

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

FEBRUARY 11, 2018 – FEBRUARY 18, 2018

SUNDAY: The Transfiguration of Our Lord

8:15 a.m. Traditional Worship with Holy Communion

9:30 a.m. Education Hour

10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion

11:30 a.m. ☞ The Baptism of Elsie Vlasta Eitenmiller

12:15 p.m. "The Shack" Movie showing/Sanctuary

7:00 p.m. AA Meeting



MONDAY:

11:00 a.m. Gospel Voices rehearsal

12:00 noon Kiwanis meeting/Fellowship Hall

6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts



TUESDAY:

9:00 a.m. Cherub Church

10:00 a.m. Bible Study Leaders Meeting

12:00 noon Jolly Freetimers/Legion



WEDNESDAY: Ash Wednesday – Happy Valentine's Day

3:30 p.m. Splash After School Program

5:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Meal

6:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Worship Service with Holy Communion

7:45 p.m. Trinity Bells

THURSDAY:

FRIDAY:

9:30 a.m. Trinity Men's Group/Gath. Area

11:00 a.m. Wayne Nichols Funeral Service

6:30 p.m. AA Meeting/Gath. Area

SATURDAY:

SUNDAY: The Transfiguration of Our Lord

8:15 a.m. Now the Feast Worship with Holy Communion

9:30 a.m. Education Hour

9:30 a.m. Adult Education Class with John Erickson

10:30 a.m. Now the Feast Worship Service with Holy Communion

1:00 p.m. Sons of Norway

7:00 p.m. AA Meeting



'Love - a wildly misunderstood although highly desirable malfunction of the heart which weakens the brain, causes eyes to sparkle, cheeks to glow, blood pressure to rise and the lips to pucker.' Anonymous

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A hearty welcome to all! As we recall the glorious Transfiguration of our Lord, let us sense the glory of the eternal Christ in our midst. Blessings, friends!!

ALTAR FLOWERS THIS MORNING are given to the glory of God and in honor of the Baptism this morning of **Elsie Vlasta Eitenmiller**. Elsie is the daughter of **Joachim & Ambrosia Eitenmiller**. Elsie's Baptismal sponsors are **Ron & Dee Anderson** and **John & Anna Marie Eitenmiller**. Flowers are given by Elsie's Family. God bless Elsie in her Baptism!



Movie Night – "THE SHACK" TODAY from 12:15 – 2:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. The entire congregation



is invited to see this amazing movie! Why this movie? Why now? This will be our Lenten Theme and preaching series this year! Exploring themes from the movie and seeing movie clips, we will experience the Trinity here at Trinity in a new way.

I look forward to seeing you at the movie showing and at church on Wednesday nights this Lenten season which begins on February 14th, which is Ash Wednesday.
><> ><> Pastor Hans

The Parent/Confirmand discussion question is; "What made Jesus shine so brightly?"

FLOWER CHART – Trinity's Flower Chart is a little empty & lonely. Please consider signing up to bring Altar Flowers in Loving Memory OR in Celebration of a loved one(s) on the special date of your choosing. The Flower Chart is located next to the entrance to the church office. **Thank You!!**



CLEANING SUPPLIES MISSION PROJECT - The Sunday School Mission Project for February and March will be collecting cleaning products for the Women's Shelter and New Pathways. When clients are ready to move into their own housing, they often do not have the financial resources to afford anything beyond the necessities. This is a way we can help. Items can be dropped off across from the church mailboxes. **Members of the Congregation are welcome to help either by purchasing items or by donating money to the cause.** If you have any questions, please call **Anne Niklaus @ 825-9059.**



ROUND 3 - "Dollars for Scholars" Silent Auction ENDS TODAY - The 2018 "Dollars for Scholars" campaign continues today. Over the next few weeks several exciting new items will be auctioned to the highest bidder in a Silent



Auction setting. The items up for auction are located in the Gathering Area. Not only will you be getting some fun items but your donations will go to help raise dollars for the Trinity Scholarship fund. Items will change every two weeks.

The Round Three of Five features three areas: Items in "Dine Locally" includes \$25 gift cards to Pizza Ranch; Olive Garden; Applebee's and a \$30 Caribou Coffee. Copper Kitchen includes Copper Crisper; 9.5 Copper Pro Frypan; 11.5 Copper Chef Frypan; 6-inch Copper Knife and a Copper Skillet Cookbook. Finally, visit Tech Corner and bid on a FIRE tablet (16GB in black) by Amazon. Tablet has a 7-inch display screen with a powerful quad-core processor, dual cameras and microSD slot for up to 128 GB of expandable storage. The silent auction items will be on display and open for bidding in the **Gathering area and the auction will end on these items TODAY at 11:35 a.m.** Items not picked up by February 14th will go to the next highest bidder. Stop down and bid generously. Thank you for supporting the Trinity Scholarship fund and the "Dollars for Scholars" program.

Silent Auction



JOHN ERICKSON WILL SPEAK AT TRINITY NEXT SUNDAY FEBRUARY 18TH ON THE IMPORTANCE OF PRESERVING THE HISTORY OF BRAINERD PUBLIC SCHOOLS – John Erickson will speak NEXT Sunday, February 18th at 9:30 a.m. here at Trinity on the



"importance of preserving the history of our schools," and in particularly Brainerd School. As a volunteer, John Erickson was appointed as the Brainerd Public Schools ("BPS") archivist - curator in September 2017, after having retired from practicing law in Brainerd for 43 years. Brainerd Public Schools has never had an archivist or a curator in its almost 150 years of existence. John will address what he has been tasked to do and why, how seemingly inconsequential preservation of apparently nominal objects can become invaluable untold years later - if they are preserved and adequately inventoried in an institutional setting, and how BPS Archives can serve as an important communications link between our schools and our community.

So, if you are cleaning out your attic? "Downsizing"? Interested in "history"? **We want your pictures!** If you come across anything that relates to BPS and can't imagine what to do with it (or even if you can), then remember BPS Archives and consider making a gift to the Archives. And come to "Brainerd Public Schools Archives: The Importance of Preserving the History of Our Schools," on Sunday, February 18, 9:30 a.m. The picture on the right is an example of a picture of Brainerd's history, "Not Dorothy's Slippers." The shoe on the left is one of BHS grad Joe Haeg's from playing football in Brainerd. The shoe on the right is one he has worn playing for the Indianapolis Colts of the NFL.



'I don't understand why Cupid was chosen to represent Valentine's Day. When I think about romance, the last thing on my mind is a short, chubby toddler coming at me with a weapon.' Anonymous

OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS go out to **Trevor & Caitlin Nichols and family** as they mourn the passing of **Trevor's** father **Wayne Nichols** who passed away this past week in Arizona. Funeral Services for **Wayne** will be held here at Trinity this Friday, February 16th at 11:00 a.m. **God bless the memory of Wayne Nichols.**



PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE MEMBERS & FRIENDS

✠**Known Hospitalized: Essentia – Abbott** - Al Kilgore



Cannon Falls (Mayo) – Lynda Beard

✠**Recuperating:** Doris Sievek, Jeanette Warburton, Wyn Johnsen, Yvonne Larson, Delray Dahl, Dale Carter, Lois Haugene, Deloris Lange, Wayne Thiesse, Tom Phelps

✠**With Ongoing Special Needs:** Ardith Peterson, Joan Muellenbach, Julie Hoppe

THE CHILDREN'S NURSERY is available for children up through 36 months from 8:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. every Sunday. The Nursery is located in Room #8 in the lower hallway across from the library and is adult supervised.



TRINITY CIRCLES - Trinity's two circles meet monthly and welcome all Trinity women and friends to join for fellowship, service and Bible study. Both Circle are studying the Gospel of John. **Upcoming meeting dates are:**

◆ The **Galilee Circle** will meet Wednesday, February 21st at 9:30 a.m. in Trinity's Gathering area. Hostess is **Dorothy Adamson** and Bible Study leader is **Gail Fitch**.



◆ The **Nazareth Circle** will meet Monday, February 26th at 1:30 p.m. in Trinity's Gathering Area. Hostess is **Kathy Olson** and Bible Study leader is **Jean Smith**. **Join us for fellowship and Bible Study.**

'All I really need is love, but a little chocolate now and then doesn't hurt...' Lucy Van Pelt, Peanuts

HELPERS WANTED FOR OUR BUS!! We are in need of a couple of helpers for the Trinity Bus on Sunday mornings. Simply help our riders get in and out of the bus. **Please see or call Joe in the Church Office at 218-829-5147 for more information. THANKS!!**



STEWARDSHIP REPORT - We give thanks to God and to each one of you for your faithfulness in giving. We praise God for continually providing all that we need. Let each of us prayerfully consider our pattern of giving and seek God's direction so that we are offering Him and what He desires.

| | <u>Sunday Offerings:</u> | <u>Building Fund:</u> |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| January 28 th | \$8,792.50 | \$1,250.00 |
| Electronic Giving | \$845.00 | |
| February 4 th | \$5,420.35 | \$320.00 |
| Electronic Giving | \$4,225.00 | |
| Noisy Can | \$135.01 | |

Each week \$10,889.23 is needed for general fund expenses and \$2,087.77 is needed for the mortgage payment.

2018 Benevolences: Synod - \$12,000
Lutheran Social Services - \$2,500 (Paid in full!!)
Bridges of Hope - \$1,000 (Paid in full!!)
Luther Crest - \$3,000 (Paid \$500.00) Balance \$2,500
Houston Youth Trip - \$5,000 (Paid \$597.24) Balance \$4,402.76
10% Applied to benevolences each Sunday (Paid at month end) – February 4th - \$978.40

See Linda Harris about Electronic giving!! Bless you all in stewardship of your financial resources.

Attendance: Sunday, February 4th – 311
Wednesday, February 7th - 68

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP BAGS – Trinity has worship bags for children to enjoy during our worship services. The Worship bags are located by the front entrance to the Sanctuary. **Just a reminder** to the families who use the worship bags; to please put items back in the bag and back on the rack when you are done with them. **THANKS!!**



Trinity Christian Education

Sunday School Classes meet this morning from 9:30-10:20 in the following locations.

Beginners Room 16 Pre- K Room 9
Kindergarten Room 11



1st - 4th Grade meet in Sanctuary at 9:30 and then travel to the following locations at 9:45.

1st Grade Room 6 2nd Grade Room 2
3rd Grade Room 12 4th Grade Room 14

Middle School through Senior High

5th Grade Room 5 6-8th Grades meet in Fellowship Hall
9-12th Grades meet in Conference Rm.

Congratulations to 4th Grader **Ernest Paesler** who memorized the 10 Commandments and Apostle Creed! **Great job Ernest!**

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Rotation Leaders needed!! We are in need of 2 rotation leaders for March/April (Dates March 4th, 18th, 25th, and April 8th) Storytelling and video are open! Also, we are in need of one leader for skits/cooking for the months of April/May (Dates April 22nd, 29th, May 6th, and May 13th) **Please see Alicia if you are interested!!**



Rotation Leader Needed

Trinity Christian Education

Confirmation – “Walking Wet” Wednesdays
6th – 8th Grade

Wednesday, February 14th – Lenten Service – Ash Wednesday

Wednesday, February 21st – Workshop #10
Wednesday, February 28th – Epic Night



LUTHERAN YOUTH ORGANIZATION (LYO) SEEKS BOARD MEMBERS - LYO Applications! Do you have youth in grades 9th

– 11th who are faith-filled leaders and are ready for a deeper commitment of leadership through serving the youth in our synod? Encourage them to apply for the LYO Board! The LYO Board is a selected group of leaders who participate in a week long leadership training camp, then plan and implement the Middle School Gathering and Cardia Deo events. Applications are now posted at www.nemnsynod.org/LYO. Be sure to have youth read through the expectations, dates and responsibilities before applying. **Applications are due THIS THURSDAY February 15th.**

**THE POWER OF PRAYER! WE'LL PRAY FOR YOU!
BECOME A MEMBER OF TRINITY'S PRAYER WARRIORS!**

We and/or our families will all go through tough times whether it is physical or emotional pain. Why not have a group of “Prayer Warriors” praying for you or your loved ones. When you request prayers; you can be as “specific” or as “general” as you want concerning your need for prayer. Maybe you want to become one of Trinity's “Prayer Warriors”? **To be a part of the Trinity Prayer Warriors or if you would like prayers, please call, e-mail or see Joe in the church office. 218-829-5147 or trinity@trinitybrainerd.org**



'If you walk in front of me, I may not follow. If you walk behind me, I may not lead. If you walk beside me, I will be your friend.' Albert Camus

BUTTER BRAIDS ARE COMING SOON!

Trinity Children's Center will be again selling the very yummy pastries! Butter Braids are an easy to prepare overnight treat!

Fundraising Purpose: For daily operating expenses to fund those much-needed supplies & equipment like: outside riding toys, art supplies, snacks, curriculum programs...

Selling Dates: This Wednesday, **February 14th** during the Lenten Soup Supper from 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall **AND** also during coffee hour on **February 25th** from 9:00-

10:30 a.m. in the Gathering Area. **Or simply call or e-mail your order to Becky Dryburgh (218-829-1385) email (bdryburgh@trinitybrainerd.org).**

Delivery Dates & Times: Pick up will need to be after Tuesday, March 6th in the Fellowship Hall freezer. Name & order tags will be on your boxes/bags.

Contact Information: Becky Dryburgh 218-829-1385
THANK You for your support!



LENTEN SOUP SUPPER SIGN UP SHEET – We are looking



for Groups or Individuals to prepare, serve (and clean- up) for our Wednesday night Lenten Soup Suppers. We normally serve approx. 80-100 people on Wednesday evenings. Serving time is

5:00 p.m. **We have only TWO openings left and the dates are March 14th and March 28th. Please consider signing up on the sheet in the church office. Thank You!**

'Love is the thing that enables a woman to sing while she mops up the floor after her husband has walked across it in his barn boots.' Hoosier Farmer

CANDY BARS FOR A CAUSE! - Do you want to help support



the Trinity Bowling Team at the Good Samaritan Bowl? Candy bars are



available at the Visitor's Welcome Center for \$1.00 each. All proceeds go towards the fundraising efforts of Good Samaritan whose motto is **"Touching Lives – Lifting Spirits."** **THANK YOU!**

A BIG DELICIOUS THANK YOU TO ALL OF YOU! THANK



YOU for supporting Trinity's Senior High Youth! The frozen pizza fundraiser was a huge success! On behalf of the youth attending the National Youth Gathering in Houston, TX...**THANK YOU!** With sincere appreciation, Pastor Hans

HEARING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE – For those who have a hearing deficiency and would like to make their worship experience more meaningful; we have receiver hearing

assistance packs available. Stop by the Sound Booth and one of Trinity's great technicians will help you with one of 3 different types of hearing assistance. **Please give it a try!!**



WHY LINCOLN STOOD - When it came time for the pastoral prayer at the church Abraham Lincoln attended, the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church, in Washington, D.C., the president stood up. Because most of the worshipers remained seated, someone asked the president why he stood. The president responded, "When my generals come into the Oval Office, they stand for their commander-in-chief. Isn't it proper then, that I stand for my commander-in-chief?"

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Trinity Lutheran Church, ELCA

A community committed to Christ through caring, sharing, and outreach.

Phone: (218) 829-5147 **E-Mail:** trinity@trinitybrainerd.org

Web Site: www.trinitybrainerd.org

Office Hours: Monday – Thursday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Friday – 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Trinity Children's Center (TCC): (218) 829-1385

Worship Schedule: Wednesday Worship Service - 6:00 p.m.
Sunday Morning Worship – 8:15 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. with Holy Communion
Education Hour: 9:30 a.m. Fellowship/Coffee Hour: 9:15 a.m.

Trinity Staff:

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Custodian – Matt Daley **Nursery Care** – Allison Morberg

Children's Center Director – Becky Dryburgh

bdryburgh@trinitybrainerd.org

Trinity Lutheran Church Vision Council members want your input and are there for you if you have ideas, suggestions or questions.



The Council members are:

Pastor David P. Holte Pastor Hans Anderson Pam O'Rourke
Doug Johnson Bob Nibbe Matt Qualley Troy Schreifels
Don Wennberg David Lust Paul Larsen Nena Newman

You can find their phone numbers in your Church Directory or call the Church Office.

'I just love to do special things for my wife on Valentine's day. Like open the door for her when she puts all the laundry in the washing machine, or plug and unplug the vacuum as she moves from room to room cleaning. Guys, it's these little thoughtful things you can do to have a marriage such as mine.' Anonymous

The Jolly Freetimers will meet THIS

TUESDAY, February 13th at 12:00 noon at the Legion. The speaker will be from the Brainerd Public Library who will be here to explain the many services they offer. **Who are the Jolly Freetimers?** They are an adult organization for retired members of Trinity. We meet the second Tuesday of each month at noon at various sites in the Brainerd Lakes area and enjoy good food, fellowship, and an entertaining program of some type. Interested in joining this group or want more information? **Contact Pat Howitz at 829-5891.**



Jolly Freetimers

TRINITY QUILTERS MEET TUESDAY FEBRUARY 20TH - We need people to tie quilts so we can get them sewn and shipped off to people who are in need of a blanket to keep warm and cozy - we will show you how easy it is! If you don't want to tie, we do have two sewing machines and will show you how we sew around them to make the quilt complete! The quilters meet the **first and third Tuesdays** each month from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m **Questions? Contact Darlene Jillson, 218-829-1361.**



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MEN & WOMEN IN THE MILITARY

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| Joe Anderson | son of Brian & Julie Anderson |
| Jeremy Carlile | grandson of Jim & Darlene Mark |
| Bart Grabouski | husband of Sherry Grabouski and father of Jessie & Jacob Grabouski |
| Matt Harris | son of Linda Harris |
| Rick Herold | son of Dick & Kathy Herold |
| Brian Muellenbach | nephew of Anne & Joe Niklaus |
| Nick Oakley | son of Jerry & Janice Oakley |
| Nick Pederson | grandson of Ken & Sandra Pederson |
| Joe Schenkel | nephew of Pastor Hans & Erin Anderson |
| Charles Smith | grandson of Gayle Anderson |
| Merle Swecker | brother of Caroline Nibbe |
| Andy Stanwood | son of Mike & Kathee Stanwood |
| Joel M. Sullivan | grandson of John & Donna Williams |

☺ CHRISTIAN HUMOR IS GOOD FOR THE SOUL ☺

Kids and thoughts on Valentine's Day

Kissing:

- "When a person gets kissed for the first time, they fall down, and they don't get up for at least an hour." -- *Wendy, age 8*
- "Never kiss in front of other people. It's a big embarrassing thing if anybody sees you. But if nobody sees you, I might be willing to try it with a handsome boy, but just for a few hours."--*Kally, age 9*
- "If it's your mother, you can kiss her anytime. But if it's a new person, you have to ask permission." -- *Roger, age 6*
- "It's never okay to kiss a boy. They always slobber all over you. That's why I stopped doing it." -- *Tammy, age 10*
- *(on seeing a couple kissing)* "He is trying to steal her chewing gum!" -- *Boy, age 6*
- "The law says you have to be eighteen, so I wouldn't want to mess with that." -- *Curt, age 7*

Love and Marriage:

- "If falling in love is anything like learning how to spell, I don't want to do it. It takes too long." -- *Glenn, age 7*
- "I think you're supposed to get shot with an arrow or something, but the rest of it isn't supposed to be so painful." -- *Manuel, age 8*
- "No one is sure why it happens, but I heard it has something to do with how you smell. That's why perfume and deodorant are so popular." -- *Mae, age 9*
- "Once I'm done with kindergarten, I'm going to find me a wife." - *Tom, age 5*
- "On the first date, they just tell each other lies, and that usually gets them interested enough to go for a second date." -- *Mike, 10*
- "My mother says to look for a man who is kind. That's what I'll do. I'll find somebody who's kinda tall and handsome."-- *Carolyn, age 8*
- "It gives me a headache to think about that stuff. I'm just a kid. I don't need that kind of trouble." -- *Kenny, age 7*
- "I'm not rushing into being in love. I'm finding fourth grade hard enough." -- *Regina, age 10*
- "Most men are brainless, so you might have to try more than once to find a live one." -- *Angie, age 10*
- "Love is foolish...but I still might try it sometime." -- *Floyd, age 9*
- "Love will find you, even if you are trying to hide from it. I been trying to hide from it since I was five, but the girls keep finding me." -- *Dave, age 8*

GREETERS NEEDED!! We need of volunteers to sign up to be Greeters on Sunday mornings. Greeters are the first people



to welcome a new person or family. Their primary task of a Greeter is to create an initial atmosphere of love, unity and enthusiasm for our Sunday morning worshipers, especially our visitors. **Please consider signing up on the Greeter Chart located on the bulletin board by the church office. Thanks!!**

☺ TODAY - Feb. 11th WORSHIP SERVICE HELPERS

Bus Driver: **Mike Boran** Greeter: 10:30 – **Lauren Kline** Ushers: 8:15 – **Clem Belcher, Donna Hanson, Linda Harris, Don Sandberg** 10:30 – **Joe Dudding, Dean Makey, Troy Schreifels** Communion Servers: 8:15 – **Laurie Boran, Mark Boran, Max Boran, Linda Harris, Darlene Jillson, Sandy O'Day** 10:30 – **Doug Johnson, Sue Kuhn, Troy Schreifels** Altar Care: **Sandy Pederson, Anna Angland, Owen Nelson** Coffee Hour Servers: **Vivian Johnson**

☺ NEXT SUNDAY – FEB. 18TH WORSHIP SERVICE HELPERS

Bus Driver: **Matt Qualley** Ushers: 8:15 – **Arlene Hart, Ron Hart, Chuck O'Day, Sandy O'Day, Diane Oeltjenbruns** 10:30 – **Dale hemkin, Dave Johnson, Troy Schreifels** Communion Servers: 8:15 – **Julie Anderson, Doug Johnson, Sandy O'Day** 10:30 – **Barb Johnson, Dan Johnson, Doug Johnson, Julie Jordan** Altar Care: **Sandy Pederson, Anna Angland, Owen Nelson** Coffee Hour Servers: **Roger & Kathy Schwarze**

WEDNESDAY NIGHT WORSHIP SERVICES & SUPPERS



Can't make it to church on Sunday morning? Come to church on Wednesday Evening. Enjoy supper served at 5:00 p.m. followed by Worship Service at 6:00 p.m. This service will be an approx. 30 minutes and will be casual & informal.

SNOWBIRDS - If you return from your winter residence back to the great Brainerd Lakes area, please notify the church office so we can change your mailing. **THANK YOU!!!**

SNOWBIRDS

All you need is love. But a little chocolate now and then doesn't hurt. ~Charles M. Schulz

BREWING THEOLOGY MEETS FEBRUARY 26TH - Our vision and goal for Brewing Theology is to be an open space where



people can gather to talk about God in a casual environment. Intern Matt, along with church leaders from other churches, will be holding a discussion group at Jack Pine Brewery the

fourth Monday of each month to talk about God and our faith. We will begin at 7:00 pm and end no later than 8:30 pm, and you are welcome to come for part or the whole time. At our first meeting, we had 20 people of various ages and faith backgrounds. Along with Jack Pine's great selection of beer there will also be craft root beer, cold brew coffee, and water.

Questions, feel free to email Intern Matt at mspoden001@luthersem.edu All ages are welcome!

TRINITY GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP meets February 28th -



We will continue to meet once a month for grief support. **The meetings are the last Wednesday of every month in the Trinity Library at 5:15.** Each month there will be a new

topic to discuss. Join **Alicia Priglmeier** and other Trinity members and friends for comfort and care. All are welcome whether you are mourning a loss just recently, or from years ago. Come to one session or all, it doesn't matter. **Questions?? Please contact Alicia Priglmeier 218-838-5847.**

AN EARLY START TO SPRING CLEANING - Lent starts this Wednesday, February 14th, before spring appears in many areas, it's an appropriate time for spring cleaning.

Indeed, *Lent* comes from old German and English words for "spring." So, while it might be too soon to open windows or hang clothes on the line, now is ideal for some *spiritual* spring cleaning.

Lent calls us to examine our beliefs, confess and dispose of old grudges and selfish habits, dust off our Bibles for a new routine of study and prayer, air out our hearts and brighten up our attitudes. **"Lent cleaning" lets the Holy Spirit freshen our faith — and it's never too early for that.**

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD is celebrated on the last Sunday of the Epiphany season (the last Sunday before Lent begins). The Transfiguration reminds us that



we will share in Christ's glory when God gives us everlasting life, but in the meantime, we are to serve God on earth. Transfiguration Sunday also serves as a bridge between the Epiphany season and the season of Lent which begins on Ash Wednesday. **The color of the day is "WHITE," recalling the dazzling light of Christ's glory on the Mount of Transfiguration.**

COFFEE SERVERS ARE NEEDED!! CAN YOU HELP SERVE



COFFEE ON SUNDAYS? We need helpful, and smiling volunteers to help. Be a willing volunteer and welcome people with a fresh hot cup of coffee or cold lemonade. If you are able to help with this ministry need, please sign up on the sheet posted on bulletin board by the Gathering Area Kitchen.

FLOWERS, CANDY, RED HEARTS AND ROMANCE. THAT'S WHAT VALENTINE'S DAY IS ALL ABOUT, RIGHT? WELL, MAYBE NOT, THERE'S MORE TO THE STORY. St. Valentine

The Legend of Saint Valentine was a Christian priest and martyr who lived about A.D. 270. The Roman emperor at the time was Claudius II. Claudius had been a successful general. He would not allow his soldiers to marry, because he wanted to make sure they could go to battle quickly. He thought family ties would make the men reluctant to leave home. Because Valentine promoted marriage and family life, he was jailed and later convicted of going against the orders of the emperor. He was martyred on February 14, the day we remember him and our loved ones. While he was in jail, the jailer's daughter befriended him. He wrote her a letter of appreciation and signed it "Your Valentine." The tradition of exchanging valentines grew out of that heartfelt gesture.

'Everyone hears what you say. Friends listen to what you say. Best friends listen to what you don't say.' Anon

2018 Lenten Theme and Sermon Series

Lent and Faith - We are very happy to introduce you to our Lent theme for this year which is the **"The Shack"** We will be showing the movie based on the novel written by William P. Young in the sanctuary on Sunday, February 11th 12:15 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.



Wednesday Night Lenten Soup Suppers are from 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. with Worship Service at 6:00 p.m.

February 14th - Ash Wednesday Worship with Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes

February 21st - **Where is God when I need him most?**

February 28th - **How does God see me?**

March 7th - **Why are you doing this to me?**

March 14th - **How can I know the heart of God?**

March 21st - **So you let him just get away with it?**

March 28th - "Q & A with Pastor Dave, Pastor Hans and Intern Matt"

March 29th - Maundy Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

March 30th - Good Friday Tenebrae at 8:00 p.m.

April 1st - Easter Sunday at 6:30, 8:15 & 10:30 a.m.