

Calendar

- Sunday, January 28:**  
8:00 am Worship Service  
9:00 am Coffee Fellowship  
9:00 am Adult Forum  
Celebration Singer Rehearsal  
10:00 am Worship Service  
10:15 am Sunday School
- Monday, January 29:**  
5:30 pm The Kitchen  
7:00 pm Estates Quarterly Meeting
- Tuesday, January 30:**
- Wednesday, January 31:**  
9:30 am Staff Meeting
- Thursday, February 1:**  
7:00 pm Simpson Forum
- Friday, February 2:**
- Saturday, February 3:**  
9:00 am Kick-off Gathering for all Committees
- Sunday, February 4:**  
8:00 am Worship Service  
9:00 am Coffee Fellowship  
9:00 am Adult Forum

Calendar Continued

- 9:00 am Celebration Singer Rehearsal  
10:00 am Worship Service  
10:15 am Sunday School

Staff

- Interim Pastor**  
Rev. Dr. Dave Christenson  
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605-321-0868
- Church Administrator**  
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Judy Maharry
- Celebration Singers Director**  
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Important Reminders

- Contact Information for Pastor Dave:** As a reminder to the congregation, if you require a pastoral visit and / or need to contact the Pastor, there are three easy ways to contact him:
1. Call him at 605-321-0868 (That number is in each week's Announcement page. This number is my private number and is with me 24/7)
  2. My email address is: revchristenson@yahoo.com. This email address also goes to my cell phone.
  3. You can text me on my cell phone.
- Please keep this information close to you or to your caregiver!

**Important note to Companions of our homebound.**  
I would like to meet and do a refresher on homebound communion and other pertinent information. Please watch for information about a meeting date. Thank you for this important ministry that you do!

**Kick-off Gathering**  
February 3 will be the 2024 Kick-off Gathering for all committees. It will begin at 9:00 am in the Fellowship Hall.

We acknowledge that Trinity Lutheran Church is situated on the ancestral homeland of the Wahpeton, Wahpekute, Sisseton, Ojibwe, and Dakota people. We also acknowledge that we as a church body have a variety of thoughts and feelings as to how we should reconcile this fact. We as a church commit to continuing the important work of challenging ourselves and our congregation to live the love of Christ in all we do.

Trinity Lutheran Church

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Worship Times

Sunday 8:00 am † 10:00 am

Office Hours

M-F: 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

- The Simpson Forum**  
The 2024 Simpson Forum, The Ethics of Civic Engagement, continues here at Trinity, on February 1, 8, 15, & 22. All lectures begin at 7:00 pm. For more information go to the website: thesimpsonforum.com.
- Invite From First Lutheran Church**  
First Lutheran Church has procured a speaker to celebrate RIC Sunday. Reverend Dr. Barbara K. Lundblad will preach February 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am @ First Lutheran Church. Reverend Lundblad has served as a parish pastor, campus pastor and taught at Yale Divinity School. She has preached extensively about full inclusion of LGBTQIA+ people, social transformation and the realities of racism. She has served as the President of the Academy of Homelitics. All are welcome.

## Adult Forum

### The Trinity Adult Forum Book for January

TODAY, January 28, the Adult Forum will feature a discussion of an engaging and very interesting book described as "a must read for congregations today." The book *Leading Faithful Innovation: Following God into a Hopeful Future*, is easy to read and filled with great ideas to help challenge and guide us to renewal and growth for all the people of Trinity and beyond. Written by three members of the Luther Seminary staff and faculty, it contains real life stories and spiritual and program guidance to bring new life and outreach to congregations.

### A Ton of Soft Plastic Recycled

Trinity met its 4th NexTrex challenge collecting over 500 pounds of plastic bags and other soft plastics between June 1 to December 31. We have met this challenge four times in two years to reach a total of one ton (2,000 pounds). These bags and soft plastic are used to make outdoor furniture. We are excited to be able to recycle this material directly to the company that uses this material. Trinity has already received three benches made with this material. We will receive a fourth bench this spring from NexTrex. Thank you to everyone who helps with this recycling. We are starting our 5th Challenge so please continue to collect and bring your bags and other soft plastics to the church.

*Peace*

*Joy*

## Community Life

### HELP TO SPREAD THE LOVE

The Community Life Committee will be providing valentine card DIY packets for families to take home and make a valentine. Address the valentine with the name and address provided and return it to the Trinity office so the card can be mailed to a shut-in member of Trinity. Let them know they are loved. If your kit does not contain a name and address, just send it to someone you love!

## Reminders

Any items that are to be added to the Announcements, Newsletter or Calendar need to be sent to the church office email, using the appropriate form. They must be submitted in a written format as this information may need to be duplicated elsewhere or referred back to. All forms are available in the office. Emailing the completed information is also acceptable. All forms are available in the office. The deadline for announcements submissions is Wednesday at noon for the upcoming Sunday. The deadline for Newsletter submissions is the 20<sup>th</sup> of the preceding month. Please remember only Trinity related items will be published unless approved by the Pastor.

*Faith*

## our prayers

Brian Harrison, brother of Lynn Beaty; Lavora, *friend of Rita Gibbs*; Marie, *sister of Cindy Steiner*; Bonnie Brandt; Barbara Simpson; David Jacobsen; Tom Peterson; Marlene Lindemeier; David Scheff; Bonnie Brandt; Barbara Simpson; Jesse Hokom; Travis Darsow, *son of Dave & Jackie Arpin*; Alena Nyhammer; Mya Dent, *granddaughter of Brenda Dent*; Jo Christianson; Walt Grochow; Nancy Sizer; Ruth Sundin; Duane Sundin; Judy Scholl; Sally Lambert; Sandy Fahning; Jaye Marcotte, *sister of Ytve Prafke*; and Arlene Lindquist.

## Offering Options

We are so fortunate to have very generous members and friends that help us Gather, Grow and Go! If you are interested in supporting our ministries here are some options for you:

**Text:** send message to **844-373-8817** with the amount you would like to contribute (example: 25).

**App:** download the Vanco Mobile Faith app through your app store.

**Web:** click on the Give button on our website.

**Mail:** 511 S. 5<sup>th</sup> St, St. Peter, MN 56082  
Thank you for your support!

## bible study

Hope Circle Bible Study meets at Realife Cooperative the third Monday of each month at 1:30 pm.

## attendance

**January 21**  
8:00 am ~ 29  
10:00 am ~ 79  
**Total ~ 108**