



Trinity Lutheran Church

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PRAYER LISTTLC Disciples

Carolyn, Dan Brooks, Lorene Stitzer, Neil Kimerer,

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The Family of Dick Brownson, Joan, Jake, Phyllis, Judy, Laurie, Millie, Sally,



Robert Phillips	1
Sawyer Phillips	2
Michael Orient	4
Marcia Oselinsky	4
Robert Coyle	6
Jeffrey Gonet	7
K.C. Kim	7
Dennis Zerbe	8
Gerry Delmonico	13
Henry Linden	17
Teena Peachey	21
Esther Lauchle	22
Mark Merritt	22
Bonnie Knapp	26
Richard Coulter	27
Tara Merritt	27
Bennett Taverno	27
Susan Glad	28
Darin Fedorko	31

Readings

Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7

Psalm 32

Romans 5:12-19

Matthew 4:1-11

**Every Wednesday thru April 1st**

6:00PM Soup & Sandwich,



following the evening service.

Holden Evening Prayer
Marty Haugen

TRINITY EVENTS**SATURDAY FEBRUARY 21**

5:00 PM WORSHIP W/COMMUNION

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 22**FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT**

8:15AM WORSHIP W/COMMUNION

10:00AM WORSHIP W/ COMMUNION

LUNCH AFTER SERVICE, THEN

FIRST TLC COUPLES

PUZZLES TOURNAMENT

MONDAY FEBRUARY 23

6:15 TROOP#375 MTG

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 24

5:30PM BROWN TROOP #41196

5:45PM ZUMBA

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 25

6:00PM MIDWEEK SOUP AND SANDWICH

7:00PM HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER

CHOIR REHEARSAL AFTERWARDS

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 26

5:45PM ZUMBA

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 27**SATURDAY FEBRUARY 28**

10:00AM ZUMBA

5:00 PM WORSHIP W/COMMUNION

SUNDAY MARCH 1**SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT**

8:15AM WORSHIP W/COMMUNION

10:00AM WORSHIP W/ COMMUNION

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

February 21/22, 2026

Dear Beloved of God,

When Ann and I first came to Trinity, we expected to be here in State College for 6 to 8 years. That was 38 years ago! We have never regretted living here, never regretted coming to Trinity, and have been incredibly blessed by the many disciples who have been part of this Community of Faith.

My understanding and attitude of who I am and what I do as your pastor is summarized in the words of St. Paul, writing in his first letter to the Corinthians:

⁵ What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. ⁶ I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. ⁷ So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. ⁸ The one who plants and the one who waters have one purpose, and each will receive wages according to their own labor. ⁹ For we are God's coworkers, working together; you are God's field, God's building. (3:5-9).

God has blessed us exceedingly well in our lives and in our shared ministry with the people who are Trinity Lutheran Church. So, first, thank you to all with whom I have had the privilege of serving and proclaiming the Gospel.

Second, change is a constant in life, and I believe it is time for me to make a change. With mixed emotions, I hereby publicly announce my retirement, effective June 30, 2026. My last Sunday will be June 14. Thus, I will resign as pastor of Trinity.

I have been wrestling with when to retire for the past few years. I have always, throughout my ministry, desperately hoped I could finish well. I believe, as God called me here, God is now calling me to move on to another ministry or ministries.

Our President, Brian Lewis, and I met with Bishop Kevin Shock to discuss how to proceed and now the ball has been started rolling, which means you will be hearing more about how this transition is unfolding in the months ahead. Our Congregation Council, as they now do, will provide leadership through this process, but all disciples of Trinity may also need to listen for the prodding of the Holy Spirit to step into doing ministry during the upcoming interim. No one has any idea when God will raise up an interim pastor or if the congregation will embark on calling the next pastor.

So, prayers for me and for the council and for the congregation are needed, along with prayers for our Bishop and prayers for God to bring a new pastor. We ought never doubt the power of prayer!

Like Paul, we have planted, and watered this ministry, and with God's blessing it has grown from a struggling congregation to the healthy, vibrant congregation it is today.

Thank you for your continued partnership in this ministry and your support for me and my family! May God continue to bless you that the love and light of Christ may continue to flow through you to this area and across the world.

God bless and keep you now and forever!

Love, joy and peace,

Pastor Ron

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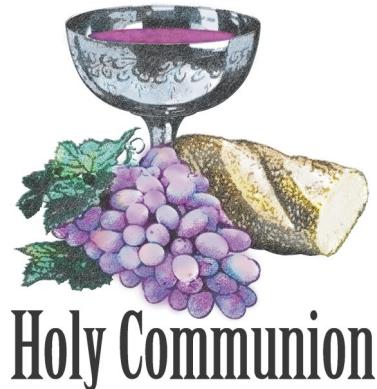
The Communion Wine used throughout the Lent and Easter Seasons is sponsored

“to the Glory of God”

by

Jerry and Sara Carlson.

Thank you for their generous gift!



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A shout out to the **Zumba Class** who meet here every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday with high energy and sweat, who made a generous donation to Trinity Lutheran Church.

“Thank you, Trinity Lutheran Church for welcoming us and the community in all the time! We appreciate all the love and light y'all share with the Zumba Class.”

Thank You!

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Holden Evening Prayer

WHY THE HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER?

Marty Haugen

Did you ever wonder why we use the *Holden Evening Prayer* during our Lent and Advent Wednesday Services. Why does this musical arrangement and lyrics, cause us to pause, reflect, to inspire, strengthen us and yes, to know above all else, that Christ is our King and Salvation.

During the next couple of weeks we will explore some interesting facts about the composer, and how this evening prayer came into being. So let us begin the story....and continue to learn more during this Lent Season.

The composer, Marty Haugen.

Marty Haugen was born, December 30, 1950 in Wanamingo, Minnesota. Raised in the American Lutheran Church in Minnesota. Haugen's first job was as a worship leader in a local Catholic parish in Minnesota. Haugen holds a B. A., Degree in psychology from Lutheran College, a M.A. Degree from the University of St. Thomas, in Pastoral Studies.

World renown as a liturgical composer, and performing musician, Haugen has recorded numerous CD's, published by GIA Publications. Currently he works as a composer for the Mayflower Community Congregational Church in Minneapolis.

Stay tuned for more info in next week's Piper.....



TRINITY PUZZLE CONTEST FOR PAIRS

Sunday, February 22, 2026



Come to the first pairs puzzle contest at Trinity! Teams of two people will compete to assemble a 200-piece jigsaw puzzle as fast as possible. Lunch will be served prior to the contest.

All pairs will receive the same puzzle, which will be provided. After a countdown, each team will open their puzzle and begin. Each team's finish time will be recorded, and prizes will be awarded to the first two teams to complete the puzzle.

Date: Sunday, Feb. 22nd

Where: Fellowship Hall

Time: Lunch starts at 11:30 am, puzzle contest starting around 12:15 pm

Bring a friend and come out for good food, a fun challenge, and fellowship!

Contact Kayla Smith, kayjosmith22@gmail.com, or Pastor Ron, TLCRevRon@comcast.net, with any questions!



ALSO; if you have puzzles you'd like to swap with others please feel free to bring them in!

Thank You!

"Dear Friends,

Thank you for your gift of \$180.00 to Lutheran World Relief, given through the Allegheny Synod of the ELCA. Your compassion changes lives in so many ways.....

Thank you for changing lives with your generosity. I'm excited to see whose life you will change next...until your love reaches every neighbor."

Warm Regards,

Ambassador Daniel V. Speckhard

President and CEO

(The complete letter is posted on Bulletin Board)

Thank You!

"To the congregations of the Allegheny Synod from Mt. Calvary, Johnstown,

We are deeply grateful for your support, encouragement, prayers, and physical presence as we were honored to host Bishop Shock's installation service. While our facility was the site, it was a memorable event for all of us in the Allegheny Synod.

A special thanks to Lutheran cookie bakers and to the folks who made Bishop Schock's congratulatory bulletin board happen. It was a blessing for all of us to be able to work together to honor our new Bishop.

To adapt a familiar quote: It takes a Synod! Thank you one and all."

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR WANTED FOR TRINITY

After a year of faithful service, Debbie Fryer is stepping away from the Office Administrator position. Therefore, we are looking for her replacement.

If you, or someone you know, is interested in perhaps filling this part-time position,

please contact Pastor Ron, TLCRevRon@comcast.net.

A job description is available upon request.



6:00 PM Dinner in Fellowship Hall
 7:00 Holden Evening Prayer Service
 Choir Rehearsal after Service
 Soup and Sandwich Menu



Wednesday February 25

Chicken w/Rice & Vegetables (DF/GF)
 Stuffed Pepper Soup (DF/GF)
 Mushroom Soup w/Sherry
 Grilled Hamburgers
 Muffuletta

Wednesday March 1

Chicken Minestrone Soup (DF)
 New England Clam Chowder
 Sausage, Brussel Sprouts & Potato Soup (DF/GF)
 Creamy Tomato Soup (GF)
 Pulled Pork
 Grilled Cheese w/ Ham

Wednesday March 11

Zesty Manhattan Clam Chowder
 Chili (DF/GF)
 Best Vegetarian Kale Soup
 Ham & Potato Soup
 Pan Italian Subs
 Chicken Ceasar Wraps

Wednesday March 18

Broccoli Cheddar Soup
 Beef Barley Soup (DF)
 Sausage & Greens Soup (DF/GF)
 Shrimp & Corn Chowder
 Deli Cold Cuts & Cheeses
 Fish Sandwiches



If you would like to order flowers to adorn our worship area for Easter, please fill out this form, include payment, and place in the offering plate or in Debbie's Office Administrator mailbox.

Easter Flowers

2026

ALL ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED BY SUNDAY, MARCH 15TH

Tulips (assorted colors) \$12.00 ea.
 Hyacinths (assorted colors) \$12.00 ea.
 Lilies \$12.00 ea.

Name _____

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____