



The Trinity Times

Weekly Announcements



FEBRUARY STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

Glory and Garbage of the Universe

The holiday celebrated in the cold, dark, and frequently dreary month of February is focused on the warmth of Love: St. Valentine's Day.

God's Word mentions love hundreds of times. In 1 John 4:18, we are reminded of the power of God's love: "There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear."

Mankind is capable of great love and acts of love, even sacrificial love. However, competing with this powerful emotion of love is hatred that is beyond comprehension. Perhaps this is why Blaise Pascal, the French mathematician, physicist, inventor, philosopher, and Catholic writer, penned these words:

*What sort of freak then is man! How novel, how monstrous, how chaotic, how paradoxical, how prodigious! Judge of all things, feeble earthworm, repository of truth, sink of doubt and error, **glory and refuse of the universe**. Man's greatness and wretchedness are so evident that the true religion must necessarily teach us that there is in man some great principle of greatness and some great principle of wretchedness!*

We live in a world that is constantly at odds between *greatness and wretchedness*, righteousness and lawlessness, love and hate. Look no further than social media to see this *glory and garbage* on full display. Which one we allow to rule us will, as Pascal said, reflect God's glory or the refuse in our sinful hearts.

We are made in the Image of God (*Imago Dei*), but whether we choose to reflect His Glory or the hate that permeates the human condition, is up to us.

"Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us" (Ephesians 5:1-2(a)).

Stewardship Corner

1 Corinthians 1:18 – "Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world?" God's ways are certainly not the world's ways, including the way God tells us to manage the resources He's given to us. The world says, "hold on, hold back and gather up." Jesus says to store up treasure in heaven where moth and rust do not destroy and where no thief breaks in to steal. Whose way do you think is best? What is wiser: the wisdom of the financial gurus or the foolishness of God?



2026—LENT MIDWEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

February 18th - Ash Wednesday Service w/Communion 7pm at St. Trinity

February 25th - 1pm Afternoon Service at Crown of Life

February 25th - 7pm Evening Service at Crown of Life
with Potluck Dinner at Crown of Life at 6pm
(Please bring a side dish or dessert to contribute)

March 4th - 1pm Afternoon Service at Crown of Life (Officiated by Pastor Paul Undlin)

March 4th - 7pm Evening Service at St. Trinity
with Potluck Dinner at St. Trinity beginning at 5:30pm.

A signup sheet is at the Information Center for main dish contributions

March 11th - 1pm Afternoon Service at Crown of Life

March 11th - 7pm Evening Service at Journey
with Potluck Dinner at Journey at 6pm
(Please bring a side dish or dessert to contribute)

March 18th - 1pm Afternoon Service at Crown of Life

March 18th - 7pm Evening Service at St. Paul
with Potluck Dinner at St. Paul at 6pm
(Please bring a side dish or dessert to contribute)

March 25th - 1pm Afternoon Service at Crown of Life

March 25th - 7pm Evening Service at Good Shepherd
with Potluck Dinner at Good Shepherd at 6pm
(Please bring a side dish or dessert to contribute)

Please note: The office kindly asks that when emailing event information, prayer requests, or updates, Please include both email addresses for Gretchen & Mary.

Thank you very much!

Gretchen: office@sainttrinitylutheran.com ~ **Mary:** office2@sainttrinitylutheran.com



IN-HOME BIBLE STUDY

HOST: T.B.D.
WHEN: FEBRUARY 21ST
TOPIC: THE LIFE OF CHRIST



This 13-week Bible study, will meet at a different volunteer hosts' residence, the 3rd Friday each month at 7:00pm. Sign up sheet at the narthex info center. Please see Judy Orlor or Pam Boadway if you would like to host a month!



FEBRUARY JOY GROUP OUTING

February 19th, 2026



The JOY Group is taking a field trip to Chelsea, Michigan for a 3 o'clock matinee at the Purple Rose Theatre.

The featured play is "**The Classic King**" directed by Jeff Daniels.

Attendees must call the Box Office to purchase tickets at (734) 443-7673. Everyone going is expected to pre-purchase their own tickets and make their own travel arrangements.

However, there is a sign-up sheet on our bulletin board in the FLC hallway. Annette would appreciate knowing who is going and with whom they are traveling. Also, on the JOY Group Board is more information about the town of Chelsea as well as the Purple Rose Theatre.

Do not hesitate to call Annette if there are any questions - (248) 600-3358

ALL ARE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE ~ THE MORE THE MERRIER!

	SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES
8:30-9:15am	OLD TESTAMENT BIBLE STUDY All are welcome, in the Family Life Classroom.
10:45-11:45am	CHILDRENS SUNDAY SCHOOL Ages 3-years to 5th grade. In the Fellowship Hall
10:45-11:45am	LIVING GOD'S WORD VIDEO BIBLE STUDY This study gathers in the L-Room.
10:45-11:45am	GOSPEL OF JOHN BIBLE STUDY All are welcome. in Family Life classrooms.



Weekday Bible Study Opportunities

- ♦ **Men's Bible Study** 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month at 9:30 am.
- ♦ **Women's Bible Study** 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month at 9:30am.
- ♦ **Home Bible Study** 3rd Friday of the month at 7:00pm, host varies.
- ♦ A list of weekday **Bible Study opportunities at sister LCMS churches** is available at the Information Center. Churches include: Good Shepherd in Lake Orion, Journey in Oxford, and Crown of Life in Rochester.



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Sunday Ministry Assistants

Audio Schedule

Feb. 1 J. Yaeger
Feb. 8 F. Irish
Feb. 15 J. Yaeger
Feb. 22 F. Irish

Video Schedule

Feb. 1 R. Karstensen
Feb. 8 J. Ashley
Feb. 15 J. Schorsch
Feb. 22 R. Karstensen

Greeters

February 1
Fred & Connie Irish
February 8
Annette Ashley

Coffee Schedule

February C/M Schwartz
March Elaine Schultz

Lay Readers

Feb. 1 Noah Ehlke
Feb. 8 Don Dees
Feb. 15 Melissa Ehlke
Feb. 22 Steve Pflieger

Counters

February 1
Elaine Schultz
Jason/Julie Schultz
Pam Boadway
February 8
Demonaco
Gordy Cloutier

Altar Circle

February
J. Wightman / C. Schwartz
S. Shepherd
March
Art/Jeanne Saunders

Donuts / Bagels

February L. Cardinal
March C/M Schwartz

Elder on Duty

Feb 1 Mark Drennan
Feb 4 Dan Cardinal
Feb 8 Dan Cardinal
Feb 15 Dave Hahn
Feb 18 Aaron Meyer
Feb 22 Bob Altman
Feb 25 Rich Trudelle

Road Sign February

Fred Hohnstadt

March

Lee Berrie



Usher Schedule

February 1

Stella Shepherd, Capt.
Amy Costello
Kirk Costello
Jeff Feldmeyer

February 8

Fred Hohnstadt, Capt.
John Ehlke
Richard Meyer
Bob Schroer

February 15

Rich Karstensen, Capt.
Paul Orler
Joseph Ashley
Kurt Schroeder

THE BOARD OF HUMAN CARE IS COLLECTING ITEMS FOR THE ST. PAUL FOOD PANTRY DURING MONTHS JANUARY & FEBRUARY. BELOW ARE A COUPLE OF THE SHELF STABLE ITEMS THEY ARE SPECIFICALLY REQUESTING.



- PASTA SAUCE
- INSTANT POTATOES
- CANNED MEAT / PROTEIN
- CANNED FRUITS / VEGETABLES

As always, Please be mindful of expiration dates.



Please bring donations to the old coat room of the narthex, right next to the church main doors. Every item is appreciated and no donation is too small to make a difference.