

T-N-T/TRINITY NEWS & TIDBITS

MARCH 2022

ISSUE 3



From the Vicar's Desk:

In a flash, we zipped from Epiphany to Lent! The majority of Trinity's congregation felt we did not have enough people to prepare a meal for Wednesday Lenten services or conduct them, and I've been told

Wednesday services did not even happen recently. To continue our worship through Lent, Pastor Barr at Faith Lutheran Church has encouraged us to worship with them on Wednesday evenings. They will be serving Soup & Sandwiches at 6:15pm, and have a brief half-hour Lenten service beginning at 7:00pm. Once again it is a joy to see the unity of Christian churches taking part in this short time together, where Trinity will get to socialize and worship together with our fellow ELCA congregation at Faith and even be joined by the Episcopal Church of Wichita Falls. Pastor Barr happily wants us all to know everyone is always welcome. It is also a great time to invite friends and neighbors since Lenten Wednesday services are non-communion events. Faith's theme for Wednesdays together is, "Turning Toward God's Abundance." While we all acknowledge that Lent is a season of repentance, turning our whole lives to God, Lent also turns us toward Easter. The midweek services will focus on five divine attributes drawn from the gospel texts for Lent Year C: Faithfulness, Mercy, Compassion, Forgiveness, and Love. Each Wednesday service is designed for sustained reflection on the gospel in the context of contemplative prayer, readings, silence, and song. I hope that everyone in our Trinity family can join with Faith's congregation for those events, beginning with their fellowship meal beforehand. Because Lent leans toward Easter, it is perfectly appropriate to be joy-filled and enjoy ourselves whenever we gather as the people of God. Our Sunday Services will remain here at Trinity! Holy Week services will be at Trinity! On Maundy Thursday (April 14th) we will worship with an earlier service at 6:00pm. And, on Good Friday (April 15th) at 6:00pm, we will experience a Tenebrae

Service – a time of contemplation about the passionate sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross. The Good Friday Tenebrae Service is also a time for your involvement in worship – I need seven readers for the Tenebrae Service. Please call or see me to let me know you can help me as a reader. We here at Trinity may be a small family; however, we live in a very big sanctuary. Worship at every service is an opportunity to open our doors to family, friends, neighbors, strangers, and non-church members, inviting them to experience the joy we know in Jesus! Next stop, Easter!!

+Blessings!

Vicar Jon



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Check us out on Facebook. Our Sunday Services are live each Sunday at 10:15 am

Our Mission:

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

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

If you have anything for the Newsletter, contact the office at 940-692-4100.

COMMUNITY/SEVICE, GROWTH/ OUTREACH MINISTRY

PENNIES FOR PRESCRIPTIONS.....

Interfaith Ministries are still implementing this program for the elderly and for persons who can not afford to buy their medications. We have a jug to put change in on the counter on Fellowship Hall.

USED EYE GLASSES

Yes! We still do collect eye glasses and cases. Sunglasses are also needed. So don't throw your old ones away, recycle them and bring them to the church and put in the box for eye glasses. They will be delivered to Hayley's Eye Clinic

FOOD BASKETS.....

Food baskets go Wichita Falls Area Food Bank, Interfaith Outreach and Faith Mission, So lets fill the food baskets to the rim. Let's help stamp out hunger in our neighborhood.

TELLERS LIST

James Lawrence / Patty Lawrence

Eric / Lauri Oehlerking

Erwin Soell / Gail Deason

Carol Jones

Remember if you are a teller on Sunday, and you cannot be one on the Sunday scheduled,

Corny Humor!!!!

- What's more dangerous than pulling a shark's tooth?
Giving a porcupine a back rub!!!
- Why did Beethoven get rid of his chickens?
Because they kept saying "Bach, Bach, Bach!!!"
- What has no beginning, no end, and nothing in the middle?
A doughnut!!



- **Welcome, visitor!** You'll find that in this church, we cherish God's Word as "a lamp to our feet and a light to our path" (Psalm 119:105). We are glad that you have chosen to walk with us today. And we hope that God will move you to share your spiritual journey with us.
- **The Golden Rule** is old, but it's as good as ever. It hasn't been used often enough to wear it out.



MARCH 2022 LAY READERS AND GREETERS

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|----------------|---------|
| Jeff Hams | Mar. 6 |
| Gary Pearce | Mar. 13 |
| Chris Bybee | Mar. 20 |
| James Lawrence | Mar. 27 |



MARCH 2022 LECTIONARY LESSONS

March 6, 2022; First Sunday in Lent

10:15 a.m. Traditional Liturgy; Communion

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

Romans 10:8b-13

Luke 4:1-13

After being filled with the Holy Spirit at his baptism, Jesus is led in the wilderness. Through his responses to the temptations of the devil he defines what it means to be called “the Son of God.”

March 13, 2022; Second Sunday in Lent

10:15 a.m. Traditional Liturgy; Communion

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

Psalm 27

Philippians 3:17-4:1

Luke 13:31-35

Neither Herod’s plotting nor Jerusalem’s resistance to maternal love will deter Jesus from his sacrificial mission.

March 20, 2022; Third Sunday in Lent

10:15 a.m. Traditional Liturgy; Communion

Isaiah 55:1-9

Psalm 63:1-8

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

Luke 13:1-9

Asked about current tragic events, Jesus turns a lesson about whether suffering is deserved into a hard call to obedience. He then tells a parable that holds out hope that the timeline for ultimate judgment will be tempered by patience.

March 27, 2022; Fourth Sunday in Lent

10:15 a.m. Traditional Liturgy; Communion

Joshua 5:9-12

Psalm 32

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Jesus tells a parable about a son who ponders his father’s love only after he has spurned it. The grace he receives is beyond his hopes. That same grace is a crisis for an older brother who believes it is his obedience that has earned his place in the father’s home.

GARDEN OF LIFE

PLANT THREE ROWS OF PEAS

Peas of mind—Peas of heart—Peas of soul.

PLANT FOUR ROWS OF SQUASH

Squash gossip—Squash indifference—Squash grumbling—Squash selfishness.

NO GARDEN SHOULD BE WITHOUT TURNIPS

Turnip for service when needed—Turnip to help one another—Turnip the music and dance.

TO CONCLUDE OUR GARDEN WE MUST HAVE THYME

Thyme for fun—thyme for rest—Thyme for ourselves!!!

Water freely with patience and Cultivate with love.

Pretty good garden, don’t you think?

|  March Volunteers 2022 | 6 | 13 | 20 | 27 |
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|  | Cindy Pearce | Cindy Pearce | Cindy Pearce | Cindy Pearce |
|  | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN | OPEN |
|  | Jeff Hams | Gary Pearce | Chris Bybee | James Lawrence |
|  | Cindy Pearce | Sally Krueger | OPEN | Patty Lawrence |
|  | Jeff Hams | Gary Pearce | Chris Bybee | James Lawrence |
|  | Gail Deason Erwin Soell | Gail Deason Erwin Soell | Gail Deason Erwin Soell | Gail Deason Erwin Soell |
|  | Jeff Hams | Blake Craddock | James & Patty Lawrence | Frank Schneider Mark Lee |

Be Careful What You Say!!!!

In speaking of a person's faults,
Pray don't forget your own;
Remember those with homes of glass
Should seldom throw a stone.

If we have nothing else to do
But talk of those who sin
"Tis better we commence at home,
And from that point begin.

Some may have faults—and who has not?
The old as well as young—
Perhaps we may, for aught we know,
Have fifty to their one.

I'll tell you of a better plan.
You'll find it works full well.
To try my own defects to cure
Before of others tell.

And though I sometimes hope to be
No worse than some I know,
My own shortcomings be me let
The faults if others go.

Then let us all when we commence
To slander friend or foe
Think of the harm one word would do
To those we little know.

Remember, curses sometimes, like
Our chickens, "roost at home,"
Don't speak of others' faults until
We have none of our own.

March

| Sunday | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----|--|--|-----|-----|
| | | 1 | 2 In Stitches 10am Ash Wednes- day 6pm | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 6 Purple Worship 10:15 am | 7 | 8 | 9 In Stitches 10 am | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 13 Purple Worship 10:15 am | 14 Sewing Guild 1 pm | 15 | 16 In Stitches 10 am Council 6:30 pm | 17  | 18 | 19 |
| 20 Purple Worship 10:15 am | 21 | 22 | 23 In Stitches 10 am | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 27 Purple Worship 10:15 am | 28 Sewing Guild 1 pm | 29 | 30 In Stitches 10 am | 31 | | |

Trinity is not having Lenten Services on Wednesday evenings, you may join Faith Lutheran each Wednesday night for soup and sandwiches at 6:15 pm, with a Lenten Service following beginning at 7 pm.

Trinity will be having all Sunday services here at Trinity, plus Maundy Thursday and Tenebrae Service during Holy Week.

“Hi!” to Jim, Laura, Samantha, Olivia Riley, if you read this , come by for the prize.

