

The Mustard Seed

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A Festival of Light

Rev. Tom Inch, Interim Parish Pastor

With a smudge on our foreheads we enter a journey of contemplation. It is a mark that sets us apart, often makes us stand out. Oily, greasy and a bit itchy, it is a mark that is often removed as fast as it is applied. Even so, it is a mark of identification, a mark that cannot be avoided. March 9th is Ash Wednesday and it begs, in part, the question, "Who are we?"

Long a part of the history of the church, the season of Lent has long been a season of preparation. Initially it was the 40 days of preparation prior to the Catechumens entrance into the church through baptism. In later years it has moved through a season of reflection upon the sufferings of Jesus prior to the cross (with its incumbent joining in this suffering by our "giving up something for Lent"), to a reflection upon our lives as the baptized. It is a return to our early heritage, where we again consider our baptism and the claim upon our lives that comes through this life giving act of God.

Ash Wednesday is the beginning of that focused reflection that starts with a smudge upon our foreheads. The ash has a two-fold significance. It is a reminder of our mortality, our sinfulness. Ash was often the symbol of mourning in the light of some great tragedy, in the light of the recognition of sinfulness. For this reason as the ash is applied we hear again these words, "remember you are dust and to dust you shall return." The limitations of our lives are again made known.

Yet the ash holds another meaning. Even as it points to our deaths, our mortality, our sinfulness, it also points to life. Ash was often used as a cleaning material among those who could not afford other means. For this reason it also points to our baptisms. In like manner, water has been applied to us, words have been uttered, and the promise of God is made know. In this act, God

claims and forgives – God gives life.

The ash is a reminder of what God has done to redeem us from sin and death.

Through the ministry of Jesus, we have been freed, we have been made clean.

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So, who are we? At minimum, we are a marked people, a claimed people. Not just a group of individuals, we are, as the writer of 1 Peter puts it, "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, **God's own people**, in order that (we) may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called (us) out of darkness into his marvelous light" (1 Peter 2:9).

Our identity is bound up in the action of the One who calls us from darkness. No longer individuals or people unto ourselves, we are marked and known as the people of another, and the undertaking we are called into is one of witness – (to) the mighty acts of him who called (us) out of darkness.

With a smudge, a smear, and few words of reminder, we again make known the mighty acts of God.

Lent at Trinity

Ash Wednesday Worship

Wed. March 9 - 7pm at Pullman Presbyterian 1630 NE Stadium Wy

Wednesday Evening Lenten Soup and Vespers Schedule

(soup- 6:30pm, vespers- 7pm)

March 16- *Hungry for What?*

Soup: Chicken Noodle

March 23- *Still Wet Behind the Ears*

Soup: Tomato

March 30- *Happy Trails*

Soup: Vegetable

April 6- *I Can See Clearly Now*

Soup: Chili

April 13- *Do You Believe, Now?*

Soup: Corn Chowder

Holy Week April 17-24

Palm Sunday, Seder, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil and the Resurrection of Our Lord!
more details next month

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What is Interim Ministry All About? Mary Lauver, Council President

It may seem a little late in the process to be writing an article about interim ministry, but several questions have come up during this time of transition. I thought some information about what interim ministry is, and what it is **not**, might be helpful.

First of all, why do we even have a time of interim? Why can't we just 'get busy' and call a new pastor right away after our previous pastor leaves? Bishop Wells gave the council some handouts explaining that when a pastor leaves for whatever reason, the congregation experiences a loss. The purpose of interim ministry is to provide the time needed to review our past history (remember Mark Nelson helping us fill out our timeline history that hangs in the sanctuary?), and adjust to the loss of the pastor. This allows time to resolve feelings of grief and uncertainty for the future.

How does the interim pastor help us deal with this time of transition? He helps us review our history, and asks us questions to help us focus on our objectives and our mission. He may challenge us to think about our mission statement and our guiding principles. Are they still

relevant to us? What do they mean to us? How do we live them out?

Why do we do the things we do?

What other things are part of interim ministry, and what things are not? The interim is expected to preach, teach, administer the sacraments, and provide pastoral care, such as visitation of sick and homebound members. The interim also helps prepare those who desire baptism and membership. The interim keeps the worship life and parish programs intact, without making significant changes or starting new ministries that the next called pastor may not want to continue. The interim introduces a different 'style' of ministry so that the congregation learns to become more open to different ways of doing ministry, and may be more accepting of the way their new called pastor may carry out their call. The interim is also not to become so involved with the congregation that when he leaves, the congregation then has to get over the loss of the interim, too!

The interim pastor does have a role in the call process, but it does not include being available to be called by the congregation as their next called pastor. The interim may not

be involved in selecting the next pastor, such as in suggesting names of possible candidates, or helping select from among the names sent to the call committee from the synod office. However, the interim may help the call committee in preparing for the visit of a candidate, and in practicing a mock interview. The interim can act as an advisor to the council and the call committee to help them prepare for the call process.

There are many other aspects to interim ministry that I could discuss in this article. But instead I encourage you to read the following biblical texts that are the basis for interim ministry: Acts 11:27-30, Romans 15:25-31, 2 Cor. 8:16-19, 1 Cor. 12:12-27 and Ephesians 4:4-16. These verses speak about Paul sending others to continue the witness and ministry that he began, and also about equipping all the members of the church to be ministers to others, helping to build up the body of Christ. Please pray for Pastor Inch and for **our** body of Christ as we journey together during this interim period. Thanks be to God!



We're Hanging in There!

Our church has been "in transition" for about 10 months now. 10 months! There are certainly days where it seems like it has a lot longer than that, but there are just as many where it seems like time has flown by.

Being officially "in transition" seems to have highlighted the fact that we, as a church and community, are always in a transition of sorts. The season is

always changing our focus and the transient nature of a college town keeps us on our toes.

I want to thank those TLC members who have offered help and supportive words during this transition time, especially those who have worked hard to spread out the work load. Also, thanks to Pastor Inch for being a reliable rock for me and a great source of entertainment for Owen!

TLC Office Hours
Tues-Fri
9 am-1 pm

Message from the EWAID Synod Bishop, Martin Wells

God's beloved people,

The synod's budget year has come to an end and it's a pleasure to tell you that we have met most of our obligations. Thank you! A special thank you to those congregations who dug deep for second and third-mile gifts and the scores of individuals who sent in special gifts totaling over \$40,000 dollars!

I say "most of our obligations" because for the second year we've lost something over 10% of the Mission Support offered prior to 2009. When we gather in early summer for Synod Assembly under the theme "God Opens the Future!" we will be reevaluating how the Synod office functions, assessing our capacity for ministry, and sharpening our focus on serving congregations and advancing mission across our beautiful territory. We know God has a mission for us!

Here are some signs of God's active call in the last few months:

- I'm thrilled to confirm that Pr. Abuit Fajardo has arrived in Terrace Heights (east of Yakima) to begin the third active phase of our Yakima Valley Hispanic ministry by serving as the Mission Developer at Tree of Life (Arbol de Vida) Lutheran Church. The former Terrace Heights Lutheran Church has been faithfully led by the church council and Mo Garcia over the last several years and they are now beginning anew with Churchwide and Synodical support. The dream that our church's invitation to life in Christ might be issued in native Spanish and English to new residents of the Valley is underway once again! We are still seeking Mission Partners/Founders for this ministry and if your congregation is interested, please be in touch with Pr. Helga Jansons, our Director for Evangelical Ministry (helga.jansons@elca.org).
- The Emmaus Community of Idaho Falls has named itself for the road of companionship with Jesus in Luke 24:13ff. This new community has been formed among those who are proud to be part of the ELCA in Idaho Falls. We expect that they may be received as a Synodically Authorized Worshipping Community at our Synod Assembly in June.
- Another small community called Shekinah ("dwelling place of God," Exodus 40:35) has asked for conversation about how they might move into deeper fellowship with our synod and the ELCA. We have met with them and witnessed their Christ-like desire to serve the needs of the poor and powerless in the Lewiston/Clarkston area. This is a moving and exciting time for them and it is undergirded by the doctoral study and passion of Pastor Peg Harvey-Marose.
- The faithful Area Ministry Strategy Team (AMST) of the Tri-Cities is actively surveying the West Richland area, moving towards a decision about whether we should pursue new ministry in that community. The possibility of this new ministry has been left as the legacy of Good Shepherd, Richland, fulfilling the teaching that "unless a seed falls to the ground and dies, it cannot produce new life." (John 12:24).

Presiding Bishop Mark Hanson has said that the most important word in Lutheran theology is the word "and," reminding us that we are saint and sinner, slave and free, subjects of law and Gospel, followers of Jesus who is true God and truly human. These are the "ands" in our life today: We are being transformed as one way of being church fades away and we are moving, in trust, toward the future God is opening for us! Thanks be that "God Opens the Future!"



Renew, Respond, Rejoice!

Women's Triennial

Gathering in Spokane

Are you looking for a life-changing experience that will inspire you to live out your faith? Join in community with other women, creating sustaining bonds of Christian love and experiencing the Holy Spirit in new and remarkable ways.

ESCAPE from the busyness of your life.

RENEW your spirit.

REJOICE in fellowship with your Lutheran sisters!

DISCOVER your heart for service. Respond to your calling.

ATTEND workshops, worship services, Bible studies and other events that will transform your life.

The Gathering Theme finds its roots in Scripture, in Philippians 4:4-9: "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ..." This is your time to pray, to sing, to see and to hear—to be renewed—and to respond to God and to the world around you as a testament to God's love and grace.

Be inspired! Nora Gallagher will inspire you to live out your faith, and The Rev. Dr. Wyvetta Bullock will energize your soul. Keynote Speaker Leymah Gbowee's response to life has kept her focused on peace building and social work for more than 15 years. She brought peace to Liberia after more than a decade of civil war and is the central figure in the documentary —*Pray the Devil Back to Hell*,¹¹ which chronicles the interfaith, female-led journey for Liberian peace.

more info: elca.org



Sundays at Trinity Lutheran Church

Lectionary for March

March 6

1st Sunday in Lent

Exodus 24:12-18

Psalm 99

2 Peter 1:16-21

Matthew 17:1-9

March 13

2nd Sunday in Lent

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

Psalm 32

Romans 5:12-19

Matthew 4:1-11

March 20

3rd Sunday in Lent

Genesis 12:1-4

Psalm 121

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

John 3:1-17

March 27

4th Sunday in Lent

Exodus 17:1-7

Psalm 95

Romans 5:1-11

John 4:5-42

Pennies for Peace Collection March 13

On March 13 we will do another “Noisy Offering during worship—we hope you’ll bring in all the coins you have been collecting! Our first collection and bake sale have raised over \$450!

All of the money collected is sent to [Pennies for Peace](#), part of the Central Asia Institute. While a penny is virtually worthless, in impoverished countries a penny buys a pencil and opens the door to literacy.



Visitation Team Meeting March 27

The next step in developing a Visitation Ministry Team at TLC is training volunteers to bring communion to those who are homebound or otherwise unable to attend worship.

If you are interested in this important ministry, please plan to attend training March 27 at 2:00pm. If you are unable to attend, but still interested please talk with Pastor Inch.

NO Sunday School March 27 or April 3

Because of PSD’s Spring Break, Sunday School has been cancelled for March 27 and April 3. There will be no Adult Ed, or confirmation either. The next cancellation will be April 24 (Easter).

NAMI meets at TLC

The fourth Sunday of every month, TLC will be the meeting place for NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) from 12:30-4:30. For more information on this association: www.nami.org

Equal Exchange Coffee, Tea, Cocoa and Chocolate will be for sale after worship March 13. Thank you for supporting this project and Coffee Hour!



Sunday Morning Schedule: ✨ 9:00 am Choir Rehearsal

✨ 9:15 am Education Hour ✨ 10:30 am Worship with Holy Communion

TLC Youth & Family Events and Information

Questions, Comments or Ideas? Contact our Youth & Family Ministries Chair, Lisa Swanson

BIG THANKS!

Thanks to Jill Elbracht for organizing our young families swimming event! Lots of fun and splashing were had by all!

A big thank you to the TLC High School Youth who participated in the Bag-n-Pizza event: Carson, Drew, Ashley and middle schooler Evan, too! We packed grocery bags and re-stocked the shelves then dined on some fine Pizza Hut pizza and wings. Thanks to Dave Schneider for planning and supervising this!

Young Families Swimming 3-5pm

Sign-up on the tri-fold board for a fun afternoon activity! We'll meet at the Pullman Aquatic Center for a splashin' good time—families with kids grades school age and younger can attend.

**March
6**

Middle/High School Bowling at Zeppoz after Worship

We will meet at the church after worship and then head over to Zeppoz for a fun afternoon! Sign-up on the tri-fold board so we know who is coming!

**March
20**

Next Youth and Family Meeting—8:30am

All are invited to the committee's monthly meeting where we plan upcoming events. New ideas are always welcomed—come see how you can get involved.

**March
13**

Next-Month! Middle/High School Lock-In!!!

Stay tuned for more information on this event! All we can say is that Sock Samurai will be involved...

**April
8**

VBS-Pullman Community Day-Camp at Pullman Presbyterian

We will be once again partnering with local congregations and Lutherhaven Ministries to provide a week-long camp event! Kids age 4-grade 5 can attend and grades 6 and up can be leaders.

Look for more information soon about signing up to participate or volunteer (whether you can help an hour, a day or the whole week...we could use your help), for this great event!

**June
22-26**



It is time to be thinking about Camp Lutherhaven! Camp Opportunities for all ages, interests and abilities are available—volunteer opportunities too! lutherhaven.com

Youth and Family Committee

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| Dave Schneider | HS pointman |
| Deb Nelson | MS pointwoman |
| Desiree Dolan | Inter-generational pointwoman |
| Jill Elbracht | Pre/Grade school pointwoman |
| Lisa Swanson | Chair |
| Kate Schneider, Rachel Nelson & Drew Swanson | Youth Reps |

Call Committee News Kevin Ess, Chair

The Transition Team did a great job preparing the Ministry Site Profile, and selecting a Call Committee. The following individuals are faithfully serving as your call committee: Doddy Michalson, Jill Elbracht, Lisa Swanson, Ken Myklebust, Kevin Ess, Rachel Nelson and Gunnar Sorem. The committee was first approved by the council in January, and by the congregation at the annual meeting. The Transition Team and the Call Committee met following worship on the 13th of February, and discussed the call process. The Call Committee was officially installed during Sunday worship on the 20th of February, and is now making the first steps in the call process with the Synod office. Please listen for regular updates and announcements before service on Sundays and look for information on the Transition bulletin board.

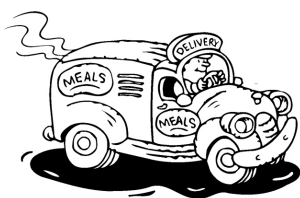
If you know of a pastor that you would like to nominate for consideration, please review our MSP and then pick up a nomination form (on the Transition board) fill it out, and deliver it to the church office. From there, your form will be forwarded to the Synod and the pastor will be contacted by the Synod. It is very important we follow this process and use these channels to nominate a pastor, this includes not discussing our MSP or search process with the pastor you are nominating.

Nominations will be accepted through Sun. March 20.



Call Committee Members: (back l-r) Rachel Nelson, Gunnar Sorem, Kevin Ess, Ken Myklebust (front l-r) Jill Elbracht, Lisa Swanson, Doddy Michalson

Mobile Meals Thank-You!



Each February, TLC members help by delivering Mobile Meals to members in our community. THANK YOU to Kathy Emtman, our faithful coordinator, for her faithful work. Thank you to everyone who helped deliver meals including: Our volunteers included: Bob and Lu Luhring, Gary and Bev Hyde, Carol Dahl, Suzanne Myklebust, Catherine Cross, Cheryl Hill, Roger and Annette Pettenger, Kevin and Jen Ess, Ed and Doddy Michalson, Nancy Bebee, Mary Lauver, Carl and Judy Herdering, Julie Pomerenk, Karen Weathermon, Becky Bitter and the Dice Family.

March Birthdays

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|----|-------------------|----|--------------------|
| 2 | Ella Brewer | 17 | Pat Fuerst |
| 6 | Eric Phillips | 17 | Kevin Prather |
| | Garren Shannon | 19 | Kate Biernacki |
| 8 | Christine Sodorff | 21 | Jim Haugen |
| 11 | Marilyn Burch | 24 | Beth Vorderstrasse |
| 12 | Lilianna Herndon | 25 | Annette Pettenger |
| 13 | Dan Dolan | 30 | Dave Wood |
| 15 | Helen Fryxel | | |

March Baptismal Birthdays

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|----|-----------------|----|----------------|
| 1 | Roger Pettenger | 22 | Marilyn Burch |
| 4 | Arline Bruehl | 23 | Roger Crawford |
| 8 | Sarah DeVleming | 26 | Sara Nelson |
| 19 | Grethe Vogel | | |

March Anniversaries

- 12 Garnette & Miranda Roberts—their second!!



MATURE
LUTHERANS

Bring a dish to share while you catch-up with other TLCers.

The Potluck starts at **Noon** **March 10.**

Ecumenical Prayer Group at Pullman Presbyterian

Friends at Trinity Lutheran,

We wanted to let you know that a prayer group has started at PPC! The group will begin as a prayer group with the hope and intention of birthing a community Bible study for this region. We will meet regularly on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month at 8am at PPC. If you have questions, feel free to contact Lisa Meyer at 334-1407 in the evenings.

Thank you!

Council Minutes February 15, 2011

Present: Brandon & Marilyn Burch, Mary Lauver, Julie Pomerenk, Annette Pettenger, Lisa Swanson, Eric Phillips, Ken Bitter, Bill Rammelsberg, Vicki Gross, and Kate Biernacki. **Guest:** Megan Brannan, Pastor Tom Inch, Kevin & Jen Ess. **Not Present:** Dan Dolan, Ken Myklebust.

Prayer/Devotions: Prayer by Tom Inch. **Prayer:** Mary Lauver asked for us to remember to pray for TLC at this time; pray for Mary as Council President, for guidance for the church, for the Call Committee, for our new pastor.

Finance & Budget: At this time, our budget is based off of last year’s pledging. There are a total of 49 pledges turned in, usually there are 60. Our income for January 2011 is \$16,451.00. Our expenses were \$21,341.40 resulting in a deficit of \$-4,890.40.

Call Committee: The Call Committee will be introduced to the congregation & blessed by Pastor Inch in the Feb 20th service. They have met as a group & will review the Ministry Site Profile to then come together March 13th to discuss what it meant to them & what questions they have for potential candidates. We will ask Kevin Ess, Call Committee Chair, to make an announcement in church saying nominations are open.

Council/Pastor Conversation: What does Interim Ministry look like? According to the papers given us by the Synod an Interim is to: Provide time to review our purpose as a congregation & adjust to loss. An interim helps you grieve; Make sure things keep running, w/out making significant changes. (specifically, not start new ministries); Ask us questions, do mock-interviews with the call committee, & help us fine-tune our MSP; Review history: ask questions to help us focus; #1: Get us used to change!

New Business: Council Retreat-Saturday Feb. 26th 9am; Bishop Martin Wells will be here Feb. 27th to conduct the service. He will stay after to lead us in discuss about his letter to us regarding Lutheran Campus Ministries; April Council Meeting moved to April 12th; May 1st Worship & Music Cantor/Leader Training; Megan @ Lutheran Staff Association Conference in Cannon Beach March 6-9. This is part of her continuing education; Lent begins with Ash Wednesday service March 9 @ PPC. They will join us here for Maundy Thursday service.

Old Business: Hansen House- Sam Sorem turned the contract over to Ken Myklebust for completion. Vadim Jitkov has started repairing the electrical & prepping the walls for plumbing; Building Use: Jen Ess has asked to teach a Zumba! class at TLC, many options were discussed and we need to look into it further; We need to come up with

some formal agreement for building use. Kate volunteered to look for something we could use; Christian Responsibility Committee: the council agree to discuss it further at the council retreat; Written Voting Ballots for sensitive topics, the executive committee will work on writing a continuing resolution.

submitted by Kate Biernacki

January Financial Update

	Offerings		Year-End Totals	
	January	Year-to-Date	Income	Expense
Budgeted	\$17,487	\$209,852	\$217,416	
Actual	<u>28,102</u>	<u>216,585</u>	<u>224,573</u>	
Difference	+10,615	+\$6,733	Overall	-\$7,157

Lent—Have You Given Up on Giving Up?

Most of us have given up something for lent. Chocolate seems to be a popular one, along with candy, ice cream, sweets, alcohol, swearing and coffee. Others have picked up a “good” habit during lent like exercise or more veggies or maybe extended it to their spiritual life by adding more intentional prayer or devotions to their lives. Susan Vogt tried something interesting last year. She decided to give away one thing each day for the 40 days of Lent. From shoes to a meal to pet items she no longer had the pets for she emptied the clutter in her home and learned a lot about herself along the way.

In fact, she found the discipline so uplifting she continued it for the rest of the year! The story about Susan’s 40 days of giving can be found here: <http://www.americancatholic.org/Newsletters/EDC/preview.aspx?id=237> And more information can be found here: <http://www.susanvogt.net/blog/>, Susan’s blog where she chronicles the journey of her year of giving. On Ash Wednesday of this year her quest ends. Susan writes: *As of Ash Wednesday 2011, I’ve finished my year of giving away at least one thing a day. (I estimate that I’ve given away over 1,200 items during the year.) My home looks somewhat slimmer and less cluttered but I am embarrassed to think that I even had 1,200 things that I barely miss – and humbled to realize that there is still plenty to give away.*



Opportunities to Serve at Trinity



March Servant Team

March 6

Flowers	John & Collette Dice Family
Coffee Fellowship	Ed & Doddy Michalson
Ushers	Dieter & Anke Burger
Reader	Nancy Beebe

March 13

Flowers	Kerry & Lisa Swanson Family
Coffee Fellowship	Andreas Gross
Ushers	Kerry & Lisa Swanson Family
Reader	Kerry Swanson

March 20

Flowers	Bob & Ruth Holmes
Coffee Fellowship	Holmes/Grimes
Ushers	Vorderstrasse/Phillips
Reader	Michael Murphy

March 27

Flowers	Lou & Arlene Grimes
Coffee Fellowship	Andreas Gross
Ushers	
Reader	Bob Holmes

THANK YOU to The March/September Team:

Ed & Doddy Michalson (March Leader), Chris Bartalamay, Anke & Deiter Burger, John & Collette Dice Family, Kevin & Jenn Ess, Tammy Fletcher, Lou & Arlene Grimes, Carl & Judy Herdering, Bob & Ruth Holmes, Helen Nick, Eric Phillips & Beth Vorderstrasse Family, Dirk & Joanna Schulze-Makuch Family, Kerry & Lisa Swanson Family, Marty & Elizabeth Waananen

UP NEXT, the April/October Team:

Mary Lauver (April Leader), Ken Bitter, Miranda Brewer, Teresa Brewer, Bill & Arline Bruehl, Craig & Linda Dillard, Jeff & Jill Elbracht Family, Carl & Christine Engle, Tim Freson, Paul Klavano, David & Ruth Nice, Garnette & Miranda Roberts Family, Della Ruddy, Lois Strange, Grace Urdal, Chris & Mike Sodorff

Lawn/Snow Team Schedule:

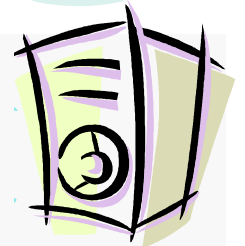
March 6	Dan Dolan
March 13	Sam Sorem
March 20	Kevin Ess
March 27	Sam Sorem
April 3	Dan Dolan

If you are unable to have the sidewalks cleared by your day, please contact someone else on the team.



Sound Team Schedule:

March 6	Patsy Wood
March 13	Patsy Wood
March 20	Doug & Mary Lopes
March 27	Dave Schneider
April 3	Dave Schneider
April 10	Bill Rammelsberg
April 17	Bill Rammelsberg
April 24 x2	Jim DeVleming



Acolyte Schedule:

April 3	Annika
March 6	Annika
March 13	Peter
March 20	Marshall
March 27	Katrina
April 10	Simon
April 17	Peter
April 21	Marshall
April 22	Katrina
April 23	Simon
April 24	Annika
	Peter

Altar Guild Schedule:

March 6	Beebe/Dillard
March 13	Bohm/Pettenger
March 20	Dahl/Swan
March 27	Holmes
March Breadmaker: Cheryl Hill	

Cantor Schedule

March 6	Eric Phillips
March 13	Roger Pettenger
March 20	
March 27	Mary Lauver

March 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6 9:00am Choir 9:15am Sun. School 10:30am Worship	7 OFFICE CLOSED 1:30pm Monday Quilters 6:30pm Bible Study 7:30 Executive Committee	8 5:15pm Budget & Finance Meeting 7:00pm Worship & Music Meeting	9 7:00pm Ash Wednesday Worship at Pullman Presbyterian	10 Noon Mature Lutheran Potluck	11	12
13 8:30 am Youth & Family Meeting 9:00am Choir 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship after worship LWR Coffee, Tea,	14 OFFICE CLOSED 1:30pm Monday Quilters 6:30pm Bible Study	15 7:00pm Council Meeting	16 6:30pm Soup Supper 7:00pm Lenten Vespers: Holden Evening Prayer	17	18	19
20 9:00am Choir 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship	21 OFFICE CLOSED 1:30pm Monday Quilters	22	23 6:30pm Soup Supper 7:00pm Lenten Vespers: Holden Evening Prayer	24	25	26
27 9:00am Choir NO Sunday School 10:30am Worship 2:00pm Visitation Ministry Training	28 OFFICE CLOSED 1:30pm Monday Quilters 6:30pm Bible Study	29	30 6:30pm Soup Supper 7:00pm Lenten Vespers: Holden Evening Prayer	31 7:00pm Book Discussion: <i>As I Am</i> by Patricia Neal		

For the most up-to-date calendar go to
www.trinitypullman.org/calendar/

Prayer Requests

Those struggling with cancer:

Grace, Irmgard, Manny, Jeff, Len, Pat, Twila, David, Michael

Those struggling with other illnesses, ailments or situations:

Bert, Dan, Etta, Norm, Al, Lucille, Paul and Virginia

Please pray for the Call Committee:

Ken, Jill, Lisa, Rachel, Kevin, Doddy and Gunnar, and for any candidates considering a call to TLC, and for Bishop Martin Wells and Assistant Mark Nelson, that all may be blessed with wisdom, discernment, and the inspiration of the Holy Spirit in the process.

Please note that full names and more details are listed in the church bulletin.



Please submit items for the April Mustard Seed by April 20 Thanks!

Trinity Lutheran Church where we are:

Called: People of every nationality, language, education, age, ability, gender identity, race, sexual orientation, marital status and income.

Gathered: To worship, learn and nurture.

Sent: All people, servants together, out into the world as brothers and sisters in Christ.

As your heart beats within you, you are welcome!

We are a Reconciling in Christ congregation as recognized by Lutherans Concerned/North America.



LIVING LUTHERAN

A daily blend of stories, culture and community

Check out the ELCA's new on line community:

www.livinglutheran.com

What's Your Story? Tell us how you and your congregation are doing God's work with your hands.

E-mail us at livinglutheran@elca.org

Support Fair Trade

By purchasing coffee, tea or chocolate here at TLC you are helping farmers build a better future for themselves, their families and their communities. By supporting Fair Trade, we make choices in line with our religious beliefs and affirm human dignity by promoting:

- * FAIR WAGES
- * CHILDREN'S RIGHTS
- * WOMEN'S RIGHTS
- * THE RIGHT TO ORGANIZE
- * ENVIRONMENTAL RIGHTS
- * INDIGENOUS RIGHTS

When employment is scarce or wages are too low, children suffer the most. They may have to work

long hours in fields or factories to help support the family rather than attend school. Families without reliable income can't provide sufficient and nutritious food or access basic health care, both of which negatively affect their children's health and development.

Other reasons to buy from TLC

- *great prices (2.75 chocolate bars - 3.95 at co-op)
- *organic coffee, tea and chocolate so convenient
- *supports coffee hour

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