

Trinity News and Notes
First Sunday in Lent ~ Invocabit
March 9, 2025

SUNDAY, 9th

8:30 a.m. Choir practice in Fellowship Hall
9:00 a.m. Divine Service
10:30 a.m. Bible Study

MONDAY, 10th

8:30 a.m. Matins

TUESDAY, 11th

8:30 a.m. Matins
6:00 p.m. Council meeting

WEDNESDAY, 12th

8:30 a.m. Matins
9:30 a.m. Bible Study
11:00 a.m. Divine Service
5:45 p.m. Lenten meal
6:30 p.m. Choir practice in Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. Vespers

THURSDAY, 13th

8:30 a.m. Matins
4:30 p.m. Private Confession

FRIDAY, 14th

8:30 a.m. Matins

SUNDAY, 16th

8:30 a.m. Choir practice in Fellowship Hall
9:00 a.m. Divine Service
10:20 a.m. Special voters' meeting
10:30 a.m. Bible Study
3:30 p.m. Elders' book study

Looking Ahead...

- March 18, OMT, 9:15 a.m.
- March 18, Security committee, 7:00 p.m.
- March 20, Elders' meeting, 7:00 p.m.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Our Sister Church: Lutheran Church in Southern Africa (LCSA)

Missionaries: Rev. Daniel & Kathryn Conrad and Rev. Dr. Quintin & Lindsay Cundiff

Pastors: Rev. Aaron Filipek and Rev. Daniel Metzger

Circuit Visitor: Rev. Mark Lovett

Circuit Visitor-Elect: Rev. Michael Brockman

District President: Rev. Justin Panzer

Synod President: Rev. Matthew Harrison

Baptismal Anniversaries: Brian Lewallen, Olivia Clements, Margaret Young, Miriam Nickel, and Sarah Kuhlman

Training/Deployed in Our Armed Forces: Caleb Bartel, Dawson Bromlow, Keaton Wellner, Tori Myers

Our Schools: Concordia Academy, Euraquilo Christian Academy (VanSant Homeschool), Luther Classical College, Concordia University St. Paul, CSL and CTSFW (LCMS seminaries)

Prayer Petitions: Debra Engelbrecht, (*health*), David Van Sant, (*health*), D. P. Fahrenthold, (*health*), Malachi Mapleswright, (*Herbert Family friend*), Karla Atkinson, (*Ashley and Jennifer's mother*), Gregg Goscha, (*health*), Mary Kay Larson, (*friend of Hannah Magill*), Tracie Stephenson, (*Sheryl Anderson's cousin*), Rachel Lewis, (*Godchild of the Wortz's*), Stephanie Gilmore, (*Kirsten Bartel's mother*), Gayla Taylor, (*Wife of Joel Taylor*), Evie Meyers, (*Miriam Nickel's Daughter*), Rachel Brewer, (*friend of Christie and Dick Lewallen*), Matthew Hastings, Julia Lessman, (*granddaughter of the Lessmans*), Gary, (*brother of Angie Patterson*)

Birthdays: Simon Stone and Pastor Filipek

Wedding anniversary: Anthony & Samantha Scheffer

Shut-ins: Amy Fox, Gil Holstein, Florence Lavery, Judy Rollins, Louise Smith, Mary Tomlinson

READINGS for next Sunday

~Second Sunday in Lent~

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Genesis 32:22-32

EPISTLE: 1 Thessalonians 4:1-7

GOSPEL: Matthew 15:21-28

ORATIO MEDITATIO TENTATIO: Our theological reading group meets next on **March 18, as follows: 8:30a.m. Matins; 9:15a.m. Reading Discussion; 11:15a.m. Prayer; 11:30a.m. lunch.** We will discuss *The Sunday Lectionary: Ritual Word, Paschal Shape*. The Liturgical Press, 1998.

MAKING THE CASE CONFERENCE Dr. Jon Bruss, president of Concordia Theological Seminary-Fort Wayne, IN, and Dr. Thomas Egger, president of Concordia Seminary-St. Louis will be speaking at the 2025 Issues, Etc. "Making the Case" Conference Friday, July 18 and Saturday, July 19 at Concordia University Chicago. CNN Political Commentator Scott Jennings will also be speaking. We will be announcing the rest of the speaking lineup in the next few weeks. Early bird registration is \$140 and includes three meals. Attendance is limited.

SPECIAL VOTERS' MEETING Trinity will hold a voters' meeting to nominate ordained candidate(s) for Vice-President of Kansas District Region 3 (the region which Trinity is in). Any pastor of the congregations in Region 3 is eligible if willing to serve. Pastor Michael Schotte of St Paul Preston, the current Region 3 VP, is eligible and willing to stand for election again. The special voters' meeting will be March 16 immediately after the Divine Service.

LENTEN MEALS A simple soup meal will be served before Wednesday services during lent, beginning March 12th. The meals will be served from 5:45-6:30 p.m. and you can come anytime during that time to eat. Service will start at 7 p.m. There is a signup sheet in the narthex if you'd like to help bring food. If you have any questions, please contact Patricia VanSant at (316) 210-1573.

PHOENIX RISING BENEFIT GALA

Don't miss our annual Phoenix Rising Benefit Gala on Friday, April 25, 2025. This year we are pleased to host Prof. Louis Markos as our keynote speaker. Tickets available now.

SAFETY NOTE: For your safety and the safety of your belongings, please lock your vehicle before entering the Church. Don't leave valuables (cell phones, purses) in car.

TRINITY POSITIONS OPEN: Please prayerfully consider offering a bit of your time to volunteer for one of the following positions: Board of Trustees, Board of Evangelism, Hospitality Committee, **Usher**, Altar Guild, and Offering Counter. Call the church office to volunteer, 316-685-1571

DONATE ONLINE! PayPal is set up for donations on our website. Questions? See Sheryl or Dick.

FAITH AT WORK Faith At Work is a district-wide local community service event to kick off on April 6, 2025. Keith Buhr has volunteered as crew leader and is requesting volunteers to participate as a group for Trinity Lutheran. Last year we participated in many events, including joining with CAW for a park renovation and serving a meal at Ronald McDonald House. Anyone interested can sign the

<u>Trinity Financial Status</u> <i>Through January 2025</i>			
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Contributions	\$ 25,890	\$ 24,884	\$ 1,006
Expenditures	\$ 23,323	\$ 24,884	\$ 1,561
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ 2,567	\$ 0	\$ 2,567

form in the narthex, meet with Keith after service, or email kkbphd@gmail.com. We still have T-shirts from last year, so please also request preferred size for your volunteer participation.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS:

National Synod Officer, Board, and Commission Positions

The Committee for Convention Nominations requests nominations of qualified members of Synod member congregations for positions to be filled by the Synod convention meeting July 18-23, 2026. Officers, agencies, ordained and commissioned ministers, and members congregations and their lay members are all invited to submit nominations, to be received preferably before Aug. 18, 2025 and no later than Oct. 18, 2025. For more information, please go to lcms.org/nominate. Any member of a congregation with a valid e-mail address will be able to establish an account and submit a nomination.

FAIRMOUNT MINISTRIES

- **6:47 Tuesdays @Fairmount!** College Age/Young Adult Fellowship/Bible Group. Bible Study Topic: Basics of our Faith. E-mail hannah@fairmountministries.org for more info.
- **Faith on Tap March 16th, 2025** - Old School Tap House 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in Kechi. Pastor Nick Cordt from Bethany Lutheran will lead the discussion on "We've Always Done It That Way": Taking a look at what is Lent, and all the traditions that we may (or may not have). Is it peer pressure, personal piety, or just something we do and aren't sure why?
- **Community event: Cafe, Clips, and Chats!** Friday, March 21 from 6 pm to 7 pm at Fairmount. Watch movie clips together, then follow discussion prompts at your table.

Those Serving at Trinity in March ...

Greeters: Tom N. & Allen B. ***Altar Guild:*** The Wortzes
Usher: David Ketteman ***Organist:*** Amy Haist
Counter: The Wortzes ***Elder:*** Keith Buhr
Acolyte: Lennyn Janney ***Crucifer:*** Kingston Araiza