

I like to call March the “in-between month.” It is just a weird month. When March hits, we start thinking about spring and how it is around the corner yet we average over eight inches of snow in March. Baseball season isn’t quite here but spring training is in full force. Basketball is winding down as is the hockey season. We are in the midst of Lent with Easter coming up fast but we aren’t there yet. Snowbirds are still away but some start to trickle back. It is just an “in-between” month.

However, we live our lives “in-between” every day. One of the major themes of Martin Luther’s theology, otherwise known as thinking about God and the Christian life, is that we are both saints and sinners. We are all sinners because we call sin. It is part of our nature. It is part of who we are as people. No matter how hard we try, we will do wrong actions, have wrong thoughts, against God, our neighbors, and ourselves. Because of this, we are sinners.

Yet, at the exact same time, we are saints, saved by the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ by the grace of God. As baptized children of God, we are saved by the grace of God, freely given to us through faith. Because of this, we are made righteous and every day we die to sin and rise to newness of life. So we are saints. Yet, we still sin, and so we live as Christians in a tension, in an “in-between” between saint and sinner.

We call this a paradox and it can be hard to live in such a way. We like absolutes. We like black and white. We want to be able to point out someone and say, “They are a sinner. That one is a saint.” But life is often a struggle, often is a war between our two natures. Paul puts it well in Romans 7:15 *I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate.* But later he will say, a few verses later, *Who will rescue me from the body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

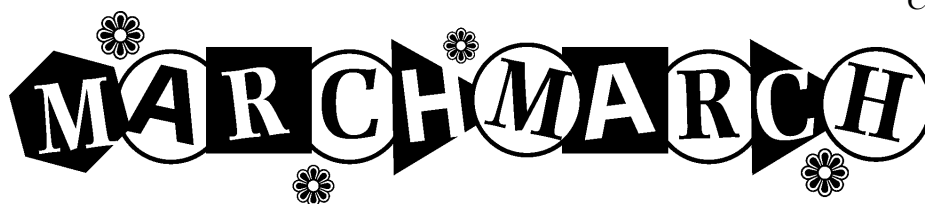
The good news for us is that, in the end, by the grace and mercy of Jesus Christ, our God sees us as saints, washed clean by the blood of his only Son. For though there is a war between our two natures of sinner and saint, in the end the war has already been won by Jesus Christ. As we live in this “in-between” time, we know that Christ will be with us to help us and give us strength as we struggle with our sinfulness and also to help us remember that we have been made saints.

For that we can say, “Thanks be to God!” Amen.

Pastor Brad

*God proves his love for us in that  
while we still were sinners  
Christ died for us.*

Romans 5:8



# YOUTH NEWS

## Roller Skating Party



Sunday, March 22  
1-5pm



at Vision Quest in Menomonie

\$6 per Person

(includes Quad Skate Rental & Pizza & Pop)

Plus: \$3 for Blade, Scooter & Aggressive Gear  
Sign Up in the Narthex

If you need a ride or have questions,  
please contact Heidi Swenson 715-781-5999



### March Sunday School Theme

*Youth Service Preparation  
For Youth Led Worship  
Palm Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>  
at 9:00am*

*So they took **branches of palm** trees and  
went out to meet him, shouting, "Hosanna!"*

John 12:13

### Cake Walk

\$1 per ticket

6 tickets for \$5

Proceeds to benefit the  
*2015 Youth Gathering Youth*

Thank you for supporting  
the Trinity Youth!



### YOUTH BUTTER BRAIDS' SALE

February 18 - March 11

Cost: \$12 per Butter Braid (\$4.80 profit)

Special Offer Package: \$48 (\$19.20 profit)

Package Includes:

- 1 - Strawberry & Cream Cheese Butter Braid
- 1 - Blueberry & Cream Cheese Butter Braid
- 1 - Bavarian Crème (*only available in this package*)
- 1 - Package Caramel Rolls
- 1 - Free Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough

Benefits Trinity youth going to  
*Luther Park Confirmation Camp*  
and the *2015 Youth Gathering*

25% of the proceeds sold by just the Youth Gathering  
Youth will donated back to the Trinity General Fund

Delivery Date: March 25



### **NO CONFIRMATION CLASSES DURING LENT**

**February 25-April 1**

**Confirmation Students are expected  
to attend all Lent Worship Services**

**V**acation  
**B**ible **June 22-26**  
**S**chool

# TRINITY ACTIVITIES



## Mission Madness Trinity's Annual Food Fight April 1<sup>st</sup> - May 3<sup>rd</sup>

Beginning in April (*no fooling*) and going thru May 3<sup>rd</sup>, you can donate money or food to help support our mission partners and make some VIP's do some embarrassing things! Last year we passed our goal and raised \$2,356.44 and PB had to do some pretty crazy things including scooping poop at the Horse Parade. This year, as each goal is met, PB along with the Church Council will do the following:

- \$500** PB donates Packers & Bears Cake for the Cake Walk & Tillie wears a Bears Shirt during worship
  - \$1,000** PB eats Black Jelly Beans and Stub wears Muscle Apron during worship
  - \$1,500** PB wears Packer shirt to Synod Assembly and Heidi wears Bears Shirt to Synod Assembly
  - \$2,000** PB & Kevin Scoops Poop at Pickle Festival Horse Parade
  - \$2,300** PB wears Packer Stole in September and the Sunday of the first Packers/Bears game
- Special drawing for PB's famous BBQ Ribs on April 19<sup>th</sup>. For every \$25 that is donated by an individual that day, you will be entered into a drawing to win *two racks of BBQ Ribs* made & delivered to your house by PB.

The following mission partners will benefit: ELCA; World Hunger, Luther Park; Stepping Stones; Lutheran Social Services; American Lutheran Homes; and West CAP of Boyceville.

### Last Year's Mission Madness Total Was \$2,356.44

PB ate Lima Beans; wore Packer Poncho for a day; wore Packer/Brewer shirt/hat at Synod Assembly & Mission Trip; scooped poop at Pickle Fest Horse Parade.

### Empty Bowls

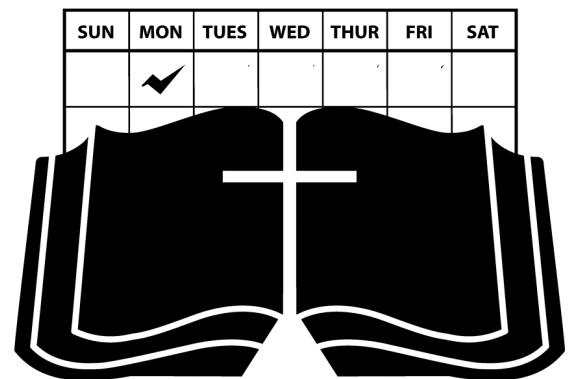
On February 8 & 15 we made your own clay bowl for our 'Empty Bowls' event.

On March 8 & 15 you will glaze them.

You will use your clay bowl at our 'Empty Bowls' event on Wednesday, March 25 at our last Lent Meal.

Free-will offering taken

All proceeds go to feed the hungry  
See pictures on page 13?



### Bible Study

10:00 a.m.

March 2, 16, 23

# TRINITY DURING LENT

The theme for Lent 2015 is *Being Lutheran: What Does This Mean?*

Lenten Suppers Served from 5:30pm to 6:45pm.

Lenten Worship Wednesdays at 7:00pm with Holden Evening Prayer.

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## **February 18<sup>th</sup>**

**Ash Wednesday Holy Communion Worship**

*Meal: Baked Potato Bar served by Confirmation Youth*

## **February 25<sup>th</sup>**

**“Who was Martin Luther? The 15<sup>th</sup> century monk, NOT the 1960’s civil rights leader”**

Scripture: Romans 1:16-17

*Meal: Soup and Bread served by Youth Gathering Youth*

## **March 4<sup>th</sup>**

**“The Center: Saved by Grace through Faith”**

Scripture: Ephesians 2:8-9

*Meal: Creamed Chicken Gravy Over Biscuits, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable & Dessert served by Women of Trinity*

## **March 11<sup>th</sup>**

**“Two Sides of the Same Coin: Law & Gospel”**

Scripture: Romans 3:19-26

*Meal: Spaghetti & Garlic Bread served by the Men of Trinity*

## **March 18<sup>th</sup>**

**“Freedom of a Christian: What? Free to be a slave? That makes no sense”**

Scripture: Galatians 5:13-14

*Meal: Brats & Hot Dogs by Trinity Church Council*

## **March 25<sup>th</sup>**

**“Vocation, Vocation, Vocation”**

Scripture: Romans 12:3-8

*Meal: Soup served by the Women of Trinity*

## **March 29<sup>th</sup>**

**Palm Sunday Holy Communion Youth-Led Worship at Trinity at 9:00am**

## **April 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Maundy Thursday Holy Communion Worship at Trinity at 7:00pm**

## **April 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Good Friday Worship at Trinity at 7:00pm**

# HOLY WEEK, EASTER SUNDAY



**March 29<sup>th</sup>**

***Palm Sunday***

**Holy Communion Youth Led Worship  
at Trinity at 9:00am**

**April 2<sup>nd</sup>**

***Maundy Thursday***

**Holy Communion Worship  
at Trinity at 7:00pm**

**April 3<sup>rd</sup>**

***Good Friday***

**Worship  
at Trinity at 7:00pm**



**EASTER SUNDAY**

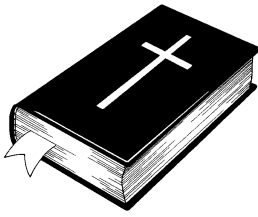
**April 5<sup>th</sup>**

**Easter Sunday Sunrise Worship  
w/Holy Communion  
at 6:30am**

**Easter Breakfast at 7:30am**

**Easter Celebration Worship  
w/Holy Communion  
at 9:00am**

# NARRATIVE LECTIONARY



*Keep this **Book** of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it.*



**GLUTEN-FREE  
DAIRY-FREE  
WHEAT-FREE  
CORN-FREE  
COMMUNION  
WAFERS  
ARE AVAILABLE**

**We are saving  
resources!**

You only need to fill out one Communion Card per year *and* all family members can be on one card

*Also*

Return Sunday's bulletin to the table to re-use for Wednesday's Worship Service

## Narrative Lectionary Stories for March 2015

### **March 1: Matthew 20:1-16 Laborers in the Vineyard**

Our sense of fairness is challenged in this parable. Many of us have been raised to believe we get what we earn. To imagine someone else might receive what we receive for having earned far less challenges our sensibilities. But what if we are not the laborer who has earned a day's wage? What if we are the laborer who cannot possibly work hard enough or long enough to earn a day's wage? Perhaps Jesus was teaching here that God offers love more abundantly than anyone can possibly earn.

### **March 8: Matthew 22:1-14 Parable of the Wedding Banquet**

The king in the parable of the wedding banquet was a generous king, but also one who refused to be taken advantage of. Initially he invited family and friends to the banquet, but they would not come. This may have been a parallel to the Jewish leaders who refused to walk in God's ways, even as they were claiming to do just that. The king then invited everyone to come, perhaps an open invitation from God to come into God's kingdom. A twist near the end shows one man, improperly dressed for the banquet, thrown out of the party. This may have been to indicate that God's people were expected to behave in a manner fitting of guests of the king; to treat one another with kindness and respect.

### **March 15: Matthew 25:1-13 Parable of the Bridesmaids**

In following the theme of abundant invitation and grace of the past few weeks, this story moves now to the expected response to such an invitation. The bridesmaids who came prepared ultimately were invited into the banquet. Those who came unprepared missed the opportunity. This suggests that we come to God's house and work in God's world with attention, intentionality, and respect. In both parables, the bridegroom/master were gone for a time, and then returned at an unexpected time. In both instances those waiting were expected to be prepared for the return. The bridesmaids were expected to bring enough oil to last while they waited. The servants were expected to invest what they had been given, so that at the master's return they would have even more to return. Both of these parables expect action on the part of those who wait.

### **March 22: Matthew 25:31-46 Judgment of the Nations**

Jesus told this parable to help people see God in the faces of those we typically would not acknowledge; the hungry, thirsty, poor, naked, sick, and imprisoned. Jesus was intentional about indicating that we are expected to act. Our world has needs, and our actions are crucial to creating in this world an environment that more closely resembles the kingdom God intended for this world.

### **March 29: Matthew 21:1-13 Palm Sunday/Sunday of the Passion**

Jesus entered Jerusalem for the last time, venerated and adored as the king who would redeem Israel and save her from the oppression of Rome. The people had no way of knowing that Jesus' purpose was much greater; to save people from sin and death. Many things in this story indicated that the people were celebrating Jesus as a king. The donkey and the colt, the spreading of cloaks and the branches were all signs of royalty. The people shouted, "Hosanna!" which means "save, rescue, savior." They acknowledged Jesus as a prophet, which meant that his actions were directed and blessed by God. A good king would protect the people from harm, provide basic human needs (food, shelter, safety) for his kingdom, and rule with justice.

# EASTER LILY ORDER FORM/LUTHER PARK



Easter Lilies will adorn Trinity for Easter. If you would like to purchase one or more, please fill out the form below and **return it to Sharon Seeger along with the purchase price of \$7.00** (complete and delivered to the Church).

Recognition will be printed in the Easter bulletin.

You are able to take your lily after Easter.

**Make check payable to Sharon Seeger.**

The deadline for ordering lilies is Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>

If you have any questions, please contact  
Sharon Seeger at 308-9121.

Number of Plants Ordered \_\_\_\_\_

Purchased by: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_ In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail to:**

**Sharon Seeger  
934 West Street  
Boyceville, WI 54725**

## **Luther Park Celebration!**

Luther Park Bible Camp had a wonderful Annual Meeting January 24th. At the meeting we were able to announce Luther Park has now paid off the long term debt! We owe many thanks to churches, church groups, individuals, volunteers, and gifts "in kind". We want to thank all who helped with this last push to eliminate the debt and all who keep this wonderful ministry in their prayers. Your prayers and support has not only allowed Luther Park to pay off a 20 year loan but also to grow. Camper numbers were up in 2014 by 25%. Guest group usage and non-summer programmed events also increased!

God is good! We are immensely grateful, and want the enthusiasm and support to continue as there is much to do. We can now focus on moving forward needed projects and renovations the debt had delayed. We pray you keep this wonderful ministry in your prayers as you are always in ours.

In God's Grace

The Luther Park Staff



## **LUTHER PARK**

### **A CAMP OF GROWTH AND CHANGE**

Camp is about change, effecting change in the lives of youth and adults in fun, safe Christ centered ways. New programs this year include; a Basketball and Soccer Camp, Music, Art, Drama, and Dance (MADD) Camp, Canoe Trip, two weeks of Family Camp, Counselor In Training Program, week long cabin camps for 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> graders.

New activities include the high ropes course for middle school age and up and disc and golf course for all. Join us for a fun, high energy week of playing outside, canoeing, arts and crafts, games and more. Breakfast, lunch, and snacks are provided.

Don't forget to sign up for summer camp! Registration is now open. Register online at [www.lutherpark.org](http://www.lutherpark.org) for summer camp.



# HELP PAGE

## **2-1-1 Provides Free & Confidential Information**

**2-1-1** is a simple, free way to connect all people in need with vital human services for everyday life or in times of crisis. By dialing **2-1-1** people are linked to information about local resources, from both government and nonprofit organizations. From the single parent seeking food for their children to the senior citizen looking for in-home care, **2-1-1** brings people and community resources together.

Call **2-1-1** for help with food, housing and shelter, employment, education, legal advice, emergencies, health care, counseling, physical and mental health issues, financial assistance, transportation, and more.

When you call **2-1-1**, you will talk to a trained resource specialist who has access to a comprehensive database of nearly all health and human services that exist in your community. Information and referral is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week throughout the year.

Webpage: [www.211wisconsin.org](http://www.211wisconsin.org)

## **Stepping Stones**

1620 Stout Road  
Menomonie, WI 54751  
715-235-2920

### **Food Pantry Hours**

Mondays	11am – 2pm
Tuesdays	3pm – 6pm
Wednesdays	3pm – 6pm
Thursdays	11am – 2pm
Fridays	11am – 2pm
Saturdays	10am – 12 noon
Sundays	Closed

No one is ever turned away, however, recommended eligibility guidelines are that you are a Dunn County resident and your income is below 185% of the federal poverty level. Bring a photo ID, proof of your Dunn County residency (drivers license, utility bill, lease, etc.) and know your household's gross monthly income.

## **Food Harvest Ministry**

Boyceville Community Center  
500 Charlotte Street  
Boyceville, WI  
next distribution March 21  
Watch for flyers each month

## **United Way C-3**

(Located next door to Stepping Stones in Menomonie) Phone: 715-231-3066  
Accepting all items for donation except electronics and exercise equipment.

### **Days and Times Open**

Monday—Thursday 9am– 3pm  
Friday 9am—Noon

## **Food Access and Resource Center**

West Cap

823 Main Street, Boyceville

The pantry will be opened the  
following days

Thursday 3pm-7pm

Friday 9am-1pm

Volunteers needed

Call Melissa Wyss 715-977-1191

## **Free Clinic of Greater Menomonie Area**

Mayo Clinic Health System-Red Cedar in Menomonie  
2321 Stout Road, Menomonie, 715-233-7655

Level A - Southwest Entrance

Medical services are provided to anyone that is uninsured or uninsurable and has a household income of 200% or less of the Federal Poverty Level.

Clinic is open on Tuesdays. Registration is from 5-7pm.  
(Please do not arrive before 5pm)

Walk-ins only. Appointments are not given.

What information do I need to bring with me?

- List of current medications
- Health history information
- Recent test results
- Proof of income- required for some services

For more information check the church bulletin board or  
[www.menomoniefreeclinic.org](http://www.menomoniefreeclinic.org)

Donations can be mailed to the following:  
Free Clinic of the Greater Menomonie Area  
PO Box 624, Menomonie, WI 54751

## **The Coat Closet**

Open by appointment only. Contact Glenise Thomas 715-643-7419 or Sonya Zebro 715-308-8435 or Marquerite Blodgett 715-643-2164. Another option is the 3C Center in Menomonie.

**Winter Haven** is a warming shelter sponsored by Stepping Stones & St. Joe's Catholic Church that provides a warm, safe place for guests to shelter overnight.

Contact Heidi Hooten 715-235-2920



# ORGANIZATIONS



*Many **women**  
do noble things,  
but you surpass  
them all.*  
Proverbs 31:29

## Women of Trinity (WOT)

Board Meeting  
March 4<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm  
Esther Circle  
March 18<sup>th</sup> @ 2pm  
Ruth Circle  
March 19<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm



## Lutheran Men in Mission

NO Meeting  
Watch for the Smelt Fry  
in April

*The glory of young **men**  
is their strength,  
gray hair the splendor of the old.*  
Proverbs 20:29



## WOMEN OF TRINITY NOTES

It's hard to believe how fast time flies by. Here it is time to submit the monthly newsletter notes again. In less than a month we will be turning our clocks ahead an hour. Do you think then we will have enough daylight hours to get all the things done that we want to get done? Probably not. It would be nice if we could all slow down just a little bit and enjoy the beautiful world that God has given us. Maybe we could all be thankful for the little things in life.

We hope that everyone will have a chance to join us for the Creamed Chicken Gravy Meal on March 4<sup>th</sup>. We will be serving from 5:30 to 6:45pm. We also serve the soup meal for the Empty Bowls Meal on March 25<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-6:45pm.

The *Day of Renewal* will be here at Trinity on April 11<sup>th</sup>. This is the first time in many years that Trinity has hosted this event so we hope that many of you will come and support our church as we welcome the women from the 'Chippewa Valley Conference'. Watch for more details to come.

Remember to mark your calendars for May 2<sup>nd</sup> for our Craft Sale. We hope to make it as successful as the last two!! If you know of anyone interested in having a table please let Peggy Schutz or Mary Larson know.

Please remember those that need our prayers!!

Submitted by: Sandy Wheeler

# SERVICE GROUP/JANUARY, FEBRUARY, **MARCH**

## *Contact People in Bold*

Steve & **Norma Stark**  
**Barb Nelson**  
Tom & **Liz Lohfink**  
**Carrie Bartos**  
Herb & Shirley Dow  
Jeremy & Megan Mittlestadt  
Nathan & Melissa Holden  
Scott & Kristine Stuart  
Jack & Kelly Owen  
John & Jeannie Krig  
Pete & Deb Holmlund  
Larry & Vivian Hanestad  
Ginny Julson  
Jeff & Mary Roemhild  
Justin & Heather Clark  
Brenda Dean  
Adam Peshaw  
Ron & Lee Peshaw  
Connie Lystrom  
Diana Nutter  
Dan & Melissa Larson  
Patrick & Paula Gretzlock  
Kevin & Sadie Bygd  
Ben & Carol Schlosser  
Linda Nerison  
Rick & Sherilyn Stalker  
Dave & Carla Stevens  
Gary & Joy Evenson  
Ken & Ellen Anderson  
Steve & Michelle Andrews  
Stewart & Emma Bartz  
Ryan & Amber Benitz  
Marlin & Diane Bird  
Jason & Jennifer Buhr  
Ken & Kris Carlsrud  
Travis & Jessica Clark  
Adrian & Paula Dickens  
Andrea & Lauryn Dominick  
Sandy Dotseth & Brian Peterson  
Frank & Stacy Fetzer  
John & Leah Garbe

Janet Gundlach  
Chad & Jennifer Klatt  
Donna Keller  
Jim & Melissa Keller  
Tom & Susan Hakanson  
Lavern & Jolene Laberee  
John & Char Larson  
Troy & Angie Leach  
Tony & Michelle Lystrom  
Brian & Shelbie Mittlestadt  
Debbie Mittlestadt  
Rob & Lori Sinz  
Kyle & Casey Sutliff  
Amy Thorson  
Gabe & Christa Walz  
Ben & Heidi Wilson  
Jeremy & Stephanie Schlosser  
Richard & Gail Stark  
Jeff & Bonnie Hoff  
Dan & Hillary Williams  
Bob & Karen Anderson  
Brad & Marlo Stevens  
David & Carla Klingman  
William & Audrey Anderson  
Dan & Joan O'Connell

## **Ushers**

Jan: Ron Peshaw, Pete Holmlund, Justin Clark  
Feb: Steve Stark, Dick Stark, Pat Gretzlock  
**Mar: Jeremy Mittlestadt, Brad Stevens  
John Krig, Nate Holden**

## **Altar Guild**

Jan: Vivian Hanestad & Diana Nutter  
Feb: Norma Stark & Gail Stark  
**Mar: Kelly Owen, Liz Lohfink, Deb Holmlund**



The Sunday School Staff would like to thank Anonymous for the new flat screen TV that was given to the Sunday School, it was very thoughtful and greatly appreciated.

Thank you to the confirmation youth for the Baked Potato Bar on Ash Wednesday.

Thank you to John & Jeannie Krig for hosting the Sledding Party!

Thank you to the youth gathering youth for the Lent meal.

Thank you to Pat Rettke for office supplies.

Thank you to Linda & Gaylan Nerison for stuffing envelopes.

Thank you to everyone who donated for the Polar Plunge.

### **Polar Plunge for Special Olympics**

The Polar Plunge was held February 7<sup>th</sup> at Elk Point. Over \$30,000 was raised and more is coming in. PB aka Batman was a team member of Kayden's Crusaders and the team raised over \$3,000 with \$700 coming from your donations meaning PB had to wear the muscle man apron at the *Northwest Synod of Wisconsin Winter Theological Event*. Thank you to all donors and spectators!

#### **Kayden's Crusaders**

(named for Todd & Teana Ebensperger's son Kayden)



#### **Muscle Man**

Bishop Hoyme & Pastor Brad at Winter Theological Event February 9<sup>th</sup>.



#### **Taking the Plunge! brrrrrrrrr**



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# PRAYER REQUESTS

*I have heard your **prayer**  
and seen your tears;  
I will heal you.*  
2 Kings 20:5



*I will spread out my hands  
in **prayer** to the Lord.*  
Exodus 9:29

## OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

Tess Mayer	Virgil Robinson	Marilyn Miller	Phyllis Lundeen
Saul Hedlund	Keith Oliver	Adella Hanson	Emma Shearer
Warren Benson	Mike Kietzer	Fred Seeger	Doris Herdahl
Jolene Labaree	Barb Robinson	Kayden Ebensperger	Jennifer Marlett
Mick Rieder	Easton Riek	Alison McRoberts	Jayla Riek
Al & Sue Anderson	Rebekah Hoffman	Sharon Seeger	Don Owen
Brad Stevens	Cassie Hanestad	Klover Lagerstrom	Tamara Edwards
Delores Brezina	Helen Rosen		

*In our **prayers** for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.*  
Colossians 1:3

Dear Trinity Lutheran,  
Thank you so much for your donation to the Coat Close! Thank you for helping us keep people warm this winter.  
God Bless,  
Glenise Thomas  
Sonya Zebro



Thank You for helping make this Christmas memorable for so many. We were able to provide gifts to 381 children the Boyceville, Glenwood City, and Spring Valley school districts. Your generous donation made the Holidays brighter for children in need.

Wishing you a very Happy 2015  
From your friends at West CAP



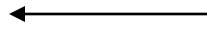
MONTH	ALTAR GUILD	USHERS
March	Deb Holmlund, Liz Lohfink, Kelly Owen	Nate Holden, John Krig, Jeremy Mittlestadt, Brad Stevens
April	Kathy Hanson, Marlys Nusberger, Margaret Parker	Rick Stalker, Kevin Bird, Joe Larson
May	Diane Andrews, Helen Rosen	Wendell Andrews, Daryl Jones
June	Shirley Hetzel, Mary Slind	Ted Erickson, Lyndon Schmidt
July	Heidi Swenson, Jan Theberge	Ted Litzkow, Dan O'Connell, Heidi Swenson
August	Darlene Booth, Lonna Borgert	Dale Bird, Dan Debee
September	Faye Bird, Katelyn Bird	Chris Novotney, Jeff Roemhild
October	Peggy Schutz, Holly Coombs	John Bekkum, Scott Coombs, Randy Schutz
November	Lynda Swenson, Linda Soleimani	Steve Bird, Bob Bird, Tim Bird
December	Leona Steies, Sandy Wheeler	Larry Wheeler, Brent Larson, Chad Lee



# GOOD NEWS

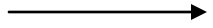


(Pictures on the Left)



Making clay bowls  
for our *Empty Bowl*  
*Event* in March.  
Glazing will be done  
March 8 & 15.

(Picture on Right)



PB modeling Packer  
Stole made by an area  
pastor. He will wear  
this stole (or  
something like it) the  
month of September  
and for the first  
Packer/Bear game if  
we reach the goal of  
\$2,300 during  
Mission Madness.



**Pastor Brad on VACATION**  
**March 5-7**



Happy St. Patrick's Day  
March 17<sup>th</sup>



## An Irish Blessing

May your troubles be less  
And your blessings be more  
And nothing but happiness  
Come through your door

WISH · LIST

## FOR OFFICE

Scotch Tape Refills

Disinfectant Wipes

Heavy-Duty Paper Shredder

# COOKBOOK INFO

*Repent, and be baptized every one of you  
in the name of Jesus Christ  
so that your sins may be forgiven;  
and you will receive the gift  
of the Holy Spirit.*

Acts 2:38

## CARD CLUB-FELLOWSHIP

**Thursdays at 10am  
at Trinity**

**Come join the fun and play '500' and  
enjoy the fellowship! Every talent level  
(beginner to pro) welcome to attend.  
We'll teach you the game. Cards and  
scoring sheets provided.**

**Pot-luck snacks served.**



## REPENT - A WORTHY WORD FOR LENT

What pops into your mind when you hear the word "repent"? Is it a dark and somber word for you, perhaps reminding you of John the Baptist's shouting for people to repent and be baptized?

What does the word "repent" mean anyway? Literally, it means to stop the way one is going, turn around, and then walk in the opposite direction. It refers to turning away from sin and shallow living and to begin walking through life following God's direction.

Lent, which begins on Ash Wednesday is an opportunity to check our spiritual condition, to repent and to walk more faithfully with our Lord.

If we take Lent seriously, we can begin to discover a new vision for life – a more joyous way to live. Lent can enable us to discover the immeasurable benefits of living the Christian life passionately.

## NEW CHURCH COOKBOOK

Recipes are wanted for a new church cookbook to be available in the FALL. You may submit as many recipes as you wish. There are two ways you submit your recipes:

- 1) **Hand-print** your recipe on the "Recipe Collection Sheet" found on the following page (14) or on the table in the Narthex. Follow the directions on the 'Sheet' to fill out the form and return it to the "Recipe Box" for completed recipes that is also on the table in the Narthex.
- 2) **Online.** Go to [www.morriscookbooks.com](http://www.morriscookbooks.com)  
At the top of the page click on 'typensave'  
Go to Login  
Enter username: truely blessed  
Enter password: spoon447  
Hit Submit  
Enter your name  
Add your recipe  
Logout when done

Once you have saved your recipe you cannot go back and make changes; however, Becky Nyhus can edit it. Let her know if there needs to be a change in a recipe. Deadline to submit recipes is June 30<sup>th</sup>. If you have an idea for a title for our cookbook, let Becky know or drop it in the basket.

Any questions, contact Becky Nyhus

Phone: 715-781-7011

E-mail: [beckers56@hotmail.com](mailto:beckers56@hotmail.com).



*You shall **cook** it and eat it at the place  
that the Lord your God will choose*

Deuteronomy 16:7

**Bake** what you want to **bake**  
and **boil** what you want to **boil**

Exodus 16:23

# RECIPE COLLECTION SHEET



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		Lyndon Schmidt	308-1232		
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# TRINITY SERVICE NEWS

## SERVING OUR CHURCH—March 2015

Ushers: Jeremy Mittlestadt, Brad Stevens  
John Krig, Nate Holden

### Readers:

March	1	Andrea Hoag
March	8	Connie Lystrom
March	15	Margaret Parker
March	22	Heidi Swenson
March	29	Youth

### Greeters:

March	1	Dan & Joan O'Connell
March	8	Becky Nyhus
March	15	Shirley Bloom
March	22	Dan & Melissa Larson
March	29	Youth

### Acolytes:

March	1	Bailey Danovsky & TBD
March	8	Hannah Strehlo & Jered Bartos
March	15	Gavan Strehlo & Kaitlin Lee
March	22	Maggie Wyss & Emma Bygd
March	29	Damien Waller & TBD

### Fellowship Servers:

March	1	Taylor Grambow
March	8	Caleb Dotseth
March	15	TBD
March	22	Damien Waller
March	29	Damien Waller

### Cake Walk Bakers:

March	1	Deanna Steinberger & Sami
March	8	Megan Bird & Hayley Bird
March	15	Nik Bekkum
March	22	Carrie Bartos
March	29	Deanna Steinberger & Sami

*My honor is pursued as by the **wind**,  
and my prosperity has passed away like a cloud.*

Job 30:15

*The **wind** blows to the south,  
and goes around to the north;  
round and round goes the **wind**,  
and on its circuits the **wind** returns.*

Ecclesiastes 1:6



# CHANGE YOUR Clocks

**Remember to turn  
your clocks ahead  
before you retire on  
SATURDAY, MARCH 7<sup>th</sup>**

*The wise heart will know the  
proper time and procedure.*

Ecclesiastes 8:5

## March Schedule

### WOMEN OF TRINITY

Board Meeting  
March 4<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm

### CIRCLE MEETINGS

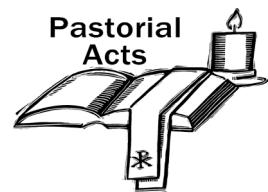
Esther Circle  
March 18 @ 2pm  
Hostess: Mary Slind  
Bible Study: Pat Rettke

Ruth Circle  
March 19 @ 7pm  
Hostess: Lonna Borgert  
Bible Study: Lynda Bird

Altar Committee  
Kelly Owen, Liz Lohfink,  
Deb Holmlund

### MEN IN MISSION

No Meeting



### WEDDING

Robin Maukstad  
Jordan Peshaw  
February 14, 2015



IMO TRISH OLSON  
YOUTH  
BEKKUMS/ERICKSONS  
IMO LOIS OAKLAND  
GENERAL  
BETTY & LOWELL HAKANSON  
IMO JOYCE HOPKINS  
GENERAL  
BETTY & LOWELL HAKANSON  
IMO CATHERINE EVENSON  
BUILDING  
JOHN SLIND  
IMO CATHERINE EVENSON  
BUILDING  
NORMA WILLIAMS  
IMO DAVE LABEREE  
GENERAL  
DALE & FAYE BIRD  
IMO DAVE LABEREE  
MISSIONS  
PETE & DEBRA HOLMLUND

### **In Like the Spirit**

In many places, March is notoriously windy: “In like a lion ...!” Though I don’t like the damp chill that’s often part of the transition to spring, I love windy days. Something about the air’s movement — a gentle breeze or ferocious gale blowing through trees, against the house, in my hair — breeds excitement in me, anticipation that something new is a stir.

How fitting that in conversation with Nicodemus, Jesus said, *The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit* (John 3:8).

Like Nicodemus, we fail to comprehend the Spirit of God. But Jesus reminds us that though we can’t see the Spirit, we feel his love, see his actions of justice and hear his sounds. These include kind words, bold preaching, weeping for another, shared laughter and songs of praise.

—Heidi Mann



### **Benefit for Brad Stevens**

Saturday April 4<sup>th</sup>

2pm - 8pm

Veteran’s Center / Foxhole Bar

Highway 25 North of Menomonie

Food Served: 2-6pm (Free Will Offering)

Live Auction: 5:30pm

Silent Auction: 2-6pm

Large Raffle Drawing: 7pm

(A Variety of Raffles for Everyone)

Drawings for Raffles: 6pm

*On January 3<sup>rd</sup> Brad suffered a stroke. He is a member of Trinity and active in our community.*

If you are interested in donating please contact Jeremy Mittlestadt at 715-225-8708, Matt Greeley at 715-505-2136, Matt Rydel at 715-308-0337, or Matt Mittlestadt at 715-556-1850.

Monetary donations can be mailed to:

Peoples State Bank

715 State Road 79

Boyceville WI 54725

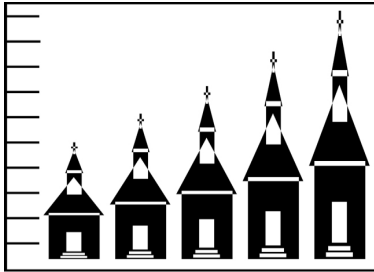
Please make checks out to “Brad Stevens Benefit”

Please come and show your support  
for Brad and his family!

*Matching Funds have been applied for from  
Thrivent Financial for Lutherans*

(check out the poster on the bulletin board)

# FINANCIAL NEWS



## Church Building Parsonage Repair Loan

**\$54,575.30**

**as of February 3, 2015**

## Simply Giving Total January \$4,525.00

General	\$3,420
Building	\$930
Missions	\$175



I was reading about eternity on the internet and accidentally hit 'enter'.

## 2015 Offering Envelopes



## '2014' Annual Giving Statements



## Financials for January 2015

Checkbook Balance as of January 1 4,812.75

### Revenue:

Regular Giving	4,165.07
Cash Giving	593.53
Simply Giving	3,420.00
Misc Giving	132.00
Benevolences	283.00
Building	1,331.00
Out of Budget-Youth	646.58
Out of Budget-Scholarship	5.00
Out of Budget-Youth Savings	2,488.05
Out of Budget-Quilters	0.00
Out of Budget-Sunday School	0.00
Out of Budget-WELCA	0.00
Transfer In	1,794.13
Total Income	<u>14,858.36</u>

### Expenses:

Benevolences	1,066.66
Worship	258.23
Educational Ministry	0.00
Outreach Ministry	80.28
Office	690.35
Personnel	9,169.30
Facilities	2,089.74
Building Loan Payment	1,511.13
Out of Budget-	0.00
Transfer Out	4,278.63
Total Expenses	<u>19,144.32</u>

Checkbook Balance as of January 31 526.79

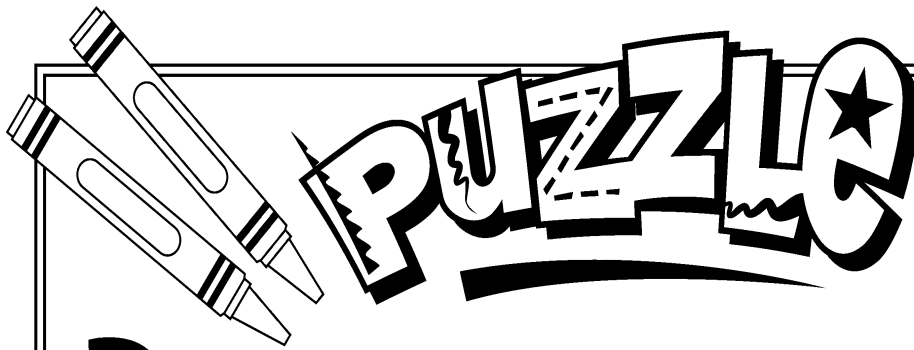
*Our Lord has written the promise of the resurrection,  
not in books alone, but in every leaf in springtime.*

—Martin Luther

Please pick up your '2015 Offering Envelopes' located in the Narthex. If you use *Simply Giving*, you did not receive envelopes this year. However, if you would like a box of envelopes, please see Megan Mittlestadt or Pastor Brad.

Also, inside is an envelope with the words *Initial Offering* on it. This \$3 offering helps off-set the cost of the actual envelopes.

The '2014' *Giving Statements* are available for you to pick up at the Church.



# POWER OF PRAYER

When life gets crazy, worry creeps in. But God tells us exactly what to do – any time and anywhere.

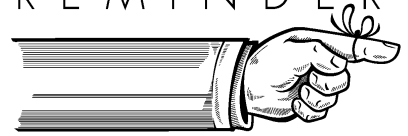
**Directions:** Circle the word in each group that doesn't belong. Then write those words on the numbered lines below.

<b>1</b> apple anxious artichoke	<b>2</b> every eagle emu	<b>3</b> purple pink prayer	<b>4</b> Paul petition Peter	<b>5</b> taste touch thanksgiving
<b>6</b> rest requests relax	<b>7</b> God George Greg	<b>8</b> puddle peace pond	<b>9</b> transcends train truck	<b>10</b> unusual unique understanding
<b>11</b> guard giraffe gorilla	<b>12</b> hearts hold held	<b>13</b> many minds more	<b>14</b> Philadelphia Pennsylvania Philippians	

“Do not be \_\_\_\_\_<sup>1</sup> about anything, but in  
 \_\_\_\_\_<sup>2</sup> situation, by \_\_\_\_\_<sup>3</sup> and  
 \_\_\_\_\_<sup>4</sup>, with \_\_\_\_\_<sup>5</sup>,  
 present your \_\_\_\_\_<sup>6</sup> to \_\_\_\_\_<sup>7</sup>. And  
 the \_\_\_\_\_<sup>8</sup> of God, which \_\_\_\_\_<sup>9</sup>  
 all \_\_\_\_\_<sup>10</sup>, will \_\_\_\_\_<sup>11</sup>  
 your \_\_\_\_\_<sup>12</sup> and your \_\_\_\_\_<sup>13</sup>  
 in Christ Jesus.” \_\_\_\_\_<sup>14</sup> 4:6-7, NIV

Answers: 1. anxious, 2. every, 3. prayer, 4. petition, 5. thanksgiving, 6. requests, 7. God, 8. peace, 9. transcends, 10. understanding, 11. guard, 12. hearts, 13. minds, 14. Philippians

## PRAYER REMINDER



Use this fun family activity to remember to pray for other people.

### What you need:

- White index cards (at least six)
- Markers or colored pencils (red, orange, yellow, green, blue and brown)
- M&M's candies



### What you do:

1. On each card, write a group of people to pray for (family members, friends, teachers, sick people, etc.). Use a different color of writing utensil for each card.
2. While sitting at a table, divide the M&M's among family members.
3. Spread out the cards and explain that each color represents a group of people to pray for. Have each family member choose one candy and consider who they'll pray for.
4. Designate one person to start praying aloud. Go around the circle, and have the last person close.
5. At the end of that round, eat those M&M's.
6. Continue until you've prayed for all the cards. (Make more, if you'd like!)

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in proclaiming the Word of God so that all may know  
the peace, joy, and fulfillment that comes through  
Jesus Christ*

# TRINITY GOOD NEWS

## March 2015

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THE **WIND** BLOWS WHERE IT CHOOSES,  
AND YOU HEAR THE SOUND OF IT,  
BUT YOU DO NOT KNOW WHERE IT COMES FROM  
OR WHERE IT GOES.

JOHN 3:8

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