

# Blessings

Trinity Lutheran Church



Evangelical Lutheran  
Church in America  
God's work. Our hands.

February  
2018

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## Worship Times

Sunday Morning

10:30 am—Traditional

\*Communion offered on the 1st & 3rd  
Sundays of the month

## Education

Wednesday Morning

9:45 am—Bible Study

Sunday

9:00 am—Sunday School

6:00 pm—Youth Group

5:00 pm—Confirmation Class

## Greetings to You From the Pastor's Desk!

"If indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory." (Romans 8:17)

As a church we are entering into the season of Lent. We celebrated the Epiphany of the manifestation of Christ to the

neighbors as represented by the Magi (Matthew 2:1-12). The word Lent derived from the Latin "Quadragesima" which means "the forty." The forty days counted from Ash Wednesday to Easter exempt Sundays.

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During this season, Christians commit themselves to repent and prepare spiritually for the celebration of Easter.

Lent is the favorable season for renewing our relationship with Christ, who lives in his Word, in the Sacrament, and in our neighbor. It also reminds us that it is possible to create something new within ourselves and around us. Biblically, the number "forty" always has special spiritual significance: Moses stayed

with the Lord for 40 days and nights (Ex 34: 28). Elijah walked forty days and nights (1 Kgs 19: 8). Jesus fasted and prayed for forty days (Mt. 4:2). The fruit of forty days is either a new beginning or a significant change. What about us? What new beginning do you expect after spending forty days in devotion?

In Lenten time many Christians grow in spiritual discipline, such as daily devotion, fast and give up certain luxuries in order to remember Jesus' journey into the

desert for 40 days.

On Ash Wednesday, the imposition of ashes invites us to return to the baptismal font where we received the sign of the cross on our foreheads. It is also a time to remember the suffering and death of Christ on the cross.

When we are entering into the Lenten season, may the Holy Spirit enrich and empower us to follow the footsteps of Jesus.

Shalom

Pr. Emmanuel

## Lenten Soup Schedule

We have been invited to participate in the Lenten Soup Suppers. Below are the dates, times and location for the suppers.

**Soup will be served at 6:00 pm**

**Devotion at 7:00 pm**

February 21 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church

February 28 at First Presbyterian Church

March 7 at Trinity Lutheran Church

March 14 at St. Peter's Episcopal Church

March 21 at Otterbein United Methodist Church



## Celebrations

### Birthdays

- 2/1 John Parks
- 2/2 Doris Kemp
- 2/6 Wanda Krug
- 2/6 Donna Spencer
- 2/8 Chris Penumaka
- 2/12 Doris Neese
- 2/15 Alyson Connors
- 2/16 Mark Lucas
- 2/21 John Hancock
- 2/23 Shelby Aughe
- 2/23 Kylie Ottinger
- 2/24 Holli Decker
- 2/27 Andrew Thomas
- 2/29 Tammy Campbell

### Anniversaries

- 2/17 Sheri & William Riegel



## Alter Flowers

Thank you to all of you who donate flowers for the altar in celebration of life events and for the glory of God.

- February 4 Campbell's
- February 11 In Honor of Jeff & Anne Thomas' Parents
- February 18 Kyle Ottinger's 13th Birthday
- February 25 Andrew Thomas' Birthday

## February



Week Of	12/31	1/7	1/21	1/28
Current Expenses	\$1,346.00	\$2,686.75	\$1,298.00	\$1,669.00
Restricted Funds	\$30.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$10.00
Special Projects	\$20.00	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
Sunday School	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Deposit	\$1,396.00	\$2,701.75	\$1,338.00	\$1,704.00

# Giving Report

Ask about electronic giving.

## Enjoy the Convenience of Electronic Giving

As **Trinity Lutheran Church** continues into 2018, it is important to know what support we can depend on from our congregation members. By knowing what you are willing to commit financially, we are able to better plan for the future. Please consider set-

ting up a recurring giving plan.

Automating your financial commitments means your contributions will be received on a steady, uninterrupted basis.

To set up a recurring giving schedule, complete a paper authorization form and return it to Joyce Wallace, Financial Secretary.



## ELECTRONIC GIVING

The authorization forms can be found on the hallway bulletin board.

## Church Office Note

If you are unable to do your Sunday Servant position, please make sure to find someone to switch with you! The schedule is posted a month in advance on the bulletin board outside the office. Remember the office work is being handled by our church council members who are full time professionals as well as parents.

## Church Council Members

Tom Coulter - President  
 Steve Thomas - Vice President  
 Tammy Campbell - Secretary  
 Frank Jensen - Treasurer  
 Joyce Wallace - Financial Secretary  
 Jeff Thomas - Member at Large  
 Carol Jensen - Member at Large

<b>Serving</b>	<b>2/4</b>	<b>2/11</b>	<b>2/18</b>	<b>2/25</b>	
<b>Greeters</b>	Peters	Campbells	Inskeep	Anne & Jeff Thomas	
<b>Acolyte</b>	Chris P.	Kylie O.	Ian C.	Kylie O.	
<b>Lector</b>	Tom C.	Robin N.	Valerie C.	Nick R.	
<b>Children's Church</b>	Anne T. Willow P.	Laura W. Sara H.	Brenda P. Joshua P.	Sara H. Logan W.	
<b>Communion Assistant</b>	Holli D.	x	Cheri T.	x	
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Joyce W.	Joyce W.	Laura W.	Laura W.	
<b>Music Specialist</b>	John R.	John R.	Charile F.	Valerie C.	
<b>Usher Team</b>	Dave W. Steve T.	Gene B. Tammy C.	Tom C. Gary P.	Tammy C. Eric W.	
<b>Counting Team</b>	Valerie C. Eric W.	Julie B. Bob B.	Dorothy C. Rick H.	Steve T. Charlie F.	

# February 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat						
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# Shop & Swipe Your Kroger Plus Card in 2018

Be sure to re-enroll your Kroger Plus card in 2018. All participants must re-enroll each year to continue earning rewards for their chosen organization at [www.kroger.com/communityrewards](http://www.kroger.com/communityrewards). Once you've successfully enrolled and selected Trinity Lutheran as your organization of choice, we

will earn rewards on all eligible purchases you make using your Kroger Plus Card.

You can earn rewards on almost anything, every time you shop. However, there are specific purchases that cannot be included. Alcohol, tobacco, government-assisted prescription purchase, post-

age stamps, Kroger gift cards, reloadable gift cards and debit cards, lottery and promotional tickets, fuel and sales tax are excluded from eligible purchases. Eligible Pharmacy purchases include out-of-pocket co-pays for non-government-assisted Pharmacy programs.

## Homebound Members

We are looking for a team of dedicated volunteers to deliver Holy Communion to our homebound members. Each month our homebound members are divided into geographic groups of no more than 2-3 visits. Our visitors call the folks on their list and arrange a visit time. Doesn't this sound like a great way to serve? Sign up today on the mission board.

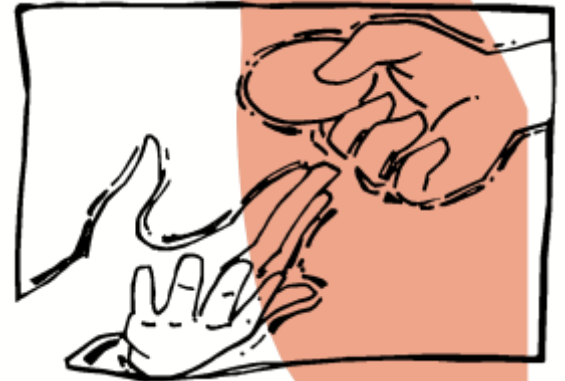
### Homewood Healthcare

#### Center

- Keith Burkholder
- Phyllis Mezger

### Parkwood Nursing Home:

- Eileen Battcher
- #### Homebound:
- Jean Myers
  - Sandy Neese
  - Marilyn Ratcliff



# Education

## Bible Study

Every Wednesday we will discuss the upcoming gospel text for Sunday's service.

**When:** Wednesdays

**Time:** 9:45am to 10:45 am

**Where:** Fellowship Hall

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## Celebration Fellowship

We will celebrate once a month birthdays and anniversaries by having fellowship.

**When:** 4th Sunday

**Time:** 10:00 to 10:30 am

**Where:** Fellowship Hall

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## Table Fellowship

This is a men's fellowship group that will meet twice a month as we become the men God designed us to be.

**When:** 1st & 3rd Saturday

**Time:** 8:00 am to 9:00 am

**Where:** Bob Evans

## Sunday School

Middle School thru High School

**When:** 1st & 3rd Sunday

**Time:** 9:00am to 10:00 am

**Where:** Youth Group Room

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## Sunday School

Toddler thru Elementary

**When:** During Sermon

**Time:** 10:30 am

**Where:** Preschool Room

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## Confirmation Class

Those going into 7th grade

**When:** Every Sunday Evening

**Time:** 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm

**Where:** Youth Group Room

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## Women's Group

Information coming soon.





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# Bishop's Day for Youth

INDIANA-KENTUCKY SYNOD

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**8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Graders and Adult Mentors**



**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2018**

Join us on Saturday, February 10, 2018, at Pilgrim Lutheran Church in Carmel, Indiana, for Bishop's Day for Youth. Registration begins at 9:30 am (continental breakfast will be available) and the day begins at 10:00 am. Students in grades 8 through 12, as well as adult chaperones, are invited to join Bishop Bill Gafkjen for conversation, worship, games, workshops, a service project, lunch, and lots of fun. Molly Beck Dean, Director of the ELCA Youth Gathering, will help lead and will share information about this summer's Youth Gathering in Houston.

Register by emailing Pastor Dan Fugate at [dfugate@iksynod.org](mailto:dfugate@iksynod.org). Cost is just \$5 per person.

Overnight housing is available on Friday night. There is also the option of a Friday evening activity. Please let us know if you are interested. We will make it happen!

**Pilgrim Lutheran Church, 3650 West 106<sup>th</sup> Street, Carmel, IN 46032**



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