

# THE TALKING TRINITY

monthly newsletter

## MARCH 2026



Noted homiletician Thomas Long tells a story involving one of his preaching students. One Christmas vacation, his student was at home with his family and spent an afternoon talking to his father about ministry. As the conversation continued late into the day, father and son decided to get some fresh air by taking a walk around the neighborhood. Near the end of their walk, the father said, "It's almost dinner time. Let's call the pizza shop and order a pizza to be delivered to the house. By the time we get home, it will be there." So they walked over toward the nearest pay phone, only to encounter a homeless man blocking their way.

"Spare change?" the man asked.

The father reached deeply into his pockets and held out two heaping handfuls of coins. "Here, take what you need," he said to the homeless man.

"Well, then, I'll take it all," said the surprised man, sweeping the coins into his own hands and turning to walk away. Before he had gotten far, though, my student's father realized that he no longer had any change to make the phone call. "Excuse me," he called after the homeless man. "I was going to make a phone call at a pay phone, but I have given you all my change. Could I have a quarter?"

The homeless man turned around and walked back toward father and son, extending his hands. "Here," he said. "Take what you need."

We are well into our Lenten Worship Series, "Bread of Life." Each week we have explored how Jesus feeds us, body and soul. Bread sustains life, and the Word of God sustains our hearts. The Bread of Life also sustains our communities. When loaves are blessed, broken, and shared, we come together as a community of Christ. The miracle is that God's love is abundant, meaning that everyone can eat their fill and still have plenty for others to feast upon.

Jesus pours out his love for us, inviting us to take what we need. When we pray as Jesus taught us, "give us this day our daily bread," we profess our faith that God will give us as much as we require—no more, no less. It is also our charge—to give to others as much as they need.

Communities of Jesus are strengthened by bread, and our communities are strengthened when we share our bread with others.

Take what you need—God has love to spare!

Blessings,  
Rev. Meredith



## “Bread of Life” Weekly Themes and Scripture Readings

Lent 2: March 1	Bread for Growth	Luke 13: 18, 21
Lent 3: March 8	Bread for Each Day	Matthew 6: 9, 13
Lent 4: March 15	Bread for Sharing	Luke 14: 7, 14
Lent 5: March 22	Bread for Community	Luke 19: 1, 10
Palm Sunday: March 29	Bread for the Road	John 12: 12, 16; Luke 19: 28, 40
Maundy Thursday, April 2	Bread for Remembrance	Luke 22: 14, 30
Easter Sunday, April 5	Bread for Feasting	John 21: 1, 17

### TRINITY SESSION HIGHLIGHTS , FEBRUARY 2026

❖ Session elected the following committee moderators:

CE, Adult..... Jenny Lee	Property..... Dan Moseman
CE, Children & Youth..... Beverly Lutz	Stewardship..... Randall Scott
Finance..... Dennis Willilams	Visioning..... Connie Hubbell
Mission..... Bob Sidlinger	Worship..... Cindy Stevens
Outreach..... Michael Langfitt	
Peacemaking..... Marty Peterson	JoAnn Moseman was elected
Personnel..... Craig Neuenswander	Clerk of Session for another year.

❖ Pastor Mere had a busy month with pastoral care visits, Annual Meeting, and a funeral . She attended Presbytery meetings and led a six week Presbytery Book Club. She is currently planning for Lent and Easter.



On **March 8**, Trinity’s justice ministry, Topeka JUMP, will have a Network meeting after worship in Fellowship Hall. All Network members are encouraged to attend. In addition, anyone interested in learning more about Trinity’s justice ministry is welcome. Campaign issue updates will be provided and JUMP members will select who they will invite to the Nehemiah Action Assembly on April 30. A light lunch will be provided.

## Topeka JUMP Update:

Topeka JUMP, Trinity's justice ministry, is pleased with the progress of the research committees for on each campaign issue. Mental Health Crisis, Affordable Housing, Violence Reduction, Homelessness and Food Insecurity are all making progress.

The Mental Health Crisis Committee is celebrating securing crisis beds for the mentally ill. On January 29, Astra (formerly Valeo) Mental Health and Recovery Center for Crisis and Healing held an open house. The open house celebrated the opening of Crisis Intervention Care (CIC) beds. JUMP's mental health committee worked with KADADS to secure funding for the beds and received a commitment from Valeo (now Astra) for crisis beds in the community. This is a great success. Having these 30 CIC beds will reduce suicide rates, provide accessible care, reduce emergency department visits, hospitalization, and unnecessary incarcerations. It will also keep individuals in the community near family, and strengthen Topeka's safety net.

The Violence Reduction Campaign is pleased to announce a Street Team is trained and is now working in the community. The focus of the Street Team is reduction of violence that comes in the form of retaliation. Retaliatory violence is one of the major causes of violence in the city. The Violence Reduction Committee will be following up on the work of the Street Team and monitoring its progress.

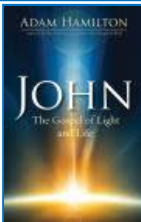
In other good news, The Review Committee for Topeka's Affordable Housing Trust Fund is now accepting RFP's (Requests for Proposals) from developers. A little over \$1million is in the fund and it will now be available to expand and preserve safe, stable and affordable housing for low-to-moderate income residents. The deadline for developers to submit their proposals is March 12. The Trust Fund's Review Committee will examine the proposals and start issuing the gap funding, which will probably take place this summer.

JUMP's Homelessness Committee is part of All Hands on Deck (AHOD), a community coalition to end chronic homelessness in Shawnee County. All Hands on Deck has three primary objectives, create a One Stop Resource Center, a low barrier shelter and a group of Tiny Homes. The issues of homelessness and affordable housing are connected. Thus, the Affordable Housing and Homelessness Committees are in close communication as they each move forward.

The Food Insecurity Committee is a new committee and in the early stages of its research. However, their research indicates one in eight individuals in Shawnee County are currently classified as food insecure, unable to consistently access healthy food for themselves or their families, and oftentimes inhibited by their ability to access sources of food. Nearly one in ten Topeka households do not have a personal vehicle, and the current public transportation options are limited and costly when it comes to food access. This has increased financial burdens, worsened food deserts and caused an overreliance on unhealthy and expensive sources of food, which has lifelong health detriments on our neighbors. When people struggle to access food, our neighbors are going hungry, representing a grave injustice in our community.

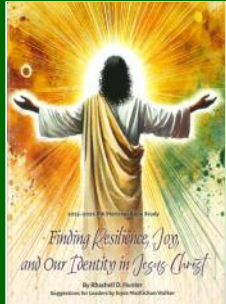
**“Do justice, love mercy and  
walk humbly with God.”  
Micah 6: 8**





Our Adult Sunday School Lenten study continues. This is one of Adam Hamilton's new books, *John: The Gospel of Light and Life*. The Gospel of John includes some of the most loved verses in all the Bible: "For God so loved the world...", "And the Word became flesh...", "You who are without sin cast the first stone...", "I am the way and the truth and the life." John notes that his aim in writing the gospel is that his readers will not only believe in Jesus Christ, but that they "may have life in his name." Join us and experience a season of growth and life, changing renewal while exploring the major themes of the Gospel of John.

Join us for the Lenten Bible study on Philippians. We meet on Mondays at Trinity to experience the joyful book of Philippians. Carol Shannahan leads the study in the Trinity Parlor on Mondays at 11am to 12pm.



**Women's Circles - 2026 Bible Studies - Trinity Presbyterian Church**  
**Next meeting: Wednesday, March 4th**

Mary Martha Circle meets at 1:30 p.m. in the Parlor. Anyone is welcome to attend. Contact Susan Bozeman with questions.

Esther Circle will gather in the Parlor at 6:45pm The lesson starts at 7 p.m. Contact Peggy McAdoo with questions.



**Come join PAGE TURNERS**  
 as we read  
*Heart of a Stranger*  
 by Angela Buchdahl

NEW BOOK Begins 3/6

Trinity's book group meets  
 most Fridays  
 1:30 – 3:00  
 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays  
 @ Café Quetzal  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays  
 in the CHURCH PARLOR

"From the first Asian American to be ordained as a rabbi"

Questions?  
 Contact Carol Thomas at 785-357-1472 or [ctmsh@gmail.com](mailto:ctmsh@gmail.com)

"A story that begs to be told. . . engrossing."  
 —The Washington Post



**WASHBURN RURAL MIDDLE SCHOOL NORTH**

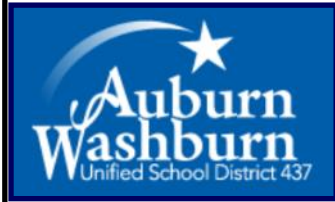


[The cancelled Lunch Bunch in January 2026 has been rescheduled !]

Join us for Lunch Bunch on Thursday, March 26 at 10 am. We plan to meet at Washburn Rural Middle School North, 2800 SW Auburn Road for an hour tour/talk of the new middle school by Dr. Charlie Stoltenberg. Please park on the east side of the building by the main office. Afterwards we will go to lunch at Chili's, 2021 SW Wanamaker Rd. Each person is responsible for paying for their own dinner. Friends are welcome. Questions contact Karen Meenen.

Please use this link for additional information about the middle school:

<https://usd437.net/wrn/principal>





## Trinity Easter Egg Hunt Palm Sunday March 29 - 10 am

Infants - Sixth Grade Children

We are asking for your support by providing the items the children will be gleefully hunting. If you are able, the items needed are listed below.

- \* **LARGE plastic eggs**  
(we have small eggs, but a lot of trinkets will not fit in the smaller eggs)
- \* **Trinkets that fit in plastic eggs, like:**
  - \* Stickers
  - \* Temporary tattoos
  - \* Stamps
  - \* Jewelry - rings, necklaces, etc.
  - \* Hair ties, scrunchies

- \* Small balls, etc.
- \* Individually wrapped non-seasonal candy (size that will fit in a plastic egg)



**THANK YOU SO MUCH!!!**

## PALM SUNDAY BREAKFAST

Join us for breakfast from 9:15-10:15 am in Fellowship Hall hosted by the Triniteens. Bring friends and family and enjoy a delicious breakfast. A free will offering will be received for youth mission projects. After breakfast,

you are invited to attend our Palm Sunday Worship Service at 10:30am.

**CELEBRATE PALM SUNDAY  
WITH US!  
March 29TH**





# March is Trinity's Month to provide food for the DOORSTEP PANTRY



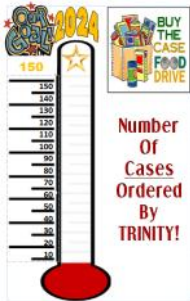
**MARCH IS HERE** and it's the month Trinity Church volunteers to stock the pantry shelves at Doorstep each year. Doorstep distributes the food to those that need nourishment year round so the amount of food needed increases as time goes by.

Trinity's **BUY THE CASE** program is now underway to assist in meeting those needs. Which means we are asking for food donations for Doorstep.

**The great thing is, you don't have to run to the store to buy food if you want to donate to this great program.**

Instead, this program lets you place orders for **cases** of food using an **ORDER FORM**. You fill it out by selecting the kind and quantity of cases of food you desire to donate. The cost is listed for each food. The food rates are discounted and tax free to us by Apple Market just for this program.

Or, if you'd rather just donate money there is a place on the order form to indicate the amount of your undesignated gift. That amount will be used to cover possible changes in food prices, and the balance will be given to Doorstep to purchase any additional food they may need.



This year we will again be taking the cases directly to Doorstep each week so it can be distributed as needed. We will keep you up to date on how many cases we are donating with a thermometer at the church showing the current count.

As always, your support in this project is MUCH APPRECIATED!!!! Thank you from the Mission committee.

**Instructions for filling out the form with your donations is below.**

## **BUY THE CASE ORDER FORMS ARE NOW AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH LOBBY!**

Order forms and envelopes are now available in the sanctuary pews or in the lobby of the church. Or, you can use the form in this newsletter!

The **order form** (see sample on next page) has areas to:

- ◆ select the kind of food and quantity of cases you want ordered,
- ◆ add up the total price of those cases, or
- ◆ you can choose to donate an amount that is "undesignated", then
- ◆ fill in the TOTAL \$ amount, and
- ◆ PRINT your name and write your check number, if paying by check .

Your completed **order form**, **with your cash or check** donation [made out to Trinity Presbyterian Church], can be:

- \* mailed to the church (4746 SW 21st St. Topeka KS 66604), or
- \* brought to the church office, or
- \* dropped in the offering plate in worship. Please be sure to **write BTC or Buy the Case in the MEMO** area of your check.

Trinity has done a wonderful job of supporting Doorstep and providing food for them to distribute to those in need.

As the cost of food increases, it becomes hard for families to get the food and nourishment that they need. This program makes a real difference. Questions can be directed to Stan McAdoo.

**Thanks in advance for your support.**



**2026 "Buy The Case" for Doorstep's food pantry**

Case	Case price	Qty	Total
Canned Soup (large size)	\$26.44		\$

Case	Case price	Qty	Total
Ramen Noodles	\$9.57		\$

Case	Case price	Qty	Total
Spaghetti O's	\$14.38		\$

Canned Green Beans	\$15.33		\$
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Peanut Butter	\$22.99		\$
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Canned Corn or Peas	\$15.33		\$
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Canned Pork N Beans	\$21.43		\$
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MAC & Cheese	\$13.59		\$
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Canned Misc. Vegetables	\$22.27		\$
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Undesignated contribution \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If a check, make it out to **"Trinity Presbyterian Church"** and write **"Buy the Case"** on the memo line.

**Your name** \_\_\_\_\_ (check no. \_\_\_\_\_)

Please place this order form and payment made out to **"Trinity Presbyterian Church"** and leave it in the offering plate or send it to:

**Trinity Presbyterian Church**

**4746 SW 21st. Street**

**Topeka, KS 66604**

## Narthex Decoration Celebration

The narthex is decorated each quarter throughout the year. We would like to invite anyone to volunteer your creative talents to the glory of God. This could be collections, florals, abstract, photo, etc. Perhaps you can think of a way that encourages hands on interaction. Rev. Mere will work with you to implement your ideas.



Call or text Ann Fincham at 785 806, 1134 with questions or to volunteer!

## FLOWERS ON THE CHANCEL

Each Sunday you have noticed the beautiful display at the front of the sanctuary. Perhaps you have had an idea of what would look beautiful there and help enhance your worship.

Recently the display has been artificial flowers but you could celebrate an anniversary or birth or special occasion with fresh flowers. We are looking for people to decorate the chancel. It could be for a Sunday or for a quarter.



Volunteer with a text or phone call to Cindy Stevens 785 224 0616



**HARVESTERS** food **distribution** occurs on the 2nd MONDAY of every month at Trinity. It is on a first come, first served basis. Food will be handed out no later than 12pm, but might start several minutes earlier, so be sure to arrive early to line up. To volunteer, contact Stan McAdoo.

**NEXT DRIVE: March 9th**



## THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HAVE ALREADY DONATED TO THE COFFEE STATION IN THE PARLOR.



It has become a great place to enjoy a cup of coffee and fellowship with our friends. Since there isn't a budget for purchasing coffee, your help keeping it stocked with coffee is GREATLY APPRECIATED and still needed. If you would rather **donate money**, there will be an envelope in Jenny Lee's office mail box.

**THANK YOU.**



# Finance Matters

## WAYS TO GIVE

### Finance Matters – Ways to Give

Trinity is extremely grateful to members and friends who contribute financial gifts as a response to God's boundless grace and generosity.

#### **By Personal Check:**

Mail to: **Trinity Presbyterian Church, 4746 SW 21<sup>st</sup> Street, Topeka, KS 66604**

Please remember to use the "Memo" line on your checks so your financial gifts will be directed to the correct Donations Account – for example, "Pledge." Checks are separated from envelopes, and a blank Memo line can create confusion in the counting process. Please assist our Accounting company partners!



#### **Online-Bank Bill Payment:**

A service offered by most financial institutions, which creates automatic recurring or one-time gift payments electronically from your bank account. Please use the Memo option for the check, designate Trinity as the payee, and have payments sent to:

**Trinity Presbyterian Church, 4746 SW 21<sup>st</sup> Street, Topeka, KS 66604**



#### **Online-Trinity Giving:**

You can find this option on Trinity's website at [www.trinitypresbyterian.net](http://www.trinitypresbyterian.net)

Select the "Give" tab in the upper right portion of the screen and follow the instructions. Special Offerings may also be designated.

NOTE: This form of giving is especially *secure*. It will not be lost in the mail and cannot be stolen from the outdoor mailbox!

Another way to give via the website:

Scan the QR code image on this page with your smartphone.

Open the link that pops up, and you will be taken directly to the Online Giving page for Trinity.

Select the fund (s), and you can easily make your financial gift.



#### **Cash:**

Cash offerings should only be given in a worship service – do not mail! Please consider using a Pew envelope and label it with your name, if desired. If you do not indicate a fund, it will be recorded as a gift for the General Operating Budget.



#### **Required Minimum Distributions:**

Are you considering donating all or part of your RMD (Required Minimum Distribution) as a Qualified Charitable Distribution to Trinity? If so, please notify Dennis Williams (785-640-6373 or [dwilliams58@cox.net](mailto:dwilliams58@cox.net)) of your intention, as well as instruct your financial institution or advisor to indicate the ownership of this type of gift on the accompanying documentation. This identity information, such as your name and directions for your gift, greatly assists our Accounting partners with the correct and timely recording of your gift.



**Gentle Reminder:** Thank you to all who continue to contribute to the **Per Capita** fund. Trinity makes this payment to Presbytery on behalf of the membership of Trinity. We ask for a contribution of **\$40 per member**. Any difference in the funds collected and when the payment is due is made up from the General Operating Budget.



#### **ALL Financial Gifts:**

THANK YOU for your financial support! Your generous contributions are received with much appreciation and help us grow our ministry and mission.





# Happy Birthday

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| 3/1 Madison Meenen  | 3/18 Lincoln Bylsma |
| 3/1 Ellen Morris    | 3/18 Rhonda Ross    |
| 3/2 Lot Weckerling  | 3/19 Wendy Pullen   |
| 3/2 Kay Graham      | 3/19 Jamie Merklein |
| Scott               | 3/22 Martha         |
| 3/5 Scott Ashley    | Benignus            |
| 3/5 Cathy Newland   | 3/26 Jim McCormick  |
| 3/6 Dada Mulegwa    | 3/26 Laura Rolph    |
| 3/7 Janis Holiwell  | 3/27 Donna Whipple  |
| 3/7 Marty Peterson  | 3/27 Consolata      |
| 3/7 Linda Dolezal   | Ndichu              |
| 3/9 Ryan Kemp-      | 3/28 Beverley Lutz  |
| Pappan              | 3/28 Camden         |
| 3/10 Alex Wales     | Chooncharoen        |
| 3/11 Greg Lee       | 3/28 Bruce Voigt    |
| 3/12 Lyric Rogers   | 3/29 Judy Rundell   |
| 3/14 Portia Maxon   | 3/29 Natalya        |
| 3/15 Kari Hachiya   | Thomblison          |
| 3/15 Praise Mulegwa | 3/31 Cathy Wasinger |



# Happy Anniversary

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| 3/8 Don & Deanine Rogers     |
| 3/13 Jerry & Cathy Newland   |
| 3/14 Ralph & Kay Howard      |
| 3/23 Cory & Dana Schoffelman |
| 3/24 Dan & JoAnn Moseman     |
| 3/27 Bob & Joanne Young      |

If you have a birthday or anniversary that is not listed, please contact the church secretary at 785.272.2620 or [office@trinitypresbyterian.net](mailto:office@trinitypresbyterian.net)

# EARTHCARE TEAM

## 2026 WORSHIP AT TRINITY IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE & ONLINE VIEWING

Month	Date	Sunday	In Person	Online	TOTAL
FEBRUARY	2/1/2026	1st	86	4	90
	2/8/2026	2nd	90	2	92
	2/15/2026	3rd	87	1	88
	2/22/2026	4th	102	0	102

## Full Circle Fix-It Clinic



**March 14 10am-1pm**

2303 SW College Ave., Topeka, KS 66611

Don't trash it — repair it!  
Bring your broken lamps, fans, electronics, clothing, and other small items for repair help from handy volunteers! More details at [FullCircleSustainability.org/repair](http://FullCircleSustainability.org/repair)

A community collaboration brought to you by:





**March is Doorstep Month at Trinity** – As a Mission Member Trinity and 4 other churches make a dedicated effort to assist with major food and volunteer donations.

**Clothing Room Volunteers** – Trinity will provide volunteers for Monday, March 16 and Thursdays from 9-1:30 to assist with organizing and displaying

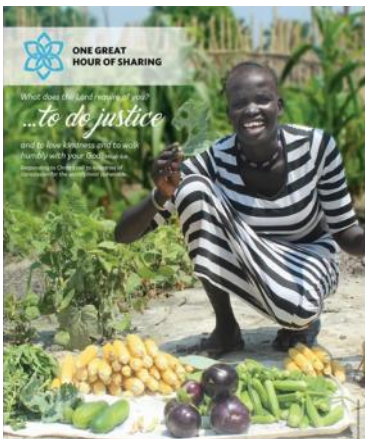
clothing in the “shop” for clients. Contact Peggy McAdoo (785-224-5113) or sign up on the sheet posted above the Doorstep donation boxes in the lobby.

**Food Donations** – Participate with “Buy the Case” to help stock the shelves. See the order form to make your contribution to fill the pantry this month.

Doorstep looks forward to their 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of neighbors helping neighbors. Fundraisers will involve a variety of activities to allow the broader community opportunities to participate.

Find the event(s) that appeal(s) to you and join in:

- ◆ **February** – Souper Bowl and Soup Line 2 – **THANK YOU, Trinity for 355# of soup and crackers** to restock soup shelves. The Soup Line sale went smoothly – total revenues are being calculated. Thank you to all who chose to participate.
- ◆ **March – Buy the Case** – This is when Trinity makes its largest donation of the year.
  - ◆ Starlight Auction March 15-21 – Supporters throughout the community have donated items to sell. All action is on-line at <https://givebutter.com/StarlightAuction26> Check it out and see if there are items you would like to have.
- ◆ **April** – Volunteer Appreciation Banquet, Quilt Auction, and Re-Imagine Jewelry Sale
- ◆ **May** – 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Walk/Run
- ◆ **June** – Neighbor Helping Neighbor Walk/5K Run at Lake Shawnee



Around the world, millions of people lack access to sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity. The work done in support of the causes supported by One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) — disaster, hunger, poverty, climate change, and immigration/migration and refugees— serves individuals and communities in need. This work provides people with safety, sustenance, and hope.

Received during the season of Lent (Feb. 18–April 5), each gift to OGHS helps to improve the lives of people in these challenging situations. The Offering provides us a way to share God’s love with our neighbors in need. In fact, OGHS is the single, largest way Presbyterians come together every year to work for a better world. Thanks to your heartfelt gifts, One Great Hour of Sharing currently supports projects in over 100 countries.


Thank you for supporting One Great Hour of Sharing, an Offering that responds directly to the call to do justice in Micah 6:8. To learn more about how your gift to One Great Hour of Sharing makes a difference, visit [pcusa.org/oghs](http://pcusa.org/oghs)

**IF WE ALL DO A LITTLE, IT ADDS UP TO A LOT!**

**WAYS TO GIVE**

When making a donation by check, be sure to write checks to Trinity Presbyterian Church and put **“OGHS”** in the memo line. Or, you can also give to the offering through our website. If you go to [www.trinitypresbyterian.net/give](http://www.trinitypresbyterian.net/give), there is an option to give to any of our special offerings.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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<p><b>1</b> <b>2ND SUNDAY IN LENT COMMUNION</b> Deacon of the Week: Audrey Barnard Liturgist: Glenn Jagodzinske USHERS: Marvin Burris &amp; Dennis Williams HELPERS: Becky/Marilyn <b>9:30am ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL In-person only</b> 9:30am Children's, Youth, Young Adult Sunday School <b>10:30am WORSHIP SERVICE - In Person/Online</b> <b>11:30am DEACONS MEETING (P)</b></p>	<p><b>2</b> 11:00am Bible Study-Philippians (Parlor) 1:30pm Sticks 'N String Group (Parlor) 7:00pm Beginner Square Dance Lessons (FH, K) set up 6:30/out by 10p</p>	<p><b>3</b> 9:00am Tuesdays With The Word (Cafe Quetzel) 10:00am Line Dance Lesson (FH) 3:30pm Aerobics set up (FH) 4:00pm Aerobics (FH) 6:00pm F.A.C.T.S. (P) 6:00pm Young Adult Bible Study (rm 13/14)</p>	<p><b>4</b> <b>12:00pm VISIONING CMTE MTG (Zoom)</b> 1:30pm Mary Martha Circle Bible Study (P) <b>5:30pm OUTREACH CMTE MTG (ZOOM)</b> 6:45pm Esther Circle (P) 7:00pm Prairie Wind Flute Choir Rehearsal (S)</p>	<p><b>5</b> 5:00pm Balance &amp; Fall Prevention Class (FH) 6:15pm Trinity Ringers Handbell Choir Rehearsal (S) 7:30pm Trinity Heritage Choir Rehearsal (S)</p>	<p><b>6</b> 1:30pm Page Turners Book Study (Cafe Quetzal) 3:30pm Aerobics set up (FH) 4:00pm Aerobics (FH)</p>	<p><b>7</b> 4:00pm International Prayer Group (rm 12)</p> 
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<p><b>8</b> <b>3RD SUNDAY IN LENT Daylight-Saving Time Begins</b> Deacon of the Week: Judy Williams Liturgist: Vicky Walters <b>NO PEACEMAKING COMMITTEE MTG</b> Sermon on the Steps: Jon Farrell-Higgins USHERS: Susan Burris &amp; Nancy Carpenter HELPERS: Randall/Dennis <b>9:30am ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL In-person only</b> 9:30am Children's, Youth, Young Adult Sunday School <b>10:30am WORSHIP SERVICE - In Person/Online</b> 11:45am JUMP Network Meeting (FH) 4:30pm Plus/Advanced Square Dance worship (FH)</p>	<p><b>9</b> 8:00am -11:00pm Fellowship Hall &amp; Parking Lot Reserved) 11:00am Bible Study-Philippians (Parlor) <b>12:00pm Harvesters Free Food Distribution (Parking Lot) First Come/First Served</b> 1:30pm Sticks 'N String Group (Parlor) <b>5:30pm ADULT CE CMTE MTG (ZOOM)</b> 7:00pm Beginner Square Dance Lessons (FH, K) set up 6:30/out by 10p</p>	<p><b>10</b> 9:00am Tuesdays With The Word (Cafe Quetzel) 10:00am Line Dance Lesson (FH) <b>1:00pm MISSION CMTE MTG - ZOOM</b> 3:30pm Aerobics set up (FH) 4:00pm Aerobics (FH) 4:45pm Serve Dinner/Topeka Rescue Mission 6:00pm F.A.C.T.S. (P) 6:00pm JUMP Team Assembly (tbd) 6:00pm Young Adult Bible Study (rm 13/14)</p>	<p><b>11</b> <b>10:00am WORSHIP CMTE mtg (P)</b> <b>1:30pm STEWARDSHIP CMTE MTG (P)</b> <b>6:00pm FINANCE CMTE MTG (P)</b> 7:00pm Prairie Wind Flute Choir Rehearsal (S)</p>	<p><b>12</b> 5:00pm Balance &amp; Fall Prevention Class (FH) 6:15pm Trinity Ringers Handbell Choir Rehearsal (S) <b>6:30pm PROPERTY CMTE MTG - ZOOM</b> 7:30pm Trinity Heritage Choir Rehearsal (S)</p>	<p><b>13</b> 1:30pm Page Turners Book Study (Cafe Quetzal) 3:30pm Aerobics set up (FH) 4:00pm Aerobics (FH)</p>	<p><b>14</b> 2:00pm Friendship Squares Dance (FH, K) set up@ 1:30p/out by 6:30p 4:00pm International Prayer Group (rm 12)</p>
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<p><b>15</b> <b>4TH SUNDAY IN LENT</b> Deacon of the Week: Janis Holiwell Liturgist: Marvin Burris NO Children's, Youth, Young Adult Sunday School NO Sermon on the Steps: USHERS: Craig Neuenswander &amp; Dan Moseman HELPERS: Martha/Gerald <b>9:30am ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL In-person only</b> <b>10:30am WORSHIP SERVICE - In Person/Online</b></p>	<p><b>16</b> <b>SESSION PACKET REPORTS DUE AT NOON</b> Spring Break 11:00am Bible Study-Philippians (Parlor) 1:30pm Sticks 'N String Group (Parlor) 7:00pm Beginner Square Dance Lessons (FH, K) set up 6:30/out by 10p</p>	<p><b>17</b> Spring Break 9:00am Tuesdays With The Word (Cafe Quetzel) 10:00am Line Dance Lesson (FH) 3:30pm Aerobics set up (FH) 4:00pm Aerobics (FH) 6:00pm F.A.C.T.S. (P) 6:00pm Young Adult Bible Study (rm 13/14)</p>	<p><b>18</b> <b>APR. '26 TALKING TRINITY ARTICLES DUE</b> Spring Break 7:00pm Prairie Wind Flute Choir Rehearsal (S) <b>7:00pm SESSION (FH)</b></p>	<p><b>19</b> Spring Break 5:00pm Balance &amp; Fall Prevention Class (FH) 6:15pm Trinity Ringers Handbell Choir Rehearsal (S) 7:30pm Trinity Heritage Choir Rehearsal (S)</p>	<p><b>20</b> <b>First Day of Spring Spring Break</b> 1:30pm Page Turners Book Study (Parlor) 3:30pm Aerobics set up (FH) 4:00pm Aerobics (FH)</p>	<p><b>21</b> 4:00pm International Prayer Group (rm 12)</p>
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<p><b>22</b> <b>5TH SUNDAY IN LENT</b> Deacon of the Week: Cathy Armstrong Liturgist: Jenny Lee NO Children's, Youth, Young Adult Sunday School NO Sermon on the Steps: USHERS: Dennis &amp; Marvin; HELPERS: Meredith S. &amp; Craig S. <b>9:30am ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL In-person only</b> <b>10:30am WORSHIP SERVICE - In Person/Online</b> 12:08pm JUMP Rally (TBD) 4:30pm Plus/Advanced Square Dance worship (FH)</p>	<p><b>23</b> 11:00am Bible Study-Philippians (Parlor) <b>12:00pm PERSONNEL CMTE MTG (P)</b> 1:30pm Sticks 'N String Group (Parlor) <b>1:30pm WORSHIP PLANNING TEAM MTG ZOOM</b> 7:00pm Beginner Square Dance Lessons (FH, K) set up 6:30/out by 10p</p>	<p><b>24</b> 9:00am Tuesdays With The Word (Cafe Quetzel) 10:00am Line Dance Lesson (FH) 3:30pm Aerobics set up (FH) 4:00pm Aerobics (FH) 6:00pm F.A.C.T.S. (P) 6:00pm Young Adult Bible Study (rm 13/14) 6:30pm P.E.O. Chpt FJ mtg (FH, K) set up at 6p out 8:30p</p>	<p><b>25</b> 7:00pm Prairie Wind Flute Choir Rehearsal (S)</p>	<p><b>26</b> <b>10:00am LUNCH BUNCH Tour Washburn Rural M. S. - LUNCH at Chili's Restaurant</b> 5:00pm Balance &amp; Fall Prevention Class (FH) 6:15pm Trinity Ringers Handbell Choir Rehearsal (S) 7:30pm Trinity Heritage Choir Rehearsal (S)</p>	<p><b>27</b> 1:30pm Page Turners Book Study (Cafe Quetzal) 3:30pm Aerobics set up (FH) 4:00pm Aerobics (FH)</p>	<p><b>28</b> Terminex treatment (all church/outside) 10:00am Caller's Clinic (FH) 4:00pm International Prayer Group (rm 12)</p>
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<p><b>29</b> <b>-PALM SUNDAY</b> Deacon of the Week: Toni Farrell-Higgins Liturgist: Jenny Lee <b>NO SUNDAY SCHOOL ALL AGES</b> Sermon on the Steps: Becky Jones USHERS: Ann Fincham &amp; Marvin; Helpers: Marty Peterson &amp; Brenda Jagodzinske 9:15am PALM BREAKFAST BREAKFAST (FH,P,K) 10:00am EASTER EGG HUNT (outside or all basement rooms with inclement weather) <b>10:30am WORSHIP SERVICE - In Person/Online</b></p>	<p><b>30</b> 11:00am Bible Study-Philippians (Parlor) 1:30pm Sticks 'N String Group (Parlor) 7:00pm Beginner Square Dance Lessons (FH, K) set up 6:30/out by 10p</p>	<p><b>31</b> 9:00am Tuesdays With The Word (Cafe Quetzel) 10:00am Line Dance Lesson (FH) 3:30pm Aerobics set up (FH) 4:00pm Aerobics (FH) 6:00pm F.A.C.T.S. (P) 6:00pm Young Adult Bible Study (rm 13/14)</p>	<p><b>1</b> 12:00pm VISIONING CMTE MTG (Zoom) 1:30pm Mary Martha Circle Bible Study (P) <b>5:30pm OUTREACH CMTE MTG (ZOOM)</b> 6:45pm Esther Circle (P) 7:00pm Prairie Wind Flute Choir Rehearsal (S)</p>	<p><b>2</b> <b>Maundy Thursday MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP SERVICE</b> 5:00pm Balance &amp; Fall Prevention Class (FH) 6:15pm Trinity Ringers Handbell Choir Rehearsal (S) 7:30pm Trinity Heritage Choir Rehearsal (S)</p>	<p><b>3</b> <b>Good Friday 12:00pm PRAYER VIGIL (S)</b> 1:30pm Page Turners Book Study (Cafe Quetzal) 3:30pm Aerobics set up (FH) 4:00pm Aerobics (FH)</p>	<p><b>4</b> 4:00pm International Prayer Group (rm 12)</p>
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<p><b>5</b> Deacon of the Week: Don Rogers <b>Easter Sunday</b> Liturgist: Jon Farrell-Higgins NO Children's, Youth, Young Adult Sunday School USHERS: Marvin Burris &amp; Dennis Williams HELPERS: Becky/Marilyn 9:30am ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL In-person only 10:30am EASTER WORSHIP SERVICE - In Person/Online 11:30am DEACONS MEETING (P)</p>	<p><b>6</b> 1:30pm Sticks 'N String Group (Parlor) 7:00pm Beginner Square Dance Lessons (FH, K) set up 6:30/out by 10p</p>	<p><b>7</b> 9:00am Tuesdays With The Word (Cafe Quetzal) 10:00am Line Dance Lesson (FH) 3:30pm Aerobics set up (FH) 4:00pm Aerobics (FH) 6:00pm F.A.C.T.S. (P) 6:00pm Young Adult Bible Study (rm 13/14)</p>	<p><b>8</b> 10:00am WORSHIP CMTE mtg (P) 1:30pm STEWARDSHIP CMTE MTG (P) 6:00pm FINANCE CMTE MTG (P) 7:00pm Prairie Wind Flute Choir Rehearsal (S)</p>	<p><b>9</b> 5:00pm Balance &amp; Fall Prevention Class (FH) 6:15pm Trinity Ringers Handbell Choir Rehearsal (S) 6:30pm PROPERTY CMTE MTG - ZOOM 7:30pm Trinity Heritage Choir Rehearsal (S)</p>	<p><b>10</b> 1:30pm Page Turners Book Study (Cafe Quetzal) 3:30pm Aerobics set up (FH) 4:00pm Aerobics (FH)</p>	<p><b>11</b> 2:00pm Friendship Squares Dance (FH, K) set up@ 1:30p/out by 6:30p 4:00pm International Prayer Group (rm 12)</p>
<p><b>12</b> COMMUNION Deacon of the Week: Jurahee Shriver Liturgist: Liturgist: Jurahee Shriver Sermon on the Steps: USHERS: Susan Burris &amp; Nancy Carpenter HELPERS: Randall/Dennis 9:30am ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL In-person only 9:30am Children's, Youth, Young Adult Sunday School 10:30am WORSHIP SERVICE - In Person/Online 11:30am PEACEMAKING COMMITTEE MTG (Parlor) 4:30pm Plus/Advanced Square Dance worship (FH)</p>	<p><b>13</b> 8:00am -11:00pm Fellowship Hall &amp; Parking Lot Reserved 12:00pm Harvesters Free Food Distribution (Parking Lot) First Come/First Served 1:30pm Sticks 'N String Group (Parlor) 5:30pm ADULT CE CMTE MTG (ZOOM) 7:00pm Beginner Square Dance Lessons (FH, K) set up 6:30/out by 10p</p>	<p><b>14</b> 9:00am Tuesdays With The Word (Cafe Quetzal) 10:00am Line Dance Lesson (FH) 1:00pm MISSION CMTE MTG - ZOOM 3:30pm Aerobics set up (FH) 4:00pm Aerobics (FH) 4:45pm Serve Dinner/Topeka Rescue Mission 6:00pm F.A.C.T.S. (P) 6:00pm Young Adult Bible Study (rm 13/14)</p>	<p><b>15</b> 7:00pm Prairie Wind Flute Choir Rehearsal (S) 7:00pm SESSION (FH)</p>	<p><b>16</b> 5:00pm Balance &amp; Fall Prevention Class (FH) 6:15pm Trinity Ringers Handbell Choir Rehearsal (S) 7:30pm Trinity Heritage Choir Rehearsal (S)</p>	<p><b>17</b> 1:30pm Page Turners Book Study (Parlor) 3:30pm Aerobics set up (FH) 4:00pm Aerobics (FH)</p>	<p><b>18</b> 4:00pm International Prayer Group (rm 12)</p>
<p><b>19</b> Deacon: Kay Wildman Liturgist: Liturgist: Jon Farrell-Higgins Sermon on the Steps: USHERS: Craig Neuenwander &amp; Dan Moseman HELPERS: Martha/Gerald 9:30am ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL In-person only 9:30am Children's, Youth, Young Adult Sunday School 10:30am WORSHIP SERVICE - In Person/Online 11:30am TRINITY CLEAN UP DAY &amp; LUNCH (all areas of the building)</p>	<p><b>20</b> MAY. '26 TALKING TRINITY ARTICLES DUE SESSION PACKET REPORTS DUE AT NOON 1:30pm Sticks 'N String Group (Parlor) 7:00pm Beginner Square Dance Lessons (FH, K) set up 6:30/out by 10p</p>	<p><b>21</b> 9:00am Tuesdays With The Word (Cafe Quetzal) 10:00am Line Dance Lesson (FH) 3:30pm Aerobics set up (FH) 4:00pm Aerobics (FH) 6:00pm F.A.C.T.S. (P) 6:00pm Young Adult Bible Study (rm 13/14)</p>	<p><b>22</b> Earth Day 7:00pm Prairie Wind Flute Choir Rehearsal (S)</p>	<p><b>23</b> 5:00pm Balance &amp; Fall Prevention Class (FH) 6:15pm Trinity Ringers Handbell Choir Rehearsal (S) 7:30pm Trinity Heritage Choir Rehearsal (S)</p>	<p><b>24</b> 1:30pm Page Turners Book Study (Cafe Quetzal) 3:30pm Aerobics set up (FH) 4:00pm Aerobics (FH)</p>	<p><b>25</b> Terminex treatment (all church/outside) 10:00am Caller's Clinic (FH) 4:00pm International Prayer Group (rm 12)</p>
<p><b>26</b> Deacon of the Week: Peggy McAdoo GRADUATION SUNDAY Liturgist: Glenn Jagodzinske Sermon on the Steps: USHERS: Dennis &amp; Marvin; HELPERS: Meredith S. &amp; Craig S. 9:30am ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL In-person only 9:30am Children's, Youth, Young Adult Sunday School 10:30am WORSHIP SERVICE - In Person/Online 4:30pm Plus/Advanced Square Dance worship (FH)</p>	<p><b>27</b> 12:00pm PERSONNEL CMTE MTG (P) 1:30pm Sticks 'N String Group (Parlor) 1:30pm WORSHIP PLANNING TEAM MTG ZOOM 7:00pm Beginner Square Dance Lessons (FH, K) set up 6:30/out by 10p</p>	<p><b>28</b> 9:00am Tuesdays With The Word (Cafe Quetzal) 10:00am Line Dance Lesson (FH) 3:30pm Aerobics set up (FH) 4:00pm Aerobics (FH) 6:00pm F.A.C.T.S. (P) 6:00pm Young Adult Bible Study (rm 13/14)</p>	<p><b>29</b> 10:30am MoMENTum/ Lunch bunch event (FH, lunch tbd after) set up 10am 7:00pm Prairie Wind Flute Choir Rehearsal (S)</p>	<p><b>30</b> JUMP ASSEMBLY NO Trinity Heritage Choir Rehearsal NO Trinity Ringers Handbell Choir Rehearsal 5:00pm Balance &amp; Fall Prevention Class (FH) 6:30pm JUMP Nehemiah Action (Lee Arena)</p>	<p><b>1</b> 1:30pm Page Turners Book Study (Cafe Quetzal) 3:30pm Aerobics set up (FH) 4:00pm Aerobics (FH)</p>	<p><b>2</b> 4:00pm International Prayer Group (rm 12)</p>



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- Book of Common Worship (2018 edition) Pub. by Westminster John Knox Press available for purchase from [www.pcusastore.com](http://www.pcusastore.com)
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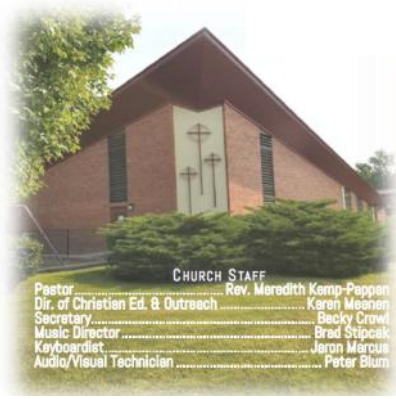
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