

**FAMILY OF GOD DINNERS**—Trinity sponsors a dinner at the Family of God in Detroit the second Wednesday of every month. Our upcoming dates are March 14 and April 11. The dinners feed 100 people. We need 10 casseroles that will feed approximately 20 people, every month. If you would like to be a part of this by contributing a casserole dish that would feed approximately 20 people, deserts like cookies or cupcakes, contact Karen Langreet at 586-445-2460. To volunteer or make a monetary contribution, contact Brian Lanko at 586-350-0444 or brilank@aol.com or Pam Jones at 586-790-2004 or e-mail at mspamelaj@yahoo.com.

**STOCK THE FOOD PANTRY**—The Food Pantry is always in need of non-perishable items to help feed the hungry. Donations for the food pantry can be left on the carts at the donation center between the Youth Lounge and the Nursery. If you are interested in donating small gift cards to local restaurants, such as fast food chains, or bus passes, see Pastor Gary.

## >SCHOOL AND EARLY CHILDCARE CENTER

**BOOK FAIR IS COMING**— Trinity will host a Scholastic Book Fair Feb. 26 through March 2. We will be open Monday-Thursday from 8:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. and Friday 8:30 am until 2:30 pm. Teacher wish lists will be available again this year. We always need parent volunteers throughout the week, so be on the lookout for a Sign Up Genius, or feel free to talk to Debbie Puchalski or Danielle Nieman.

**ECC SEEKS PRESCHOOL ASSISTANT**—The Early Childhood Center is seeking a Preschool Assistant/Caregiver for our 4 year-old full-day preschool classroom. Trinity is a Christ-centered, award winning, licensed, and accredited center. You will be a part of a team of caring early childhood professionals. Must meet licensing and Trinity standards: caring Christian, at least 18 year old, pass TB test, criminal records checks. Hours 6:30 a.m. - 12:40 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday and 6:30 a.m.-5 p.m. on Wednesday and Friday. Apply online at www.trinityct.org. Go to the Early Childhood Center section and click on the Employment tab or call the center at 586-463-8803 for more information.

## >ANNOUNCEMENTS

**DIRECT YOUR CHOICE DOLLARS**—Last year, Thrivent members' Choice Dollars earned Trinity \$10,218. Members' 2017 Choice Dollars need to find a home before the end of March. Designate them to Trinity Lutheran Church, School and ECC. There are two ways two for directing Choice Dollars. Go to Thrivent.com/thriventchoice or call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" at the prompt. Please take a few minutes and designate Trinity.

**TAI CHI IS BACK!**—Amy Carpenter, a certified Tai Chi for Arthritis instructor, runs Tai Chi classes at Trinity on Mondays at 1 p.m. in the Community Center. The cost is \$6 per class. For more information, contact Lisa Riviera at lriviera@trinityct.org.

**BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING**—The second Sunday of each month, the Health Ministry Team provides free blood pressure checks. Stop by the Volunteer Center on March 11 for your reading.

**MUSTANG RUSH** Calling ALL 6th - 8th Graders that are interested in learning more about Lutheran High North. We will have representatives from our athletic teams, music groups, drama department, extra-curricular clubs and programs available to meet with you on Saturday, March 10 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Food and drink will be provided. Learn more about how we share and model Christ in all areas of our ministry.

For more information about Trinity Church, School or Early Childhood Center and their ministries go to [www.trinityct.org](http://www.trinityct.org).

## This week at Trinity—Feb. 26-March 3, 2018

For a complete list of events at Trinity, visit [trinityct.org](http://trinityct.org) and click Today at Trinity

<b>Monday (26)</b>	8:30 a.m. Book Fair—Mini Gym (until 4 p.m.) 1 p.m. Alanon—Church Lounge 1 p.m. Tai Chi—Community Center 7 p.m. Stephen Ministry Continuing Ed.—Church Lounge 7 p.m. Entrusted Bible Study—Chapel
<b>Tuesday (27)</b>	8:30 a.m. Book Fair—Mini Gym (until 4 p.m.) 9:30 a.m. Proverbs Bible Study—Meeting Room 4/5 Noon Fellowship with Seniors—Community Center 1 p.m. GriefShare—Church Lounge 7 p.m. MOMSnext—Church Lounge 7 p.m. Mission Council—Meeting Rooms 4/5
<b>Wednesday (28)</b>	6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study—Church Lounge 8:30 a.m. Book Fair—Mini Gym (until 4 p.m.) 9 a.m. MOPS Connection Cafe—Church Lounge Noon Midweek Lent Worship—Chapel Noon Kiwanis—Community Center 1 p.m. The First Rosa—Church Lounge 4 p.m. Paper Hugs—Church Lounge 7 p.m. Midweek Lent Worship—Sanctuary 7 p.m. 5th Grade First Communion Class—Community Center 7 p.m. AA-Café 7 p.m. Living Your Strengths—Meeting Room 1
<b>Thursday (March 1)</b>	8:30 a.m. Book Fair—Mini Gym (until 4 p.m.) 7 p.m. Life With Jesus—Church Lounge 7 p.m. Purls Knitting—Meeting Room 4/5 7 p.m. Voices in Praise—Choir Room
<b>Friday (2)</b>	8:30 a.m. Book Fair—Mini Gym (until 2:30 p.m.) 9 a.m. MOPS Steering—Church Lounge 7 p.m. NA Meeting—Community Center
<b>Saturday (3)</b>	7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study—Meeting Room 1 8 a.m. Upwards Game Day—Gym 5 p.m. Worship—Sanctuary

### PRAYER LIST

#### Members Who Are Ill/Recovering

Helen Luft, Joan Turner, Caroline Gallagher, Caritza Alvarez, Carol Jobse, Tim Crosby, Hal Geddes, Roy Jackson, Arletha Kandt, John Gehm, Onalee Young, Kristie Bennett, Josephine Young, Patti Kennedy, Carol Matthews, Frank and Kathy Carpenter, Jerry Smigielski, Judy Williams, Tom Gastmeier, Jr., Kris Pauli, Dexter Sieger, Barbara Sink, Sue Hefling, Kathie Anderson, Dale Batkins, John Cress, Patti Braga, Elaine Liss, Ethel Cook, Mark Heymoss, Donna Lockhart, Arlene Bennett, Karen Alwardt

#### Others Who Are Ill/Recovering

Kelly Tanzey, Chip Arbanas, Kathy Kotas, Renee and Victor Hecker, Bob Cain, Rich Hawick, Marilyn Krula, Flo Wagner, Nicole Avery, Chris Marten, Regina Ostaszewska Baby Frankie, Tim Devore, Brandon Haschig, Cindy Snay, Greg Ohly, Don Klestin, Erika Quinn, Brad Newer, Donald Westen, Tomika Pratt, Beth Dankert, John Aiken, Doug Zmijeski, Tammy, Ariana Fergusson Catherine Landa, Russ Oddo, Lori Leman, Susan B., Sandy Haymes, Kenton Stacy, Christie Johnson, Gregg Glen, Ann Wadsworth, Elena Krygier, Ken Verhamme, Dante Aguanno  
*\*If you have submitted a prayer request for a non-member, please update the church office on the status so that this list remains current.\**

#### Special Prayers:

† For the Sick and Suffering  
† For our Trinity IMPACT Missions  
† For the addicted and the imprisoned  
† For the unborn, the disabled, and aging

In Memoriam: Barbara King and Janice Schwark

#### Those Serving in the Armed Forces

Art Baker, Daniel Bergstresser, Jeremy Bridgeman, Louis Cage, Shelby Clippard, Joe Cognitore, Chad Czischke, Richard Dembowski, Jorge Dimmer, Don Ehrke, John Fill, Melissa Flood, Anthony Gaiera, Isaac Gibson, Matthew Hudson, Joseph Jedenasty, Michael Kayser, Daniel Klein, Kory Kramer, Brenden Kronner, Tyler Konwinski, Garret LaBudde, Thomas LeClair, Ethan LeClair, Jason Lipka, Logan McFarland, David A. MacArthur, Sally Maize, Anthony Marsack, Mario Marval, M. Scott McCormick, Rodrigo Mendoza, Matthew Moeser, Michael Niemczyk, Renae Niemczyk, Christine Olivares, Derek Olivares, Brandon Pirrone, Graham Puranen, John Renard, Zachary Rice, Michael Rich, Tyler Rakowski, Sean Schess, Troy Sears, Joshua Schumaker, Christopher Stanifer, Adam Taber, Jeremy Webber, Thomas Woloszyk, Zachary Woomer

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## Today at a Glance: Sunday, Feb. 25, 2018

8 a.m. Worship—Sanctuary  
9:30 a.m. Preschool Sunday School—Kindergarten Room  
9:30 a.m. 252—Early Childhood Center  
9:30 a.m. Middle School Ministry—Youth Lounge  
9:30 a.m. A Lasting Promise—Church Lounge  
9:30 a.m. Activating God's Space—Meeting Room 1  
9:30 a.m. Jonah—Meeting Room 4/5  
9:30 a.m. Gospel of St. John—Chapel  
11 a.m. Worship—Sanctuary

## What's Happening at Trinity

**LENT MIDWEEK WORSHIP**—Join us each Wednesday at noon and 7 p.m. as we spend time with Jesus. Our midweek worship includes scripture, prayer, personal reflection and the Lord's Supper. Join us and be refreshed.

**LENT CROSSTALK** We will be providing Crosstalk Audio Devotions during the week days of Lent. They'll be sent directly to you e-mail inbox. Or, you can subscribe to them on iTunes or Google Play. For more information, contact Rebecca Thomas at rthomas@trinityct.org.

**EASTER FOOD BASKETS**—Trinity's Pantry will distribute about 50 Easter food baskets to the need. We will start taking names on March 5, distribution will be March 24. The food pantry needs the support of Trinity to make this happen. We need the following items: ham, boxed scalloped potatoes, sweet potatoes or yams, corn or green beans, rolls and butter, fruit pie or cake. If you would like to make a food donation, bring the items to the church office or the school kitchen from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**EASTER FLOWER SALES** - Starting March 3/4, Easter Flowers can be ordered after Church Services in the foyer. Hydrangeas are \$18, lilies are \$11 and mums are \$10. They will beautify the Lords House and serve as a beautiful gift, centerpiece or even an addition to your garden this spring! Contact Faith Briggs at fbriggs45@yahoo.com for more info.

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## > ENGAGE GOD

**LENTEN SERMON SERIES:** This weekend, we begin a new preaching series, The Story of Jesus in the Stories of Jesus. During Lent we will be drawn more deeply into the story of Jesus' life, death and resurrection as we examine some of the parables that Jesus told. Plan to be with us as we worship together this Lenten Season.

**PARENTS OF 5TH GRADERS**—The First Communion Faith Stepping Stone begins soon. This stepping stone provides an opportunity for parents and children to explore together the beautiful mystery of Holy Communion. Plan to be with us Wednesday, Feb. 28, March 7, March 14 and March 21 at 7 p.m. in the Community Center as we have spiritual conversations that we hope will last a lifetime. You child's first opportunity to receive the Lord's Supper is March 29 at 7 p.m. To sign up, contact the Church Office at 586-463-2921 or email Robin Shuell at rshuell@trinityct.org.

### **SUNDAY BIBLE STUDIES – Classes begin at 9:30 a.m. unless otherwise noted.**

**A LASTING PROMISE**—Based on solid biblical principles with an active learning process, "A Lasting Promise" will engage couples to go deeper in their understanding of God's design for marriage and how they can make that a reality in their lives. This 9-session series combines foundational teaching with the latest and most current scientific research on positive relationships. Come and learn how to strengthen your marriage promise to be indeed be a "lasting" one. Advance Registration Required Materials fee: \$30 per couple. Facilitator: David Brown L.P.C. Location: Church Lounge

**ACTIVATING GOD SPACE** —You've felt that tug... a friend, co-worker, family member or someone you've just met is talking- and you sense God is nudging you to say something. But what do you say? What don't you say? How can you bring God into the conversation without shutting it down? The Holy Spirit can do amazing things through everyday conversation. This 6-session video-based study will give you fresh insights and practical tools for connecting with others about the things that matter most. Leader: Sue von Fange. Location: Room 1

**THE GOSPEL OF ST. JOHN** — Come for an in-depth exploration of John's Gospel. What are the main themes? How does John present Jesus and his ministry? For whom was the Gospel written? What does John tell us that is unique to his message? Leaders: Pastors Ken and Pastor Gary. Location: Chapel.

**NEW SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY -JONAH.** Jonah was a reluctant prophet given a mission he found distasteful. He chose to run away from God rather than obey him. Like Jonah, we may find that we are resistant to the purposes and commands of God. Sometimes we may want to turn and run like Jonah. But Jonah finally realized by obeying God he received God's compassion, mercy, strength and ability to carry out his mission. Join us for an in-depth study of the book of Jonah to see what we can learn from Jonah's lesson. Begins Sunday, Feb 18 at 9:30 a.m. Leader: Kathy Bell, location: Rooms 4-5

252 — Our Sunday morning experience for K-5th graders continues today at 9:30 a.m. in the Early Childhood Center. For info, contact Jeremy at jashley@trinityct.org or 586-463-8803.

**ATTENTION MIDDLE SCHOOLERS:** We meet in the Youth Lounge for our Sunday morning middle school gathering at 9:30 a.m. Can't wait to see y'all.

**PRESCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL** meets at 9:30 a.m. in the kindergarten classroom. It is open to children 3 and 4 years old. For more information, contact Jeremy Ashley at jashley@trinityct.org or 586-463-8803.

## **MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY AND GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES**

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** - Proverbs is the Bible's own how-to manual. The wisdom contained in its practical and simple instructions will help you to be successful and prosperous in your work, your dealings with family and friends, and your relationship with God. Continues Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. Leaders: Lila Tirsell and Mary Hartman. Location: Rooms 4-5.

**DISCERNING GOD'S VOICE** – A new Women's video study featuring Pricilla Shirer. This series will help you discover how you can listen with greater confidence, clarity and discernment to God speaking through His Word. continues, 9:45–11am. Leader: Gloria Heymoss. Location: Church Lounge.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY – "ENTRUSTED"** by Beth Moore. This is a study of 1st and 2nd Timothy. Questions? Please contact Bonnie Young at 586 350 3222 or bonnie@youngspace.org. Location: Chapel. Continues Mondays at 7 p.m.

**NEW MEN'S BIBLE STUDY – "EPHESIANS"** - Broken marriages, shattered friendships, racial divisions, war between nations-we live in a fractured world. How can the pieces be put back together? In Ephesians Paul lifts the veil from the future to allow us to see God's plan to unite everyone and everything in Christ. Studying this book will renew your hope. Starts Wednesday, March 7, 6–7 a.m. Location: Church Lounge. (study guide, coffee and pastries provided)

## > ENGAGE GOD'S PEOPLE

**THE FIRST ROSA**—Everyone is invited to the movies on Wednesday, Feb. 28, at 1 p.m. in the Church Lounge. We will be showing "The First Rosa", a movie produced by the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. It is a film that will enlighten the church to Dr. Rosa J. Young's remarkable history as a pioneer Lutheran educator and missionary, who alongside the Rev. Nils J. Bakke, planted dozens of historically black Lutheran schools and chapels in the American South. The movie is approximately 45 minutes. Popcorn will be served.

**FELLOWSHIP WITH SENIORS** will meet on Tuesday, Feb. 27 at noon in the Community Center. Bring your own lunch and we'll furnish the dessert, coffee and tea. After lunch we will be playing Euchre, Pinochle or 10,000. Pastor Gary will lead our devotions if he is available. Don't forget to bring a can of soup (not creamed) for our Soup-a-rama next month. See you there!

**TRINITY LUTHERAN GOLF LEAGUE** has openings for Lutheran men to share fun and fellowship. Come join us in April on Monday evenings, 5:26 p.m., at Golden Hawk GC (28 Mile/Meisner Rd and County Line Road). Learn more at our meeting Monday, March 19 at 7p.m., in the Community Center. Contact Manny Delitala 586-321-6207.

**LIFT WOMEN'S CONFERENCE**—The annual Ladies in Faith Together Conference, "The Clothes Line," will be held Saturday, April 21 at the Wyndham Garden Hotel in Sterling Heights. The conference will feature speaker Michele Pillar, an author, speaker and singer who is also a three-time Grammy and Dove nominee. Michelle will weave her story of accepting the "garments" she has "worn" her entire life and how she found redemption and acceptance as a woman of God. Tickets are \$35 if purchased by March 25 and \$40 until April 8. This is a multigenerational conference for high school-age and older. Tickets include the speaker, buffet lunch, conference materials and vendor sale. A portion of the registration fee includes a donation to the LIFT charity: Elli's House. A registration form is available in the Church Office and at the Welcome Center. Registration assistance available in the lobby before and after the 11 service on March 11. For information, contact Sue Wise at amskwise@gmail.com.

**MOPS NEEDS CAREGIVERS**—Trinity's MOPS program is in need of caregivers to tend to the young children while the mothers meet. MOPS meets the first, third and fifth Wednesday of every month from 9-11:15 a.m. Children range in age from 6 months to 5 years. If interested, contact Stacey Cox at 586-929-0329.

**PAPER HUGS SALUTES THE MILITARY**—The Paper Hugs Crew is always looking for ways to bless someone with our "Paper Hugs" -- cards sent to lift spirits and brighten an otherwise too-quiet day. One of our missions is to reach out to those serving in the military. We have a long list of members of the military in our weekly bulletins and in the Announcer, but we don't have addresses. We are asking for either the Military members address or perhaps the family address of a Military member that will forward our card to the intended. The addresses will NOT be shared or used in any other way. Please contact Robin Shuell in the church office at 586-463-2921 x 143 or e-mail to rshuell@trinityct.org.

**MOPS CROP**—12th Annual Trinity MOPS Crop, a scrapbooking fundraiser, will be held Saturday, March 10. Reserve your spot now. Registration is \$45 for half day and \$50 for full day. Participants receive work space, continental breakfast, snacks, coffee, soft drinks, lunch, dinner and desserts. There will also be raffles, a silent auction and a variety of premium vendors. Sponsorship opportunities are also available. For information, e-mail TrinityCTmops@gmail.com.

**EVERY MARRIAGE NEEDS A TUNE-UP!** Enhance your relationship by attending Lutheran Marriage Encounter on March 9-11 at the Comfort Inn in Birch Run, MI. Apply now at [www.GodLovesMarriage.org](http://www.GodLovesMarriage.org) or contact Albert & Sally Chan at Sallyalme@yahoo.com or 517-540-0781 for more information. Preregistration is required – don't miss out!

**STEPHEN MINISTRY**—Our Stephen Ministers are trained to listen. They will hear what you share and provide loving, non-judgmental support and you work through personal challenges or difficult life situation. For more information, call the church office at 586-463-2921.

**BARNABAS MINISTRY**—Would you or someone you know like a friendly visit from our Barnabas Ministry? We share the love of Jesus with others. Call Church Office at 586-463-2921 set up a monthly visit with a volunteers. If you are interested in joining the Barnabas team, contact Pastor Gary at pastorgary@trinityct.org or call 586-463-2921.

## > ENGAGE THE WORLD

**QUILTERS WANTED**—The Trinity Quilters for Lutheran World Relief meet the third Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m. in the Community Center. Bring a lunch.

**LITTLE DRESSES & BRITCHES SEWING FRIENDS:** Have you made a Pillowcase Dress yet? PLEASE HELP with this loving mission as 2018 is already under way and the gift of sewing for the world's need children is going full force. Please continue your wonderful talent and know these children smile when you send these items year after year. Many Thanks from the grateful children! '