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The Weekly Tidings

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Come Together, Grow in Faith, Serve the LORD

Lenten Meals & Adult Forum

Lenten Meals will be served every Wednesday evening during Lent, beginning at 5:30pm, followed by Holden Evening Prayer at 6:30pm. Soup will be available for adults, and Mac & Cheese will be served for young children. We will be using offerings from our Lenten meals to fund our commitment to provide scholarships to several students from Isimani to continue their education, as we have done in the past. There will be a display for those who wish to donate or pledge support for a student once the Lenten season begins.



Lenten Adult Forum on April 7: "How to be a practicing Christian when I am not always a believing one." Mark Edwards and Pastor Tim will pose questions and offer background, but the adult forum will depend largely on candid and considerate conversation among the participants.

Holy Week 2019

Holy Week begins with Maundy Thursday on April 18. Services are at 1:00 PM & 6:30 PM.

We continue Holy week with Good Friday worship service on April 19 at 6:30 PM.

Join us for the Resurrection of our Lord on Easter Sunday, April 21. Services are at 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM.



President's Article

Greetings,

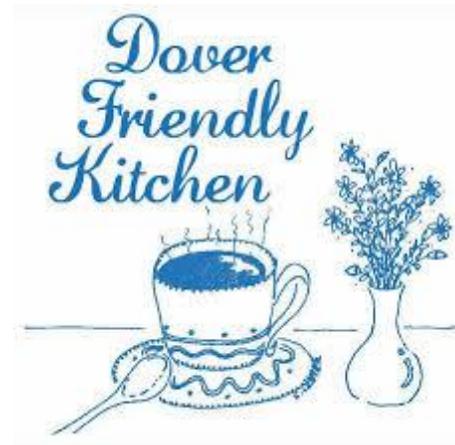
Well, we're now well into the season of Lent, and I'm very glad Pastor mentioned in a recent sermon that Lent doesn't have to be downbeat but rather just a time of reflection and preparation for the day we celebrate the rising of our Lord and Savior. While our music and Sunday service are a bit more solemn than the rest of the church year (no Alleluia's, use dark color purple banners and vestments, etc), we can be hopeful and upbeat as Easter approaches after all, the daylight hours are starting to stretch out, most of the snow and ice is melted away, and although it's getting into mud season, trees will soon be starting to show color andPOW! Suddenly flowers and grass are going to start coming up.

We have three more weeks of Wednesday Lent services (6:30), preceded by a soup supper that begins at 5:30. The Holden Evening Prayer service that follows supper provides a great opportunity to experience a restful time to take a mid-week break from the normal hustle and bustle everyone experiences. Fellowship with a light meal followed by Holden Evening Prayer service....Perfect Together!!



Remember almost two months ago when Pastor challenged the congregation to donate money to World Hunger on Super Bowl Sunday for the ELCA World Hunger Big Game Synod Challenge?? And if HT raised over \$1,000 he'd wear that pretty pink way-to-small Tom Brady football jersey at his Thursday morning coffee time? Several of you have been asking how that all turned out. Well, in one word.... SPECTACULAR! Holy Trinity raised a hair under \$ 4,000, which contributed to New England Synod's total of \$6,000. With the Los Angeles Synod total of \$3,000, and some general donations to neither synod of \$1,500, a total of about \$10,500 went to World Hunger!!! And yes, I personally witnessed Pastor Tim wearing his cute, five-sizes-too-small pink Tom Brady Jersey the following Thursday at Flight Coffee Café in Dover. Thanks so much to everyone who contributed to this great program.

Dover Friendly Kitchen is one of several ministries Holy Trinity has been supporting for many many years. The Friendly Kitchen serves anyone who needs a meal every Tuesday and Thursday evening, which gives folks a good dinner along with good companionship a couple of times a week. One of our members has been leading Holy Trinity's efforts in working with Dover Friendly Kitchen and this is her 25th year of doing this!! Although she is modest and humble about her involvement, I think it very appropriate to give A BIG SHOUT OUT to Bonnie Sanders for her dedication and service to this ministry for the past 25 years. Thank You Bonnie God's Blessings for all you've been doing.



(Church Office Note: Holy Trinity volunteers at Dover Friendly Kitchen on the fourth Tuesday of every month. If you're interested, upcoming dates are March 26, April 23, and May 28. We meet at 4pm at St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Dover, across from the Dover Library. All are welcome to come and help out! If you enjoy baking cookies, you can bake a couple dozen cookies and drop them off with the church office by 2pm on the same day we help out with Dover Friendly Kitchen.)

Enjoy the next few weeks as we move thru Lent.

Peace to all....

Dave Smith

Graduation Sunday

Graduation Sunday will be celebrated in June. If you know someone from Holy Trinity who will graduate from High School, College, Grad School, or another school this year and would like to be recognized, please speak with the Church Office or Helen Goransson.



Faith Formation Team

The Faith Formation Team has been discussing how we can provide for the needs of our church family. When life becomes challenging, the Lord uplifts us in many ways. Often, he sends people, especially our church family to remind us of His constant love and presence in our lives in spite of difficult circumstances. When we come together as a church to share in the joy of His promises, we are renewed and strengthened, and ready to follow the Lord's leading through these trials. The Faith Formation Team recognizes that we all need to be continually equipped with God's word. Life has a way of causing us to forget that Jesus promises to be there for us, providing for our every need. During Lent, we hope you will be able to be renewed by these promises. Please come join in the conversation we are having about how to continue practicing our Christian faith, even when our faith is shaken. This is occurring at the Adult Forum with Mark Edwards and Pastor Krick on April 7th, and at the midweek Lenten services with Pastor Krick. For our children and youth, we will have a chance to consider the good news of the Easter story, and how this transforms us as Christians, and how Jesus' death and resurrection gives us renewed hope and strength to live each day filled with His love, peace and joy.



FAITH FORMATION

If you have an interest in helping with Vacation Bible School, please speak with Heidi Morrison, our Faith Formation Coordinator. If you are new to Holy Trinity or you've been unable to come, please know that you are always welcome to join these programs at any time.

May the peace of the Lord be with you,
Lara Scammon
and the Faith Formation Team

Property Team

Nothing exceptional to report at this time. But we all know it is winter because our snow plow company had to service our property seven times in February to keep us safe.

Barry Philbrick, Interim Property Team Leader

