



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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NEWSLETTER

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FROM OUR PASTOR



I came in early today - Ash Wednesday - to write an encouraging note to you. I drove into Faribault with a small U-Haul trailer behind my pickup truck on January 31. With the help of a few men from Trinity, I was able to carry a few personal items into my apartment. Their help was greatly appreciated.

I began my work in the office on February 1. It has been fourteen days of change for you and me. I explored the town of Faribault to find the local stores like Wal-Mart, Hy-Vee, and Fareway for necessary food items. I even had to stop at the local Ace Hardware for a few apartment items. I have enjoyed finding my way around Faribault. Change can be enjoyed and appreciated.

Each of us, during these days, has adjusted our daily schedules, our work relationships, and our church worship. I have met many of you and have enjoyed getting to know you and the place you call home. The change has been good as we begin a time of consistency together.

Soon we will be in the month of March. What will it hold for us this year? I don't even know that the weather forecasters have any idea this year. I do know what is typical in Minnesota. We typically have a certain amount of daily sunlight at the beginning of the month, followed by an increasing amount of sunlight at the end of the month. No matter the daily weather around us; that is a constant, more sunlight.

What else can we expect in March? We may experience some snow, some rain mixed weather, or a possible blizzard. March is a month of change. The season of Lent is also a time of change in our church life.

Please join me and the church leadership as we explore the book of Exodus this year in our Wednesday Lenten series. We will look at the lives of the people of Israel in their journey out of slavery in Egypt and what we can learn from them in our own struggles and joys as we come into the presence of God in our lives.

While we live in the darkness of this world of sin, the light of salvation is growing stronger every day that we get closer to the day of Easter and our own day of salvation in Christ Jesus. I can't wait to hear those familiar words at the end of March. He is arisen! One day you too will hear these amazing words; **"Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master"** (Matthew 25:21).

King Solomon left us these words to ponder from Proverbs 3:5, **"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart, and lean not on thine own understanding."**

The beginning of March may seem dreary and cold, but we know by the end of the month we will be celebrating Holy Week and our victory in Christ over sin, death, and our enemy Satan! To God be the Glory. Amen and Amen.

Pastor Gueldner

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HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE 2024

SERVING TRINITY & FLS

- Rev. Peter Gueldner,
Intentional Interim Pastor
- Rev. Hal Rex Longshore,
Visitation Pastor
- Rev. Gatluk, Reat,
Sudanese Evang. Lutheran
Mission Church
- Bill Kirkpatrick,
Finance Manager
- Nancy Simonson,
Family Ministry
- Jennifer Kingland,
Office Manager
- Bill & Mary Jewison,
Custodians
- Chrysteena Saehler,
FLS Administrator/Principal
- Jessica Lewis,
FLS Administrative
Secretary



Our Lenten Midweek Series on Exodus continues... March 6, 13 & 20.

Lenten Supper will follow each service!

- ✠ **MAUNDY THURSDAY—**
March 28, 7:00 p.m. with Holy Communion
(live streamed and KDHL 920AM)
- ✠ **GOOD FRIDAY—March 29, 7:00 p.m.:**
(live streamed and KDHL 920AM)
- ✠ **EASTER VIGIL Remembrance of**
Baptism—March 30, 5:30 p.m. with
Holy Communion
- ✠ **EASTER SUNDAY—March 31**
8:00 a.m. - Festival Service with
Holy Communion *(live streamed and KDHL 920AM)*
- ✠ **EASTER SUNDAY—March 31**
10:30 a.m. - Contemporary Service with
Holy Communion *(live streamed)*

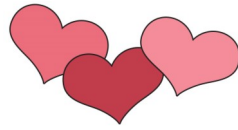
Join us for Easter Breakfast on March 31!

52 Week Bible Reading Plan

	Epistles	The Law	History	Psalms	Poetry	Prophecy	Gospels
Week	(Sunday)	(Monday)	(Tuesday)	(Wednesday)	(Thursday)	(Friday)	(Saturday)
9						March 1 Isaiah 45-50	March 2 Matthew 23-25
10	3 I Cor. 3-4	4 Genesis 36-39	5 Ruth	6 Psalms 27-29	7 Job 19-20	8 Isaiah 51-55	9 Matthew 26-28
11	10 I Cor. 5-6	11 Genesis 40-43	12 I Samuel 1-5	13 Psalms 30-32	14 Job 21-22	15 Isaiah 56-61	16 Mark 1-2
12	17 I Cor. 7-8	18 Genesis 44-47	19 I Samuel 6-10	20 Psalms 33-35	21 Job 23-24	22 Isaiah 62-66	23 Mark 3-4
13	24 I Cor. 9-10	25 Genesis 48-50	26 I Samuel 11-15	27 Psalms 36-38	28 Job 25-26	29 Jeremiah 1-6	30 Mark 5-6
14	31 I Cor. 11-12	April 1 Exodus 1-4	April 2 I Samuel 16-20	"To read the Bible is to take a trip to a fair land where the spirit is strengthened and faith renewed." <i>-Dwight D. Eisenhower</i>			

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

On Sunday, February 11 Sunday School students and their families gathered in the gym to make 30 placemats for the senior dinner and 80 Valentines to be delivered with Meals on Wheels.



Families received their Lenten Devotions to be used in the home during the season of Lent. The children also sang at the 10:30 worship service.

GRANDPARENTING

Grand Monday Nights

Grandparents met on February 12 for a video entitled "Holy Sexuality and the Gospel," which was excellent. You can view it at: <https://legacycoalition.com/gmnepisode/holy-sexuality-and-the-gospel-grandparents-discipling-teens-on-biblical-sexuality/>.

Our next meeting will be on March 11, when we will view a video on human trafficking. All parents and grandparents are welcome. We meet in the Music Room at 7:00 p.m.

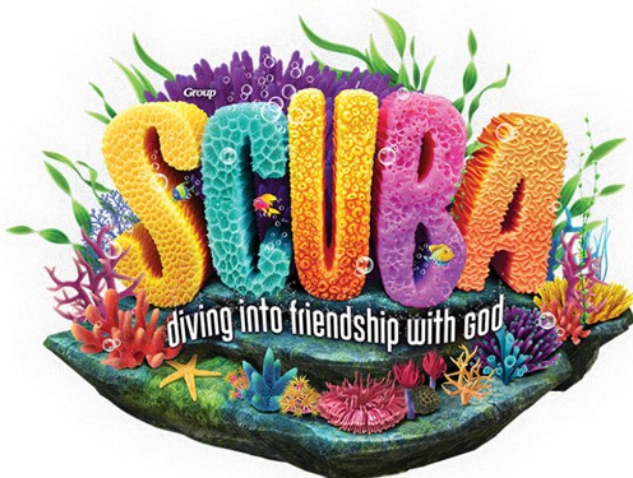
Every Monday night a Zoom meeting is hosted by Legacy Coalition. Each Zoom meeting features guest speakers on various topics focusing on grandparenting in these times. Here is the first topic in March:

MARCH 4, 2024

Navigating a Special Needs Grandchild - What is the Value of a Grandparent?

*Sally Meredith (with Ann Parkinson),
Author, Bible Teacher, and Counselor*

If you have any questions, contact Nancy Simonson.



FAMILY MINISTRY

On Saturday, February 10 a Date Night was offered to parents. Free babysitting was offered on our campus. 14 children had fun playing games, making a craft and decorating cookies. Thanks to the 8 youth who helped watch the children.

On February 18, a class was held for 2-year-olds and their parents. Parents learned how to talk about God and matters of the faith with their children through teachable moments and also learned how to speak words of blessing to their child. Parents had the chance to discuss with other parents of 2-year-olds the challenges and joys of spiritual parenting. Each family was given a *Pray and Play Bible Story Book*. A blessing event will held soon.

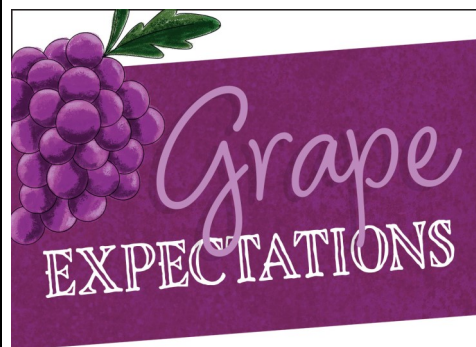
A special Lenten event is being planned for Sunday, March 10 at 9:15 in the gym. We will be making resurrection rolls. A Lenten family scavenger hunt is being planned.

On Easter Sunday, March 31, there will be an Easter Egg hunt for younger children outside, weather permitting, and an indoor Easter scavenger hunt for the older children. Both will take place at 10:00 a.m.



VBS

2024 VBS, Scuba, is being planned for August 4-8. Preparations are beginning for this exciting event! Contact Nancy Simonson if you wish to help.



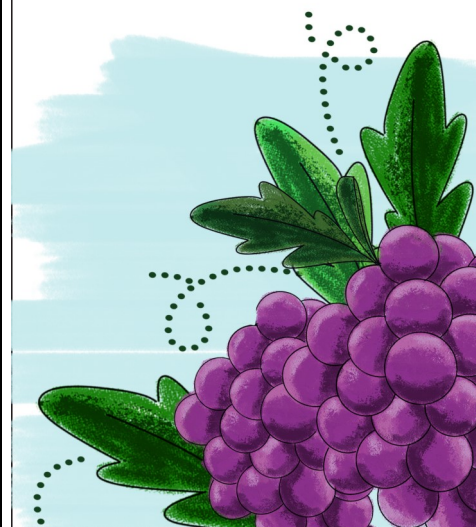
Try this chilly new
take on a healthy snack.

What you need:

- 30 grapes, washed and dried
- ½ cup vanilla yogurt
- 4 graham crackers, crushed
- Toothpicks
- Parchment paper

What you do:

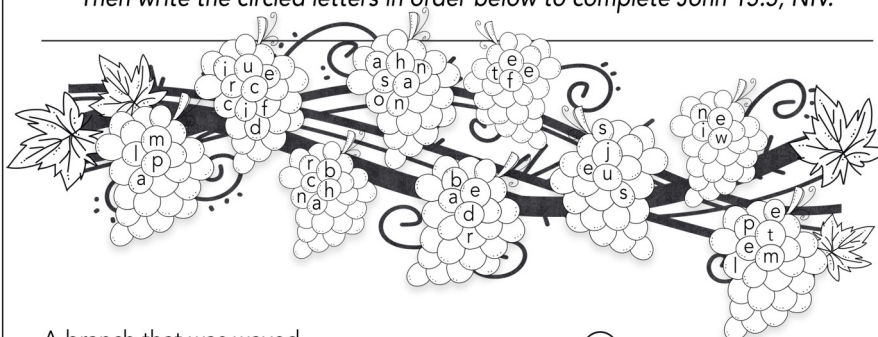
1. On a baking sheet lined with parchment paper, arrange grapes in a single layer. Freeze for two hours.
2. Insert a toothpick into each grape.
3. Dip each grape into the yogurt, coating half of it.
4. Roll each dipped grape in the crushed crackers. Place back on the parchment.
5. Freeze for two more hours. Enjoy!



A LASTING LESSON

Before dying on the cross, Jesus teaches the disciples an important lesson.

Directions: Use the clues to unscramble the letters in each grape cluster. Then write the circled letters in order below to complete John 15:5, NIV.



A branch that was waved

___○___

How Jesus was put to death

___○___

A stick attached to the vine

___○___

People shouted this to Jesus

○___

Jesus washed these

 ○___

This was broken and eaten

○___

The Messiah

___○___

A drink from grapes

○___

Jesus drove the money changers from here

○___

"I am the vine; you are the branches.

If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear _____ ;
apart from me you can do nothing." John 15:5, NIV

Answer: palm, crucified, branch, hosanna, feet, bread, Jesus, wine, temple, much fruit



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Theme 2023-2024:
"CONNECTED"
 John 15:1-5



March is a wonderful time of the year; we begin to see the sun more and, typically, it is a time for melting the winter snow. This year, we have seen little snow, but we are thankful for the beautiful days we have had this year.

February kicked off our registration season for the 2024-2025 school year. It always surprises me how quickly the school year goes and that enrollment has already started for the upcoming school year. We are using our online registration program again this year, TADs.com. If you or a family you know would like to join the FLS family, please contact the school office (flsoffice@flsweb.org).

We kick off the busy season of school programs with our 3rd-6th grade musical. This year students will be depicting the story of Esther in "Malice in the Palace." The cast list is below. All are invited to the dress rehearsal on March 20 at 1:30 p.m. The performance will be Thursday, March 21 at 6:00 p.m.

We will also be having visitors' day on Wednesday, March 20. Chapel that day will be at 10:30 a.m. in the Trinity Sanctuary. Visitors are welcome to come to chapel, join Mrs. Saehler for coffee and fellowship, enjoy lunch, and stay for the musical dress rehearsal.

We end March with our Spring Break from March 25-29. School office hours will be from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., Monday through Wednesday. The office will be closed on Thursday, March 28, and Friday, March 29, in observance of Maundy Thursday and Good Friday.

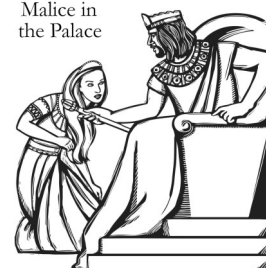
Chrysteena Saehler,

FLS Principal
 Faribault Lutheran School

FLS 3rd-6th Grade Musical Cast:

Mary: Esther
 Chloe: Haman
 Maggie: Mordecai
 Emily: Narrator
 Carson: Harem Keeper
 Kale: King
 Zoey: Record Keeper
 Meredith: Zaresh
 Will: Captain of the Guards/Advisor 4
 David: Guard/Servant 2
 Ethan: Guard/Crowd 1/Crowd 3
 London: Guard/Crowd 2/Crowd 4
 Harley: Speaker 1/Beauty Candidate 1/Beauty Candidate 4
 Emma: Speaker 2/Beauty Candidate 2
 Harper: Speaker 3/Beauty Candidate 3
 Charlotte: Speaker 4/Beauty Candidate 5
 Olwynn: Queen Vashti/Searcher 3
 Ella: Searcher 2/Searcher 6/Searcher 7
 Wes: Advisor 2/Advisor 3/Searcher 5
 Addie: Advisor 1/Searcher 1/Searcher 4
 Blake: Crowd 10-12
 Kyndal: Young Woman

Malice in
the Palace



SERVING OTHERS THROUGH TRINITY'S HUMAN CARE TEAM

We were blessed to hear how we can serve and love God by serving and loving others in Pastor Gueldner's Epiphany sermons.

Trinity has had a long tradition of service to others in Faribault. Human Care (originally called the Board of Social Ministry) coordinates service and fundraising projects to help those in need—both Trinity members and, also, those in our community. Examples of recent activities include: hosting Red Cross Blood Drives, collecting items for St. Vincent's Food Shelf, organizing bell-ringers for the Salvation Army Red Kettle campaign, delivering Meals on Wheels, serving a senior luncheon several times a year, sending cards to seniors and shuts-ins, and providing transportation to medical appointments.

We also raise money to offer financial assistance, paying part of the expenses for housing, medical bills and transportation. Recipients must meet criteria and

all monies are paid to the provider.

But the team doesn't do all the work. We often ask for volunteers to help with these projects. Trinity members come forward with their time and talents when asked. We need to identify those who are willing to help. Are you available at times to volunteer for a project? Do you want to help someone who is facing difficulties in life? If so, please sign up to help at the Welcome Center in the Narthex.



If you are interested in joining the Human Care Team, we can always use new members. We meet monthly on the second Thursday of the month at 2:00 p.m. at the church. (This time can change as members' schedules warrant.)

Thank you for your continuing support!

Trinity Human Care

MINNESOTA FOODSHARE MONTH

Trinity members are reminded that March is Minnesota FoodShare Month. This campaign encourages Minnesotans to contribute to local food shelves to help replenish their supplies after the long winter months.

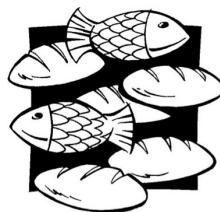
Trinity is collecting items to support the St. Vincent de Paul Food Shelf. Items can be placed in the large bins in the narthex. (Remember, they cannot accept items whose "use by date" has expired.) Thank you for your generosity and continued support of this service to feed the hungry in our community.

~Trinity's Human Care Team



Food Collection

NO EXCUSES

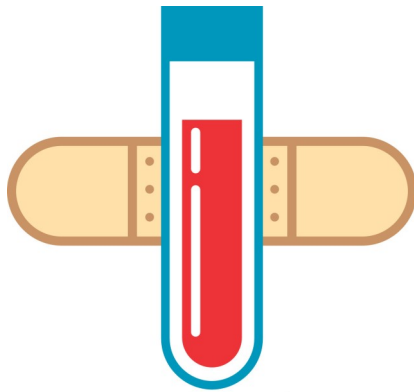


When Jesus wanted to feed the crowds of 5,000 and then 4,000 people, His disciples instantly offered excuses. It would be too expensive. We won't be able to get enough food. This is a remote place. Plus, it's too late.

But Jesus didn't address any of those excuses. All He asked, in both instances, was "How many loaves do you have?" Then He miraculously satisfied everyone's hunger, with leftovers to boot.

Jesus doesn't want our excuses, either. All He wants is us—and what we already have. Watch in amazement as God blesses that and uses it mightily.

—Gregg McCaslin
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BLOOD DRIVE

There are MANY openings left! Please sign up now to donate blood at Trinity.



Scan to schedule an appointment.

GIVE BLOOD. HELP SAVE LIVES.

Trinity will host a Blood Drive for the American Red Cross on

**Friday, March 15, 2024
11:00am - 5:00pm**

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: TrinityFaribault to schedule an appointment.

Come to give blood March 1-24 for a \$10 e-gift card to a pet supply merchant of choice! Give blood, treat your pet & make a paw-sitive impact this spring. PLUS automatically be entered for a chance to win a \$3K gift card (5 winners!). Terms: rcblood.org/Pets.

Emergency Blood Shortage

Every two seconds, someone in the U.S. needs blood. Blood is essential to help patients survive surgeries, cancer treatment, chronic illnesses, and traumatic injuries. This lifesaving care starts with one person making a generous donation. The need for blood is constant. But only about 3% of age-eligible people donate blood yearly. You can help the American Red Cross make sure that supply meets demand.

Taken from www.redcrossblood.org

GO FIRST! MINISTRY CONFERENCE: APRIL 19-20, 2024

Plan now to spend time with your brothers and sisters in the body of Christ - learning and growing in your life of service. You are invited to experience the *encouragement* and *inspiration* of this **FREE** two-day event at Concordia Academy, Roseville (2400 Dale Street) - **April 19-20, 2024.**

Over 40 break-out sessions will be led by people involved with ministries that can be replicated in your congregation and community and are focused on one or more of the *Go First!* areas: **Life Together, Soul Care, Intentional Outreach** or **Collaboration.**

Registration is Open and Free!


To register, either:

Use the QR code or

Visit <https://www.mnsdistrict.org/go-first-initiative> and select the number of tickets needed.



A preview of the speakers who will be presenting at the *Go First!* Ministry Conference is available at the website above. (Sessions may vary as the conference draws closer.)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<div>MARCH 2024</div>					<div>1 8:00 Men's Bible Study 6:30-9:00 AHG Leaders' Mtg. <u>FLS Winterim</u> (All Day /</div>	<div>2 5:30 Worship</div>
<div>3 8:00 Worship 9:15 Adult Bible Study 9:15 Sunday School 9:15 Parent Bible Study (Nursery) 9:20 Youth Bible Study 10:30 Connection -c 1:30-3:30 Bible Bowl</div>	<div>4 3:30 Sunday Worship on TV</div>	<div>5 8:30 Staff Mtg. 9:00 Bible Study 2-2:50 FLS (FH) 2-2:45 Violin lessons (MR) 3:30 Sunday Wor-ship on TV 4:15 Community Cathedral Café 6:30 LLB Mtg.</div>	<div>6 8:30 FLS Chapel 9:00 Quilting 2:30 New Perspective -c 4:00 Pleasant View Estates -c 5:30 Confirmation 5:30 Lenten Service 6:30 Soup Supper 7:00 Choir 7:00 Connection</div>	<div>7 10:00 Prayer Group (Marilyn Steele's) 5:30-8:00 AHG (MR, Gym, N, FH, After school care) Pastor Out of Office</div>	<div>8 8:00 Men's Bible Study 11:40-3:30 FLS (Church Kitchen)</div>	<div>9 1-5:00 Nerf Birthday Party (Gym) 5:30 Worship -c</div>
<div>10 8:00 Worship -c 9:15 Adult Bible Study 9:15 Sunday School - Lenten Event 9:20 Youth Bible Study 10:30 Worship - FLS Students Sing 11:30 Potluck (Gym) 1:30-3:30 Bible Bowl Daylight Saving</div>	<div>11 3:30 Sunday Worship on TV 6:30 KIT (Keeping In Touch) (FH) 7:00 Grand Monday Night (Music Rm) 7:00 Trumps' Bible Study (off site)</div>	<div>12 8:30 Staff Mtg. 9:00 Bible Study 2-2:50 FLS (FH) 2-2:45 Violin lessons (MR) 3:30 Sunday Wor-ship on TV 4:15 Community Cathedral Café</div>	<div>13 8:30 FLS Chapel 9:00 Quilting 1:00 Mill City -c 4:00 Emeralds -c 5:30 Confirmation 5:30 Lenten Service 6:30 Soup Supper 6:30 Handbells 7:00 Connection 7:00 Choir</div>	<div>14 10:00 Prayer Group (Marilyn Steele's) 2:00 Human Care 6:30 FLS Brd. (Peace) 7:00 Dartball (Good Sheph., Owatonna)</div>	<div>15 8:00 Men's Bible Study 11-5:00 Blood Drive (Fellowship Hall) 11:40-3:30 FLS (Church Kitchen)</div>	<div>16 9-12:00 AHG (Gym) 11-2:00 Baby Shower (Fellowship Hall) 5:30 Worship 6:30 Baptism (Sanctuary) 6:30 -11:00 Youth Lock-In (Gym &</div>
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<div>24 8:00 Worship -c 9:15 Adult Bible Study 9:15 Sunday School 9:15 Parent Bible Study (Nursery) 9:20 Youth Bible Study 10:30 Connection 1:30-3:30 Bible Bowl 1-3:00 AHG Brd. Review (Music Room)</div>	<div>25 3:30 Sunday Worship on TV 6:30 AHG Leaders' Mtg. 7:00 Trumps' Bible Study (off site)</div>	<div>26 8:30 Staff Mtg. 9:00 Bible Study 3:30 Sunday Wor-ship on TV 4:15 Community Cathedral Café 6:30 Property Brd</div>	<div>27 6:00 Connection 7:00 Choir Practice</div>	<div>28 10:00 Prayer Group (Marilyn Steele's) 7:00 Maundy Thursday Service (C)</div>	<div>29 8:00 Men's Bible Study 7:00 Good Friday Service</div>	<div>30 8:00 Flowers 5:30 Easter Virgil Service -c</div>
				Spring Break March 25-29		
<div>31 8:00 Easter Service -c 9-10:30 Easter Breakfast 10:00 Easter Egg Hunt 10:30 Easter Service Connection -c</div>	<div></div>					

LAY LEADERSHIP BOARD MINUTES - FEBRUARY 2024

Trinity Lutheran Church
Lay Leadership Board Minutes
6:30 PM, Tuesday, February 6, 2024

Attendance: Pastor Gueldner, Jeff Blume, Mitch Miller, Barb Beatty, Jim Boldt, Deb Malmanger, Penny Reichert, and Brian Fuchs

Opening devotion and prayer led by Pastor Gueldner

Faribault Lutheran School Report:

Registration for 2024-25 school year will be held February 13. Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held February 15 and 16. Mrs. Saehler will be going to the quarterly region meeting in Rochester on February 13. A new snow shovel has been donated. The Property committee will be asked to look for volunteers to help shovel sidewalks since not included in snow removal contract.

FOC report:

January was a low month of offerings, but expenses were also low giving us a deficit of \$5K.

Sudanese Ministry/Rev Reat:

Weekly attendance seems to be increasing slightly. The Sudan trip has been cancelled.

Property/Business Manager:

Mitch reported that the Property board is receptive to having 2 people being in charge.
Possibly using the mailbox in narthex for work orders to be done. They will be continuing discussion.

The board moved into Executive Session

The board moved from Executive Session

Merger Discussion Update:

Pastor Gueldner will be meeting with Pastor Lane this week.

Lutheran Liturgy request by Jeff Evenmo:

The board feels we do not qualify for having our name in their directory.

2024 Faribault Circuit Convocation/Mission Project:

Mitch moved we support the project with a \$250 donation. Jim seconded. Motion carried.

Nursing Home services:

Jim and Pastor Gueldner will be working on new schedule.

Additions to agenda:

Mitch motioned and Brian seconded to accept Pastor Klein's offer to do non communion Saturday services if and when Pastor Gueldner needs to be gone. Motion carried.

Pastor Gueldner will look into who is in charge of marketing oversight.

Calendar items:

Next meeting March 5 at 6:30 p.m.

Jeff adjourned the meeting.

Closing prayer by Pastor Gueldner

Respectfully submitted,
Barb Beatty, LLB Secretary



JANUARY PASTORS' REPORT

Each month a Pastoral Report is prepared in the Church Office. Classes, meetings, appointments, worship services, visitations and communions are tracked and reported by each pastor. In each month's newsletter we will be including the most recent form on file (January 2024).

	Home Visits	Hospital or Jail	Office Visits	Pro-spect Calls	Shut Ins/ Others Com-muned Privately	Shut Ins/ Others Visited- No Communion	NH Worship Attended	NH Worship Com-muned	Worship Services	Classes Taught	Mtgs. Attend
Vacancy/ Guest Pastors	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	11	14	0
Lay Members	0	0	0	0	11	0	40	33	6	5	~

Baptisms: 0

Weddings: 0 Adult-Confirmed: 0

Released/Removed: Andrew Engquist

Transfers Out: 0

Transfer In: 0

Profession of Faith/Affirmation of Baptism: 0

Deaths/Funerals: Ray Sanders

Notes: Pastors – 11 worship services, 4 Sunday Bible Studies,
Pastor Lane – 5 Confirmation Classes, Dr. Klein – 1 Marriage Counseling,
Pastor Longshore – 4 Adult Confirmation Classes; Lay Members – 6 nursing home services,
Curt Becher – five 6th grade confirmation classes

Official Acts:



Rev. Gatluk Reat January Report:

*Sudanese Evangelical Lutheran
Mission Church*

Worship Attendance

Week 1 - 35; Week 2 - 37;
Week 4 - 40

Worship Services conducted in
Nuer & English in person and online.



Happy March Birthday!

Special Greetings to Trinity members in Care Facilities or Shut Ins with March birthdays. We ask that you remember our fellow members in your prayers and help brighten their day with a card or visit.

**3/12 Leola Rodewald
99th Birthday!**
843 Faribault Rd. Apt. 114
Faribault, MN 55021

3/15 Duane Roemhildt
828 1st St. NE Apt. 203
Faribault, MN 55021

3/20 Mardy Snyder
The Glenn
5300 Woodhill Rd. Apt. 433
Minnetonka, MN 55345

3/29 Esther Sipult
500 1st St. SE
Faribault, MN 55021

We thank God for all of our church family. You are invited to remember the birthdays of our Octogenarian and Nonagenarian congregation members. Say a kind word, offer a prayer or send a card!

Vivian Hagre (3/5), Harland Davis (3/7 - **85th Birthday!**), Gerald Langeslag (3/8), Carol Dickison (3/12), Harold Spitzack (3/14), Eugene Bluhm (3/24 - **80th Birthday!** *Note: Anna & Eugene Bluhm often winter away.*) Catherine Phillops (3/27 - **85th Birthday!**), Barb Wegner (3/27), David Degen (3/29 - **80th Birthday!**), Marion Appelgren (3/30)

LIVE PRO WRESTLING
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TRINITY RUMBLE

2024



**FARIBAULT'S OWN
MUERTO GONZALEZ**

SATURDAY MARCH 23
TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
 530 4TH ST NW | FARIBAULT, MN | DOORS 1PM | BELL 2PM
 TICKETS \$15 | KIDS 6 & UNDER FREE
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FAMILY-FRIENDLY EVENT! CONCESSIONS AVAILABLE!

Wrestling Returns to Trinity Lutheran Church!

FAMILY FRIENDLY! Bring the kids! Age 6 and under are free!

Where: Trinity Lutheran Church – 530 NW 4th Street, Faribault, MN 55021

When: Saturday, March 23, 2024

Doors open at 1:00 p.m., Matches start at 2:00 p.m.

Refreshments will be for sale at the matches.

Join us for an afternoon of hard-hitting action! Trinity Radio Club presents Trinity Radio Rumble '24, a fundraising event on Saturday, March 23. The event will be at the Trinity Lutheran Church Gym.

Tickets are \$15 each and kids 6 and under are free.

There will also be a raffle for amazing prizes and great concessions.

Come see some of the fastest rising stars in the Midwest at a fun afternoon activity for the whole family with proceeds going to a great cause!

From Your Financial Manager . . .**GRAPH SUMMARY OF 2023 DONATIONS AND WHAT TO EXPECT FOR 2024**

The graph below may seem a little "busy" but if you study it, it gives a lot of information. It covers the twelve months of 2023 and the first month of 2024.

The green bars are the monthly contributions to the General Fund. The yellow bars are the expenses for that month. The red bars are the budget for that month. For 2023, the budget numbers are somewhat irrelevant because we only had temporary pastors not being paid full salaries and benefits. What counts in 2023 are the green and yellow bars. They show the comparison each month of our giving vs. what we needed to not create a deficit. During Easter and Christmas and a few other months, we received contributions that exceeded our expense needs so we wound up well in the black for the year.

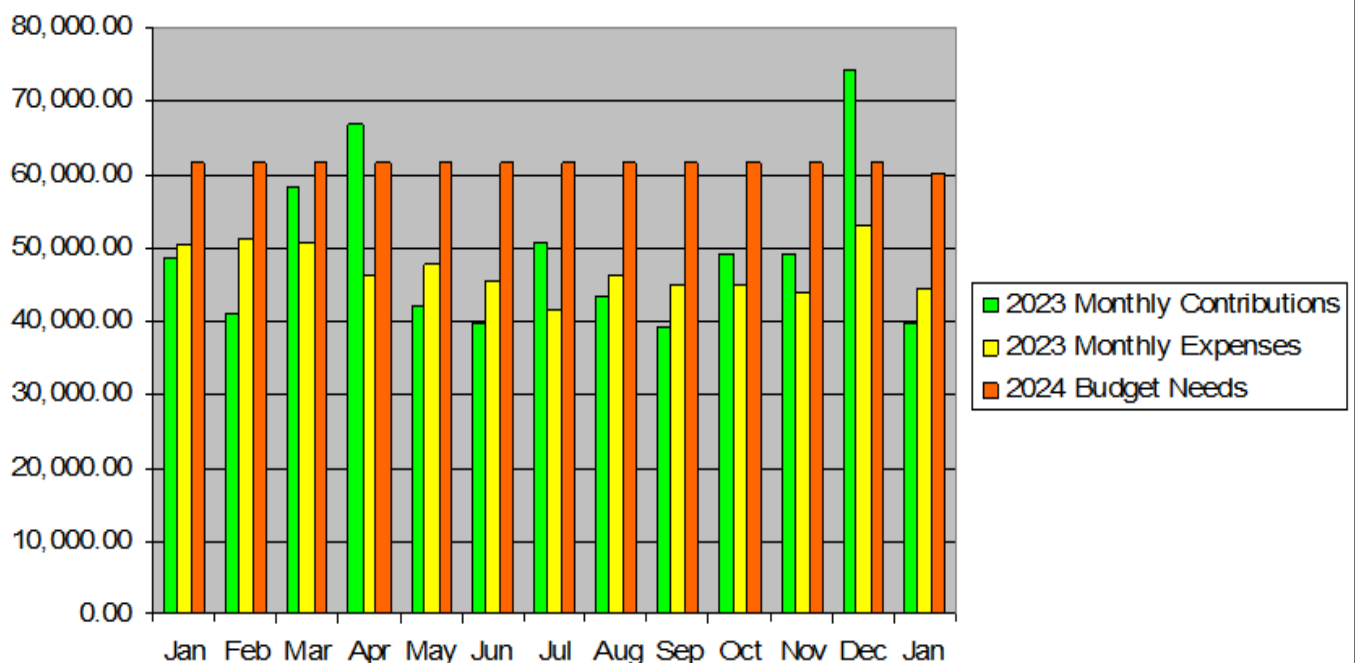
But starting now in February of 2024, because we now have a full-time interim pastor, our expenses will be about the same as the red budget bar.

So starting now, our green bar will have to be as high as the red bars. That will be about a 20% increase over last year's giving, which is about the same amount as when Pastor Rieger was still here. That may be tough for many of us to go back to, but on the other hand, we now have a gifted pastor that for at least a year and a half will give us full pastor's benefits such as preaching, teaching, counseling, office hours and all the other God-given blessings that we have been short on for almost two years now.

It's wonderful that we are getting back to normal again in our church. Please let our financial support continue to be as it needs to be also.

Bill Kirkpatrick

Contributions vs Expenses and 2024 Needs



MEMORIALS

Each gift has been recorded in the Trinity Lutheran Church Memorial Book located in the Church Office. We invite you to stop by the office and note the special donations given in love and remembrance. All gifts to Trinity Radio Club are recorded, then acknowledged by the Radio Club during their Sunday broadcasts.

IN MEMORY OF RAY SANDERS:

FLS Gymnasium Fund

\$50. Catherine Byron	\$100. Brenda Martens	\$50. Jessica Suby
\$50. John & Joanne Cross	\$50. Andrea Morse	\$15. Pat & Gene Trench
\$100. Chuck Doble	\$50. David Napier	\$100. Larry Twedt
\$50. Ronda Doble	\$50. Julie Pasell	\$25. Helen Velzke
\$20. Curtis & LeAnn Fuchs	\$100. Angela Richardson	\$50. Jamie Voyen
\$50. Brian Gretz	\$500. Mary Ann Sanders	\$1,200. Family & Friends
\$500. Debbie Jones	\$50. Shirley Shaft	
\$100. Gordy Kosfeld	\$100. Bryan Schuenke	<u>Trinity Scholarship Fund</u>
\$35. Virgil & Jane Luehrs	\$100. Ann Schwichtenberg	\$25. Norm & Shirley Rost

YOUTH LOCK-IN

Saturday, March 16, 2024

6:30 p.m.-11:00 p.m.

**Trinity Lutheran Church
Faribault, MN**

All 6th-12th graders are invited to the Youth Lock-In on March 16.

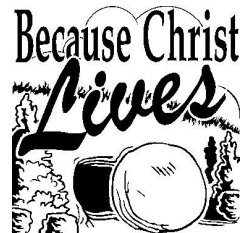
We will enjoy a yummy meal and then we'll play a variety of games.

Invite your friends and join us for a fantastic evening!



RESURRECTION RUMBLINGS

In *Easter Earthquake*, James A. Harnish explores the “earthshaking promise” of Jesus’ resurrection. Easter Sunday “shatters the power of fear,” he writes. “Because Christ is risen, we no longer allow fear to dominate, control or manipulate us. We don’t remain imprisoned in the tombs of our past failures or buried under the weight of present anxiety. In the risen Christ, old things pass away and everything becomes new.”



Easter, Harnish adds, is proof that God hasn’t forsaken us and is present among us. “The Resurrection contradicts the assumption that Christ resides on an ethereal cloud in a distant heaven. Rather, we find him on the dusty road that leads to the real stuff of our ordinary world.”

Jesus’ followers can find him everywhere, Harnish concludes. “The risen Christ will meet us along the confused, chaotic, fearful paths of our lives and speak the same words the women hear at the tomb, ‘Do not be afraid.’”

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JOIN US FOR POTLUCK LUNCH

The Faribault Lutheran School children will be singing at Trinity at the 10:30 a.m. service on Sunday, March 10.

After the service, everyone from Trinity, FLS and Peace is invited to the gym for a delicious potluck lunch.

This is a great way to get to know our FLS families and Peace families! Please bring a dish to share and join us on the 10th.