

The Trinity Lamplighter



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Pastor's Corner

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*Happy March – Spring has sprung! I know, I know –
winter probably won't leave all that easily and may
gasp out a last cold blast, but we know it's only a
matter of time now!*

A friend gave me this wonderful chart for focusing ourselves on simple tasks of serving, renewing, growing and praying. I really like it because there is a rhythm of living in it that balances some of the movements of the Christian life utilizing very simple activities.

You may not be able to complete every single task or activity, but completion of most will be invigorating to your faith walk. Do it with your family – it's very appropriate with children, invite a friend or neighbor to complete some of the tasks with you, or do it entirely on your own. You'll be blessed and more ready to celebrate our risen Savior when we gather on Easter Sunday Worship.

God bless you guys! I am a blessed man to travel this road with you. Thank you.

-Pastor Mike

Here's the chart of activities for March to Palm Sunday:

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March 6	Renewing	Watch a Christian Movie.
March 7	Growing	Memorize Romans 12:2 “Do not conform to the pattern of this world but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.”
March 8	Praying	Pray for our church and church family.
March 9	Serving	Genuinely compliment someone who isn't expecting it.
March 10	Renewing	Read Psalm 23.
March 11	Growing	Write down Philippians 4:8 and put it on your refrigerator and read it several times a day.
March 12	Praying	Pray for victims of violence.
March 13	Serving	Sit quietly outside for 10 minutes and enjoy God’s creation.
March 14	Renewing	Breathing prayer (2 Corinthians 12:9)- inhale: “Be still Ex-hale: “ is enough for me” - repeat.
March 15	Growing	Talk with another believer about where you need to grow in your faith.
March 16	Praying	Pray for those who are hungry or don’t have shelter.
March 17	Serving	Tip extra/leave a thank you note for waiter/delivery person.
March 18	Renewing	Send a note of encouragement to someone who is suffering, sad, or lonely.
March 19	Growing	Memorize Philippians 4:13 “ I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.”
March 20	Praying	Pray for veterans and those currently serving in armed forc-es.
March 21	Serving	Ask someone, “how can I help?” and then help them!
March 22	Renewing	Breathing Prayer (Philippians 4:7) - Inhale: “Peace of Christ” Exhale: “guard my heart and mind.”
March 23	Growing	Practice thirty second elevator speech as to why you are a Christian.
March 24	Praying	Pray for our community, our country, and our world.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Marie Hogan
Dave Johnson
Linley Branden-
burg
Jennie Vacura
Becky Tomlinson
Sagan Schultz
Richard Polcyn
Margie Beagley

Mick Allen
Neal Schmidtberger
Steven Walters
Sandi Cook
Jodi Radke
Gwenna Green
Terry Foster
Mickey Teel

Ray Olson
Jeff Scarborough
Doc Reddig
Briana White
Becky Polcyn
Matt Davis
Shauna Foster
Dennis Baxter
R. J. Barnes

TRINITY LADIES

The Trinity Ladies will meet **Tuesday, March 12th, 2024, at 10 a.m.** at Fellowship Hall. If there is need for our committee to assist with a funeral or to provide a prayer blanket, please contact us at (785) 483-2440.



TRINITY COMMUNITY THRIFT STORE

March is upon us, and all is going well at the Thrift Store. All of the Easter merchandise is out for sale, and most has been sold. The baseball, softball, and track equipment has been put out in the empty Easter spots and is ready to go to athletes who want to buy it. So, come on in for your baseball, softball, and track needs.

The last big project we did was rock the parking lot. A big thank you to Joe Dolton as he was instrumental in this project. We located rock in Wilson and Joe brought his bobcat down and spread it around for us. He also knocked some high spots down and built up some low spots. He did an excellent job. Since the lot was wet from the snow, the rock worked in quite well and has provided a very nice finish for the lot. When the moisture comes again, we intend to get one more load of rock and work the driveway over. Again, Joe will help us with this and earn another big thank you.

The volunteers are all busy, but donations have slowed some. This is a usual occurrence for this time of year. We are trying to get jobs we have put off done and get things hung up for spring and summer. We will be ready for the summer rush.

Thank you to all who have donated, shopped, and volunteered. We appreciate your dedication to our mission and God's work.

Children's Education Ministry

Greetings Church Family,

Hello March! The first few months of 2024 have already been going quickly! My boys are anxiously awaiting Spring Break that is right around the corner.

Thank you to those who helped support our youth for our annual fundraiser! We were able to raise \$700 to spend on fun events and summer camps. YOU ALL ARE SO AWESOME AND APPRECIATED!

We were able to take 6 of the youth to Winter Jam on March 3rd. The adults that joined me were my husband, and a parent of one of the teens. It was so much fun and so powerful! We like taking the teens to this event each year because the messages that the artists and speakers provide are so meaningful and relatable. The kids LOVE the music at these events. Bonus – one of the teens really wanted to meet the lead singer of one of the bands and guess what? We spotted him walking to his booth for his meet and greet and the teen was able to get a picture with him. So cool!

In IGNITE, we have been working hard on learning the books of the Bible through song and trivia in addition to our weekly lesson. It's been a lot of fun and challenging for the kids. There will be no IG-NITE on March 13th as the kids are on Spring Break. April 17th is already the last session before we break for Summer.

With the warmer weather, the children become more antsy so please pray for our programs and for the volunteers. We want to ensure we are still getting as much of the Word into the kiddos and keep our sanity. If YOU can help on Wednesdays as we get through our last 5 sessions, please reach out! YOU are needed!

Thank you for your continued support for our children and youth programs!

God Bless You!

Katie Scarborough

Children and Youth Education Coordinator





Online Giving is Available!

Set up an ACH Plan for your offering to Trinity UMC. It is a great way to continue to financially support the church and its ministries. Save a stamp and keep your personal check!!

Contact the church office rsltrin@ruraltel.net or 785-483-2440

(Thank you for your attendance and monetary support of Trinity United Methodist Church)

WEDNESDAY WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Ignite Children's program</u>	<u>Recharge</u>
Feb. 7	35 kids, 9 youth, 12 adult helpers	canceled
Feb. 14	22 kids, 0 youth, 13 adult helpers	Ash Wednesday 25
Feb. 21	37 kids, 10 youth, 12 adult helpers	8
Feb. 28	28 kids, 8 youth, 8 adult helpers	canceled

<u>CHURCH RECORDS WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:</u>				<u>FINANCE UPDATE Sunday Offerings:</u>	
<u>Date</u>	<u>9:30 am</u>	<u>Online</u>	<u>Children's Worship</u>		
Feb. 4	45	15 views	2 kids	Feb. 4	\$ 12,032
Feb. 11	31	10 views	1 kid	Feb. 11	\$ 843
Feb.. 17	47	16 views	2 kids	Feb. 17	\$ 2165
Feb.. 25	50	5 views	2 kids	Feb. 24	\$ 4300

March Worship Assistants

Communion Stewards:

Jerrie Parsons & Lea Reddig

Ushers

March 3: Duane Adams
March 10: Duane Adams
March 17: Duane Adams
March 24: Duane Adams
March 31: Duane Adams

Lector

March 3: Lyndel Adams
March 10: Raeleen Reinhardt
March 17: Kaylee Karst
March 24: Ken Jeroue
March 31: Raeleen Reinhardt

Pianist

Curtis Sander
Pat David
Galen Schmidtberger

Bulletin Delivery to Shut-Ins

March 3: Dee Ann Matheson
March 10: Marge Gilpin
March 17: Colleen Allen
March 24: Dee Ann Matheson
March 31: Dee Ann Matheson

Greeters

March 3: Jim & Jolene Ridgley
March 10: Raeleen & Steve Reinhardt
March 17:
March 24:
March 31: Raeleen & Steve Reinhardt; Davis Family

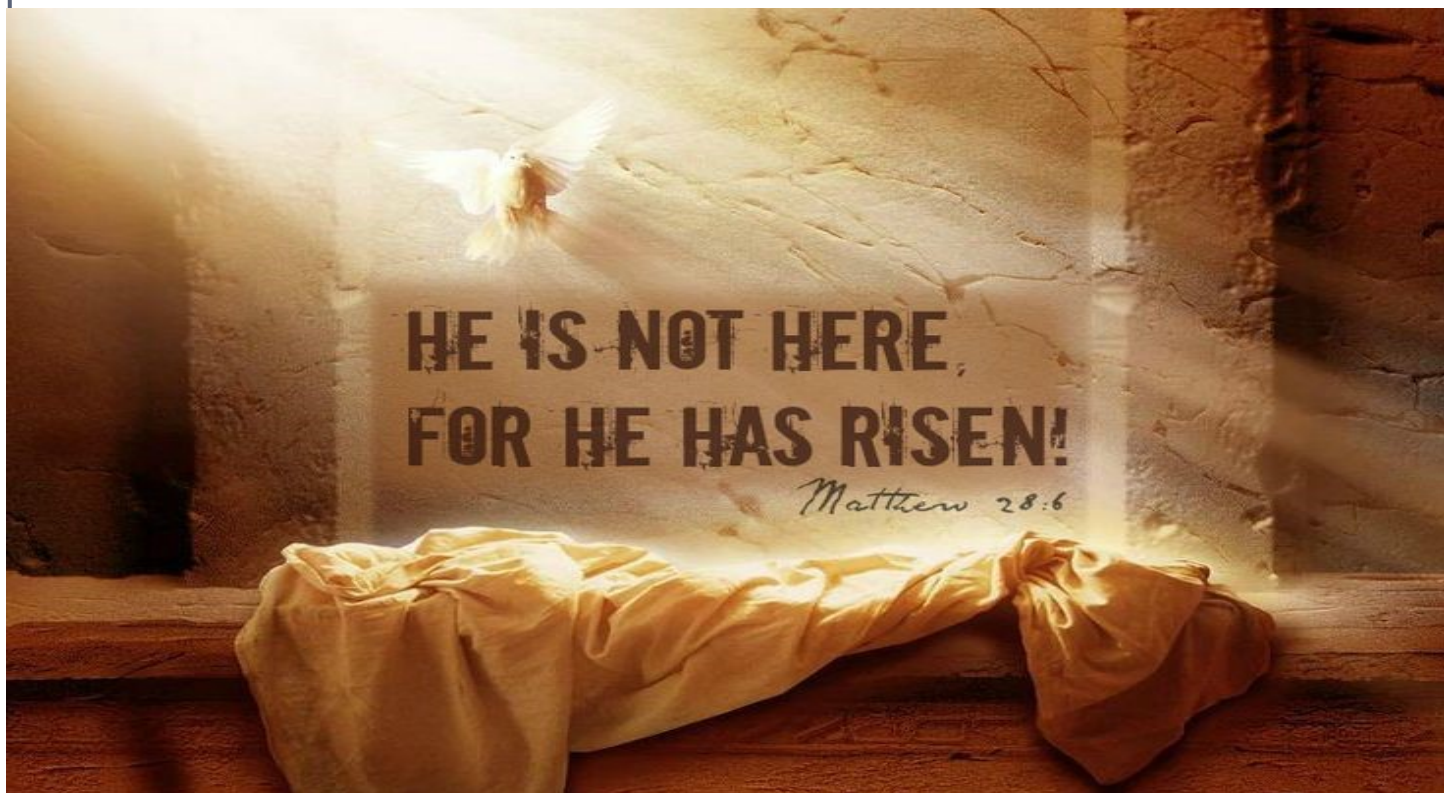
Sound System

March 3: Darren Walters; David Munday
March 10: Darren Walters; David Munday
March 17: Darren Walters; David Munday
March 24: Darren Walters; David Munday
March 31: Darren Walters; David Munday

Children's Time

March 3: Lyndel Adams
March 10: Raeleen Reinhardt
March 17: Katie Scarborough
March 24: Joane Fabian
March 31: Colleen Allen

Thank you for the many ways you are serving the Lord.



If you can't join us in person, please join us online at 9:30 a.m. on Sundays.. Services are streamed online each Sunday. There is an updated link posted on our **FB page** each week: <https://www.facebook.com/Russell-Trinity-UMC-200278325077>, or our webpage: <https://russelltrinityumc.org/>

Listen 1st and 3rd Sundays to the radio on 98.1 FM or 990 AM.

Weekly posts in Facebook ReCharge@trinity



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
** If you notice any corrections or your name is omitted from our list, please contact the Church Office at (785)483-2440					1 Thrift Store Hours 1:00 pm –5:00 Facebook -- Re-charge@Trinity	2 Thrift Store Hours 10:00 am–2:00 pm
3 Holy Communion 8:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship NO Confirmation Class Service on the radio	4 Thrift Store Work Night 7 pm	5	6 Ignite 5:15pm Recharge 6:00 pm 12pm Lenten Lunch @ United Emmanuel Lutheran (Milberger)	7 Thrift Store Hours 9:00 am - 5:00 pm	8 Thrift Store Hours 1:00 pm –5:00 Facebook -- Re-charge@Trinity	9 Thrift Store Hours 10:00 am–2:00 pm
10 8:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship NO Confirmation Class	11 Thrift Store Work Night 7 pm	12 10:00am Trinity Ladies	13 NO Ignite-Spring Break Recharge 6:00 pm 12pm Lenten Lunch @ Otterbein Methodist Church	14 Thrift Store Hours 9:00 am - 5:00 pm	15 Thrift Store Hours 1:00 pm –5:00 pm Facebook -- Re-charge@Trinity	16 Thrift Store Hours 10:00 am–2:00 pm
17 8:30a.m. Adult Sunday School 9:30 a.m.—Worship Service on the radio 10:45am Confirmation Class 10:45am Leadership Council	18 Thrift Store Work Night 7 pm	19	20 Ignite 5:15pm Recharge 6:00 pm 12pm Lenten Lunch @ St. Mary's Catholic Church	21 Thrift Store Hours 9:00 am - 5:00 pm 6:30pm Spring Revival @ 2nd Baptist	22 Thrift Store Hours 1:00 pm –5:00 pm 6:30pm Spring Revival @ 2nd Baptist Facebook -- Re-charge@Trinity	23 Thrift Store Hours 10:00 am–2:00 pm
24 8:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Palm Sunday & Easter Cantata Service 10:45am Confirmation Class	25 Thrift Store Work Night 7 pm	26	27 Ignite 5:15pm Recharge 6:00 pm 12pm Lenten Lunch @ First Congregational Church	28 Thrift Store Hours 9:00 am - 5:00 pm 6pm Maundy Thursday Service	29 Thrift Store Hours 1:00 pm –5:00 pm Facebook -- Re-charge@Trinity	30 Thrift Store Hours 10:00 am–2:00 pm
31 8:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Easter Service 10:30am Easter Egg Hunt 10:45am Confirmation Class					12pm RCAOC Good Friday Service @ Otterbein Methodist Church	

Birthdays and Anniversaries

1. Carol Droegemeier 🕯️

6. Shelby Penka 🕯️

7. Dale Weimaster, Curtis Sander, Josh Ketchens 🕯️

8. Marie Hogan 🕯️

10. Bud Neil, Kelli Patten 🕯️

14. Taylor Hopper 🕯️

20. Becky Anschutz 🕯️

Matt & Julie King 🔔
21. Ward Craig, Nevell Carlisle, Zachary Jensen 🕯️ Kyla & Talbot Driscoll 🔔

25. John Hill 🕯️

27. David Couch, Tammy Mitchell 🕯️

28. Alex Funk, Tyler Hontz 🕯️

30. Duane Fields, Kegann Gideon 🕯️

31. Kurt Brooke, Naomi Ketchens 🕯️

If you'd like to add a birthday or anniversary, please contact the church office by phone or email.

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Monday – Friday

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Galen Schmidtberger

Curtis Sander

Pat David

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Galen Schmidtberger

Choir Accompanist:

Curtis Sander

Pat David

Worship Hours

Sundays

8:30 Sunday School

9:30 Church Service

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ReCharge @trinity Join us on Facebook There are messages and devotionals from the team along with other content to keep you Recharged. **IN PERSON 6:00 PM**

Visitors are WELCOME at Trinity anytime.

We appreciate you being a part of the Trinity experience on your Sunday! Be sure to check out our website at www.russelltrinityumc.org for Live Stream on Sundays, and **Facebook** : [Russell Trinity UMC](https://www.facebook.com/RussellTrinityUMC)

Join us the 1st and 3rd Sundays radio—
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