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# LEAD PASTOR CHRIS BELLEFEUILLE

It is good, Lord, to be here. Right? It is, right?

First, a painful story. One of the final candidates for Pastor Peter's position used a precious Sunday off to worship at Trinity with their spouse. Except for the greeter (whose job it is) and the usher (who handed them a bulletin), no one greeted them. No one shook their hand during the passing of the peace. No one offered them a cup of coffee or asked their name. No one even spoke to them.

Another story. Some years ago, I was sitting in worship at the church my family belonged to. I was not yet in seminary but was a frequent worship leader. At the passing of the peace, I introduced myself to the woman in front of me and asked her name and if she was new. She very briskly said, "No, I am NOT new. And I know who YOU are." She abruptly turned away and didn't speak to me again. I had never even seen her before. I had no way of knowing her. You can imagine how frightening it was to risk introducing myself to someone after that.

And another. After a Wednesday morning Lenten Service, I introduced two women, Ann and Barb, to a third woman, Pat, whom they did not recognize. Barb asked Pat if she was new. Pat said, "No, I have been here since 1983." For some reason, in spite of being members of the same church for the past 35 years, Ann and Barb had never gotten to know Pat. Everyone was gracious about it. Pat was not cranky about the fact that someone asked her if she was new. She was kind and interested in meeting Ann and Barb.

An observation. When I first arrived at Trinity, everyone was asked to wear nametags in worship so that I could get to know your names. The greatest response was how much it helped you learn each other's names! (Anticipate more name tags in our life together.)

We are a big church. It's impossible for us to all know one another by name. It's hard to tell the difference between visitors and members we have not yet met. Too often, that uncertainty makes us timid. Which can leave people feeling unseen and unwelcome.

In the early church, one of the main reasons the Gospel message caught on was because of the incredible hospitality Christians showed one another. They opened their homes to other Christians traveling through their town, offering food, lodging, even clothing. They shared meal hospitality, sometimes daily. They held everything they owned in common so that no one went without. People were attracted to the hospitality and if they ventured into a gathering, they were warmly and extravagantly welcomed in.

Hospitality was the original hallmark of Christianity.

Hospitality can be the hallmark of Trinity Lutheran Church.

One thing is sure: we have a responsibility, as the people of God, to be extravagantly hospitable to everyone, known and unknown, who enters our building. It begins at the door and takes no special skills. How?

**Say hello and introduce yourself.** A simple hello and a handshake go a long way in making people feel welcome. You don't have to be able to answer all their questions. Just be friendly. And if you are a long-time member and someone asks if you're new, be gracious. It may not take special skills but it does take courage to speak to another person. Honor that courage in others.

**Get out of your pews.** Sit somewhere new. Sit by someone new. Move around the sanctuary, the narthex/commons or just down the row. Greet people sitting alone, people you haven't met, people who might be new and hungry for a word of welcome. We never know who might be lonely. Be the reason they feel welcome and want to come back.

**Wear a name tag.** Every Sunday. You might assume everyone knows you because you have been here a long time. But if they are new, normally worship at a different

service or just sit on the other side of our huge sanctuary, they may not know you. Wearing a nametag is an act of hospitality and is not just for new people. It actually makes new people feel more welcome.

**Sign up to do the fun jobs!** (We will train you, which is also fun AND you will meet someone new.)

- Greeters are there to say "Welcome! We are glad you're here! Come on in."
- Ushers help visitors AND members find their way, offering a bulletin and echoing the welcome.
- Making and serving coffee extends our celebration of Holy Communion! A cookie and something to drink gives us a chance to offer table fellowship to people we meet on Sunday morning.

These are GREAT jobs for families, small groups and kids. And there is always staff around to help answer your questions. Perfection is not the goal. Hospitality is!

Plan to come to the Hospitality mini-retreat on Sunday, April 22 after worship. Come be part of the conversation as we learn together how to be make hospitality the hallmark of Trinity Lutheran Church. We will feed you lunch! Watch for more details in the coming weeks! Contact me with questions at [cbellefeuille@trinitylc.org](mailto:cbellefeuille@trinitylc.org) or Ann Wolff at [wolff701@msn.com](mailto:wolff701@msn.com).

You have shown Ted and me the most incredible hospitality on our arrival here. Let's spread that remarkable love!

Blessings and gratitude,

*Pastor Chris*

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**Second Sunday Contemplative Worship**  
*Sunday, April 8 at 5 p.m., Heritage Chapel*  
We gather on the second Sunday of each month for a meditative service. There will be prayers for peace, healing and strength. Join us whether you have burdens you are carrying, or just want a time of quiet reflection.

**NOTE:** Building and church office is closed on Monday, April 2 for Easter staff holiday.

# Welcoming Ministry Team Begins with Graceful Engagement at Trinity

**ReconcilingWorks**  
LUTHERANS FOR FULL PARTICIPATION



A new Welcoming Ministry Team has begun its work at Trinity. Our mission is to help our faith community in their journey to becoming an openly welcoming and affirming church, embracing and celebrating diversity in our church home and in our community.

This past fall, we hosted a training session for our committee members and interested members from other churches in Minnesota and Wisconsin. The training session was led by two staff members from ReconcilingWorks, our resource partner. They have been helping us as we seek to build an inclusive church, openly welcoming the LGBTQ community into our Trinity family. There are over 750 Reconciling in Christ churches in the ELCA who have followed this path in the past 30 years since the beginning of ReconcilingWorks. ([www.ReconcilingWorks.org](http://www.ReconcilingWorks.org))

Our ReconcilingWorks training was called Building an Inclusive Church. The training helped our team as we design and implement a journey for our Trinity faith community to publicly and intentionally welcome people of all sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions. The team leaders helped to equip us with ways to create dialogue, rather than sparking debate and division.

As we go through the process of becoming a Reconciling in Christ (RIC) church, some may ask why our focus is on the LGBTQ+ community.

(LGBTQ+ means the lesbian, gay, bisexual and queer community. The + stands for any additional identity not named in this acronym.) Unfortunately, LGBTQ+ people continue to experience exclusion from people supposedly acting in the name of Christianity. Even some churches that declare that “all are welcome” often demonstrate to LGBTQ+ individuals and families that welcome does not include them. We hope to help create a culture in our church that is dynamic, life-giving and fulfilling to all participants.

During the last few months, our team members have been conducting one-on-one conversations with members of Trinity to gain their input for our RIC journey. We have received many great ideas and helpful suggestions. As we continue in this phase through the next months, we invite you to contact us if you want to share your thoughts with one of our committee members. Please contact Jenny Rediske (715-557-0074) or Laura Fredericks (651-261-3208), to set up a conversation with one of our team members.

The Welcoming Ministry Team has put together a flexible timeline that is helping us to frame our process. After our initial conversations with members

of Trinity, we want to have some educational opportunities that would be open to members and friends at Trinity. We will seek to address questions and open up dialogue on issues of building a more inclusive and welcoming church.

Continuing our process, we will be putting together a statement of welcome for our congregation. This statement will need to be voted on by the congregation before it becomes Trinity’s official statement of welcome and affirmation. We will then look for ways to show that welcome in our church and community.

We think our church has had a past of including those in need and people on the margins of our local and world communities. Through our work on the Welcoming Ministry Team, with the help of the congregation, we want to continue that tradition and expand it. We ask ourselves the question: What if extending a specific welcome to the LGBTQ+ community sparks a renewal in our faith community? We want to be a loving community that extends grace and acceptance. Will you join us on this journey?

**Jenny Rediske 715-557-0074**  
**Laura Fredericks 651-261-3208**

## Self-Discovery on the Continental Divide Trail: A Love Story with Ted Olson



Can a happily-married, well-employed, middle-aged guy tackle the 2,800-mile Continental Divide National Scenic Trail while sustaining his marriage, maintaining his career and retaining his equilibrium? Come and hear stories and see photos of Ted Olson’s six-month, personal trail adventure. Ted lives in Bayport (with Pastor Chris) and works for the Nature Conservancy.

**Sunday, April 22**  
5 p.m., Garden Room





## Star Tribune Heritage Tour

Wednesday, April 11

9 a.m. Meet at Trinity | 10 a.m. Tour

The Star Tribune newspaper celebrated its 150th anniversary in 2017. Join the Retired Men's Group for a tour of the new Star Tribune Heritage Printing Center and production plant. Learn the newspaper's history, production story, see how robots are now utilized and more. Maximum group size is 20. Building is fully accessible. Guests must wear closed-toe shoes. Tour lasts about 90 minutes. We will have lunch following the tour.

### RETIRED MEN



## PRINTING PLANT TOURS

## Tour of the Minnesota Air National Guard Museum

Tuesday, May 8

The Minnesota Air Guard Museum is an authorized USAF Air Park of the 133rd Airlift Wing. It is home to one of the largest displays of military aircraft in the five state area. The twenty-one aircraft displayed includes fighters, cargo planes, helicopters, and utility aircraft used by the US military from pre-WWII to the present day. In the hangars are displays of ejections seats, flight simulators, jet and piston engines, plus weaponry from WWI to present day. Also on display are ancillary artifacts, historical documents, photographs, manuscripts and books; and Doolittle and Tuskegee Airmen exhibits.

Security clearance is required for each individual taking this tour. By April 15th, submit the following information to: Gene Ecker at [gene.ecker@gmail.com](mailto:gene.ecker@gmail.com) or 651-323-0777; or John Hodler at [johnhodler@gmail.com](mailto:johnhodler@gmail.com) or 651-343-4638.

Full name (Same as on Driver's license)  
Driver's license number  
State that issued driver's license  
Date of birth

**Questions?** Contact Jon Fogelberg at [jon@123m.com](mailto:jon@123m.com) or 651-398-6726.

Time of tour will be determined by museum after security clearance.

## Tour of St. Paul Cathedral

Thursday, April 19, 2018

Lunch at 11 a.m. | Tour at 1 p.m.



Join AWE for lunch at La Grolla (pay for your own) in St. Paul, then tour the spectacular St. Paul Cathedral. La Grolla is an Italian restaurant on Selby Ave. near the Cathedral. Meet at 10:15 a.m. in the Commons at Trinity to carpool.

Cost: \$2 donation at Cathedral

## Cirque Goes to the Movies with the Minnesota Orchestra

Saturday, May 19, 2018 at 2 p.m.

"Cirque du Soleil" joins the Minnesota Orchestra in a wonderful interpretation of Great Movies and their music. Cost is \$45, sign up and pay by April 13!



**Questions?** Contacts: Donna Harder at [dharder5043@msn.com](mailto:dharder5043@msn.com) or 651-329-7047 or Joan Fogelberg at [joan@123m.com](mailto:joan@123m.com) or 651-275-5292

# Leaving A Legacy *by Zachary J. Lee, Stewardship Team*

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 ‘For we too are God’s offspring.’

– Acts 17:26-28

One of the things that stood out to me from the verses from Acts, was the idea of ancestry and how we are all bound together in this world through God. I think our community at Trinity can be seen in many of the same ways. Founded in 1871, Trinity has been the spiritual home for not only our families and friends, but our parents, grandparents and our grandparent’s parents. We have an incredible history of inspiring, leading

and challenging our community to grow closer with God and do God’s good works through education, ministry and support for those who need it in the St. Croix valley and our partners around the world. When we take a moment to stop and think about the incredible impact that Trinity has been able to have for thousands of people throughout it’s history—I think it’s amazing!

Think of all the Sunday mornings, Christmas Eve, Lenten and Easter services, weddings and funerals that our church walls have seen. Trinity is a place where we have the opportunity to come together to share in our faith, share in our joy, and share in our grief in difficult times in our lives.

As members of this community one of my hopes for you is that you are experiencing all that Trinity has to offer. My hope is that as you continue to go throughout your busy day you’re able to experience our church home

through worship, through community, and through giving of your talents and financial contributions. Every one of the things I listed I think are great ways for us to experience God and grow in our faith.

As stewards of (caretakers) of Trinity, this month I encourage you to think about the legacy that you are building in our community and how you can continue to grow in impacting our church home as a faith community making Christ’s love known to the world. It’s an exciting opportunity for all of us to continue the brilliant tradition the Trinity community has established since it was started and to be able to carry-on building an incredible legacy of love, inclusion and grace for everyone.

*Faithful Living.*  
**Faithful Giving.**

## Trinity Financial Update

### February Year-to-Date - Fiscal Year 2018

	This Year	Last Year	'18 Budget	% of Budget
Contribution Income	694,035	601,295	1,300,000	53%
Other Income	324,014	244,339	466,000	70%
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 1,018,049</b>	<b>\$ 845,633</b>	<b>\$ 1,766,000</b>	
less: Expenses	975,713	935,498	1,776,145	55%
<b>Surplus (Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ 42,336</b>	<b>\$ (89,865)</b>	<b>\$ (10,145)</b>	

### Long-Term Debt Summary:

Long-Term Debt - Beginning of Fiscal Yr.	2,921,532	3,050,204
Increase (Decrease)	(65,882)	(63,653)
<b>Long-Term Debt - End of February</b>	<b>\$ 2,855,651</b>	<b>\$ 2,986,552</b>
Line of Credit Balance-February 28	\$ 783,394	\$ 748,394

### Good News!

Financially, we continue to show a surplus; \$42K for the fiscal YTD 2018, through February. Compared to a deficit of \$90K as of February, one year ago!

Contribution Income for February 2018 of \$90K was equal to February 2017. YTD our Contribution Income is \$93K higher than a year ago at this time, evenly split between Pledge & non-Pledge contributions.

Expenses to date are tracking with budget, at 51% of budget at mid-fiscal year.

# TALK & TEA



## LADIES TEA & TALK

Saturday, April 7  
10:30 a.m., Garden Room, \$10

*Pati Kachel from The Parable Fund—  
sharing earthly stories with scriptural truth.*

Come enjoy a cup of tea and other light refreshments and hear the utterly entertaining Pati Kachel present Tales of A Tea-Totaler. A whimsical presentation of the many delightful personal stories, poems and songs about “taking tea,” which Pati has collected during her many travels to Great Britain and Ireland. In her warm and sincere manner, Pati includes a gentle invitation for her listeners to let Jesus “fill their cup” and refresh them with His company.

Tickets on sale Sundays between services in the commons at the information desk!

# NEWCOMER LUNCHEON!

**NEWCOMER LUNCHEON:** Sunday, April 15 at Noon, Garden Room  
Open to all who are interested in joining Trinity! Come eat a light lunch, hear from Pastor Chris, meet some staffers, and learn about Lutheranism and Trinity! RSVP to Zanny Johnson at [zjohnson@trinitylc.org](mailto:zjohnson@trinitylc.org) by Sunday, April 8.

**NEW MEMBER SUNDAY:** May 13, new members will be welcomed at both 9 a.m. & 10:3- a.m. worship services.



Come and experience God’s presence through the practice of yoga.

### YogaDevotion Chair/Flow Combo Class Thursdays 9-10 a.m. | April 26-June 14 | \$64/8 weeks

For women and men of all skill levels and abilities. Beginners welcome, no experience needed! All classes in the Narthex (except when otherwise noted). Register and pay online at [www.trinitylc.org](http://www.trinitylc.org), then select REGISTER, then select YogaDevotion.

Led by a trained yoga instructor, YogaDevotion is a practice of breath, prayer, and movement designed to encourage healthy living and a peaceful presence. For more information, contact Faith Community Nurse, Sue Peterson at [speterson@trinitylc.org](mailto:speterson@trinitylc.org) or 651-323-1335.



Wednesday, April 11  
10 a.m.-noon, Living Room  
Cost \$5

Come make gift tags out of recycled greeting cards...bring your old cards in to remake them into miniature arty gift tags. All other supplies available.

RSVP to Zanny at [zjohnson@trinitylc.org](mailto:zjohnson@trinitylc.org) or call 651-323-1341.

You will find us every second Wednesday of the month in the Living Room at Trinity from 10 a.m. to noon. Cost is \$5 each session.



Zanny Johnson  
Care Coordinator  
New Member Development



# PASTOR OF CARE MINISTRIES DEB OST



Trinity, like many congregations, has a growing number of members who are no longer able to attend worship or other church events. We have identified thirty-seven individuals who fit this description. (For lack of a better term, we refer to “the homebound.”) Likely, there are others of whom we’re not aware.

Our emerging Volunteer Visitation Team is increasing in numbers, and, the positive impact of making and maintaining connections within our faith community is already evident! Six individuals are currently, “in the field,” providing regular visits, and five others are eager to get started. Another volunteer is gearing up for the task of logging visits and monitoring needs. We are extremely grateful for their commitment.

There is no set design for the volunteer visits; each homebound member, each visitor, each encounter is unique. Yet, consistent among all these visits is the centrality of Christ’s love and grace. This is highlighted in Trinity’s Volunteer Visitation Ministry covenant and is articulated in the Visitation Resource Guide through the commentary, “Visitation Ministry: Grounded in Christ’s Love,” which is included here.

*Trinity’s Ministry of Visitation is grounded in Jesus’ teaching, preaching, healing and selfless love for others, particularly those least able to fend for themselves.*

*God, speaking through the Old Testament prophets, repeatedly drew attention to widows, orphans, aliens, the poor and the disadvantaged as those who required special care and protection from the community (Exod. 22:21-17; Deut. 27:18-19; Is. 58:6-7). Jesus echoed those prophetic words in his ministry. He illustrated, with parables, how we are to show compassion to our neighbors. “For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.” (Matthew 25:35-36)*

*Jesus consistently reached out in compassion to society’s outcasts. Some were deemed “unclean” for such afflictions as leprosy (Mark 1:40-45) or continuous hemorrhaging (Mark 5:25-42). Others lacked family or community to support*



*them, like the Samaritan woman at the well (John 4). Jesus even healed the sick and the lame on the Sabbath, despite the legalistic concerns of the Pharisees and the implications for his own career and safety (Luke 13, Luke 14, John 5). He fully understood how physical illness and disability are barriers to full communal fellowship. The isolation that accompanies illness and disability further intensifies physical, emotional and spiritual suffering. Throughout his ministry, Jesus demonstrated that reconnecting the marginalized with their faith community is an act of love and healing.*

*Followers of Christ, in the early church and still today, are called to extend our hands and our hearts to the sick, the isolated and the vulnerable. This means caring and advocating for one another so none in the community are neglected.*

*The Ministry of Visitation brings the transforming message of Christ, in a tangible way, to those confined to their homes. It connects them to their faith community and to the broader church, and it honors their place within the Body of Christ. This ministry also opens us up to the expansive love of Jesus as we receive many blessings in return. “We love because he first loved us.” (1 John 4:18)*

Please prayerfully consider our INVITATION to share Christ’s love in this way:

Join the Visitation Team; or Serve on Trinity’s Congregational Care Ministry Team (one of six lay-led ministry teams designated to help direct the functions of our congregation).

Contact Pastor Deb, [dost@trinitylc.org](mailto:dost@trinitylc.org), 651-323-1309; or Sue Peterson, Faith Community Nurse, [speterson@trinitylc.org](mailto:speterson@trinitylc.org), 651-323-1335.

Pastor Deb

*This month we offer the fourth of twelve heartfelt prayers from Trinity’s, “Visitation Prayers,” booklet. All the prayers were written by members of our faith community.*

## Seeking Inner Peace

### Philippians 4:6-7

Don’t worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. Then you will experience God’s peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus. (New Living Translation)

### John 14:27

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

## Prayer

Dear Lord,

Please be with me as I seek inner peace. Too often life distracts me from you. Remind me to bring all my needs, fears and hopes to you. When I place my worries with you, I can leave them in your care and find rest. Only when I am resting in the gentle care of your arms and focusing on you, can I truly have peace.

Lord, in my baptism you named me and claimed me as your disciple. You challenge me to walk in the path that you choose. Yet far too often I get caught by voices that call me toward different, easier, less challenging paths. Too often I plan, I attempt to control and I think I know what is best. Help me pause from the path of planning and turn to the path of peace.

Please help me to stop and listen, to hear the quiet and to take just a moment to rest and to breathe. Lord, help me remember that you are my rock, you are my truth and only you are my light. You understand me, you accept me and you love me, just as I am.

Thank you for surrounding me with people in my life who care for me, encourage me, and remind me that you are here. Please give me patience when I am impatient. Give me calm when I am anxious. Give me strength when I feel I cannot do things on my own.

With you, Lord, I am never alone. With you, Lord, I find comfort, relief and peace.

Amen.

– Jill Longnecker

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## 6 Ways You Can Help A Loved One On Their Healing Journey

By Shainna Ali | Mar. 02, 2018



### Hope for Recovery Class presented by NAMI Saturday, April 14, 9 a.m.—3 p.m. at Trinity

Obtain information about mental illnesses, treatments, crisis management, suicide prevention, the mental health system and local resources along with practical strategies for helping a loved one or friend. This includes learning the LEAP strategy for improving communication: Listen, Empathize, Agree-on what you can, and Partner.

This is a six-hour workshop for family and friends of a teen or adult living with a mental illness and people living with a mental illness who are doing well in their recovery.

*NOTE: Lunch is not provided as part of the workshop so we suggest participants bring a bagged lunch.*

More information and to register:  
<https://hope-stillwater4-21.eventbrite.com>

Questions? Contact Jeneal Olson at [momjmo@comcast.net](mailto:momjmo@comcast.net) or Faith Community Nurse Sue Peterson at [speterson@trinitylc.org](mailto:speterson@trinitylc.org).



Sue Peterson  
Faith  
Community  
Nurse

Take a moment to consider all the people in your life: your coworkers, friends, family. At any given time, 1 in 5 of these individuals is living with a mental health condition. You may have noticed them struggling, but if you're not a trained mental health professional, you may not have known how to help.

However, you *can* help. You can be supportive and encouraging during their mental health journey. Here are a few tips on supporting the mental health of those you love.

#### 1) Educate Yourself

There are hundreds of mental health concerns; your job is not to become an expert in all of them. When you do notice potentially troublesome symptoms, it's helpful to determine if those signs may indicate a mental illness. Familiarizing yourself with common symptoms can help you understand and convey your worries. You may also benefit from expanding your knowledge by taking a course or joining a support group of individuals who can relate to the hardships you and your loved one may be facing.

#### 2) Remain Calm

Recognizing that a loved one might need help can be daunting, but try to remain calm—impulsively approaching the individual might make you seem insensitive or aggressive. Try to be mindful and patient. Take time to consider your loved one's symptoms and your relationship before acting. Writing down how you feel and what you want to say may be useful to help you recognize and understand your thoughts and feelings, and help you slow down while connecting to your good intentions.

#### 3) Be Respectful And Patient

Before talking to someone about their mental health, reflect on your intention to promote healing and keep that in mind. Ask how you can help in their recovery process and be cautious not to come off as controlling. While encouraging a person to seek help is okay, it is not appropriate to

demand it of them. Let them know that if they ever wish to talk in the future, you're available.

#### 4) Listen

Give your loved one the gift of having someone who cares about *their* unique experience. Don't bypass their narrative by making connections to others' experiences. You might recognize a connection to your own experience, however, sharing your story prematurely may undermine their experience. You may be prepared with hotlines, books, or a list of community providers, and although these are excellent sources of support, it's important to take time to thoroughly listen before giving advice. It's a privilege to have someone share intimate details of their mental health. Be present and listen before moving forward.

#### 5) Provide Support

One of the best ways to help is to simply ask *how*. It's not helpful to try to be someone's therapist, but you can still help. People don't like being told what to do—asking how you can help empowers them to take charge of their recovery, while also letting them know you are a source of support.

#### 6) Establish Boundaries

As you support your struggling loved one, it's important to consider both your boundaries and theirs. When trying to help, you *are* susceptible to neglecting yourself in the process; boundaries will help you maintain your self-care, while also empowering your loved one. Be sure you're not working harder than they are at their own healing process.

As a caring person, you may grapple between wanting to encourage and support your loved one while wanting to honor their process and independence. Unfortunately, there are no foolproof guidelines for helping your loved one on their journey towards recovery. However, you can connect to your intentions, convey compassion and maintain your own self-care while empowering your loved one regardless of where they are in their healing journey.





**Sunday, April 22 is Earth Day** and Trinity's Green Team is putting together an environmental resource fair to be held after services that day. There will be information on recycling, renewable energy, rain gardens, gardening with native plants and electric vehicles (EVs)! Trinity members who drive EVs are invited to join the discussion. Also on Earth Day, Sunday School children will be participating in a litter pick up in our North Hill neighborhood. This will be intergenerational and very family-friendly. Watch for more information in the bulletin and online.

**Trinity's Green Team**, the environmental ministry committee, met for the first time on March 13. Going forward the Green Team will be working on ways to increase awareness; and educate in order to help us better care for God's creation. Please join us! **Contact Sheila at [doher4@comcast.net](mailto:doher4@comcast.net).**



## Psalms for Your Psummer

The word Psalms comes from the greek word "Ψαλμοί" (Psalmoi). It's one of those strange words in English like psychology that drop the "p" because "ps" is just impossible to say. But these 150 prayers, hymns, poems, liturgies, and meditations are all about the unique language that speak to the heart of God's people. No other Biblical source is quoted as regularly as the Psalms. "The Lord is my shepherd." "Be still and know that I am God." "My soul thirsts for you." The voices in these verses span the generations and offer a rich guidebook for our intimacy with God throughout our lives—to be known—to be loved—to be found in grace.

Throughout the Psummer of 2018, we will be exploring the Psalms for all ages and finding ways to put language to our relationship with God. Mark your calendars and open up to the middle of your Bibles. It's going to be psweet!

### **Sunday, May 20, 1-3 p.m.** **Wildflower hike & play** **for kids and their parents**

Meet at the church and walk together to the ravine and trail just north of Trinity, off Mulberry St. This time of year there are usually tons of wild violets blooming in the ravine and there is a little pstream running through it that is pshallow and perfect for exploring and playing. The trail is paved (though you have to go a little further up Mulberry to access the ramp instead of pstairs) and there is plenty of room in the grass between the trail and pstream to pspread out blankets and lounge and read a Psalm.

**Designed and lead by Angie Hong**  
**Free**

### **Psay What? Psalms and** **Psongs** **For Younger Children** **(PreK – 2nd Grade)**

Each of these psessions will be filled with awesome music, fun activities, beautiful crafts, tasty psnacks, and an intergenerational touch—all exploring Psalms and helping children express their relationship with God. The children will pshowcase what they learned at the evening Ps'more Worship pService June 13th (see right).

**Designed and lead by Julie Jolivette,**  
**Pastor Peter, Robin Cain & generous**  
**volunteers.**

**June 11-13; 9 - 11 a.m.**

**\$30**

**Online Registration Coming pSoon!**

### **Psay What? Psalms and** **the Pspoken Word** **For Upper Elementary** **(3rd – 5th Grade)**

These psessions will be filled with rap-type music, dance, and a psnack. We will explore the Psalms and lead the kids to write their own Psalms that express their relationships with God. These will be pshared the final night at the Ps'more Worship pService (see below).

**Designed and lead by Julie Jolivette,**  
**Pastor Peter, Dave Sherer (AGAPE) &**  
**generous volunteers.**

**June 11-13, 6 – 8 p.m.**

**\$30**

**Online Registration Coming pSoon!**

### **Psay What?** **June 13th Ps'more** **Worship for the Whole** **Family**

This worship pservice will be Psalm-themed, family-friendly, and will feature the younger children and upper elementary kids who attended the Psay What sessions earlier this week. Come early for a psimple psupper and pstay afterwards for ps'mores on the green pspace.

**June 13**

**5:30 p.m. – free psimple psupper**  
**(Garden Room)**

**6:15 p.m. – worship**

**7 p.m. – ps'mores on the green space**



P A S T O R O F L I F E L O N G F A I T H  
F O R M A T I O N  
P E T E R W E S T O N M I L L E R



# God is Here

I love the bold claim that Acts makes about our lives in God: that no matter where we are or what we are doing—God is really close. Like REALLY close. That regardless of where we search or strain or struggle, God is near.

Acts charts the course of the Gospel and the early church from Jerusalem literally to the ends of the earth (like where is that?). I've often thought about God's movement in this book as reverse map making, that instead of creating these strict red lines that mark our divisions, God is opening up the story beyond our perceived boundaries and borders.

That God's hope for us in Christ is that we would find God, often unexpediently right where we are.

After the Passion and Easter and the eggs and the shouts of Alleluia, where God has been found in the most unlikeliest of places, Acts reminds us that because God has gone to the grave there is really no rock left unturned. No matter where we are, there too God will be. There too we will find the Spirit at work. There too will be the crucified and risen Christ.

Not long ago, there were some unfortunate responses floating around following the tragic Parkland school shooting. They were saying that this awful event was a result of "Keeping God out of the Schools," referring to the supreme court decisions around the particular composition of school prayers and religious affiliation by school officials.

Not only is this abusive theologically, but it doesn't follow God's remapping of the world Post-Easter. Easter

<sup>26</sup> From one ancestor God made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, <sup>27</sup> so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for and find God—though indeed God is not far from each one of us. <sup>28</sup> For 'In God we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we too are God's offspring.'

– Acts 17:26-28

promises and Acts continues that no matter where we are, there too is God. No walls can keep out the movement of God's love in the world. No atrocity can keep God away. No boundary can prevent God from being the first on the scene for us—living—breathing—loving—being—supporting—nurturing—redeeming.

In Christ and in the power of the Spirit, God is always both near and out a little ahead of us, calling us forward and promising that no matter what: God is here.

May you feel the nearness of God this Easter,

Pastor Peter



### Intergenerational Body of Christ

The children decorated the squares.

The Quilting Ministry Team sewed them together.

The 3rd-5th graders "tied" the layers together.

The high school mission team delivered the quilts.

Our friends in Mexico keep warm wrapped in quilts made with love.

All of us together are the Body of Christ and each of us is a part of it. – 1 Corinthians 12:2



## On Facebook?

Looking for a new way to connect with others in CYF programming? Join our new Children, Youth and Families group. Search:

Trinity Stillwater CYF  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/776989392499282/>



# The Trinity Library and the ELCA



In God we live and move and have our being; as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we too are God's offspring.'  
— Acts 17:28

By Norma Wilson, Library Volunteer

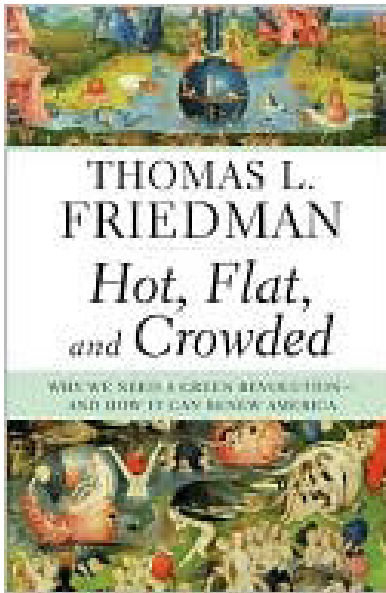
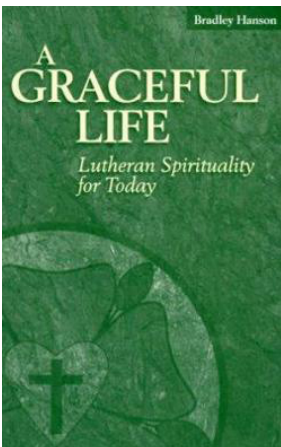
The Trinity Library recently acquired copies of the ELCA Social Statements. Each statement is developed through an extensive process and adopted by a two-thirds vote at an ELCA church-wide assembly. The statements guide the life of the church through teachings and policies "that provide broad frameworks to assist us in thinking about and discussing social issues in the context of faith and life." As stated in Acts 17:28, we are all 'God's offspring' who together participate in God's loving purpose.

The Social Statements will initially be placed on the magazine shelf located by the non-fiction area as you enter the library. Below you will find a brief quote from each social statement located at [www.elca.org](http://www.elca.org). Trinity Library books, which provide perspective and background from authors who have experience with each social issue, are listed.

## Church in Society: A Lutheran Perspective

The first statement created in 1991 "articulates the teaching of the ELCA on the church's relation to society and its public presence and responsibilities. The statement begins with the claim that the witness of the church in society flows from its identity as a community that lives from and for the gospel. It sets forth the basic affirmations that structure how faith is active in a love that calls for justice in relationships and structures of society."

*Declaration on the Way Church, Ministry, and Eucharist* 284.1 ELCA  
*A Graceful Life: Lutheran Spirituality for Today* 248.2 HANS  
*Opening the Book of Faith: Lutheran Insights for Bible Study* 220 JACO



## Caring for Creation: Vision, Hope and Justice

Written in 1993, this work "provides a Christian understanding of the human role to serve in creation, and a hope rooted in God's faithfulness to the creation from which humans emerge and depend upon for sustaining life."  
*Hot, Flat, and Crowded: Why We Need a Green Revolution, and How It Can Renew America* 320.8 FRIE  
*10 Things I Can Do To Help My World* E W  
*Earth and All the Stars: Reconnecting with Nature Through Hymns, Stories, Poems and Prayers from the World's Great Religions and Cultures* 291.4 ROWT

*Saving God's Green Earth: Rediscovering the Church's Responsibility to Environment Stewardship* 248 ROBI  
*The Green Bible* R 220 GREE

## Freed in Christ: Race, Ethnicity, and Culture

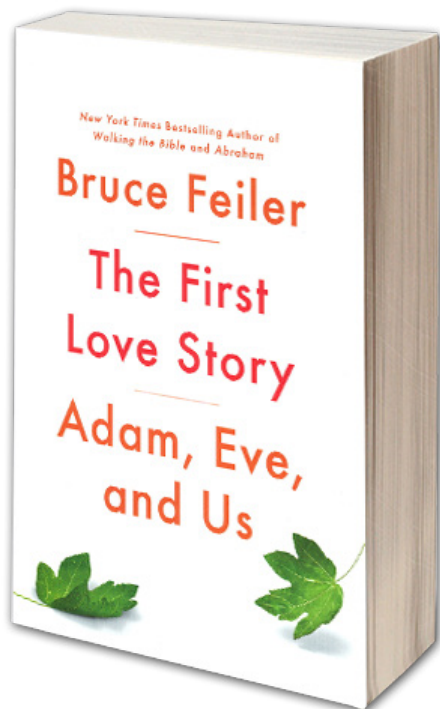
The Church Assembly voted in 1993 to express the ELCA's calling to celebrate culture and ethnicity through this statement. "This calling commits the ELCA to confront racism, to engage in public leadership, witness and deliberation on these matters, and to advocate for justice and fairness for all people."



*Same Family, Different Colors: Confronting Colorism in America's Diverse Families* 305.8 THAR  
*Speak Up! Responding to Everyday Bigotry* 177 WILL  
*Waking Up White and Finding Myself in the Story of Race* 305.8 IRVI  
*A Good Time for the Truth: Race in Minnesota* 305.8 SHIN  
*Hillbilly Elegy: A Memoir of a Family and Culture in Crisis* 305.5 VANC  
*Same Kind of Difference As Me* 200 HALL  
*The Cross and the Lynching Tree* 277.3 CONE

**Human Sexuality: Gift and Trust**  
Passed by the Churchwide Assembly in 1999, the statement expresses ELCA teachings on human sexuality. "The statement is grounded in the biblical witness to the relationship God establishes with creation as a model for relationships between human beings. God is absolutely trustworthy and faithful, and, therefore, with regard to sexuality, both human behavior and social structures are considered in relation to how they foster trust, commitment and protection for the flourishing and well-being of all people."





*The Five Love Languages of Teenagers* 248.8 CHAP

*The First Love Story: Adam, Eve, and Us* 241 FEIL

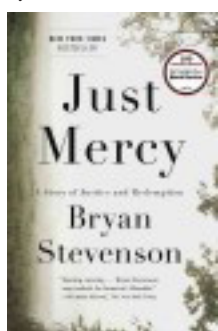
*Becoming Nicole: The Transformation of an American Family* 306.7 Nutt

*Called Into Ministry To Be A Good and Faithful Pastor: Reflections of a Partnered Lesbian* 284.1 ALBI

*The Chalice and the Blade: Our History, Our Future* 305.3 ELISE

### The Church and Criminal Justice: Hearing the Cries

Passed in 2013 the ELCA churchwide assembly presented “a comprehensive perspective on matters related to the U.S. criminal justice system and the many communities affected by this system.”



*Peacemaking Circles: From Crime to Community* 364.6 PRAN

*Just Mercy: A Story of Justice and Redemption* 353.4 STEV

*The Color of Law: A Forgotten History of How Our Government Segregated America* 305.8 ROTH

### Our Calling in Education

Written in 2007, this statement “is centered by the belief that God calls us to educate people in the Christian faith for their vocation and to seek with others to ensure that all have access to high-quality education. This calling is rooted in a Lutheran heritage that values

education for all people in both church and society.” *I Am Malala: How One Girl Stood Up for Education and Changed the World* JUV 370.8 Almost Christian: What the Faith of Our Teenagers is Telling the American Church 277.3 DEAN

*We Make the Road by Walking: A Year-long Quest for Spiritual Formation, Reorientation, and Activation* 284.4 MCLA

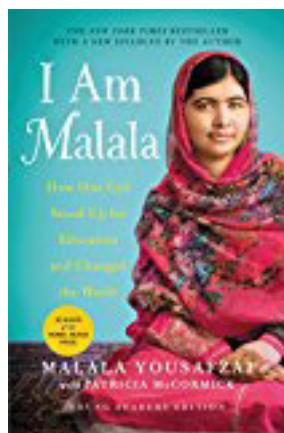
*Reclaiming the “V” Word: Renewing Life at Its Vocational Core*

### Economic Life: Sufficient, Sustainable Livelihood for All

In this 1999 work, the church is guided by the biblically grounded imperative to seek sufficient, sustainable livelihood for all. Toward that purpose, the statement discusses commerce, law, vocation, public policy, work, human dignity, agriculture, business and efforts to empower those who live in poverty. *Kisses from Katie: A Story of Relentless Love and Redemption* 362.7 DAVI

*Half the Sky: Turning Oppression into Opportunity for Women Worldwide* 362.8 KRIS

*Enough: Why the World’s Poorest Starve in an Age of Plenty* 363.8 THUR



*Take This Bread: A Radical Conversion* 277.3 MILE

### For Peace in God’s World

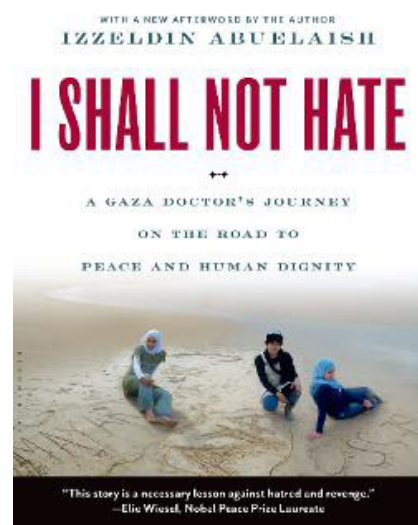
This 1995 statement “conveys ELCA teaching on matters related to war, domestic and international security, and the Christian call to be peacemakers. The statement is grounded in the scriptural understanding that God desires shalom (the Hebrew word for complete well-being) for all human beings but that such eternal peace is fragile and imperfect within even the best earthly peace human beings may achieve.” Attention is given to topics of culture, economics, politics, military conduct and international security.

*Please Use This for Children and Not for War and Guns* 811 GUST

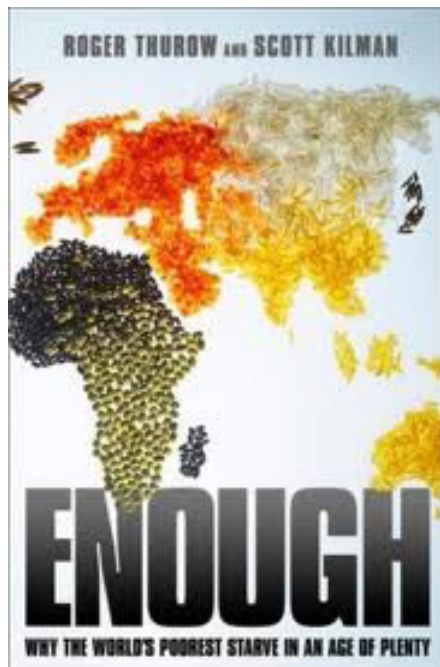
*It Worked for Me: In Life and Leadership* 973.9 POWE

*Lest Innocent Blood Be Shed: The Story of the Village of Le Chambon, and How Goodness Happened There* 944.8 Hall

*I Shall Not Hate: A Gaza Doctor’s Journey on the Road to Peace and Human Dignity* 610.9 ABUE



Four additional Social Statements include: Abortion (1991), Genetics (2011), Caring for Health: Our Shared Endeavor (2003), and The Death Penalty (1991). A draft Social Statement on Women and Justice is available in the Trinity Library for study. Please visit the Trinity Library located in the lower level of the church. It is a resource for ‘all of God’s offspring’ to gain understandings about life and faith as we live in God’s creation.



## Worship Texts

Below are the scripture texts (from the Narrative Lectionary) that will be used on the date listed to prepare the message for worship.

April 1 **John 20: 1-18** Resurrection

April 8 **John 20: 19-31** Thomas

April 15 **Acts 9: 1-19a**  
Paul's Conversion

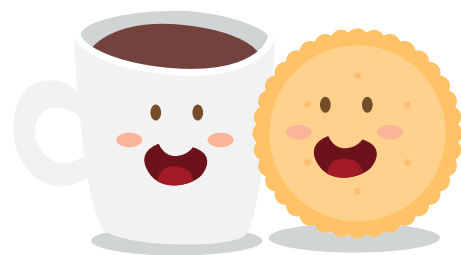
April 22 **Acts 16: 16-34** Paul and Silas

April 29 **Acts 17: 16-31**  
Paul's Sermon at Athens

## Communion Servers

Serving communion is not reserved for a chosen few—anyone can serve!

If you are interested in serving at 9 a.m. worship, contact Sylvia McCallister at [sylviamccormack@hotmail.com](mailto:sylviamccormack@hotmail.com). If you would prefer to serve at 10:30 a.m. worship, be in touch with Phil Kadidlo at [pkadidlo@trinitylc.org](mailto:pkadidlo@trinitylc.org). The training is short and the rewards are great!



## Hospitality

by Ann Wolff, Hospitality Coordinator

**Welcome! I am so glad you're here!** Of course we warmly greet everyone whose paths we cross on Sunday morning. If we also create a path to meet and greet people we don't know, we will soon become known for our hospitality.

**Thanks for the coffee!** We have a couple of new volunteers for the Sunday morning coffee service. Thank them and consider being one of them. With enough people, we can divide up the morning and the Sundays and more easily provide the warmth and hospitality of coffee and cookies.

Contact me, Ann Wolff, [wolff701@msn.com](mailto:wolff701@msn.com) or 651-439-1972 with your availability to usher, greet, or serve coffee. My cup overflows with gratitude for my Trinity family.

## Save the Date!

**April 22, 11:45 a.m.**

### Hospitality Mini-Retreat

Come be part of the conversation as we learn together how to be make hospitality the hallmark of Trinity Lutheran Church. Watch for more details in the coming weeks! Contact Ann Wolff (information above) with questions or Pastor Chris at [cbellefeuille@trinitylc.org](mailto:cbellefeuille@trinitylc.org).

## Flowers for the Table

Flowers are a wonderful way to remember or honor (birthday, anniversary, graduation, etc.) loved ones in worship. Flowers are one of God's most beautiful gifts and serve to enhance everyone's worship experience. If you are interested in giving flowers be in touch with Carol Carver at [ccarver@trinitylc.org](mailto:ccarver@trinitylc.org). Please reach out at least 10 days prior to the Sunday you wish to have flowers for the table.



**Monday, April 2**  
**8:45-11:45 a.m., \$5**  
**Boutwell's Brownstone A**  
**Party Room 5450 Nolan Parkway**

by Steve Hokanson

"And, I know he watches me."

I recently took the photo at right of an eagle in the tree across from our house.

It was a great reminder of God's promise in Isaiah 40:31 "But those who trust in the LORD will find new strength. They will soar high on wings like eagles. They will run and not grow weary. They will walk and not faint."

As one who struggles we both disease and aging, "new strength" is much appreciated.

Whether you "run" or "walk," come join us for Bridge for Trinity, Monday, April 2,

at 8:45 a.m. We're meeting at Boutwells for a few months because of scheduling conflicts. Join us in the party room at Boutwell's Brownstone A, 5450 Nolan Parkway. Brownstone A is located right behind the newly-constructed replica of the First Presbyterian Church. For more information contact Ann Wolff at (651) 439-1972 or [wolff701@msn.com](mailto:wolff701@msn.com).





# LILFELONG FAITH FORMATION



Twenty-four children and their parents recently attended a communion retreat in preparation for their "Celebration of Communion" on March 29th at the Maundy Thursday Worship Service. During the retreat, participants made communion bread, built faith boxes, learned about the Sacrament of Holy Communion, and got to practice receiving the bread and wine/juice.



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## Leah Circle in Action

by Sharon Germain

Leah Circle assembled hygiene kits to be sent to Pine Ridge Retreat Center in South Dakota. The kits consist of a washcloth, tooth brush, tooth paste, bar of soap, shampoo, a comb, lotion, razors and nail clippers packaged in a towel and secured by ribbon. The mission of the ministry at the Pine Ridge Retreat Center is to foster better understanding between Indian and non-Indian peoples and to make contributions to the life of the people living on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, the home to the Lakota people, members of the Oglala Sioux tribe.



FOOD | CLOTHING | EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

### Valley Outreach Volunteers Needed

We need volunteers to help clients pick out food. Please check your calendars for Monday, April 16, Wednesday, April 18 or Friday, April 20 from 9:30 a.m. –12:30 p.m. or Tuesday, April 17 or Thursday, April 19 from 4:30–7:30 p.m. Please call Kathy Hagen at 651-426-7176 or e-mail [sprucehaagen@comcast.net](mailto:sprucehaagen@comcast.net) if you are able to help!



**10<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL**  
**Service**  
**FORE Others**  
**GOLF TOURNAMENT**

**Benefits Hunger, Health & Housing**

Contact  
 Vic Thalacker at  
 651-439-9782 with  
 tournament questions.  
 Contact Wendy Klemz at  
 651-351-5393 or Marlene  
 Harty at 651-439-6444  
 to donate to the  
 silent auction.

**SIGN UP  
 TODAY!**

**MONDAY**  
**June 4, 2018**

**Stillwater Country Club**  
**Best Ball Scramble Event**

**10:30 a.m.** Registration  
 & Lunch  
**Noon** Shotgun Start  
**5:30 p.m.** Dinner &  
 Silent Auction

**Dinner Speaker**  
 To be announced

Register online at  
[www.trinitylc.org](http://www.trinitylc.org) >  
 then click REGISTER

# 10<sup>TH</sup> Annual SERVICE FORE OTHERS GOLF TOURNAMENT, DINNER & SILENT AUCTION

## JUNE 4, Stillwater Country Club

By John Hodler

All proceeds go to reduce *Hunger*, the plight of the *Homeless* and increase *Healthy* living conditions for the disadvantaged locally and in Tanzania. Examples of programs that have benefited from funds raised in past years include: Bomalang'ombe Secondary School projects, Valley Outreach, Bethlehem (St. Paul) Open Hands, Mwatasi clean water, Meal packing, Tanzania school scholarships, Pine Ridge reservation Lutheran/Lakota Job Corps, Anuak refugee support in the twin cities, and housing projects in Mexico and the St. Croix Valley.

If your idea of the perfect day consists of golf at a world-class course, delicious food, great companionship and the opportunity to help those in need, sign up for the best ball scramble Golf tournament! The event includes golf, lunch, dinner, program, silent auction and other festivities. Those wishing to attend only the dinner, program and silent auction can purchase tickets for only that part of the event.

The event includes the chance to win \$20,000 in the hole-in-one contest; half going to the golfer, half going to hunger ministries.

Golfer sign-in and lunch start at 10:30 a.m. with a noon shotgun start. Dinner and silent auction begin at 5:30 p.m. Organizers are also seeking hole sponsors and additional donations for the silent auction.

For the best golf tournament pricing: Register online by May 30 at [www.trinitylc.org](http://www.trinitylc.org) > then click on REGISTER.

OR download the registration form and mail it with a check made out to Trinity (memo line: Golf Tournament) by May 30 to Trinity Lutheran Church.

**Contact Vic Thalacker at 651-439-9782 with tournament questions.**

**Contact Wendy Klemz at 651-351-5393 or Marlene Harty at 651-439-6444 to donate to the silent auction.**

# PLEASE NOTE!

## Free Parking in 3rd Street Ramp

In case you didn't know, there is free parking on Sundays in the 3rd Street ramp when you enter after 6 a.m. and exit before 1 p.m.

## CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

- To family and friends of Bill Fierke
- To family and friends of Dorothy Parkhurst
- To family and friends of Mary Peters

## WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

<b>February 25</b>	<b>March 11</b>
9 a.m. ....136	9 a.m. ....258
10:30 a.m. ....153	10:30 a.m. ....203
	5 p.m. ....NA
<b>March 4</b>	<b>March 18</b>
9 a.m. ....229	9 a.m. ....192
10:30 a.m. ....114	10:30 a.m. ....121



God Loving Outdoor Women

## GLOW (God Loving Outdoor Women) Kickoff

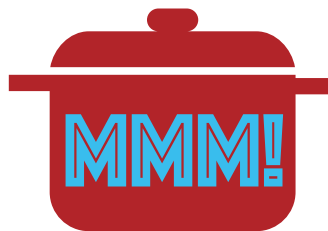
Sunday, May 20

Between services and following 10:30 a.m. service Narthex at Trinity

Stop by for a treat and see what activities GLOW has planned for 2018-19. We are working to have something for everyone—those that want higher intensity activities and those that prefer a leisurely stroll.

The GLOW leadership team will be there to chat with you and answer any questions you might have.

Please stop by and say hello on May 20th. We look forward to seeing you!



## Make a Meal Ministry

Trinity's Make a Meal Ministry provides meals to folks during times when a little extra help and support is needed. For more information on the Make a Meal Ministry (MMM!), please contact Zanny Johnson at [zjohnson@trinitylc.org](mailto:zjohnson@trinitylc.org).



## WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

**Regular Sunday Worship**  
9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

**Second Sunday Contemplative Worship**  
April 8 at 5 p.m.

**Watch Worship on Valley Access Channel 18**

Wednesdays: 1 p.m., 7 p.m.

Thursdays: 1 a.m., 7 a.m.

Fridays: 4 p.m., 10 p.m.

Saturdays: 9 a.m.

Sundays: 11 a.m.

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# CALENDAR APRIL 1 - 30, 2018

## Sunday, April 1—Easter Sunday

- 7 a.m. Sunrise Worship, Communion: Narthex
- 8 a.m. Celebrate the Resurrection with Hot Cross Buns & Coffee: Commons
- 9 a.m. Festive Worship, Communion: Worship Center
- 10 a.m. Festive Worship, Communion: Worship Center
- 11 a.m. Contemporary Worship, Communion: Worship Center

## Monday, April 2—Staff Holiday; Building/Office Closed

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 8:45 a.m. Bridge for Trinity: Boutwell's Brownstone A Party Room, 5450 Nolan Parkway

## Tuesday, April 3

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 8:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study: Living Room
- 9 a.m. Women's Book Club: Library
- 1 p.m. Prayer Group: Church Office
- 4 p.m. Quilting Group: Living Room
- 6 p.m. AA Meeting: Library

## Wednesday, April 4

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 9:15 a.m. Christian Moms Fellowship: Lower Level
- 5 p.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal: Choir Room/Worship Center
- 5:30 p.m. Family Pizza: Garden Room
- 6:15 p.m. Wednesday Faith Formation (Gr. 3-5): Lower Level
- 6:15 p.m. Middle School Faith Formation (Gr. 6-8): Worship Center
- 6:15 p.m. 9th Gr. Faith Formation: Garden Room
- 7 p.m. Trinity Choir Rehearsal: Choir Room/Worship Center
- 7:45 p.m. Pick-up Basketball for ages 18 & up: Gym

## Thursday, April 5

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 9 a.m. YogaDevotion Chair/Flow: Garden Room
- 6:30 p.m. Worship Ministry Team Meeting: Office Conference Room
- 7 p.m. Al-Anon & Alateen Meeting: Room 108, Youth Center

## Friday, April 6

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 10 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting: Room 108B

## Saturday, April 7

- 8 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 8 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting: Room 108B
- 10:30 a.m. Ladies Talk & Tea: Garden Room

## Sunday, April 8—Mexico Missionary led worship

- 8:30 a.m. Breakfast Fundraiser: Garden Room
- 9 a.m. Sunday Faith Formation (Age 4-Gr. 2): Garden Room
- 10 a.m. Mexico Missionary led Worship, Communion, Nursery: Worship Center (ONE SERVICE ONLY)
- 3 p.m. Student & Adult Leader Meeting for Colorado Mission Trip: Youth Center
- 5 p.m. Contemplative Worship: Heritage Chapel

## Monday, April 9

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 10 a.m. "Stepping On" Fall Prevention Class: Garden Room
- 1 p.m. Rebekah Circle: Library
- 6 p.m. Jubilate Bells: Heritage Chapel
- 6:30 p.m. Tai Chi: Gym
- 7 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting: Library

## Tuesday, April 10

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 8:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study: Living Room
- 9 a.m. Women's Book Club: Library
- 9:15 a.m. Leah Circle: Narthex
- 1 p.m. Prayer Group: Church Office
- 4 p.m. Quilting Group: Living Room
- 6 p.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 7 p.m. Anna Circle: Living Room

## Wednesday, April 11

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library

## 9 a.m. Retired Mens Group Tour Star Tribune

- Heritage Center: Meet at Trinity
- 9:30 a.m. Boutwell's Sr. Communion: Boutwell's Landing
- 10 a.m. "Open Art" Ministry: Living Room
- 1 p.m. Marion Circle Meeting: Members' Homes
- 5 p.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal: Choir Room/Worship Center
- 5:30 p.m. Family Pizza: Garden Room
- 6:15 p.m. Wednesday Faith Formation (Gr. 3-5): Lower Level
- 6:15 p.m. Middle School Faith Formation (Gr. 6-8): Worship Center
- 6:15 p.m. 9th Gr. Faith Formation: Garden Room
- 7 p.m. Trinity Choir Rehearsal: Choir Room/Worship Center
- 7:45 p.m. Pick-up Basketball for ages 18 & up: Gym

## Thursday, April 12

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 9 a.m. YogaDevotion Chair/Flow: Garden Room
- 1 p.m. Martha Circle: Living Room
- 1:30 p.m. Dorcas Circle: Members' Homes
- 5:45 p.m. Pizza Party for Al-Anon & Alateen: Garden Room
- 7 p.m. Al-Anon & Alateen Meeting: Room 108, Youth Center

## Friday, April 13

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 10 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting: Room 108B

## Saturday, April 14

- 8 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 8 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting: Room 108B
- 9 a.m. NAMI Hope for Recovery Workshop: Garden Room

## Sunday, April 15

- 9 a.m. Sunday Faith Formation (Age 4-Gr. 2): Garden Room
- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship, Communion, Nursery: Worship Center
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship, Communion, Nursery: Worship Center
- 11:30 a.m. Newcomer Luncheon: Garden Room

## Monday, April 16

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 9 a.m. Ruth Circle: Living Room
- 10 a.m. "Stepping On" Fall Prevention Class: Garden Room
- 6 p.m. Jubilate Bells: Heritage Chapel
- 6:30 p.m. Year of Renewal One-on-One Debrief: Garden Room
- 6:30 p.m. Tai Chi: Gym
- 7 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting: Library

## Tuesday, April 17

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 8:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study: Living Room
- 9 a.m. Women's Book Club: Library
- 1 p.m. Prayer Group: Church Office
- 4 p.m. Quilting Group: Living Room
- 6 p.m. AA Meeting: Library

## Wednesday, April 18

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 9:15 a.m. Christian Moms Fellowship: Lower Level
- 5 p.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal: Choir Room/Worship Center
- 5:30 p.m. Family Pizza: Garden Room
- 6:15 p.m. Wednesday Faith Formation (Gr. 3-5): Lower Level
- 6:15 p.m. Middle School Faith Formation (Gr. 6-8): Worship Center
- 6:15 p.m. 9th Gr. Faith Formation: Garden Room
- 7 p.m. Trinity Choir Rehearsal: Choir Room/Worship Center
- 7:45 p.m. Pick-up Basketball for ages 18 & up: Gym

## Thursday, April 19

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 9 a.m. YogaDevotion Chair/Flow: Narthex
- 10:15 a.m. AWE Tour of St. Paul Cathedral: Meet at Trinity

- 6:30 p.m. Congregational Council Meeting: Office Conference Room

- 7 p.m. Al-Anon & Alateen Meeting: Room 108, Youth Center

## Friday, April 20

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 10 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting: Room 108B

## Saturday, April 21

- 8 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 8 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting: Room 108B
- 7:30 p.m. Cantus Concert: Worship Center

## Sunday, April 22—Earth Day

- 9 a.m. Sunday Faith Formation (Age 4-Gr. 2): Garden Room
- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship, Communion, Nursery: Worship Center
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship, Communion, Nursery: Worship Center
- 5 p.m. Self-Discovery on the Continental Divide Trail: A Love Story with Ted Olson: Garden Room

## Monday, April 23

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 6 p.m. Jubilate Bells: Heritage Chapel
- 6:30 p.m. Tai Chi: Gym
- 7 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting: Library

## Tuesday, April 24

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 8:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study: Living Room
- 9 a.m. Women's Book Club: Library
- 1 p.m. Prayer Group: Church Office
- 4 p.m. Quilting Group: Living Rm
- 6 p.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 7:30 p.m. Stillwater Area High School Choir Home Concert: Worship Center

## Wednesday, April 25—Last day of Wednesday Faith Formation Groups

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 9:30 a.m. Supporting Women As Professionals (SWAP): Offsite
- 5 p.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal: Choir Room/Worship Center
- 5:30 p.m. Family Pizza: Garden Room
- 6:15 p.m. Family Worship: Worship Center
- 7:45 p.m. Pick-up Basketball for ages 18 & up: Gym

## Thursday, April 26

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 9 a.m. YogaDevotion Chair/Flow: Narthex
- 10 a.m. Knitting Ministry: Commons
- 7 p.m. Al-Anon & Alateen Meeting: Room 108, Youth Center
- 7:30 p.m. St. Paul Chamber Orchestra Concert: Worship Center

## Friday, April 27

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 10 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting: Room 108B

## Saturday, April 28

- 8 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 8 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting: Room 108B
- 9 a.m. Rehearsal for Confirmation Service: Worship Center, Garden Room
- 7:30 p.m. Valley Chamber Chorale Concert: Worship Center

## Sunday, April 29—Last day of Sunday Faith Formation

- 9 a.m. Sunday Faith Formation (Age 4-Gr. 2): Garden Room
- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship, Communion, Nursery: Worship Center
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship, Communion, Nursery: Worship Center
- 2 p.m. Confirmation Rite of Baptism Service: Worship Center

## Monday, April 30

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 6 p.m. Jubilate Bells: Heritage Chapel
- 6:30 p.m. Tai Chi: Gym
- 7 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting: Library

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**Sunday, April 8**

**Breakfast: 8:30 a.m. | Worship: 10 a.m.**

Come eat breakfast and mingle with our Mexico missionaries. Breakfast served by our elementary youth who will be attending Camp WAPO this summer.

Worship led by our Mexico missionaries!  
One worship service only at 10 a.m.