



Offering Link

Ohio Hospice Lifecare Seeking Volunteers!  
You are invited!  
Training Classes begin Monday, February 16  
6:00-8:30p  
Training will be held at Ohio Hospice Lifecare  
Gustafson Center for Supportive Care:  
1900 Akron Rd., Wooster, OH 44691  
For questions about training or any volunteer opportunities:  
Email Elisa Stoyle at  
Estoyle@LifeCareHospice.org or call  
330-264-4899  
**Celebrate Love**  
Valentine's Dinner  
February 14, 2026  
5:00-7:00p  
Fellowship Hall- Trinity United Church of Christ- 150 E. North St.  
RSVP to church office or Sunday Sign up Sheet  
Bring a personal story about love and we'll read it for you or you can grab a mic and share your story. Stories can be about significant others, family, pets, or acts of kindness you have witnessed in strangers.

ONE GREAT HOUR  
OF SHARING

March  
15

## This Week at Trinity

*Breakfast Program 8:30a-9:30a*

*Monday - Friday*

**Monday, February 9**

*7pm AA Group*

**Tuesday, February 10**

*12pm Bible Study*

*5:30pm Consistory Meeting*

**Wednesday, February 11**

*10am Quilters*

*4:30-7pm C.A.T*

*6:30pm AA Group*

**Thursday, February 12**

*5:30-6:30pm Choir*

*7-8pm Bells*

*7pm NA Group*

**Friday, February 13**

*11am Knit, Pray and Crochet*

**Saturday, February 14**

*5-7pm Valentine's Day Dinner*

**Sunday, February 15**

*9:15am Kid's Sunday School*

*10:30am Worship*

**Please Sign up to serve on Sunday morning! Usher, greet, provide coffee hour, or be a reader. If you sign up for altar flowers, please let the office know if the flowers are given for a special celebration in honor or in memory of someone so that it may be included in the bulletin.**

## *Trinity United Church of Christ*



**February 8, 2026 - 10:30am**

Rev. Dr. Kevan Franklin

We extend a warm welcome to all who have come to worship today.

The \* is to stand.

**The bold print is Unison.**

**Layreader:** Nancy Lilburn

Dates for your Calendar:

February 10 - Consistory Meeting

5:30p

February 11 - Quilters 10a

February 14 - Valentine's Day Dinner

5p

February 16 - OFFICE CLOSED

February 17 - Shrove Tuesday/ Pancake Supper 5p

February 18 - Women's Lunch @ Basil Asian Bistro 11:30a

February 18 - Ash Wednesday Service 6:30p



**Rev. Dr. Kevan Franklin**, Senior Minister

**Suzanne Feltner**, Faith Formation and Arts Director

**Luke Tegtmeier**, Organist

**Phil Starr/Jack Senn** Business Managers

**Joi Griffith**, Administrative Assistant

**Connie Plant/Larry Keiner**, Custodian

**Contact our office at: 330-264-9250**

**Office Hours - Monday - Friday 9:30a - 3:00p**

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Prelude:

Prayers of the People

Welcome and Announcements/Share the Good News, and Joys /Passing of Peace

\*Call to Worship

One: Something drew us together this morning

**All: Something we can't name but which we experience in worship**

One: Some holy mystery we call God

**All: Some sacred calling we hear in the life of Jesus**

One: Some indescribable hope we feel when we gather in the Spirit

**All: May our experience of the Divine transform our doubts and fears and prepare us to love the world.**

\*Gathering Prayer

**O God, you are beyond words and description, your love is beyond knowledge and explanation. Make our hearts ready to receive you. Change us, we pray, that our lives may reflect the glory of your transfiguration. We rejoice in the power of your Holy Spirit. Amen**

\*Hymn of Praise NCH#74 "We Have Gathered, Jesus Dear"

Children's Message

Scripture Matthew 5:13-20

<sup>13</sup> "You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? **It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.**" <sup>14</sup> "You are the light of the world. **A town built on a hill cannot be hidden.**" <sup>15</sup> Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl.

Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. <sup>16</sup> In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven. <sup>17</sup> "Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. <sup>18</sup> For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth disappear, not the smallest letter, not the least stroke of a pen, will by any means disappear from the Law until everything is accomplished. <sup>19</sup> Therefore anyone who sets aside one of the least of these commands and teaches others accordingly will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever practices and teaches these commands will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>20</sup> For I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter the kingdom of heaven.

1 Corinthians 2:1-12

**2** And so it was with me, brothers and sisters. When I came to you, I did not come with eloquence or human wisdom as I proclaimed to you the testimony about God. **2** For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. **3** I came to you in weakness with great fear and trembling. **4** My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, **5** so that your faith might not rest on human wisdom, but on God's power. **6** We do, however, speak a message of wisdom among the mature, but not the wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are coming to nothing. **7** No, we declare God's wisdom, a mystery that has been hidden and that God destined for our glory before time began. **8** None of the rulers of this age understood it, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. **9** However, as it is written: "**What no eye has seen, what no ear has heard, and what no human mind has conceived the things God has prepared for those who love him—**" **10** **these are the things God has revealed to us by his Spirit.** The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God. **11** For who knows a person's thoughts except their own spirit within them? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. **12** **What we have received is not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may understand what God has freely given us.**

Sermon "Don't Forget to be Happy"

Silent, Pastoral, and Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

Call to the Offering

Hymn of Offering ELW#715 "Christ, be Our Light" [VIEW INSERT](#)

Unison Offering Prayer

**Bless these gifts, we pray. May they represent just the beginning of our journey to show forth your glory to the world. Amen.**

\*Hymn of Dedication NCH#181 "You Are Salt for the Earth. O People"

\*Benediction

**We have been changed.** We can't be silent anymore. **We have seen the Light of the World.** Go and share your rays of love! **Amen.**

Closing Song NCH#594 Verse 2 "How Beautiful, Our Spacious Skies" [View Insert](#)  
Postlude: