

# Grace Notes

**February 8, 2026**

Trinity Lutheran Church

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**Sunday – 02/08/2026 ~ Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany**

## 8:30a Sunday School and Adult Bible Study

**Duty Elders** ~ Scott Broberg / Shawn Shaw

Audio/Video ~ Isaac Schultz

## Organist ~ Gloria Creek

**Monday – 02/09/2026**

*Nothing scheduled*

**Tuesday – 02/10/2026**

6:00p Hand Bell Choir practice

Wednesday – 02/11/2026

9:30a Ladies Bible study

4:00p Confirmation

**Thursday – 02/12/2026**

8:30a Men's Bible study

**Friday – 02/13/2026**

### *Church Office Closed*

**Saturday – 02/14/2026**

*Nothing scheduled*

Sunday – 02/15/2026 ~ The Transfiguration of Our Lord

## 8:30a Sunday School and Adult Bible Study

## **Duty Elders ~ Len Koelbel / Ron VanVoast**

## **Audio/Video/Music ~ Denise Rutledge**

If you did NOT receive your 2025 Contribution Statement or did not receive a box of envelopes and would like some, please see Myrna Philipp or Cheryl Bauer.



**Quarterly Voter's Meeting** ~ The next Quarterly Voter's Meeting is **Sunday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 11:30am**. All members at least 18-years-old are invited to come.

### **Calendars and cards**

We still have calendars and both types of cards (both Christmas and all occasions)!

**Prices:**      All Occasion Cards \$7.00  
                    Christmas Cards \$7.00  
                    Calendars \$9.00



**Please save your old Portals of Prayer** and turn them into the church office for the LWML ladies' new project. More information to come.

**Coffee and Chat** ~ Want to learn sign language? New to American Sign language? Not sure where to start? Join us for Coffee and Chat! Learn more signs and practice what you know in a calm environment. **Every third Saturday of the month 11:00am-12:30pm** at the **Double Barrel Coffee House**, 1500 9th Ave S. Sponsored by Peace Lutheran Church and Christ Lutheran Church for the Deaf, 3340 11<sup>th</sup> Ave S. Great Falls MT 59405.

**Fellowship Time Help Needed!!** We are looking for individuals or couples who would be willing to help set up the coffee and cookies for Sunday mornings. This would be one or two Saturdays a month (the more people who volunteer the less often you would be asked to help). If you are interested, please talk to Pastor (406-402-2081) or Cheryl (406-452-2121).

**We are looking for individuals, couples, families or groups** who would be willing to help with the tear down and clean-up follow Fellowship time each Sunday. If you are interested, please talk to Pastor (406-402-2081) or the church office (406-452-2121).

**Snow Removal Sign-up** ~ Help is needed for the winter to remove snow from the sidewalks before church on Sunday mornings. If you would be willing to help, there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside the church office.

**Trinity Scholarships** ~ Did you know that Trinity has scholarships available for families of Trinity who have, or would like to have, their children attending Wee Disciples Preschool and Day Care? The application is available on our website ([www.trinity-mt.org](http://www.trinity-mt.org)) or in the church office.

**NOTE ~ The congregation is encouraged to contribute to the scholarship fund just as we do the roof repair or any other special fund. There are special envelopes in the back of the Sanctuary to place your donations in.**

**Lenten Soup Suppers** ~ We will be having Lenten soup suppers each Wednesday of Lent. As always there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside the church office. Please sign up for items to bring each week.



**We are also looking for groups of people to handle the set-up and clean-up each week.** If your group or you and a few others would like to volunteer for this, please sign up on the soup supper sign-up sheets.



**Easter Breakfast Volunteers Needed** ~ Each year we celebrate Easter Sunday with a congregational potluck-style breakfast between the Sunrise Service and the Divine Service. It is time to start making plans for this year's breakfast. If you would be willing to help plan and execute the Easter Sunday Breakfast, please contact Cheryl in the church office (406-452-2121). *Together let's make this a great celebration!*

**Contribution and Attendance Numbers**  
**for the week of January 26<sup>th</sup> through February 1<sup>st</sup>**

|  |         |
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| Mid-Week Worship                                   | 15      |
| Adult Bible study ( <i>women's, men's Sunday</i> ) | 31      |
| Sunday school                                      | 14      |
| Divine Service                                     | 90      |
| Offerings  | \$5,857 |
| Vanco  | \$470   |

**The week of February 8<sup>th</sup> through February 15<sup>th</sup>**  
**Celebrating their Wedding Anniversaries this week**

None

**Celebrating their Birthday this week**

|                           |                  |
|---------------------------|------------------|
| February 9 <sup>th</sup>  | Ron Lee          |
| February 10 <sup>th</sup> | Evelyn Dominguez |
| February 11 <sup>th</sup> | Laura Filson     |
| February 12 <sup>th</sup> | Jasen Remus      |
| February 14 <sup>th</sup> | Caleb Bicsak     |

**Celebrating their Baptismal Anniversaries this week**

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|---------------------------|----------------------|
| February 8 <sup>th</sup>  | Martin Bauer         |
| February 14 <sup>th</sup> | Molly Church         |
|                           | Sarah Lautenschlager |

**Celebrating their Confirmation anniversaries this week**

None

**Easter Lilies** ~ The Altar Committee will once again be placing an order for lilies to grace our altar for Easter. If you would like to donate toward the purchase of these lilies, please make a separate check payable to *Trinity Lutheran Church*, designate on the check “**For Easter Lilies**” and drop it into the offering plate. **If you would like your donation in memory or honor of a loved one, please attach a note with the details to your check or call the church office 452-2121 with that information.**



**Read through the Gospels or New Testament in Lent** ~ What better way to prepare for Easter than to read the complete story of Jesus' birth, life, death and resurrection? So, dust off your Bible as we read God's Word through these 40 days of Lent!

| <b>Read through the Gospels or New Testament in Lent</b> |                     |                      |
|--|---------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Day</b>   | <b>Gospels only</b> | <b>New Testament</b> |
| February 18  | Matthew 1 - 3       | Matthew 1 - 7        |
| 19   | Matthew 4 - 6       | Matthew 8 - 12       |
| 20   | Matthew 7 - 9       | Matthew 13 - 18      |
| 21   | Matthew 10 - 12     | Matthew 19 - 24      |
| February 22  | Take a Break        |                      |
| 23   | Matthew 13 - 14     | Matthew 25 - end     |
| 24   | Matthew 15 - 16     | Mark 1 - 5           |
| 25   | Matthew 17 - 18     | Mark 6 - 11          |
| 26   | Matthew 19 - 20     | Mark 12 - end        |
| 27   | Matthew 21 - 22     | Luke 1 - 4           |
| 28   | Matthew 23 - 24     | Luke 5 - 8           |

## ***PRAYER REQUESTS***

*For prayer requests, please call the church office (406-452-2121)  
or email us at [trinity@trinity-mt.org](mailto:trinity@trinity-mt.org)*

### **We pray for our members**

|               |                 |
|---------------|-----------------|
| Joyce Bush    | Lucy Ann Hall   |
| Neil Hamm     | Chuck Lively    |
| Lidia Neumann | Kirk Norris     |
| David O'Meara | Lindy Stanfield |
| Joy Suek      |                 |

### **We pray for friends and family of our members**

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| Ann Marie (Wee Disciples foster grandma)                   |
| Baby J (Aaron & Megan Sybrant's nephew)                    |
| Gary Headington  |
| Fran Holt (Michael Garver's mother)                        |
| Janet Hussli (Pam Grosenick's sister-in-law)               |
| Marge Johnsten (member of Peace Lutheran)                  |
| Dawn & Dorothy Krueger (Pam Grosenick's sister and mother) |
| Laura (Denise Wegner's friend)                             |
| Roger & Marlene Lienau (Cheryl Bauer's parents)            |
| Phil (Kathie Sybrant's father)                             |
| Debby Phillips (LaVelle VanVoast's friend)                 |
| Rebecca (Debbie Lee's sister)                              |
| Ruth Ann Shimoi (former member)                            |
| Rick Sotak (Matt Clark's grandfather)                      |
| Betty Stene (Brett Stene's mother)                         |
| Carolyn Valacich (LaVelle VanVoast's friend)               |
| Tom & Nancy Wheeler (Seth Wheeler's parents)               |
| Fred and Beverly Wibert (Sam Birkett's grandparents)       |
| Kathy Zagel (wife of former pastor Bruce Zagel)            |

**We pray for our shut-ins**

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| Mildred Birkholz (The Lodge)             | Ellen Carpenter (Eagle's Manor) |
| Anita Erickson (at home)                 | Ed Hickel (at home)             |
| Arleen Nelson (Rosetta Assisted Living)  | Lauretta Stanfield (at home)    |
| Barbara Zafft (The Lodge)                | Bob Blomstrom (Helena)          |
| Darlene Murray (at son's home in Kansas) |                                 |

**We pray for the pastors of the Montana District with health concerns**

Pastor John Valle (former member of Trinity)

Pastor Ray Wiegert (former pastor at Messiah-Missoula)

**We pray for our members battling health issues and their caregivers**

|                       |                               |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Roy & Carolyn Arves   | Jim & Barb Going (Washington) |
| Chuck & Judy Lively   | Jerry & Colleen Mans          |
| Henry & Alice Schuman |                               |

**We pray for those serving in the military and for our First Responders**

Sam Birkett, Cascade County Sheriff's Detective

Matt Clark, Great Falls Emergency Services

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Scott Backus, MANG

Scott Broberg, USAF

Ricardo Dominguez, USAF

Matthew Erickson, USAF (Anita Erickson's grandson)

Landon Grosenick, MANG (Pam Grosenick's grandson)

Chaplain Jonathan Schultz, USAF Reserves

Mychal Taylor, MANG

## Lenten Worship Schedule

**Ash Wednesday** ~ Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>

    Soup Supper ~ 6:00 pm

    Worship ~ 7:00pm

**1<sup>st</sup> Lenten Mid-week** ~ Wednesday, February 25<sup>th</sup>

    Soup Supper ~ 6:00 pm

    Worship ~ 7:00pm

**2<sup>nd</sup> Lenten Mid-week** ~ Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup>

    Soup Supper ~ 6:00 pm              Worship ~ 7:00pm

**3<sup>rd</sup> Lenten Mid-week** ~ Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup>

    Soup Supper ~ 6:00 pm              Worship ~ 7:00pm

**4<sup>th</sup> Lenten Mid-week** ~ Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup>

    Soup Supper ~ 6:00 pm              Worship ~ 7:00pm

**5<sup>th</sup> Lenten Mid-week** ~ Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup>

    Soup Supper ~ 6:00 pm              Worship ~ 7:00pm



## Holy Week Worship Schedule

**Palm Sunday / Sunday of the Passion**

Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup> ~ 10:00am

**Holy Thursday / Maundy Thursday**

Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> ~ 7:00pm

**Good Friday**

Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> ~ 7:00pm

**Holy Saturday**

Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup> ~ 7:00pm



**Easter Sunday ~ The Resurrection of Our Lord**

Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>

    Easter Sunrise Service ~ 7:00am

    Easter Breakfast ~ 7:45 am

    Sunday school ~ 8:30 am

    Easter Divine Service ~ 10:00 am

## **The Lutheran Hour ~ February 15<sup>th</sup>** **"Up and Down the Mountain"**

Guest Speaker: Rev. Michael Schutz

Many voices compete for our attention, but above all, listen to the voice of Jesus and hear what He's done for you. (*Matthew 17:1-9*)

**FM 106.9** is transmitting *The Lutheran Hour* on Sunday mornings at 8:00am. The weekly broadcast of *The Lutheran Hour* is also available at [www.lutheranhour.org](http://www.lutheranhour.org), on the **Connected by LHM** mobile app, on **Sirius XM Family Talk Channel**, and platforms like **Spotify**, **iHeartRadio**, dialing in on your phone, and more.

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**Lutherans for Life ~ February 8<sup>th</sup>** ~ "God loves you in your vulnerability so much that He subjected Himself to conform to a vulnerable human body. So today ... remember that Jesus, in whom all things hold together, loves you, individually. He is fully present with you just as He was in His mother's arms. God's peace be with you this day, this night." *Andrea Delwiche ~ A Life Quote from Lutherans for Life • lutheransforlife.org*

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### **Other Helpful Links**

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| Trinity Lutheran Church               | <a href="http://www.trinity-mt.org">www.trinity-mt.org</a>     |
| Also visit & "like" our Facebook page |  |
| Concordia Publishing House            | <a href="http://www.cph.org">www.cph.org</a>                   |
| Higher Things                         | <a href="http://www.higherthings.org">www.higherthings.org</a> |
| Issues, Etc.                          | <a href="http://www.issuesetc.org">www.issuesetc.org</a>       |
| The Word of the Lord Endures Forever  | <a href="http://thewordendures.org">thewordendures.org</a>     |
| LCMS                                  | <a href="http://www.lcms.org">www.lcms.org</a>                 |
| Lutherans for Life                    | <a href="http://lutheransforlife.org">lutheransforlife.org</a> |
| LWML                                  | <a href="http://www.lwml.org">www.lwml.org</a>                 |
| Montana District LCMS                 | <a href="http://www.mtdistlcms.org">www.mtdistlcms.org</a>     |
| The Lutheran Witness                  | <a href="http://www.lcms.org/witness">www.lcms.org/witness</a> |