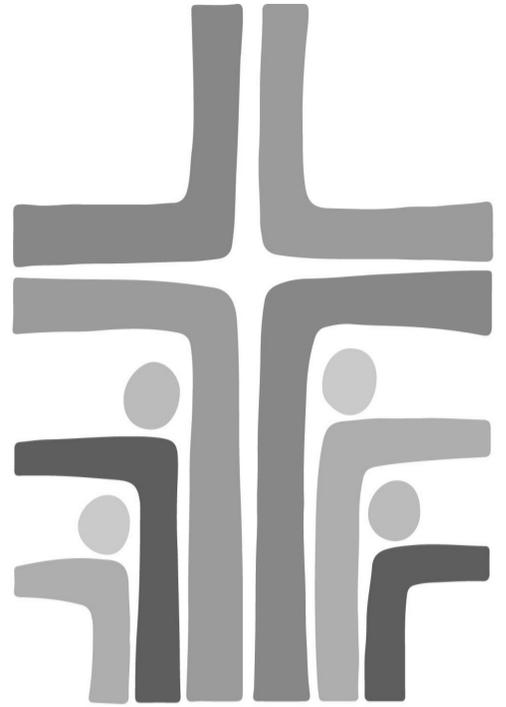


# Welcome

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## Good Morning

If you have ever studied anatomy or physiology, you have no doubt done some in-depth thinking about the function and purpose of God's amazing "invention" of the human body. Each body part—whether small or large, visible or hidden on the inside—has its important function and purpose. The same is true with the body of Christ. You are invited today to consider the hypothetical—which "part" are you?



## Noah's Ark Preschool Open House

All interested families are invited to attend our Preschool Open Houses next Sunday at 10:45 A.M. following the Noah's Ark Sunday worship and Monday, January 28, at 6:00 P.M. Visit the Noah's Ark classroom, learn about the Noah's Ark program, ask questions, and gather 2019–2020 school year registration information. You will meet Marlee Knickerbocker, the Noah's Ark Preschool Director, along with teachers Jill Kasmarek and Cassie Brenden. Members of the Noah's Ark Preschool Committee, who are Noah's Ark parents, will also be available to share their family experiences at Noah's Ark and answer parent questions. Registration will open to Trinity members on Tuesday, January 29, at 8:00 A.M. Brochures for the 2019–2020 school year are available in the Trinity Lobby and throughout the building. It is also available online at trinity-ec.org

## Early Childhood Enrichment Classes

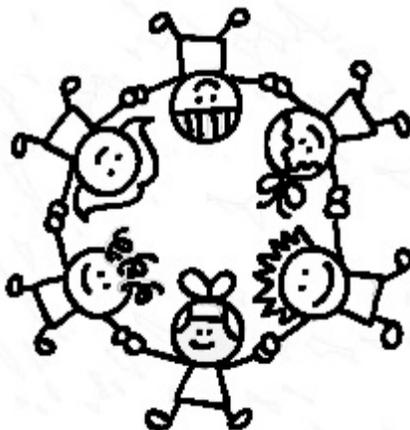
Registration for the following classes is open for the 2019–2020 school year.

- **Creative Arts** (for children who turn four between 9.1.19 and 8.31.20) on Mondays, September–May, from 10:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M. Cost is \$365 per year.
- **Readers, Writers, and Artists** (for children who turn 4 by 9.1.19) on Tuesdays, September–May, from 9:00 A.M.–11:30 A.M. OR 12:45 P.M.–3:15 P.M. Cost is \$500 per year.
- **Thrilling Thursdays** (for children who turn 4 by 9.1.19) on Thursdays, September–May, from 9:00 A.M.–11:30 A.M. OR 12:45 P.M.–3:15 P.M. Cost is \$500 per year. *(At this time both the A.M. and P.M. classes are filled. If you would like to be added to the wait lists, contact Marlee Knickerbocker.)*

For more information, contact Marlee Knickerbocker at 715.832.6601 ext 205. Watch for additional Early Childhood Enrichment Programs for 1–2 year olds in late spring.

## Open Gym

On Tuesdays, through March 19, from 10:00 A.M.–11:30 A.M. the Trinity Room will be open for parents and their young children (toddlers—preschool) to come in and use our equipment in a large safe space. The area will be supervised, and a story time and snack will be offered during the last half hour. Members, friends of members, and non-members are welcome to attend. No registration is required for Open Gym. The cost per session is \$3 for one child; \$2 for each additional child from the same family.



## Global Missions in Jamaica

This morning we will commission the group of men who will be heading back to Jabneh Christian Academy in Jamaica January 24–30. This is part of Trinity's dedication to mission and serving in Christ's love and sharing the good news. They will work to replace a roof and windows in a communal bathroom structure, put up ceiling panels in the cafeteria, and take down some termite infested trees. The men's team welcomes your support by providing funds for purchasing supplies. Pick up a sponsorship slip in the lobby through today or give directly online at Trinity noting: "Jamaica project." The men pay their own expenses and also contribute toward materials, but your support helps make the projects a success.

## Adult Forum Next Sunday

On Sunday, January 27, following the 8:15 A.M. and 9:45 A.M. worship services, the Trinity Council will host a forum in the Trinity Room to review the 2018 finances and preview the 2019 budget. The forum will provide insight into the process of establishing the budget and the faithful and diligent oversight the council has used to prepare a fiscally responsible budget plan for 2019. The Council welcomes your questions at this forum. Trinity's Annual Meeting will be held the following Sunday, February 3.

## Change of Plans!

Unfortunately, because there is no snow, we are unable to have our fun-filled afternoon at Pinehurst Park. Instead, we are inviting you to join us today in the Trinity Room from 1:00 A.M.–3:00 P.M. for an afternoon of games. Please bring your favorite game to share and play with others, and we will provide some larger than life games! We hope to see you all there.

## Good God Books

This Tuesday, January 22, at 6:00 P.M. in the Fireside Room, join Pastor Brahm to talk about the book "Take This Bread" by Sara Miles. It's a book about Miles' conversion to faith, the importance of communion, and her work in feeding the hungry.

## Trinity Endowment Trust Awards Grants

In 2018, the Board of the Trinity Lutheran Endowment Trust awarded over \$27,000 in grants to ministries and missions that extend the work of the congregation near and far. Thanks to memorials, offerings, and estate bequests, the Endowment Trust now has a portfolio over \$800,000!

Let's continue to grow the Endowment Trust by making memorial gifts and other contributions, as well as including a provision in your estate plans. What you do now will do great things in perpetuity!

This past November, the Board awarded grants for:

- Mission Jamaica Projects
- Luther Seminary Education
- Trinity Women's Advent Tea
- Sojourner House
- Trinity Food Pantry Meal Bags
- Noah's Ark Tuition Support
- Feed My People's Capital Expansion

## Beacon House

Trinity will fulfill a variety of tasks at the Beacon House from February 17–21. We have spots available for evening and breakfast hosts, providing dinner, and overnight hosts. If you are available for a volunteer shift, you are invited to sign up at the designated sheet at Clipboard Central. Roman & Diane Fritz, Trinity members, will contact you with additional details. Thank you!

## January Spice Drive

Myrrh is mentioned in the New Testament as one of the three gifts the wise men brought to Jesus when he was born (Gold, Frankincense, and Myrrh). Myrrh is a spice that has many uses including as a fragrance and as a flavoring in food products. One of the things rarely donated to food pantries is spices and food seasonings. To mark the arrival of the three wise men and highlight this need in the food pantry, Children's Ministries is holding a spice drive during the month of January. Please bring UNOPENED spices and food seasonings for the Trinity Food Pantry and place them in the marked container in the lobby.

## Knitters Needed

We are in need of additional prayer shawls. Our supply is diminishing! If you are interested in assisting our Prayer Shawl Ministry by knitting or crocheting shawls, yarn and patterns are available. Please contact Cindy at [cindy@trinity-ec.org](mailto:cindy@trinity-ec.org) or 715.832.6601 ext 201. Monetary donations made payable to Trinity with memo "Prayer Shawls" are gratefully accepted.

## Flower Chart

There are weekends available in 2019 to sponsor altar flowers for worship to memorialize or honor some person or event in your life. The dates are slowly but surely filling up, so check soon! Dates available are February 17; March 3, 10, 31; April 7; September 1, 22, 29; October 13, 20; November 17, 24; December 1, 15, 22, 29. Sign-up on the chart at Clipboard Central. Cost: \$40. Pick up the blue card with further instructions.

## Save The Date

Get ready for "The Day Of Renewal." The ELCA Chippewa Valley Conference will be on Saturday, April 6, from 9:00 A.M.–1:00 P.M. at New Hope Lutheran Church, N2698 460th St. in Downsville, WI. Lunch will be provided. The presenter will be Janet Larson. She co-authored the "Growing Up Lutheran" books which are the inspiration for all the Church Basement Ladies musicals. The cost is \$13 per person; only \$10 for first time attendees. Registration forms and more information are located on the Women's Ministry bulletin board. Please contact Jacki Johnson at 715.864.1489 with any questions.

## Altar Guild Meeting

Do you have the ability to set a table and do dishes? These everyday tasks take on a sacred meaning when done for the meal we share together as a church family, Holy Communion. Trinity has a group of individuals who help with the clean-up portion of Communion Sundays, and we are looking to expand that to set-up of Communion as well. Trinity is seeking both women and men, or whole families, willing to take a turn in these Altar Guild responsibilities. Pastor Sarah will hold a meeting on Sunday, February 3, at 9:00 A.M., in room 306 for all current Altar Guild members as well as any new persons who might be interested in sharing their gift of time in this way. Please come be a part of this important ministry! Contact Pastor Sarah at [sarah@trinity-ec.org](mailto:sarah@trinity-ec.org) or 715.832.6601 ext 217 with any questions.

## Friendship Group Meeting

Our February meeting will be held Wednesday, February 13, in the Chapel. Following a brief meeting, we will pack Birthday Bags. We hope to pack at least 50 bags. If you are willing to help, we will begin to pack bags at 10:30 A.M. We also accept donations of cake mixes, frosting, small birthday plates and napkins, and birthday bags. Following our meeting, we will have lunch on our own at Olive Garden.

## YOUTH MINISTRIES

### Action City

On Wednesday, January 23, Club 78 youth will be attending their mid-year party at the Metropolis Trampoline Park from 7:15 P.M.–8:30 P.M. It will be a night to celebrate all their hard work this school year thus far!

### Community Table Thank You

Trinity youth served at the Community Table on Sunday, January 13. Thank you to everyone who assisted in making and serving a meal to those in need.

### Souper Bowl of Caring

On Sunday, February 3, youth will lead the "Souper Bowl of Caring," a nationwide hunger relief effort. Youth, sporting their desired team apparel, will invite each person present in worship to help reach our goal of \$1,000 in support of hunger relief needs in the Eau Claire community. Look for the giant soup pots as you exit worship. All contributions will be donated to Trinity's Food Pantry.