

February 18, 2020

Monday—Book Club 7:00 PM
Office Closed—Holiday
Tuesday—Session 7:00 PM

Wednesday—Women's Lunch Outing to Berds in Fairfield at noon

Thursday—Choir 7:30 PM
Annual Reports due

Sunday-Worship Service 10:15 AM

Lent Begins on Feb. 26

Although Lent starts early this year, before spring appears in many areas, it's an appropriate time for spring cleaning. Indeed, *Lent* comes from old German and English words for "spring." So, while it might be too soon to open windows or hang clothes on the line, now is ideal for some *spiritual* spring cleaning.

Lent calls us to examine our beliefs, confess and dispose of old grudges and selfish habits, dust off our Bibles for a new routine of study and prayer, air out our hearts and brighten up our attitudes. "Lent cleaning" lets the Holy Spirit freshen our faith — and it's never too early for that.



Upcoming Dates for Your Calendar

Feb. 18	7:00 PM	Session
Feb. 23		Mission Comte.
Feb/ 24	7:00 PM	Finance Comte.
Feb. 26	7:00 PM	Ash Wednesday Service
March 2	7:00 PM	Deacons
March 5	6:30 PM	Building & Grounds Comte.

We thank, Worship Leaders for:

Feb. 23

Liturgist: Debi Hess

Ushers: Glenn and Marta Mojzer,

Marty Reese, Kathy Kessler

Sound: Gary Anaple Child Care: Ginny Kramer Linda North, Ed Dyer

Trinity Presbyterian ChurchRev. Tom Dunlap Pastor

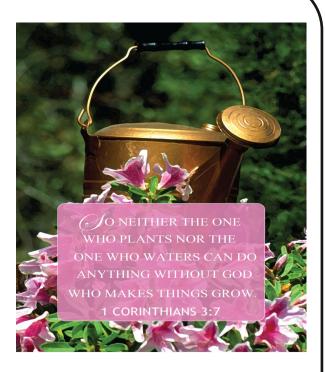
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Prepare for Worship Transfiguration of the Lord

2 Peter 1:16-21

"For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.



Reflection

How does God speak to you? What does is mean in 2 Peter 1:19 "You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts?"

Morning Prayer

God, as this new day dawns, may your Spirit guide my feet and reveal you to me in new ways as I walk through your world today. Amen.

A Prayer for Our Times

O God, we pray for a broader vision of the needs of humanity, and a deeper compassion to fill those needs; for a planting of the seeds of concern for all humanity in our hearts; for a tapping of the wells of generosity. May we live together as people who have been forgiven a great debt. May we be gentle, walking softly with one another. May we be understanding, lest we shall add to the world's sorrow or cause to flow needless tears. May we be as anxious for the rights of others as we are for our own. May we be as eager to forgive as we are to seek forgiveness. May we know no barriers of creed or race or sex, that our love may be like Yours - a love that sees all people as Your children and our kin. May we be ministers of humanity. -Peter Marshall

 –adapted from Feasting on the Word Worship Companion: Liturgies for Year A, Volume 1 © 2013 Westminster John Knox Press **Women's Lunch Outing—**The women of Trinity will be visiting Berd's in Fairfield (across from the library) on February 19 at noon. All women are invited.

Ash Wednesday-February 26

Lent begins this year on Ash Wednesday, February 26. Please mark your calendars for the worship service on February 26 at 7:00 PM.

Thank You, Thank You

We thank everyone who helped with the Soup Luncheon yesterday. The variety of soup and all the extras was greatly appreciated. We also thank those who helped set up and clean up.

Missions at Work

- Sewing of dresses for Mission Project in Appalachia will be held the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 10:00 AM beginning on February 11.
- Lenten Mission Project will begin Sunday, February 23 and the Mission Committee will meet after worship that day.
- Knitters /Crocheters: Mercy and our church are in need of prayer shawls and baby blankets.
 Thanks for all the soup on Souper Bowl Sunday. We will continue to collect canned soup for next two weeks for the Fairfield Food Pantry.
- NON food Pantry needs: Shampoo and dish soap for February.
- Collecting plastic lids, soda pull tabs, and cancelled stamps

Treasurer's Report for the Year Ended December 31, 2019

The books have now been closed for the year ended December 31, 2019. Total Operating Income for the year was \$129,152. The principal component of this income was the general offering totaling \$113,678 or 88% of the total. Income from sharing the building with El Buen Pastor was \$12,610 or 9.8% and miscellaneous income of \$2,864 comprised the balance. Operating Expenses for the year totaled \$126,536. This resulted in a Net Operating Income of \$2,616.

Property Fund Income totaled \$12,799 and Property Fund Expenses totaled \$3,709. Net Property Fund Income was \$9,090.

Cash and fund balances total \$70,294 at year end of which \$14,799 is in the property fund. Of the remainder, \$30,412 is held for current liabilities and restricted cash. Restricted cash includes accounts for the Deacons, the Women's Group, the Memorial Fund and Mission spending. Subtracting the property fund, current liabilities and restricted cash amounts leaves \$25,083 unencumbered cash.

While the cash position remains strong, the outlook for 2020 appears to have challenges we will face. There is one more heat pump that will need to be replaced in the future at an approximate cost of \$8,000; painting and other building and building service items that will need to be met; and amounts pledged for 2020 are approximately \$13,000 short of budgeted expenses. The hope is that through membership growth and fund-raising activities the projected shortfall can be successfully managed. Of course upward adjustments of pledges made to keep pace with inflation are always welcome.

The Statement of Financial Position is on the Trinity website www.trinitypresbyfairfield.org. The document itself is password protected, so when you are prompted, please type in the password "trinity" (no quotes) and click on the submit button.

Tax Season is Here

The tax season has arrived. If you need a Trinity giving statement, please contact Diane Rayer at 513-829-2924 or Email her at: radrayer@zoomtown.com.

Finance Committee meets Monday, February 24 at 7:00 PM.

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Keep in your Prayers

Hans Ajaga Don Luebbe, Joe Luebbe request Jerry Miller, Schuler request Nancy Miracle, Schuler request Billy, D. Hess request Michael, D. Hess request Kurtis Larson, the Schuler request Christi Johnson, D. Johnson request Fran Thomas Phil Wilcox, D. Rayer's brother Linda, K. Kessler's daughter-in-law *Sean, Connie Williams' Cousin Natasha, B. Pratt request Jean Parsley Pam Harring George Liles Dee Burkhardt Diane Niehaus, B. Luebbe request Gerald Reese, M. Reese's father Margie, Fran Thomas' sister All peoples in the Middle East All Elected Government leaders Support for all our military For all missionaries (Especially for S. and B.) Travel mercies Thanksgiving successful surgery/ healing Healing/acute pancreatitis Healing/in decline from ALS Healing/heart surgery and mini stroke Healing/rehabbing from foot surgery Healing/Stage 3-4 brain cancer God's protection/Guatemala mission trip Healing/pain relief Healing/hospitalized severe blood clots Healing/knee replacement Thanksgiving/graduated from Marine's Boot Camp Healing/recovery surgery on legs Continued healing Continued healing/guidance with treatment Continued healing/home recovering Continued healing Continued healing/several health concerns Continued healing/swallowing problems God's peace and comfort Peace and reconciliation Wisdom/support/enlightenment Strength/discernment/God's protection Protection/blessings/fruitful mission work

Names that have been on the Prayer List for more than 4 weeks are marked with an asterisk (*). If you would like them to remain on the list, please contact the office by Tuesday.

Financial Information

Donations Received \$13,573

Per Capita 2020 Donations \$165

Property Fund Giving 2020 \$3,000

Property Fund Goal 2020 \$5,000

Per Capita for 2020 is \$33

Feb. 26	Preaching Schedule Ash Wednesday Rev. Tom Dunlap
March 1	Rev. James Marshall
March 8	Rev. Tom Dunlap
March 15	Rev. Tom Dunlap