

Trinity News and Notes  
First Sunday in Lent  
February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

SUNDAY 18<sup>th</sup>

*Commemoration of Martin Luther, Doctor and Confessor*

9:00 a.m. Divine Service (*Baptism: Ruth Arndt*)  
10:30 a.m. Bible Class (*The Gospel of John*)  
3:00 p.m. Elders' Book Study

MONDAY 19<sup>th</sup>

8:30 a.m. Matins

TUESDAY 20<sup>th</sup>

8:30 a.m. Matins  
9:15 a.m. OMT  
7:00 p.m. Security Committee Meeting

WEDNESDAY 21<sup>st</sup>

8:30 a.m. Matins  
9:30 a.m. Bible Study  
11:00 a.m. Divine Service  
5:30 p.m. Private Confession & Absolution  
5:45 p.m. Lenten Supper  
7:00 p.m. Vespers

THURSDAY 22<sup>nd</sup>

8:30 a.m. Matins  
4:30 p.m. Private Confession & Absolution

FRIDAY 23<sup>rd</sup>

*Commemoration of Polycarp of Smyrna, Pastor & Martyr*

8:30 a.m. Matins

SATURDAY 24<sup>th</sup>

*St. Matthias, Apostle*

SUNDAY 25<sup>th</sup>

9:00 a.m. Divine Service  
10:30 a.m. Bible Class (*The Gospel of John*)  
1:30 p.m. *Misa en Español*

***Looking Ahead...***

- February 20, Sisters of Sophia, 6:30 p.m.  
*Amy Filipek presenting on St. Perpetua and St. Felicitas*
- February 23, CAW theater production of  
"Iphigenia at Aulis," 7 p.m.
- March 5, Circuit meeting at Trinity with  
Divine service, 8:45 a.m.
- March 7, Trustees meeting, 7 p.m.
- March 12, Council meeting, 7 p.m.

**Our Sister Church:** Lutheran Church of Venezuela

**Missionaries:** Rev. Daniel & Kathryn Conrad and  
Rev. Dr. Quintin & Lindsay Cundiff

**Pastors:** Rev. Aaron Filipek and Rev. Daniel Metzger

**Circuit Visitor:** Rev. Mark Lovett

**District President:** Rev. Justin Panzer

**Synod President:** Rev. Matthew Harrison

**Baptismal Anniversaries:** Pastor Metzger

**Training/Deployed in Our Armed Forces:** Caleb Bartel,  
Dawson Bromlow, Keaton Wellner, Tori Myers, Jessica  
Myers

**Our Schools:** Concordia Academy, Euraquilo Christian  
Academy (VanSant Homeschool), St. Martin Chemnitz  
Classical Lutheran Academy (Filipek Homeschool), Luther  
Classical College, Concordia University Nebraska, CSL and  
CTSFW (LCMS seminaries)

**Prayer Petitions:** Stephanie Gilmore, (*Kirsten Bartel's  
mother with health concerns*), Vicki Lessman, (*health  
concerns*), Mark Herbert, (*Allen's father health concerns*),  
Dave Gird, (*Roxann's husband w/ health concerns*), Mary  
Kay Larson, (*friend of the Metzgers w/ health concerns*),  
Kyle Menke, (*Pr. Metzger's relative battling leukemia*),  
Gayla Taylor, (*Wife of Joel Taylor*), Evie Meyers, (*Miriam  
Nickel's Daughter*), Matthew Hastings, Julia Lessman,  
(*granddaughter of the Lessmans*), Justin Montgomery,  
(*friend of the Lessmans*), Gary, (*brother of Angie Patterson*)

**Mothers with Child:** Hannah Magill, and Jena Reyes

**Birthdays:** Morgan Goscha, Scott Smith, Lois Winter, and  
Devin Mefford

**Wedding anniversaries:** Dan & Lorena Sanchez, Allen &  
Mindy Herbert

**Shut-ins:** Amy Fox, Gil & Judy Holstein, Florence Lavery,  
Judy Rollins, Louise Smith, Mary Tomlinson

**READINGS for next Sunday**

~Second Sunday in Lent ~

**OLD TESTAMENT:** Genesis 32:22-32

**EPISTLE:** 1 Thessalonians 4:1-7

**GOSPEL:** Matthew 15:21-28

**ORATIO MEDITATIO TENTATIO:** Our theological reading group meets next on **February 20, as follows: 8:30a.m. Matins; 9:15a.m. Reading Discussion; 11:15a.m. Prayer; 11:30a.m. lunch.** We will discuss *The Suffering of God: An Old Testament Perspective*. Fortress Press, 1984.

**HALL OF MEN** meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of the month at 7:30pm at the Ladder (next to Eighth Day Books).

**SISTERS OF SOPHIA** meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm at the Ladder.

**HOMEMADE FOOD TO SHARE:** There is a shelf in the fridge (now located downstairs in Fellowship Hall, where the pop machine was) with individual bags and containers of homemade food. ANY member who would like a home cooked item or wants to share with someone who could use it, they are free to take. Feel free to take whenever needed or contact the office for more information.

**2024 LUTHERANS FOR LIFE ESSAY CONTEST**

The Council of Federation Presidents of the National Lutherans for Life and Lutherans for Life of Kansas (LFL of KS) are sponsoring an essay contest based on “Light Shines in Darkness” based on John 1:4-5. This essay contest is open to students in grades 6-12 who are enrolled in Lutheran schools and to Lutheran students who attend public school or are homeschooled in Kansas. The guidelines and rubric are posted in the narthex and are also available upon request at [secretary@lfllofkansas.org](mailto:secretary@lfllofkansas.org) (Kathy Schultz).

**FAITH AT WORK** is gearing up for our community service event in April, and we are ready to hear about your interest and availability! The planning team and other generous congregants have contributed a range of ideas. Crew leader Keith Buhr is entertaining the option of doing a different service activity each week in April, so that everyone has the opportunity to participate in a role they enjoy. However, we really need to know:

- 1) which of the following activities draw your interest and which week works best for you, and
- 2) your T-shirt size if you would like one as you volunteer with us.

Our proposals include:

- joining with CAW on the afternoon of the 7th to support a family fun neighborhood day,
- supporting a crisis pregnancy center in mid-weekday,
- providing social support (e.g., games, devotions) in a nursing home,
- giving child-family support in a homelessness program,
- providing a meal at the Ronald McDonald house.

Keith plans to order T-shirts by February 15 and volunteers in some cases need to complete short training modules before April to be ready, so please email [kkbphd@gmail.com](mailto:kkbphd@gmail.com) or speak to him for sign up soon!

<b><u>Trinity Financial Status</u></b> <i>Through December 2023</i>			
	<b><u>Actual</u></b>	<b><u>Budgeted</u></b>	<b><u>Variance</u></b>
Contributions	\$ 269,425	\$ 280,450	\$ (11,025)
Expenditures	\$ 284,698	\$ (280,450)	\$ (4,248)
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ (15,273)	\$ 0	\$ (15,273)

**THE PHOENIX PLAYERS** of Concordia Academy-Wichita invite you to attend their upcoming production of "Iphigenia at Aulis", a Greek tragedy by the playwright Euripedes. Friday, February 23 the curtain rises at 7pm at CAW at 909 S Market. The play is directed by 4th Year Student, Ella Filipek and features the entire student body. Admission is free with donations accepted at the door and will benefit the Student Activity Fund.

**TRUTH, BEAUTY & GOODNESS...** Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's topics include: The Cultural Benefits of Natural Marriage; Friendship & Loneliness; Peter Confesses Jesus as the Christ; The Faith of a Canaanite Woman and more. You can listen at your convenience at [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org), the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

**FAIRMOUNT MINISTRIES T.O.T.** (Formerly Theology on Tap): We will meet on Sun. Feb. 25th instead of our usual day due to our Bierock Fundraiser. Please join us from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Old School Tap House in Kechi. Light refreshments provided.

**SAFETY NOTE:** For your safety and the safety of your belongings, please lock your vehicle before entering the Church. Don't leave valuables (cell phones, purses) in car.

**TRINITY POSITIONS OPEN:** Please prayerfully consider offering a bit of your time to volunteer for one of the following positions: **Board of Trustees, Board of Evangelism, Hospitality Committee, Usher, Altar Guild, and Offering Counter.** Call the church office to volunteer, 316-685-1571

**DONATE ONLINE!** PayPal is set up for donations on our website. Questions? See Sheryl or Dick.

**Those Serving at Trinity in February...**

<i><b>Greeters:</b> The Pattersons</i>	<i><b>Altar Guild:</b> The Pattersons</i>
<i><b>Ushers:</b> Ron R. &amp; Induwara</i>	<i><b>Organist:</b> Amanda Carter</i>
<i><b>Counters:</b> The Pressnells</i>	<i><b>Elder:</b> Allen Herbert</i>
<i><b>Acolyte:</b> Caleb Filipek</i>	<i><b>Crucifer:</b> Kingston Araiza</i>