

February–April 2019, our 180th Year

HISTORIC TRINITY

An Open & Caring, Radically Christ-Centered, Deeply Sacramental & Sometimes Eclectic Ministry in the Heart of Soulard



Some of the Trinity meal volunteers who cook and serve for homeless at SS Peter & Paul on the 6th each month

2019: A Year of Mission

"A large crowd followed and pressed around him. And a woman was there who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years. She had suffered a great deal under the care of many doctors...yet...she grew worse. When she heard about Jesus, she came up...and touched his cloak, because she thought, 'If I just touch his clothes, I will be healed.'" ~ Mark 5:24b - 28

His peace is contagious. Whatever chaos and frenetic clutter disturbs the balance beneath his feet, Jesus begins by settling the energy in the air around him. The simplicity of his presence is healing. It's restorative. Peaceful.

It must have been nothing short of anarchy. Mark uses the aggressive language of a clamoring mosh pit to describe the great crowd pressing in on Jesus: People pushed and shoved in every direction, unable to find any sense of balance amidst the noise. So when Jesus paused to wonder aloud who grazed his overcoat, his disciples must have imagined him insane. To them, there was only noise. To Jesus, only fading distraction muffled by his calm, unwavering focus on his beloved Poor. His beloved Forgotten. Powerless. Voiceless.

"Daughter, your faith has healed you," he whispers. "Go in peace."

"Lord, make me an instrument of your peace;" the great inclusive prayer of St. Francis. "Where there is hatred—and in this world, there is much hatred—let me sow love. Where there is despair—and there is much of that as well—let me sow hope. O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled, but to console." Such the prayer of contagious peace echoing from within one indwelt by the Prince of Peace.

And so we begin this **Year of Mission** with an abiding prayer that we, too, may be Ambassadors of Christ's peace to a people—to all people—pushed and shoved in every direction; unable to find any sense of balance amidst the clamoring noise, both within and without. A prayerful contagion echoing from within all of us indwelt by the Prince of Peace.

May we shine as we have been enlightened. Know as we are known; understand as we have been understood. May we love as we are loved. Always—Light and Peace,

Josh Hatcher

Senior Pastor, Trinity Lutheran Church

2019: OUR 180TH ANNIVERSARY OUR YEAR OF MISSION



"Our congregation will observe and celebrate its 180th anniversary this year, culminating with a grand event on Sunday, November 10."

The theme is *"Forward in Faithfulness"* based on Hebrews 11:1 and 12:1-2.

Members of the Planning Team are: Ruth Nolle, Steve Schulz, Alan Meyer, Allen Helms, Mary Linden, Cynthia Schultz, Ralph Simon, Pastor Steve Albers, and Doug Dick (chairman).

If you have any information or ideas you wish for the Team to consider, please speak to one of them."

MEET . . .



Brenda Wilson

You will find Trinity's new Operations Manager, Brenda Wilson, in her office from 9AM to 3:30PM daily. Brenda was born in Iowa and raised on a farm near Hawkeye, IA. She is married to Bill Wilson, pastor at Timothy Lutheran. They have four children and nine grandchildren. The Wilsons have lived in St. Louis for 20 years and enjoy the diversity of the city and the city's many dining and entertainment choices.

Brenda received her bachelor's degree in business from Concordia University WI, graduating Summa Cum Laude. She worked at the LCMS International Center for the Chief Administrative Officer; at Saint Louis University for the Board of Trustees; and most recently as the Operations Manager at Epiphany Lutheran Church. Brenda enjoys gardening, reading and spending time with grandchildren. She and Bill are also beekeepers, fascinated with these creations of God that account for 80% of all of the world's pollination.



Pastor Steve Albers

Steve Albers was installed as Associate Pastor of Historic Trinity (part time) January 20th. He is directly involved in the deacon ministry, visitation, planning the 180th anniversary celebration, occasional preaching, teaching, and various other ministries.

Steve graduated from Concordia Seminary here in 1970 and has a Masters in Speech Communication from the University of Illinois (1983). He served congregations in Morgan City, LA, Sadorus, IL and for 32 years, Glendale Lutheran here, till retirement in 2011. He also served as a transitional Pastor here three years ago.

Cathie, a Nurse Practitioner in Women's health, and Steve are blessed with four children and five grandchildren. They have lived in Kirkwood for forty years. They feel richly blessed to be part of Trinity's life and ministry.

Teresa Nelson

Teresa is a Gift Planning Counselor for the LCMS Foundation serving St. Louis and eastern Missouri since 2017 after nine years experience as an associate gift planning counselor.



She works with individuals "to discover the plan God has placed on their hearts since baptism, faithfully transferring the blessings God has entrusted to them for the care of their families and the support of ministries throughout the Synod."

Teresa will also work with Trinity to strengthen its endowment fund and other long-term ministry objectives. "Members should have confidence that when they make gifts, the congregation will know how to be faithful stewards of those gifts."

Teresa is from Missouri, a graduate of Iowa State and active with ALDE and LWML. She follows her passion for cooking by leading culinary classes for Christian Friends of New Americans.

Her Vision: "Every Christian with a Lifetime Plan for Giving."

THANK YOU . . .

Naomi Hildreth jumped into service at Trinity when she arrived in 2012. Not satisfied with only Bible class attendance and being a lector, Naomi began cooking for our window on "Soup Alley," coming twice a week to create casseroles from what she found donated to our kitchen each week. She really is a fantastic cook and the guys at the window love her food. A master baker as well, she has several items in our Taste of New Orleans auction Feb. 16. Naomi has decided to relinquish her cooking schedule for now. We thank you!



ADULT STUDY GROUPS

(Unless noted, all adult Bible studies are on the 3rd Floor of the Parish House)

Sundays 9:10 AM

in the Church Sanctuary
starting Feb. 17: **Church & State**
with Pastor Rodger Venzke

Mondays 1 PM

"Soup Alley" Bible Study
Parables; Parish House

Tuesdays 10 AM

Women's Bible Study; Parish House
God's Grace in the 1960s

Wednesdays 10 AM, Parish House
The Gospel of Mark

1st & 3rd Thursdays 7 PM
South County Bible Study,
Psalms

Call church office
for address, 314-231-4092

FOR YOUTH:

Confirmation Class – Sundays 9:10 AM
School Building, 2nd floor

First Communion Class

Sundays March 17-April 7.
Must be at least in 5th grade.
Call church for details.

Youth Bible Study

2nd & 4th Sundays of the month
11:45-1:00

LCMS July 2019 Youth Gathering

Trinity is sending 11 individuals to the Youth
Gathering. Through out February you can
buy "stock" in our program through
Club 52. Save the Date:
April 6 for Trivia Night.

Lutheran Schools Scholarships

Interested in attending an area Lutheran
School? Trinity offers scholarships to assist
families in attending Lutheran Schools.
Check out area schools and Trinity's
scholarship at
www.trinitystlouis.com/scholarship/

Life Together

FEBRUARY-APRIL 2019

Weekend Worship

Saturdays at 5 PM

Sundays at 8:15 AM & 10:15 AM

Taste of New Orleans Dinner

Saturday, February 16, 6:00PM



Pet Blessing & Parade

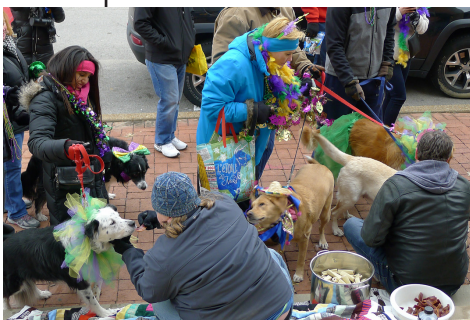
Sunday, Feb. 24, 1:00PM

Ash Wednesday

Ashes in the Street

Mar. 6, 11:45AM-1:30PM
and 5:00-6:15PM

Evening Worship 6:15PM



Wednesday Lent Services

12:10 and 6:15PM

Mar. 13, 20, 27,

Apr. 3, 10, 17

HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday

Sunday, Apr. 14, 10:00AM

begin at SS Peter & Paul

Maundy Thursday Drama

7:00PM with Holy Communion

Good Friday

Tre Ore, 12-3:00PM at Messiah Lutheran.

Tenebrae at Trinity 6:00PM

Easter Vigil

Saturday 5:00PM

Easter Morning

8:15 and 10:15AM

Easter Breakfast 9:00AM



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2019 Taste of New Orleans Dinner

Saturday, February 16, 2019,
6–10 p.m.

Reserve NOW!

Limited seating!!

Reservations: \$35 Walk-Ins: \$40

Pay for reservations at the door: Cash,
check, Visa, MC, Discover.

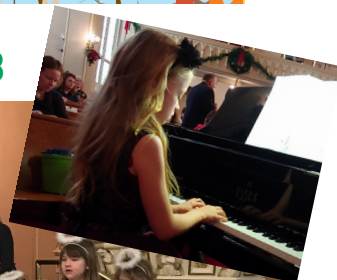
Call Trinity Events Registration:

314-649-0608 or email

events@trinitystlouis.com



CHRISTMAS CHILDREN'S SERVICE 2018



ALERT FOR THOSE OVER 70

Your IRA's 2019 Required Minimum Distribution May Be a Great Way to Give To Trinity

The federal government passed the charitable giving provision called the "IRA Rollover. This allows folks over 70 to "roll over" all or part of their required minimum distribution (RMD) from their IRA directly to Trinity Lutheran Church, and/or other qualified charities.

Why do this? Individuals benefit by satisfying their RMD but do not incur the income tax associated with it, because the gift is going directly to a charity, not to you.

You may withdraw more than your RMD as long as

the total tax benefit is under \$100,000.

Anyone interested in directing their 2019 RMD to Trinity or other charity should request that their fund's administrator make such a roll over in 2019.

Often there is paperwork required to authorize such a transfer. It's not complicated; several of us here at Trinity are currently doing this.

If you have questions (say, you would like to distribute your RMD to multiple charities, including Trinity), contact Trinity's LCMS Foundation Gift Counselor, Theresa Nelson Office 319-351-6529; email Teresa.Nelson@lfnd.org.