



# Trinity Lutheran Church

## FEBRUARY 2026 NEWSLETTER

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### Worship Services

8:30am Traditional

10:30am Contemporary

Worship & Children's  
Church



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**Pastor Eric Wooldridge**

*Away on Sabbatical*

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# ASH WEDNESDAY



FEBRUARY 18TH AT 7:00PM  
TRINITY LUTHERAN

## Joint Lenten Program with Hope Lutheran

Every Wednesday February 25th - March 18th

(At Hope Lutheran)

5:45-6:30pm Soup Supper

6:30-7:00pm Holden Evening Prayer Service

March 25th (Hope Lutheran)

5:45 pm CHILI COOK-OFF

6:30-7:00 pm Holden Evening Prayer Service



**MARCH 25TH AT 5:45 PM**  
**HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH**

SIGN UP TODAY ON THE CLIPBOARD  
IN THE BACK OF THE SANCTUARY  
OR BY CLICKING ON THE ONLINE  
SIGN-UP BELOW AND SCROLLING  
TO THE BOTTOM

[CHILI COOK-OFF SIGN-UP](#)



Trinity contributes breads and soups for our soup suppers at Hope. If you are able to help by providing a soup or bread we invite you to sign up by clicking the link below. Thank you!

[SOUP SUPPER SIGN-UP](#)

Plateau Outreach Ministries need for  
the month of February is

**Soups**

Donations can be put in the baskets in the narthex. Trinity donated 30 lbs. of food to POM last month! Thank you for supporting our local Food Bank!

# BIBLE STUDY

On Philippians with  
Pastor Doug Bursch  
Wednesdays  
at 1:00 pm in the  
church basement.

# **New Member Dinner**

Did you recently join Trinity? Are you considering joining Trinity? Would you just appreciate some extra information about Trinity?

On Sunday, March 15th at 5:00pm here at the church, we invite you to a new member dinner where you will have an opportunity to meet other folks newer to our congregation and learn a little about Trinity. Please mark your TLC card or let the office know if you are interested in attending.

We will recognize new members during worship on March 22nd! Being recognized in front of the congregation is completely optional.

## **2026 ALTAR FLOWERS**

Are you interested in purchasing altar flowers to grace our sanctuary on a Sunday morning in 2026? Flowers are on sale now for \$35 per Sunday. Dedications are welcome and will be printed in our weekly bulletins. You are welcome to take your flowers home after second service on the Sunday they are purchased for. After signing up, please secure your date by dropping payment by the church office, mailing or paying on our church app or website. Thank you for helping us decorate our sanctuary with fresh flowers on Sunday mornings.

*Flower purchases are not tax deductible.*

**[Online Altar Flower Sign-Up](#)**



# February 2026 Calendar



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<i>1</i> 8:30am Traditional 9:30am Breakfast 10:30am Contemporary Children's Church, Youth Sermon 11:30am VBS Meeting 5:30pm Reno Meeting 6:30pm SH Youth Group	<i>2</i> 9:00am LWR Quilting	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i> 10:30am Staff Meeting 1:00pm Bible Study	<i>5</i> 7:00pm Men's AA Group	<i>6</i> Office Closed  6:45am HS Boys Small Group	<i>7</i>
<i>8</i> 8:30 Pizza Fundraiser 8:30am Traditional 9:30am Souper Bowl Homebound Project 10:30am Contemporary Children's Church, Youth Sermon	<i>9</i> 9:00am LWR Quilting 6:30pm Guide Dogs	<i>10</i> 3:00 pm Finance Meeting	<i>11</i> 6:45am Middle School Small Groups 10:30am Staff Meeting 1:00pm Bible Study 6:30pm MS Youth Group	<i>12</i> 11:30am Jean Opland Service  7:00pm Men's AA Group	<i>13</i> Office Closed	<i>14</i>
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Hello, February

TLC YOUTH  
2026

At times I feel overwhelmed by the chaos of our world and it seems easier to want to hide from it. But Jesus didn't call His followers to hide. He called us to show up. In Matthew 5:39-42, Jesus teaches something radically different from the instinct to hide. He says: "But I tell you, do not resist an evil person. If anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to them the other cheek also."

These words aren't about being weak. They're about being courageous in love. When Jesus talks about turning the other cheek, He isn't telling us to let evil win. He's showing us how to confront evil in a way that refuses to become evil in return. Evil wants us to react with rage. Chaos wants us to panic. Hate wants us to hate back. But the Kingdom of God calls us to something higher. We don't stay away from evil—we stand up to it. Not with fists. Not with insults. Not with revenge. But with courageous love. This kind of love doesn't make sense to the world. It's not passive. It's not soft. It's agape—the unconditional, sacrificial love of God.



- \* Agape love refuses to dehumanize anyone. We understand that every person is created in the image of God.
- \* Agape love chooses peace. Peace isn't the absence of conflict—it's the presence of Christ in the middle of it.
- \* Agape love steps into broken places. Not hiding, but entering the world's pain with compassion and courage.
- \* Agape love acts by following the words of Jesus. It feeds the hungry, comforts the hurting, clothes the poor, loves the foreigner, invites the lonely outsider, and speaks up for the vulnerable.

We are called to be the Light of the World in a time when darkness feels loud. BUT, God's love is louder. Our courage to share God's Agape love is a spark that ignites healing in our community and in our world. Jesus didn't ask us to avoid the world's chaos. He asked us to enter it confidently and boldly with AGAPE LOVE. And that love—true agape love—changes the World.

Together, Loving God and Our Neighbor,

**Tammy Rismiller**

Create a welcoming and safe environment where all youth are valued and supported in their journey of faith.  
TLC Youth Vision Statement





## Soup Bowls Sunday, February 8th

Our Senior High Youth are making warm soup and bread for our shut-ins on Super Bowl Sunday. If you would like to help out or know someone who would be blessed by a warm loving meal—Talk with Tammy & Colleen.

# THIS MONTH

## VBS- Volunteer Meeting February 1st at 11:30

### CALLING VOLUNTEERS!

We're exploring ideas for this summers VBS at Trinity—but it can only happen with your help! do you Love creating, organizing, decorating, or just have a heart for kids?

If so then come join us up in the Youth Room after the 10:30 service on Feb 1<sup>st</sup> We hope to see you there!



### Super Bowl Pizzas With a Purpose!

Thanks to everyone who ordered a pizza for the Super Bowl to support our youth mission team going to Reno. Pick up is from 9:30-noon on Super Bowl Sunday, February 8th.

Thanks for Loving our Youth!

## Nursery Care will be available during 10:30 Service

Julia Michael, along with a youth helper, will now be providing nursery care for preschool-age children and younger during the 10:30 service. Children will be brought back upstairs in time to join their parents for Communion and ending worship song.



## High School- Dinner & Compline Sunday, Feb 15th 7-11pm

Compline, the final service of each day in the tradition of the Benedictine monastery. It is a closing interlude for mystical reflection on life and God. Join us for an evening of beautiful song and reflection. More info on the youth board or talk with Tammy.

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# Our Youth in January

Our High School Youth worked hard to reorganize and clean up our youth spaces. Many hands make light work (left)  
Bible Study in our newly decorated youth room (below Left)



High School  
Winter  
Coffee house  
—left

Coffee House  
Slam Poetry  
—right



Young Families at Full Bellies—Below

