In Stitches Group

If you do any kind of handwork (stitching, knitting, crochet or whatever) you are invited to come each Wednesday at 10:00 am. We meet in the Church Parlor to enjoy good fellowship and have a wonderful time.





Prayer Meeting

Each Wednesday, we meet at 5:30 pm in the church parlor for prayer. If you have a private prayer request, please put it in writing and put it in one of the offering envelopes found on the back of the pews.

These will not be opened and no one will read these but we will pray over them and then they will be burned.

God's blessing on these groups



Grab Your Hats

This group stays busy visiting our shut-ins or members in the hospital so grab your funny hat and join

Them. They meet the first Thursday of each month at 1:00 pm at the church and spread joy wherever they go!



group meets at 11:00 on
Tuesdays to study God's word
then, we go to lunch afterward.
We also change the paraments
on the altar at the appropriate
seasons. This is a wonderful
group of women and everyone is
invited to come join us.



(Trinity's News And Tidbits)

MARCH, 2019 Newsletter



Trinity Lutheran Church 3505 Kemp Blvd. Wichita Falls, Texas 76308 940-692-4100 www.trinitylutheranwf.com

Our Church is led by Rev. Christopher Yanker

Our Mission

We invite and welcome all into the community of faith and empowered by the **Holy Spirit** to serve **Jesus**, go out and **share God's Love**.

We observe open communion to all those who believe in the real presence of Jesus' body and blood, in the bread and wine, for the forgiveness of sins.



Grace to you and peace from our Father and our Lord Jesus Christ.

March, 2019

Thanking God for seeing us through the Epiphany, during which time we lost three members of our congregation that were called for higher service. May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed Rest in peace! This year Ash Wednesday will fall on the 6th of March, where we will be remembering that "out of dust we came, and unto dust we shall return ". Lent is a time we get ourselves prepared for Easter. It is a time when Christians observe a period of fasting, repentance, meditation, self-control, and Spiritual discipline. The purpose is to set aside time for reflection on Jesus Christ, His suffering, His death, burial and resurrection. During the 6 weeks of self-examination in Lent, we are to commit ourselves to fasting, or to give up something or a habit that we cherish so much in our lives for the sake of Jesus Christ. We can add things to our life like daily prayer and regular worship. The significance of the 40 days period of Lent is based on two episodes of scriptural testing in the Bible. The 40 years of wilderness wandering by the Israelites after the exodus from Egypt. Then the temptations of Jesus Christ after spending 40 days fasting in the wilderness.

Certain things to observe during fasting.

- 1- Hold the right motive. Humble yourself before God as a way of glorifying our Lord, and not a way of losing weight. Christ should be the center of focus!
- 2- Prayers and confession. Confess every sin in your life and invite! the Holy Spirit into your life.
- 3- Meditate on the Gospel, and the holy traits of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, that includes LOVE and FORGIVENESS. The purpose of fasting is to take the focus off of being fulfilled by anything other than God.

You can confess your addiction to worldly things to the Lord, and fast with the anticipation that He will free you from it. Fasting and praying can help you gain mastery over your thought, and behavior.

The enemy will try to attack you with all kinds of nonsense, but if you prepare for the attack with God's word, you will stand strong. After breaking the fast, employ the wisdom, and self-control that you gained during your fast, and refuse to accept your former behavior.

May God continue to see us through the Lent.

Yours in His service,

Rev Christopher Yanker.

EXCERPTS OF CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING FEBRUARY, 2019

- 1. Meeting was called to order by Gary Pearce
- 2. Devotion was given by Pastor Yanker.
- 3. Minutes from January meeting were approved.
- 4. Treasurer's report was approved and will be filed for audit.
- 5. Pastor reported he is continuing monthly visits to homebound to give communion. He has conducted three funerals this month. General Assembly will be April 26-27. Need delegates.
- 6. The various ministry reports were presented.
- 7. Gary read thank you letter from Pastor Levi John of King of Kings in Sierra Leone for Trinity's contribution.
- 8. The meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm with the Lord's Prayer.

The **2019 NTNL Synod Assembly** will be held April 26th – 27th at Calvary Lutheran Church in Richland Hills. The Theme this year is "What happens in the church doesn't stay in the church." We have two votes so if you would like to represent our church, please let Pastor know so that reservations can be made,

Community Outreach

We are still saving Pennies for Prescriptions to help Interfaith Outreach with their prescription medication program. The bottle is outside Pastor's office.

There is also a box under the table outside Pastor's office for your old glasses.

The Food Basket is in the hallway of the Fellowship Hall and all donations are welcome. If we have special requests they will be in the weekly bulletin.

We will have our \$1.00 Lunch at MSU Catholic Campus Ministries on Monday, March 11, 2019. If you can help, be there around 11:00. It's so much fun!

If you have anything for the Newsletter or the new Webpage, please contact either myself, Chris Bybee, Community Outreach or Patty Lawrence.

We have received a new address for **James and Betty Offield**. They are living in Sheridan Medical Lodge, 1119 S. Red River Expressway, #316B, Burkburnett, Texas 76354.

March, 2019

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	Ash Wednesday Intinction Lauri O.	Lenten Service Intinction Lauri O.	Lenten Service Intinction Lauri O.	Lenten Service Intinction Lauri O.	Lenten Service Intinction Lauri O.
	Patty & Jim Lawrence	Hildegard Snyder	OPEN	Patty & Jim Lawrence	OPEN
	Elaine Dubray	Darlene Craddock	Blake Craddock	Jim Lawrence	James Beegle
Sunday Surprise	Sandy Johnson	Cindy Pearce	Walt & Glenda Splinter	Jim & Patty Lawrence	OPEN
Lay Reader	Elaine Dubray	Darlene Craddock	Blake Craddock	Jim Lawrence	James Beegle
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USHERS	Calvin Hillen Jeff Hams	Eric Oehlerking	Patty & Jim Lawrence	Frank Schneider Mark Lee	OPEN

The Wichita Falls American Sewing Guild Meets in our church now and we are so happy to have them.

They meet the 1st Monday and Thursday and the 4th Monday of each month. Trinity Lutheran Church – Financial Information

2019 General Fund Summary					
MONTH	BUDGET	INCOME	EXPENSE	VARIANCE	YTD BALANCE
January	\$ 145,370.00	\$ 10,725.95	\$ 11.209.53	(\$ 483.59)	(\$ 483.59)
February	\$ 145,370.00				
March	\$ 145,370.00				
April	\$ 145,370.00				
May	\$ 145,370.00				
June	\$ 145,370.00				
July	\$ 145,370.00				
August	\$ 145,370.00				
Sept.	\$ 145,370.00				
October	\$ 145,370.00				
November	\$ 145,370.00				
December	\$ 145,370.00				

^{*}This summary DOES NOT reflect any activity in the Dedicated Funds such as contributions vs disbursements.

Lectionary Lessons for MARCH, 2019

March 3 rd : Transfiguration of Our Lord (Last	The conversation about Jesus' suffering and
Sunday in Epiphany)	death is enclosed in a dazzling foreshadowing
Exodus 34:29-35	of the resurrection. God affirms Jesus' identity,
Psalm 99	the disciples are stunned speechless, and Jesus
II Corinthians 3:12-4:2	resumes his mission with a demonstration of his
Luke 9:28-43a	power over evil.
March 6th: Ash Wednesday	Jesus' teaching of God's word has begun to
Joel 2:1-2, 12-17	draw great crowds. For Simon, James and John,
Psalm 51:1-17	Jesus' teaching nspires hospitality, then
II Corinthians 5:20b-610	obedience, and then risk. After Jesus' creative
Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21	power is revealed, fear and amazement lead
	these three fishermen to leave everything behind
	in order to become disciples
March 10: First Sunday in Lent	After being filled with the Holy Spirit at his
Deuteronomy 26:1-11	baptism, Jesus is led into the wilderness.
Psalm 91:1-2,9-16	Through his responses to the temptations of the
Romans 10:8b-13	

Luke 4:1-13	devil, he defines what it means to be called "the Son of God."
March 17: Second Sunday in Lent	Neither Herod's plotting nor Jerusalem's
Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18	resistance to maternal love will deter Jesus from
Psalm 27	his sacrificial mission
Philippines 3:17-4:1	
Luke 13:31-35	
March 24 th : Third Sunday in Lent	Asked about current tragic events, Jesus turns a
Isiah 55:1-9	lesson about whether suffering is deserved into
Psalm 63:1-8	a hard call to obedience. He then tells a parable
I Corinthians 10:1-13	that holds out hope that the timeline for ultimate
Luke 13:1-9	judgement will be tempered by patience.
March 31: Fourth Sunday in Lent	Jesus tells a parable about a son who ponders
Joshua 5:9-12	his father's love only after he has spurned it.
Psalm 32	The grace he receives is beyond his hopes. That
II Corinthians 5:16-21	same grace is a crisis for an older brother who
Luke 15:1-3,11b-32	believed it was his obedience that earned his
	place in his father's home.

Happy Birthdays and Anniversaries for MARCH

Happy Birthdays	Happy Anniversaries
Lucas Pena – March 3 rd	
Yvonne Wagenfuehr – March 14 th	
Susan Smith – March 15 th	
Tim Mussachio – March 18 th	
Frank Schneider – March 26 th	



What a wonderful Sunday we had on February 17th. The Bishop, Eric Gronberg, visited our church and gave the message. The luncheon afterward couldn't have been any better and everyone seemed to really enjoy his visit as well as the wonderful food.