



PATHWAYS

FEBRUARY 2024
TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February Worship Services

FEB 4

5th Sunday of Epiphany
& Communion Sunday
(In person & YouTube)
11AM-FSSF

FEB 11

Transfiguration of the Lord
(In person & YouTube)
&
11am - Annual Cong. Mtg.
& Pizza Lunch
(In person & Zoom)

WED, FEB 14

7PM Ash Wed. w/Communion
Tri-Church Service at Trinity
(In person & YouTube)

FEB 18

1st Sunday in Lent
Roderick Oji Preaching
(In person & YouTube)
11 AM - ACLO

FEB 25

2nd Sunday in Lent
(In person & YouTube)

Upcoming Special Services in March...

MAR 10

Caring & Sharing Service:
Assemble Soup Jars
(In person only, no YouTube)

MAR 24

Palm/Passion Sunday

Offering today for
One Great Hour of Sharing

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING
SPECIAL OFFERINGS
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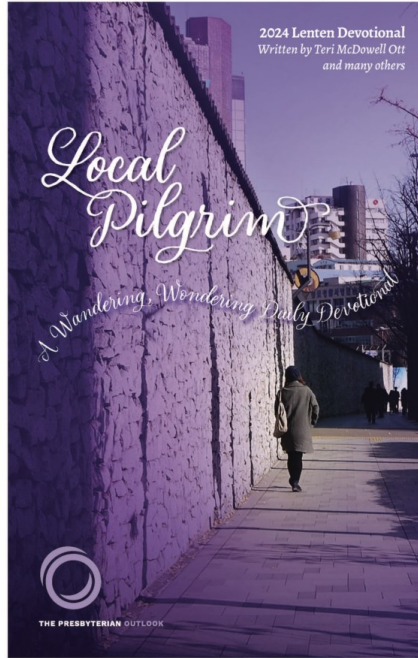
MAR 31

Resurrection of Lord /
Easter Day
&

Trinity Worship at
Stonecrest Sr. Living, 1PM

Trinity Lenten Devotional Available - Reserve Yours Today!

This daily Lent devotional from the Presbyterian Outlook invites you to explore and observe new and familiar places in your community. What will God reveal to you when you pause, ponder and reflect? A cemetery, a bar, a library, an emergency waiting room: what do all these places have in common?



In Local Pilgrim, Outlook Editor/Publisher Teri McDowell Ott and other writers explore what God might reveal to us if we intentionally explore our communities. Who do we see? What do we hear? God reveals God's self when we look.

Lent is the perfect season for a pilgrimage such as this, leading to meaningful contemplation and sacred discoveries. As you make your way through this devotional, you might find yourself inspired to go somewhere new; or somewhere familiar with a notebook in hand; pause, ponder and pray. What will God unveil? Join us on your local pilgrimage to new and familiar places in your community.

Sign up in Trinity's church office today to reserve a copy of this Lenten devotional.

You're Invited!

Annual Cong. Meeting - SUN, 2/11

On Sunday, 2/11, please join Trinity Presbyterian Church for the annual congregational meeting immediately following the worship service. A slide show of 2023 Trinity highlights will be shared, and a pizza lunch will follow.

This is the annual meeting of the congregation for the purpose of receiving annual reports from the Session and church organizations, including financial reports, and to transact any and all business that may properly come before it including voting on the terms of call for Rev. Dr. April M. Davis Campbell.

This meeting will immediately follow the worship service and will be viewable both in person and with **ZOOM** (no YouTube).



REMINDER:
Sunday, 3/10
DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME



2 Volunteers Sought for Trinity Woodbury Lions Club Garage Sale

The Session has approved the concept of a Trinity Garage Sale at the time of the Woodbury Community Garage Sale sponsored by the Lion's Club in May. This approval is contingent upon finding one or more people to chair an organizing and recruiting committee by the time of the next Session meeting on February 22. Please consider if you can chair or co-chair with others this event and contact Pastor April to volunteer or ask questions. More details will be announced in the Friday Blast.

The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering at Trinity: Sunday, March 24, 2024

OGHS Special Offering Campaign - FEB. 14th - MAR. 31st!

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REPAIRING THE BREACH

— ISAIAH 58

PROVIDING RELIEF FROM NATURAL DISASTERS,
FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY, AND SUPPORT
FOR THE POOR AND OPPRESSED.

We are there

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February 14-March 31, 2024

Join with Presbyterians worldwide in sharing God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world by providing relief from natural disasters, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed.

This Lenten season, please give generously to One Great Hour of Sharing.

WAYS TO GIVE —

- + Through your congregation
- + Online at pcusa.org/give-oghs
- + Text OGHS to 91999 to give

-or-



You can help sustain the important ministries and programs that are supported by One Great Hour of Sharing Offering by making an online gift at any time throughout the year. Checks may be sent Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.); P.O. Box 643700; Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700.

Thanks to your heartfelt gifts, One Great Hour of Sharing currently supports projects in over 100 countries.

IF WE ALL DO A LITTLE, IT ADDS UP TO A LOT!

To learn more about how your gift to One Great Hour of Sharing makes a difference, visit pcusa.org/oghs

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Opportunity: Techs Are Needed

Volunteers are sought to help with Sunday morning audio/video tech. Trinity would like to recruit 2 or more people in an effort to limit these duties to only one Sunday per month, per person. Training is available.

Please contact Dan Freeman or Jay Wilkinson for details.

Upcoming Events

2/4 - First Sunday Soul Feast Study

On Sunday, 2/4 the FSSF study group will discuss the final OT figure, Ruth. New Testament figures will follow. Leaders are needed for upcoming discussions (leader discussion guides provided).



Annual Congregational Mtg. Sunday, 2/11, 11am. Viewable in person and on Zoom. No YouTube Please see page 1 for more details.



Ash Wed. w/Communion, 2/14

Join Trinity on Wednesday, February 14th at 7:00PM for a "Tri-Church" worship service with Holy Communion. Trinity will partner with North Presb. (N. St. Paul) & New Life Presb.(Roseville). View in person & on Youtube.



2/15, Ladies' Lunch Bunch Gathering

All of the women of Trinity are invited to attend a Ladies Lunch Bunch gathering on Thursday, February 15th at "The Wick" restaurant, (at Prestwick Golf Course) in Woodbury. We have decided to switch to Thursdays for Lunch Bunch. RSVP to either Susan Rooney or Jane Williams.



Sunday, 2/18 - Trinity Welcomes Back Roderick Oji of North Presbyterian Church (N. St. Paul.). He will be preaching at Trinity on Sunday, 2/18.

Men's Breakfast - Sat. 2/3 & 2/17, 8-9:30am



You're invited to fellowship and food! Meet in Trinity's fellowship hall on the first and third Saturdays of each month. Please contact Tom

Rooney with questions or for more information.



ACLO - Lunch Outing

Let's get to know each other better with lunch outings! All are welcome to attend on the 3rd Sunday each month. Together, we will decide on a reasonable location to gather.



2024 Directory

Please update all contact info in the congregational directory by contacting the church office. We are specifically looking for current email addresses, phone numbers and residence addresses. Also, please send in a directory photo if you do not currently have one in the directory. Thank you everyone.



Next Game night: FRI 2/9,

7pm - Join your Trinity friends for Game Night on the 2nd Friday of the month. Location: Freeman home. Please note: Covid-19 vaccination required.



Pastor April Out of Office

Pastor April will be out of the office Thursday, 2/15 through Tuesday, 2/20.

February Church Meetings:

Committees: Thur., 2/8, 6PM & 7PM

Annual Mtg: Sun., 2/11, 11AM

CCMT / Deacons: Tue., 2/13, 9AM

Session: Thur., 2/22, 7PM.



February Birthdays at Trinity

Lindsay A.
Deron F.
Dan F
Sam H.

Ken L.
Amy M.
Matthew M.
Cheryl M.

Joan N.
Sandy S.
Sara V.



Caring & Sharing Service: Soup Jars

Join Trinity on Sunday, March 10th for a Caring & Sharing worship service. Trinity will worship in the fellowship hall and assemble soup jars.

Reminder: Caring & Sharing services are in person only (no YouTube). We hope to see you!



Clerk's Corner

Jay Wilkinson, Clerk of Session

News from the Session:

The Session has approved the concept of a Trinity Garage Sale at the time of the Woodbury Community Garage Sale sponsored by the Lion's Club in May. This approval is contingent upon finding one or more people to chair an organizing committee by the time of the next Session meeting on February 22. Please consider if you can chair or co-chair with others this event and contact Pastor April to volunteer or ask questions.

The Session has approved a balanced 2024 Budget. Included is a recommendation that the congregation approve the 2024 Terms of Call for the pastor. (As a reminder, the budget in a Presbyterian Church is approved by the Session and not the congregation, with the exception that approval of terms of call for the pastor(s) is reserved for the congregation.) A congregational meeting has been called for Sunday, February 11 following the morning worship service. Please plan to attend! A pizza lunch will follow the meeting.

We now have new LED lighting in the parking lot!

An online survey about Christian Education, including all ages, is being prepared. Please participate when this is available.

The Community Outreach Committee is preparing for a new member drive this spring. Please invite your friends and neighbors to join us in worship.

The Caring & Sharing worship service planned for March 10 will include a service project. Mark this date on your calendars!

As always, the Session appreciates each of our members and friends and encourages feedback on the mission and ministry of Trinity Presbyterian Church. Please consider joining one of our committees! Also, when the Nominating Committee seeks dedicated, imaginative leaders to serve on the Session, we hope that you will give serious consideration to serving in this manner. You can even suggest your own name to the committee. (Hint: Don Breckle is the chair of the committee. Get to know him!)

Jay Wilkinson, Clerk of Session

Trinity Presbyterian Program Financial Summary		Thru month of		Dec-23
	Month Actual	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Annual Budget
Total Program Donations	\$24,947.46	\$249,613.99	\$252,128.37	\$252,128.37
Total Program Expenditures	\$24,303.86	\$271,724.17	\$279,942.42	\$279,942.42
Donations Less Expenses	\$643.60	(\$22,110.18)	(\$27,814.05)	(\$27,814.05)
Checking Roll Forward Add	\$1,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
Income Less Expenses	\$1,643.60	(\$10,110.18)	(\$15,814.05)	(\$15,814.05)
Program Mortgage Expense	\$4,344.90	\$52,138.80		
Mortgage Principal Paid	\$3,977.52	\$46,820.81		
Mortgage Interest Paid	\$367.38	\$5,317.99		
Mortgage Balance	\$106,315.14			

- Actual program donations for 2023 thru DEC: \$249,613
- Budgeted program donations through the month: \$252,128
- Difference: **(\$2,514)**
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(Placed for FEB)



Epiphany Star Words

It is a practice in churches all over the world to give people a star word on Epiphany Sunday. There are several reasons behind this traditions. Jesus! Therefore, we too use all the resources we have available to us, including creative practices and intention words for the new year - to move closer to Jesus. Secondly, we trust that God uses multiple ways to guide us and speak to us. Star words are one such lens that might provide us with a way to look for God in our midst, both actively and in hindsight.

During Trinity's worship service on Sunday, January 7th (Epiphany/Baptism of Our Lord) worshippers were invited to randomly select a Star Word. Instructions were given with each star word. Star words are to be considered a guiding word for the year ahead. Remember your star word often, seeking the ways God might be moving through the meanings and definitions that the word contains.

Star Word Instructions:

1. Write down your word.
2. What are your initial thoughts about your word?
3. What is the word's definition?
4. What are the different forms your word can take?
5. How do they help you to shape your understanding of your word?
6. What scripture passages or stories does your word bring to mind? If you need some help, try going to biblegateway.com or use a Bible concordance to look up passages.
7. Write any final thoughts or reflections.
8. Revisit your star word in thought and prayer to contemplate what it means to you.
9. If you feel led, continue to document your star word journey in a journal.

Star Word Sharing:

Trinity will revisit the star word project, to hear from Trinity's congregation about their star word journeys. If you feel led, document your star words journey. More information will be available soon.



 **STAR WORDS!**

**More
Star
Words!**

