April 7, 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.

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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SUNDAY 10:00 AM

USHERS: Dave Remetta and Haydn Evans

HC ASSTS: Suzanne Bolig LECTORS: Connie Beck

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 Tom and Peg Himes in loving memory of Tom's dad, Richard A. Himes.

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 Trinity Lutheran Church in Warrenton, VA.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

	This Weekend	<u>Next Weekend</u>
First Reading:	Acts 4:32-35	Acts 3:12-19
Second Reading:	1 John 1:1 – 2:2	1 John 3:1-7
Holy Gospel:	John 20:19-30	Luke 24:36b-48

MEALS-ON-WHEELS will be delivered in Clarks Summit this Thursday by JR Bolig 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.

AS PART OF THE NORTH AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH, we affirm that our faith is *Christ Centered*. Being *Christ Centered* means that we confess the apostolic faith in Jesus Christ according to the Holy Scriptures. We affirm the authority of the Scriptures as the authoritative source and norm, "according to which all doctrines should and must be judged" (*Formula of Concord*). We accept the ecumenical creeds and the Lutheran Confessions as true witnesses to the Word of God.

The website of the North American Lutheran Church is found at "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

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: Lori Langan

Friday: Alex Manning and Shirley Crowell

Saturday: Thomas Langan, Jr., and George C. Mathews

Anniversaries:

Monday: Lynn and David Kock

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

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

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MEETINGS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK (April 7th – 14th)

Today: 9:00 AM 9:00 AM Adult Forum

9:15 AM Sunday Church School pre-k through grade 8.

11:30 AM Congregational Coffee Hour

Monday: 11.45 AM AARP – Scams and Fraud Protection (Fun for Seniors)

5:30 PM Youth Group

7:00 PM Church Council Meeting

Wednesday: 10:00 AM Quilting Group

7:00 PM Senior Choir Rehearsal

Sunday (04/14): 9:00 AM Adult Forum

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ATTENDANCE and FINANCIAL SUMMARY *

Total Attendance last Sunday: 86

General Fund Offerings Received Last Sunday: \$4162.00 General Fund Offerings Received Year to Date: \$35,096.15 General Fund Expenses Year to Date: \$41,449.21 **PLEASE WELCOME REV. RICHARD WAGNER AND HIS WIFE,** KAREN, to our church this Sunday. We are blessed to have Pastor Wagner travel all this way on an Easter Sunday to share the resurrection or our Lord with us! Thanks be to God!

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

WOMEN OF TRINITY will be meeting on Monday, April 22nd for a bible study from noon until 2 PM in the conference room. Please bring a bagged lunch. A beverage and dessert will be provided. Please let Cheri Graboski or Kathy Mathews know if you plan to attend.

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.

"WORD IN SEASON" with devotions beginning on April 1st is available this morning. Please pick up your copy.

SPRING YARD CLEAN-UP AND MULCH SPREADING will take place on Saturday, April 27th at 10 AM. Many hands make light work, se we are hoping for a great turn out to help with this annual event. Please contact John if you can participate (570)947-3900.

NATIONAL LIBRARY MONTH IS THE MONTH OF APRIL. This year our church librarian will be placing giving envelopes in the hymnals. If you would consider donating to our church library, it would be appreciated.

THE "FUN FOR SENIORS" FRIENDS will meet again on Monday, April 8th 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.

ADULT FORUM CLASSES are available every Sunday at 9 AM. Bring your coffee and enjoy the discussion in the conference room.