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TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH'S MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



TRINITY
LUTHERAN CHURCH

A united vital force in our community sharing the love of Jesus.

FEBRUARY 2022

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IMPORTANT DATES THIS MONTH

- Feb 1: Elders Board Meeting
- Feb 1: Quilters
- Feb 2: Dorcas
- Feb 8: Outreach Committee
- Feb 9: Men's Lunch
- Feb 12: Transition Projects
Meal Prep
- Feb 15: Quilters
- Feb 15/16: The Father's Heart
Meal Prep
- Feb 21: Presidents Day, Office
closed for Holiday
- Feb 23: Church Council
- Feb 27: 4th Sunday Women's
Bible Study

TRINITY STAFF

Rev. Ted Engelbrecht
Pastor

J. Patrick & Carol Moore
Administrative Assistants

WORDS FROM THE PASTOR

February 2022

We're not there yet, but Spring comes soon – even if not soon enough for many of us(!). In ancient days in the Roman Empire, February was the month to prepare oneself for Spring. The word February comes from the Roman festival of purification called Februa, during which people were ritually washed.

Spring was/is seen as the beginning of a new year - the beginning of another chance at life and all that come with that. People prepared for it by purification through washing. No one wants to start off anything all dirty - especially something as important as new life.

Christians start off their new life in Baptism, where we are both ritually washed of our sin and ritually born again, as St. Mark writes in his gospel and St. Paul writes in his letter to the Romans:

“John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness (in the Jordan River) and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.” (Mark 1:4)

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.” (Rom. 6:3-4)

St. Paul continues by describing how this changes us in our new life:

“For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin....So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus... Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.” (Rom. 6:6-12)

And elsewhere he further tells us what the Holy Spirit does to us in this renewal and regeneration - this 'new life':

“(God) saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.” (Titus 3:5-7).

Being God's and with access to His Holy Spirit, we look to St. Paul's direction on how to live as God's:

“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.” (Gal 5:22-24).

Luther reminds us to remember our Baptism every day. To remember it and all its benefits, and to live the renewed lives that God works in it, having faith in Him and love and service for our neighbors. Amen.

Pastor Ted

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday Adult Bible Studies: Brian Hawkins leads a study in the Library on Sundays after the Worship Service. Carolyn Stucky leads the Women's Bible Study in Room 10 on the 4th Sunday of the month, after the Worship Service.

3 yr. olds to 5th grade: we have a new curriculum, and will be meeting in-person in Rooms 1 & 3.

6th & 7th grade Confirmation students will meet in-person in Rooms 6 & 8 on Sundays.

8th graders will be meeting with Pastor Ted on Sunday mornings after the Worship Service.

High School Bible Study will be meeting again in-person on Sunday mornings after the Worship Service, in the Youth Room. We welcome Ahtia Clack as the new High School leader for the Bible Study.

SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDIES

We like our small group Bible Studies to be about 8-10 people so that everyone has a chance to share. We currently have four groups:

Pastor Ted on Thursday mornings at 10:30 in the church library

Pastor Mike on Thursday evenings at his home

"Encouragers" meets on the 3rd Sunday of the month, contact Brian Hawkins for more information.

Rhoda Bohr is organizing a Bible Study in the Canby Area.

If none of those work for you, please contact Henrietta Brooks and she can help you with organizing a new Bible Study group. We can provide materials to assist you.

OUTREACH: MEALS FOR THOSE IN NEED

Another word of thanks to all who donated turkeys and hams to help with our outreach meals, as well as one member's company that regularly donates chicken breasts that are either too big or too small for them to use. Our recipe box opens up a world of possibilities with these simple gifts.



We are still gathering on the Second Saturday of the month to prepare a meal for the Transition Projects, which supports people who are putting their lives back together after addiction treatment. Transition Projects offers housing, meals, and support as they seek employment and get ready to transition to living on their own. Our meal, once a month, is one way in which God provides for those are getting their lives back on track. Once pandemic restrictions ease, we will be able to actually serve the meal, rather than just drop it off, and interact with their clients and share God's love for them.

On the third Wednesday of the month, we deliver lunch to The Father's Heart. We look forward to being able to actually serve the meal, but for now, we drop it off. However, feeding that many people takes more than just one morning for us - so we gather the night before to do all the cooking of hot meal items. Slicing, dicing, mixing, stirring, are a few of the qualifications needed to help with this meal prep. If you can bake, roast, or even just clean up, your talents are needed! Wednesday morning is a time to reheat the cooked dishes and do some of the cold prep, then pack it all up, take it all down, and drop it all off. The Father's Heart staff then serves the meal to homeless individuals and others in need in our community.

We continue to welcome donations of food (particularly proteins) to help with these meals. Please contact Lee Duvinage to coordinate any food donations.

THE FATHER'S HEART - IMMEDIATE AND ONGOING DONATION NEEDS

Check out the immediate and ongoing needs for those who are homeless. You can drop off clothing, food, hygiene items and more at their site; please pay attention to the days and times when donations are accepted. TFH's home page, <https://tfhstreetministry.com/> has a suggestion list; or click on the *Amazon Wish List* link to order, and it will be delivered to them. Trinity collects non-perishable items in the red barrel at the office entrance to the church. Please be sure to label any donations left at church, as the barrel is used to collect for several ministries.

COMPASSION INTERNATIONAL

One of the ways that Trinity supports missionary efforts are the contributions made to support two children through Compassion International. This organization seeks out people, churches and other organizations who will “adopt” a child and support them through their school years. Compassion has staff onsite or works with local organizations in various countries and your support helps to provide for these children’s needs.

Compassion International also provides “two-way communication.” This consists of letters written by the children to their sponsors, which are scanned and translated and sent via email, along with the opportunity to write to the children, and your letters are then translated for them.

Due to the favorability of exchange rates, your money goes a lot further in a third-world country than it does here in the United States. Therefore, it doesn’t take a lot of money to make a big impact on these children’s lives. The benefit of providing education for these children is immeasurable, as it will have a positive effect for all their lives.

SUNDAY FLOWERS

We have a brand new flower chart on the orange bulletin board, for you to sign up to provide flowers for the Sanctuary on Sundays. If your garden isn’t producing flowers right now (unless you have a greenhouse or can make a wonderful arrangement of crocuses), we do accept purchased flowers, or donations to purchase flowers. If there’s special celebration in your life, whether that’s a special birthday, anniversary, or a memorial gift for a loved one who has passed, celebrating with flowers for the church is a great way to mark the celebration and lift up the congregation with a bit of the beauty that God has created.

FREE MONEY!

Now, that’s a headline that will catch just about anyone’s eye. How is that possible? If you shop at Fred Meyer, whether regularly or occasionally, in addition to the rewards that you can redeem for a discount on your gasoline, you can also sign up to have a small amount of every purchase sent to Trinity, and it doesn’t cost you anything.

In the fourth quarter of 2021, 25 households participated in this program and Fred Meyer donated \$73.82 to Trinity as a result.

You can also make Trinity the recipient of a portion of your Amazon purchases as well.

If you are interested in more information on either of these programs, or directions on how to sign up, please contact the office.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Through the ups and downs of 2021, we’ve had a number of members who have faithfully supported the ministries of Trinity Lutheran Church. Some have sent online contributions, some regularly mail in contributions, and others came when they could and dropped them in the basket. A big thank you to all who have donated! Statements for 2021 should be arriving in the mail this week if they haven’t already arrived in your mailbox. This chart shows the collection totals to date (as of January 23) for 2022.

2021 Collections	Actual	Budget	Difference	%, +/-
Last Sunday	\$ 7,137	\$ 5,000	\$ 2,137	42.7%
Month-to-Date	\$ 12,803	\$ 20,000	\$ (7,197)	-36.0%
Year-to-Date	\$ 12,803	\$ 20,000	\$ (7,197)	-36.0%
Total Yearly Collection Budget:		\$260,000		
Attendance	January 23	67		

LWML MITES SUPPORT OUTREACH GRANT

A Bridge to Jesus - the SSS Soccer Clinic and Beyond, \$6000



Sixteen years ago, Ascension, Portland, began hosting a free community soccer clinic for the underprivileged kids in the Rockwood Community whose purpose was to be a missionary outreach where Jesus would be front and center. The day starts with the Latino high school coaches and servant leaders having Bible study and breakfast, then teams play soccer, with coaches teaching good sportsmanship and talking to them about Jesus. The servants, volunteers, soccer players, low income soccer families, and the local rehabilitation center members all gather for lunch cooked by the firefighters and volunteers. The servants prepare and deliver meals to homeless

teens, collect food for the Portland Police food bank, and clothing and personal care items for transitional housing and services for homeless families. They go to Night Strike in downtown Portland where they help care for homeless while telling them about Jesus.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH | COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES | November 16, 2021

Attendees: Brian Hawkins, Troy Palmer, Melissa Deyoe, Connie Adams, Ronda Corless, Craig Nickles, Carolyn Stucky, Pastor Ted

Troy opened the meeting with a prayer and devotion about facing obstacles and getting strength for future obstacles, God uses obstacles to draw us closer.

The October meeting minutes were approved.

Christian Education: Carolyn Stucky (Present-No Report)
CE has inquired of Darla if VBS materials have been sold or not. Thinking about changing Sunday School materials to Concordia from Group. Leaders and kids will have their own books. Not sure if we will have a Christmas program; Carolyn would like input as to ideas for a Christmas program as there are not very many children attending Sunday School. CE has been contacting families to see what we can do to meet the kids' needs. CE discussed the article that was in Engage about a youth conference in Houston, TX in June 2022 and will be youth led. Carolyn would like our congregation to do some fundraising and have our youth go. Troy suggested Pastor talk to the DCE at Beautiful Savior about doing this jointly. Pastor discussed planning and deciding to do a mission trip to Santa Marta or Costa Rica for the end of 2022.

Outreach: Pastor Ted/Craig Nickles (Present-No Report)
Volleyball has been going for a couple weeks and it has been fun. Pastor discussed the possibility of the high school youth decorating the trees during a lock-in. Vicky Taylor is organizing a folks march/hike. Beautiful Savior has a new pastor and DCE and invited our youth to a Friendsgiving and would like to do some other joint events. Pastor will be having lunch with the DCE to discuss future events. Future events planned are bingo and other activities. The outreach committee is focusing on the community here and getting people together again.

AVIT: Paul Petrone (Not Present-No Report)
There is a need to have more volunteers to run the sound booth.

Pastor Report: Pastor Ted (Present-No Report)
Pastor reported that we have had some regular visitors and a new shut in he will be visiting. Pastor has been visiting others as well. Advent services will be starting. Craig noted there is music lined up for 3 of the services. Pastor made some standards for confirmation.

Elders: Craig Nickles (Present-No Report)
Craig recommends we start coffee hour again this coming Sunday, Nov 21st and serve only coffee and one person behind the counter will fill the cups and it will not be self-service. Craig discussed this with Beth Wilson and she will be there to help along with some other volunteers.

Treasurer Report: Melissa Deyoe (Present-See Report)
For the month ending October 31, 2021, the church reports a loss from operations of \$8,321. For the 10 month period ending October 31, 2021, the church reports an overall loss of \$11,146 from operations. There was a deposit on October 31st that was posted by the bank in November, so the loss appears a little higher than it would have if the deposit was posted in November. Monthly contributions have been lower than projected. Melissa noted that projected contributions for 2022 are the same as 2021. The other line items in the budget have only had some minor changes from the 2021 amounts. J. Pat's contract has been adjusted and J. Pat will now review and sign it. Lee requested \$3,000 for Christmas food basket/ gifts. Melissa made a motion. Craig seconded to use Council Special Projects to give Lee \$3,000 to spend on the Christmas food/gift baskets. Motion passed unanimously. Connie noted there has only been one donation for Christmas baskets so far and requested that we do more announcing at church. Melissa asked who will be playing the music while Phyllis is gone for three weeks and who she needs to pay. Melissa asked Craig to get the

information for the musicians that are playing so Melissa can get them paid and to let her know when there are guest musicians. Melissa will be gone from December 1st - 10th. Melissa is updating the power point presentation for the Congregation Meeting. Council discussed Advent offerings and that the offerings will go to Rancho Santa Marta this year. Craig moved, Troy seconded that we give the 2021 Advent and 2022 Lent offerings to Rancho Santa Marta. Motion passed unanimously.

Financial Secretary: Connie Adams (Present-No Report)
Connie has been ensuring everyone has giving envelopes.

Property Board: Herb Meissel (Not Present-No Report)
Discussed how great Herb is and how he stays on top of maintenance.

President: Brian Hawkins (In Attendance-No Report)
Brian asked J. Pat for an update on the directory and is waiting for a response on the timeline for finishing it. Request from Oregon City High School to use the facility for their Leadership Days (2/16-2/17) and AP testing (4/29-5/13 specific days and times included in application) in exchange for refinishing the gym floor. Motion by Craig, seconded by Connie to approve, passed unanimously.

Council discussed who has the authority to give building keys and it was noted that Council has always had this authority. Council appoints the office administrator to issue keys to whoever Council approves to have keys. Connie asked Brian for a follow-up on using the computer company Jim Clack works for to do some computer work including setting up the financial secretary computer purchased last year. Melissa made a motion for J. Pat to reach out on behalf of council to the company Jim Clack works for and inquire about a quote for a maintenance contract and setting up 2 computers. Carolyn seconded and motion passed unanimously.

Vice President: Troy Palmer (Present-No Report)
Troy is requesting that he would announce this Sunday that the last Facebook service will be on November 28th due to a lack of volunteers needed to run the equipment to make this streaming possible. The Statistics show that on average there are only 5-6 viewers each Sunday and some only stay logged on for a few minutes. Troy will work on figuring out how we can record the sermon as it was in the past so it can be sent to shut ins.

Troy brought up the constitution and bylaws and the process to change the bylaws. Per the bylaws, changes to bylaws must be approved by the NW District. Our constitution and bylaws are 20 years old and council discussed having a small committee to update the bylaws in the near future adding standing rules.

Reminder there is no December meeting.

Unfinished Business - None

New Business
The next council meeting will be on January 19, 2022 and will be at the church. The Congregation meeting will be on November 21, 2021 at 11:30am. Troy will do the devotion at the next meeting.

Pastor closed the meeting in prayer at 10:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Ronda Corless – Recording Secretary

GET INVOLVED!

If you would like to become involved in any of these areas of service you can use the Communication card or find sign-up pages on the orange *Get Involved* bulletin board across from the coffee service. Any assignments before Trinity reopens will be cancelled.

If you see blank space that means we need caring individuals to help out.

Greeters	
Feb. 6 th	Elders
Feb. 13 th	Elders
Feb. 20 th	Elders
Feb. 27 th	Elders

Communion Set-Up	
Feb. 6 th	TBA
Feb. 20 th	TBA

Lectors	
Feb. 6 th	Jeff A.
Feb. 13 th	Marilyn A.
Feb. 20 th	Lou M.
Feb. 27 th	Stanette

Flower Contact	Carol Wilson 503.502.7448
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Flowers		
Feb. 6 th	Vases available	
Feb. 13 th	Vases available	
Feb. 20 th	Vases available	
Feb. 27 th	Vases available	

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH | OREGON CITY | LEADERSHIP LIST

Additional contact information for the following individuals is available in the church directory.

Board of Elders (term ends)

Head: Craig Nickles **B**, 503.819.4525 (2022)
Jeff Allen **E, L, T** 206.228.3724 (2021)
Al Bohr **H, I, J, O** 503.980.8047 (2022)
Ray Clack **M, N** 503.656.3891 (2022)
Levi Darnell **A, D, R** 503.631.7559 (2023)
Cary Martenson **C, G, K, V, Z** 503.632.3879 (2023)
Louis Miller **F, W** 971.404.4771 (2023)
Dave Wilson **P, S** 503.632.4068 (2021)

Council Officers

President: Brian Hawkins (2022)
Vice President: Troy Palmer (2021)
Treasurer: Melissa Deyoe (2021)
Recording Secretary: Rhonda Corless (2022)
Financial Secretary: Connie Adams (2022)

Property Board

Herb Meissel (2022)

Audio, Video, Information Technology

Paul Petrone

Outreach

Pat Benjamin; Carol Wilson

Christian Education Board

Henrietta Brooks
Angie Stone
Carolyn Stucky

Facility & Building Use

Herb Meissel

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Lee Duvinage

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Prayer & Praise

Henrietta Brooks

LWML/Mission Guild

Carolyn Stucky

Quilters

Sheila Wahl

Communion Guild

Carol Wilson

Altar Committee

Colleen Brinkert
Carol Wilson

Thursday Bible Study

Pastor Ted

Thrivent

www.thrivent.com

Trinity Oregon City Missions and Contacts

Local Outreach

- **Transitions Projects** (Portland) Lee Duvinage
- **The Father's Heart Street Ministry** (Oregon City)
- **Love INC** Office 503.655.4223 ext. 2
- **True Housing** 503.234.8757
- **Lutheran Latino Ministries** PO Box 293, Mt. Angel, OR 97362

National Outreach

- **LCMS Disaster Fund**
- **LWML**

International Outreach

- **Child Beyond International**, Guatemala
- **Compassion International**

FEBRUARY 2022

BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<i>1</i> Jennifer Van Orsow	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i> Norman & Darlene Wiebold Paula & Peter Bennett	<i>5</i>
<i>6</i> Paula Bennett Cole Lais Troy & Tania Palmer	<i>7</i> Travis Stone Craig & Kathy Nickles	<i>8</i> Joan Hagedorn Craig Nickles Zachary Baker	<i>9</i> Joan Hawley Ray Clack	<i>10</i>	<i>11</i> James Hilton	<i>12</i> Ahtia Clack
<i>13</i>	<i>14</i> Ed Lindquist Ron & Deb Boryczka	<i>15</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>18</i> Jim Muth	<i>19</i> Pearl Schmidt
<i>20</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>24</i> Hunter Williams	<i>25</i>	<i>26</i> Amanda Magenheimer
<i>27</i> Kendall Trappe	<i>28</i> Roger & Neva Abele					

FEBRUARY 2022

TRINITY EVENTS CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<i>1</i> 10:30 Elders Board 1:00 Quilters	<i>2</i> 10:30 Dorcas 6:45 Praise Team	<i>3</i> 10:30 Bible Study	<i>4</i> 6:00p <i>The Fun Flyers</i>	<i>5</i>
<i>6</i> 10:00 Worship Svc 11:00 Sunday School	<i>7</i> 10:30 Caregivers Support Group 6:30 Volleyball	<i>8</i> 9:00 Prayer & Praise 6:30 Outreach Committee <i>Hoops Basketball</i>	<i>9</i> 11:30 Men's Lunch @ Stanley's Corner 6:45 Praise Team	<i>10</i> 10:30 Bible Study	<i>11</i>	<i>12</i> TBA Transition Projects Meal Prep
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<i>20</i> 10:00 Worship Svc 11:00 Sunday School	<i>21</i> Presidents Day <i>Office closed</i> 10:30 Caregivers Support Group 6:30 Volleyball Pastor Ted returns from Costa Rica	<i>22</i> 9:00 Prayer & Praise <i>Hoops Basketball</i>	<i>23</i> 6:30 Council 6:45 Praise Team	<i>24</i> 10:30 Bible Study	<i>25</i> Mardi Gras Weekend	<i>26</i> <i>Lent starts next Wednesday, eat chocolate now</i>
<i>27</i> 10:00 Worship Svc 11:00 Sunday School 11:00 4th Sunday Women's Bible Study	<i>28</i> 6:30 Caregivers Support Group 6:30 Volleyball					