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FEBRUARY 2021 –

TRINITY NEWS

Well, here we are, already a month into 2021. We couldn't wait for 2020 to end, but it seems in some ways that 2021 may be no better. So with that thought in mind, bear with me as we address the proverbial "elephant in the room."

What began last March of what I thought would be just a few weeks of not having services and trying to patch together something online has stretched into now 11 months of masked, social-distancing and staying at home. We learned to do online using different skills and technology. At first, it was kind of neat and cool to sit at home in your "jammies" and "watch" church. But gradually, it seems that viewership has dropped over time. I do know of a few isolated cases where a couple of friends or family members (non-members) have come to regularly view our worship services online. And yes, I'm aware that there are other services online which are more polished by churches with bigger budgets and more technology. But at the same time, I am also aware of other churches similar to ours which have online services with fuzzy video and garbled audio.

You may remember that the decision was made to begin in person worship again in May. We made it clear that if you did not feel comfortable attending in person to please remain at home and worship with us online. Attendance, as expected has been sparse ranging from just a handful to 50plus. And I would be quick to state that this is not a complaint about numbers. I count it an opportunity to minister where two or three are gathered together and I am blessed to be able to put something online even if the only person who sees it is my mother as she sits locked down in her room in the independent living facility.

I guess what I am getting at is that as we prepare for Lent (Ash Wed - Feb 17) which is a time of some soul-searching, that we begin that soul-searching a bit early. The Covid 19 pandemic has been a once-in-a-lifetime experience. It has at times stretched our patience, our hope, our fears to the limit. And a good woman (my wife) shared a great piece of wisdom which she picked up. We should **respect** Covid but we should not **fear** it. We do everything we can to protect ourselves with masks, washing hands, staying in and taking care of ourselves if we get a little sniffle or feel a bit under the weather. And as we do those things to stay safe, let's ask ourselves if we are being consistent. In other words, "If I am staying away from church because of Covid, am I also staying away from going out to restaurants, going to Target or Walmart or getting together with friends."

The Gospel lesson last Sunday with Jesus teaching in the synagogue and dealing with the man with an unclean spirit served to remind us just how prevalent evil is in the world. It can attack us wherever we are whether it is sitting at home or sitting in church. In today's world just as in Jesus' day we need the teaching with authority from Jesus. It is His teaching and His teaching alone which enables us to overcome evil and gain the victory. May we respond to His teaching and His love in such a way that we treat one another with the same love and concern He has shown to us.

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<h1>February 2021</h1>						
	1	2 7pm Elders Mtg	3 6pm Worship Team 6pm Jr. Confirmation 7pm Chimes	4	5	6
7 9am Sunday Sch 10:15 Worship w/communion 	8	9 9am Circuit Pastor Mtg <i>in Sweeny</i>	10 6pm Worship Team 6pm Jr. Confirmation 7pm Chimes	11 6pm Jr. Confirmation Class	12	13
14 9am Sunday Sch 9:15 Trustees Mtg 10:15 Worship	15	16 6pm Worship Team 7pm Chimes	17  12noon BYOB 12:30 Midweek Devotional 6:30pm BYOB 7pm Midweek Devotional	18 6pm Jr. Confirmation Class	19	20
21 9am Sunday Sch 10:15 Worship w/communion	22	23 6pm Worship Team 7pm Chimes	24 12noon BYOB 12:30 Midweek Devotional 6:30pm BYOB 7pm Midweek Devotiona;	25 6pm Jr. Confirmation Class	26	27
28 9am Sunday Sch 10:15 Worship BAPTISM of Cameron Grigar						

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS



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| 2- Donna Hirsch | 24 - Sidney Hausler |
| 5- Cameron Egger | Carson Reuther |
| 10- Lauren Hodges | 25 - Janie Hernandez |
| 12 - Pat Taylor | 26 - Glennys Cavey |
| 14 - Teagan Dailey | 27 - Kathy Georgi |
| Wayne Schueler | 26- Glennys Cavey |
| 15- Skyler Sprouse | 28- Will Gutierrez |
| 18 - Michael Lindemann | Piper Luker |
| 21 - Joan Tucker | Amy Rios |
| 23 - Kelly Kehrer | |
| Yolanda McDowell | |

February Wedding Anniversaries



- Feb. 14 '88 - Wayne & Yolanda McDowell "33rd"
 Feb. 14 '15 - David & Tricia Rios "6th"
 Feb. 17 '07 - Tony & Kathleen Lindemann "14th"
 Feb. 20 '10 - Karl & Stacy Georgi "11th"



February Altar Flowers

- 7- OPEN
- 14- Gibson & Joanna Baafour
 - in celebration of Pastor's Birthday (Feb. 14)
- 21-
- 28- OPEN

THE LUTHERAN HOUR ... heard on Radio stations: KHCB 105.7 FM at 4am & 12:30pm; KSEV 700 AM, at 6:30am.

FEBRUARY 2021

- Feb. 7 - "Stories Around the Table"** - Dr. Michael Zeigler shares a story about people who had more in common than they thought.
- Feb. 14 - "Shines and Saves"** - Jesus surpasses all expectations as we see Him revealed on the Mount of Transfiguration.
- Feb. 21 - "Do You See Anything"** - The world wields power with blunt force, but God hides His power in suffering, weakness, and humility.
- Feb. 28 - "Where a Kid Can Be a Kid"** - An impossible situation need not be a hopeless one.

Greeters needed

- 7- OPEN
 14- OPEN
 21- Leona Panas
 28- Jr. High/High School SS

DEAR BROTHERS & SISTERS IN CHRIST ...

Please remember that the Elders are here to serve but we can not effectively serve you unless we know your needs. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please contact us and you are always welcomed to attend our monthly meetings on the 1st Tuesday of the month at 7:00p.m. God bless and keep you!

**** The Board of Elders ****

- Mike Egger - 713/805-0573
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[Answer to BIBLE QUIZ: C]

Walking in Y'shua's Footprints to . . .

Our Midweek Lenten series will follow Jesus as He observes the Jewish festivals put in place by God and observed by Jews in his day. The series was written by Rev. Kevin Parviz, and LCMS pastor, who grew up observing these festivals with his Jewish family. Each week we will take a look at the traditions of these festivals and how Christians can find encouragement from them for their faith in the everlasting power and majesty of God and of Y'shua, the Messiah. We will begin with the Feast of Rosh HaShannah (Trumpets) on Wednesday, February 24. The following weeks will include the Feast of Yom Kippur (Atonement), the Feast of Sukkot (Tabernacles), the Feast of Chanukkah (Dedication), and the Feast of Purim (Lots).

Join us at Noon for our bring bag lunch (BYOB) followed by our worship at 12:30.

Or join us in the evening at 6:30pm for a brown bag supper (BYOB) followed by worship at 7:00 pm.

Encouraging Predictions for 2021

With all the problems the World is facing, it can be unsettling to the mind. Today, I will share with you ten predictions that are true!

Top 10 Predictions for 2021

1. The Bible will still have all the answers.
2. Prayer will still be the most powerful thing on Earth.
3. The Holy Spirit will still move.
4. God will still honor the praises of His people.
5. There will still be God-anointed preaching.
6. There will still be singing of praise to God.
7. God will still pour out blessings upon His people.
8. There will still be room at the Cross.
9. Jesus will still love you.
10. Jesus will still save the lost when they come to Him.

Isn't it Great to Remember Who is Really Control, and that: "the Word of the Lord endures forever."
1 Peter 1:25



Helping Hands FOOD DRIVE ... February is one of the months we take up a FOOD COLLECTION. Here are the items they are low on:

Sunday,	Feb. 7 -	CANNED & DRIED SOUPS
Sunday,	Feb. 14 -	DRIED BEANS, CANNED VEGETABLES
Wednesday,	Feb. 17 -	<i>Peanut Butter, Jelly/Jam</i>
Sunday,	Feb. 21 -	DRIED PASTA, BAGS OF RICE
Wednesday,	Feb. 24 -	<i>Peanut Butter, Jelly/Jam</i>
Sunday,	Feb.26 -	Boxes of MACARONI & CHEESE

Drop your items in the Helping Hands barrel. Thank you for your support!

The PRMC in Rosenberg is in great need of volunteers - many have left due to COVID, but women are still coming in for help.

Pregnancy Resource Medical Center ... VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! *PRMC in Rosenberg is still helping women to choose life, while social distancing as much as possible. Train with Zoom and home study to be a client advocate, or help in other ways. See <https://www.primcfortbend.org/partner-with-us> for volunteer opportunities and application. Call 282.232.2375 with questions.*

Love

BIBLE QUIZ

... The precise number varies depending on the Bible version, but roughly how many times does the word “love” occur in the Old and New Testaments combined?

- A. 200-300
- B. 400-500
- C. 600-700
- D. 800-900

Look for the answer on page 3.

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IN OTHER WORDS



We're so accustomed to hearing the Bible's "love chapter", 1 Corinthians 13, at weddings, and other occasions that we may not really hear its meaning anymore. It can help to listen to something familiar said in different words. What new understandings of love does this paraphrase from *The Message Bible* reveal to you?

"Love never gives up. Love cares more for others than for self. Love doesn't want what it doesn't have. Love doesn't strut, doesn't have a swelled head, doesn't force itself on others, isn't always 'me first,' doesn't fly off the handle, doesn't keep score of the sins of others, doesn't revel when others grovel, takes pleasure in the flowering of truth, puts up with anything, trusts God always, always looks for the best, never looks back, but keeps going to the end. Love never dies" (1 Corinthians 13:4-8a).

Happy Valentine's Day - Feb. 14

CLOSER LOOK

at Our BUDGET

JANUARY 2021

We need \$ 3,730.00 weekly
Attendance per Sunday

Jan. 3-	2,950.00	25
Jan. 10-	4,088.00	19
Jan. 17-	1,235.00	8
Jan. 24-	905.01	11
Jan. 31-	795.00	13

If you are unable to attend the church services in person, then please mail in your offerings or drop them by the office.

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HOLY BAPTISM



CAMERON EVERETT GRIGAR, son of Chad & Cynthia Grigar, will be received into membership by Holy Baptism on Sunday, February 28, 2021.

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Our janitor has been sanitizing (fogging) our sanctuary each week to help protect us from the Covid virus.

Trinity has purchased a fogger that we can use at any time.
