

The Trinity Trumpet

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Upcoming Events

Monday, February 12

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM - TCNSK

6:30 PM - Confirmation Class

7:00 PM - **Women's Fellowship**

Tuesday, February 13

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM - TCNSK with Dental Health Puppet Show

6:00 PM - Teen Night at Mitzvah Circle

7:00 PM - Finance Meeting

7:30 PM - **PEAL Rehearsal** - *New Sanctuary*

Wednesday, February 14—Ash Wednesday (Lent 2018 Begins)

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM - TCNSK

11:15 AM - 2:15 PM - Ashes to Go - *Old Sanctuary*

12:00 PM - ROMEO's Lunch

7:30 PM - **Ash Wednesday Eucharist—All Are Welcome Here**

Thursday, February 15

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM - TCNSK

1:00 PM - TCNSK Staff Meeting

6:30 PM - Property Meeting

7:30 PM - **CAPPELLA** Rehearsal - *New Sanctuary*

Friday, February 16

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM - TCNSK with Dental Health Puppet Show

4:45 PM - **RSCM** Rehearsal - *New Sanctuary*

Saturday, February 17

10:00 AM - Liturgy Team—Transition to Lent—*New Sanctuary*

Sunday, February 18 - The First Sunday in Lent

9:00 AM - Eucharist with Cappella

10:15 AM - Adult Forum & Loft

11:15 AM - Eucharist with Salt

12:30 PM - Library Committee Meeting

Last Year's Palm becomes this Year's Ashes

We invite you to bring your old palm back to church so that they can be included in the palm we'll burn down to make this year's ashes for Ash Wednesday. Please bring your palms by this Sunday, as the fire to burn the palm will happen outside on Sunday, February 11th (Transfiguration Sunday, the Sunday before Ash Wednesday).



Happy 50th Anniversary

Not one but two Trinity couples are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Saturday, February 10th. Happy Anniversary to Dean & Joy Castor as well as John & Alma Nowmos.



Trinity's Clergy:

The Reverend Janet Peterman, Interim Pastor
pastorpeterman@trinityfairview.com

ASH WEDNESDAY BEGINS USE OF THE NEW CHALICE AND PATEN

Remember that you are dust...

And remember all the more strongly that you are a child of God –
beloved, forgiven and set free to love and to serve!

When we gather for mass on Ash Wednesday, Wednesday, February 14th – YES, on Valentine's Day! – we'll be remembering that we are dust as we receive the imposition of ashes. At the same time, we'll be bold to remember the love of God for us in Jesus, love that forgives us and sets us free from sin and whatever holds us to start again, and to serve God freely and fully.

Last summer, a group from Trinity went to Germany to trace Martin Luther's steps in honor of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. They brought this lovely pottery back to Trinity as their gift to the congregation. The earthen tones and the swirls moving at an angle along the side of the chalice remind us of the fire and ash that mark this day, while the bread and wine that they will hold tell us of the saving promises of God offered to us at the Table, no matter what is holds us in bondage as we come to receive Christ's body and blood.

The pottery comes from Erfurt, in Germany, also known as Martin Luther's spiritual home. Erfurt is where he dedicated his life to God by joining the city's Augustinian monastery in July 1505. It's where he studied and became a priest.

We'll offer a brief prayer of dedication of the chalice and paten on Ash Wednesday.

We invite you to make time in your schedule to join us for Ash Wednesday (burning of palm after 2nd mass, Sunday, 2/11; *Ashes to Go*, original sanctuary, 11:15 am – 2:15 pm; evening mass Ash Wednesday, at 7:30), for the Lenten experiences of Sunday mornings and the special experiences of Sunday afternoons, March 4, 11 and 18. We invite you to set a space for a Lenten discipline to sustain your spirit.



Women's Fellowship



Ladies of Trinity, please join us for Valentines fun and fellowship on Monday, February 12th. There will be holiday goodies ... before we have to give them up for Lent... , fun, and fellowship with new and old friends. We may even play a game with prizes! Join us, even if you have never come before. Feel free to bring a friend. We meet from 7:00 to 8:30. Hope to see you all there.

From the Mountain, Seeing Jesus and Beyond This Moment

From Pastor Peterman for Nina Wason

Many of you will have heard by now that Nina's father died last Saturday evening. Though he was 87 and receiving care in a facility, his end came as somewhat of a surprise. Nina and her sisters were able to get here to be with him for his crossing over from this life to the next. I'd like to begin these reflections by holding a moment of remembrance with you and her family for him, for Anthony Frederick Vassallo, thanking God for his life.

That same morning, Meg Smith's mom, Marion Donohue, also died after a time of illness, so with the Smith family, with Meg and her husband Steve, with Erin and Jordan, we thank God for their mother and grandmother.

I offered to step in for Nina this week in her reflections on the gospel, as we prepare for Sunday. We've been reading in the early chapters of Mark, about the beginnings of Jesus' ministry, and noticing how spare Mark is. It's the gospel story that comes to us in the bare-bones model.

This week we jump ahead in the story to the story of Jesus' being changed on the mountain top, his clothes and appearance made radiant, before he turns and heads toward Jerusalem.

Two things strike me about this story:

One, while the disciples are confused and afraid about what is happening, a voice coming out of the cloud reassures them: This is my Son, my Beloved! Listen to him!

This is the same language that comes out of the cloud when Jesus is baptized.

And when the cloud cleared, they saw only Jesus.

Two, being out of the normal pattern of their lives, on the mountain, they seem better able to see who Jesus is. They've been struggling with this, seeing Jesus, understanding who he is, but up and away, it seems a little clearer.

A friend was hiking, and came out of the woods onto a trail that led to a road, which led out of the park near where we live. It's steep, and it took all her effort to make her way up the hill. She was out of breath by the time she reached the top. Her head was down, so when, near the top of the hill, she passed the man standing by the side of the road, she was startled to see him standing there.

Pause a minute, the man suggested to her, and lift your head. If you open your lungs your breath will return to you. And turn around: Look how far you have come.

It wasn't odd, as you think conversation with a stranger on the road might be. His voice was kind. She lifted her head. Her breath returned. She turned around and saw the hill that she had just finished climbing, how steep it was: and she burst into tears!

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She was coming out of a messy divorce. It had been a very difficult year. But from the vantage point of where she stood on the hill, she could see how she had been sustained through it. She could see God's hand.

There have been times in this transition when it has been hard to see beyond a particularly challenging moment. But from this moment, as the work of the Call Committee picks up steam, we have a vantage point like the disciples with Jesus on the mountain – of being able to see him more clearly, of where he is leading.

May God bless Trinity as we seek to see Jesus more clearly, and to follow him more nearly.

Interim Pastor Janet S. Peterman

LENTEN DINNERS

Lent comes early this year. Believe it or not, it's just around the corner! Ash Wednesday is Valentine's Day this year, February 14th.

Trinity's Lenten Dinners will be on Sundays — March 4, 11 & 18, 4-6:30 pm.

On March 4th and 11th, we'll be exploring Christian practices of faith. (Lent is traditionally a time of deepening faith observances for a season.)

Which faith practices shall we consider together? That's up to you! Here's the list of practices we're considering. There is a ballot box with ballots, one in the lobby outside the office, one in the new narthex outside the sanctuary. Cast votes by Sunday 2/18. If you are REALLY interested in one topic, you can mark your ballot 3 votes for one faith practice, but just one ballot per person, please!

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| Silence/Solitude | Saying Yes and Saying No | Simplicity/Space |
| Household Economics | Prayer | Hospitality |
| Fasting | Honoring the Body | Giving & Receiving |
| Shaping Communities | Keeping Sabbath | Healing |
| Testimony | Dying Well | Discernment |
| Faith in Song | _____ (fill in the blank) | |

March 18th, we're planning a Lenten surprise. (More on that in a bit!)

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| Nina Wason | Pastor Janet S. Peterman |
| Director of Christian Ed | Interim Pastor |

Winter Congregational Meeting—This Sunday

Sunday February 11th
One Mass At 10:00 am
Winter Congregational Meeting to follow at 11:15 am

Meeting Agenda

- Proposed 2018 Budget/Congregational Vote
- Pledge and Giving Update
- Spring Bring1/Buy1 Fundraiser
- Q&A
- Announcements

Custodial Help Wanted

The Operations Department is looking for part-time help to clean classrooms and bathrooms after school. No experience necessary. For more information call Ron Moorehead at 484-802-7685.



Altar Flowers Availability

Flowers for the sanctuary enhance our weekly worship service. We are dependent upon donations from the congregation to provide these flowers. Thank you to the parishioners who have already sponsored flowers. The following dates are open for sponsorship: 11/11, 12/2 & 12/23. Please contact Linda Stone at lgstone4@yahoo.com if you would like to sponsor flowers in memory or honor of someone.

Attention All Ushers

Duties and guidelines have recently been modified to make it easier for you. ALL usher are asked to attend one of two retraining sessions. Sunday February 18 or 25, in the sanctuary at 10:30 AM, between masses to accommodate ushers from both masses. This will prepare you for the EASTER services as well as to train you before a new pastor is in place.



See you there.

USHER COORDINATORS, Rick Cole, Lori Peltier and Alma Nowmos



Happy Birthday



Doris Mohr
 Katrina Stansbearly
 Gerri Vattimo
 Emma Mulligan
 Ralph Berky
 Christine Steiner
 Kate Taxis
 Shaun Carlson
 Courtney Martin
 Benjamin Dixon
 Bill Rice

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Colette Zahour
 Chris Botzum
 Arabella Escoto
 Vivienne Escoto
 Justine Fry
 Delaney Lacerte
 Jerry Linfoot
 Sandy DiPrinzio
 Herb White
 Jim Wolfe

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Happy Anniversary



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John & Alma Nowmos
 Dean & Joy Castor

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