



## *A Message from the Congregation Council President*

March 15, 2018

Dear Trinity Members,

I'd like to inform you of the outcome of the special called Congregational Meeting and the Phase II meeting. The special Congregational meeting was held on 1/21/18. The sole purpose of this meeting was to consider the following recommendation: "To reduce the director of music position at Trinity Lutheran Church, New Smyrna Beach to a part time position and likewise the pay scale be reduced not to exceed \$25,000 annually". A motion was made and seconded followed by a lengthy discussion. The final vote was 76 against the motion and 32 for the motion. The motion failed and the meeting was adjourned.

The Phase II meeting was held on 1/28/18. The following business was conducted.

\*The Treasurer's Report for 2017 was presented. We ended the year with a positive General Fund balance of \$4,945.92.

\*A revised budget for 2018 was presented and approved. The total budget is \$310,516.

\*The Annual Report for our congregation for 2017 was approved.

\*Joe and Grace Kellermeier were elected as our Synod Voting Members for this year's annual FL/Bahamas Synod Convention.

I apologize for the lateness in sending out this information. Please contact me if you have any questions.

In Christ's Love,  
Gary Hopkins  
Church Council President

## Stewardship Committee Report

We have completed our TAKE ONE MORE STEP Stewardship campaign for 2018 and are sharing the results. We are excited to report a very successful campaign with 90 units pledging a 17% increase over 2017 with an estimate of giving totaling \$216,842 and received many completed Time and Talent Sheets. Your financial support and time and talents will allow us to continue the work which God has for us in the Church walls and the Community.

Your Time and Talent forms will be forwarded to the corresponding committee(s) for which you indicated an interest and they will be contacting you directly.

We thank everyone for your generous financial gifts and your time and talent support of Trinity Lutheran Church. Trinity is truly blessed by your response and continued support where our Mission is to make Christ known to our neighbors and world through word and deed.

The Stewardship Committee

**Core Value**  
**Responsible  
 Stewardship**

**We share our gifts to  
 protect and nourish our  
 church,  
 the world, and its  
 environment.**

## Notes from your Finance Committee...

Treasurer Summary	General Offerings	Monthly Expenses Paid	Monthly Expense (+/-) Diff	General Fund Balance
				<b>4,945.92</b>
January	24,566.80	26,563.82	- 1,997.02	2,948.90
February	28,917.64	26,079.57	2,838.07	5,786.97
March	28,134.58	25,069.69	3,064.89	8,851.86
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Quarter</b>	<b>81,619.02</b>	<b>77,713.08</b>	<b>3,905.94</b>	<b>8,851.86</b>

- 2018 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter
  - General Fund Balance of PLUS: \$8,851.86
  - Strong First Quarter General Offerings: \$81,619.02
- 2018 Pledge Results
  - # Giving Units: 90
  - Total \$ Amount: \$216,842
  - Projection Needed to Meet Year End Budget of \$310,516: \$207,000
- Capital Campaign Fund
  - Capital Campaign Fund Commitments: \$132,707
  - Capital Campaign Fund Receipts 2016/2017/2018: \$120,579.80 (91% achieved)
  - Capital Campaign Fund Expenses: \$72,890 + 8,580 (loan payment) = \$81,470
  - Capital Campaign Fund Unused Balance: \$39,109.80
- Offerings to Restricted areas 2018 March (Year to Date)
  - \$18,578.50

*2 Corinthians 9:7 - "Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." !!*

## Cantor's Notes



### Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

+ **Thanks** to the members of our choir and handbell choir for their dedication and faithfulness in providing musical leadership for all our worship services throughout the year. You are greatly appreciated!

+ **Several members of our choir** are “seasonal members.” Some are Trinity members, some are not, and all are dedicated choir members when they are in Florida. We miss them greatly when they go “up north” for the summer and look forward to their safe return in the fall.

+ **Summer Choir** sings for our summer worship services – Saturday night *and* Sunday morning – and YOU are invited to participate. Here is how it works:

- you may sing at the service time/day of your choice
- no previous choir experience is necessary; being able to “carry a tune” is preferable
- practice in the fellowship hall 40 minutes before the service (Saturdays at 4:20pm or Sundays at 8:50am); no mid-week rehearsals during the summer
- music will be easy and quick to learn
- we will not wear choir robes
- during the service you may sit in the choir area or sit in the congregation and just come over to the choir area when we sing (usually at the time of the offering)
- you may sing every week, occasionally, just once, or whatever is best for you
- your musical leadership is greatly appreciated!
- There will be one Wednesday rehearsal on May 23 at 7pm for anyone who would like to sing through all the songs for the summer to see what’s coming. This is an optional event. You are welcome to sing for services without attending this rehearsal. Please talk with me or any choir member if you have questions.

+ **As you travel** during the summer months, please bring back bulletins from the churches where you worship when you are away. It is always interesting to see what others are doing. Be sure to put your name on the bulletin! Thank you!

### Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Cantate Domino! (Sing to the Lord!)

Brian Larson

**The Lutheran Summer Music Academy**, founded in 1981, is a four-week residential training and performance program. Each summer, LSM brings together band, orchestra, choir, organ, and composition students from the U.S. and abroad to study with over 30 world-class faculty artists and a team of dedicated counselors and staff in a supportive, intentional community. **This summer, Trinity member Jonathan Weinrich, a 9th grade student at Seabreeze High School will be participating in the program which will be held July 1st - July 29th at Valparaiso University in Valparaiso, IN. Trinity is a “sponsoring” congregation for LSM**, which means that Trinity has already contributed \$500 to the LSM program and any additional funds received by Trinity will be used as a “scholarship” for Jonathan’s tuition, room, and board, and are also eligible for matching funds at 33% from LSM. **Donations should be given to Trinity with “LSM” indicated. Thank you for your support.**

## *A Message from Health Ministry on Mental Illness*

When I was asked to write an article for the newsletter on mental illness I decided that instead of compiling facts on the subject, it would be more effective to share some comments which have been personally shared with me by friends and members of several support groups:

- It affects the entire family and its devastating.
- Friends, and family members, abandon you.
- Mental illness is not a behavior problem or a parenting problem. It's a physical illness no different than epilepsy, diabetes or cancer.
- Sometimes all we need is a cup of coffee and a shoulder.
- Our family members are ill, but they can also be extremely intelligent, talented, compassionate and helpful.
- It can destroy a marriage, family relationships and friendships.
- We are overwhelmed and exhausted all of the time.
- Offer to make a meal or visit. Invite us over. Send a card. Call us.
- It's much harder than you think to find a good doctor, therapist or treatment plan.
- Mental illness cannot be fixed with more rules, structure or discipline.
- We are dealing with symptoms, not behavioral choices.
- We learn not to sweat the small stuff. If there was no homicide, suicide, arrest, ER visit or hospital admission, it's been a good day.
- If our loved one has cancer we get a casserole. If he has bipolar and is hospitalized, we are ignored.
- It's hurtful to hear comments like "Make sure she doesn't reproduce" or "He needs a good spanking." These people are human beings with feelings who are sick, not intentionally acting out.
- We are grieving the loss of the person we once knew. We go through the same stages of grief as someone who is grieving over a loved one who has died.
- Many professionals do not seem to get it. We get little understanding or support from schools, employers, the police and even doctors and therapists.

I hope this provides a little understanding of the realities of mental illness and its effects on a family. Thank you to our church family for sharing your love as Christ has commanded by embracing and supporting our families who are affected, and for allowing us the space to facilitate a support group in the community. Everyone who loves someone with a mental illness is encouraged to attend Care Network on the 1st Monday of the month at 7 PM. We meet in the nursery. Please spread the word and consider contacting our legislators, asking them to properly fund mental illness and encourage more humane treatment of those who are affected. Let's end the stigma!

Thank you. In Christ, Nancy Hopkins

## Congratulations Chief John Jacobsen

*Submitted by proud parents, Ron & Louise Jacobsen*

It is with extreme pride the Northport VOLUNTEER Fire Department announces the new Chief of Department for 2018-2020, Chief John Jacobsen. Chief Jacobsen joined the department in February 1997 and has 21 years of service. A member of Hook and Ladder Company Number One, the Rescue Squad, Ex-Captain of the hook and Ladder Company, Hook and Ladder Co. Firefighter of the year (2009) and recipient of a lifesaving Medal in 2014. Chief Jacobsen is a veteran of the United States Army and has served our Country in Iraq. We wish our new Chief a safe tenure and rest assured the communities of the Incorporated Village, Fort Salonga, Crab Meadow and Asharoken are in excellent hands. The new Chief is supported by First Assistant Chief / Town of Huntington Fire Marshal Dennis Sheridan and newly elected Second Assistant Chief and career firefighter Douglas Pyne as well as 108 dedicated VOLUNTEERS.



Trinity Lutheran Women of the ELCA Board and Circles are sponsoring a **Daughters Luncheon on May 12, 2018 at 11:30 in the Fellowship Hall**. Suggested donation is \$5.00. The menu consists of chicken salad, fruit, a croissant and mini eclairs for dessert. Entertainment will be provided by Judy Locke with interactive musical selections.



In honor of Rachel's Day we will be collecting in-kind items for the Pregnancy Crisis Center in Edgewater. Rachel (wife of Jacob and mother of Joseph and Benjamin) was known for her concern for children. Her day is celebrated in May. Items requested include baby wipes, large disposable diapers, receiving blankets and toiletries for mommy and daddy gift bags for the new parents. All women are invited to attend and to bring guests. Tickets will be sold after services on May 5th.

### How do I have someone placed on our prayer list?

Prayer request cards and a drop box are located in the church narthex above the guest registration book. Please fill the required information and put your request in the drop box. Person (s) will be taken off the prayer list automatically after four weeks. If there continues to be a need for prayer after that time, please submit a new prayer request. Prayer requests can also be submitted via the church office email at [trinitylutheran485@gmail.com](mailto:trinitylutheran485@gmail.com) Please note 'prayer request' in the subject line.



### A Little Reminder about Welcoming Visitors

"A smile and a nod in the direction of a visitor is a very welcoming gesture, as well as an introduction and a handshake if you get the opportunity. Always wearing your name tags is a very welcoming and friendly way of saying "Hello" to members and visitors."

We are looking for volunteers to act as **Greeters** at each service on Saturday and Sunday. Anyone interested in doing so please contact **Dick Deyber** of the Witness Committee at **386-760-6838** so we can put together a schedule of volunteers. Thank you in advance for your attention and help.



Dear Trinity Family,  
Thank you so much for your care for our family – cards, food, words of encouragement, hugs, prayers. We felt your love everyday and your love for Pastor Jim.  
Beve Swanson & Family

**Special Thank you** to everyone who worked diligently to make our Leadership Gathering a success! Over 30 people enjoyed an informative and fun night! If you did not receive a copy of the handout, copies are available in the Narthex. Gary Hopkins, Council President.



**Halifax Urban Ministry Soup Kitchen: Volunteers will be serving at 10:30 am on Monday May 28 at 316 North Street, Daytona Beach. A sign up sheet is located in the narthex this weekend.**

**Dedicating Chancel Flowers:** The year-round Flower Chart located on the porch bulletin board provides opportunities for families to sign up to donate flowers to celebrate special occasions, remember loved ones, give thanks to God, or honor another person. The cost for weekly flowers is \$25.

**SCENT-si-tive:** Many of our members are sensitive to strong fragrances and perfumes especially if they have lung issues, are on chemo or have allergy issues. It would be helpful if we maintain a scent free church environment.

**SMILE - YOU'RE ON AMAZONSMILE !!!** If you make online purchases from Amazon, you can now get donations for our church from the purchases you make! Simply shop at AmazonSmile by going to smile.amazon.com from the web browser on your computer or mobile device. You use your regular amazon.com account and your shopping cart, Wish List, etc. and other account settings are all the same. On your first visit to AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com) you will need to select a charitable organization before you begin shopping. Search for Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, New Smyrna Beach, FL. Or, use our direct link: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/59-2332805>. AmazonSmile will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make at smile.amazon.com will result in a donation of 0.5% from the AmazonSmile Foundation.

**Reminder:** Please notify the church office when you have a change in your personal information. If you change your address, telephone number, cell phone number, or email, call the church office (386-428-4307) or email us (trinitylutheran485@gmail.com) and have the information updated. Church communications are affected if the information is incorrect. Help us in our effort to keep you informed.

**SAVE YOUR BOXTOPS AND LABELS/\$\$\$ CASH \$\$\$ for labels marked EDUCATION BOXTOPS/LABELS provide money to Chisholm Elementary for computers.**

**Other items that help with outreach: Prescription Bottles** with lids (Labels Removed) are collected and sent to Haiti, **Canceled US Postage Stamps** are sent to military hospitals. **Used Greeting Cards** are sent to ARC Adult Retarded Citizens

**Soda Pop Tabs** benefit Ronald McDonald House **Hotel soap, shampoo, and conditioners** are sent to Gifts of Love, Edgewater. Collection jars can be found in the fellowship hall for the repurposed items.



		<b>MAY 5 &amp; 6</b>	<b>MAY 12 &amp; 13</b>	<b>MAY 19 &amp; 20</b>	<b>MAY 26 &amp; 27</b>	<b>CONTACTS</b>
<b>ASSISTING</b>	5 PM	SUELLEN WHITE	RON JACOBSEN	PAULA BERNBAUM	COLLEEN SUMNER	
<b>MINISTER</b>	8 AM	GRACE KELLERMEIER	BILL HINKLE	JOE KELLERMEIER	<b>9:30 AM</b>	MARY MATHEWS
	10:30	DAVE FALLER	BOB HORAK	JONATHAN WEINRICH	<b>GAIL ROE</b>	386-690-4987
<b>LECTORS</b>	5 PM	RAEANN PURCELL	LOUISE JACOBSEN	KATE MINGLE	LINDA ROEMER	
	8 AM	CHUCK McCAIN	CAROL CRAMER	BILL HINKLE	<b>9:30 AM</b>	JEAN HAUGHWOUT 386-428-1810
	10:30	KAREN TEEHAN	BOB HORAK	RAEANN PURCELL	<b>ROSALIE KALMAN</b>	ELSE ABEL 386-304-0391
<b>USHERS</b>	5 PM	HOPE BAUMAN JACKIE KAUFMANN	HOPE BAUMAN JACKIE KAUFMANN	HOPE BAUMAN JACKIE KAUFMANN	HOPE BAUMAN JACKIE KAUFMANN	HOPE BAUMAN 386-233-5339
	8 AM	JOHN KING, BOB SEATON ROSALIE KALMAN	JOHN KING, BOB SEATON ROSALIE KALMAN	JOHN KING, BOB SEATON ROSALIE KALMAN	<b>9:30 AM</b>	SANDI WIRTH
	10:30	LINDA AVIS, BOB EVANS, BARBARA REILLY GERALD CEGLIA	WALT MATERNA, KATHY BARRICK, JOHATHAN WEINRICH, ANNETTE SOWDER	GERALD CEGLIA, KATHY BARRICK, SANDI WIRTH TREVOR CORINA	<b>KERRY &amp; SANDI WIRTH DON ERICKSON, LINDA AVIS</b>	386-409-9228
<b>ALTAR GUILD</b>	5 PM	SUELLEN WHITE	DON SMITH, KATE MINGLE PAULA BERNBAUM	GARY & NANCY HOPKINS	COLLEEN SUMNER LINDA ROEMER	COLLEEN SUMNER 386-427-6167
	8 AM	ROSALIE KALMAN JOHN KING	ROSALIE KALMAN JOHN KING	ROSALIE KALMAN JOHN KING	<b>9:30 am</b>	JOHN KING
	10:30	DAVE & FAY FALLER	DAVE & FAY FALLER	DAVE & FAY FALLER	<b>John King, Rosalie Kalman</b>	386-663-7625
<b>NURSERY</b>	5 PM					NANCY HOPKINS 386-212-0999
<b>ETERNAL CANDLE</b>		IN MEMORY OF DOTTIE SMITH FROM DON SMITH	IN MEMORY OF DOTTIE SMITH FROM DON SMITH	IN MEMORY OF DOTTIE SMITH FROM DON SMITH	IN MEMORY OF DOTTIE SMITH FROM DON SMITH	CHURCH OFFICE 386-428-4307
<b>FLOWER DEDICATIONS</b>		IN MEMORY OF HUSBAND CARLTON FROM BARBARA KAUFMANN	IN MEMORY OF GRANDSON ROB FROM GLADYS BACHMAN	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE	FLOWER CHART – LOCATED ON BULLETIN BOARD ON PORCH AREA

## Council 2018

Gary Hopkins – President  
Chris Weinrich – Vice President  
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Rosalie Kalman – Treasurer  
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Al Schroth                      Colleen Sumner

### Administrative Information

Office Hours:     9am to 1pm (Tuesday - Thursday)  
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<b>Pastor</b>	Rev. David A. B. Rike
<b>Cantor:</b>	Brian Larson
<b>Office Administrator</b>	Phyllis D'Alessio
<b>Custodian</b>	Laura Jones

**Worship Schedules**  
Sundays – 8 & 10:30 am  
Saturdays – 5 pm  
Sunday School (all ages) 9:15 am

**Summer Schedule**  
**Begins Sunday, May 27**  
**Sunday Worship – 9:30 am**

**Trinity Lutheran Church**  
485 Turnbull Bay Road  
New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168



**May 2018**

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