# Trinity Weekly News

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# Trinity Lutheran Church — Columbia, MO

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# January 14 & 15, 2024

The chancel flowers this week are sponsored by Carol Clark in memory of Ron, and by Carey & Patty Smith in memory of their daughter-in-law, Kelsey Smith



# This Week at Trinity:

#### Sunday 1/14

8:00 a.m.—Divine Service +Comm 9:30 a.m.—Bible Study & Sun. School 10:30 a.m.—Divine Service +Comm 12:00 p.m.—JCC 5:00 p.m.—Handbell Practice

#### **Monday 1/15**

9:00 a.m.—Bible Study 6:00 p.m.—Divine Service +Comm

# Tuesday 1/16

5:30 p.m.—Vesper Guild 5:30 p.m.—Pickleball 5:30 p.m.—Sound Words/Adult Cat.

#### Wednesday 1/17

9:00 a.m.—TLCLC Chapel

#### Thursday 1/18

7:00 a.m.—Men's Bible Study 9:00 a.m.—TLCLC Chapel 11:00 a.m.—Communion @ Lenoir 5:30 p.m.—Pickleball 6:00 p.m.—Board of Evangelism

# <u>Friday 1/19</u>

Pastors' day off

#### Sunday 1/21

8:00 a.m.—Divine Service +Comm 9:30 a.m.—Bible Study & Sun. School 10:30 a.m.—Divine Service +Comm 12:00 p.m.—JCC 5:00 p.m.—Handbell Practice



New Year's greetings from the Life Team! Every January we celebrate Life Sunday. This year in addition to celebrating Life Sunday on January 21st, the Life Team invites you to celebrate Life Week! The congregation is invited to a zoom call every day from Sunday, January 14th through Saturday, January 20th. You can do this by visiting **lutheransforlife.org/life** 

**-week-2024/.** The theme this year is Just As. . .I Am! There will be a Sharing Moment on Sunday, January 14<sup>th</sup> from the Life Team with more details and Life Week reminder cards will be passed out after each service.

The topics for each day are:

- Sunday, January 14th Just As I Am From Fertilization to Forever
- Monday, January 15th Just As I Am in Terminal Diagnosis
- Tuesday, January 16th Just As I Am Surviving and Thriving
- Wednesday, January 17th Just As I Am in Surprise Pregnancy
- Thursday, January 18th Just As I Am with Courage and Compassion
- Friday, January 19th Just As I Am as Male and Female
- Saturday, January 20th Just As I Am for Blessing and Serving

To access these events, go to lutheransforlife.org/life-week-2024/ and scroll down for the zoom access information. It is the same for each day.

The Life Team will also be holding a freewill offering on Life Sunday, January 21st to support the Lutherans for Life Adoption Fund. Checks can be made out to Trinity Lutheran Church with adoption fund in the memo line. A special Life Sunday lesson will be held for children pre-k through 5th grade as well as an special Adult Sunday School lesson. We are looking forward to celebrating Life Sunday with you!

Blessings, the Life Team



# Lutheran Singles Cruise

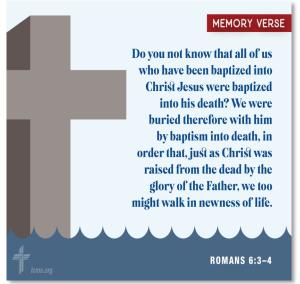
Set sail on a spiritual adventure with our four-day Lutheran Singles Cruise, departing from Galveston on August 1st. This journey is designed for connection and fellowship, offering daily devotions, Bible studies, and opportunities to meet like-minded singles. Embrace this chance to deepen your faith, make new friends, and enjoy the beauty of the sea. Don't miss out on this unique blend of spiritual growth and social fun – book your spot today! Learn more at www.wolfmueller.co/cruise

Who: Lutheran Singles between the ages of 21-41.

Date: August 1-5, 2024 (Departs 4:00 pm Thursday, Arrives 7:00 am Monday)

Depart and Return: Galveston, TX

Ship: Mariner of the Seas



# Vesper Guild

This month the Vesper Guild will meet on Tuesday, January 16 at 5:30 pm in the church library. All women of Trinity are welcome! Please join us for a time of devotion and a business meeting.

Any questions, contact Betty Buchheit dbuchheit305@aol.com or 573-823-2664.



with the loss of a loved one or know

someone who is? Please consider joinina our Grief Share group.

The GS classes will meet on Thursday evenings from February 22 thru May 23, from 7pm-9pm.

To sign up, visit the GS website www.griefshare.org/findagroup.

Any questions, please call/text Kevin Burns (Facilitator) at (573) 424-7514.

Are VOU Lutheran Witness subscriber? Would you like to be? Please let the church office know if you would like to start or renew a subscription. Cost is



\$20.65/year (\$1.60/issue) for 11 issues. If interested, please contact the church office via email (church@trinity-lcms.org) or phone (573) 445-2112 **no later than January** 31, 2024!

Payment can be done via check or cash, using the Lutheran Witness envelope included with your contribution envelopes. If paying by check, please put 'Lutheran Witness' on the memo line. Thank you!



# Men's Thursday Bible Study

Thursday mornina The Men's Bible Study is study-

ina Concordia: The Lutheran Confessions -A Reader's Edition of The Book of Concord (second edition). If you have an individual copy of Concordia, bring it along but there should be enough copies for each attendee (church copies). We will use the same format as with The Lutheran Study Bible: i.e., we will read each section together and discuss the doctrine using the Concordia notes.

Please plan on joining us and remember, we start at 7:00 am each Thursday.



# 2024 Member Contribution Envelopes

Please pick up your box of envelopes for 2024 off the tables in the overflow area. There are new numbers for many of our members, so please discard any unused envelopes from previous years.

If your address on the box is absent or incorrect, please contact the church office to update it. Thank you!

If you cannot locate your box, please let the Financial Secretary know and she will be happy to assist you.



The Altar Guild is looking for volunteers! Those who are interested should reach out to the church office via phone

(573.445.2112) or email church@trinity-lcms.org.

The handbell choir is looking for new ringers to join us. Ages 4<sup>th</sup> grade and up are welcome, no experience required. Rehearsals are held most **Sundays at 5 pm**. If interested, please



call or text Kimberly Walker at (708) 532-3358.

# Life Thoughts

**January 14 – Epiphany II –** Life issues like surprise pregnancy and terminal diagnosis come with uncertainty. But the Lord our God knows both our worries (Psalm 139:4) and the best way forward. He has already seen (John 1:48) what it will take to save, and He has still chosen life for all humankind, even when we behold only darkness and despair. We may not know what tomorrow holds, but we know who holds tomorrow.

# Stewardship & Scripture

# January 14 – Second Sunday after the Epiphany

1 Corinthians 6:19–20 – "You are not your own, for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body." God owns everything, including our very selves. We were made to serve Him and glorify Him and will never truly be happy or find our fulfillment until we learn that lesson. Jesus has redeemed us and brought us back into the kingdom of the Father, and that has set us free to serve Him in joy, generosity, liberty and faith.

Brought to you by LCMS Stewardship Ministry and Trinity's Board of Stewardship & Finance



#### Board of Youth invites

#### ALL HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE STUDENTS

Tuesday, January 23, 2024 4:30-6:00 PM Youth Room

# ICE CREAM FLOATS, FREE SCHOOL SUPPLY & ENTER TO WIN A \$25 Chick Fil A GIFT CARD!!

Come any time. Floats can be made "to go". Must be present to enter the gift card drawing.

# IT'S TIME FOR SUPER BOWL SUB ORDERS

Trinity Senior Youth are selling sub sandwiches for Super Bowl Sunday!

Order forms are available on the Youth bulletin board, across from the church office. Place your order form in the provided envelope on the board. Please pay by cash or check when you pick up your sandwiches on Sunday, February 11, 2024.

All orders are due by noon on Friday, February 2nd.

#### **Sandwich Options:**

- \* Turkey
- \* Roast Beef

All sandwiches will include Salami, along with Swiss & American cheeses. Each sandwich will also come with potato chips.



#### Pricing:

Sandwiches are \$6 each or 6 for \$30

#### CHURCH YEAR CALENDAR

The Gospel pericopes (selected readings) for Epiphany reveal who Jesus is and His divine authority and power. In the historic one-year lectionary, the appointed Gospel reading is the Wedding at Cana (John 2:1-11). This is Jesus' first miracle and reveals Jesus as true God and true man. No mortal man can turn water into wine but men drink wine. In the three year lectionary, God reveals his authority by calling disciples to believe and learn. No sinful man willingly chooses the things of God (1 Cor. 2:14) or believes them, but God by His Spirit of power enables men to confess Him as the one revealed by heaven as the promised Messiah and our Lord and Savior.

Feasts, Festivals, & Commemorations

January 18 – Confession of St. Peter | Acts 4:8-13; Psalm 118:19-29; 2 Peter 1:1-15; Mark 8:27-9:1

January 20 – Sarah (Old Testament)

#### THEME OF THE WEEK

The Lord God is with You and Reveals Himself to You by the Preaching of His Word The Lord Jesus calls Philip and Nathanael to "come and see" that He is "the Son of God" and "the King of Israel" (John 1:43–49). And they shall see even "greater things than these" (John 1:50). For His body is the temple of God on earth, and by His priestly sacrifice the heavens will be opened to all who believe and are baptized into Him. Therefore, He calls Philip and Nathanael, first to hear His Word and then to speak as apostles, even as He once called Samuel and established him "as a prophet of the LORD" (1 Sam. 3:20). As the Lord was with Samuel "and let none of his words fall to the ground" (1 Sam. 3:19), He also accompanies and upholds the preachers of His Word in our day. Thus, by the Gospel that is preached to you, "your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you" (1 Cor. 6:19). Since your body thus belongs to the Body of Christ, is meant "for the Lord" and shall be raised up like Him, now "glorify God in your body" (1 Cor. 6:13–20).

# PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

#### WEEKLY PSALMS

Morning Psalm 40 (antiphon is v. 10-this is particularly fitting for Epiphany because we delight that God's righteousness is revealed to us in Christ and we rejoice as believers together in God's love and faithfulness)

Evening Psalm 18

# DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

#### HYMN OF THE WEEK

*Monday* Hosea 11:1-9; Luke 8:22-39

Tuesday Hosea 13:4-15; Luke 8:40-56

Wednesday Hosea 14:2-9; Luke 9:37-50

Thursday Joel 2:1-14; Matthew 10:1-20

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Friday Joel 2:15-17; Matthew 10:21-40 Saturday Joel 3; Matthew 14:13-36

#### READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

# The Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Old Testament Jonah 3:1-15 Epistle 1 Corinthians 7:29-35

Psalm 62 Holy Gospel St. Mark 1:14-20

*Introit* Ps. 113:1-2, 4, 7-8, antiphon v. 3

# DAILY CATECHISM

Lesson of the Week: 3rd Commandment & Meaning

Monday Luke 2:41-52 Where did Jesus go? When his parents found him, what was he doing? How does Jesus

keep the Third Commandment? Why is it necessary for Him to keep this commandment? How

does Jesus gently correct His mother? What is Mary's response to Jesus' teaching?

Tuesday Mark 2:23-3:4 What was Jesus doing when the reading begins? Why are the Pharisees concerned?

Where does Jesus point them? For what—or whom—was the Sabbath given? How does Jesus' healing on the Sabbath teach us what the Sabbath is intended for? How is the Sabbath properly understood as a gift? How would you respond to false teachers who say Christians *must* observe

the Sabbath on Saturday?

Wednesday Luke 10:38-42 What was Martha concerned with doing? What did Mary do? Why was Mary

commended for this? How did Mary keep the Third Commandment?

Thursday Hebrews 4:9-12 Do the people of God continue to have a Sabbath Rest? What does verse 10 teach

us should occur on the Sabbath? How does verse 12 teach us about how the LORD gives Sabbath

rest? How is this consistent with Luther's meaning of the Third Commandment?

Friday Matthew 11:25-30 Who is invited to come to Jesus? Where do we do our work? Why does our

work make us "heavy laden"? What does Jesus say He will give to those who come? What does this

teach us regarding the Divine Service? What does the Lord intend to give us in worship?

Learn By Heart Verse: "Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Matt. 11:28

#### Radio & Podcast Resources

#### The Lutheran Hour

The Lutheran Hour with Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler proclaims the salvation story of Jesus every week to hundreds of thousands of listeners. The Lutheran Hour weekly half-hour program can be heard on www.lhm.org, on their mobile app, or Sundays on several area radio stations:

8:00 a.m. on **KMCV 89.9FM** 9:00 a.m. on **KMCR 103.9FM**  8:00 a.m. on **KLTE 107.9FM** 10:00 a.m. on **KMMO 1300AM** 

#### KFUO Lutheran Radio

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CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org: Continue studying 2 Corinthians Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), finish studying Ephesians and begin Philippians on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), and worship with us in Daily Chapel (weekdays at 10:00 a.m. CT). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org and the KFUO Radio app!





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TITUS BIBLE STUDY...The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a daily 15 minute verse-byverse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Will Weedon. Pastor Weedon recently started a study on The Book of Titus. He will begin a study on the Book of Ruth on January 23. You can listen at your convenience at thewordendures.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.