

February Birthdays

2020

- 1 – Arlene Troester
Gabriel Schieber
- 2 – Mary Gregory
Angie Johnson
Elizabeth Genz
- 3 – Nick Reynolds
Nathan Bangert
Emma Showalter
- 4 – Madilyn Vanness
- 5 – Lale Burmester
Rev. Zachary Voss
- 7 – Christal Burns
- 8 – Jean Morgan
Eva Schnabel
Mark Behr
- 9 – Deb Behn
- 13 - James Dudley
Brandon Grefe
Jonah Bollhagen
- 14 – Ann Flickinger
Valentine's Day
- 15 – James Hansen
- 16 – Lukas Showalter
- 19 – Greg Moore
- 20 – Kendra Voss
Jordan Poock
Trey Barz
- 21 – Troy Hansen
Tera Barrick-Diewold
Isabell Akers
- 22 – Wendell Schmitt
- 24 – Darcy Davison
- 25 – Elijah Schieber
- 26 – Peter Bollhagen
Joshua Knipfel
- 27 – Elijah Fink



Happy Birthday!

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**Ash Wednesday
Service
February 26
7:00 PM**

February Anniversaries

- 1 - Arlynn & Julie Ahrens
- 16 - Paul & Joyce Hauser - 63
Cliff & Ruth Berghoefer
- 23 - Jamie & Jodi Patton
- 28 - James & Kay Stahl - 65



ACOLYTES

February

- 2 –Parker Eisentrager
- 9 – Charles Showalter
- 16 – Hudson Hansen
- 23 – Lincoln Hansen
- 26 – Ash Wednesday – Brady Harr

GREETERS FOR FEBRUARY

- Lynn & Jo Ellen Arends
- Jamie & Jodi Patton
- Gary & Kay Sheppard

USHERS FOR FEBRUARY

- Adam Akers, Jamie Patton, Gary Sheppard,
Nathan Subbert



SPECIAL NEEDS COMMUNION

Wednesday, February 19th 1:00 PM. This is for anyone that cannot come to the Lord's Supper on Sunday mornings.

Parish Fellowship

Committee - As we look ahead

the Lenten season is fast approaching and it is time to begin planning for our Lenten suppers. Ash Wednesday is February 26th. Starting in March we will be having our Lenten suppers before the Lenten services. There is a sign-up sheet in the entryway beginning Sunday, February 2nd for groups and organizations in our church to sign-up for a Lenten meal. The first meal will be on Wednesday, March 4 and the last meal on Wednesday, April 1st



LWML NEWS



A new year has begun and, once again, we want to extend an invitation to all ladies of the congregation to become a member of LWML. We have meetings quarterly...March, June, September and December....and in between we are active with serving meals, preparing the altar for services, hanging banners, taking care of flower for the service and preparing items for missions by collecting and assembling kits and sewing quilts.

A big THANK YOU to each and every lady who, once again, signed up for our work groups and committees for the coming year! Also, to the many others who put their name on the "volunteer/substitute" list to be called on to step in when needed.

LWML dues for the year are \$10.00 and can be given to our treasurer, Jackie Birdsell.

The Love Offering recipients are: \$100 to Compassion Flights (Doug Pralle), \$100 to Io-Dis-E-Ca, \$100 to Lutherans for Life, \$100 to Siberian Lutheran Missions and \$50 to Orphan Grain Train for shipping costs for a total of \$450.

Our January (a monthly \$50 gift) went to Lutherans for Life. The Mission Committee chooses a different recipient for each month.

You may want to mark your calendars for the Spring Rally on April 18th this year. It will be in Iowa Falls. The Iowa District East District Convention is June 12-13 in Cedar Rapids.

Joyce Koch,
LWML President

LWML DOOR OFFERING will be Sunday, February 16. This offering goes to mites for district and national mites.

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ESTHER CIRCLE Feb. 5 7:00 PM
Devotion & Bible Study: Beth Fink
Hostess: Joyce Schomburg

Thank you

Thank you to everyone that serves cookies and coffee on Sunday mornings.

Thank you to the people that put the new cloth curtain up in the choir room. It looks good.

Trinity Ladies

Thank you for your gift and generous support of Hampton Rotary Club's Operation Santa! This year we served 70 families and over 193 children from our local communities. Operation Santa is still a very worthwhile, appreciated, and much needed project for the kids in Hampton and Franklin County.

Hampton Rotary Club
Dan Hanson, President

THANK YOU

Trinity Ladies Society, thank you for your \$50 gift supporting our work affirming the sanctity of human life. Thanks be to God for His abundant providing for all our needs. And thank God for your fellowship and encouragement!

Pastor Michael Salemink, Executive Director for Mission & Ministry, Lutherans for Life

THANK YOU

Trinity Lutheran Church

My dear fellow redeemed:

I have been blessed to know people who experience profound, life-changing JOY when they tell others about Jesus through their sacrificial giving. I pray you are one of them. There is something intensely personal and full of meaning in a gift like the one you have joyfully given. (\$1,000 given in support of Fort Wayne Seminary)

Thank you. Pastor Matthew Harrison
President, LCMS

FROM THE VICAR

Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation (Psalm 95:1). Music is a gift from God which is used to proclaim and praise. Music has a unique ability to allow words to be experienced in a special way. When words are wed with music, language and melody proclaim together. The church sings the Word of God, even as she confesses and trusts in His promises.

Trinity is a singing congregation. Anyone who listens to the radio broadcasts or visits Trinity on Sunday morning will notice the bold singing of the congregation. We are led in song by a beautiful pipe organ or piano played by a gifted musician. Each Sunday I look forward to hearing your voices being lifted high, praising the name of our Lord Jesus. As Lutherans, we have a rich musical heritage. Martin Luther was a gifted musician and hymn writer, which we still draw upon today. Luther's love of music influenced his upholding of congregational singing, something that was not common in the Roman Catholic Church at that time. The Lutherans have always had a reputation for singing hymns rich with theology. *The Lutheran Service Book*, our current hymnal, is a wonderful gift to lead God's people in song. As we look forward to the special visit from the Seminary's touring choir, we give thanks to God for the gift of music and song. So continue to sing loud and proud, as we shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation!

The church should address *"one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ"* – Ephesians 5:19-20

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be yours, Vicar Kroonblawd

Fort Wayne Seminary Choir to Visit Trinity

The Kantorei (German for "church choir") of Concordia Theological Seminary – Fort Wayne will be visiting Trinity on Thursday, March 5 as a stop in their Midwest Lenten Tour. The Kantorei consists of fourteen seminarians who are currently studying at the seminary to be pastors. This all-male chorus sings in four parts and makes a beautiful melody to the Lord. Unlike other music events, the seminary Kantorei doesn't provide a concert. Instead, they do what the church does best: that is, they sing as part of a church service. They will be providing an evening service at **7:00 pm on Thursday, March 5 at Trinity**. The service will consist of a series of readings interspersed with choir music and congregational hymns that underscore the readings. One of the CTSFW ordained staff members will deliver a short sermon.



Former Vicar Pierce Chadburn and current Vicar Cory Kroonblawd sang in this group. The Kantorei only visit about 20 LCMS churches a year, so you don't want to miss this unique and special visit to Trinity! Invite your friends and family to come hear God's Word spoken and sung. The whole Hampton community is welcome to this special service.

As a host congregation, Trinity is responsible for providing a few items of accommodations for the Kantorei:

- 1) A meal for the choir, usually before the evening service. Vicar Kroonblawd will arrange this with willing helpers from Trinity.
- 2) Housing and Breakfast for 17 men: Fourteen Students, Kantors Hildebrand and Machemer, and Reverend Steiner. The breakfast can be provided in the home by the host families or at Trinity, this will be decided when host families have been lined up. Look for a sign-up for hosting in the narthex of Trinity.
- 3) A congregation to attend the service.

The Kantorei collect a freewill door offering at the conclusion of their service to support Concordia Theological Seminary – Fort Wayne and the Kantorei. They will also have CDs recordings for sale and seminary promotional material. There will be a brand-new CD recording available for this tour! Mark **March 5th** on your calendar and look forward to a wonderful night of hearing God's Word spoken and sung. If you have any further questions, please talk to Vicar.

Lenten Midweek Series on Baptism Based on Luther's "Flood Prayer"

Lent 1: Baptism Is a Saving Flood

(Genesis 7:1-5, 11-15; 8:1-18 and 1 Peter 3:18-22)

Lent 2: Baptism Drowns Sin

(Exodus 15:1-19 and Romans 5:12-21)

Lent 3: Baptism Is a Lavish Washing

(Leviticus 15:4-8,31;16:1-4 and Titus 3:3-7)

Lent 4: Baptism Keeps Us Safe and Secure

(Psalm 91:1-16 and John 10:1-18)

Lent 5: Baptism Leads to a Life of Service and Praise

(Ezekiel 36:24-28 and 1 Corinthians 12:12-31)



Luther's Flood Prayer

Almighty and eternal God, according to Your strict judgment You condemned the unbelieving world through the flood, yet according to Your great mercy You preserved believing Noah and his family, eight souls in all. You drowned heart-hearted Pharaoh and all his host in the Red Sea, yet led Your people Israel through the water on dry ground, prefiguring this washing of Your Holy Baptism.

Through the Baptism in the Jordan of Your beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, You sanctified and instituted all waters to be a blessed flood, and a lavish washing away of sin.

We pray that You would behold us all according to Your boundless mercy and bless us with true faith by the Holy Spirit that through this saving flood all sin in us which has been inherited from Adam and which we ourselves has committed since would be drowned and die.

Grant that we be kept safe and secure in the holy ark of the Christian Church, being separated from the multitude of unbelievers and serving Your name at all times with a fervent spirit and a joyful hope, so that, with all believers in Your promise, we would be declared worthy of eternal life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Join Us For Our Midweek Lenten Services On Wednesdays Beginning February 26th



Lenten Service Broadcast: The Board of Evangelism is pleased to announce that KLMJ Radio will be broadcasting our weekly evening Lenten service. **Our first live broadcast will be Ash Wednesday,**

February 26, at 7:00 PM. If and when there is a conflict because of a sport event, KLMJ will announce that the service will be aired immediately after the event. We hope our members along with the listening audience in our area communities will be blessed by hearing God's word during the Lenten season.

Lenten Devotions: Beginning Ash Wednesday, February 26, KLMJ Radio at 104.9 FM, will broadcast daily devotions from Lutheran Hour Ministries at 7:30 AM. In *Deliver Us: Jesus Sets Us Free*, we will learn how Jesus won victory for us through His life, death, and resurrection. Donations may be given to help pay broadcasting cost. Thank you.



Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca

The summer camp theme is :

"Teach Us To Pray"

Registration opened January 10th. The first day of camp is June 17th.

The Camp wants to thank the congregations and LWML Societies that make financial contributions to the camp.

There needs list: Paper towels, napkins, toilet paper rolls, copy paper, stamps, cleaning products and batteries(AA, AAA, 9 volt), trash bags ONLY 13 gallon and 33 gallon liners. For more information go to www.campiodiseca.org

OPEN DATES ON LUTHERAN HOUR BROADCAST

MARCH: 4 open Sundays; APRIL: 4 open Sundays
MAY: 2 open Sundays; JULY: 3 open Sundays;
AUGUST: 3 open Sundays



REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS

Country View Nursing Facility: Mavis Claypool, Jennie Dellinger, Lillian Green, Wendell Schmitt, Arnold Stratmann

Apple Valley Living: Donna Helmke, Dixie Schmitt, Lois Stratmann

Hampton Health Care Center: Daisy Bentrrott, Cora Lee Thielen

Sheffield Care Center: Glenn Schnabel

Deerfield Place Sheffield: Don Fehd

Lake Mills Care Center: Freddie Pogge

Keelson Harbour, Spirit Lake: Betty Fink

Home: Ruth Long, Elma Raisch, Mildred Pingel

NOTES FROM VOTERS MEETING

The January 26, 2020 voters' meeting was held with 37 voters present.

Cary Treanor reported for the Hampton Community Christian Daycare. They are licensed for 167 children. Enrollment now is 145. They have 26 staff and 14 part-time staff. Their security system has been installed. Their budget is tight. They apply for grants. They have a 52 week program they use for 3 – 12 year olds.

Pastor reported they are still doing Vespers and Vicar will be doing the midweek Lenten services.

Board of Lay Ministry reported that Mary will be retiring. Board of Evangelism reported that the Lenten service will be on the radio starting Feb. 26. There will also be another Games Event in February.

Board of Stewardship reported a new member, Evan Treanor. Board of Church Properties reported a water softener has been installed, Choir curtain is up. Several places on the roof need repair. Murphy's is checking the drinking fountain. Need to check on air conditioner. Looking for someone to do tuck pointing.

Kristi Hauser reported there would be a sign-up sheet for the Lenten meals in the entryway.

Motions were made and passed to get a Vicar and order offering envelopes.

A security system was brought up.

International Ministries is a mission society of the LCMS which brings the Gospel to Muslim people in the U.S. through one-on-one friendship and hospitality. It is a mission to meet physical, social and spiritual needs of Muslims and other immigrant and refugees in the United States by sharing the love of Jesus in practical and culturally relevant ways.

Rev. Tim Bickel an ambassador from POBLO will be here on Sunday, February 9 to speak to us about this mission field.

LUTHERAN TALK & MUSIC 24/7... You can listen to Lutheran talk and Lutheran music anytime, anywhere in 2020 with the Lutheran Public Radio mobile app. Download the app for iPhone, Android and Kindle at issuesetc.org or at the App Store.

Lutheran Family Service News:



Important updates from Lutheran Family Service on the Protect Life Amendment:

The Protect Life Amendment passed the State Government Committee led by LCMS Legislator, Senator Roby Smith

+The Protect Life Amendment was drafted in order to correct a judicial over-reach in a 2018 decision by the Iowa Supreme Court.)

The Protect Life Amendment is now eligible for full debate on the senate floor.

+This has been a very fast paced action taken in the Senate, and no doubt their enthusiasm to see this legislation through quickly was invigorated by Governor Kim Reynolds State of the State Address.)

+Make it crystal clear that the judges who invented the "right to abortion" in the Iowa constitution were wrong.

+Restore the decision-making power back to the people of Iowa through both their elected law makers in the Iowa Legislature, and their very own vote on the protect life amendment when it eventually goes to the people to be ratified.

+Lutheran Family Service is grateful for the Senators of the State Government Committee who passed this important piece of legislation with a 10-5 vote. Two are members of LCMS Churches (Sen. Roby Smith & Sen. Jason Schultz). There are five more LCMS Legislators who will also be able to vote on this measure as soon as it hits the Senate Floor: Senators Tim Kraayenbrink, Annette

Sweeney, Julian Garrett, Jerry Behn, and Mark Segebart – all of which have worked closely with Lutheran Family Service and have let us know they support this legislation! Please keep them and all government workers in your prayers. You can provide your support, prayers, encouragement and make your views on this and other issues known to your legislator by contacting them.

In Christ,
Kim Laube, Life Ministries Director, Lutheran Family Service



Bring It Home

The Iowa District East

Board of Congregational Services is pleased to announce that a new program within the district

will launch for the Lenten 2020 season called "Bring It Home." The goal is to promote Biblical literacy in the home and offer the family an opportunity for family devotions five days a week.

Sign up to receive weekly access to the videos and devotions to use at home for you and your family.

The centerpiece of our program is two books: "The Bible Story" and "Know the Bible" accompanied by five Bible readings per week and short video presentations by pastors in the district with short explanations of the Bible readings.

You'll only need one of the two books to follow along.

Here's How to get started:

1) Go to **LCMSIDE.ORG**. Hover over **RESOURCES** tab of the menu bar and select **BRING IT HOME**.

2) Click **SIGN UP FOR BRING IT HOME**. Complete the online form on the next page. After that, go to your email and confirm your signup.

3) Go back to the **BRING IT HOME** webpage. At the bottom, select which option to buy *The Story Bible* or *Know the Bible NOW*.

4) Just wait! The first email will arrive on **Sunday, March 1** and then weekly until the program completes.