

### Nurturing a Living Faith with Open Hearts and Serving Hands

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# April 15th, 2025 E-Newsletter

# **Palm Sunday**

Past Event: Sunday, April 13th

#### Palms, Breakfast, Egg Hunt, Kids Singing!

Palm Sunday was a joyous celebration! We served 210 people for breakfast, held an egg hunt between services and our church school sang at both services! Thank you to everyone who helped whether with the setup, cooking, clean-up or leading music.

It was fun to see people with big smiles on their faces, people deep in conversation, kiddos enjoying the meal then getting involved in the activities. "Sing Hosanna to the King of Kings!"





# **Hibernation Termination** Celebration

Saturday, April 26th @ 9:15 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Trinity member, Steve Schilling, will be leading this painting for our Hibernation Termination Celebration! This painting called, "Balloon Flight Over the Badlands" was inspired by the Medora Hot Balloon Launch last fall.

This event is hosted by Trinity's Mental Health & Substance Abuse Task Force. All activities are free to participate in. A freewill offering will be held for the breakfast. All are welcome!



More info listed below under "Upcoming Events."



#### **Recent Announcements**

#### **Funerals**

We extend our congregation's sympathy to the families of:

- Erwin Lang a memorial service will be held @ 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, April 17th at Trinity.
- Patricia Karlgaard a memorial service will be held @ 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 10th at Parkway Funeral Service.

#### **Scholarship Application**

Trinity Lutheran seniors and college students - now is the time to apply for the Trinity Lutheran Scholarship through our Trust. This is a competitive scholarship process based on church involvement and involvement in other faith activities. Click the button below to access the digital application form on our website. **The deadline is May 15th.** 

Scholarship Application

#### Miss the Faith Formation Focus Group?

Did you miss the Focus Groups we had on Faith Formation? If so, please consider taking a few minutes to fill out surveys & questions online. We value your input whether you are a grandparent, parent, or caring adult and not matter what age your kids are at. Please fill it out **by the end of April.** 

Faith Formation Survey

**Easter Special Offering** 

Reminder

This year's Easter Special Offering is to help "dress" the worship space at Missouri Slope Lutheran Care Center. Trinity, along with other ELCA congregations, are working together to make the chapel space feel more like a worship space. We will collect this special offering through Easter Sunday. Please write a note in the memo line of your check, "Special Easter Offering." Thanks again for your generosity.

#### **Blood Drive**

Friday, April 25th @ 2:30 p.m. - 5 p.m. Community Center

Reminder

Trinity is hosting a blood drive on Friday, April 25th. There are slots for 15 people willing to roll up their sleeves and bless those in medical need of life saving blood. A registration sheet to sign-up is available in the Narthex.

+++++ Trinity's New Members will be coming soon! Thanks for your patience! +++++

# **Easter Bag Deliveries**

Past Event: Saturday, April 12th

The 10:30 Praise Team was at it again delivering their home-prepared holiday bags to some of Trinity's "at-home" members.

Wayne and Joann Otterness have an abundance of memories from their many years of involvement at Trinity. Wayne has served on the church council and worked alongside others to make baptismal chests (woodworking has been a favorite hobby he's enjoyed for years).



Joann has provided music as an accompanist,

playing both organ and piano at Trinity, as well as at other churches in Bismarck. She also played handbells and eventually became the director of the Trinity Handbell Choir. At their current place of residence, she still plays piano for various events and her music typically draws together a group of residents making requests for favorite songs that typically results in joyful sing-alongs.

The couple has been blessed with 5 children, 13 grandchildren and they anticipate the birth of two great grandchildren this summer, which they are excited to welcome into their family.

They enjoy watching the service from Trinity on Sunday mornings and the couple also spends a lot of time with neighbors playing Pinochle and board games. Thank you to the Praise Team members for organizing this ministry!

# **Children & Youth**

Gracia Johnson - Youth and Children Ministry Coordinator; gjohnson@trinitybismarck.com, ext. 5

# **Youth Happenings**

We have many fun youth opportunities throughout the year! Information is also available on our website. Click on images to enlarge. Questions? See Gracia.





#### **Camperships**

Because we believe in the value of Bible Camp, Trinity Lutheran Church will provide scholarships of half the cost of camp to anyone enrolled in Trinity Church School, Confirmation, or Youth Group attending an ELCA Bible Camp. See Gracia for more info.

#### Camp of the Cross Summer Camps

Check out the options at Camp of the Cross near Garrison, ND has to offer this summer! There are great options for kids & youth of all ages! Scan the QR Code to go to the Camp of the Cross website.



#### **Vacation Bible School**

June 8th - 11th

Embark on an exciting journey with Road Trip VBS, based on Joshua 1:9 – "The LORD your God is with you wherever you go." Discover God's presence everywhere as we explore new places, make new friends, and experience God's goodness together.

Join us June 8-11, 2025 for a fun time of games, singing, Bible stories, crafts, and more for children age 4 to entering grade 5.







- Sunday through Tuesday (June 8-10) we'll meet from 5:45 to 7:45 p.m.
- Wednesday, June 11 we'll celebrate with worship at 6 p.m. The kids will sing a couple songs for worship that night. After worship everyone is invited to stay for supper with grilled hot dogs and hamburgers.
- There is no cost to attend.

Volunteers are needed! If you are willing to help please contact Gracia at gjohnson@trinitybismarck.com.

# **Stephen Ministry**

Submitted by: Karen Botine

#### Whose hand offers the cup?

If I remember correctly, there is a line in *Gone With the Wind* where Scarlett O'Hara says, "I have often depended on the kindness of strangers." I haven't depended on it, but I have often been surprised by the kindness of others, especially since a cane became a "fashion accessory" for me.

Sometimes the encouragement, support, or assistance you need comes from an unexpected source. Consider the following... Young man with shaved head covered in tattoos, eyes focused on (what else?) the cell phone in his hands, and his thumbs busy composing another message. He walked by just as I was getting out of my car in front of a local business. I suspected he hadn't even seen me, but as I made my slow way across the sidewalk he turned around and asked, "Are you going into that store?" When I responded "Yes" he walked back to the door of the store, waited until I got close, and then opened the door for me and wished me a happy day. The whole experience cost him less than a minute and 5 or 6 extra steps, but it brightened a gloomy day and was a pleasant entry to put in my mental diary of "nice things people have done for me."

In Stephen Ministry we talk often of being able to offer a "cup of cold water" to someone. Now, a cup of water might not mean much — unless your mouth is dry and there isn't a water fountain nearby. The cup is some small service (like opening a door), a word of encouragement, a thank-you to someone who has worked hard on a project. The surprising part of such "cold water" is that you don't always know who will offer it — or what form it will take. During the icy days this past winter there were several times someone (known or unknown to me) offered me a supportive arm and, when assured that I was fine, said "I'll just walk behind you to your car (or to the building) in case you slip."

Have you thought that you might be the person who could offer a cup of cold water to someone? It might not even be a full cup, but it might be just enough to brighten the day for someone, and as Jesus reminded his hearers more than once – if you give that cup to someone in Christian love, you give it to Him as well.

Is there someone around you who might be thirsty for your cup of water?

# Showering the Camp

Reminder

The Mission and Outreach Committee would like to invite you to "shower the camp" with them.

Each year, Camp of the Cross Ministries invites congregations and individuals to donate supplies to the camp. We will be collecting supplies throughout the month of April.

Check out the list and bring in a few items. Do you think we could fill a pickup with supplies? Or maybe a trailer? Let's see what we can do. If you have questions, contact Pastor Martha.



PLEASE CONSIDER SENDING SPRING "SHOWERS" TO THE CAMP IN THE FORM OF DONATIONS, TO HELP US BLOOM THIS YEAR!

ANYTHING AND EVERYTHING IS APPRECIATED!

AVERY 5160 MAILING LABELS
COPY PAPER (8.5X11 – LETTER)
WHITE CARDSTOCK PAPER
COLORED CARDSTOCK PAPER
COLORED CARDSTOCK PAPER
#10 ENVELOPES
MAILING ENVELOPES (9X12, 6X9, &
10X13)
PACKAGING TAPE
POST IT NOTES
3 RING BINDERS (1.5" OR 2")
PAINT (ACRYLIC OR TEMPRA)
COLORED CONTRUCTION PAPER
RUBBER BANDS
EMBROYDERY FLOSS (OR OTHER
BRACELET MAKING THREADS)
WASHABLE MARKERS
BLACK SHARPIES
CHALK MARKERS
BLACK G2.7 PENS
COFFEE GROUNDS (REGULAR &
DECAF)
#10 CANS OF FRUITS AND
VEGETABLES

STAMPS - REGULAR & POSTCARD

OATMEAL
SPAGHETTI NOODLES
VEGETABLE OIL
ZIPLOC FREEZER BAGS (2 GALLON,
GALLON, QUART, SANDWICH)
SARAN WRAP
ALIMINIUM EOU

CEREAL

ALUMINUM FOIL 25LB. BAG OF FLOUR 25LB. BAG OF SUGAR POWDERED SUGAR
BROWN SUGAR
CAKE & BROWNIE MIXES
PAPER TOWELS
NAPKINS
DUCT TAPE
PINESOL
WINDEX & SPRAYAWAY
DAWN POWERWASH
MULTIPURPOSE SPRAY CLEANERS
(409, FANTASTIC, ETC.)
BATTERIES (AA, AAA, & 9VOLT)
GREASE & GREASE GUN
VACCUUMS
TRIMMER WIRE
NUTS, BOLTS, SCREWS (VARIOUS
SIZES)
EXTENSION CORDS
LIGHTBULBS
GARDENING GLOVES
GARDEN HOSES
GARDEN HOSES
GARDER HOSES
GARBAGE BAGS (WHITE 13 GALLON
& BLACK 33 GALLON)
HANDSOAP
TRAYEL SIZE BODY WASH,
SHAMPOO, & CONDITIONERS
LAUNDRY SOAP
BOUNCE DRYER SHEETS
WHITE LARGE BATH TOWELS

WHITE LARGE BATH TOWELS
WHITE HAND TOWELS
BANDAIDS
TWEEZERS
FINGERNAIL CLIPPERS
TRAVEL SIZED TOOTHBRUSHES
AND TOOTHPASTE
FANNY PACKS/BUM BAGS

# **Your Gifts**

Brent Winkelman - Financial Director; winkelman@trinitybismarck.com, ext. 7

**Electronic Giving -** Trinity offers the option of Electronic Giving as a simple way to contribute.

This would allow you the freedom from worry or concern whether you are out of town, on vacation or wondering how to budget your contributions. Giving forms are available in the office, at the Welcome Center or on Trinity's website.

At <u>www.trinitybismarck.com</u>, you can give electronically to the general fund, Capital Campaign and others. If you have questions or need assistance, please contact our Financial Director, Brent Winkelman at winkelman@trnitybismarck.com. Thank you again for your continued financial support.

Donate

# **Congregational Relationships**

#### **Ministry Opportunities**

Ministry Opportunities at Trinity are available digitally. Please sign up to serve as Scripture Readers, Ushers, Greeters, Communion Servers and Tech online. Sunday Readers should signup by the Thursday before by 10 a.m. (Holiday weeks may vary). Click below to sign up.

If you haven't served before or are not sure what type of opportunities are there for you, please fill out the "Ministry Opportunity Form." Click below and you will be contacted about serving.

Sign Up

Ministry Opportunity Form

#### **Collection Items**



#### **Bismarck Lions Glasses**

Drop off prescription glasses at the office. We will contact Bismarck Lions to come and collect them.



#### **RMHC Pull Tabs**

Pull tabs can be dropped off at the office or placed in these houses to be delivered to Ronald McDonald House.

# **Prayer List**

Prayer is an essential part of our faith life. As part of the body of Christ we are called to pray for others who are sick, hurting or in need of healing. Names will be added only with the permission of the person being prayed for or an immediate family member.

If you would like your name added to this list, please contact the office or let one of the pastors know.

Please pray for: James Kalbfleisch, Terry, Dick, Wendy, Amy, Dennis, Rod & Renae.

# **Pastoral Acts**

#### **Baptisms**

Audrey Mae Samuels

#### **Funerals**

Mary Schumaker

Weddings

**Gifts & Memorials** 

# **Upcoming Events**

Click on the images to enlarge.





#### **Hibernation Termination Celebration**

Saturday, April 26th @ 9:15 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Trinity's Mental Health and Substance Abuse Task Force is sponsoring a morning of fun on April 26th. Come meet new people and learn a new hobby or skill. The event starts @ 9:15 a.m. with breakfast.

You will have the chance to go to two different hobby/skill workshops including:

- ukulele playing
- painting
- · creating mosaic crosses
- cookie/cupcake decorating
- yoga
- and more!

All ages are welcome! Invite your friends, family, neighbors, and more to our <u>Hibernation</u> Termination Celebration event on Facebook.

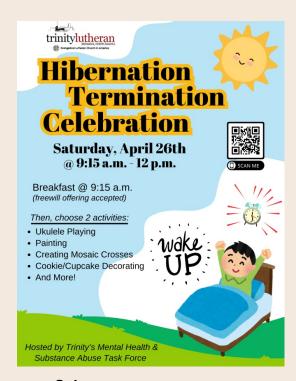


#### **Re-Entry Meal & Support**

1st Thursday of the month @ 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. Fellowship Hall

We hold a re-entry meal with time for fellowship and support for people who are in re-entry and their families once a month.

We meet on the first Thursday of every month. We will continue to partner with Ministry on the Margins for this project. If you would like to help with this project, contact Pastor Martha.



#### Rummage Sale

Friday, May 9th @ 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Saturday, May 10th @ 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Our rummage sale is coming up and the funds raised will go toward our children & youth ministry. Please consider helping when you are able!

- Wednesday, April 30 we'll be setting up tables & racks after worship.
- We start accepting donations Thursday, May 1.
- Help unpack items/set-up Thursday, May 1 Thursday, May 8. Just stop on by and unpack a box or 10!
- Help bag items people are purchasing during the sale Friday, May 9 (8-5) & Saturday, May 10 (10-2). Please contact Gracia to help.
- Help pack up the leftovers starting at 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 10. Please let Gracia know if you can help or just come on by & help.

Click here to check out the **Rummage Sale** event on Facebook.

#### **Blood Drive**

Friday, April 25th @ 2:30 p.m. - 5 p.m. Community Center

Save the date! Trinity is hosting a blood drive on Friday, April 25th. There are slots for 15 people willing to roll up their sleeves and bless those in medical need of life saving blood. A registration sheet to sign up is available in the Narthex or sign up online. There is a critical need for blood in our area!



Sign Up Online

# **Lend a Hand Ministry**

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 8th @ 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Fellowship Hall

Lend a Hand Ministry enjoys some coffee and fellowship before breaking out into small groups to help with projects that care for the building. No special skills are required. All are welcome!

They meet the 2nd Thursday of each month @ 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Please contact our Facility Manager, John Brintnell, at brintnell@trinitybismarck.com if interested.



# BIBLE JOURNALING IS A WAY TO COMBINE YOUR LOVE OF SCRIPTURE WITH YOUR CREATIVE TALENTS.

ALL ARE WELCOME:
GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH
3RD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH

# **Bible Journaling**

3rd Tuesday of the month @ 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Join us for Bible Journaling – where scripture & creative expression meet. We meet at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church on the 3rd Tuesday of the month @ 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. All ages are welcome! Come & check it out! See Gracia with questions.





# **Ministry Partners**



# **Missouri Slope**

Check out available job openings here:



# Ministry on the Margins



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#### **ELCA Daily Discipleship**

Click on the image to open the Daily Discipleship shared on the ELCA's **website**.

www.missourislope.com/care Ministry on the Margins is

Check out their digital newsletter here: https://missourislope.com/hill visit: topper/

always looking for volunteers for their food pantry.

For information and to sign up

www.ministryonthemargins.org





# **Worship Schedule**

#### Sundays

8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship 10:30 a.m. Blended Worship

#### **Wednesdays**

\*Soup is served before worship.

12:15 p.m. Lenten Worship 6 p.m. Contemporary Worship

We are happy to partner with Grace Lutheran in Driscoll.

Bulletins are posted on our website under **Bulletins** or click below:

**Bulletins** 

# **Radio Broadcast**

Sunday 8:30 a.m. Radio Broadcast on 1270 Super Talk or the Listen Live link on their website. You can also click below:

Listen Live

# **Video Worship Links**

Videos are posted on our Facebook Page and on our YouTube Page.

- Congregational updates posted as necessary.
- Trinity To Go posted weekly by a
- Livestream available for worship services.



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