

TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

TRINITARIAN

JANUARY/FEBRUARY/MARCH 2020

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From Our Pastor

Rev. Jonathan Meraz

Grace and peace to you...

With the Trinitarian now coming out once a quarter instead of bimonthly and so many things happening during this early part of the church year there is a difficulty in deciding what to focus upon in this opening message. Between January 1st and March 31st the church observes Epiphany with its accompanying season, Ash Wednesday and the beginning of the season of Lent along with feasts and festivals such as the Circumcision and Naming of Jesus, the Purification of Mary and the Presentation of our Lord, and the Annunciation. Any one of these subjects would be suitable and appropriate to address in this first quarter of 2020 but I am going to focus on something else.

It is something that has never happened before and will never happen again. During this year of 2020 we will be celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church! 100 year anniversaries only occur once in a lifetime. With great anticipation and joy we are looking forward to a very exciting year of thanksgiving and praise to God for what He has done and given us through His church.

The kickoff for our celebration is Sunday, January 12th when we will pray, praise and give thanks. Throughout this coming year we will have many opportunities to rejoice. A number of the men who have served Trinity in ministry in the past will return to proclaim God's Gospel message. There are remembrances planned, a great banquet at Grand Affairs in June along with other opportunities for food fellowship, and chances to reach out to our neighbors.

Anniversaries are important. They often encourage and build us up. This coming year will be busy but with a good kind of busy as we look back at what God has done through His church here at Trinity and plan ahead to what He might do through us in the future.

So please prepare to celebrate. Come regularly to the weekly family reunions on Sunday mornings. Come to receive the gifts that our Lord has intentionally left us. Come to receive His mercy and grace, His forgiveness and strength. Happy Anniversary to the saints of Trinity! I am excited and look forward to worshiping together throughout the coming year. God's blessings to you all...

Pastor

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:00 am
*Sunday School and
Adult Bible Classes*

10:00 am
Worship Service

*Holy Communion
Every Sunday*

OUR MISSION

*United in Christ we will
proclaim the Gospel,
administer the Sacraments,
and provide Christian
education to children and
adults in a supportive and
nurturing environment.*

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Custodian

Antonio Tutt

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Sharyn Leiding – Zone 3

Deacons

Sharon Plawin – Zone 1

Craig Scott – Zone 4

Ken Leiding – Zone 5

Roger & Mary Ann Medlin – Zone 6

Bud & Lynn Hubert—Zone 7 & AG

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From our Pastor

Introduction to the Divine Service

Notes on the Liturgy #22 – Benediction

The LORD bless you and keep you. The LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The LORD look upon you with favor and give you peace.

This is the Benediction that concludes the Divine Service. Benediction literally means *to speak well of* or *to speak good upon* and from that we get its common meaning *to bless*.

These are God's words of good fortune to His people. In Numbers 6:22-27, the Lord gave this Benediction to the priesthood. God commanded Aaron and his sons to speak this blessing over the people of Israel. Because of Martin Luther, the Aaronic blessing was brought to the Christian church and is most often used in the worship services of Lutheran congregations.

It has been said *No finer or more spiritual word in the vocabulary of devotion could be found with which to conclude the service than the word 'peace'*. What is God's will toward the church? What is His disposition towards me personally? The Benediction tells me that the heart of God is to prosper and bless His people through a relationship with the Almighty. There it is sinner: God's disposition towards you in Christ is most pleasant. God speaks to you, the individual, in these words. In the Hebrew of Numbers 6, in the German and Jacobean English of our former hymnals, this is made clearer by the language used – ***The LORD bless thee*** (you-singular) ***and keep thee*** (you-singular). In contrast to the general words of absolution spoken over the congregation (you-plural) at the beginning of the service, these words of benediction spoken over the entire group are spoken to you (singular). Having received the Body and Blood given and shed ***for you*** (plural), the blessing of the shed Blood of the Lamb is proclaimed ***to you*** (singular).

The Benediction also instructs us as to the source of our well-being. Three times over it is the LORD that speaks. Three blessings are given in emphasis. The New Testament further reveals that three persons come to bless us — Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Thus, as we started the service with the Invocation of the Trinity, we depart in peace by the blessing of the same.

*These notes were originally written in 2001
by Pastor David Oberdieck and have been edited*

100th Anniversary

Bud and Lynn Hubert

Praising the Lord for 100 years of Grace - Trinity's 100th Anniversary year has arrived, and we are very excited to kick off our yearlong celebration! Enclosed in this issue you will find a 100th Anniversary Newsletter with information and pictures about our beginnings. Over the next year as we celebrate the 100th Anniversary we'll reflect on the people who served God's Kingdom at Trinity with a newsletter each month. Trinity has been blessed with so many people who have been a part of its history. A special thank you to Sharon Plawin for supplying these newsletters. A 2020 Calendar has been designed which lists our special events for the year. This calendar also offers some highlights about Trinity. Each week of the year you will find listed people, things and organizations that we are "Grateful and Blessed" to have in our lives. As you review the calendar please offer a prayer for those listed. Calendars can be found in the Welcome Center.

We hope everyone will join us on June 7th for a special Worship Service at 10:00 am. Following the service, we will all meet out on the front lawn for a panoramic picture. Please take a moment to look at the one in the Welcome Center that was taken at our 75th Celebration. That evening we will gather at Grand Affairs in Virginia Beach for a banquet dinner and program. Enclosed in this issue you will find a reservation form with information about the dinner. Your reservation form and payment should be returned to the church office by April 1st so we can let the venue know how many are attending. If you have any concerns about the payment and need assistance, please speak with Pastor Meraz.

ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITY - As plans are coming together to celebrate Trinity's 100 years of ministry, a booklet is being compiled that will be given to each person attending the June 7th banquet at Grand Affairs. Perhaps you represent a business/service organization that should be included - a business card, half sheet or full-page ad in the booklet. Individual messages of congratulations are also welcome. **SAMPLES AND PRICES ARE ON DISPLAY IN THE WELCOME CENTER.** An order form will be available. If you have any questions please contact Ken or Sharyn Leiding, or Bud or Lynn Hubert.

As of the beginning of January, we have received \$23,340.46 in our 100th Anniversary Fund. Some of these funds will be used to cover expenses throughout the year: including funds to supplement the cost of the banquet on June 7th which let us keep the cost down for you to attend; funds to purchase some mementoes to be given out the night of the banquet; funding for the many receptions that are planned throughout the year. Some mementoes will also be available to purchase, including t-shirts and car magnets, watch for more details to come! We have also decided to use some funds to cover the cost of updating our Welcome Center. In conjunction with this we are looking for a flat screen TV, preferably no smaller than 42-inch screen, to be mounted on the wall in the Welcome Center (for announcements) so we can move the large TV out of the corner. If you may have one that you would like to donate, please let us know. If one is not available then one will be purchased. We are also looking into some upgrades to our sound system in the sanctuary. Donations to the 100th Anniversary fund will be accepted through the year 2020. Thank you to all who have donated. As we work forward through the year, we will keep you updated.

There is so much information to share!

Watch future bulletins and Trinitarian Issues for more to come!

Again, Praise the Lord for 100 years of Grace!

We are so blessed to call Trinity home!

If you have any questions, please contact us.



Board of Stewardship

Craig Scott

Thank you for your stewardship of God's gifts during 2019 and for the commitments that you made for 2020. We have much to be grateful for and to celebrate during this 100th anniversary year. The members of Trinity contribute literally thousands of hours of their time to support the worship services, perform outreach to our community, staff boards and administrative positions, maintain our facility and grounds and other activities too numerous to mention. Without these efforts Trinity could not continue its ministry. Please acknowledge and encourage these good stewards.

Note that the many 100th anniversary events and activities taking place will provide opportunities for contributions of your time and talent along with the enjoying the fun and fellowship.

While celebrating 100 years of God's blessings to Trinity and trusting in His continuing blessings, we need to be aware of ongoing financial concerns. The challenge is that our tightly controlled budget expenses still exceeded giving to the budget by more than \$325 per week on average. Giving is strong during the joyful Easter and Christmas seasons. Giving drops off during summer when members miss more frequently and do not catch up for the missed Sundays.

One option to keep your giving consistent is to enroll in the Thrivent sponsored "Simply Giving" program. You select the donation, the day and the frequency of the donation and the money is withdrawn from you checking account. Forms are available on the bulletin board in the office hallway. A voided check is required. Completed forms should be given to Anne Combes, Church Secretary. Anne can also answer questions.

Please pray for the Holy Spirit to encourage our membership to serve and to give joyfully throughout the year.



Deacons

Sharyn Leiding

WELCOME to the beginning of Trinity Lutheran Church's 100 years of ministry observance. It is indeed a privilege to serve God as your deacons, most notably in this celebratory year. It is our fervent hope and prayer to be able to assist Trinitarians in their spiritual walk, not only during 2020, but for years to come. Please feel free to contact a deacon if and when questions or concerns arise.

DEACONS ARE: Sharon Plawin, Sharyn Leiding, Craig Scott, Ken Leiding, Roger and Mary Ann Medlin, Bud and Lynn Hubert. Check your new church directory for assigned zones and contact information.

A highlight of the Advent season was caroling to homebound members in December. THANK YOU to the seventeen adults and four children who made the event meaningful and enjoyable for Doris and Paul Lass, Erika Straddeck, Helen Everett as well as Sam and Julie Locklear. Special thanks to Bud Hubert for accompanying us on the harmonica and reciting "The Night before Christmas."

Poinsettias that adorned Trinity's sanctuary were taken to the homebound members by deacons. One hospital visit and two prayer shawls have been made and delivered by deacons. There was deacon presence provided at the recent baptism of Marshawn Campbell.

A New Member Reception, sponsored by your Board of Deacons, is scheduled for the last Sunday in March.

We continue to meet monthly with Pastor Meraz and to be supportive for him and Julie, as well as all church employees.

LWML

Cathy George

After a successful Holiday Happenings and a blessed Advent and Christmas season, we are ready to begin our new year as Trinity celebrates its 100th anniversary.

January 4th -

We held our Epiphany Luncheon at Red Lobster on Independence Blvd in Virginia Beach.

January 5th -

Sanctuary clean up after service putting away Christmas decorations.

January 25th -

LWML Tidewater Zone Winter Retreat Joy Event Through Music Lutheran Hymnody presented by Stephen Pruitt. The location is Sandy Bottom Nature Center Newport News, VA. Our ingathering for the event is men's socks for the St. Columba Ministry in Norfolk.

February 8th -

Love Boxes packing for our college students and deployed military.

February 25th -

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper. A free will offering will be taken.

March 4th - April 1st

Wednesday Night Soup Suppers. A sign up sheet will be in the Welcome Center for bringing soups for our Lenten Meal before service.

March 21st -

LWML Tidewater Zone Spring Rally will be held at Trinity and Trinity will be Hostess. We will provide breakfast for participants.

Looking forward to an active and fun new year in fellowship as we serve as our Lord and Savior.

**Altar Guild**

Sharon Knorr



Thank you to everyone who has assisted in duties of the Altar Guild. Many hands help a project get completed. Thank you to everyone who helped to take down our Christmas decorations and put everything back in the Altar guild closet and set up the flower stands and the candelabra on the altar for this anniversary year.

If you are interested in helping with duties of the Altar Guild – communion set up and take down, (this is done every Sunday) helping to change paraments, taking items to the cleaners, please let me know by phone or email. Thanks again for all who helped in 2019 and please continue to help in 2020.

Palm crosses will be made again on the Saturday before Palm Sunday, the same day that LWML will be cleaning the sanctuary. Blessings to all in the new year.

**Men's Retreat**

Doug Sulak



Trinity's Men's Group will be holding their Spring Retreat at the Triple R Ranch on April 24th and 25th.



Please contact Doug Sulak for more information and to sign up.



TRIPLE R RANCH

Christian Growth

Judy Sykes

Hopefully everyone's faith grew as we celebrated and worshiped together on the occasion of our Savior's birth! The children provided a meaningful message on December 15th.

Sunday School continues to be offered at 9:00am on Sunday mornings for ALL ages! We have live music, lessons for various age groups and more...

Dave Chadwick is already working on another special speaker for the Adult Sunday Class. Hope you were part of the fine discussion on contemporary vs. traditional worship in December.

Summer Camp 2020 is being planned... Although the camp numbers have been small, the profit has helped the TLC budget significantly, and the campers enjoy a safe, fun, and friendly summer, in Christ's presence.

Please pray for all these activities and the Christian growth of this congregation, our community, and the world!

The Gospel in Seven Words

Imagine that a friend or family member who is unfamiliar with your Christian faith asks you to summarize the gospel. She isn't looking for a laundry list of doctrines. She has no interest in hearing you recite the Apostles' Creed. She just wants to get to the heart of the matter. "In seven words or less," she says, "tell me what you believe as a Christian."

What would you say? How would you put it? Are you be prepared to confess your faith in Jesus?

To be a Christian is to "believe with your heart" and "confess with your mouth" the good news of God's love for us in Christ (Romans 10:9-10). Peter calls us to be prepared always to give a reason for the hope we have as Christians (1 Peter 3:15). Christians have the best news in the world to share! But are we prepared to share it?

During this season of Lent, we're going to prepare to celebrate Holy Week by sharing why Holy Week is so important. Our midweek worship services will serve as opportunities to consider the many ways in which the Scriptures proclaim Jesus. The prayer is that this series help all of us be more prepared to share the good news of Jesus. Come and join us this Lent as we talk about having a simple confession of the gospel!

Board of Worship

Janice Gwin

I hope everyone had a happy Advent and Christmas season. I want to thank those that helped, after the Epiphany service, to undecorate the church and put away the decorations.

We also want to thank Ralph Knorr for leading the service again while Pastor was on vacation December 29th.

At the last Worship Board meeting on January 9th, we discussed our Advent and Christmas services. Please consider joining the Worship Board and/or giving us your compliments, ideas, opinions and concerns. The next Worship Board meeting will be February 6th.

The calendar of services follows:

January 12, 2020 kickoff for our 100th anniversary year (followed by a reception).

Ash Wednesday service on February 26th at 7 PM.

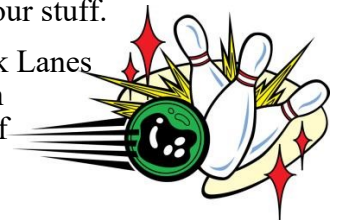
On Wednesdays during Lent there will be Soup Suppers beginning at 5:30 pm before the hymn sing and Lenten Worship Services at 7 PM on March 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th and April 1st. Palm Sunday will be April 5th with a special luncheon and Last Supper Presentation after the Worship Service. The Maundy Thursday Worship Service on April 9th and Good Friday Tenebrae Service on April 10th will be at 7 PM. There will be 2 services on Easter Sunday, April 12th at 7 and 10 AM.

Lutherans Bowling

Doug Sulak

The Tidewater Lutheran Bowling League just completed the first half of the 2019-2020 season. The current second place team has Dan Paris as it's lead bowler. Trinity is also represented by Janet Gould, Brenda Gould, and Doug Sulak. The league has added two teams from Prince of Peace this season giving them one more member than Trinity. The majority of the league still continues to be represented by Hope. We would love to see more smiling Trinity faces from Trinity so that we can strut our stuff.

Please stop by AMF Norfolk Lanes on Monday night at 6:30 pm to cheer us on and partake of the wonderful fellowship enjoyed by our league.



Birthdays

January

- 2 Doug Sulak
- Janet Gould
- 5 Suri Capehart
- 6 Helen Everett
- 8 David Chadwick
- Christiana Leiding
- Rebecca Clute
- Ava Herring
- 10 Sarah Prince
- 11 Ralph Knorr
- 15 Paul Diehl
- Scott Thieman
- 17 Ash Davidson
- 18 Bill Gunther
- 20 Linda Loper
- 25 Julie Boyette
- 27 Tyler Roll
- 28 Cesar Sabillon

February

- 2 Lynn Cushman
- 3 Kevin Combes
- Lydia Sykes
- 7 Ralph George
- Rebecca Davidson
- 9 Ashlynn Sawyer
- 12 Diane Pruitt
- 12 Bo Sawyer
- 13 Ian Bugbee
- 14 Robert Petri
- 19 Sharyn Leiding
- 21 Craig Scott
- 25 Michelle Matusiak
- 27 Anna Carter
- Robert Herring
- David Sontag

March

- 1 Zach Kuenzli
- 4 Paul Lass
- 8 JoNell Chadwick
- Paul Flannigan
- 9 Elliott Adesso
- 10 Brenda Christy
- 10 Jared Allacher
- 11 Jeanne Greif
- Donald Adams
- Michelle Field
- 13 Meagan Flannigan
- Mary Flannigan
- Olga Robertson
- 14 Jack Carter
- 15 Samuel Field
- Talma Butcher
- 18 Mary Ann Medlin
- 20 Jean Boyette
- 22 Anastasia Gwin
- 23 Jacquelyn Czipinski
- 26 Emma Studer
- 29 Wintana Yosief
- 30 Lucas Yosief



January

- 1 Flo ♥ Richard Ball

Anniversaries

March

- 16 Jeff ♥ Terry Ingmire



In the event of inclement weather please visit our website at www.trinitylutherannorfolk.org
and our Facebook page at TLCNorfolk for announcements concerning any cancellations.
Notifications will also be sent by email to those with an email address on file
and by phone to those who do not.

WORSHIP SERVER SCHEDULE

	January 5	January 12	January 19	January 26
Ushers	Bud Hubert and Doug Sulak	Errol Jennings and Justin Malone	Julie Meraz and Doug Sulak	Errol Jennings and Justin Malone
Lector	John Knickelbein	Bettie Terrell	Julie Meraz	Cathy George
Communion Assistant	John Knickelbein	Dave Petri	Regoer Medlin	Ralph George
Acolyte	Jozlynn Donahue	Jeanette Gilson and Philip Gilson	Janet Gould	Jason Loper
Children's Sermon	Pastor Meraz	Sharyn Leiding	Pastor Meraz	Stephen Pruitt

	February 2	February 9	February 16	February 23
Ushers	Bud Hubert and Julie Meraz	Justin Malone and Doug Sulak	Errol Jennings and Doug Sulak	Bud Hubert and Julie Meraz
Lector	Anna Carter	Ken Leiding	Pastor Meraz	David Chadwick
Communion Assistant	Errol Jennings	Ken Leiding	Bill Sontag	Jeff Ingmire
Acolyte	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
Children's Sermon	Pastor Meraz	Sharyn Leiding	Pastor Meraz	Stephen Pruitt

	March 1	March 8	March 15	March 22	March 29
U	Bud Hubert and Julie Meraz	Errol Jennings and Justin Malone	Justin Malone and Doug Sulak	Errol Jennings and Julie Meraz	Bud Hubert and Doug Sulak
L	Anna Carter	Julie Meraz	David Chadwick	Cathy George	Ralph Knorr
C A	Bill Sontag	Dave Petri	Roger Medlin	Ralph George	Ralph Knorr
A	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
C S	Pastor Meraz	Sharyn Leiding	Pastor Meraz	Stephen Pruitt	Pastor Meraz

January 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 New Years Day Circum- sion and Name of Jesus Office Closed	2	3	4 11:30am LWML Epiphany Lunch- eon Out
5 Epiphany 9am Sunday School /Adult Bible Class 10am Communion Worship Service 11:30am Bell Choir Rehearsal 11:30am De-Greening of the Church	6 The Epiphany of our Lord 6:30pm Bowling	7 6:30pm Choir Rehearsal	8 6:30pm Lutheran Confessions	9 11:30am Ladies Weekly Bible Study 1:00pm Board of Worship Meeting 7pm Men's Bible Study	10 6:30pm PreTeen Night Activites	11
12 The Baptism of our Lord 9am Sunday School /Adult Bible Class 10am 100th Annv. Kick off Worship Service 11:30am Bell Choir Rehearsal	13 6:30pm Bowling	14 6:30pm Choir Rehearsal	15 6:30pm Lutheran Confessions	16 11:30am Ladies Weekly Bible Study 1pm Men's Bible Study	17	18 8am Ladies Monthly Bible Study @Coaster Coffee 8am Men's Break- fast
19 2nd Sunday after the Epiphany 9am Sunday School /Adult Bible Class 10am Communion Worship Service 11:30am Bell Choir Rehearsal	20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day Office Closed 6:30pm Bowling	21 1pm Deacons Meeting 6:30pm Choir Rehearsal	22 6:30pm Lutheran Confessions	23 11:30am Ladies Weekly Bible Study 7pm Men's Bible Study	24	25 LWML Tidewater Zone Winter Re- treat
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**We begin our
100th year!**



A SEASON OF
CELEBRATION

February 2020

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**Shrove Tuesday
Pancake Supper
February 25, 2020
5:30 – 7:00 p.m.**



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS
and please join us!
Free-will offering**

Worship Service with
Imposition of Ashes
Wednesday, February 26, 2020
7:00 pm

ASH WEDNESDAY

March 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 1st Sunday in Lent 9am Sunday School /Adult Bible Class 10am Communion Worship Service 11:30am Bell Choir Rehearsal	2 6:30pm Bowling	3 6:30pm Choir Rehearsal	4 5:30pm Lenten Soup Supper 7pm Lenten Mid-week Worship Service	5 11:30am Ladies Weekly Bible Study 1pm Men's Bible Study	6	7
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**Each Wednesday evening during Lent,
a meal of soup/bread will be offered
from 5:30 to 6:30pm,
followed by a Lenten Worship Service
starting at 7:00 PM.**

**Sign up sheets for soup and bread
will be posted on the
Volunteer Board in the
Welcome Center.**



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100th Anniversary Celebration

You are cordially invited to join us as we celebrate our 100th year in ministry.
Exciting events are planned throughout the year in 2020!

June 7 (Anniversary Date)

10:00 am Holy Trinity Sunday Worship

Panoramic Picture of congregation on front lawn

Banquet at Grand Affairs, 2036 Pleasure House Road, Virginia Beach, VA 23455

5:00 – 6:00 pm Guest Arrival & Check in at Grand Affairs,

Tea, Coffee, Fruit & Cheese Display with Chocolate Fountain

6:00 pm Buffet Dinner

7:00 pm Banquet Celebration Program

7:30 pm Cake Cutting

Detach and return this portion

June 7, 2020 – Trinity's 100th Anniversary Banquet Reservation Form

_____ ADULT/S attending @ \$30.00 ea.

_____ CHILD/REN (under 4) no charge

_____ CHILD/REN (4-10) @ \$10.00

PAYMENT ENCLOSED in the amount of \$ _____ (Check payable to Trinity Lutheran Church)

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____

Adult & Child Dinner Buffet:

Garden Salad with assorted dressings
Roasted Vegetable Bowtie Pasta Salad
Rosemary Roasted Potatoes
Vegetable Medley
Boneless Breast of Chicken Marsala
Baked Fish with Cheese Crumb Topping and White Wine Sauce
Braised Beef Brisket with Savory Gravy
Homemade Yeast Rolls with Butter

Child Buffet: # _____

Child Plate: # _____

Chicken Fingers, French Fries, Green Beans, Apple Sauce

Return payment and reservation by April 1st: Trinity Lutheran Church, 100th Anniversary Banquet, 6001 Granby Street, Norfolk, VA 23505



Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church Norfolk, Virginia

Praising the Lord for 100 years of Grace

1920-2020



100th Anniversary—January 2020 Issue

The History of Trinity is its People...

the pastors, organists, choir members, ushers, lectors, communion assistants, acolytes, Sunday School and Day School teachers, church officers, Lutheran Women's Missionary League ladies, grounds keepers, volunteers, contributors, and EVERYONE sitting here in the pews. God uses all of us to carry on His ministry on earth.

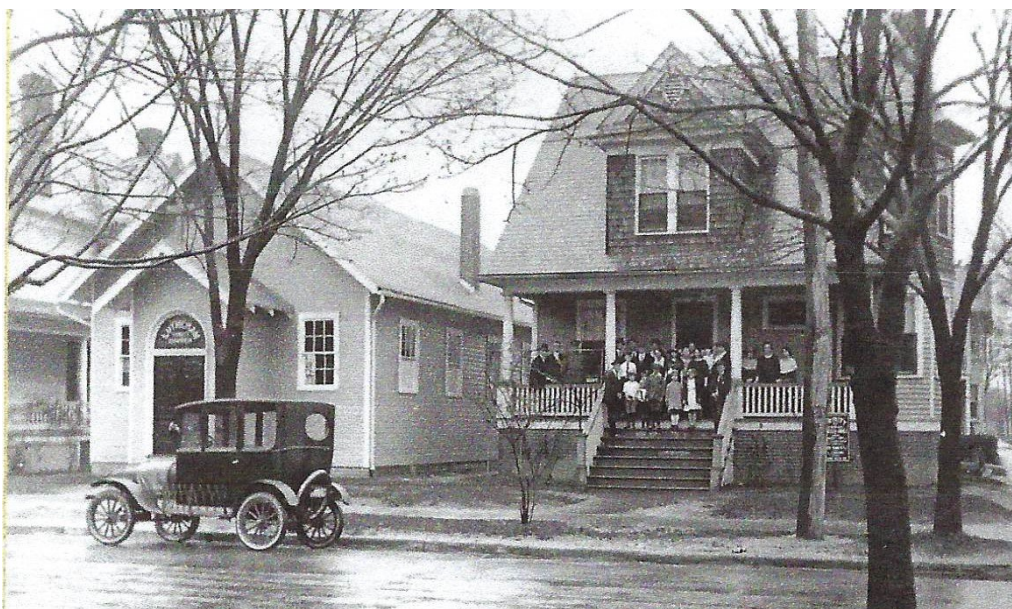
Each month during Trinity's 100th Anniversary year, we'll share how God's people carried on His work in this congregation. We hope you'll share your personal church history as well.

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church was founded in 1920 shortly after World War I to minister to a group of German Lutherans living in the Norfolk area, as well as to reach out and share the Gospel with others. Pastor Frederick Meuschke was its first pastor in 1920.

Throughout its 100 years, Trinity has always been about mission outreach - to the military, to school families, to young people and to the community.



Notice the attention to worship details in Trinity's 1st church above - ornate altar, flowers, candles, pulpit, lectern, pipe organ, carpeting - much like Trinity 2020. The pulpit and altar were contributed by St. James Church in Overland, MD.



The parsonage was used for services before the church was built. Sunday School classes continued to be held there.

On May 30, 1920, nine men representing several families who were meeting for worship in a local funeral home, signed the original constitution of Trinity. (No voting rights for the congregation's women in those days.)

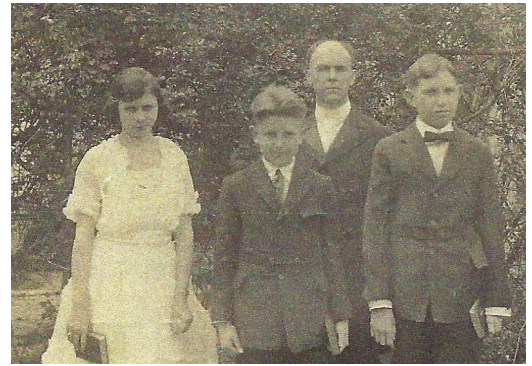
Since that day was Trinity Sunday, Trinity became the name of the congregation.

The church purchased a house and lot on 34th and Omohundro Ave. in Norfolk in 1921 at a cost of \$17,000. This home served as a parsonage and place of worship. Pastor Meuschke accepted a call to Long Island and Pastor Louis Roehm was installed as Trinity's second pastor in 1921.

Trinity's People carry on God's mission on earth

Pastor Roehm (right) served Trinity until 1931.

On February 14, 1923, construction began on a small chapel on the vacant lot. The church was dedicated April 7, 1923. Cost of the chapel was \$1,800 (\$1,200 contributed by members and \$600 from fellow Lutherans, mainly from Bethlehem Church in Richmond.) Services were held there through 1945 when the new church on Granby Street was built.



Pastor Plawin (left), who served as Trinity's pastor from 1931 to 1966, with the Sunday School outside the old church.

Thelma Voight Scroxton (front row center holding book) still attends Trinity.... she sits on the front row lectern side. Thelma's sister and brother are also on the front row (left).

And Helen Keehn Everett, shown in the church doorway (last row) is still a member of Trinity and attends when she's able.

Over the next year as we celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Trinity, we'll reflect on the people who served God's Kingdom at Trinity.

That will include:

Trinity's German Lutheran Roots

WW II and the influx of military and industry into this area

Evangelism to children & their families - Trinity Lutheran School

Growth & Expansion of Trinity

Highlights of Youth Ministry & Sunday School

Highlights of Young Adult Ministry

Planting mission churches in the area

Pastors & Chaplains who served Trinity

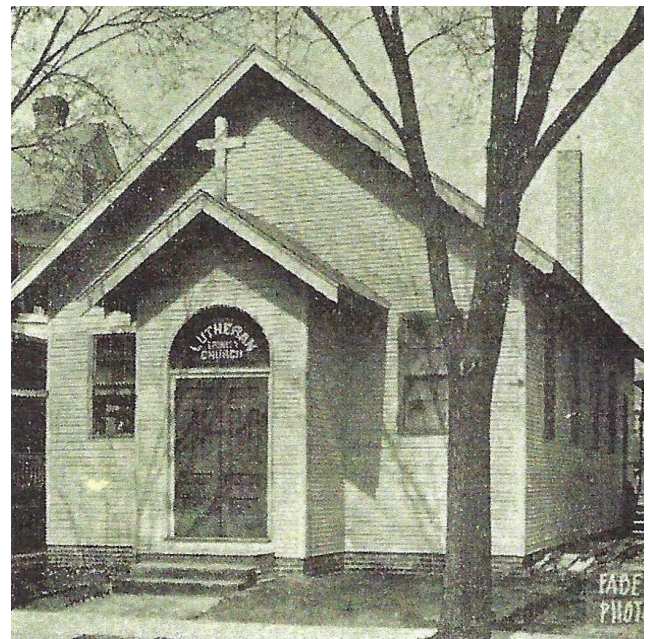
Leadership & servant roles at Trinity

Lutheran Women's Missionary League

Organists and music of Trinity

Sponsorship of Refugee Families

Sons of Trinity going into the Ministry



Trinity's original church is still standing on 34th St. & Omohundro Ave., one block off Granby St. near the city zoo.