

Please pray for...

**Our Church Family:** Week of 2/16/2025 Helen Kline, family of Marilyn Carlson , family of Elaine Dougan 2/9/2025 Elle Vercruysse 2/2/2025 Bill Rose 1/26/2025 Dusty Naaktgeboren, Sharon Platz 1/19/2025 Tom Ricky, Carol Dohrmann

**Our friends and relatives:** Week of 2/16/2025 Damien Perez, family of Robin Hess, Ally Bagozza, Gil Chase, for the unemployed, abused, addicted, those suffering from food insufficiency and poverty in our world; pray for our farmers 2/9/2025 Cindy Overton, Kevin Bauer, John Schwerotfeger, victims of the DC and PA plane crashes, Officer Jay of Murfreeboro, TN PD and son Jericho 2/2/2025 Family of Eddie Kula, family of Ryan Sharrett 1/26/2025 Family of Judith Collins, Shirley Pomerantz, Laurie Alcock, Lisa Whilser, Mary Ann Resty and family, Joseph Albert Riley, Tyler Murry, Teresa Pinillos, Ruth Warwick, Joe Chacon, Yvonne Cambray, Billy Nippers, all the victims of the California wild fires1/19/2025 Elizabeth Sears, Elyana Pierre, Marilyn Johnson, the family of Lucille McDonald

**Ongoing church family, friends and relatives:** Dennis Race, Danielle Mortimore, Dick Vercruysse, Lori Allen, Peggy Torgerson, Mary Ann Kraft, Diane Massa, Jackie Walsh, Ed Palmer, Joan Forreidor, Fred Eskuri, Sharon Faulkner, Mary Lou Burke, Carolyn Chamberlain, Doreen Panyard, Mona Argentini, Larry Thomas, Dietmar and Norma Bennett, Jon Dickey, Margot Simmons, Sean Costa, Don Randolph, Karen Smith, Audrey Stamps, Piper Jandola, Margo Kiepert, Amy Meyer, Annette Morden, Frances Fenwick, Carol Civitella, Judy Stratton

**In Hospice care:** Becky Burrows,

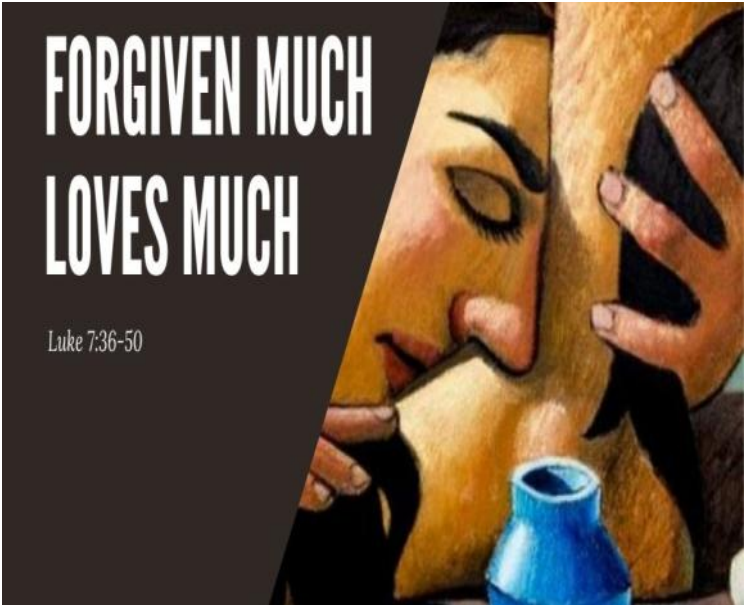
**Please also pray for our Homebound members, Ministry of Faith Preparatory School, Ministry of Valerie’s House, Ministry of Tender Hearts, all who serve in the military and their families, all law enforcement officers and first responders.**

RIDDLE!  
ME THIS!

BIBLE

In the dessert I was found  
Hotter than the sand on the  
ground  
A strange sight to him that  
was tending a flock  
He couldn’t believe I can talk  
Who Am I?

ush  
The burning



"Our Mission"

Welcome All  
Grow Faithfully  
Serve God and Our  
Neighbors

HOLY TRINITY  
LUTHERAN  
CHURCH

2565 Tamiami Trail, Port Charlotte, FL  
(941)625-5262  
Email: [office@htlchurch.org](mailto:office@htlchurch.org)  
Web address: [www.htlchurch.org](http://www.htlchurch.org)

February 23, 2025

7th Sunday of Epiphany

Church Staff

Co-Pastors  
Pastor Andrea Barrios  
[pastorandrea@htlchurch.org](mailto:pastorandrea@htlchurch.org)

Pastor Ken Barrios  
[pastorken@htlchurch.org](mailto:pastorken@htlchurch.org)

Visitation Pastor  
Pastor Carl Fischer

Celebration Worship Leader  
Miles Mancini

Organist/Handbell Director/  
Choir Accompanist  
Cecil Buchinger

Chancel Choir Director  
Sonja Rozier

Office Administrator  
Margaret Rose

Finance Secretary  
Debbie Nigliaccio

Missionary  
Rev. Eric Twine, Uganda

Synod Parish Deacons  
Marianne Click  
Gail Hintz  
Steve Wuckert

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! We are glad YOU are here!

Are You a Visitor or Guest?

We welcome you in the name of our risen Savior and we rejoice that you are here today to praise God with us. Please complete a CONNECTION CARD in your pew. Either place it in the offering plate or give it to one of our pastors so we can serve you better.

Holy Communion—We believe that Christ is present in this meal freely given to all who are baptized. Please approach the altar as directed. Receive the host and then dip the host (*gluten free wafers are available for the asking*) into either the red wine or the white grape juice and eat, or place the host in your mouth then pick up a cup of either the red wine or the white grape juice and drink. Deposit your empty cup in the basket at the end of the line. All children are invited to come forward for a blessing if they do not normally receive communion. Return to your seat (or pause at the altar) for a time of prayer. If you are unable to come to the altar and would like communion in your pew, please let an usher or a pastor know.

Large Print Service Slide Booklet—do you have trouble seeing the screens? We do have the slides printed in a notebook for those who need it. Please ask an usher by the sanctuary doors for the notebook. Please return the notebook at the end of worship.

Hearing Assistance— We have a limited supply of hearing devices available for use. If you feel you need one, please see the sound booth attendant at the back of the sanctuary. **You can also connect to our sound system through Bluetooth using DN-300BR**

# SUNDAY STAR

## TODAY'S 9:00am SERVICE VOLUNTEERS:

**GREETERS:** Dick and Heather Williams **BULLETINS:** Rosemarie Conklin **Reader:** Jeanne Larson

**COMMUNION ASSISTANTS:** Jeanne Larson, Pat Freeman, Kathy Jacobsen, Dale Meyer,  
Rita Meyer, Jennifer Fischer

## TODAY'S 10:45am SERVICE VOLUNTEERS:

**GREETER:** Jane Anderson **BULLETINS:** Barbara Magill **READER:** Marianne Click

**OFFERING:** Richard Schnur, Major Hatchell

**COMMUNION ASSISTANTS:** Corrye Hatchell, Richard Schnur, Jackie Possel, Jennifer Fischer,  
Marianne Click, Major Hatchell

\*\*\*\*\*

**COFFEE HOUR HOSTS: Early:** Kathy Barnes **Late:** James Holdrich

**SUNDAY FLOWER DELIVERY:** Don and Eileen Meyer

**SIGN-UP SHEETS FOR NEXT MONTH ARE POSTED IN THE NARTHEX**

## TODAY'S WORSHIP:

Our 9 and 10:45 services are projected on the screens—The congregation responds with the **bold, black** print.

## HYMNS @ 10:45am:

**Opening:** ELW 843 **Sermon:** ELW 592 **Sending:** ELW 733

**Bible Readings:** Psalm 103; Luke 7:36-50

## Church Council Members

You can recognize a church council member by their "YELLOW" nametag.

President—Theda Bunker, Vice-President—Phil Deel,  
Secretary—Jeanne Gaston, Treasurer—Shawn Hernandez.

At large: Beau Beaudine, Mike Felt, Richard Schnur, Jan Schroeder, Lisa Mohr, Mandy Knollenberg

Music and liturgy resources reproduced and streamed with permission under One License # A-702134, CCLI# 1956669, and 1517 Media (Augsburg) #SAS006485

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

### Monday—Feb. 24

9:00a—Food Pantry

### Tuesday—Feb. 25

10:00a—Bible Study

### Wednesday—Feb. 26

9:00a—Food Pantry

9:30a—Piano Tunes

6:30p—Chancel Choir

### Thursday - Feb. 27

9:00a—Quilters

11:00a—Bell Ringers

1:05p—Tampa Bay Rays vs Tigers

6:30p—Trinity's Praise

### Friday—Feb. 28

*Office Closed*

5:45p—Trinity Culinary Bistro

### Saturday - Mar. 1

*Office Closed*

### Sunday - Mar. 2

**9:00a—Celebration Worship**

9:15a —Let's Talk

9:45a—Sunday School

10:10—Annual Congregation Meeting

10:45a—Traditional Worship

## Our Financial Stewardship

**Donations YTD:** Actual donations compared to plan. Each week is a cumulative total. (000s)

JAN Actual \$49.4

Needed \$50.3

Over/(Under) (\$ .9)

**ACTUAL NET YTD: JAN 25 (\$2.0)**



Today's altar flowers are  
presented by Joy Fetch and her family

**In Memory of Al Fetch**

Today's altar flowers are  
also given by

Lorrie and Gregg Kobliska for  
**Little Bean's 2nd Birthday**



The communion wine is presented by  
Sharon Ingram

**In Loving Memory of her  
Husband, Bob**

The communion wine is also presented by Bill and  
Margaret Rose in honor of their son, **James**, 20th

**Gotcha Day**

## THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

Feb. 24— Phil Scott  
Barbara Turri  
Feb. 26— Martha Koch  
Richard Schnur  
Sonja Sherfick  
Feb. 29— Corrye Hatchell



## THIS WEEK'S ANNIVERSARIES

Feb. 26—John and Beverly Washburn 59 yrs!

## In-person Attendance

February 16, 2025— 342  
Last year 2024— 379



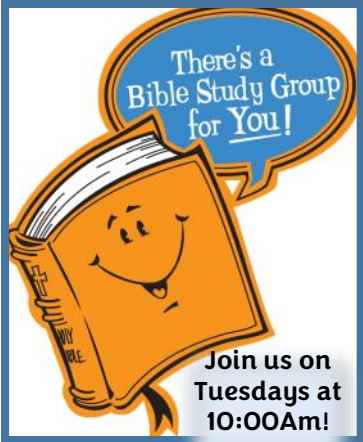


Finish each day and be done with it. You have done what you could. Some blunders and absurdities no doubt crept in; forget them as soon as you can. Tomorrow is a new day. You shall begin it serenely and with too high a spirit to be encumbered with your old nonsense.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

"Before you speak, let your words pass through three gates: Is it true? Is it necessary? Is it kind?"

— BUDDHA



ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

**March 2, 2025—10:10 am**

**Copies of the 2024 annual report will be available in the Narthex**

Join Mr. Game Show (from Venice, FL) for a

**Night of Music Bingo!**

Sunday, March 16th—6:30 pm—Cost: \$5.00/person

Please bring light snacks or dessert to share.

Drinks will be provided.



**Jelly**

Around 15 oz. Please, we would prefer, plastic containers (we know, they are hard to get) or plastic squeeze bottles, any size. Glass will be accepted. Thank you!

**You are invited today, between services, by Lorrie & Gregg Kobliska to share in the celebration cake for the 2nd anniversary of "Little Bean", Gregg's new kidney. They would love to share their 'holy moment' story!**

**Upcoming Dates**

**Dinner March 4, 2025**

**SHROVE TUESDAY**



# TRINITY CULINARY BISTRO

presents

**Italian Food Festival**  
**Dinner Buffet**  
**Friday February 28th**  
**Dinner 5:45**



M

E

N

U

## STARTERS

**Steve's Soon To Be Famous** Garlic Bread

## ENTREES

**Stuffed Pasta Shells Alfredo** Ricotta cheese, sausage, spinach atop Alfredo

**Chicken Parmesan Vento** Boneless breast pan sauteed and topped with bacon, basil tomato sauce and mozzarella

**Steve's Marinara Bolognese** Ground beef & pork, simmered to perfection atop cheese tortellini

**Meatballs and Italian Sausage Sicilian Style** Peppers, onions and garlic with just enough Chianti

**Tuscan Vegetables** Flat beans, cannellini beans and sun dried tomatoes

## DESERT

**Rick Chocolate Brownie** Topped with Italian Spumoni ice cream



**Free will offering Suggest \$15 per voucher**  
**Vouchers will be available today**

**Seating is limited to 180**



**8 volunteers are needed to participate in the "Murder Mystery".**

**This is what is required:**

- 1-** have fun; **2.** act out what narrator tells you to do (NO LINES TO MEMORIZE!);
- 3.** dress to match your character (profile will be provided to you); **4.** interact with guests.

**NO REHEARSALS NEEDED!**

## ASH WEDNESDAY Worship

**March 5th: 10:45am & 6:30pm**

**Lenten Mid Week Worship will be on Wednesdays @ 6pm**

Our Lent journey this year will focus on **SEASON 2** of the series



**"THE CHOSEN".**

Here is our schedule:

**ASH WEDNESDAY**, March 5. Services at 10:45 am & 6:30 pm with the imposition of ashes and communion.

**Wednesday, Mid-Week Program:** 3/12, 3/19, 3/26, 4/2, and 4/9 at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall. Each week, we will watch an episode of **"The Chosen" (Season 2)** followed by a discussion time.



## Back Pack Kidz

**We are collecting Rice Krispie treats to support Port Charlotte High School.**

*Thank you!*



The Feed The Harbor 15th annual event is an opportunity to engage in selfless service and extravagant generosity. On February 23rd from 9-3pm, shoppers at 5 Publix stores in Port Charlotte and Punta Gorda will donate about 30,000 pounds of food valued at about \$60,000. Volunteers will be waiting at collection tables to box food for an estimated 25 local pantries to pick up @ 3 pm. Pantries then distribute the food to the less fortunate. Please join us in shopping?