

The Waiting Game

Life involves lots of waiting. We wait in groups, in lines, in cars. We wait for packages, for the bus, for the sun to rise. We wait in doctors' offices, at the post office, at the DMV. Waiting implies we're at someone else's mercy, but it's also usually linked to hope. Perhaps that's why Paul Tillich called waiting a metaphor for faith. Why would one wait if there weren't the firm belief that the object of one's wait will eventually materialize?

Waiting can be enervating, which is why Isaiah 40:31 is so promising: "They who wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength." Yet waiting is tough if you have nothing to do while waiting. That's why Jesus, when talking about waiting, also talked about working — work for the night is coming. Sometimes it's less tiring to work than it is to wait.

There's a lot of waiting during Lent. You're waiting for a payoff. You're waiting for the Resurrection. You're waiting for spiritual growth. And then you realize this isn't waiting at all. It's life. It's joy. It's opportunity. It's blessing.



—Timothy Merrill

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sat. (25 th)	AHG Lock-in 9:30 AHG Lock-in 5:30 Worship Service (C)
Sun. (26 th)	8:00 Worship Service (C) 9:15 Adult Bible Study 9:15 Sunday School 9:15 Parents of 2-year-olds (Nursery) 9:15 Parent Bible Study 9:20 Youth Bible Study 10:30 Worship Service 1:30-3:30 Bible Bowl Practice
Mon. (27 th)	6:00 Easter Egg Painting 6:30 AHG Leaders' Mtg. 7:00 Grand Monday (online) 7:00 Trumps' Bible Study (off site) 8:30 Staff Mtg. 9:00 Bible Study 2-2:45 FLS (Fellowship Hall)
Tue. (28 th)	4:15 Community Cathedral Café 5:15 FLS Cheer Performance Night 6:00 Property Brd. Mtg. 6:00 Handbells 7:00 Choir
Wed. (1 st)	8:30 FLS Chapel 9:00 Quilting 2:30 New Perspective (C) 4:00 Pleasant View Estates (C) 5:30 Lenten Service 6:30 Baked Potato Bar 6:30 Confirmation 7th/8th grade 7:00 Connection Practice 11:30 Prayer Group 5:30-8:00 AHG (FH, MR, Gym, N, After school care)
Thu. (2 nd)	8:00 Men's Bible Study 11-5:00 Blood Drive 12:40 Trinity Kitchen - FLS
Fri. (3 rd)	5:30 Worship Service 8:00 Worship Service 9:15 Adult Bible Study 9:15 Lenten Family Event 10:30 Connection Service (C) 1:30-3:30 Bible Bowl Practice 4-7:00 AHG (FH & N)
Sat. (4 th)	
Sun. (5 th)	

- Serving Trinity Lutheran Church and Faribault Lutheran School -

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Livestream: www.trinityradioandvideo.org 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

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Our Mission:
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GROW...
GO...



Trinity News of the Week

February 25 & 26, 2023

Trinity Lutheran Church
Faribault, MN 55021

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL READINGS

Mon. 2/27: Genesis 12:1-9	Thu. 3/2: Colossians 1:3-14
Tue. 2/28: Psalm 121	Fri. 3/3: Matt. 13:1-8, 18-23
Wed. 3/1: Romans 4:1-8, 13-17	Sat. 3/4: John 3:1-17

FARIBAULT LUTHERAN SCHOOL

FLS is looking to connect with alumni from Trinity, Peace and FLS. Printed forms are at the information center or you may fill out the alumni form here: www.bit.ly/3Ya59XC. The form is also available through a link on Trinity's website: www.trinityfaribault.org or visit www.flsweb.org and click on alumni under the *About* section of the website.

Are you interested in serving on the gymnasium capital campaign committee? We are looking for individuals who have philanthropy, giving and a talent for public relations in their heart. This project needs you! Please contact Mrs. Saehler in the school office or at 507-334-7982 if you are interested.

You are invited to attend the FLS 3rd-6th grade musical on Thursday, March 23, 6:00 p.m. The musical is entitled "Rescue in the Night" and tells the story of Daniel in the lions den. You may also attend the dress rehearsal on Wednesday, March 22 at 1:00 p.m.

Come for a day of fun on FLS visitors day, March 22 with 10:30 chapel, lunch, musical dress rehearsal and desserts and coffee with Chrysteena Saehler!

EVANGELISM

In Our Prayers for Strength, Comfort, and Healing...

Verna Bahl; Hub Cloeter; Gloria Cloutier; Mardy Danielson; Vicki (Sanders) Doble; Don Dugan; Laurel Engquist; Sharon Geyer; Kevin Goddard; Shari Hagen; Andrew Hein; Lowell Hetletvedt; Dwight Hildebrandt; Barbara Roach; Lorraine Roemhildt; Scott Rost; Shirley Rost; Ray Sanders; Diane Schultz; Nancy Schultz; Jayne & Todd Voge; Barb Young

FELLOWSHIP

♪ I've got the J.O.Y...down in my heart ♪

We'll try a **Perkins brunch** again, this time in **March**, you see; Tuesday the 14th is the new date set, at **10 a.m.** [whoopee!!!]

Come for **breakfast or lunch, or just coffee**, if that's your "cup of tea."

We gather all as one again, how's that for family?

Sugar or cream for your coffee?

Stir it with a spoon;

Sign up at the Welcome Center, so we reserve the right size room.

HUMAN CARE

Our Human Care Team is sponsoring a Baked Potato Bar. Due to inclement weather on Ash Wednesday, the Potato Bar will be held on Wednesday, March 1 following the midweek service.

Trinity will host a Blood Drive for the American Red Cross on Friday, March 3, 2023 11:00am - 5:00pm



To schedule your appointment call, 1-800-RED CROSS (733-2767) or visit www.RedCrossBlood.org and enter: TrinityFaribault.

We still have many more slots! Please sign up and save lives.

February 26 “Going to be with the Lord is not meant to be an escape from the responsibilities and good works God has prepared in advance for us to do!”

Barbara Lane Geistfeld, D.V.M., Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

PRO-LIFE ADVOCACY DAY



United for Life is a pro-life advocacy day at the Minnesota State Capitol on Tuesday, **February 28, 2023**, with registration beginning at 9 a.m. The day will consist of a rally in the Capitol Rotunda, educational opportunities, and meetings with your state representatives.

Given the continuing assault by the DFL Caucus on pre-born life, it is imperative Christians make their voices heard now! These are the most radical abortion bills (SF1 – The PRO Act; HF91/SF70; HF146; SF165; SF336; HF1170) in the nation. That is the purpose of this February 28 event – to make our voices heard in a clear and powerful way.

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Please be sure to register as soon as possible so that event organizers can make appointments for you to talk with your legislators that day. This is especially true if your State Representative and/or State Senator is a member of the Democratic Party.

This is our opportunity to speak the Gospel of Life into a society being seduced by the “culture of death.” We hope you’ll be a part of it!

STEWARDSHIP



We need sponsors for Lenten Suppers! Please contact the church office if you would like to sponsor a soup supper.



March Newsletters are available in the narthex and online under *News & Events* on Trinity’s website: www.trinityfaribault.org.

MARCH

WORSHIP

Please continue to pray for Pastor John Otte and his family as he prayerfully considers the Call to be Senior Pastor of Trinity, Faribault.

Please pray for God’s guidance and perfect will to be done.



Lenten midweek services will continue at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesdays, March 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29. Join us for the special series *The Parables of Lent*.



The Parables of Lent

March 1, 2023
(Pastor Longshore)
Receive the WORD
THE PARABLE *of the* SOWER *and the* SEED

March 8, 2023 (Pastor Stern)
Receive MERCY
THE PARABLE *of the* GOOD SAMARITAN

March 15, 2023 (Pastor Stern)
Receive GRACE
THE PARABLE *of the* workers *in the* VINEYARD

March 22, 2023 (Pastor Stern)
Receive the TREASURE
THE PARABLE *of the* HIDDEN TREASURE *and the* PRICELESS PEARL

March 29, 2023 (Pastor Stern)
Receive FORGIVENESS
THE PARABLE *of the* PRODIGAL SON

Jesus, sometimes I’m the prodigal (wasteful) child in your parable, sometimes the resentful one. But help me be like the father: unconditionally loving to all.



COMMUNITY

Lenten Friday Walleye Fish Fry



Friday, March 3 5:00-7:00 p.m.

At Blooming Grove United Methodist Church (43089 180th St., Morristown) Come enjoy good food, great fellowship, and a break from winter’s cold and snow! Take-out is also available.

MENU: Walleye, Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans, Dinner Roll, Dessert, Beverage

Free-will offering with all proceeds going to the Blooming Grove United Methodist Church Accessible Entry. Questions: contact Brad Spinler at 507-461-2354.

Fourth Avenue United Methodist Church 2023 Community Lenten Soup Luncheons

Serving 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Fridays February 24-March 31
Adults: \$10.00 / Children 12 & Under: \$5.00
Family Plan \$25.00

All you can eat soup served with bread, crackers, milk, coffee & water and 1 piece of dessert.

Take Out: Quart of Soup \$9.00
Pint of Soup \$6.00 Dessert \$2.00
Takeout orders, call 334-4308
Tuesday-Thursday 9am-noon