

April 2018



**Updates from Council President, Jeff McDonald.**

Looking forward to seeing a full house for our upcoming Easter services. On Easter Sunday, we are planning to capture pictures of our members (by themselves or with others - whichever you prefer) in front of our beautiful altar as we did last year. We will offer this after the first service and **before** the second service that morning, so just plan to come up to the altar after the first service ends or between 10:00 a.m. and 10:20 a.m. and we'll include you in this year's Easter Sunday album, which will be posted on Trinity's Facebook page. Pictures from last year's album can be found at: [https://www.facebook.com/pg/TrinityNewLenox/photos/?tab=album&album\\_id=1297800590255177](https://www.facebook.com/pg/TrinityNewLenox/photos/?tab=album&album_id=1297800590255177)

We are still working on securing bids for our stained glass window project but the total amount that has been donated for this project as of the March council meeting was just under \$40,000! Amazing generosity continues for this project and our property committee is working hard to find the best company for the job. More details on that will be passed along as they are known.

Look for details on this as well, but we are planning to form an Emergency Committee at Trinity to help prepare our church and our members for any number of emergency situations (fire, tornado, flooding, active shooter, etc.). We will be moving forward with this committee shortly to think through how best to respond to these situations and there will be opportunities for any of you to serve on this committee if you'd like. Fortunately, we haven't ever experienced any true emergency at Trinity, but clearly it is better to plan for what to do *before* that happens than after.

I mis-spoke last month about the scope of the upcoming Trinity Tailgate event, so please allow me to amend what I said. This event will be open to all contestants in the cook-off and their invited guests. So please either sign up to participate in the event or arrange to accompany one of the attendants to the event. We hope to have a nice turnout for this inaugural event. You can find more details about this on a poster on the table outside the gym.

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Finally, if you are interested in pooling your support for the Lutheran Church Charities K-9 Comfort Dog program with the rest of our members, please plan to have your donation in to Trinity by Easter Sunday. Proceeds from this year's Easter Breakfast will be donated in full to this cause, but you may also donate separately to them if you choose. Just write "Comfort Dogs" in the memo line of your check and get that in by Easter Sunday. We hope the presentation they made to us last month was helpful in showing you how impactful this organization is. We hope our donations help them to continue their mission and expand their reach even further.



**CONFIRMATION CLASS will resume on April 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.**

**Last day for the 7<sup>th</sup> grade confirmation class is April 25<sup>th</sup>**

**Confirmation Rehearsal will be on May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 p.m.**

**Confirmation – Sunday, May 6<sup>st</sup> at the 10:30 a.m. worship service.** The following young adults will be received into membership through Confirmation: Madison Nicole Condit; Elissa Marie Delcorio; Logan Dek Kambic; Anna Kay Minett; Jacob Anthony Parker; Samantha Jo Pecoraro; MacKenzie Remm; Keegan Douglas Srebro. We wish them God's blessings and congratulations on the completion of their studies. Please welcome them into our fellowship and keep them in your prayers.

**To the Parents of the Second Year Confirmation Class:**

Your child will be confirmed at the 10:30 a.m. service on Sunday, May 6, 2018.

The class will wear white robes and red carnations. Boys will be provided with a black clip-on bow tie for the occasion. Boys should wear a white dress shirt with a collar.

The robes will need to be pressed by the parents and brought back on Confirmation Day, and the class will put them on at church before the service. They will leave the robes at the church following the service. If you wish to take personal snapshots, please plan to do it at church. **(REMINDER - NO PHOTOS MAY BE TAKEN DURING THE SERVICE.)**

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Individual photographs will be taken after the service. A Professional photographer **will not** be available this year.

We also need your check made out to Trinity Church for robe rental. The cost for the robe rental is \$23.95 per person. The rental fee should be paid on or before the robes are picked up. Checks should be left in the office in the envelope on the counter in the office. The envelope will be marked Confirmation Fees. Thank you for your cooperation.

**ALL CLASS MEMBERS ARE TO BE AT THE CHURCH NO LATER THAN 9:15 A.M. ON CONFIRMATION DAY.**

If you have any questions, please, phone me or Judi Donovan at the church office, 485-6973.

### **Member Updates**

#### **Baptisms:**

Marcelino Theodore Pantoja , February 25, 2018

Eliseo Jose Garza, March 18, 2018

#### **Transfers In:**

Karma Krzysiak, February 11, 2018

#### **Deceased:**

Marlen Bollman, February 18, 2018



### **Fannie May Candy Bar Sale!**

Rita Larson is continuing to sell candy bars with the proceeds going to the Chancel Guild. The cost is \$1.00 each and are available after church services or in the church office. Please deposit your money in the envelope inside the candy bar box.



### **Bible Classes – everyone is invited, and welcome to attend.**

Wednesday Morning – meets from 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. in the library.

Sunday Morning – meets at 9:15 a.m. in the library.

Thursday Evening – meets at 7:00 p.m. in the library.

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## Calling all grillers, smokers, and tailgate food specialists!!

We need you on Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, to participate in the

# Trinity Tailgate

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Our Goal is to invite and include non-members who are known to and invited by members, to attend as Participants and make them feel comfortable in being with members and the church facility.

How can I get involved?

- Sign up as a **Participant**. Bring your grill, food, & equipment on June 9 and show us your Stuff.
- Sign up as a **Judge**. Help decide whose is best. And sample everything ;-)
- Sign up as a **Recruiter**. Get a non-member to sign up as a participant or a Judge, and you get to stay for the food and entertainment! This is an outreach event. Use it to get that seeker / potential members to check us out, casually.
- Sign up as a **volunteer**. We will need help with promotion, preparation, setup, teardown, cleanup. And eating food.

Spots are limited, so show your support and sign up today! Sign up sheet and participation rules are on the table in the hall.

- **Start Time:** That's up to you, how much prep time do you need?
- **Serve / judge time:** 5:00 p.m.
- **Showtime:** 6:00 p.m.
- **Event end time:** 8:00 p.m.

Questions? Find Bob Blecke, Outreach Chair, or email him at [robert.blecke@yahoo.com](mailto:robert.blecke@yahoo.com)

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**Scrip Fundraiser** - If you are in need of gift cards for Easter, there is still time to order. A list of the many retailers/restaurants that participate in this program can be found on the table below the youth bulletin board. Remember, there is no additional cost to you. By participating, you are earning funds for our church. Our next order deadline will be [Monday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, at noon](#). Cards will be ready for pick up at church the following Sunday, April 15. Any questions can be directed to Angie Minett at [minett411@yahoo.com](mailto:minett411@yahoo.com) or [\(815\)467-2537](tel:8154672537) or Gary Purnell at (815)485-9017. You can also check out [shopwithscrip.com](http://shopwithscrip.com) to learn more.



**Trinity Pre-School – Registration for Fall Pre-School is now open. Please tell your friends and neighbors.** There is a non-refundable registration fee of \$60.00 per student. School year beginning September 2018 the tuition per month will be \$110 for two day students and \$135 for three day students. Children must be 3 by September 1, 2018. For further information, please call Trinity Lutheran Church at 815.485.6973.

Pre-School Board Meeting is scheduled for April 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 a.m.



Thank you to all the coffee hosts who take turns each Sunday following the 8:00 a.m. church service. Thanks also to the “new” volunteers who have signed up to a turn on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month. **We still have 5 open dates for the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month. Please take a turn a sign up for one of those Sundays. A sign-up sheet is on the hallway table.**

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The April Sign-Up sheets for Readers, Greeters and MorningStar Mission are on the hallway table! Your help is appreciated.

### **SOCIAL MINISTRY**

Our next meeting will be Monday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. All ladies of Trinity are invited to join our committee. If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact the church office at 815.485.6973.



April 19<sup>th</sup> between 4-6 pm, you can pickup your pizza and dessert orders. If you can't make it on that day, you may pickup the orders on Sunday morning.

All proceeds from the sale will be going to the Comfort Dog Program.



#### **St. Matthew's Outreach:**

**We are continuing with our collection of clothing and household goods as well as food for St. Matthew's. Food items should be placed in the container at the top of the steps by the parking lot door. Clothing and household goods should be placed in the room at the East end of the church basement. Thank you Chuck and Sandy Peters for transporting items to St. Matthew's the past few weeks.**

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**MorningStar Mission:** The next serving dates for April 2<sup>nd</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to all the volunteers who help each week. If you are interested in helping, the sign up sheet is on the hallway table.



**Chancel Guild:** The next meeting will be **Monday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 p.m.** We will be cleaning for Easter. All ladies of Trinity are invited to visit. Hostesses are Judi Donovan and Debbie Crawford.



**CHOIR Rehearsals will be held each Wednesday in April, at 7:00 p.m. New voices are always welcome.**



**ALTAR FLOWERS:** Flowers are placed on our altar every weekend to enhance and beautify our altar area in memory of a loved one, to commemorate a birthday, wedding anniversary, or in celebration of God's blessings. **A 2018 flower chart showing open weekends has been posted in the cabinet across from the church office.** The flower order forms are attached to the cabinet. If you would like to sponsor flowers on a particular weekend, complete the form and place it along with a **check made out to Trinity Lutheran Chancel Guild** in the Chancel Guild mailbox in the church office. Please note the cost of the flowers has increased to \$30.00. If you want a date already chosen, it may be possible to share the date and the cost with permission from the person who has  
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already selected the date. If you have any questions, please call Kay Purnell at (815) 485-9017 or email her at [purnellk51@hotmail.com](mailto:purnellk51@hotmail.com). Flowers may be picked up **after** the 10:30 service. Thank you to all who participate!

The Chancel Guild would like to thank the following people for purchasing Easter flowers to be used for decorating the chancel area. The flowers were beautiful! Thank you:

Biff & Debbie Aiken, Bob & Kim Blecke, The Buchanan Family, Tom & Jan Clark, The Cuthbert Family, Les & Ginny DeCarlo, Janet DeForest, Jenni DeMaertelaere, Jack & Lois Dobbs, Bob & Tammy Doerrer, Judi Donovan, Ernie & Jan Falk, Paul & Pat Fuerst, Betty Hopkinson, Bill & Sally Jackson, Tom & Wendy Kaun, Tim & Jana King, Les & Cheryl Koenig, The Kojro-Badziak Family, Joe & Renee Lavazza, Jeff Lorenz, Mike Lyman, Phil & Sharon MacFarlane, Al McCullough, Jim & Angelle Minett, Jennifer Mudrock, Michael & Emily Perkins, Gary & Kay Purnell, Rich & Jackie Rohner, Doug & Jan Schlak, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Stark, Steve & Rita Tinker, Rex & Jan Toepke, Andy & Julie Verchimak, LaDonna Walker & Nikki Conradi, The Wheeler Family, and Daniel & Susan Willenborg.



### **Save the Date!!**

Vacation Bible School will be June 25-29, 9:30-Noon. Our theme is Splash Canyon and we invite children age 3 up through 5th grade to join us. Cost is \$5 per child. Register online at [/www.trinitynewlenox.org](http://www.trinitynewlenox.org), using the password "trinity". Church members and preschool students have priority to register until May 1 when registration opens to the public. Last year we were full in the preschool class and had to close registration, so be sure to sign up soon!



### **INFORMATION REQUESTED – CHANGES OR UPDATES**

When you move, change phone numbers, email addresses etc., please let the church know. You may call 815.485.6973 or email Judi, the church secretary at [tlcsecretary508@gmail.com](mailto:tlcsecretary508@gmail.com). You may also complete and turn in the "Record Update Visit us on the web at [www.trinitynewlenox.org](http://www.trinitynewlenox.org)



Information” sheet, which are on the table outside the church office and on the hallway table.

**Church office hours:** Monday, Wednesday and Friday – 9:00 AM till 2:00 PM

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