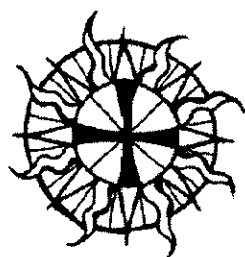


Trinity Tidings

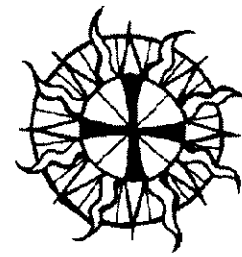
February 2019



WORSHIP SERVICES

Thursdays 7:00 p.m

Sundays 8:15a.m. and 10:45 a.m.



February 2019 Tidings

Dear Trinity,

Have you seen the star in the sanctuary? It'll be shining during worship all through Epiphany! 'Stars and light' are themes we'll follow all throughout 2019 as we hone our skills at naming the gifts of God for the Church.

Speaking of gifts, did you get your Star Word in worship on January 17 or 20? (If not, there are some available for you in the Narthex!) During worship, I invited everyone, all ages, to receive a Star Word. Not to pick, but just reach in and grab! They're nothing fancy. Just yellow cardstock cut into a star shape and printed with a word. Each star has a unique word that is a gift of God for the Church. Everyone is asked to keep the Star Word visible throughout the year to keep it in mind, to keep looking for this gift of God.

Since we're focusing our minds and hearts on naming the gifts of God for the Church and we're starting by receiving Star Words. It's possible someone got a word that accurately reflects their personal gifts of the Spirit, just as it is possible that someone got a word that challenges them. Maybe you received a Star Word that you need to ponder, look up the definition, practice, or name for someone else.

These many and various Star Words (all 348 of them!) really are gifts of God for the church and shine the light of Christ in us and to the world. These gifts don't necessarily mean we'll find them within Trinity! Perhaps it is a ministry that the ELCA or another congregation in town does. Can we name the gifts of God for the Church that others have without any midwestern, Lutheran guilt that claims we should be doing it all? This is our year to practice looking for, naming, and giving thanks for God's rich gifts to the Church.

If you haven't had the chance, please come receive a Star Word of your own to ponder, seek, and name. Your presence, voice, and gifts matter here at Trinity. By the shining of the Star and the light of Christ, together we will ponder, practice, and name God's gifts for us.

Following His Light,

Pastor Amy



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Tidings Notice:

If you would like your Tidings emailed to you please send Beatrice Kingsfield an email at officetlc314@gmail.com with updated email address.

Starting March 1st we will not be mailing Tidings. If you would like a paper copy of the Tidings they will be available in the Narthex.

Dear Friends....We are loving being so close to our kids....and now grandson!! Baker Stephen Phillips was born Monday, January 14 at 12:37 p.m., weighing 7 lbs 4 oz and 19 3/4" long. He, Abby and Zach are well and now adjusting to their new normal. Thank you all for your cards, gifts, advice and the beautiful (and quite emotional) blessing during worship. That was very meaningful and special for us. We are thankful for the memories and are looking forward to new beginnings!

Peace, Lisa and John Butler

Lenten Worship Opportunities

Wednesday Community Worship hosted by Trinity

Worship at 12:05 with lunch to follow

Wednesdays March 13th– April 10th

Lent worship at 6:30 p.m.

Thursdays march 14th– April 11th

Supper begins at 5:30 p.m.

Christian Education

God's Amazing Love

"God is love." 1 John 4:16b. During the month of February, we see windows, bulletin boards and cards decorated with hearts. It is a fun, colorful reminder of showing love.

God's love is very different from the love we think of on Valentine's Day. It is not based on feelings. God's love is sanctifying, redeeming and freeing. As followers of Christ, we are called to open ourselves to God's boundless love, and then allow God's love to overflow into our ordinary lives. We are prompted to love when we do not feel like it. We are even told to pray for our enemies. When we see colorful hearts and cards, may we think about God's amazing love and how we respond to it - all year long!

Dates to keep in mind:

March 6 – Ash Wednesday service at 7 p.m. This is a meaningful way to begin the season of Lent with your family.

March 24 – NO Sunday school. Fort schools spring break March 25- 29.

April 7 – Communion Instruction Workshop, for 4th grade students who chose the Spring session. This opportunity will begin with a luncheon in the Fellowship Hall following the 10:45 service. Each student will need to have at least one adult attend with them.

April 14 – First Communion for students who attended the Spring workshop.

April 14 – Students in grades 4K-6th will sing in worship. Students with last names beginning A-M will sing at 8:15, N-Z will sing at 10:45. If you are unable to attend your assigned service, please attend the service that works best for your family.

Book Discussion with Julie

During the season of Lent, we will be exploring the book *The Way* by Adam Hamilton, a Methodist minister and author. Our discussions will be on Wednesday evenings beginning February 27 and continuing through April 10. We will gather around the tables in the main level kitchenette at 7:00 p.m. There will not be a book discussion on Ash Wednesday, March 6th.

Adam Hamilton has written a book about his travels to the places described in the gospels. Each chapter summarizes a part of Jesus' ministry, and brings new insight to some familiar Biblical passages.

The books are on their way. They will be available in the church office. The cost is \$12.50. Please have exact amount or write a check to Trinity and mark it book discussion. You are welcome to buy the book even if you are unable to join the discussion. Questions? Contact Julie at julievtlc@yahoo.com or 563-4145 ex. 4

GATHERING, PRAISE, RENEW

All Women of Trinity Lutheran Church are invited to attend the 2019 Elkorn Conference Spring Gathering, Saturday 27 2019, from 9:00 a.m. –1:00 p.m. Lunch at 12.

Registration/Refreshments at 8:00 a.m. Welcome and Keynote speaker at 9:00 a.m.

More information to follow. Hope to see you there.

PRAYERS REQUESTED FOR...Debbie Pierce, Sharon Bleecker, Ruth Smithback, Rhonda Cook, Marsha Anderson, Kim Hannan, Karen Weber, Donna Weeks, Linda Doerr, Cortyln Almquist, Shelley Weber Schaitel, Andrew Campbell, Sarah Mech, Vern Borchardt, Isaiah Gravelle, Sandy Anderson and those we name silently in our hearts.

Youth and Families - February 2018

COMING SOON!

Feed Your SOUL

March 14th

Talent Show and Dinner

April 7th

VBS June 10-13

LIFT

Wednesday—February 13th

LIFT 6:30-8:30pm

Wednesday, February 20th

LIFT 6:30-8:30-8:30pm

Wednesday, February 27th

UPLIFT 7:00-8:30pm

Confirmation Schedule

Confirmation Class

Sun Feb 3rd 7th-8th grade

9:30-10:30am

Wed. Feb 6th 7th grade

6-7pm

Wed. Feb 13th 8th grade

6-7pm

Wed. Feb 20th 7th grade

6-7pm

Sun Feb 24th 7th-8th grade

9:30-10:30am

Wed. Feb 27th 8th grade

6-7pm

W.O.W.

Walking On Water

We're diving deeper into our faith!

If you are

between the ages of 18 and 25.

Please join us in the youth room!

Thursday, February 7th

6-7pm

Thursday, February 21st

6-7pm

FEED YOUR SOUL

Thursday, February 21st 4:00-6:30p,

This is our scheduled time to help prepare, serve and clean up the community meal. Please email Bea if you are available.

FEBRUARY 2019

27 8:15 AM Worship 9:15 AM Fellowship 9:30 AM 7th-8th grade confirmation 9:30 AM Sunday School 9:45 AM Adult Education 9:45 AM Bells 10:45 AM Worship	28 6:00 PM Transition 6:30 PM Lift Trip Information	29 11:00 AM Staff Meeting 7:00 PM AA/AI/Anon	30 6:00 PM 8th grade Confirmation 6:30 PM UP-Lift 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal	31 9:00 AM Respite 7:00 PM Worship	1 OFFICE CLOSED!	2 9:00 AM "Is That Poop on My Arm" Book Group
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