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Lutheran Disaster

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The Good News!

January 2018



Pastor's Pause...

...“A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh.”

Ezekiel 36:26, NRSV

Here begins another new year on the calendar and yet we've already begun our new year in the Church on December 3rd.

Have you ever wondered about that...how the Church calendar seems to be out of step with the secular calendar in use? This lack of synchronization between calendars during the year can be a little frustrating when we plan colors for religious festivals versus, say, autumn; or, when we're preparing for a large group of family for Easter and the Lenten season first calls us to repentance and discernment (or, how you're reading this possibly immediately after Christmas and springtime is not on your mind at all!).

Now, for all that confusion, consider the challenges of the Hebrew calendar: months are lunar-based and years solar-based, as is our Gregorian calendar. Yet, the actual dates might correspond to the ending of one Gregorian month and the beginning of another.

The month of Shevat falls partly in Gregorian January and partly in February and is the time when the Jewish festival *Tu B'Shevat* is celebrated.

Now is when you ask “Why is Pastor telling us about Jewish celebrations for the new year (in the Church and on the wall calendar)?

Tu B'Shevat is also known as ‘*The New Year of the Trees*.’ In the tradition found in the Torah, seven fruits and the trees that bear them are held in great regard (figs, grapes, and dates are among the fruits...much of what we find in our Christmas and New Year's goodies!).

Tu B'Shevat specifically marks the final date for giving the tithe to God (through the Temple) levied on the fruit harvest. Today, Jewish communities will celebrate the date with the planting of a tree.

The practice reminds me of God's goodness. God gathers us around God's abundance, God provides food enough for our own nourishment and for others, and we share in the same gifts of God. While different in our worship, here at the start of a year that does not match the Christian Church calendar or the Jewish calendar, we celebrate new life just the same.

These are God's good gifts. May we ever love and respect the Lord our God and give thanks to God for this abundance of life for all the world!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

2018

June 24—28, 6:00PM—8:00PM

Mark your calendars



FELLOWSHIP!

Join in, and sign up to serve, in the lower level Fellowship Hall following Worship!



PLEASE NOTE!

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Randy Huber

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Dave Ruths

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The next regular Congregational Council meeting will be
January 25th.. at 7:00 PM in the 2nd floor conference room.

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THE GOOD NEWS!

The deadline for the February Newsletter is: **Jan.24th.. At 9:00AM**



Church Events Calendar

- Jan 7 Taking Down of the Greens
- Jan 14 Baptism, Lyla June Randler
- Jan 21 Reception of New Members at Worship Service
6:00PM Ecumenical Confirmation Meeting At Trinity Lutheran Church
- June 24-28 Vacation Bible School for 2018 6:00PM-8:00PM

BULLETINS

- Jan. 7 IMO Ruth Ann Montague
by Nieces & Family
- Jan 14 Loved Ones by Peg & Ray
Fryling
- Jan 21 Open
- Jan 28 IHO of Genevieve "Gigi"
Shades Birthday by Jamey & Tiffany
Shade

FLOWERS

- Jan 7 IMO Carol Florey's Birthday
By Laurie, Megan & Erin Fitzpatrick
- Jan 14 IMO John Kirkner by Parents
- Jan 21 Open
- Jan 28 IHO Genevieve "Gigi" Shade
Birthday by Jamey & Tiffany Shade

*Council Liaisons and
Committee Chairpeople*

Please note there is addition bulletin board space available in the Church Street entrance. Please post your meeting dates and events there to invite and welcome even more participation in these ministries!

Jan. 2 Jane Reedy, Lori Rider
 Jan. 3 Ed Dempsey, Andrew Jones
 Jan. 5 Carmela Seidel
 Jan. 9 Jamey Shade
 Jan. 10 Bradley Lewis
 Jan. 11 Ed Haas
 Jan. 13 Leigh Lehr, Ed Burkland
 Jan. 16 Jodi Sassaman
 Jan. 19 Allyson Frey, David Ruths
 Jan. 21 Jude Kurtz
 Jan. 25 Chris Dempsey, Zachary Miller
 Jan. 28 Carl Smith, Gladys Haas, Genevive Shade
 Jan. 31 Chris Hendrickson, Brett Hampton

Jubilee Kitchen

Is now being held at

Trinity Lutheran

Each Saturday Morning

@9:00 AM

Volunteers Needed

Contact Nancy Davies



Correction for Pastor's Pause, Dec. 2017:

The use of "who's" in the first paragraph is incorrect.
 The line, without autocorrect assistance, should read:

Lao Tzu, the ancient Chinese philosopher whose name translates to 'Old Master'

NIGHT OF JOY

The final Tuesday night of each month sees our worshipping community come together, through our Fellowship, Evangelism and Outreach Ministry Teams, to plan, make and serve a complete meal to all who join us that night.

Next Night of Joy

January 30th. 4:00PM

Trinity Dinner Club

January 4th.. At

Pine Barn Inn

At 5:00 PM

 * Looking for a Mission Project? *
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 * Consider Night of Joy (TLC), Jubilee *
 * Kitchen (Trinity Lutheran every Satur- *
 * day), the Diaper Bank (Christ Episcopal), *
 * or the Food Bank (Shiloh UCC). *
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To: My Trinity Family,

Thank you for all your prayers and cards. Each one meant so much to me. Thanks to Donna for the calls, she kept me up to date. Thanks to my daughter Sue for taking care of the Angel Tree. We are truly a family.

God Bless,

Betty Husson

Ecumenical Confirmation Meeting
January 21, 2018 @ 6 PM
at Trinity Lutheran Church

That date is the [Sunday](#) within the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. We will have supper and a discussion about our various traditions, including how to be Christian witnesses in Middle School and High School.

All DRAMA Confirmation/8th grade students & pastors invited.

Please RSVP to Pastor Hahn at Trinity Lutheran Church so we know how much food to order. [(570) 275-0283 or trinitylutheran@ptd.net]

There is no charge. To give you some background, Trinity, Pine Street, and St. Joseph did this last year and we liked it so much that we decided to move forward by including all of the DRAMA churches.

(DRAMA = Danville-Riverside Area Ministerial Association)

Mission Mall

Thank you to everyone who participated in Mission Mall. Trinity members were generous with both donations and with the cookie sale/lunch café. We raised just over \$2000 for the participating charities and over \$600 in cookie and lunch sales. Totals to date of our efforts combined with those of St. John's Lutheran Church Mifflinville are over \$13,000.


The proceeds from cookies and lunch are used to cover the costs of Mission Mall. Any excess proceeds are divided among the participating food banks. All monetary donations go directly to the charities selected by donors.

Thanks to all of our cookie bakers. We certainly had a great selection. Special thanks to the kitchen crew that prepared and served a delicious lunch.

Joe Muscato



JANUARY 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Office Closed 	2 6:30PM Chancel Choir 7:40PM Hand Bells	3	4 5:00PM Trinity Dinner Club at Pine Barn	5	6 9:00AM Jubilee Kitchen
7 9:AM Serv/Com. 10:40AM SS/Conf. Taking Down Greens	8 7:00PM Worship & Music	9 6:30PM Chancel Choir 7:40PM Hand Bells	10	11	12	13 9:00AM Jubilee Kitchen
14 9:00AM Serv/Com. & Baptism 10:40AM SS/Conf. Fellowship Meeting Outreach Meeting	15	16 6:30PM Chancel Choir 7:40PM Hand Bells	17 7:00PM Finance Meeting	18	19	20 9:00AM Jubilee Kitchen
21 9:00AM Serv/Com. Reception new members 10:40AM SS/Conf. 6:00PM Ecumenical Confirmation Meeting	22	23 6:30PM Chancel Choir 7:40PM Hand Bells	24	25 7:00PM Council Meeting	26	27 9:00AM Jubilee Kitchen 5:00PM Fellowship Hall in Use
228 9:00AM Serv/Com. 10:40AM SS/Conf.	29	30 4:00PM Night of Joy 6:30PM Chancel Choir 7:40PM Hand Bells	31			

January 2018 SERVICE MINISTER SCHEDULE

DATE	ACOLYTE	ASSISTANT MINISTER	BREAD BAKER	COMM. ASSISTANT	CRUCIFER	LECTOR	Nursery	NURSEY VOL.	Sound System
Jan 7	Thalia Hahn Maxwell Fedder	Sue Marcoz	Betty Underwood	Barry Ashenfelder Wayne Tassarvich	Bob Reed	Celeste Ryan	Molly Shultz	Tiffany Shade	Staff
Jan 14	Miranda Keefer Aaron Warntz	Leanna Muscato	Wafers	Peg Reed Marvin Sassaman	Bob Reed	Colleen Ruths	Betsy Reed	Janine Geringer	Staff
Jan 21	Ethan Hampton Natalie Hampton	Abby Miller	Wafers	Edna Ulrich Kim Rock	Bob Reed	Althea Wertman	Betsy Reed	Kelly Bromwell	Staff
Jan 28	Erin Fitzpatrick Natalie Bodnar	Leah Tassarvich	Wafers	George Underwood Jennifer McWilliams	Bob Reed	Betty Underwood	Molly Shultz	Kathy Hahn	Staff

Date	ALTAR CARE	Altar Color	FELLOWSHIP TIME	LIBRARIAN	DEACONS	GREETERS	USHERS
Jan 7	Janice Erb Lois Kishbaugh	White	Edna Ulrich Taking Down Greens	Staff	Betsy Reed Karen Humphries		Eric Brouse, Ryan Brouse, Al Churm, Ken Holdren, Harry Mateer, Randy Marcoz
Jan 14	Janice Erb Lois Kishbaugh	Green	Linda Tassarvich	Staff	Dave Ruths		Nancy Davies, Kim Rock, George Underwood, Wayne Tassarvich, Dan Landis, Jamey Shade
Jan 21	Janice Erb Lois Kishbaugh	Green		Staff	Jamey Shade Gary Patterson		Shawn Haas, Don Holdren, Bradley Lewis, Craig Lewis, Randy Marcoz, Bob Kirkner
Jan 28	Janice Erb Lois Kishbaugh	Green		Staff	Betsy Reed Sue Marcoz		Ken Holdren, Dan Landis, Jose Muscato, Gary Patterson, Marvin Sassaman, Wayne Tassarvich

The Church Year by Barbara Fruin

The Church Year is structured in a way that we go through the entire Life of Christ in each year. We begin before Christ is born with Advent (anxious waiting and preparation for our Savior), then we celebrate His birth (Christmas!). Then with the Epiphany (a sudden, great understanding) Season, we study His childhood, and we skip to when He is grown with the Baptism of our Lord, just as the Bible does. We learn about Christ's ministry and end the Epiphany Season with the Transfiguration (transformation, or His changing from human into a blessed spiritual being before witnesses).

We enter Lent (repentant and anxious hope) in February with Ash Wednesday (Feb 14 this year), a time of reflection when we remember our fragile state and our sinful nature, and 6 weeks of learning more about Christ's Ministry, which ends with Holy Week. Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday, March 25, (Christ heralded by all into Jerusalem with palm fronds. How quickly they will turn on Him!) We have Maundy Thursday, or Passover of Christ (the meal where He pronounces the bread & wine His body & blood and asks us to remember Him often). On this day He was betrayed by one of His best friends (Judas) and also His people, the Jews, and by all the world's sin. It is the saddest day in the Church Calendar. Good Friday is the day He was crucified, killed by *all* the people through Roman guards and centurions supported by the Jewish and Roman authorities, but also the day the prophecy was fulfilled, our Savior died for us, and we became worthy of God's Kingdom once again. We remember His sacrifice and His Crucifixion, so Holy Week is a week of sadness. We have Easter Vigil (from Good Friday until Sunday morning), which is a waiting process for His return.

Then we have Easter (this year April 1), which is a joyous celebration of His Resurrection and return to us! We begin to say "Alleluia" once again! We celebrate His Ascension (rising up to Heaven) on the sixth week of Easter, then 50 days after Easter we have Pentecost (which means "50 days after"), when Christ sent the Holy Spirit to fill the Disciples and make them bold and strong. It gave them the ability to speak the Truth of Christ boldly in front of large crowds! The Holy Spirit told them exactly what to say. God can embolden you to speak as well. During the long Pentecost Season, we are encouraged to speak of Christ and to spread the Word of God. We celebrate Holy Trinity Sunday during this time. We use the words of the Athanasian Creed only on this Sunday, because it is very long but expresses of beliefs about the Trinity in great detail.

Then we enter the Time of Pentecost, which our Catholic friends call "Ordinary Time" because it is "in order", which lasts all the way through Summer and Fall. We then celebrate Reformation Sunday (Martin Luther posted the "95 Theses" on the door of the Wittenberg, Germany, church), in October, followed by All Saints Sunday, after Halloween, when we remember those members of our church we have lost during the year. Then we have Christ the King Sunday, just before Thanksgiving, when we remember that Christ has become a King, and will reign as a King forevermore! We will begin with the new Church Year, again with Advent. The year is planned around Easter. Easter is always the first Sunday following the first Full Moon that comes after the Vernal Equinox (which also is the First Day of Spring). The Vernal Equinox is the point in our regular calendar when the Sun is directly across from the Equator, making the light of day the same length as the darkness of night. God is the One who directs our Light and Darkness. We count back from Easter to Lent to Epiphany to Advent. Then we count forward to Pentecost through the rest of the year. We have a 3-year Lectionary (study of the Bible) in which we are in Year B (the second year). During this 3-year period most of the Bible is covered in our readings in services. You can access the ELCA Page directly from our Facebook Page, and you will find the Bible Readings for each Sunday and Holiday. Make sure to choose the "Year B" lectionary.

Hope you have a wonderful 2018, that your spirit is renewed and that you and your family are happy and healthy! Thanks be to God!



2018
Will Be
May 20, 2018



To the organizers and the Actors

Who put on the Christmas Play

On December 17th.

The play was enjoyed by all, looking forward

To 2018

The Library Team extends wishes for God's blessing to all in the New Year.

We hope that 2018 will bring us some Trinity members who would like to join the library team. The team members signs the calendar for an occasional Sunday to help folks with checking out materials.

Some evening work sessions will be scheduled for getting materials cataloged and shelved to share new items for pleasure reading and research.

Many thank yous to those who supported the library in 2017.

See you in the Library

Eleanor Sandmeyer



NOTE! 911 READDRESSING

Have you changed your address with the church office?

I WILL BE RUNNING A NEW ADDRESS DIRECTORY AROUND THE MIDDLE OF JANUARY. PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE WITH YOUR NEW ADDRESS.

***Thank you,
 Donna Evans***

PRAYER LIST

Chris
 Al Churm
 David Cooke
 Angela Derr
 Betty Husson
 Melissa Koveskie
 Jude Kurtz
 Butch Lee
 Diane Locke
 Jean Oberdorf
 Opal
 Cole Shellenburger
 Sister Anna B.
 Sister Grace
 Veda Straub
 Joan Stump
 Edna May Ulrich
 Anna Mary Yeager

To the Family & Friends of:



Serving in our Military

Chad Ashton
 Gage Braddock
 Jay Brennan
 Rob Bromwell
 Andrew Deck
 Michael Deck
 Rob DeWire
 Derek R. Kirkner
 Garrett Krum
 Jason Lee
 Jason McCann
 T. R. Marks
 J. T. Mullen
 Bryce Prueitt
 Tyler Quinton
 Dalton Semiclose
 Kurt Wimble



Pastor's Schedule:

Office Visit Hours Monday 10:00 a.m. - 12 noon;
 Thursday 10 a.m. - 12 noon. [subject to change]
 Homebound visitations - Tuesdays & Thursdays
 [subject to change]

Wednesday - Sermon Day.

Friday & Saturday - Pastor's Day Off.

Please call the office at 570-275-0283 to schedule
 appointments at times other than office hours to
 meet with pastor.

Pastoral Care emergencies should be made to the
 pastor regardless of day and time.

Thank you!
 Pastor Trevor

Pastoral Emergencies

The Pastor's emergency number is his personal phone number as published in the member directory. Please be sure to add this number to your speed dial on your home phone, on your cell phone, or both. Pastor can receive text messages, also.

Please contact the pastor directly when there is an urgent pastoral need (an emergency visit to the hospital, accident, coping situations, family death). Please let the pastor know when there is a change in residence (such as from assisted living to the hospital, even if temporary). *We currently are not advised by area hospitals of when our members and member relatives are admitted, so we depend very heavily on the contact you make to the pastor and/or to the church office.*

Remember! All **medical** emergencies require you to **call 9-1-1!**

FINANCE

CURRENT ACCOUNT - November 1, 2017

\$ 1,386.21

INCOME

Member Giving	\$ 12,456.73
Rent	1,225.00
Bulletins	-0-
Flowers	228.00
Miscellaneous Adjustment	156.52
Fellowship	-0-
Wells Fargo TLC Invest.	2,339.00
Grace Fund	30.00
Oppenheimer Fund Interest	373.57
From Oppenheimer	<u>20,000.00</u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 36,808.82

EXPENSES

Pastor & Staff Compensation	\$ 11,416.45
	1,242.27
Worship & Music	-0-
Parish Admin.	1,023.68
Church Property	1,944.44
Apt. 1 211 Church	1,104.75
Apt. 2-213 Church	-0-
Evangelism	-0-
Ministry Expense	419.48
Education/Outreach	915.74
Prof/Assem/Conf –Exp	-0-
Misc.	-0-
Grace Fund	<u>70.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ 18,136.81

Ending balance as of November 30, 2017

\$ 20,058.22

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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RETURN
SERVICE
REQUESTED

Believe, Belong, Become!

THE MISSION OF TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH IS TO INVITE PEOPLE TO
BELIEVE AND KNOW JESUS CHRIST AS SAVIOR, TO ASSIST THEM TO *BELONG* TO A CARING
COMMUNITY OF FAITH SO THEY CAN *BECOME* ALL THAT GOD CREATED THEM TO BE.

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