think about and consider. Building shape and determine ministry for years. Assuming debt for folks in the future to pay is a big responsibility. That is why we are going slow and praying insight, wisdom and guidance.

“RECLAIMED CHURCH”

I just finished reading a book “Reclaimed Church: How Churches Grow, Decline, and Experience Revitalization”. When congregations forget their reason for existence they stop growing, plateau, begin to decline and eventually die. It should not happen. God wants all men to be saved and come to a knowledge of the truth. He wants all to know Jesus as Savior and Lord. To this end he calls congregations into existence through the working of the Holy Spirit. The purpose of the congregation, then, is to reach people for Jesus and salvation to make possible the working of the Holy Spirit through Word and Sacrament. The focus of the congregation is to be out, to bring in, to grow, to disciple in order to go out, to bring in grow and disciple over and over and over. This is why Trinity is, why we are here – to make this happen now and work so it will continue to happen. This is the why of everything we do and plan to do. This is why we pray and serve and give. This is why Trinity School and Kennedy Callers and Vacation Bible School and worship services and endowment funds and a Building Committee and Eight-to-Eight and music and choirs and a coach and, and, and. If we forget why we are we eventually will not be. What a challenge and what a responsibility.

In Morning Break, we are studying the Book of Acts. We have room for more ladies. Come and fellowship and learn. In my Bible Class, we are in the gym, we are studying Philippians. We also have more room.

The Sundays in February have been tough. Snow, ice, cold every Sunday. Our attendance and financial picture have taken a hit. We are hoping March will be better, folks back in the pews, envelopes in the plates caught up.

Grace, peace, and God’s blessings to you.

Pastor Ziegler

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THE FINANCIAL PICTURE

Home	Needed in 2019	\$ 148,985.36
	Given in 2019	137,771.80
Missions	Needed in 2019	6,561.52
	Given in 2019	5,615.68
Building	Needed in 2019	5,077.88
	Given in 2019	5,249.97

As you can see above, at the end of two months we are BEHIND \$11,213.56 in the HOME budget, BEHIND \$945.84, in the MISSION budget and AHEAD \$173.09 in the BUILDING budget. Stewardship reports for 2018 are in the narthex. Also, there are still some packets of envelopes there. We encourage everyone to catch up on their giving. We are going to need that when a new associate pastor arrives.

Special gifts during February were:

Bethesda Home	177.00
Lutheran Heritage Foundation	30.00
Lutheran Hour	212.50
Lutheran World Relief	186.08
Emergency Fund	300.00
KAIR Broadcast	500.00
Flower Fund	107.00
School Sponsor Plan	50.00
Technology (current) Fund	10.00
Initial Offering	98.74
Portals of Prayer	128.75
Vacation Bible School	60.00
Dream Fund III	200.00
Loaves and Fishes	60.00
Organ Fund	50.00
Playground Fund	50.00
Garage/Maintenance Building	25.00

With these gifts this is how our BENEVOLENCE PICTURE looks:

<u>BENEVOLENCE</u>	<u>GOAL</u>	<u>GIVEN</u>
Bethesda Home	\$ 1,100.00	232.00
Luth. Heritage Found.	600.00	85.00
Lutheran Hour	900.00	212.50
Luth. World Relief	3,500.00	464.58

Thank you for using the Lutheran Hour envelope. We pray that many more will use it to support this important ministry.

We have now received \$43,351.40 toward the Garage/Maintenance Building. If you wish to give a special gift for this, simply mark it “Garage/Maintenance Building”. Cost of the building will be around \$98,000. Every dollar given means one less dollar to borrow.

Gifts received in the Lenten envelopes will go to our home budget.

Members serving on our Finance Committee are, Adam Goodpasture (chairman), Mallory Seckman (secretary), Ron Estes (treasurer), Jennifer Brincefield (asst. treasurer), Ledeen Berry (recorder, Sherri Smith (recorder), and Scott Taft (recorder). Thank you to all of these folks who give many hours serving our Lord and Trinity through this committee.



WHERE does the money go? Some goes for utilities. In 2018, \$34,499.75 was for electric, \$14,61.30 for gas, \$14,234.56 for water, a total of \$63,405.36.

Thank you for your faithful giving.

SCHOOL GRANT FUND

We last reported on this fund in the December 2018 Newsletter. Since then the fund has received \$1,325.13 in gifts. This amount brings the given-assets of this fund to \$369,535.60. In 2018 this invested amount produced \$16,928.08 in dividend and interest income. This amount was given to Trinity School and was used for scholarships and tuition grants. Through this several children were able to attend Trinity School.

Special gifts recently received were \$722.55 from the PK-2nd grade Christmas program; \$236.00 from the 3rd-8th grade Christmas program; \$1.58 from the Scrip program and \$103.00 from Thrivent Choice Dollars.

There is an envelope in your packet for this fund (trimmed in green). We pray that sometime during the year you will use it. Your gift will bless many children now and yet to come. Also, this is a fund to remember with memorials and bequests. Thank you for so doing.

TRINITY HIGH SCHOOL ENDOWMENT FUND

We last reported on this fund in the June 2018 Newsletter. Since then the fund has received \$2,810.99 in gifts, memorials and bequest. The fund has now grown to have given-assets of \$17,211.14. Income from this amount in 2018 was re-invested.

A bequest of \$1,030.99 was received from the estate of Ed Sowers. A gift of \$100.00 in memory of Roger Nelson was also received.

This fund is small, yet. I can remember when the School Endowment was this small. Dreams must begin somewhere. This fund is part of a dream and a big vision. Our gifts will make it happen. There is an envelope in your packet. Trimmed in red it says, "Trinity Lutheran High School (FUTURE) Endowment Fund."

LOOKING BACK

Ten Years – March 2009

.....Remington Peuker was baptized on February 15th.

.....Tom Bishop and Pastor Ziegler spoke at Kiwanis Club about Trinity Place. Completion date was projected to May 15th.

.....Winter T.E.A.M. Classes were "Reformation Overview", "Parenting with Love and Logic", "Singing the Faith".

.....Youth were raising money to attend the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans.

.....Zach Wilson, Reagan Maxwell and Morgan Keimig, as a team, placed third in the Winter Athletics Competition at St. Paul in St. Joe.



.....28 "Supper Trekkers" went to St. Joe to eat at Whiskey Creek.

Twenty Years Ago – February 1999

.....Mrs. Marie Fricke died on February 26th in Platte Woods., Mo. Pastor Robert Fricke, who served Trinity, 1958-1969, died on March 11, 1984.

.....Mike and Georgia Peitsch were leaving Trinity and Atchison, moving to Green Bay, Wisconsin.

.....Esther Ziegler began chemo therapy treatments.

.....Daved and Donna Driscoll were our new choir directors.

.....Debt on the new building was \$387,885.65.

Thirty Years Ago - 1989

.....Courtney Servaes and Joel Wilburn were baptized.

.....On Monday, February 27th, the "Eight-to-Eight" Prayer Ministry was begun.

.....For the first time a Registration Fee of \$50.00 was established for Trinity School.

.....Debt on the new building was \$789,283.04.

.....Youth Evangelists in training were Jeanne Johnson, Tom Strathman and Robin Sullivan.

Forty Years Ago - 1979

.....Mark Weinmeister and Susan Ohlmann were the super salesman in the School Magazine Campaign.

.....In memory of his mother, Anna Hagen Farmer, Ed Farmer gave stock valued at \$11,551.00 to the School Endowment Fund and the Scholarship Fund.

.....New officers for Martha Circle were; Bernice Welch, Gertrude Williamson, Lillian Vogel, Dorothea Kuhnert and Virginia Game.

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Hello Ladies of the Trinity LWML!

Did you know that by just being a woman of Trinity, you are part of LWML?! It's not a secret club and there are no crazy membership or joining requirements! So, what does LWML do? We plan events, we host Bible studies, we do mission projects, and at our meetings, we enjoy goodies, fellowship, and plenty of laughter! Check the bulletin or our Facebook page for details about our next meeting!

Check out these exciting ways to get involved in Trinity this month!

- Novel Ideas is currently reading *The Tattooist of Auschwitz* by Heather Morris, we'll meet at The Sunflower, Saturday, March 30th, 9:00 a.m. to discuss it! Come along, bring a friend, and let's enjoy some coffee and chatter!
- Looking for a way to get your creative juices flowing and get some of those half-finished projects complete? Why don't you join us for WIP (Works In Progress) Craft

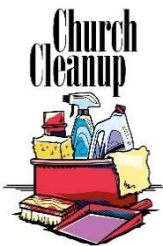
Night! All crafters welcome! We have women sewing, crocheting, scrapbooking, Bible journaling, drawing, and more! This month, we'll meet in the church basement on March 18th, at 6:00 p.m.

- If you have a heart for missions and want to put your crochet or knitting talent to good use, then check out Chain of Hearts! All materials needed to create scarves, hats, and baby cradles are provided! We hope to see you on March 25th, 6:00 p.m., in the church basement.
- Don't forget about Morning Break! We meet on Wednesday mornings at 9:15 a.m., in the church basement for prayer and Bible study, led by Pastor Ziegler.
- We are looking ahead to our Ladies Tea Party! We need volunteers to help with the cooking/baking and decorations! We will be having a planning meeting on March 12th at 6pm in the church basement and would love to hear all your ideas!

Please keep an eye out in the weekly bulletin, as this is where we will be posting updates about upcoming events and Bible studies! If you have any questions, please feel welcome to call or text Liz at 913-940-0690.

Blessings,
Liz Hofacker

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Ladies, Gents and Youth, our annual Church cleaning day is Saturday, March 16th, 9:00 a.m. to Noon. Everyone is welcome!! Please bring your cleaning supplies. Your help will be most appreciated.

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Health Note for March 2019

Sleep, Living Lives in Balance

(reprinted from lpni.org with permission with update of Sleep Awareness Week for 2019)

The National Sleep Foundation has announced Sleep Awareness Week to be March 2-7 this year. Sleep is one of the main ingredients for keeping balance in our lives. When we have the proper amount of rest, we are more productive, more able to listen and learn, and even solve the most complex of problems. Adequate sleep has a positive effect on our mood, concentration levels, and diet. Living a wake and sleep balanced life can be a struggle for many.

It has been found that teenagers and young adults need much more sleep and rest than they get each night. As we age, many need less sleep, some as few as 6 hours

but others need as many as 10 hours. Sleep deprivation may cause drowsiness during the day decreasing productivity, increasing the chance for personal injury, auto accidents and other safety issues, as well as lessened problem-solving skills. Understanding the various causes of decreased sleep is the first step in achieving a wake sleep balance.

Technology is the most recent cause of insomnia. Watching videos, answering emails, or playing electronic games can make the body tense and increase the stress hormone. Also, the "glow" from these devices negatively affects the hypothalamus (control center for sleep) and decreases the level of melatonin, the natural sleep hormone. Televisions can also cause these negative effects. Fear of sleep and sleep apnea can also interfere with adequate sleep and rest. Sleep can be enhanced by a routine bedtime, sleeping in a cool room, dimming lights later in the evening, and eating a light bedtime snack of carbohydrates or tryptophan rich foods. Further, sleep enhancement can come from decreasing intake of fatty foods within 4 hours of bedtime, as they increase digestive action. Eliminating caffeine, including medications that have this ingredient, about 6 hours before bedtime will help encourage sleep. Keeping the bedroom free of technology, television, and noise will also aid sleep. A healthy balance of wakefulness and sleep takes time to develop and become a routine, but it is well worth the positive effects that it has on one's life.

Hope Knight, RN, Parish Nurse
District Representative for Oklahoma, USA
<http://www.webmd.com/sleep-disorders/default.htm>

As we get ready for the return of Daylight-Saving time (and the loss of an hour of sleep!) in March it is important to remember God gave us the blessing of rest and sleep to recharge our bodies and the blessing of Sabbath worship to recharge our spirits!

Blessings,
Marcene Selberg RN, Parish Nurse

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SPRING FORWARD
Daylight Saving Time
Saturday Night, March 9
Don't be late for church on the 10th



Greetings from TLS

February has been lots of fun at our school. There has been lots of snow and ice during the month, but we were able to do lots of fun things. The second graders have been busy this month learning about adding and subtracting two-digit numbers reading books and learning about the Earth. We had a lot of fun over Valentine's Day as we celebrated God's love for us and our love for each other.

We celebrated our 100th day of school in February. We had lots of fun counting to 100 and have 100 snacks or other fun things. There are ten students in second grade, so we were able to each write out names ten times each to make 100.



The spelling bee was held here at Trinity on Tuesday, February 12. Everyone had lots of fun. The Trinity students who participated in the spelling bee were Jackson Blakely, Eli Harper, Grayson Moore, Michael Fuhrman, Gavin Moore, Daniel Wagner, Isaac Hoffman, Cassidy Blanton, Alexis Trautloff, Alexis Andring, Marin Moore, Micah Leonardi, Katelyn Brincefield, and Emily Fuhrman. Emily Fuhrman earned 3rd place, and Alexis Andring earned 4th.



Several students sent artwork to the Sister Helen Art Gallery for the art show. The students put a lot of work into their art and do a great job. It is wonderful to see them get recognized for these amazing God-given talents.

Blessings, Ms. Dressler

PK-K ROUND-UP IS MARCH 14TH FROM 3:45-6:30 P.M.

PK3, PK4, and Kindergarten classes are open for enrollment on March 14th in the TLS Gym beginning at 3:45 until 6:30 p.m. Parents will need to bring a copy of their child’s birth certificate, social security number, and immunization records. A \$50 enrollment fee is due at Round-Up for Preschool students ONLY. For more information and/or questions, please call the office at 913-367-4763.

THE 2019 SISTER HELEN BUENING ART ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Students in grades K-8 have submitted artwork for the Sister Helen Art Achievement Awards at the Muchnic Gallery. Family and friends may view the student artwork from 1-5 p.m. on Wednesdays, Saturdays, and Sundays from March 2-April 7, 2019.

Kindergarten: Logaan Cairo, Draya Harris, Peyton Lindsey

2nd: Abe Bell, Carlie Harden, Rose Harper

3rd: Emma Clowers, Ryker Diebolt, Jackson Stone

4th: Derek Blanton, Scarlett Johnson, Zachary Lee, Annabelle Sinclair

7th: Emily Fuhrman, Maddie Green

8th: Katelyn Brincefield, Jaid DeWitt, Rebecca Hoffman, and Micah Leonardi

SPRING MATHLETICS RESULTS



THIRD PLACE WINNERS
Alexis Trautloff, Emily Fuhrman, & Jackson Blakely



THIRD PLACE WINNERS
Cassidy Blanton, Daniel Wagner, & Max Lopez

OUR STUDENTS WILL BE SINGING DURING LENT SERVICES

- March 13** **K-8**
- March 27** **Gathering of the Talents Choir**
- April 10** **PK3 and PK 4**

COMING UP APRIL 4 AT 6:30 P.M.

TLS OPEN HOUSE AND GATHERING OF THE TALENTS SHOWCASE
COME HEAR THE CHOIR AND VISIT OUR CLASSROOMS

YOU'RE INVITED

Please join us for an educational event

Learn about tax law changes that could impact you and your family. Get positive, professional guidance from a membership organization of Christians that has been helping its members be wise with money and live generously for more than 100 years.

Attend the **U.S. Tax Reform: How it Could Affect You** workshop

Congress recently revised the U.S. Tax Code, affecting millions of Americans. Find out how you and your family fare under the new changes. Register for this free workshop to learn more about the important new tax law.



EVENT DETAILS

Thursday, March 7, 2019

6:30 p.m.

Atchison Event Center

710 S 9th St

Atchison, KS

RESERVE YOUR PLACE TODAY

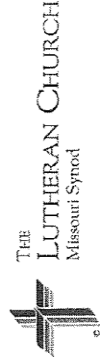
Please call Alex Gehring or Jennifer Maxwell at 913-367-0700
or email alex.gehring@thrivent.com or jennifer.maxwell@thrivent.com
by March 5, 2019.


A light meal will be served at the event.

This session is hosted by Thrivent Financial representatives
Alex P Gehring, FIC. and Jennifer Maxwell, FIC

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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March 2019							Apr 2019 ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
3 Worship 8:00 am, 10:30 am, 6:30 pm 9:15 am Family Bible Hour 9:30 am KAIR Broadcast 4:00 pm Inquirer's Class 7:00 pm NA	4 1:15 pm Staff Meeting 2:30-7:30 pm Blood Drive 6:25 pm Kennedy Calling 7:00 pm NA	5 1:00 pm Quilting 6:25 pm Elder's Calling 7:00 pm NA	6 8:30 am School Chapel 9:00 am Morning Break 5:30 pm Wednesday School 5:00-6:30 pm Ash Wed. Dinner 7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Service 7:00 pm NA 8:00 pm Finance Committee	7 6:30 pm Bell Choir 7:30 pm Adult Choir 8:30 pm Chamber Choir	8 7:00 pm NA	9 7:00 pm NA  SET CLOCKS AHEAD!!	
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