



# Trinity News

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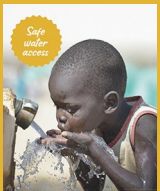
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## Help Provide Water for 500 Families!



During Epiphany and Lent, Trinity is going to be collecting donations to purchase a well through ELCA Good Gifts.

Lack of access to clean water is one of the biggest challenges to overcoming poverty.

We can purchase a well for \$2,500, which will allow 500 families access to clean, safe water.

Let's help keep a community healthy!


## THE BOOK OF EXODUS

### A Bible Study


Pastor Jay invites everyone to a study of the book of Exodus. Exodus means "going out." In the exodus story, God leads the Israelite people out of Egypt and out of slavery.

We meet on Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m. in the Conference Room. You can also join us virtually by Zoom by calling the church office.

Come and study the second book of the Bible with us.



### DINE TO DONATE! FUNDRAISING NIGHT




Support  
**TRINITY DAY CARE**  
TUES., FEBRUARY 10  
3 - 10PM


## 10% DONATION NIGHT

Support Trinity Day Care by presenting this flyer to the Rockford, IL location and Texas Roadhouse will donate 10% of your total food purchases to Trinity Day Care!

(815) 227-1283  
7240 WALTON STREET  
ROCKFORD, IL



Scan the barcode on your Ziosk or tell your server. Barcode is valid for Dine In and To-Go.



Go HOG! wild  
with Trinity Lutheran Church



**Sunday, March 22  
At 4:00 PM  
BMO Center  
Tickets: \$19.00 each**

**Sign-up and payment are due  
to the church office by March 1**

Sponsored by the Trinity Faith and Fellowship Team

## Did You Know?

- **Check out our website** by visiting [www.trinityrockford.org](http://www.trinityrockford.org)
- **Trinity News** can be delivered straight to your inbox via email. If you would like to receive the newsletter through email, please email the office at [office@trinityrockford.org](mailto:office@trinityrockford.org) or call the Church office at 815-963-4446.
- **Upcoming deadlines for the Trinity News** are:

**February 6<sup>th</sup>** for the February 20<sup>th</sup> issue      **February 20<sup>th</sup>** for the March 6<sup>th</sup> issue

**NOTE: Please make submissions before the deadline.**

Cornucopia is collecting  
Canned Chili and Ramen  
Noodles during  
the month of  
February.



**Trinity's Office Hours**  
Monday – Friday  
8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.



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## “Growing Disciples Start with Giving”

Giving begins with compassion.

A compassionate heart moves us toward generous giving. When have you given out of compassion? What situations or people stir your compassion most deeply? How have you experienced someone else's compassion in a way that changed you?

Throughout Scripture, we see people whose compassion leads them to act generously by caring for their neighbors and strengthening their community. The Good Samaritan tends the wounds of a stranger and pays for his care (Luke 10:29–37). Jesus, moved by compassion for a hungry crowd, multiplies loaves and fishes so that all are fed and satisfied (Mark 6:34–44).

The churches of Macedonia give beyond their means out of compassion for fellow believers in Jerusalem (2 Corinthians 8–9).

In each of these stories, compassion is at the heart of generosity. Yet it is not compassion for its own sake. It flows from a deep awareness of the grace we ourselves have received from God.

When have you been motivated to give because you cared about the welfare of the community? When has the generosity of someone else moved you to give?

As disciples, we give compassionately because God has first been generous with us: in love, mercy, and grace. Our generosity is a response to that gift. By opening our hands and hearts, we reflect Christ's love, so that others may encounter the compassion and love of God through us.

Who in your community is God calling you to see with compassion right now? How might your generosity allow someone else to experience the compassion of God? What resources (time, skills, money) has God entrusted to you that you can share with others? What small step of generosity can you take this week?

Submitted by Growing Disciples: Northern Illinois Synod

## Church Calendar February 7 - 21

### Saturday, February 7<sup>th</sup> – Psalm 15

9:00 a.m. Council Retreat (TBD)

### Sunday, February 8<sup>th</sup> – Matthew 5: 13-20

8:30 a.m. Worship (S)

9:30 a.m. Fellowship (AH)

10:00 a.m. Worship (S)

11:00 a.m. Senior Task Force (CR)

### Monday, February 9<sup>th</sup> – Isaiah 58: 1-12

5:00 p.m. Finance Team (CR)

5:45 p.m. Admin Team (CR)

### Tuesday, February 10<sup>th</sup> – 1 Corinthians 2: 1-16

2:00 p.m. Exodus Bible Study (CR)

5:30 p.m. Building and Grounds (CR)

3:00 p.m. TDC Texas Roadhouse Fundraiser

### Wednesday, February 11<sup>th</sup> – Isaiah 40: 27-31

9:30 a.m. Trinity Quilters (QR)

### Thursday, February 12<sup>th</sup> – 1 Peter 4: 12-16 *Lincoln's Birthday*

### Friday, February 13<sup>th</sup> – James 1: 2-8

### Saturday, February 14<sup>th</sup> – Psalm 112 *Valentine's Day*

### Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup> – Matthew 17: 1-9

8:30 a.m. Worship (S)

9:30 a.m. Fellowship (AH)

10:00 a.m. Worship (S)

### Monday, February 16<sup>th</sup> – Exodus 24: 12-18 *President's Day*

5:30 p.m. Church Council (CR)

### Tuesday, February 17<sup>th</sup> – 2 Peter 1: 16-21

2:00 p.m. Exodus Bible Study (CR)

5:30 p.m. Trinity House Board (CR)

### Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup> – Matthew 6: 1-6, 16-21 *Ash Wednesday*

12:00 p.m. Worship (S)

7:00 p.m. Worship (S)

### Thursday, February 19<sup>th</sup> – Matthew 17: 10-21

5:30 p.m. TDC Literacy Night (Gym)

### Friday, February 20<sup>th</sup> – Psalm 99

### Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup> – Psalm 2



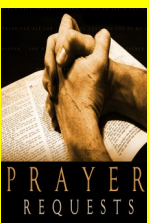
### Ash Wednesday Services

February 18, 2026

12:00 noon and 7:00 p.m.

Jesus: Savior, Servant, Friend

Heartfelt prayers for the  
family and friends of  
Nancy Ray  
who recently passed  
away.



**Please Pray For:** John, Chase, Dea, Anne, Barb, Lynn, A.J. Paula, Dave, Andrea, Steve, Dollye, The Todd Family, The Van DePoele Family, Connie, Cheryl, Donna, Stacy, Spencer, Nela, Joyce, Regenia, Russ, People of Minnesota, Greg, Kris, Danny, Danielle, Rosie, Curt, Kathy, Priscilla, Kaitlyne, Jerry, Sharon, Emily, Kara, Alan, Mark, Bill, Jim, Diane, Michael, Ron, Anthony, Chuck, Kenny, Char, Don, Carol, Tanya, Joshua, DeAnn, Pat, Steve, Byron