

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2018

Trinity Lutheran Church

We exist to share the good news of life through Jesus with the world and to nurture believers in their faith, all to the glory of God.

Trinity Lutheran School

We exist to help families in Aberdeen and the surrounding communities by providing children with quality academic and Christ-centered education, in a loving and caring environment.



WE SEE HOW GREAT HIS LOVE IS

So what do you intend to do this Valentine's Day? I suppose that depends. Are you married? Are you dating someone? When you have someone special that you care about, you will want to do something special for them on Valentine's Day.

How might you show your love to someone? With flowers? With candy? With a special card? With jewelry? With a nice romantic dinner? Those are all ways to show someone that you love them.

How about by suffering and dying for them? That's not exactly what you would think of on Valentine's Day. Yet, that is exactly what many Christians throughout the world will be focusing and meditating on this Valentine's Day.

This year, February 14 also happens to be Ash Wednesday. And with Ash Wednesday we begin another season of Lent. And what especially do we focus on during Lent? We focus on how much Jesus loves us. On that first Maundy Thursday we are told, "Jesus knew that the time had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he now

showed them the full extent of his love" (John 13:1 NIV 84).

One way to show how much you love someone is by what you are willing to do for them. How many men will do something extra special to show their sweetheart how much they care? Jesus shows us how much he loves us by what he was willing to do for us.

What does Jesus himself say? "Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends" (John 15:12 NIV 84). Jesus showed us the greatest love of all by giving his life for us. All through Lent, we revisit the events that led him to cross to win salvation for us.

From his arrest to his trial, from being abused to being crucified, from being condemned to being cursed, we see what he was willing to go through for us so that we can be saved from the hell we deserve and be with him one day in perfect glory. His love for us was so great that he willingly suffered and died to give us those wonderful blessings.

In that sense it is fitting to celebrate Ash Wednesday on Valentine's Day. On that day we remember to show love to someone we care about very much. On that day, we will remember how Jesus showed a special love to those he cared about very much, you and me.

Pastor Rawerts

HOLY COMMUNION

Recently in Bible Class we had a discussion about the way our congregation distributes the Lord's Supper. Is it possible to distribute the Lord's Supper in a way that would take a little less time during our worship service? The people gave their opinions on this. If you have any thoughts about this, please share them with Pastor Rawerts.

MEMBERSHIP LIST

The updated membership list will be available with the Annual Report. As soon as they have been printed, copies will be on the bulletin table.

LENTEN KITCHEN SUPPLIES

As we prepare for our Lenten suppers after our Wednesday Lenten services, we will be in need of the following supplies:

Styrofoam cups—8 oz Napkins
Styrofoam plates
(We have enough coffee to last through the Lenten services.)

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

During Lent, the Junior and Senior Confirmation classes will be meeting on Thursday at 6:00 p.m.

2018 OFFERING ENVELOPES

Please pick up your 2018 offering envelopes. They are in front of the mailboxes in the Fellowship Hall. If there is an error or you cannot find your envelopes, please let Penny know.



SERVICES ON THE INTERNET

People are now able to watch our worship services on the internet. Simply go to our website, trinityaberdeen.org and click on 'Church Service Videos'.

TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL NEWSBYTES

God continues to richly bless Trinity Lutheran School! Here are some recent notes and news related to our school.

PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSE

On Monday, February 5, from 3:30-7:00 PM, our Preschool and Kindergarten will have an open house. Register for the 2018-2019 school year. We will have 5-day preschool, 3-day preschool and a 2-day preschool and your choice of morning or afternoon preschool. Aftercare will also be available. If you cannot make this date, please call the school (605-229-4697) to register.

Come check us out!

BOX TOPS

Please continue collecting box tops for Trinity. It doesn't matter how many, every box top counts; and Trinity Lutheran School gets "free" money from the redemption of these labels. This year's money has been earmarked for new playground equipment. This year's box tops must be sent in no later than February 28. So, let's fill our **Box to the Top!** for Trinity.

NSU WOMEN'S BASKETBALL CLINIC

Members of the Northern State University Women's Basketball Team will be coming to Trinity on Tuesday, February 6, from

3:30-4:30 to demonstrate some basketball fundamentals. This will be for TLS boys and girls basketball players in grades 2-8. If you are interested, all you have to do is show up!

BOYS' BASKET BALL WINTER CLASSIC

Trinity's "Winter Classic" basketball tournament will be Friday and Saturday, February 9 and 10, in the Trinity gym. The tournament is made up of mainly 6th grade teams. Games will start at 5:00 PM on Friday and 9:00 AM on Saturday - with a total of 12 games being played. If you would like to help out with our tournament, please speak with Mr. Aaron Kjenstad. Help in the concession stand is needed. Look for a signup sheet on the table outside of church.



ANNUAL SPELLING BEE and BIBLE BOWL

The students in grades 1-8 will be participating in a spelling bee on Friday, February 2. It will be held in the gym at 10:30 AM and family members are invited to watch. The students in grades 4-8 will be participating in a Bible Bowl as well. The preliminaries will be held in the classroom on Feb. 2 (no audience) and the finals will be held on Feb. 9 at 2:00. Family members are invited to watch the finals.

VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT AT TLS



Trinity Lutheran School will be hosting a Volleyball Tournament on Saturday, February 17. If you would like to help out with our tournament, please speak with Mr. Aaron Kjenstad. Help in the concession stand is needed. Look for a signup sheet on the table outside of church.

CHEERLEADERS

Below is a list of the upcoming basketball games that we will be cheering for in the 2nd half of the season. All games are at Trinity, and the cheerleaders should be in the middle grades room 15 minutes prior to the listed time.

- A Squad: 3rd-5th Grades
- B Squad: 2nd Grade
- C Squad: K-1st Grades

TLS CHEERLEADING INFORMATION **A & B CHEER TEAMS**

The following are dates and information for the A & B Cheer Teams:

FEBRUARY

- 6 Tuesday B game vs Eagles @TLS
5:30 B Cheer Team
- 9-10 Friday/Saturday Trinity Classic both
A & B Team Cheer (Each team will have
assigned games -schedule not available
yet.)
- 13 Tuesday B game at Warner 6:15 -B
Cheer Team field trip
- 20 Tuesday A game vs. Aberdeen
Christian @TLS 5:30 - A Cheer Team
- 23-25 Friday-Sunday New Ulm - A Cheer Team
Field Trip

