

March 17, 2024

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

- Sunday, March 17, 8:30 a.m. Bible Study, Conference Room
- Sunday, March 17, 9:00 a.m. American Sign Language (ASL) class, Library
- Sunday, March 17, 9:30 a.m. Livestream Service, Sanctuary
- Sunday, March 17, 10:30 a.m. Education Hour, Chapel/Youth Room/Fellowship Hall
- Sunday, March 17, (No Handbell or Orchestra Rehearsals)
- Monday, March 18, 6:30 p.m. Men's Night Out, Perkins
- Tuesday, March 19, 9:30 a.m. Bible Study, Conference Room
- Wednesday, March 20, 7:15 a.m. Prayer Group, Chapel
- Wednesday, March 20, 9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting, Conference Room
- Wednesday, March 20, 2:00 p.m. Prayer Group, Zoom
- Wednesday, March 20, 5:30 p.m. Lenten Soup Supper, Fellowship Hall
- Wednesday, March 20, 6:30 p.m. Lenten Evening Service, Sanctuary
- Wednesday, March 20, 7:00 p.m. TLC Choir Rehearsal, Music Room
- Friday, March 22, 9:00 a.m. Handbell Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Upcoming Speakers:

- April 7 - Stephen Ministry · April 28 - Dr. Andrew Eisenberg
- April 14 - Katherine Dinsdale (Family Promise) · May 19 - Dr. V. Mendoza (Brown vs. Board)

Spam Reminder: Keep in mind that Pastor Jeff and/or TLC staff will never ask for money or gift cards via text or email. If you receive any concerning messages, please call the church office.

Easter Lilies: Please notice the insert in your bulletin, and simply place the order form with payment in the offering plate if you are interested (include a note if you'd prefer to pay online).

Easter Breakfast: This year, we are pleased to provide catered breakfast casseroles between the 7:00 and 9:30 Easter morning services, with the meal lasting from 8:00-9:15 a.m. If you would like to contribute fresh fruit, coffee cakes, or help with the kitchen, please sign up in the Narthex or email kate@tlclawrence.org. Thank you!



- FROM PASTOR -

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Over the last few months I have been conversation with our Synod about continuing ministry here or moving back to Iowa. Last week Candace and I decided on the latter — motivated by a flexible future more than any present or future challenges at Trinity. It is rarely a convenient time, but a healthy time for a change in pastors is when things are going well. My last Sunday will be April 28. We hope to use the month of May for vacation and the move. Candace and I ask that we put aside farewells until late April! We will miss worshipping at Trinity! If you did not receive the E-blast on Thursday, it is included in our bulletin.

Listed below is our Holy Week and Easter schedule. The changes in 2024 are the earlier times of our Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services, and location of the 4th Annual Easter Sunrise Service. March 31 is as early as Easter can be --- and likely as cold as it can be --- so we are moving it from South Park into the enclosed Courtyard at Trinity. If it is too cold or crowded in the Courtyard we will move into the gathering/chapel space.

Our Holy Week & Easter Sunday schedule:

- 6:30 PM Maundy Thursday Holy Communion, Sanctuary
- 6:30 PM Good Friday Worship, Sanctuary
- 7:00 AM Easter Sunrise in the Trinity Courtyard (Seating provided - dress warmly!)
- 8:00 - 9:15 AM Easter Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall
- 9:00 AM TLC Youth Arrive in the Chapel to hide Easter eggs
- 9:30 AM Easter Worship in the Sanctuary (nursery provided)
- 10:35 AM Children meet in the Chapel for Sunday School Easter Egg Hunt

TLC Offices will be closed for the day following Easter on Monday, April 1

Renewing, Rejoicing and Reaching Out!

Pastor Jeff



Welcome!

Trinity Lutheran Church is "a place of grace with a call for all to continue the work of Jesus!" We are committed to seeing Christ in everyone. We celebrate our human family's diversity of race, ethnicity, age, faith history, economic status, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, education, physical and mental abilities. We are united in Christ and our growth is nurtured by embracing our differences. As a place of grace with a call for all, we invite all people to grow with us toward greater love, understanding, and mutual respect.



Safety Notice:

If ever needed, our **AED** (Defibrillator) is located on the north wall across from the courtyard. **First Aid kits** are in left drawers of the office copier room, both kitchens, in the sanctuary entrance usher closet, and in the basement Nursery.

(785) 843-4150
tlcoffice@tlclawrence.org

9:30 a.m. Livestream
www.tlclawrence.org
and 11:00 a.m. Radio
Broadcast on KLWN
1320 AM and 101.7 FM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

— Opportunities to “Reach Out”—


Justice Matters:

Last Sunday, 21 Trinity Justice ministry members gathered together to hear progress toward solutions to homelessness and increasing the elder care workforce. The justice team at Trinity works year round toward the goal of living out God's call to "Do Justice" by addressing systems of injustice in our community. Once a year, this team calls for the support of the entire congregation to show up as ONE BODY at the Lied Center as they present and ask for well-researched steps toward solutions. All of the Justice Matters congregations set a goal to bring their average worship attendance to this Action Assembly - "52:1" - if our congregation can come together 52 times a year for worship we can come together 1 time for Justice.

Let's show the Lawrence community that Trinity Lutheran is a vibrant congregation that lives out our faith outside the church walls.

As you receive invitations for this event on April 28th 3pm, please ask any questions you may have and vocalize any needs you may have to address barriers to attend (rides, childcare, etc).

Want to learn more about how to be a part of the Justice Team here at Trinity? Contact Virgil Dean 785-424-5115 or Chelsy Larson 785-760-3707.



Family Promise:

Big news for Family Promise! FPL is purchasing a building to use as a safe temporary family shelter, located at 200 Mt. Hope Ct. This will increase our capacity up to 6 families at a time and reduce trauma for those entering shelter. We hope to open the doors to families in the fall of 2024. This will offer fresh and exciting opportunities for volunteers! Trinity will be an active part of the new shelter, providing dinner hosts, meals, and programs/events for children. Stay tuned for more information about volunteer training and opportunities.



Save the Date for VBS:

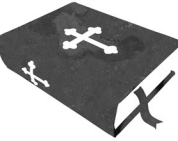
Vacation Bible School will be hosted by First Baptist Church this summer during the week of June 10-13 (Mon-Thurs), 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. More details coming soon for families and volunteers!



Lonely? Sad? Discouraged? Going through a tough time - emotionally or spiritually? Struggling with a crisis in life? Or simply feeling down? Consider letting a Stephen Minister help!

A **Stephen Minister** is a member of our congregation who is trained to listen, care, encourage, pray, and walk alongside you during difficult times. It's confidential, free and very helpful. To learn more, contact one of our Stephen Leaders:

Debra Black 785-766-6544	Charles Baars 785-772-1872
Pastor Jeff 785-843-4150	Ruth Sarna 785-842-0230




Adult Bible Study: *Due to the fixing of the elevator (YAY!), the Sunday morning bible studies have returned to the Social Room from 10:45 - 11:30 A.M.*


March 17 -- This year's Palm Sunday account and passion narrative are from Mark's Gospel (Mark 14:1--15:47). What unique themes does Mark present in his Gospel?

March 24 -- The account of the day of Jesus' resurrection in Mark's Gospel (Mark 16:1-8) at first reading seems incomplete and leaves the reader unsatisfied, wanting more. There is no resurrection appearance, no earthquake to explain the movement of the stone at the tomb's entrance, no conversation between Mary and the risen Christ, no disciples running to see the empty tomb. Perhaps most troubling, there is no telling of the good news of the resurrection to anyone. The Gospel ends (originally) with the women leaving the tomb saying nothing to anyone, "for they were afraid" (Mark 16:8 NRSV). What is going on?

March 31 -- *No Adult Bible Study, due to Easter breakfast.*


Our Fellowship Team is excited to provide an all-ages trip for the TLC congregation to visit one of the tulip garden sites in Topeka this spring (April 10-26). We can coordinate rides for those unable to drive. If this is something you are interested in, please let Kate know so we can consider the best calendar options, transportation needs, and location based on those participating.






Today's **Radio Broadcast** is given by Beryl Kaufman in loving memory of her husband Melvin, whose birthday would have been March 5.

Church Directory Photos: Please send your recent family snapshot or individual photo to tlcoffice@tlclawrence.org. If you do *not* have a recent photo of your own to submit, or a convenient way to obtain one, you may ask Kevin Boatright for assistance. New members since 2021 do not need to send theirs, since we already have them!



Send Us Your Photos!

If you would like to sponsor **Altar Flowers** or the **Radio Broadcast** in honor or memory of someone special please follow the QR code or contact the office for a list of available dates. Thank you for your help!



PRAYERS NEEDED

We pray for strength and comfort for Steven and Crystal Miles and their family on the death of Steve's father Lewis Miles. May he rest in the loving arms of his Savior. 5/5/1930 -3/5/2024

Those ill, injured, or in need of support

Members: Joan Wells, Alexandra (daughter of Joy and Shawn Gross, granddaughter of Karen Grisafe), Terry Wells, Jere McElhaney, Jacob Hecker, Kelly Cooper, Webb and Anna Hecker, Martha Rowe

Relatives or friends of members: Joanne McKeon (mother of Heather Moore's partner), Jacob Hecker (son of Webb and Anna Hecker), Sarah Hickey (daughter of Karen Hickey), Sheryl Mason (friend of Kathy Buffington), Debbie Baars Littlefield (sister of Charles Baars), Jenny (daughter of Melanie King), Sedeqe (granddaughter of Karen Hickey), Tucker, Karen McCarley Wallace (friend of Julie Crowe), Donna Engwall (daughter of Barbara Kurtz), Glynda Behrens (friend of Kathy Buffington), Ron Tilghman (brother-in-law of Joe Box), Beverly King (daughter-in-law of Melanie King), Joyce Lancaster (niece of Barb Bishop)

After 3 months, names will be removed from the prayer list unless you ask us to keep your name on the list.

To add prayer listing requests, contact Harriet Shaffer at: shafferharriet@gmail.com or (785) 393-1063.

For prayer chain requests, contact Ruth Sarna at: rsarna@sunflower.com or (785) 842-0230.

