

**March 17, 2024**

*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.*

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**WE WELCOME VISITORS TO TRINITY.**

Trinity is a congregation of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC)  
If you are seeking a new church home, it would be a joy to welcome  
you into the Trinity family. Please speak to the pastor.

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**CHURCH DIRECTORY**

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<i>Heather Klien</i>	<i>(570-881-3136)</i>	<i>Director of Youth Ministries</i>
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*Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday: 9:30 AM -1:30 PM  
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Atlantic Mission Region of the NALC Website: [www.atlantic-nalc.org](http://www.atlantic-nalc.org)  
North American Lutheran Church Website: [www.TheNALC.org](http://www.TheNALC.org)*

## SUNDAY 10:00 AM

USHERS: JR Bolig and Bob Klien  
HC ASSTS: Todd Rehder  
LECTORS: Maxine Gilligan  
COUNTERS: Suzanne Bolig and Diane Remetta  
ALTAR GUILD: Pat Kiefer, Kitchie Strauch, and Helen Gregosh

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**THE FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL** have been placed to the Glory of God by Lee Ann Romich in glory to God.

**THE BULLETIN** is being presented to the Glory of God by Lee Ann Romich in glory to God.

**PRAYERS FOR A PARTICULAR CONGREGATION** within the Atlantic Mission Region of the North American Lutheran Church are being offered each week during the liturgies of the forty-one congregations of the mission region. This week we are remembering in prayer the people, ministries and congregation of Sattazahn Lutheran Church in Jonestown, PA.

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

	<u>This Weekend</u>	<u>Next Weekend</u>
First Reading:	Jeremiah 31:31-34	Isaiah 40:4-9a
Second Reading:	Hebrews 5:5-10	Philippians 2:5-11
Holy Gospel:	John 12:20-33	Mark 14:1 - 15:47

**MEALS-ON-WHEELS** will be delivered in Clarks Summit this Thursday by Kathy Mathews and Helen Gregosh. Trinity is responsible for the delivery of *Meals-On-Wheels* every Thursday. If you would like to assist with this program, please speak to Kathy Mathews.

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**AS PART OF THE NORTH AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH**, we affirm that our faith is ***Mission Driven***. Being ***Mission Driven*** means that we believe that the mission of the Church is to preach the Gospel and to make disciples for Christ. We believe that making disciples - in our congregations, in our communities and nations, and around the world - must be a priority of the Church in the present age.

The website of the North American Lutheran Church is found at "[www.theNALC.org](http://www.theNALC.org)."  
Trinity is also a part of the *Atlantic Mission Region of the NALC*.  
*The mission region website is found at "[www.atlantic-nalc.org](http://www.atlantic-nalc.org)"*

**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 Kathy Mathews.

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

*Birthdays:*

Thursday: Raymond Keller, Sr., and Xaylen Gehris  
Friday: David Godusky  
Saturday: Brad Evans, Linda Sheehan, and Leonard Harvey  
Next Sunday: London Gehris

*Anniversaries:*

Today: Marilyn and William Striepeck  
Tuesday: Tracey and Michael Rosencranz

**WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

Today: 10:00 AM Traditional Eucharist  
Next Sunday: 10:00 AM Traditional Palm Sunday Eucharist

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**MEETINGS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK** (March 17<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>)

Today: 9:00 AM Adult Forum  
          9:15 AM Sunday Church School *pre-k - kindergarten*  
          11:30 AM Congregational Coffee Hour  
Monday: 5:30 PM Youth Group and “Monday Church School”  
Wednesday: 10:00 AM Quilting Group  
              7:00 PM Senior Choir Rehearsal  
Sunday (03/24): 9:00 AM Adult Forum  
                  9:15 AM Sunday Church School *pre-k - kindergarten*  
                  11:30 AM Congregational Coffee Hour

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**ATTENDANCE and FINANCIAL SUMMARY \***

Total Attendance last Sunday: 30  
General Fund Offerings Received Last Sunday: \$1404.00  
General Fund Offerings Received Year to Date: \$25,012.15  
General Fund Expenses Year to Date: \$33,220.14

**WE WELCOME PASTOR DAVID MCGETTIGAN THIS SUNDAY. WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK PASTOR MCGETTIGAN FOR HIS TIME AND TRAVELS TO SERVE US.**

**A LENTEN THOUGHT** - These forty days are a wonderful time to rethink everything and to allow ourselves to take up our crosses as Christ once did.

**JOIN US AT TRINITY ON MONDAY NIGHTS IN MARCH AT 7 PM for the presentation "Growing an Aging Church" with Pastor Brad Hales.**

**CHERI GROBOSKI WILL BE LEADING THE WOMEN'S GROUP IN A BIBLE STUDY** on Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup>. Please let Cheri or Kathy Mathews know if you can attend this class. As always, please bring a bagged lunch and a dessert will be provided. The group will meet from noon until 2 PM in the conference room.

**THE "FUN FOR SENIORS" FRIENDS** will meet again on **Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup> from 11:45 to 12:45 in the fellowship hall downstairs.** This event is **"Fraud and Scams"** on the telephone and/or computer. **Dave Phaneuf of the AARP Scranton Chapter and Head of the Consumer Issues Force will bring this presentation to Trinity.** Tell your friends, family, and neighbors. You will not want to miss this one. Please sign up on the sheet that is provided in the coffee hour area.

**WELCOME PASTOR BRAD HALES TO TRINITY IN APRIL HE WILL BE THE VISITING PASTOR THAT WEEKEND. PASTOR HALE WILL ALSO BE LEADING US IN LEARNING HOW TO GROW OUR AGING CHURCH!** "An aging church does not mean decline, but opportunity." Pastor Brad Hales, the Director of Aging for the North American Lutheran Church, will be leading a weekend workshop at Trinity Lutheran Church, Clarks Summit Pa. entitled, **"Renewing the Aging Church."** **It will be held on April 19-21.** While all congregations need continuous revival, an aging church is well positioned for growth through discipleship training, care, outreach to other mature/middle aged adults, and intergenerational ministry. **Come and see how God can use the gift of aging to provide new life and ministry to the local church.**

**THE NATIONAL LIBRARY MONTH WILL BE IN APRIL.** In the month of April, you will find envelopes in the pews that are marked "Library Donations." Please consider making a monetary donation to our church library. Thank you!

**A "COFFEE HOUR"** will immediately follow the 10:30 AM service this morning. This fellowship opportunity is being sponsored by Lee Ann Romich. We thank Lee Ann for her special gift to Trinity by sponsoring this fellowship opportunity.

**THE ADULT EDUCATION CLASS** meets each Sunday from **9:00 to 9:45 AM** in the conference room. Please take advantage of these study and discussion opportunities as often as possible.