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*Trinity Lutheran Church is a family of believers in Christ
who grow in their faith and their relationships with God and each other
by participating in common experiences of
Worship, Christian Education, and Fellowship.
Inspired by Christ's love, we are called through our faith
to witness to the Good News and reach out to serve the needs of people
within our congregation, the community, and the world.*

WE WELCOME VISITORS to Trinity.

Trinity is a congregation of the
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA).

If you are seeking a new church home,
it would be a joy to welcome you into the Trinity membership;
please speak to the pastor.

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Fourth Sunday in Lent

INTRODUCTION

The fourth of the Old Testament promises providing a baptismal lens this Lent is the promise God makes to Moses: those who look on the bronze serpent will live. In today's gospel Jesus says he will be lifted up on the cross like the serpent, so that those who look to him in faith will live. When we receive the sign of the cross in baptism, that cross becomes the sign we can look to in faith, for healing, for restored relationship to God, for hope when we are dying.

SUNDAY 8:15 AM

ACOLYTE: Ben Worrell
USHERS: Bill Oehler
LECTOR: Todd Rehder
ALTAR GUILD: Pat Kiefer

SUNDAY 10:30 AM

ACOLYTES: Deenna Richmond & Elizabeth Harvey
USHERS: JR Bolig & Bob Klien
LECTORS: Mike Krahling & Suzanne Bolig
COUNTERS: Diane Remetta & Carole Hamersly
ALTAR GUILD: Pat Kiefer

THE FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL have been placed to the Glory of God by Linda and Mike Krahling in honor of their anniversary. They have placed the dried arrangement and made a donation to Trinity's library.

THE PARISH NEWSLETTER (*Holy Week/Easter edition*) will be prepared next week; please submit articles or announcements to the church office no later than next Monday morning.

TRINITY WILL HOST St. Francis Kitchen for a day on Friday, April 20. In addition to a \$100 contribution to the soup kitchen, Trinity provides 3-4 volunteers to prepare and serve the lunch for the day. Volunteers can meet at Trinity at 8:15 and carpool or meet at the soup kitchen in Scranton from 8:30-12:30. If you would like to volunteer, please contact George Duhigg 570-586-1924 or the church office. If you would like to make a contribution to help offset the donation, please place your donation in an envelope marked St. Francis and place it in the offering plate or mail it to the church office.

THE KINDERGARTEN Readiness Program will be hosting their annual Art Show on Tuesday, March 13 beginning at 6. The budding artists in Mrs. Woytach's class have been very busy learning about many types of art and artists from Van Gogh to Kandinsky; from paint to sculpture and everything in between. Please feel free to stop in Tuesday evening and enjoy the creativity of little minds. Artwork will be on display in the parish hall and light refreshments will be available.

MEALS-ON-WHEELS will be delivered in Clarks Summit this Thursday by Diane Remetta. Trinity is responsible for the delivery of *Meals-On-Wheels* every Thursday. If you would like to assist with this program, please contact the church office.

THE ADULT EDUCATION CLASS meets each Sunday from 9:30 to 10:15 AM in the conference room. Please take advantage of these study and discussion opportunities as often as possible.

A NURSERY is provided during the 8:15 AM Sunday worship service for small children up to the kindergarten (*age 5*) level. Parents are encouraged to take advantage of the nursery at their discretion. Children above the kindergarten level are encouraged to attend worship with their parents.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

	<u>This Weekend</u>	<u>Next Weekend</u>
First Reading:	Numbers 21:4–9	Jeremiah 31:31–34
Second Reading:	Ephesians 2:1–10	Hebrews 5:5-10
Holy Gospel:	John 3:14–21	John 12:20-33

WORSHIP KITS filled with lots of resources that match the liturgical day and season are available for small children who are attending the service. They are available on the rear pews of the church. This month the worship kits are being refurbished each week by Brenda Spangenberg.

ORDERS FOR EASTER LILIES are due to the office by tomorrow morning.

WE EXTEND CONGRATULATIONS to the members of the Trinity family who will be celebrating birthdays and/or anniversaries this week:

Birthdays:

Tuesday: Cathy Davies & Joseph Serrenti
Next Sunday: Megan Nealon

Anniversaries:

Next Saturday: Marilyn and William Striepeck

YOUTH GROUP MEMBERS are reminded that youth group will meet on Wednesday, March 14 from 6-7:30 (change from Tuesday).

TRINITY WOMEN IN FELLOWSHIP will meet for their annual Easter Luncheon, at noon, this Wednesday. All are cordially invited, bring a friend. A light lunch is being served. Side dishes or desserts are welcome. The theme is being broken into two parts. We will first look at the lives and ministries of the eleven Apostles after Pentecost. Booklets are being provided for all. The second presentation will be on "Pesach" or Passover. A Passover Seder will be thoroughly explained. Jewish Artifacts and jewelry from Israel from my personal collection will be on view for your enjoyment. An exciting display for all to see! Questions? Joyce 570-222-3041, email coolcats@nep.net please sign up in the narthex, or call Carole in church office.

THE CATHOLIC CHORAL SOCIETY of Scranton presents "A Lenten Journey" on Sunday, March 11 at 3 PM at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish 116 Hughes St, Swoyersville, PA (free admission) and again on Sunday, March 18 at 3 PM at the Forest City Historical Museum 629 Main Street in Forest City, admission is \$5. Also featured at the March 18 concert will be Forest City Regional High School Chamber Choir.

THE ABINGTON ECUMENICAL MINISTERIUM will host the Abington Area Crop Walk on Sunday, April 22 beginning at 2 PM at the Dalton United Methodist Church and following the Trolley Trail up to Clarks Summit and back: approximately the distance the average person in a third world country walks to access water. Teams of walkers are being recruited from schools, churches, businesses, families...to raise funds and walk to raise awareness. The goal is 500 walkers! This is not a timed event, walk at your leisure. 25% of the money raised will benefit local agencies with the remaining funds benefiting agencies around the world. If you are interested in walking, please contact the church office. You can find more information at the facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/events/251041888766136/>. This could be a wonderful fellowship opportunity as well as raising funds and awareness for hunger and thirst around the world.

THE WORSHIP BULLETIN WITH LITURGICAL RESOURCES is made available each week to assist us in our community worship celebrations. If you would like to sponsor (or provide as a memorial), the bulletin for any given Sunday, please sign your name on chart on the bulletin board provided for this purpose. The weekly cost is \$9.25.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 PM Worship Service (*Epiphany*)
Sunday: 8:15 AM Blended Traditional and Contemporary Eucharist (*Trinity*)
10:30 AM Eucharist (*Trinity*)
11:00 AM Eucharist (*Church of the Epiphany*)

(Please Note: If you attend a worship service at the Church of the Epiphany, feel free to use your regular Trinity Offering envelope. It will be returned to Trinity for deposit.)

MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK (March 11-18)

Sunday (3/11): 8:15 AM Blended Traditional and Contemporary Eucharist
9:15 AM Sunday Church School *pre-k through grade 8*
9:30 AM Adult Forum
10:30 AM Liturgy of Holy Communion
11:40 AM Congregational Coffee Hour
Monday: 7:00 PM Congregational Council Meeting
Wednesday: 10:00 AM Quilting Group
7:00 PM Midweek Lenten Service
Sunday (3/18): 8:15 AM Blended Traditional and Contemporary Eucharist
9:15 AM Family Service of the Word
10:30 AM Liturgy of Holy Communion
11:40 AM Congregational Coffee Hour

Confirmation Ministry Schedule:

Next Class Session: *Marks of Discipleship: April 15 9:15 AM*