

# NEWS OF THE SON

Trinity Lutheran Church — Columbia, MO



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2018

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**Knowing Christ's Love  
Seeking His Will  
Spreading His Word**

*From the  
Pastor*



Luke 2:25–32

<sup>25</sup>Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. <sup>26</sup>And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ. <sup>27</sup>And he came in the Spirit into the temple, and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the Law, <sup>28</sup>he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said,

<sup>29</sup>"Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word;

<sup>30</sup>for my eyes have seen your salvation

<sup>31</sup>that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,

<sup>32</sup>a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel."

The infant Jesus greeted Simeon in the temple so that Simeon would be greeted again by Him in the heavenly realms. Simeon's eyes saw the salvation for all people set before him in this little child. God's presence was upon this earth. What God did with this presence among the people made a world of difference for the world, and every individual in it. From Jesus conception, birth, life, suffering, death, resurrection, ascension, and all other works, Simeon and all others of the world were given a promise of life and salvation.

Death is such a hard matter, but for Simeon, it would be no longer. He could rest in peace and depart from this life with Jesus waiting to receive him in the heavenly realms.

Pastor Kenneth Gerike was called by the Lord (January 28, 2018) to be with his Jesus in eternity. The Lord had been with him, as He is with all believers, through the Word and Sacraments throughout our earthly life. Jesus had been preparing our beloved Pastor for this moment by baptizing and washing him, by feeding him His body and blood, by forgiving and proclaiming His Word of life to him. Now the Lord has called Kenneth home to His closer presence.

Thank you, Lord, for your presence among us in Word and Sacrament. Thank you, Lord, for the faithful service of your servant, Pastor Kenneth J. Gerike.

May our gracious, loving, and merciful Lord continue to keep and guard us in the true faith until life eternal.

"And I heard a voice from heaven saying, 'Write this: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.' 'Blessed indeed,' says the Spirit, 'that they may rest from their labors, for their deeds follow them!'" (*Revelation 14:13*)

Your servant in Christ,

*Pastor Brian K. Thieme*

## LENTEN SERIES THIS YEAR

### Go and Be Reconciled: *What Does This Mean?*

The cross can remind us how we are reconciled. *In our vertical relationship*, God reconciled us to Himself through Christ (2 Corinthians 5:20b). We remember that we are His children, called to a lifestyle of repentance, receiving His forgiveness. *In our horizontal relationship*, we are called to be reconciled with other people for whom Christ has died (Matthew 5:23-24). We confess our sins to the other person, forgive as God forgave us through Christ, and restore others with gentleness.

#### February 14

Remember Whose You Are (1 John 3:1)

#### March 7

Confess to the Other Person (James 5:16)

#### February 21

Repent Before God (Psalm 51:17)

#### March 14

Forgive as God Forgave You (Colossians 3:12-13)

#### February 28

Receive God's Forgiveness (1 John 1:9)

#### March 21

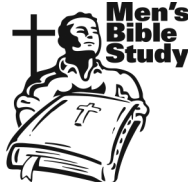
Restore with Gentleness (Galatians 6:1)

A companion Bible study, "Go and Be Reconciled," will be offered Mondays at 7pm beginning on Feb. 19.

We will also offer a daily devotional booklet "Forgiven to Forgive" to be used in you homes.

#### MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Men's Thursday Morning Bible Study meets at 6:30 AM at The Terrace Retirement Community, 1408 Business Loop 70 West, in the cinema room on the second floor. Following the one-hour study period, we share an optional breakfast and fellowship time in the lovely Terrace dining facility. You are warmly encouraged to join the group and bring along a friend!



#### SENIOR MINISTRY WEEKLY LUNCH

Every Thursday Trinity seniors gather at Denny's restaurant north of the Columbia Mall on Stadium Blvd. A private room is reserved for our group. We meet at 11:30 a.m. We hope you will come whenever your schedule allows. Each week is different as is the number who attend. It's a fun time and a great way to get to know each other. Hope to see you there!

*"For if they fall, one will lift up his fellow.  
But woe to him who is alone when he  
falls and has not another to lift him up!"*

~Ecc. 4:10



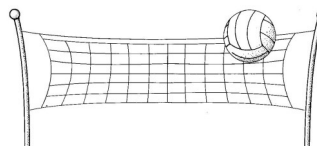
#### LLL FELLOWSHIP CLUB

Please come join the LLL for their next Bible Study on Sunday evening February 4 at 6pm in the fellowship hall. In this Bible Study entitled "A Man Named Martin Part 3: The Movement—Session 2," participants can learn how the Reformation transformed European society and, eventually, left a profound impression around the globe.



#### NEW GYM CEILING

If you haven't seen it yet, come check out the new ceiling in the gym. Septagon Construction did a great job replacing and upgrading the insulation, repairing the exterior of the roof, and replacing the lights. It all looks smart!



Items for the monthly *News of the Son* are due to the church office by noon on the 25th of the month (or the previous Friday if the 25th falls on a weekend).

Announcements for the *Trinity Weekly News* are due to the church office by noon each Thursday. Announcements of 75-100 words are preferred.



# GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN SCHOOL



*"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever." ~Hebrews 13:8*

**National Lutheran Schools Week** was January 21-27. The students took an on-line mission trip to Cambodia. Each day they got to dress up like special characters and things.

In February we will be traveling to **Lenoir Woods** to help decorate cookies, read to the residents and deliver valentines cards to them.

Thank you to those who ordered **Shakespeare's pizza**. It will arrive on February 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Gala**—You should have received your invitation to the gala on March 3<sup>rd</sup>. If not, please contact the school office. The gala will be held on Saturday March 3<sup>rd</sup>. If you have items you would like to contribute to the silent or live auction, please contact Candice Kling. If you would like to volunteer your time or make a donation you can also contact Candice. Proceeds from the gala help fund the operational budget of the school.

## Dates to Remember

- † February 6—6-8 p.m.—Open House
- † February 8—7:00 p.m.—CLAS meeting at Campus
- † February 15—10 a.m. – 2 p.m.—Open House
- † March 3—6:00 p.m.—Gala
- † March 6—6-8 p.m. Open House & Art Show
- † March 8—7:00 p.m. CLAS at Trinity
- † March 10—10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Pancake Breakfast
- † March 15—Last day for early bird enrollment (\$150.00)
- † March 18—12:30 – 2:00 p.m.—Easter Egg Celebration
- † April 1—last day to apply for financial aid from LESA
- † May 31—Last day for enrollment at \$175.00.

**Open Enrollment**—Enrollment for the 2018-2019 school year is open. Go to [www.gslscolumbia.org](http://www.gslscolumbia.org) to register. Get in on the early bird enrollment fee of \$150.00. Enroll before March 15<sup>th</sup>.

Please prayerfully consider how you can serve the school. All the people before me set a good foundation for the school. We are slowly moving in the right direction.

Word of mouth is our most powerful recruitment tool. Tell everyone you know about the school. Have them come in and talk to us. Let us show you what we have to offer.

Thank you for all of your prayers and support this school year.

*Tammy Mangold*, Administrator

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Kamara, Rylee, and Brianna on Animal Day

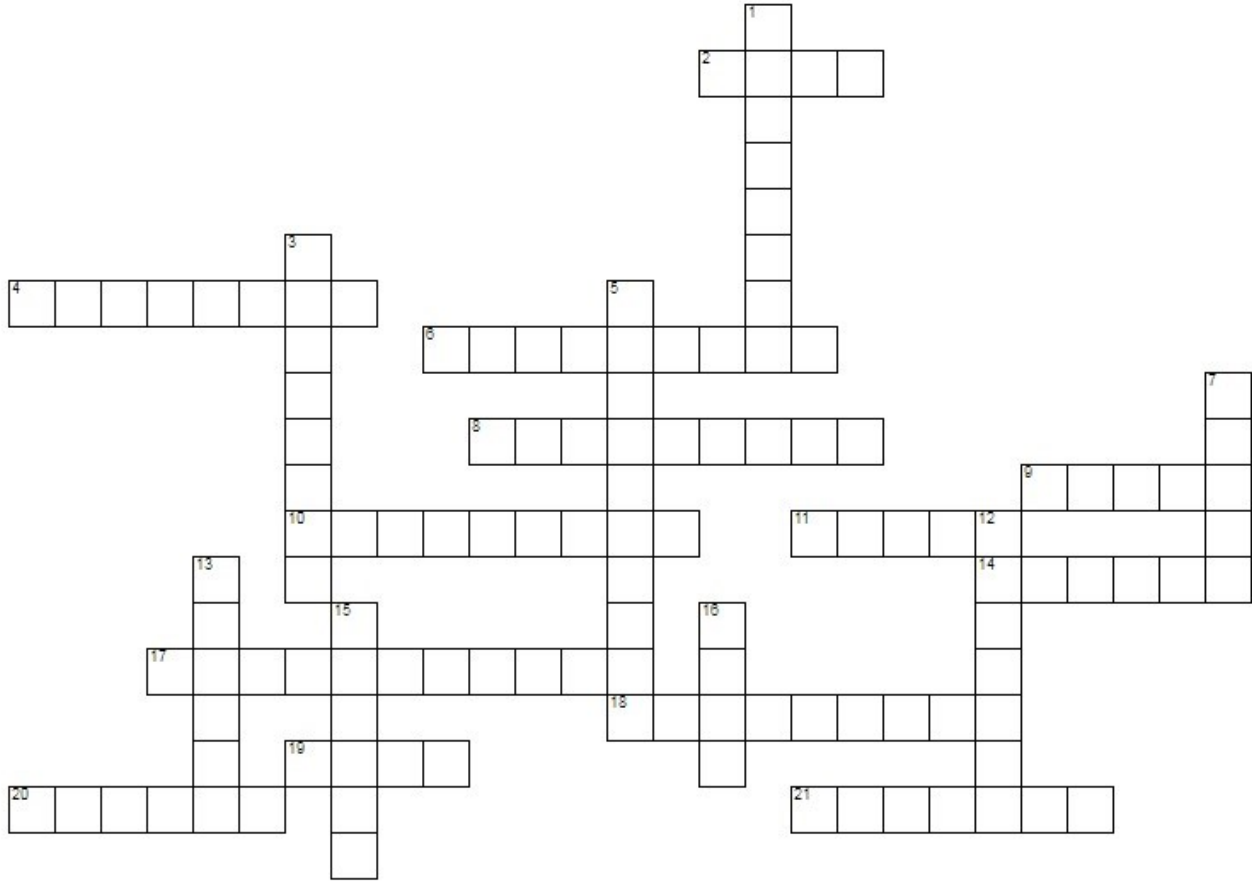


Kate on Crazy Hair Day



Allie on Comfy Cozy Day

# Lenten Crossword



## ACROSS

- 2 disciple Jesus loved
- 4 high priest
- 6 Ash \_\_\_\_
- 8 Jewish court
- 9 denied Jesus
- 10 Joseph of \_\_\_\_
- 11 betrayed Jesus
- 14 \_\_\_\_ Thursday
- 17 means of execution
- 18 Lord's Supper
- 19 \_\_\_\_ Sunday
- 20 Jesus' ride
- 21 \_\_\_\_ in the highest!

## DOWN

- 1 place of crucifixion
- 3 man released instead of Jesus
- 5 garden where Jesus prayed
- 7 days in Lent
- 12 Stricken, \_\_\_\_, and Afflicted
- 13 \_\_\_\_ Tuesday
- 15 Roman governor
- 16 crowed three times



## JANUARY 9, 2018 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES (Draft Minutes - Yet to be Approved)

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order on January 9, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. Attendees included Gary Kespohl (Chairman), Jacque Eckhoff (Secretary), Karen Niederjohn, Jim Niederjohn, Robert Hall, Ken Greer, Annette Kiehne, Andrew Saeger, Pastor Brian Thieme, Doug Kiehne, Mary Frerking, Kali Weishaar, Carol Morrison, Roger Morrison, Tammy Mangold, Pastor Kenneth Gerike, Mary Raisch and JoAnn Schoenike.

Pastor Gerike gave the opening devotion.

Chairman Kespohl added David Attebery to the beginning of the Meeting Agenda. It was also stated that the GSLS Financial Statement included with the agenda was incorrect. A new statement, with corrections, will replace the existing report. Mary Frerking moved to accept the Meeting Agenda with these two changes; seconded and approved.

David Attebery spoke to the Board of Directors regarding a security system for Trinity Lutheran Church. Points he highlighted were monitoring of exits, a security team on Sundays, and cameras. David suggests Sound Solutions located in Mexico, MO. Earlier in the day he did a walk through of the facility with Jared of Sound Solutions. Items to consider are implementing a radio system, installing cameras, and eventually replacing keys with a card system. Due to the age of the building the wiring of an intercom system would be difficult, therefore a radio system is recommended for communication. Cost of the FCC license would be \$500. Radios, which are police grade, cost \$500 each. Cost of a repeater is \$3000. It would be easy to begin with just a few radios and expand in the future. Different radio channels make for easy communication.

Camera suggestions include surveillance of the parking lots and sidewalks. \$20,000 is a rough estimate for cameras. It would be a digital system with DVR recorder and backup. Monitoring of the cameras is up to Trinity Lutheran Church. The cameras have a rolling 30 day window. Digital images are "dumped" after 30 days. After hearing David's remarks the Board of Directors would like different cost analysis from Sound Solutions, ranging from a deluxe security package to the minimum they would suggest. The radio system should be a high priority due to the two schools in the building, GSLS and TLCLS. A proposal for a card access system should also be included. Mary Frerking moved that the Board of Directors authorize David to get cost options for next month's meeting. Seconded. Comments included that David should acquire another company's quote for comparison, along with a quote from Sound Solutions. Midwest was suggested. It was requested that each company make a presentation and give a bid. If not from Midwest, David will procure at least one other bid from another company before any formal presentations will be made. Mary Frerking amended the motion to include this request; seconded and approved.

Chairman Kespohl removed the GSLS Financial Statement from the Consent Agenda and added it to New Business. Andrew Saeger moved to accept the Consent Agenda with this change; seconded and approved.

The Consent Agenda meeting minutes and reports are filed in the Congregation Secretary's notebook. The following are summaries of the reports, with the name of the board representative at the Board of Directors meeting listed:

SENIOR PASTOR - Pastor Gerike

- † Membership Changes: (2) Transfers In, (1) Adult Baptism/Confirmation, (1) Transfer Out
- † Weekday Bible Study: Reconvened on Monday, January 8, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.
- † Luther's Use of the Scriptures in the Catechisms
- † Sunday Morning Bible Study: Galatians
- † JCC III: Ten participating
- † GSLS Teaching: Week of January 15, 2018
- † Adult Information Class: Two sets of classes currently running.
- † Missouri District Meetings: Constitution and Bylaw Committee - January 11, 2018
- † Board of Directors - January 18, 2018

ASSOCIATE PASTOR - Pastor Thieme

Duties:

- † January 7, 2018 at 4:00 pm. meeting for those going to the Holy Land.
- † January 15, 2018 will begin a new Interactive Bible Study
- † January 17, 2018 will begin a “Five Listeners” outreach Bible Study
- † Junior Confirmation Class
- † Continued visitation with members in their homes, and the hospitalized.

#### DIRECTOR OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION INTERN - Kali Weishaar

- † Christian Education: Helped with the Christmas Eve program.
- † Telling Bible stories weekly to the after school Shepherd’s Kids.
- † Last month of teaching Religion for GSLS 3rd-5th grade.
- † Completed planning and set up of the Escape Room.
- † Working on starting a small group ministry in February.
- † Youth: Leading Sr. Youth on Sunday mornings, and lead devotion for their finals dinner.
- † Leading Youth Night January 14th; planning February 23rd. Sr. Youth Lock-in.
- † Personal: Attending DCE Mid-Year Gathering January 28-31.
- † Army National Guard Training February 5-11.

#### FINANCIAL SECRETARY - JoAnn Schoenike (Financial Secretary)

For the month of December, the Regular Envelope collections are 140.56% of the anticipated monthly amount. Loose Plate collections are 97.57% and Sunday School are 160.95%. The Total Monthly collections are 138.27% of the monthly anticipated amount. The Total YTD collections through the end of December are 101.23% of the expected.

#### BOARD REPORTS:

##### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION - Mary Frerking

The Christmas Eve service went well with participation from children grades PK to 12. Three “senior” congregation members also graciously participated. Sunday School teachers began the first lesson of “Growing in Christ” on January 7, 2018. This curriculum will continue until the end of May. All Sunday School teachers, Adult Bible Study teachers, the Pastors and the DCEI received a Panera gift card from the Board as a thank you for their time and hard work the past year.

##### EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION - Karen Niederjohn

Enrollment is completely full as of January. 2018 Registration begins January 16th for returning families and church members, and February 5th for the general public. Program activities include Christmas service held December 19th, and parties held on the 20th & 21st. Hiring includes new afternoon staff to replace graduation seniors, and a new toddler aid. Long time teaching aid increased from part time to full time. The freezer and refrigerator purchase order was submitted, toilet repaired, faucets replaced, floors stripped and waxed, and carpets cleaned. See report for financial updates.

##### PAROCHIAL EDUCATION - Mary Raisch

Various volunteer opportunities are needed. Cornerstone Campaign is underway. The goal is \$19,000. This money will go toward scholarships for the 18/19 school year. Enrollment is open for the 18/19 school year. Open houses continue on the third Thursday of each month from 10:00a.m.-2:00p.m. Family Movie Night is January 19th, 6:00-8:00p.m. The Blue & Green Gala will be March 3rd. Still in need of sponsorships and auction items. See agenda packet for financial report.

##### YOUTH - No Representative Present.

See agenda packet for financial report.

##### EVANGELISM - Robert Hall.

No report filed.

#### ELDERS - Doug Kiehne

The Elders discussed the AOV approving the first six months calendar. To address concerns, particularly from the Altar Guild, steps have been put in place to help the Altar Guild. Board of Elder positions have been set. The next meeting of the Board of Elders will be January 30, 2018. A change may be made to start at 6:00, not 7:00 p.m.

#### SOCIAL MINISTRY - Carol Morrison

109 pounds of food was distributed to the Food Bank. Checks distributed to LFCS, Senior Ministries, Food Bank, Love Inc. and Voluntary Action. Activities for 2018 are being planned. Watch for upcoming events...tentative bus trip to LCMS sites in St. Louis in the Spring, presentation of Birds of Prey in the Summer, Sight & Sound Theatre trip in the Fall, and a Christmas party in the winter.

#### STEWARDSHIP AND FINANCE - Andrew Saeger

No report filed.

#### TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH ENDOWMENT FUND - No Representative Present

No report filed.

#### TRUSTEES - Ken Greer

Five of seven day programmable thermostats have been installed. Waiting on Crum to correct the installation of a pneumatic interlock on exhaust stack causing malfunction of furnaces three and four. Library wall thermostat is still not connected to anything. Still awaiting an estimate for extension of the duct work down to the drop ceiling. The roof mounted A unit that failed in September still has not been replaced. Still no progress on the furnace exhaust stack in the upstairs janitor's closet. All four grease traps removed entirely. They have been cleaned and stored for possible future use. Three facets replaced in TLCLC kitchen. Malfunctioning HPS Exterior lights on Verizon garage converted to LED. A walk through inspection for acceptance of the gym ceiling work is scheduled for January 11, 2018.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - No report filed.

#### MEMBERSHIP CHANGES:

Pastor Gerike did an overview of the current Membership Changes. Mary Frerking moved to accept the changes; seconded and approved.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT:

Warren Harms, Treasurer, was not in attendance due to illness, therefore Chairman Kespohl gave the report. For the calendar year ending December 31, 2017, the Church income is \$633,940 (102% of the total income budgeted for the year). Total Church income is \$15,495 greater than last year. Loose Plate receipts of \$19,994 for the twelve months are \$2,829 less than last year. Regular Envelopes receipts of \$519,488 are \$17,558 greater.

The total Learning Center income for this period is \$700,095 (116% of the budgeted income for the year). This is a 15% increase of income over the same period last year. This increase is partially due to the addition of a new program mid-year that was not included in the 2017 annual budget (roughly \$12,000). Additionally, the number of students attending increased.

For calendar year 2017, Church expenditures are \$588,692 (94% of the annual expenditure budget of \$626,740). The Learning Center expenditures for calendar year 2017 total \$601,647 (100% of the annual expenditure budget of \$601,710).

Net operating cash as of December 31, 2017 is \$271,862. Cash in our dedicated accounts totaled \$97,542 (and this is not part of the operating cash balance). Trinity's reserve accounts at Lutheran Church Extension Fund on December 31, 2017 totaled \$71,687.

Karen Niederjohn moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Seconded. It was asked what the Learning Center excess money of \$143,696 from 2017 would be used toward. At the December Assembly of Voters meeting it was discussed to disperse the excess as follows: 10% District, 10% GSLS, 10% GSLS Scholarship and 70% to Building. This was tabled until the May 20th Assembly of Voters meeting. Chairman Kespohl first wants to meet with the planning committee, and Annette Kiehne, to see what projects need to be done in the TLCLC. Approved.

Chairman Kespohl listed accounts that have balances that could be transferred on to the appropriate recipients: Scholarship Expense moved to Scholarship in savings; Pastor Gifts given to Pastors; DCEI given to the DCEI; Lutherfest moved to Member Emergency & Member Assist. Also Missions, Luth Indian Msn, Luth Immigration, Soldiers of the Cross, CLAS, LSS Chapel,

Construction Fund, Verizon Tower and Endow Bourret/Ell. This reduces liability by \$37,090. Mary Frerking moved to transfer monies to appropriate persons or accounts; seconded and approved.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

##### CLAS Facility Lease

Chairman Kespohl asked if the lease has been signed. Andrew Saeger stated it has been signed by Trinity Lutheran Church, but not CLAS. The next meeting of CLAS will be Thursday, January 11, 2018.

##### SCOTUS Ruling Discussion

No information to report.

##### 2016 Financial Review- Trinity Lutheran Church

It has been reviewed, but no report has been given to date.

##### Gym Ceiling Project Update

The ceiling is done. Light installation started today, but is not complete.

##### Nomination Committee Update

Jim Cherrington volunteered for the Board of Elders. He was installed Sunday, January 7, 2018. JoAnn Schoenike moved to accept the nomination; seconded and approved.

##### Facilities Planning Committee

Chairman Kespohl would like to meet with the TLCLC board and discuss project needs.

##### *Built on the Rock*

Chairman Kespohl met with the pastors and has started reading the book. It was suggested each Board of Directors member read ahead and then discuss chapter questions for 15 minutes at the beginning of each meeting. As to not make it a part of the Board of Directors business meeting at 7:00 p.m., Chairman Kespohl suggested starting at 6:30 p.m. Mary Frerking moved that the Board of Directors proceed with a review of the first 4 chapters over the next 2 months. Then decide if they will move ahead with additional study. Seconded. Chairman Kespohl will provide pizza at the February and March meetings to those who come at 6:30 p.m. for the book study. Approved. Pastor Thieme distributed *Built on the Rock* to all present Board of Directors members.

All Board of Directors attendees introduced themselves before we moved onto New Business.

Chairman Kespohl reported that Carol Eggerding had to step down from the Board of Social Ministry, therefore her position will need to be filled.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

##### GSLs Financial Statement

Gary saw discrepancies in the financial statement included in the BOD packet. The checkbook balance was incorrect on the original packet report. % Budget were all incorrect. Registration and Tuition were backwards. The December expenses weren't added to the overall expenses. Deficit of 29,722.74 is now correct. On front page, notes regarding financials. The \$50,000 in the holding account is land money. If CLAS wants to use that money the association churches should approve the usage. JoAnn Schoenike asked where the Cornerstone money was represented. It is the line for 18/19 SY. It was stated the Blue & Green Gala is March 3rd. Sponsorships and auction items are needed. If board members know of anyone who can donate please contact Candice Kling.

##### Board of Directors Schedule of Meeting Dates for 2018

Pastor Gerike spoke of the schedule. Board of Directors meetings are the second Tuesday of each month. Mary Raisch moved to accept the meeting schedule for 2018; seconded and approved.

##### Facility Use Request: Luther College Women's Ultimate Frisbee Team (Decorah, IA)

Lodging for a group of 20, the evenings of March 2-3, 2018. Chairman Kespohl reminded everyone that a church member would have to be present during their stay. Kali Weishaar volunteered to stay with them. It was suggested we give them a specific start time for each



evening. Ken Greer moved to invite them to stay in the gym, with Kali as chaperone, and a specific start time each evening; seconded and approved.

Lutherans for Life Sharing Moment and Free Will Offering- January 21/22, 2018: Mary Raisch moved to approve the Sharing Moment; seconded and approved.

Carol Morrison, with the Board of Social Ministry, reported that the barrels will be set out for the Food Bank on January, 28th and 29th, as well as February, 4th and 5th. Carol moved to have the barrels out for collection on these dates, along with having a free will offering on February 4th and 5th. Seconded. Approved.

Chairman Kespohl read a thank you note from the Mid-Missouri Lutheran Hospital

Ministry.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Meeting of the Board of Directors will be February 13th at 7:00 p.m., with *Built on the Rock* study beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Pastor Gerike announced the need for Lenten Light Supper hosts. The first supper will be on February 14th. The Board of Elders will host. Between now and next meeting it was requested that the boards decide what night they will host.

Next Meeting of the Assembly of Voters will be held on February 18, 2018 at 12:30 p.m. with 12:00 potluck.

Mary Frerking moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m.; seconded and approved. Pastor Thieme gave the closing prayer.

Jacque Eckhoff, Secretary

## 2018 Trinity Lutheran Church Board Members

### Chairman

Gary Kespohl

### Secretary

Jacque Eckhoff

### Treasurer

Warren Harms

### Financial Secretary

JoAnn Schoenike

### Board of Elders

David Attebery

Ron Barrett

Jim Cherrington

John Frerking

Doug Kiehne

Larry McCoig

Roger Morrison

### Board of Evangelism

Robert Hall

Doug McDowell

Pattie Smith

### Board of Youth

Chris Bailey

Melissa Kiehne

Stephanie Oetting

### Board of Social Ministry

Misty Brown

Carol Morrison

Vacancy

### Board of Stewardship and Finance

Lori Bresnahan

Laura Grise

Darren Laupp

Fred Luetkemeier

Richard Mangold

Andrew Saeger

### Board of Christian Ed.

Mary Frerking

Teresa Gooch

Julie Smith

### Board of Early Childhood Ed.

Karen Niederjohn

Virginia Propp

Mark Unterreiner

### Board of Parochial Ed.

Ron Dickes

Cynthia Green

Candice Kling

Mary Raisch

### Board of TLC Endowment Fund

Eldrid Easterhaus

Beaufort Katt

Don Malson

### Board of Trustees

Michael Brown

Ken Greer

Jim Niederjohn

**February Board of Directors agenda items are due to the church office by noon on Friday, February 9, 2018.**

**February Assembly of Voters agenda items are due to the church office by noon on Friday, February 16, 2018.**

**The Board of Directors will meet Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at 7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall.**

**The Assembly of Voters will meet Sunday, February 18, 2018 at 12:30pm in the Fellowship Hall following a potluck lunch at 12:00pm.**

## COLLECTIONS FOR COMMUNITY MISSIONS

Thank you for your generous donations to our community missions. Please continue to collect and donate the items listed below. You can place them in the labeled bins inside the Christian Resource Center (brown unit in the hallway). If you need assistance getting the items to Trinity or have other suggestions for collections, please contact the church office.

### Community Collection Items:

- Best Choice UPCs • Tyson 1-2-3 Labels •
- Box Tops for Education • Printer ink cartridges/toners •
- Soda & Soup Can Pop Tops • Moser's Grocery Receipts •
- Eyeglasses & Hearing Aids you no longer use •
- Coupons with no expiration date •
- Food (nonperishable, no glass containers) •
- Spiritual publications (Portals of Prayer, Devotions, etc.) •
- Canceled postage stamps (No **Forever**, **Love**, or **Christmas**) •

## A blessed New Year to each of you!

There are many life-affirming activities coming up in this New Year that may interest you. Sanctity of Life Sunday is usually (but can be any time) observed by many churches on January 21<sup>st</sup>, the date closest to the Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court decision that made abortion legal for any reason during all nine months of pregnancy. Since that time over 58 million babies have been aborted in the U.S. alone. Observance of Sanctity of Life Sunday takes many forms, but many churches have free will offerings for Lutherans For Life and sharing moments after the worship service. However and **whenever** your church chooses to observe Life Sunday, please remember to pray for the end of abortion and for all the women and their family members who have been hurt by abortion, physically, mentally and spiritually.

Another life-affirming opportunity is available for students in grades 6 through 12. Any Lutheran student or a student in a Lutheran school is eligible to enter the **2018 Missouri Essay Contest**. The contest is sponsored by the Council of Federation Presidents, Lutherans For Life. The MO winner will advance to the national level. The theme for the life-affirming essay should be based on the 2018 National Conference theme which is **From Age to Age the Same** taken from Isaiah 46:3b-4, **"You have been borne by me from before your birth, carried from the womb; even to your old age I am he, and to gray hairs I will carry you. I have made, and I will bear; I will carry and will save"**. The complete flyer was in last month's newsletter. The essay must be submitted by March 15, 2018 to [llofmo@gmail.com](mailto:llofmo@gmail.com). Email that address for more information if needed. This is a great way to encourage young people to think about the value of life and to find their voice for the truth.

It's not too early to make plans to attend the **2018 Lutherans For Life National Conference in St Louis, MO** on October 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. National conferences offer many opportunities for education and fellowship with like-minded people who value life as God does. St Louis is a convenient location for central MO, so please don't miss this opportunity to learn about the sanctity of all human life and how to defend it.

Perhaps this is the year for you to start a Life Team in your church if you do not already have one. A Life Team helps Lutherans For Life fulfill its mission of equipping Lutherans to be Gospel-motivated voices For Life and helps every congregation uphold the God-given value of human life in order to influence society to do the same. Why is it important to affirm life? It's who we are as Lutheran Christians. Life is a gift from God. In Luther's explanation to the first article of the Apostle's Creed, we confess that "I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them." This reflects Genesis 1:26-28 where God announced that He would make man in His image. But it was not just Adam and Eve that He created; He creates all of us, as we are reminded in Psalm 139:13 "For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb.", and Jeremiah 1:5 "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." Further, the fifth commandment says "You shall not murder". Luther's explanation is that we should fear and love God so that we do not hurt or harm our neighbor in his body, but help and support him in every physical need." Our neighbor is any human being from the moment of conception to natural death who needs our help and protection.

Lutheran Christians know that all life is precious, because all life is God-given. He cares for all of His creation. The goal of a Life Team is to enable and equip God's children to think about life, promote life and work to preserve life through all that is done. It is not something to think about once a year on Life Sunday or once in a while, but something that permeates all that we do as Christians in church and in the public square. A Life Team is a missions committee that's dedicated to the sanctity of human life. They are trained to graciously serve the pastoral staff and the congregation by giving them opportunities to do things like:

Witness to the sanctity of human life through education based on the Word of God

Help moms and dads in crisis pregnancies

Encourage adoption of children without a home

Embrace those cast down by a past abortion

Defend human embryos from destruction

Support the infirm and elderly who are in danger of euthanasia

Mentor young people into lives of sexual integrity

A visionary Life Ministry is Gospel-driven, a trained team operating in unity, has consistent initiatives, is multi-faceted, is trusted, has dedicated resources, has robust agency interface, and has church-wide influence and engagement. Won't you consider starting or being a part of Life Team in your church? There is training and much help available from Lutherans For Life. For more information about Life Teams go to [www.lutheransforlife.org/about/life-chapters-and-life-teams](http://www.lutheransforlife.org/about/life-chapters-and-life-teams).

Christ's blessings to you,

Sylvia Glenn

Feel free to call me (573-592-7866) for information or concerns about life issues. For those who have had an abortion, there is a **word of hope!** "He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds" (Psalm 147:3). For **confidential post-abortion referral, counsel, and reconciliation** call WORD of HOPE, toll-free 888-217-8679 or 630-990-0909, email [help@word-of-hope.org](mailto:help@word-of-hope.org), or visit [www.word-of-hope.org](http://www.word-of-hope.org).



## LWML PRAYER SERVICE

All are invited to attend the LWML Prayer Service on Sunday, February 25 at 2:00pm in the TLC sanctuary. The theme is "Living as God's People," and refreshments will be served following the service.

### Prayer Service Living as God's People

*Believers are a people  
blessed by God... (1 Peter 2:9-12)*

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## VESPER GUILD MEETING

The monthly meeting of Vesper Guild is scheduled for Tuesday, Feb 20 at 6:00 pm in the Overflow room. Women of the congregation and guests are welcome to attend.

There will be no Craft Night in February. See you in March! If you have any questions, contact Betty Buchheit at (573) 823-2664.

## RADIO RESOURCES

### The Lutheran Hour

The Lutheran Hour with Rev. Kenneth Klaus and Rev. Dr. Dale Meyer proclaims the salvation story of Jesus every week to hundreds of thousands of listeners. The Lutheran Hour weekly half-hour program can be read/heard on [www.lhm.org](http://www.lhm.org), on their mobile app, or Sundays on several radio stations:

8am on **KMCV 89.9FM** in Jeff City

8am on **KLTE 107.9FM** in Kirksville

9am on **KMCR 103.9FM** in Montgomery City

10am on **KMMO 1300AM** in Marshall

10am on **KFRU 1400AM** in Columbia

### KFUO Lutheran Radio

Listen to Worldwide KFUO.org, your station for practical Lutheran talk, daily Bible and Confession studies, daily worship, and current issues from a Lutheran worldview. Programs are archived at KFUO.org for on-demand listening. You can also find our programming wherever you get your podcasts!

### Issues, Etc.: Christ-Centered, Cross-Focused

Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken and produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL. You can listen on-demand at [www.issuesetc.org](http://www.issuesetc.org) and on the LPR mobile app.

### Dear Church Family,

#### Please call the church office when:

- a member of your family is admitted to the hospital so visits can be made
- someone you know is very ill or has passed away
- your class, board, or group would like to use the church for a meeting or event so it can be scheduled on the church calendar
- your contact information or address changes
- a new baby arrives in your family
- a member of your family leaves home for college, joins the military, or is getting married
- you would like to have a member call you to visit or assist you in some way
- you have a prayer request
- you would like to share your time and talents
- you feel the church can assist you in any way

**Telephone: 573-445-2112**

**Or by email: [church@trinity-lcms.org](mailto:church@trinity-lcms.org)**

2018 SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP SERVICES  
JANUARY - JUNE

Date	Day	Time	Communi:Special	Date	Day	Time	Communi:Special	Date	Day	Time	Communion	Special
Jan. 7	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Jan. 7	Sun.	10:30a	Yes	Jan. 1	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
Jan. 14	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Jan. 14	Sun.	10:30a	Yes	Jan. 8	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
Jan. 21	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Jan. 21	Sun.	10:30a	Yes	Jan. 15	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
Jan. 28	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Jan. 28	Sun.	10:30a	Yes	Jan. 22	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	LIFE
Feb. 4	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Feb. 4	Sun.	10:30a	Yes	Jan. 29	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
Feb. 11	Sun.	8:00a		Feb. 11	Sun.	10:30a		Feb. 5	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
								Feb. 12	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
								Feb. 14	Wed.	12:00p	Yes	Ash Wednesday
Feb. 18	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Feb. 18	Sun.	10:30a	Yes	Feb. 14	Wed.	7:00p	Yes	Ash Wednesday
								Feb. 19	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
								Feb. 21	Wed.	12:00p		Midweek Lenten Service II
Feb. 25	Sun.	8:00a	LHM	Feb. 25	Sun.	10:30a		Feb. 21	Wed.	7:00p		Midweek Lenten Service II
								Feb. 26	Mon.	6:00p		LHM
								Feb. 28	Wed.	12:00p		Midweek Lenten Service III
								Feb. 28	Wed.	7:00p		Midweek Lenten Service III
Mar. 4	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Mar. 4	Sun.	10:30a	Yes	Mar. 5	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
								Mar. 7	Wed.	12:00p		Midweek Lenten Service IV
Mar. 11	Sun.	8:00a	DST Begins	Mar. 11	Sun.	10:30a		Mar. 7	Wed.	7:00p		Midweek Lenten Service IV
								Mar. 12	Mon.	6:00p		
								Mar. 14	Wed.	12:00p		Midweek Lenten Service V
Mar. 18	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Mar. 18	Sun.	10:30a	Yes	Mar. 14	Wed.	7:00p		Midweek Lenten Service V
								Mar. 19	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
								Mar. 21	Wed.	12:00p		Midweek Lenten Service VI
Mar. 25	Sun.	8:00a		Mar. 25	Sun.	10:30a		Mar. 21	Wed.	7:00p		Midweek Lenten Service VI
								Mar. 26	Mon.	6:00p		
								Mar. 29	Thurs.	12:00p	Yes	Maundy Thursday
								Mar. 29	Thurs.	7:00p	Yes	Maundy Thursday
								Mar. 30	Fri.	12:00p	Yes	Good Friday
								Mar. 30	Fri.	7:00p	Yes	Good Friday
Apr. 1	Sun.	7:00a	Yes	Apr. 1	Sun.	7:00a	Yes	Apr. 2	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	Easter
Apr. 8	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Apr. 8	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Apr. 9	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
Apr. 15	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Apr. 15	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Apr. 16	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
Apr. 22	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Apr. 22	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Apr. 23	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
Apr. 29	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Apr. 29	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Apr. 30	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
May 6	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	May 6	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	May 7	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
May 13	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	May 13	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	May 14	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
May 20	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	May 20	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	May 21	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	Pentecost
May 27	Sun.	8:00a		May 27	Sun.	8:00a		May 28	Mon.	6:00p		
Jun. 3	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Jun. 3	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Jun. 4	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
Jun. 10	Sun.	8:00a		Jun. 10	Sun.	8:00a		Jun. 11	Mon.	6:00p		
Jun. 17	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Jun. 17	Sun.	8:00a	Yes	Jun. 18	Mon.	6:00p	Yes	
Jun. 24	Sun.	8:00a		Jun. 24	Sun.	8:00a		Jun. 25	Mon.	6:00p		



*Jesus said, "Let the little  
children come to  
me..."*

*Matthew 19:14*



# Enrollment Is Open For Our Summer and School-Year Sessions!

- Trinity members get first priority for enrolling. Registration opens to the general public after February 5.
- Serving 2 years old through pre-kindergarten
- Open 6:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m. with full-day and part-day schedules
- Weekly summer camps for school-age children
- 10% discount for LCMS families
- Church will become a "second home" to your child!

**Trinity Lutheran Child Learning Center**  
**573-445-1014**

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# FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Marli & Allen Yoder ..... February 1, 1973



The information for Anniversaries & Birthdays is obtained from our Shepherd Staff database. If your information is incorrect or omitted, please contact the church office so this information can be updated.



## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

1  
Elaine Samuel  
3  
Sean Huggans  
Drew Jones  
Janice Kuehner  
Matthew Samuel  
Lacie Starbuck  
4  
John Baynes  
Stephen Tackitt  
Emma Thompson  
5  
Dave Hart  
Ron Eilers  
6  
Jack Kespohl  
Luke Thoroughman  
8  
Nadia Laediss

9  
Norah Stone  
12  
Les Harms  
Jenni Murray  
13  
Susan Dyer  
Veronica Feilner  
14  
Wanda Calfee  
Mark Schaumburg  
15  
Mindy Cherrington  
Nanette Schneider  
17  
Judy Lammers  
Andrew Schuster  
Shirley Smith  
18  
Maisie Thompson  
19  
Louis Mwamgiga  
Vanette Noll  
Bill Raines  
20  
Kate Berendzen  
Nicholas Fei  
21  
Nick Kespohl  
Coy Stockhorst  
22  
Ken Frerking  
25  
Kenneth Gerike

Willis Linneman  
Hudson Parker  
26  
Tonya Boenisch  
Jessica Kespohl  
Stephanie Sprock  
27  
Jon Antel  
James Lawler  
28  
Samuel Crisman  
Jacob Huggans  
Nathan Wulfmeyer  
(29)  
Joyce Palmer



## JUST FOR YOUTH

### JCC CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE:

JCC Classes will continue for the upcoming months. February sessions will be: 2/4 and 2/11 at noon and 2/18 and 2/25 at 6pm.

There will be a meeting for JCC

III parents after class on 2/11.

### ACOLYTE SCHEDULE:

JCC I will be the acolytes for February. Go to the Trinity website → Ministries → Youth → Jr. High Youth → Acolyte Schedules to sign up or change you're the services you would like to acolyte.

### CIRCUIT WIDE LOCK-IN

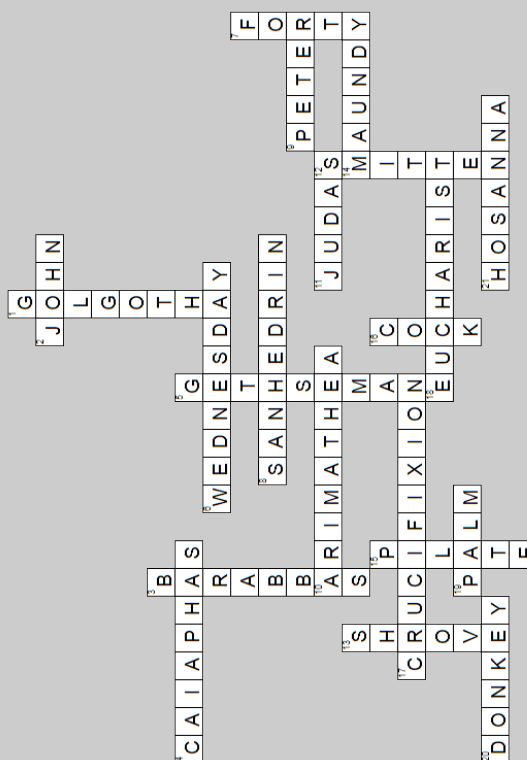
Theme: Be Prepared

**Who:** High School Students and Chaperones

**When:** February 23 from 7pm-7am

**Where:** Trinity Lutheran Church, Columbia

Bring Sleeping gear and a Bible.





# February 2018

(Watch the Trinity Weekly News for updates)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 6:30a Men's Bible Study @ Terrace 9a TLCLC Chapel 11:30a Senior Ministry Lunch @ Denny's	2	3
4 8a & 10:30a Worship / Comm. 9:15a Bible Study / Sunday School / Fellowship 12p JCC 6p LLL	5 9a Bible Class 6p Worship Service / Communion	6 5:30-8:30p GSLS Art Show	7 8:25a GSLS Chapel 9a TLCLC Chapel	8 6:30a Men's Bible Study @ Terrace 9a TLCLC Chapel 11:30a Senior Ministry Lunch @ Denny's 7p CLAS	9	10
11 8a & 10:30a Worship / Comm. 9:15a Bible Study / Sunday School / Fellowship 12p JCC 1:30p JCC III Parents' Meeting	12 9a Bible Class 6p Worship Service / Communion	13 7p Board of Directors	14 Ash Wednesday 8:25a GSLS Chapel 9a TLCLC Chapel 9:30a Mary Martha 12p & 7p Ash Wednesday Worship w/ Comm 6:15p Lenten Light Supper	15 6:30a Men's Bible Study @ Terrace 9a TLCLC Chapel 11:30a Senior Ministry Lunch @ Denny's	16	17
18 8a & 10:30a Worship / Comm. 9:15a Bible Study / Sunday School / Fellowship 12p Assembly of Voters w/potluck 6p JCC	19 9a Bible Class 6p Worship Service / Communion 7p Bible Study	20 6:30p C.O.O.L. Girls	21 8:25a GSLS Chapel 9a TLCLC Chapel 12p Mid-Week Worship 6:15p Lenten Light Supper 7p Mid-Week Worship	22 6:30a Men's Bible Study @ Terrace 9a TLCLC Chapel 11:30a Senior Ministry Lunch @ Denny's	23 5:30p GSLS Family Movie Night 6:30p Youth Lock-in	24
25 8a & 10:30a Worship 9:15a Bible Study / Sunday School / Fellowship 2p LWML Prayer Service 6p JCC	26 9a Bible Class 6p Worship Service 7p Bible Study	27 6p Board of Elders	28 8:25a GSLS Chapel 9a TLCLC Chapel 12p Mid-Week Worship 6:15p Lenten Light Supper 7p Mid-Week Worship			

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MONDAY AT 6:00 P.M.  
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- ★ Scholarship opportunities and levels to support GSLS at the Gala: Gold, Silver, Blue & Green Levels
- ★ Silent Auction Baskets & Live Auction Items are a great way to use your creative talent!
- ★ Remember Thrivent Dollars can help with GSLS school items and with the Gala.
- ★ Jingle Candice [docanddesign@me.com](mailto:docanddesign@me.com) or 573-442-4409 (Home) 252-267-2791 (Cell/Text)

