

## Please pray for...

**Our Church Family:** Week of 2/24/25 Gabby Cangiano, The family of Carol Civitella; Sharon Platz 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,

**Our friends and relatives:** Week of 2/23/2025 Bruno La Gala, Taylor Wagner, Courtney Adams, Lyndsey Harris 2/16/2025 Damien Perez, Krueger family, 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 Murfreesboro, 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 fires 1/19/2025 Elizabeth Sears, Elyana Pierre, Marilyn Johnson, the family of Lucille McDonald

**Ongoing church family, friends and relatives:** Carol Dohrmann , 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 Argenti, 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, 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.**



# HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## March 2, 2025

### 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**

### Transfiguration Sunday

#### Church Staff

##### Co-Pastors

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Pastor Ken Barrios  
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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

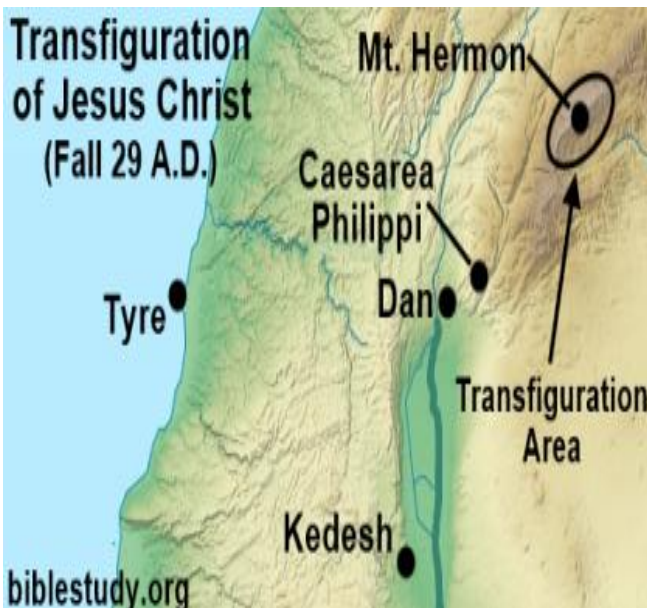
Rev. Eric Twine, Uganda

##### Synod Parish Deacons

Marianne Click

Gail Hintz

Steve Wuckert



She may have been sweet like sugar  
But her fate didn't leave her sweet  
Nowadays she could add flavor  
In olden days she would have preserved  
meat

Who Am I?

Lot's Wife (Pillar of Salt)

# SUNDAY STAR

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

**GREETERS:** \_\_\_\_\_ **BULLETINS:** Rosemarie Conklin **Reader:** Marianne Click

**COMMUNION ASSISTANTS:** Pat Freeman, Mandy Knollenberg, Wayne Marshall, Vicki Marshall,  
Dale Meyer, Rita Meyer

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

**GREETER:** Nancy Rickey **BULLETINS:** \_\_\_\_\_ **READER:** Rob White

**OFFERING:** Richard Schnur, Major Hatchell

**COMMUNION ASSISTANTS:** Rob White, Diane Boettcher, Richard Schnur, Jennifer Fischer,  
Marianne Click, Shawn Hernandez

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**COFFEE HOUR HOSTS:** Early: Barb Graham Late: Barb Hilb

**SUNDAY FLOWER DELIVERY:** Eileen and Don 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 815 **Sermon:** ELW 184 **Sending:** ELW 855

### 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

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### WEEKLY SCHEDULE

#### Monday—Mar. 3

9:00a—Food Pantry  
1:00p—Single Women

#### Tuesday—Mar. 4

10:00a—Bible Study  
6:00p Shrove Tuesday Dinner

#### Wednesday—Mar. 5

#### ASH WEDNESDAY

9:00a—Food Pantry  
10:45— Ash Wed. Service  
6:30p—Ash Wed. Service  
Chancel Choir—After Ash Wed. Ser.

#### Thursday - Mar. 6

9:00a—Quilters  
9:00a—Men's Breakfast @ IHOP  
11:00a—Bell Ringers  
6:30p—Trinity's Praise

#### Friday—Mar. 7

*Office Closed*

#### Saturday - Mar. 8

*Office Closed*  
10:00a—309 Dress Rehearsal

#### Sunday - Mar. 9

9:00a—Celebration Worship  
9:15a —Let's Talk  
9:45a—Sunday School  
10:45a—Traditional Worship  
3:09p—309 Concert

Today's altar flowers are  
presented  
**To the Glory of God**



The communion wine is presented  
**To the Glory of God**



### 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)

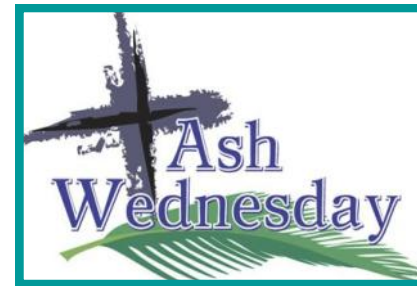
### THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

Mar. 2— Bryan Magiera  
Madeline Reed  
Mar. 3— Lee Ann Ferriola  
Wendy Krueger  
Mar. 5— Donald Beck  
Frank Cannistraci  
Mar. 8— Diedre Parks



### In-person Attendance

February 23, 2025— 330  
Last year 2024— 367



**Worship and the imposition of ashes**  
10:45 am & 6:30 pm  
 Wednesday, March 5, 2025

**Council Highlights from February 2025**

**MOTION** to accept the minutes from January 2025 was carried. **Old Business:** Online church directory has been tested. Council decided to go forward with this. Announcements will be made. Cost is approximately \$220 per yr. **FINANCE** Through January, donations are \$12,358 above spending, which includes Fellowship balance of \$2266, \$2745 below last year. Through January, envelope offerings are \$6215 below last year, plate offerings are up \$245 and mortgage offerings are up \$2669. Total income is down \$3145 compared to last year which is a 5.9% decrease. Through January, our expenses are \$4831 below our 2025 spending plan but above last year by \$4652 (11.3% increase). Required approval of Audit committee was made. **MOTION:** A motion to approve the Audit Committee (Jo Duhn, chair; Dick Williams and Mickie Gabl assisting) passed. **MOTION:** A motion was made for Shawn Hernandez to be the designated official to sign distribution documents and W-9 on behalf of HTLC for the Doris M. Mayer Trust. Motion passed. **PROPERTY** Fans have been installed in Sanctuary and Fellowship which has allowed temperatures to be increased from 72° to 76° which will save on electric bills. Temperature may need to be adjusted. A high water usage message was received by the church. Plumber has been there to investigate leak. A quote has been received for AC maintenance on our 26 AC units. Quote was only a couple of hundred more than what we currently have but for more maintenance work. **MOTION:** A motion to accept the AC bid was passed. A quote was received for professional cleaning and sealing of grout lines for kitchen floor. We will ask for a quote from our current cleaning service. Tabled to next meeting. **MUTUAL MINISTRY:** No meeting **PASTORS' TIME:** Guest speaker, Jacqueline Matthews Williams from Lutheran Services of FI (LSF) talked about the loss of funding (approx. 90%). She reviewed what a refugee was and all the paperwork needed to be vetted for the USA. Funding is no longer available through usual sources (Global Refugee Services, etc.) to house these refugees. **YOUR INPUT AND THOUGHTS** Good turnout for Jesus Loves You Ministry walk. Over \$32,000 was raised by all participants. **NEW BUSINESS:** **MOTION:** A motion to disburse the Mission Endowment funds (MEF) as recommended by the MEF committee was passed (see office for the specifics). We have approximately \$45,000 in surplus funds from last year (income over expenses). **MOTION:** A motion to help support three LSF refugee families for a 3-month period including rent/utilities for \$5748 per month for a total of \$17,244 to be paid out of the surplus, was passed. **MOTION:** A motion to follow the recommendation of the Finance Committee and give both Miles and Cecil a special gift of appreciation for all they do, was passed. **CORRESPONDENCES** Thank you notes from Crossroads for a blanket received. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:** Our Sunday school teachers. **Next meeting 3/19/2025.**



**WE NEED WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS FOR  
 ASH WEDNESDAY!**

Would you be willing to be a communion assistant, hand out bulletins/greet or help take up the offering at either the 10:45m or 6:30pm Ash Wednesday worship? If so please sign up TODAY on the bulletin board in the narthex.

**Thank you for volunteering and helping to make our worship services run smoothly!**

*Free Will Offer-*

**309 Concert**

Featuring

**Musicians of HTLC**

And Guests

**The Two Piano Group**

Date: **March 9, 2025** - Time: **3:09 pm**






**STROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE AND SAUSAGE**  
 Tuesday March 4th Dinner at 5:30  
**FREE WILL OFFERING**  
 Pancake, sausage and assorted donuts  
 All you can eat !!! Sign Up Sheet in Narthex.



### LENTEN MID WEEK WEDNESDAY

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

## “THE CHOSEN”

Wednesday, Mid-Week Program:

March 12, 19, 26, April 2, 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!*





### Volunteers

We desperately need volunteers! Call or email the office. Please, no Egg Cartons for a while. *Thank you!*



Thursday March 6th  
(9:00) at IHOP!

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.

Things money can't buy:

1. Manners
2. Morals
3. Respect
4. Character
5. Common sense
6. Trust
7. Patience
8. Class
9. Integrity
10. Love



Monday, March 3rd at 1PM



4 male volunteers to round out the cast of 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!**

### A Call for Help - Supporting Refugee Families



Dear Church Family,

My name is Jorja Knollenberg, and I had the blessing of being Confirmed at Holy Trinity this past October. As part of my Confirmation journey, I have been looking for the right opportunity to serve others. Recently, a need was brought to my attention, and I feel called to help.

Lutheran Services of Florida (LSF) is currently supporting 11 refugee families who have come to the U.S. legally after years of paperwork and waiting. LSF has been assisting them with housing and utilities until they can become self-sufficient. However, due to a sudden loss of funding, these families are now at risk of losing their homes.

Our church has already stepped in to help three families for the next three months, but seven more families still need support. Some of them include children facing serious health challenges like eye cancer and cerebral palsy.

On **Sunday, March 9th**, I will have a table set up between services with sweet treats and a donation basket. If you feel moved to give, any amount will make a difference. If you're unable to give financially, I ask that you keep these families and the work of LSF in your prayers.

Thank you for considering this need. I am grateful for our church community and the kindness you continually show to those in need.

In Christ's love,

*Jorja Knollenberg*

