



Trinity Lutheran Church, ELCA
Lindstrom, MN 55045

February 2022

Trinity where we CONNECT, GROW, & SERVE
with the love of Jesus Christ.

Dear Trinity Family and Friends,

I recently read a wonderful article by Diana Butler Bass entitled “EPIPHANY NOW the Extraordinary Season is Upon Us”. The message was worth sharing so here are some excerpts from that article.

On January 5, the eve of Epiphany, I went for a night walk. We’d just had a big snowstorm in Virginia. The trees were still encased and frozen a silvery white, their branches sparkled in the moonlight against a deep blue sky. Everything was silent; the only sound was the cracking crust of hardened snow with each footfall. I wondered: Is this what it is like to dance across the stars? And that is what Epiphany is — a season of stars. Magic. Of course, in more conventional use, Epiphany is a season in the Christian year — the weeks that follow Christmas until Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent. In the northern hemisphere, it is the deep winter season, a time of starkness, cold, ice, and snow. Madeleine L’Engle once wrote that winter “reveals structure,” that which is behind the riot of leaf and flower of spring. Stripped down to the icy branches, Epiphany manifests a January spirituality helping us see what we cannot otherwise see.

Epiphany is not just a liturgical placeholder between two important Christian holy days. It may well be the most undervalued — and, in many ways, the most contemporarily relevant — season of the Christian year. The traditional themes of Epiphany are light, glory, sight, revelation, and enlightenment. The seasonal cycle begins with the story of the Magi — three wise mystics — following a star, a journey that takes them to Jesus, God’s promise birthed into the world, wonder embodied as a tiny child. The most ordinary of human moments — birth — becomes extraordinary.

Epiphany is about seeing the extraordinary in the everyday. Some Christians call Epiphany “ordinary time,” but there’s nothing ordinary about it. Week after week, with each story presented in the yearly lectionary, what seems ordinary is revealed as something extraordinary. A baptism turns into a divine announcement; water becomes wine; reading holy words introduces a prophet of the Kingdom; a day’s laborious fishing breaks the nets with a great catch; the poor are blessed; and love, mercy,

and forgiveness are offered not to friends but to those who seek to do us harm.

Epiphany is a cracking of the ice underfoot. The frozen world starts giving way to something else — the branches sparkle in the moonlight, a star leads to a barn, the beauty of the deep structure of things is revealed. We begin to wonder: Maybe every baptism announces God’s love. Maybe water always has been wine. Maybe we are all prophets of liberation. Maybe every day’s work holds abundance. The poor and sad and persecuted have always been the blessed. Perhaps we are always dancing on the stars and just don’t notice. Not until an epiphany. It is far more than a day. It isn’t just the “weeks following” Christmas or the Magi visit. This is the **season** of extraordinary time, the in-breaking of creation’s promise. This Epiphany, this seeing, this glory of the cosmos manifested here and now.

This extraordinary season induces awe. It reveals that there is more to the world than what we accept as “ordinary.” And there are powers and principalities that will press against Epiphany with fear and great violence. To see the deep structure, to follow the star, to hear the breaking of the ice encasing the earth is threatening to those who benefit from “normal,” the accepted veneer of “ordinary” injustices and oppressions and indignities that bedevil and deceive the human race.

And thus: Epiphany is the season we need now. We need its clarity, its sharp starkness. Maybe *our* moment in history is an epiphany — the ordinary is being pulled back to reveal that which has been hidden from view. The mundane is charged with meaning — and epiphanies are everywhere. It is as if the universe has cracked open with truth — and terror. *We live in awful and awe-filled times.* For some of what we know as ordinary has become the gateway to glory; and some of what we’ve accepted as ordinary is only another guise of vainglory. It takes an epiphany to reveal which is which — to know the deepest love in the world and live in the tailings of the star.

May God guide your discoveries during this season of Epiphany!
Pastor Terry

WELCOME TO
NEW MEMBERS

New Member Information

Classes will be on

Thursday, February 10th from 6:30 - 8:00pm

Thursday, February 17th from 6:30-8:00pm

Any questions, please call the office.

651-257-5129 ext. 1

SOUP TO GO - Sunday, January 16

Order by Friday, February 11th by noon.

Pick up on Sunday, February 13th.

The Workcampers will be making soups.

Proceeds support the Workcamp trip to

Maryland next summer! Watch for

the order form. On the table in the

entry way or in the Friday email.



Bible Study Groups

Tuesdays at 9:30 AM

Wednesdays at 10:00 AM

Thursdays at 7:00 AM at
Northwoods

CIRCLE MEETINGS

Ruth Circle: Meets the third Wednesday of each month. Contact Karen Seaver for more information

Blanket Ministry in Transition

The Blanket Ministry, like many of the wonderful programs at Trinity, fell victim to the COVID dilemma. And now it is time to regroup. We have been given an opportunity to approach this wonderful ministry from a different angle, giving more Trinity members a way to be involved. Witness and Outreach would like to organize a Blanket Ministry Team. The Blanket Ministry Team would assist with the distribution of the Prayer Blankets and coordinate the making of the blankets when needed. Witness and Outreach believes there is an advantage in having several people available to deliver a blanket when needed, as many Trinity members may need one at the same time. If you are interested in being a member of the Blanket Ministry Team, please contact Coke at 651-353-2150 or email cokeguilfoile@gmail.com for more information.



Coffee Conversations with the Pastor

Thursdays at 7:00 am

At Northwoods Roasterie

Everyone is welcome to join us for some great conversations.

ALL are welcome!



Groups and Activities

500 Card game
Mondays at 1:00 PM

Meditation Group
Mondays at 6:30 PM

Tuesdays at 9:15 AM Painting Group
Thursdays at 9 AM woodcarving

Book Study Opportunity!

Join us Thursdays at 1:00 PM
at Northwoods Roasterie
Coffee House on Hwy 8.

Books available in the office
or you can buy them online.

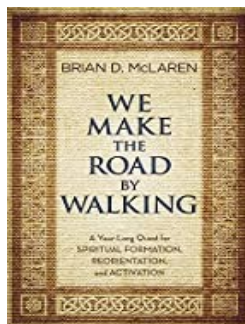
Anyone can join in at any time, each session
stands alone. Any questions talk with Pastor
Karri.

February 3 - Chpt 17

February 10 - Chpt 18

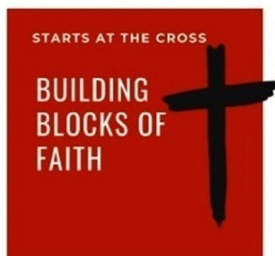
February 17 - Chpt 19

February 24 - Chpt 20



Stewardship News

Thank you to everyone who has turned in their commitment
card. **We currently have received 159 cards as of January
16th. The total commitments received is \$321,955. This com-
pares to 173 cards and total commitments of \$324,687 for the
same period last year.** If you have not turned in your commit-
ment card yet, please do so as soon as possible. You can drop
off your commitment card at the church's secure drop-box or
mail it to the church.



Trinity Building Renovation Committee Update



The Trinity Building
Renovation Committee
met on January 20th. We
looked at two building
renovation plan options.
Option 1 stays within the
existing building footprint

and will be the most cost effective, although it creates a
challenge for storage of tables and chairs as well as
people flow in the fellowship hall. Option 2 expands the
building's footprint with offices into the courtyard and
improves the people flow in the fellowship hall but
comes at a higher cost. Our next step is to meet with the
architect to give him directions on how to proceed.
Committee members are Cathy Johnson
(communications director), Jon Meredith (building
coordinator), Brian Nielsen (building coordinator), Matt
Mitchell (technology consultant), Gail Seaver
(chairperson/secretary/financial liaison) and Jenna
Wojcik (communications director). Craig Martin serves as
the Church Council liaison and Pastor Terry Nordheim as
the Staff representative.





Thank You

We the staff at Primary El. School are grateful for your generosity. Your kindness brought joy to families and provided food, toys, and memories. Wish you could have heard and seen the gratitude of the families. There is such a great need in our community and you met the needs of our families. Thank you! Your kindness will not be forgotten
Katie Depiet, Primary El. School Social Worker and Staff

It's through people like you that God's blessings are known, and I am thankful to you for the kindness you've shown. Thank you so much!
Chisago Lakes Food Shelf.

Thank you to Mike Leadholm for driving and helping drop off outerwear items to Open Hands

We are in need of "washers" for outerwear items roughly 1-2 loads per week, starting as soon as possible. **Please contact Katie** if you are able to help.

We will be sending "love notes" to our partner congregation, Jesus El Buen Pastor, in Guatemala during February. Your "love note" can be a hand-written letter, a photo with a caption a drawing, or even a comic! **Please leave completed "notes" in Katie's box!**

Angel Tree stats that I wanted to share with the congregation:

- Angels claimed from the Angel Tree: 201
- Individuals blessed: 80
- Families who celebrated Christmas because of your generosity: 19

Are you looking for Date Night ideas? Do you want to donate some of your time to a good cause? We want to offer you and that "special someone" Date Night with a Twist!" The Food Shelf is in need of volunteers and we want you and your favorite person to work side-by-side for a good cause, and then celebrate with dinner together. We will meet at the Food Shelf on Friday, February 18th at 5:00 pm. **If you'd like to join us, please contact Katie via phone or email.**

February events

Care Packages for Medical Staff

We are in need of items for our packages. We need: Band-Aids (Fun Prints), Advil (Small bottles), Hot Cocoa, Mini Hand Sanitizers, Small packs of Kleenex, Chap Stick, Lotions.

Please drop items in the office by Thursday, February 3rd. Any questions contact Katie or Linda.

Second Sunday Offering this month will be on **Sunday, February 13th**, for "**Light One Candle**," a new program for Trinity that will serve as a disaster relief fund for those experiencing tragedy.

Food Shelf Drive for the Month of February: Donations collected on Super Bowl Sunday will benefit Family Pathways Food Shelf. **More info will be shared in the Sunday bulletin**



WORKCAMP 2022
Meeting - Sunday, February 6
5:30 -7:00 p.m.

This meeting is for the youth and adults planning to attend or those interested in joining us for workcamp in Fredrick, Maryland, July 22– 31. For all sr high youth and adults. See you then!

FOR all ages ... families... everyone!

Wild Mountain Tubing Party!

Sunday, February 6 2:00 – 4:00pm

\$20/person

2nd graders and younger

need to be accompanied by an adult.

Sign up by February 2.



It's time to sign up for camp!

2022 South Dakota Camps

We'll ride horses, camp out, hike, worship, and more! More info on the youth board. Friends are welcome!

KLEIN RANCH June 25-July 1 for 6th – 10th graders

Cost: \$450 Deposit \$125 to hold your spot.

ADVENTURES July 9-15 for 7th – 12th graders

Cost: \$475 Deposit \$125 to hold your spot.



Sr. High B.W.C.A. Trip—August 3-9

Sr. High youth and friends ~ sign up now for one of the best weeks of your life! Come be part of a team that will work together and see God's creation close up, and feel His peace!

Cost: \$300 Deposit \$50 due by Apr 15



SOUPS to go!

Sunday, February 26

Order by February 25 by noon.

Pick up on Sunday, February 27 after worship.

The Workcampers will be making soup. Proceeds support the Workcamp trip to Maryland next summer! Watch for the order form.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb 2	Confirmation 3 pm Jr Youth 4:30 pm Supper 5:45 pm Wednesday Worship 6:30 pm
Feb 6	Wild Mtn. Family Tubing Day, 1-4 pm Workcamp Meeting, 5:30-7 pm
Feb 9	Confirmation 3 pm Jr Youth 4:30 pm Supper 5:45 pm Wednesday Worship 6:30 pm
Feb 11-14	Linda & Emmy at ELCA YM Network Extravaganza for Continuing Ed.
Feb 13	YOUTH 6th –12th graders...sign up to help with these two events. All who work must bring in prize donations for bingo. Monies received will help with you with the cost of camp! Grab and Go Breakfast, 8-11 a.m. Family Bingo, 2-5 p.m.
Feb 16	Supper 5:45 & Wednesday Worship. 6:30 Faith Friends for 7th & 8th graders 7:15 6th Grade Club, 7:15
Feb 18 & 19	6th - 12th Ski Trip - to Spirit Mtn.
Feb 23	Confirmation 3 pm Jr Youth 4:30 pm Supper 5:45 pm Wednesday Worship 6:30 pm
Feb. 26	Workcamp—Pack Soups/bars at 10 am
Feb. 27	Workcamp—Soup to Go! pickup after Worship in fellowship. 10 am—11 am.

TRINITY'S YOUTH NEWS

Youth Director: Linda Rambow
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Celebration of the Lakes...

BINGO				
12	18	41	47	61
7	26	39	54	70
4	27	FREE SPACE	49	63
5	23	35	58	73
3	30	32	52	75

Pancake Breakfast & BINGO!

Sunday, February 13

Breakfast: 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Bingo: 2:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Trinity Lutheran Fellowship Hall

6th – 12th grade youth: Join us to work at the Pancake Breakfast and BINGO Party. **Sign up** on the youth bulletin board to help! **Please start collecting NEW Bingo prizes.**

SKI & SNOWBOARD TRIP



to Spirit Mountain!

for 6th – 12th graders

February 19, 2022

Bring your friends! Families are welcome to join us.

Cost: \$45 lift ticket \$65 rental

Sponsored by Trinity and Chisago Lake Lutheran Church.

February Faith Friends & 6th Grade Club

Wednesday, February 16 - 7:15 p.m.

Supper at 5:45 p.m.

Worship with your Faith Friend at 6:30 p.m.

Remember this is a required part of the confirmation program. If you miss a date, it is your responsibility to make it up with your faith friend.



to our 6th – 12th graders:

Makenna Thoreson	Feb 2
Matthew Phelps	Feb 3
Ashton Phil	Feb 3
Logan Mittlesteadt	Feb 4
Wyatt Benjamin	Feb 17
Chloe Haugen	Feb 19
Abby Bergerson	Feb 20
McKenna Keene	Feb 24
Tovah Warnke	Feb 26
Oskar Fuge	Feb 26
Ashton Drury	Feb 27



...to Kaitlyn, Mariah, Noah F, Noah B, Kayla, and Christian for an excellent retreat at Luther Point Bible Camp! What an adventure!

...to a few of our Youth and Sunday School leaders for going to the Recharge conference on January 8. We heard some amazing speakers and spent time together as a team!



...to the Sue Wehrenberg for being a fantastic small group leader for our Confirmation youth! She has been involved for many years and we appreciate her sharing her love for Jesus, smiles, energy and creativity as she spent time with the youth. Thanks to her grandson, Leyton, for asking her to help when he started Confirmation.

...to the workcamp soup chefs and cookies makers for their time, energy, and donations for our Soups to GO! Thanks to everyone who have purchased soups and continue to support our youth in so many ways!





Reader for the day, Carter Nelson

Sunday School—K-5th grade kids!
Join us for family worship at 9am
Kids are dismissed from worship at
9:45 am

If you cannot join us for worship join
us between 9:45-10:00 in the lower
level Fellowship Hall for snacks,
lessons & fun!

Hope to see you on Sunday!!

CIA (Grades 3-5)
Wednesday, 4:15 to 5:45pm

Thank you!

To all our volunteers that help out
during Sunday school.



February Birthdays

Bennet Sanders	Feb. 1
Lucas Schwartz	Feb. 1
Shiloh Lundgren	Feb. 3
Max Morgan	Feb. 3
Beau Miller	Feb. 5
Leon Waldvogel	Feb. 17
Landon Fenton	Feb. 18
Kayden Krueger	Feb. 26

Happy
Birthday



Family Prayer:

Dear God,

Thank you God for everything you give us. We are blessed with family friends our pets and homes. We love you. Amen



MEMORIALS & SPECIAL GIFTS

in January

Altar Guild

In Memory of Richard Danielson

*Caroline & Jay Norelius

Campership

In Honor of Clark & Margueritte Malcomson's

*Russell & Crystal Boe

General Fund

In Memory of Peggy Thompson

*Carol Lundholm

Spit & Shine

In Honor of the Malcomson's Anniversary

*David & Carol Johnson

Christmas Child

In Honor of the Malcomson's Anniversary

*Philip & Pam Deimel



Kelly Severson Celebration of Life

Visitation at 2:00pm

Service at 4:00pm

PRAYERS



We keep in our prayers those in
need of
Healing & Comfort:

- George Popa
- Glenn Peterson
- Tom Steen
- Daren Straub
- Greg VanRisseghem
- Troy Helig
- Nancy Mallory
- Marvin Hanson
- Robert Rohm
- Chris Bang
- Robin Anderson
- Lucy Schoop
- Derick Kurpiel
- The family of Vi Chilstrom
- The family of Kelly Severson
- The family of Jackie Nelson
- The family of Dawn Schmidt
- The family of Jami Sharp
- The family of Greg McDonald
- The family of Luke Gunderson

Have a prayer chain request?

Do you want to be added to Trinity's Prayer
Chain recipient list?

Do you want to add a prayer request? Contact
Shari Bachman at

651-257-9380 or email her at
shari@bachmansphotography.com

*If you are adding someone else, please **get
permission**
from them before doing so.

Thank you

*Be sure to stop by and read this
month's thank you cards posted on
the bulletin board:*



*Article submitted by Community for Creation Care (CCC)

Topic: water for life

Water is our source of life--quenching our thirst and the thirst of the plants and animals on which we depend for food. Water is also our source of spiritual life through baptism. The Earth is blessed with a limited amount of water in our lakes, rivers, streams, and seas. Our life depends on protecting this water--using it wisely and keeping it clean. What can you do to protect our living waters?

Today you can remember to turn off water you are using mid-task (like when washing the dishes, brushing your teeth, or watering plants) and use environmentally-safe cleaners and personal care products that will go down your drains. You can reduce the amount of lawn chemicals you use and reduce the amount you water (a brown lawn is still a normal, healthy lawn--just dormant). In the future, you can transition parts or all of your lawn to native plants which require less watering and no lawn chemicals..and provide good habitat for bees and butterflies. You can also replace toilets and shower heads with low-flow options, which will reduce the amount of water wasted during daily activities.

Ezekiel 47:9: Wherever the river goes, every living creature that swarms will live, and there will be very many fish, once these waters reach there. It will become fresh; and everything will live where the river goes.



Weekly Offerings:

1/16/2022

1/2/2022

Income from last week = \$7800.00

Anticipated weekly income = \$

1/9/2022

Income from last week = \$6328.00

Anticipated weekly income = \$

1/23/2022

Income from last week = \$6022.00

Anticipated weekly income = \$

February Birthdays

Feb. 1

Karen Anderson
Nicole Damjanovich
Sue Danielzuk
Cecilia Peterson

Feb. 2

Orvin Melaas
Ross Pihl
Noah Rockenback

Feb. 3

Rick Duncan
Steve Herreid
Brian Meyers
Dean Rambow

Feb. 4

Logan Mittelsteadt
Peter Stene
Hunter Vukich

Feb. 5

Skip Atchison
Greg Bergerson
Jarrett Hawkinson
Patricia Moody
Carla Norelius
Rebecca Schmidt

Feb. 6

Rosie DeAmor
Gene Schwanker

Feb. 7

Mike Leadholm
Susan Sabie

Feb. 8

Becky Dudley

Feb. 9

Griffin Walker

Feb. 10

Carol Wolsky

Feb. 11

Zane Brophy
Dale Fredell
Colleen Guilfoile

Feb. 12

Brynn Boudreau
Avery Boudreau
Christopher Duncan
Aaron Holt
A.J. Koran
Jim Swenson

Feb. 13

Owen Dresel
Ethan Eyler

Feb. 14

Mary Nelson

Feb. 15

Andy Nellis

Feb. 16

Connie Eastman
Casi Peterson
Evan Renard

Feb. 17

Carter Duncan
Brenda Elmer
Gene Hagglund
Mike Swanson

Feb. 18

Wayne Mattson

Feb. 19

Tori Danielowski
Garrett Krona

Feb. 20

Mary Adams
Abigail Bergerson
Brenda Brophy
Elizabeth Kaske
Matt Skalman
Luann Werner

Feb. 21

Matthew Deimel
Scott Holt

Feb. 22

Steve Curtis
Sam Helgason
Shari Nye
Annika Overgaard
Joe Palla
Louie Vukich
Jolene Wille

Feb. 23

Betty Hopkins
Jim Miller

Feb. 24

Allen Blegen
McKenna Keene
Kalyn Schreiber

Feb. 25

Jaxsyn Abbotts
Carol Delk
Rachel Molina

Feb. 26

Oskar Fuge
Amy Shaleen

Feb. 27

Jeremy Nephew
Derek Roche
Joan Weier

Feb. 28

Tom Nielsen

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Custodians- John Pemble & Dean Rambow

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