



TRINITY CONNECTION

FEBRUARY 4, 2022

Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him. Luke 5:10b-11



Dear friends in Christ,

What does it mean that Simon Peter was called to "fish for people?" When a well-practiced person casts a net to fish, the motion of sending that round net flying becomes an artform. It falls on top of the fish, and they are drawn into the boat. Perhaps, the new net that Simon is being given is the kingdom that Jesus proclaims where love truly has the final, endlessly expansive word. Shame, violence, and hostile human divisions cease to exist, and the kingdom of God's reign made know through the witness of Jesus Christ continues to expand through the casting of Jesus' followers.

Today is the birthday of the Christian martyr Dietrich Bonhoeffer who taught that "Your Christian faith should make nonbelievers question their disbelief in God." The message of Jesus and his kingdom is such good news that it catches people and draws them toward the things that truly give them life in all its fullness. May God use the casting of your faith and your Christian witness to draw your neighbors into an experience of the goodness of your Lord.

Peace and best wishes,
Pastor Tom Opoien

Church Calendar

Monday, Feb. 7

8:30 am: Preschool

6:30 pm: Youth and Family Board Meeting

Tuesday, Feb. 8

6:30 am: Men's Breakfast

7:00 pm: Board Meetings

7:45 pm: Church Council Meeting

Wednesday, Feb. 9

8:30 am: Preschool

5:45 pm: Band Rehearsal

6:30 pm: Worship

7:15 pm: KFC-6th Grade

Confirmation

High School Youth

Thursday, Feb. 10

5:30 pm: TOPS

Friday, Feb. 11

8:30 am: Preschool

Sunday, Feb. 13

Scout Sunday

8:00 am: Worship

1st Grade Milestone Celebration

9:15 am: Sunday School

Adult Bible Study

10:30 am: Worship

Online Worship

1st Grade Milestone Celebration

Upcoming Important Dates

Feb. 21: Church office closed due to holiday

Feb. 26: Youth & Family Chili Bingo Night

Attendance

Wednesday, Jan. 26, 6:30 pm: 92

Sunday, Jan. 30, 8:00 am: 63

Sunday, Jan. 30, 10:30 am: 165

Church Finances

Week of Jan. 30, 2022

Total Operating Cost: \$11,735

Actual Total Giving: \$14,249

Difference of: **\$2,514**

Total operating cost represents all expenses including staff costs, benevolences, supplies, outreach, and our mortgage payment. If you have questions regarding the budget, please contact Tommy Pollema at 321-3057.

Ways to Give

Online Giving: www.teatrinity.org/give

Text Giving: (605) 777-7223

Envelopes: In-person or
Mail to the church

February Globe Offering



Prayer Requests

- Steve Jelen's dad Gene
- Sarah Hilmoe's uncle Fred Tidemann
- Jami Atkin's dad Kevin Roth
- Melissa Jelen's dad Greg Myrmoe
- Doug DeYoung
- Jeff Olinger's grandmother Diane Spear
- Shirley Oltmann's sister Linda Goulet
- Judy Junke's son-in-law Laverle Stratma
- Delores Wells' friend Joretta Harms
- Linda Vogl's dad Lyle Osbeck
- Gordon & Dorothy Fritz's son Carl Fritz
- Amber Hoogestraat father Don Weinkauf

1st Grade Milestone

Join Deacon Christie to learn about the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, 10 Commandments and much more!

**Celebration: Sunday, Feb. 13 at 8:00 am or 10:30 am
or Wednesday, Feb. 16 at 6:30am.**



WELCA Bible Study

**February 17 at 1:30 pm
Fellowship Hall**

We will be covering Kingdom of God: Mysteries of the Kingdom.
All are welcome to attend and a meeting will follow the bible study.

Preschool Registration

Trinity Lutheran Preschool Fall Registration is now open!
We are now accepting 3 year olds to Pre-K.

Tuesday & Thursday—3 & 4 year olds

Monday, Wednesday & Friday—4 & 5 year olds (Pre-K)

**To register or to learn more, visit teatrinity.org/preschool
or call the church office.**



Welcome New Members!



Melva Hilmo



Lee and Jeri
Jordan



Michael, Julia
and Henry LeVan



Greg, Janice and
Kevin (not pictured)
Myrmoe



Jed (not pictured),
Jen, Izzy, Sophie,
Jonah (not
pictured) and
Noah (not
pictured)
McNaughton



Jordan,
Elizabeth,
Ellery and
Jameson
Fischer



Chris,
Becky,
Jonathon,
Kash and
Mackiya
Howe