



# TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

"CALLED TO BE A LIGHT" *Moorhead, Minnesota*

CHRISTIAN LIFE CENTER WORSHIP BULLETIN

## Fifth Sunday After Epiphany

### Wanna Be A Light? Faith Formation

6:30 pm - Wednesday, February 7th, 2024

**WELCOME TO TRINITY** - Wherever you are on your journey in faith, we are grateful you have joined us for worship today. Check out our website at [trinitymhd.org](http://trinitymhd.org)!

**VISITING TODAY?** - Take a moment to fill out the Connect Slip on the back of this bulletin, you can also do it online [https://bit.ly/connect\\_slip](https://bit.ly/connect_slip). We would love to hear from you.

**NEW MEMBER WELCOME** - on Sunday we welcomed the following new members-

Brandon Steinke

Billi Townsend

Joshua Sem

Noah Yak

Nolan & Khloe

Tom Perius

Jana Vetter

Brooke White

Jeff & Anna Miller

Lisa Thorpe

Calya Herbert

Ava, Lincoln & Quincy

**PRAYER CONCERNS** - Hazel Becker, Terri Bullock, Betty Christiansen, Tom Christian-son, Lorna Crowell, Doug Isaacson, Kathy Huss, Maxine Kallander, Tim Johnson, Brenda Oistad, Dale Rage and Brian Rosenfeldt.

For the family and friends of Roberta Hoffies, 1/31/24. Funeral held Trinity, 2/6 at 2pm.

For the family and friends of Clyde Allen, 2/6/24.

If you have a prayer request, please fill out a Connect Slip.

**ANNUAL REPORT AND MEETING** - The annual report is available online on our website, [trinitymhd.org](http://trinitymhd.org). A limited number of hard copies are available at church. Plan on joining us for the **Annual Meeting this Sunday, February 11th at 9:30am** in the Christian Life Center. This is an important event in our life together as Trinity Lutheran Church.

**PATHWAYS** - Pathways Bible Camps is here tonight! Wednesday School families are invited to stay after Wednesday School to hear more about great opportunities to attend camp at Emmaus this summer!

This year, Trinity will cover 50% of the cost for attending Camp Emmaus from our bible camp scholarship fund. It's a great deal! Don't miss out!

**WANNA BE A LIGHT?** - On Sundays and Wednesdays, January 21 - February 11, check out all the possibilities and promise of our Light Groups at Trinity. You can discover how to start a Light Group and so much more!

Today we are be highlighting our Faith Formation related Light Groups in the Christian Life Center classroom between services. This is an opportunity for you to learn more and explore ways to serve and build community here at Trinity and beyond!

**ASH WEDNESDAY NEXT WEDNESDAY** - Join us on February 14th at 12:00 pm in the Sanctuary or 6:30 pm in the Christian Life Center for our Ash Wednesday services. Throughout the Lenten season, we will host a 12 pm worship in the Sanctuary and a 6:30 pm service in the CLC for our series: "Making 'Sense' of Lent" - a sensory journey through the season.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL** - Next week's Wednesday menu features a delectable Hot Ham and Cheese (Marinated Veg Sandwich), accompanied by Tomato Soup and a delightful Cookie. These Lenten dinners, served by our Youth, are dedicated to supporting their fundraising for the ELCA Youth Gathering. Join us from 5:30 to 6:20pm in the Christian Life Center. As this event is a youth fundraiser, we suggest a donation of \$10 per person, with the freedom to give more as you choose. Children aged 10 and under can enjoy the meal for \$5. Come, indulge in a delicious dinner, and support our Trinity Youth!

**EXPRESSING FAITH THROUGH ART** - Artistic expression has the potential to be healing, comforting, and foster connection. We warmly invite anyone to join us at Trinity on February 22 at 6:30pm in the CLC for a space where we can come together and explore these dimensions of faith through creativity. Polymer Clay take and bake will be provided for this event, but we'll converse about the mediums you like, studio style, preference of style for fellowship, ideas etc. to develop a future Light Group. If you have pictures or examples of your work please bring these in with you. We'd love to see your work. Sign up to attend this Light Group Pop Up at our website, [trinitymhd.org/signups](http://trinitymhd.org/signups).

**POINSETTIAS WITH A PURPOSE RECAP** - Thanks to everyone who donated to Poinsettias with a Purpose, Trinity is sending a gift of \$1,363.67 to Lutheran Disaster Response. This ministry of the ELCA brings the light of God's hope, healing and renewal to people in the U.S. and around the world whose lives have been disrupted by disasters, such as floods, hurricanes, tornadoes, wildfires, and earthquakes.

Coming in March: Lilies with a Purpose!

## ORDER OF SERVICE

*(The congregation is invited to participate at those places marked with bold print.)*

PRESERVICE MUSIC

CLC Worship Ensemble

INVOCATION & WELCOME

Pastor Matt Peterson

GATHERING SONG “My Lighthouse”

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

**Everlasting God, you give strength to the weak and power to the faint. Make us agents of your healing and wholeness, that your good news may be made known to the ends of your creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION “Alleluias for Epiphany”

GOSPEL Mark 1:29-39

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you O Lord**

As soon as Jesus and the disciples left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon’s mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, “Everyone is searching for you.” He answered, “Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for

that is what I came out to do.” And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you O Christ.**

## SERMON

Pastor Jess Olson

## OFFERING SONG “Beauty for Brokenness”

*Thank you for making a difference through your gifts. If you would like to sign up for auto-giving, follow the DONATE button at [www.trinitymhd.org](http://www.trinitymhd.org) or contact the office. Mobile app giving is also available. Download the “GivePlus Church” app, text a dollar amount to 833-996-1854 and follow the directions, or scan this QR code.*



## STATEMENT OF MISSION

Pastor Simon Fensom

God is calling Trinity Lutheran Church to shine the light of Christ into Downtown Moorhead and beyond.

There is hurt and brokenness in our community:

**We are called to be a light.**

There is a hunger for relationships and for places to belong:

**We are called to be a light.**

There is a disconnect between our faith and life in the world:

**We are called to be a light.**

There is a deep longing to express our gratitude for God’s love and grace:

**We are called to be a light.**

What has come into being in Jesus was life, and the life was the light of all people.

**The light shines in the darkness and the darkness does not overcome it.**

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

OFFERTORY “I Want to Walk As A Child of the Light”

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord;**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### LORD’S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your Kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours. Now and forever. Amen.**

### DISTRIBUTION

*At this time, you are invited to commune each other/yourself using the words “this is Christ’s body given for you” as you take the bread and, “this is Christ’s blood shed for you” as you receive the wine/juice.*

### DISTRIBUTION SONGS

“We Remember”

“I Will Bind Up the Hurts”

### BLESSING

Now may the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ strengthen you, and keep you in God’s grace.

**Amen.**

### BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord’s face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

**Amen.**

SENDING SONG “I’m So Glad”

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Be a light!  
**Thanks be to God!**

POST SERVICE MUSIC



Please consider making a gift tomorrow to these ministries of Trinity.

Our Preschool - <https://app.givingheartsday.org/#/charity/1524>

Our Recovery Ministry - <https://app.givingheartsday.org/#/charity/47>

Lost and Found will be hosting an open house on Giving Hearts Day from 12-6pm.

## **LENTEN MIDWEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

Join us on Wednesdays in Lent at 12:00pm in the Sanctuary or 6:30pm in the Christian Life Center for our series: *Making "Sense" of Lent* - a sensory journey through the season. Also, join us for dinner each week served by, and in support of our Youth.

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14**    **ASH WEDNESDAY**    **MATT. 6:1-6, 16-21**  
12:00pm and 6:30pm.                      Dinner will be served from 5:30-6:20pm in the CLC.

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21**    **"TOUCH"**    **LUKE 7:11-15**  
12:00pm and 6:30pm.                      Dinner will be served from 5:30-6:20pm in the CLC.

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28**    **"SIGHT"**    **MARK 8:22-25**  
12:00pm and 6:30pm.                      Dinner will be served from 5:30-6:20pm in the CLC.

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6**    **"TASTE"**    **JOHN 2:1-10**  
12:00pm and 6:30pm.                      Dinner will be served from 5:30-6:20pm in the CLC.

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13**    **"HEARING"**    **JOHN 5:25-29**  
12:00pm and 6:30pm.                      Dinner will be served from 5:30-6:20pm in the CLC.

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20**    **"SMELL"**    **JOHN 12:1-3**  
12:00pm and 6:30pm.                      Dinner will be served from 5:30-6:20pm in the CLC.

## **HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

**SUNDAY, MARCH 24**    **PALM SUNDAY**  
Worship begins in the Christian Life Center at 8:30 and 10:30 before we process to the Sanctuary. If you have limited mobility head straight to the Sanctuary for worship.

**THURSDAY, MARCH 28**    **MAUNDY THURSDAY**  
Join us in the Sanctuary at 12pm or 6:30pm.

**FRIDAY, MARCH 29**    **GOOD FRIDAY**  
Join us in the Sanctuary at 12pm or 6:30pm.  
Join us in the CLC at 5pm for a children and family service.

**SUNDAY, MARCH 28**    **EASTER SUNDAY**  
Join us in the Sanctuary at 7:00, 8:30, 10:30am or the Christian Life Center at 10:45am.  
Easter Breakfast will be served in the CLC from 8:00-10:15am.

# POP UP LIGHT GROUPS

In Lent we are also offering opportunities for Adults to gather to explore our human senses. More information about these events is available in the February Messenger.

**Feb. 22 – “Touch”** – Expressing Faith Through Art, led by Abbie Fensom

Recognizing that we are made in God’s image, with design and purpose, we believe touch, especially through art, is a powerful tool to express our faith. Artistic expression has the potential to be healing, comforting, and foster connection. We warmly invite anyone to join us at Trinity on February 22 at 6:30pm in the CLC for a space where we can come together and explore these dimensions of faith through creativity.

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**Feb. 29 – “Sight”** – Movie Night in the Christian Life Center at Trinity, hosted by Deacon Kathy Hunstad

Come to see the wonderful movie, “The Hundred-Foot Journey”. This is a delightful comedy-drama film that takes place primarily in France. The story includes gorgeous sights and sparks our own assessment of how we see food and how we see other people and how we respond to what is different than we know. There is laughter, heartbreak and thoughtful dialogue. Our sense of sight will be awakened in many ways.

Doors will open at 6:15 and we will begin the movie shortly after 6:30pm. It’s 122 minutes in length. There will be popcorn and water. You can bring your own beverage. All are welcome!

**March 7 – “Taste”** – Wine Tasting Event, location to be announced.

**March 14 – “Hear”** – Book Club, led by Grete Oanes at More Than Words Bookshop

Grete Oanes and Sydni Kreps led the Friends in Faith Book Club discussions while they were in high school. Now, Sydni owns the ‘More Than Words’ Bookshop in Moorhead. Grete works with Lutheran Disaster Response and helps out at the Bookshop. Full circle, Sydni will be hosting this group at her Bookshop and Grete will lead our discussion on Thursday, March 14 from 6:30-8pm.

Sign up, order and pay for your book at this link: [https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z9PB/campaign/C-14MTK?access=tile\\_direct](https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z9PB/campaign/C-14MTK?access=tile_direct)

**March 21 – “Smell”** – Restaurant meetup, location to be announced.



# This Week At Trinity!

## WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 7

7:15pm  
Cathedral Choir  
Confirmation

8:15pm  
FiF Street Youth

## THURSDAY FEBRUARY 8

2:00pm  
Hannah Circle

5:00pm  
Acapella Express Rehearsal

6:00pm  
Building Committee Meeting

6:45pm  
Boy Scout Parent Meeting

## FRIDAY FEBRUARY 9

10:00am  
LSS Respite Care

## SATURDAY FEBRUARY 10

## SUNDAY FEBRUARY 11

8:30am  
**Sanctuary Worship**  
CLC Ensemble Rehearsal

9:30am  
Annual Meeting  
“Wanna Be A Light?” Display

10:30am  
**CLC Worship**

## MONDAY FEBRUARY 12

7:30am - Offsite  
Men’s Bible Study

10:00am  
Monday Morning Bible Study

6:45pm  
Boy Scouts

## TUESDAY FEBRUARY 13

7:00pm  
Cost & Joy of Discipleship

## WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 14

**12:00pm - Sanctuary**  
**Ash Wednesday Worship**

1:00pm  
Bodacious Beaders

5:00pm  
Trinity Brass

5:30pm  
Meal & Pizza Dinner

5:50pm  
Celebration Singers  
Joyful Noise

6:00pm  
Minims

6:30pm  
**Christian Life Center Worship**

7:15pm  
Cathedral Choir

8:15pm  
FiF Street Youth