

# TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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# **JANUARY 2020**

# HAPPY NEW YEAR! GOD'S BLESSINGS IN 2020!

New Year's Day isn't on any of the Church's Liturgical Calendars that I have ever come across, though, perhaps it could be, especially if we Christians are going to follow the ever plant of our levels and extensions.

to follow the example of our Jewish ancestors.

For the Old Testament Hebrew people, "Rosh Hashanah," New Year's Day, is one of the high holy days. On this day, all the inhabitants of the world are thought of as filing, single file before God for his inspection and judgment! And thankfully, this designated exercise of judgement is a merciful judgment.

The purpose of Rosh Hashanah ("Head of the Year," in Hebrew) is for the people of God to take a close look at themselves and their lifestyles, annually, observing both their good habits and their bad habits in a highly-reflective mirror, remembering that mirrors

don't lie!

The American sentiment might be: "Take action before your chickens come home to roost!" Or maybe even Don Knotts said it best, in the character of Barney Fife he used to play on "The Andy Griffith Show."

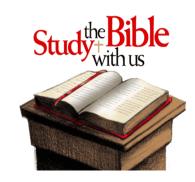
Barney often said to Sheriff Taylor: "You have to nip it in the bud, Andy! You have to nip it in the bud!"

Some people might believe that the Jewish approach to the New Year is completely foreign to our American way of looking at things! But is it really? For like our American celebration of the New Year, Rosh Hashanah is a time when the American people also think of themselves as, somehow, crossing over one more, huge gigantic bridge, acknowledging that there are some things about their lives they would do well to leave behind them.

Having seen much more, than simply, our idiosyncrasies, human foibles and peccadillos, the Holy Spirit, via God's Law also shows us and convicts us of our sins, transgressions against God's Law, motivating us therefore, to make some New Year's Resolutions as we approach this New Year!



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Church Office Hours:
Mon-Thurs 7:30am-12:30pm
Sunday Service—10:00am



Sundays at 8:45am Sunday School at 9:15am Wednesdays at 11:00am



The sad reality we have all been forced to live with, however, is that we can only keep our New Year's Resolutions for so long; for there continues to be an "Old Adam" living inside each of us that Jesus, our Savior, had in mind when he said to Nicodemus one day, while this curious Pharisee was struggling for some true spiritual enlightenment: "That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit" (John 3:6).

That's why the Christian's celebration of a New Year must get well-beyond self-loathing or mere moralizing. We need a profound sense of God's forgiveness of our sins to come to us. We need that "Blessed Assurance" that only our God through his Son, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ can bring to us, with the conviction that through his great sacrifice on the cross, our Savior is bringing to us the forgiveness of all our sins and the sure hope of eternal life.

By God's grace, he also makes us as confident as St. Paul was, with respect to the Philippians one day, when he said: "God who began a good work in you, will bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ" (Philippians 1:6).

For us, as the people who comprise Trinity Lutheran Church, Holly Hill, our first Worship Service in this New Year of 2020 will focus our attention squarely on the dutiful obedience of the Wise Men, who followed a star to Bethlehem; a star that the Heavenly Father put there in the sky for them, to reveal the newborn King and the Promised Savior of the world, to them!

While Herod had instructed these Wise Men to come back to him with the physical address of the Holy Family living in Bethlehem with the Christ Child, with the shoddy pretense that Herod too, might travel to Bethlehem to worship Jesus, God revealed to the Wise Men that Herod was grossly lying.

On the eve of our Savior's crucifixion, Pilate said to Jesus: "So you are a king?"

Jesus answer, "You say that I am a king; for this purpose, I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice!"

Then Pilate asked our Lord a question that so many people, in a round about way, are still asking everyone else out loud today: "What is truth?"

Christians believe that God's Word revealed to us in the Bible and embodied in our human flesh and blood in God's Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, is the divine source of all truth.

Happy New Year in 2020!

# Pastor Paul Sizemore

# **TRINITY LUTHERAN STAFF**

# **Pastor**

Rev. Paul Sizemore

# **Church Office Manager**

Anne Hopkins

# **Custodial Services**

Nadine Williams

# **Maintenance**

Russell Anderson

# **Church Officers**

President	Del Buser
Vice President	Fred Glinke
Treasurer	Wendy Green
Recording Secretary	Virginia Waeffler
Financial Secretary	Jan Venezia

# **Church Boards**

Board of Elders	Argil Matthews
Board of Stewardship	Jack Hill
Board of Social Ministry	Sandra Warley
Board of Trustees	Dave Welker
Board of Evangelism	Vita Stears
Board of Christian Education	onLisa Moore

# **Board of Elders**

Head Elder—Argil Matthews
Jim Barlow
Morrison Obeng
Mel Stack
Ed Rosenberg
Rick Green

### Communion

10:00 AM	<b>Assistants</b>	<u>Greeters</u>
Jan 5	Morrison Obeng	Sandra Warley
Jan 12	Ed Rosenberg	Pat and Argil Matthews
Jan 19	Barry Englehardt	TBD
Jan 26	Mel Stack	TBD

# **LECTORS**

Jan 5—Jacob Anderson Jan 12, 19, 26—Greg Black

# **CRUCIFER**

**Grace Stears** 

# **ACOLYTE:**

**Brian Stears** 

## **ALTAR GUILD**

Mary Rosenberg
Joan Ingersoll

Worship Services For December			
2019			
1	83		
4	Adv Svc—25		
8	91		
11	Adv Svc—25		
15	77 (piano concert 31)		
18	Adv Svc—21		
22	89		
24	Candlelight— 149		
25	Christmas Day— 25		
29	87		

# January Anniversaries

Jan 2—Robert and Evelyn Wilson (32 years)
Jan 21—Richard and Wendy Green (42 years)

# January Birthdays

4 Cinda Fisher 20 John Wittenberg

6 Dolores Esmeier 21 Meg Bagby

6 Jon Styles 21 Ted Yohpe

8 Evelyn Wilson 22 Chris Williams

11 Lisa Sizemore 24 Chloe Scott

12 Emerline Hill 25 David Schaefer

13 Lynn Gott 30 Brenda Welker

15 Richard Crum





# January 2020

January 5

"Mercy In This Dojo"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

New Series (Genesis 37)

January 12

"People are Treasure"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

New Series (Genesis 39)

January 19

"Unforgettable"

Guest Speaker: Dr. Dean Nadasdy

New Series

(Genesis 40:1-23)

January 26
"TBD"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

**New Series** 

# To listen to the Lutheran Hour, tune to:

Daytona Beach WNDB -

1150 AM, Sunday @ 7:30am

Palm Coast WNSS -

89.3 FM, Sunday @ 12:30pm

Ormond Beach WELE-

1380 AM, Sunday @ 10:00am

Jacksonville WOKV -

690 AM, Sunday @ 7:30am



# Announcements and Upcoming Events

<u>CHURCH BOARDS:</u> There are currently no open positions on the Church Council.

# **JANUARY MEETINGS/EVENTS**

Jan 1—Office closed

Jan 5—Congregational Strategic Planning Lunch Session following worship.

Jan 7—Elder's Meeting @ 7pm

Jan 9—LWML Meeting @ 1:30pm

Jan 11—Removal of Christmas
Decorations at 9am

Jan 14—Council Meeting @ 7pm

Jan 18—Trustees Work Day @ 8am

Jan 28– Ladies Night Live @ 6pm

**BIBLE STUDY CLASS:** There will be no Wednesday Bible Study Classes for the month of January.

# STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING:

January 5th, 2020 immediately following our worship service there will be a Chili/Soup Lunch with a Strategic Planning Session for Congregation Members in the Fellowship Hall. Agenda: Vision, Mission, Goals, Boards, activities/actions, policy/procedures, and open discussion.

### REMOVAL OF DECORATIONS

Help is needed on Saturday, Jan 11 at 9am to remove the Christmas Decorations. See you there!!

## LADIES NIGHT LIVE

Happy New Year!! We will be starting our LNL dinners this month at DB Pickles on Nova Rd in Ormond Beach, Tuesday, January 28 at 6pm. We are looking for new and different places to dine. Join us on the 28th and bring a couple of suggestions for restaurants. Sign -up sheet in the extended narthex. Hope to see you there!

# **SPRING RUMMAGE SALE**

LWML is collecting donations for our Spring Rummage Sale on the third Sunday of each month starting with January. The white door into the fellowship hall will be unlocked before Bible Classes and closed after the church service. Please put the donations at the open door in the fellowship hall. If you have any questions or need help bringing your donations in, please call Pat Matthews at 756-3062. Thank you

ALL HANDS ON DECK: Trustee Work Day, Saturday, January 18 at 8am. You will be working on trees and shrubs around the back of church and school parking lot. We will also be reorganizing and cleaning the kitchen. Bring you favorite tools and cleaning supplies.

# **CHURCH BOARD'S BULLETIN BOARD:**

Please check out the large bulletin board in the extended. Each Church Board has a section to display their current and future activities.

**REMINDER:** Please pick up you offering envelopes which are located on the table in the extended narthex. There's only a few who haven't yet paid for their poinsettias. Please make check payable to Trinity Lutheran Church, indicate on the memo line "for Christmas Poinsettias" and placed in collection plate.

### OUR NEWEST MEMBER TO THE CENTURY

CLUB: Emeline "Bunny" Hill who will be 100 years old on Jan 12. Please send card and/or stop by to see her. She would be glad to see you. Her address: Skilled Nursing Facility, Bishops Glenn, 900 LPGA Blvd, Holly Hill 32117

# STILL LOOKING FOR A GARDEN TURTLE for

the Courtyard. Call the office if you have one to donate. Thanks!



# January 2020



	Friday Saturday	4	Christmas Decoration Removal at 9am	18 8:00am Church	25	
		٣	1.30pm	17	24	31
	Thursday	2	9 LWML Meeting @ 1:30pm	16	23	30
	Wednesday	1 New Year's Day OFFICE CLOSED	∞	15	22	29
	Tuesday		7 Elders Meeting @ 7pm	14 Council Meeting ® 7pm	21	28
	Monday		6 Pastor Sizemore's Day Off	13 Pastor Sizemore's Day Off	20 Pastor Sizemore's Day Off	27
	Sunday		5 Bible Study @ 8:45am Sunday School, 9:15am Sunday Born. Congregation Strategic Planning Meeting in Fellowship Hall	12 Bible Study @ 8:45am Sunday School, 9:15am Worship @ 10am Choir rehearsal after service by the piano	Bible Study @ 8:45am Sunday School, 9:15am Worship @ 10am Choir rehearsal after service by the piano RUMMAGE SALE COLLECTION	26

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