



Now these are the gifts Christ gave to the church: the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, and the pastors and teachers. Their responsibility is to equip God's people to do his work and build up the church, the body of Christ. Ephesians 4:11, 12

The season of Epiphany is between January 6th and Ash Wednesday (Feb 22). Church definitions of Epiphany include revelation of Christ to all nations and Christ as the light of the world. The revelation of Christ to the world reminds us that Epiphany is a time of revelation for all Christians. Formal definitions this aspect of epiphany include intricate sentences and complex construction: "sudden manifestation of the essence or meaning of something," "great or sudden revelation," and "a usually sudden manifestation or perception of the essential nature or meaning of something." If we weren't writing a dictionary, we might say that an epiphany is an "ah-ha" moment. An epiphany is when we get it, when it makes sense, when we understand.

At Trinity, we have filled the season of Epiphany with opportunities to experience a "ah-ha" moments where suddenly God breaks through and we understand how God has Hard Wired us *to do his work and build up the church, the body of Christ*. It is my prayer that at some point during the five-week *Hard Wired* series, every member has an "ah-ha" moment. That ah-ha moment is your epiphany for how God created you to make a difference. It may come when the message seems crystal clear, when it feels as if the pastor is talking directly to you when one of the gifts is described, or when there is a deep comfort in your spirit with the message you hear.

It is when we are in alignment with God's Hard Wiring in our life that our faith experiences a new level of excitement and purpose. There is new energy to our work together in mission and sharing the Gospel of Christ through our many ministries at Trinity. Alignment with God's Hard Wiring in our life leads us toward our highest calling through faith in Jesus Christ.

If you have not yet discovered how God wired you for ministry, there is an online survey you can take to help you discern your gifts. Visit fivefoldsurvey.com to take the survey. We also have paper copies available that you can pick up from either worship location. I pray that every member of Trinity will take this opportunity to find out how God has created you to help *build up the church, the body of Christ*.

Knowing your gifting is just the first step. The big question now is what you will do with it? God has created you for a purpose. You are here at this time and in this place for a reason. The Apostle Paul expresses it with these words, *"to equip God's people to do his work and build up the church, the body of Christ."* We were given these gifts for a reason. They are for more than our own knowledge and benefit. They are to equip others and build up the body of Christ.

Regularly, there are opportunities to serve through Trinity in mission and ministry. How are you fulfilling the purpose for which God created you? If you are feeling a tug, a call to service, or a desire to use your gifts to God's glory and need help discerning where God is calling you, I invite you to call (402.339.3788) email (prerik@trinitylife.org), or visit with me Sunday morning. I would consider it a privilege to help you find ways to live the gifts God created in you, and *build up the church, the body of Christ*.

Your Pastor and Friend,

Pastor Erik

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From the Associate Pastor - An Executive Summary

In the fall of 2011, we completed a Church Assessment Tool administered by Holy Cow Consulting. Over 900 people from the congregation received a mailed invitation and those present in worship received several verbal invitations to participate. 268 people participated and the results follow.

Over 60% of the congregation feels satisfied with the way things are in the church while around 7% has some level of dissatisfaction. This indicates that Trinity's morale is average when compared with other congregations. Morale is an important indicator of the congregation's health and potential for growth. The survey suggests that these are some of the factors that have the greatest impact on morale and may be worth looking at to increase the morale of the congregation:

- The worship services at the church being exceptional in quality and spiritual content
- People in leadership roles being representative of the membership of the congregation
- Leaders showing a genuine concern to know what people are thinking when decisions are made
- Members of the congregation working with the pastors and leadership in planning and executing worship
- Reminding people who are doing ministry that they make a difference

There is a high level of importance assigned to these values by the congregation and it may be important moving forward to address one or more of these issues.

Trinity also scored in the average range for conflict management. Around 9% of the congregation indicated they were disturbed by conflict in the church. The survey suggests that while there is some level of conflict in the congregation that is persistent, it is not, however, a debilitating amount of conflict.

The congregation's responses to the survey indicated that it tends to be theologically conservative. The church also tends to be settled in its approach to ministry. This suggests that the congregation prefers to do things in a way that is familiar and that change is more challenging for Trinity than many congregations.

Looking to the future, the top four goals of the congregation included:

- Developing and initiating a strategy to reach new people and grow the congregation
- Developing ministries that work toward healing those broken by life circumstances
- Strengthening the process where members are called and equipped for ministry and leadership
- Developing spiritual generosity among the people to financially support the ministry of the church

The congregation's energy to move towards these goals is in the average range for a congregation. This suggests that Trinity has an idea of where it would like to go in the future and at least some energy to pursue this future.

Two goals that were unusually strong in our congregation were:

- Enlarging the physical facility to expand or enhance the ministries and
- Strengthening the process where members are called and equipped for ministry and leadership

The survey itself is a tool, and while it is able to suggest areas where the leadership and the congregation may want to invest their energy and resources, the survey should not be a substitute for continued conversation, prayer and discernment. Having areas to examine should be a launching point for conversations about where and how Trinity Lutheran Church and its Mission will develop and continue to grow as it moves into the future.

From the Church Council - Highlights from the January 10, 2012 Meeting

Pastor Erik lead devotions from Ephesians 4: 11 – 16. The next sermon series includes the five gifts of the church: apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers. Each of us is "wired" to be more gifted in one of these than the others. None is more important than another and all are important in the life and ministry of the church.

- Nominating Committee Report: Doug reviewed the names of all the candidates and reported that we have a good slate for all positions on the ballot.
- Benevolence Update: Determined that additional undesignated dollars would be provided to The Raining Season, Kids Against Hunger, Tri-City Pantry, Heartland Family Services and Fontenelle Community Church.
- Vision Appeal: Discussed the reduced plan for staffing to support growth of ministry and facilities projects based on a prioritized list developed by the facilities team.

• Holy Cow Survey Update: A plan is being developed to gather

additional information from the congregation to help with planning for our future ministry. Council members will host town hall type meetings after services to ask for input.

- Plans were made to staff all services so members will have an opportunity to vote for leadership the weekend of the annual Congregational meeting on Sunday, January 29.

Meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Trinity's Executive Board

President - Doug Pikop
Vice President - Scott Hembert
Secretary - Kerri Stover
Treasurer - George Madson

Results of the Annual Meeting election were not available at time of printing. Results will be available in worship and online in February. Installation of Council members will take place during worship on 02-12.



What's Happening at Trinity

The Sr High Youth hosts an "EVENING TO CELEBRATE" for those couples who have been married 50 years or more in 2012. Thirty couples have been invited to share the evening of February 12 together. Their long-lived love is an inspiration to us and worthy of recognition. The festivities will begin at 5:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall at the Church Center. Please RSVP to the Church office (339-3788). If you have been married 50 or more years and did not receive your "save the date" card, please forgive our oversight and contact the Church office, we would love to have you join us.



FITNESS GROUP continues to meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5:30 PM and on Saturdays at 7:30 AM all at the FLC. We have had a great response and all the participants are seeing the results they have been looking for; weight loss, increased strength and endurance and a great community of encouragement are found here. Feel free to join us. Contact Joe Surita with questions.

BAPTISM CLASS is Sunday, February 12 following at about 12:30 PM in Classroom D at the FLC. Come join other young parents as we enjoy a simple meal together and learn about God's gifts in baptism. The nursery will be staffed for your little ones. We encourage parents who are expecting and parents of children who have not yet been baptized to attend, along with any others who would like to learn more about baptism and the church. Please register by calling the church office (402-339-3788) by February 5. During the class you will be given the opportunity to select the date and worship service you would like to have your child baptized.

NEW MEMBERS will be welcomed into membership on Sunday, February 19. Please take time to say hello when you see them in worship. We will list more details about them in next months edition.

BOOK READER DISCUSSION GROUP: We will meet on February 21 at 7:00 PM at the CC to discuss *The Prisoner of Birth* by Jeffrey Archer. 501 p. (2 at Sump)
Synopsis: *Unjustly sentenced to 22 years in prison, Danny Cartwright is determined to get revenge against the four men who testified and convicted him.* The March selection for discussion will be *The Glass Castle* by Jeanette Walls. If you enjoy reading, this group is for you!



Look for **THE ANNUAL BOOK SALE** the Sundays of March 4, 11 and 18. Donations of books (especially for children), DVD's, videos, etc. are being accepted now, and may be left in the Library area, clearly marked "For Book Sale". Sponsored by the Trinity Library Committee, proceeds will go toward the church library.

FELLOWSHIP/STUDY GROUPS

P=Parsonage, FLC=Family Life Center, CC=Church Center
Please call the listed contact for additional information

02/02-Fifty-Five Plus-1 PM-CC

Contact: Sue Lauritsen - 402-331-2672

02/09-Stitchers-7 PM-Joan McAleer's Home

Contact: Joan McAleer - 402-339-3448

02/06 & 20-Adult Quilters-12:30 PM-FLC

Contact: Joanne Ahlers - 402-339-3190

02/10-Scrapbookers-7 PM-CC

Contact: Amy Masek - 402-934-4975

02/21-Book Readers Group-7PM-CC

Contact: Ardis VonSeggern - 402-592-0100

02/16-Evening WELCA-7PM

Contact: Karen Gerdes - 402-253-2263

02/15-MOPS-9:15AM

Contact: Annie Wygant - mopsannie@thewygangs.net

All Tuesdays-Bible Study Fellowship-7 PM-P

Contact: Patty Reid - 402-331-6257

All Thursdays-Girls with God (Sr High)-7 PM-P

Contact: Juli Staab - 402-339-3788

TBA-TOTS-10:30 AM

Contact: Pat Njus - 402-592-5751

ASH WEDNESDAY & LENT

Ash Wednesday, February 22 **at the FLC**

Worship at 5:00 or 6:30 PM

Feb 29, March 7, 14, 21 & 28 **at the CC**

Two worship services each Wednesday at
5:00 & 6:30 PM

Confirmation students, Lenten worship is a requirement.
Please sign in each week.

Lent begins THIS MONTH and so does our **SOUP SUPPER FELLOWSHIP**. To be prepared for our first meal together on February 29, we are asking for your **HELP**. Our meal takes place between the two worship services on Wednesday evenings. Listed below are the areas in which your assistance is requested

- Cooks - pick a week, pick a recipe, provide the ingredient list and then create your masterpiece.
- Grocery Shoppers - Pick up the ingredients requested by the cooks. The free-will offering each week will cover the expenses.
- Servers - come half an hour early to prep and serve the meal
- Clean-Up - Wash dishes, counters, etc.

Contact Sharon Bernady (339-3788) for more details about any of the ways you might support this ministry that is a blessing at Trinity.

Mission Focus

Maybe God hasn't tugged at your heart to take such a bold step as to fly off to distant lands, but perhaps He is stirring in your heart a desire to get out of the pew and make a difference right here in our midst. Areas in which we have needs include:

- **Stephen Center:** The fourth Friday of every month we make a hot meal for the people who use this shelter. Please see the bulletin board at either worship location for ingredients we need to prepare this dinner on February 27. Bring your items to the kitchen at the CC by Wednesday, February 25. If you would like to cook, please contact Mike (402-597-1660). If you will transport the meal, please contact Ethel O'Neal (402-618-5637).
- **Mission Meal.** On February 29th the mission team will host our Lenten soup supper between the two worship services. Your free-will donation will go toward the Kids Against Hunger-Million Meal packing event on March 3rd.
- **Coordinating meals:** We have a long list of people who have indicated their desire to "provide a dish" to care for our church family. At this time we need one or two key people to coordinate the meals for families with new additions, those who have suffered loss and those recovering from illness.
- **Kitchen "Management" Team** to organize our kitchens. These two spaces are used frequently and often end up cluttered. If you are gifted with organizational skills, but short on time to serve, this is a great option to be of service.
- **Information Desk Support:** We are looking for a few outgoing people to staff the information desk at the FLC on Sunday mornings. If you are interested, please call the church office for details.

Please contact Sharon Bernady at 402-339-3788 or by e-mail at sbernady@trinitylife.org if you have any questions or are interested in serving in any area of ministry at Trinity. She would love to talk with you and help you discover where you are best able to use your gifts and talents to God's glory.

Adopt-a-Family Update: Heartland Family Service was able to serve 355 families at Christmas in 2011. In addition to Trinity's many gifts, we provided 18 Marcus Theaters gift cards (valued at \$25 each), eight gift cards (\$25 each) to various retail stores and one zoo membership. Thank you for your generosity and support of this ministry that impacts our community in wonderful ways.

December Ending Balances

General Fund - \$23,860.51
Benevolence - \$12,649.00
Building Fund - \$98,480.88
Mission Fund - \$1,866.02
Designated Fund - \$17,147.35
Trinity Relief Fund - \$9,443.83
Memorial Fund - \$29,233.72
FLC Loan - \$585,172.81
FLC Interest - \$ 374.28
Farm Escrow - \$5,806.20

Three Financial Facts of Trinity:

1. Ethan Perez & Kory Huwaldt received almost \$10,000 in combined support from the congregation for their DTS/outreach missions.
2. Even though some utilities saw large increases in 2011, we used only 91.9% of our budgeted expenses in 2011.
3. We received advanced gifts of \$25,511 after expenses in 2011 from the Faith Gives!

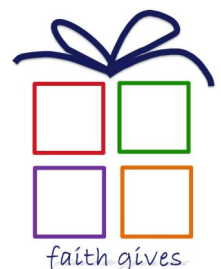
STEWARDSHIP STIRRINGS:

It is crunch time. The end of the month has arrived. The last bills are paid. And there is that number in the checkbook. It is not as high as we would have liked. It is not as low as it could be. Where did it all go?

The ushers just passed the offering basket down the row. I thankfully placed my offering in the basket, and watched it reverently carried to the altar. Where did it all go?

It fed the hungry, comforted the sick, supported those in trouble, preached the Gospel, taught children about Jesus, supported the broken, touched children in Sierra Leone, trained missionaries in India, provided a comfortable place for people to worship, sang a beautiful song of praise to God, challenged youth to live their faith, educated adults, provided Bibles, gave me information about our Church ministry, invited me to grow deeper in Jesus, provided training for disciples, brought people together, and much more for Jesus.

I thank God for an offering that worked so hard for the glory of God!



Little Lights Preschool - Teaching Children to Grow, Learn and Shine for Jesus

Our theme for February is "God Gives Us Friends". We will learn about friendship through the Bible stories of Zacchaeus, the Good Samaritan, Jesus washing the disciples' feet and Jesus loving the little children. The three-year-old classes will visit the Village this month, sharing with them their family pictures. During the month of February we will also enjoy wearing our pajamas to school one day. We will also have Friendship Parties complete with Valentine cards, games and treats.

Open House and Registration for 2012-2013 School Year

Saturday, February 4th 10:00-1:00 p.m.

Family Life Center Classroom A

Registration Brochures are available at both Church locations

For more information call 402-679-1018

Nancy Wert, Director of Preschool
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Christian Education

Excitement abounds in our E2: The Prophets Elijah and Elisha unit of Footsteps! Who doesn't love pancakes, glitter and chariot races?! The key themes in this unit are faith, trust and God provides! Elijah and Elisha trusted God and had considerable faith in Him. Because of their faith and trust, God provided for them both in miraculous ways! Although these men are Bible legends, they are both very relatable. Elijah started off a little bit whiny and feeling all sorry for himself thinking he was the only person left who believed in God. Do you ever get like that? One of the really great things about God is that He loves us even though we are whiny, full of self-pity and really just hard to love. He is always there to pick us up when we fall and give us another chance to live for Him. God is pretty amazing that way! Now, Elisha...he just wanted to be the very best servant of God that he could be. He stayed close to his teacher Elijah and learned everything he could. In return, God provided him with the double share of spirit that Elisha had asked for. Ask and you shall receive—isn't that a Bible verse or something??!! Elisha was all about

God and giving God the glory for the miracles he performed.

Mark your calendars for February 12th! You won't want to miss the Footsteps children singing praises at the 11:15 worship service that day to finish up our Elijah and Elisha unit!

February 19th begins our "Holy Week" unit at Footsteps. Cooking will spotlight Maundy Thursday and the last supper while Craft is a combination story and craft which covers the whole week. Drama focuses on Good Friday, and Game centers on Easter Sunday and the resurrection! Music concentrates on Palm Sunday, and Video is another combo lesson over the entire week. Each lesson will highlight the most important elements of the Easter story culminating in the death and resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! We have some interesting and exciting lessons planned so that the kids won't want to miss a single week!

Christian Education isn't just for children, you know! We would love more adults to come and learn about Jesus and how to live the life He calls us to live as His followers. On Sunday

mornings, Pastor Neil is leading a Bible study discussing our spiritual gifts down at the FLC to correspond to the Hard-Wired sermon series. In addition, Matt Pearson is leading a Radical Bible study in the Parsonage which explains how to be a full-on committed disciple of Christ! It's not too late to join! Our overall goal is to keep learning and growing in our faith, no matter what our age, so consider yourself personally invited!



Blessings,
Sheila Kendall,
Christian Education Director
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5th graders will receive their First Communion on Sunday, February 5 at the 11:15 worship service.

Instruction took place in January. We thank God for the lives of these students as they join us at the Lord's table.



Quest Youth and Family Ministries

One thing about youth ministry is that it is always changing. God is consistent and unchanging but youth ministry is constantly reworking itself to be more effective toward the mission that is bringing students into a deep relationship with the Savior. The fact is, students are different from year to year and so are their personalities, priorities and availability, as well as their parents input. In addition to this, their hurts, passions, questions, understanding of and openness to scripture, and the burdens they carry tend to change every few years. So to meet these needs and more effectively reach students for the sake of the Gospel, our youth ministry has changed some of our focus. Honestly, one of the things I love about youth ministry is that it is so seasonal and adaptable. No place within a congregation can things be changed so easily as within youth ministry to allow for more effective ministry and things that are no longer useful may be discarded. If our priority is to see the Gospel of Jesus Christ indwell in the lives of students and families, it is our responsibility to adapt how we do things. God doesn't change nor does His word but our vehicle and ways we present God have to change or eventually we stop expanding our circle of influence.

Our mission statement as a congregation starts out stating that we are an ever expanding circle. I truly love that description because it means we are reaching out to neighbor, into community, into a broken world; we are expanding our influence and thus the Kingdom of God. Have you ever thought of our mission statement in those terms? That the Kingdom of God would advance through our outreach and influence into our church people's lives and through them into the places they work, live and out into the world. A book called *The Prayer of Jabez* by Bruce Wilkinson goes into great depth over 1 Chronicles 4:9-10. This verse is often overlooked because it is in the middle of a long list of names. Within the verse, though, we meet Jabez and read his prayer. Within his prayer are these words that strike me as extremely important "Oh that you would bless me indeed, and enlarge my territory,..." Many would read it as though he were asking for more land, but I believe Jabez is asking that his influence would grow and that by expanding his territory/influence, Jabez can impact the world for God in greater ways. Do you see the connection between our mission statement's words "expanding circle" and Jabez' words "enlarge my territory"? With all that said, our big shift in youth ministry is with the goal of expanding territory and impacting the territory we have with greater significance. Our youth ministry is shifting focus on Sunday nights to Leadership development and training through in-depth bible study starting with the book of Romans. We will be challenging students to live out the words we read and to be fully devoted followers of Christ so that we might call Jesus "Lord". We will still have a fun activity and once a month our plan is to do events open for friends, building relationships with students on a larger scale. Our Wednesday ROOTED focus for high school will be more about invitation and a small-group style, which is what we've been shifting toward over the last year. It will be more welcome for those uncomfortable with "church" using relationships as our main venue. God's word continues to be foundational in all we do.

I encourage you as parents and to students to check out our ministry and how we might be a blessing to you both in your relationship with God and with a growing a community of friends who know and love God around you. Join us in expanding the Kingdom of God and expanding the circle!

COMING UP IN QUEST STUDENT MINISTRIES

- **Winter Jam:** February 16 in Council Bluffs. Cost \$10
- **Teens Encounter Christ:** High Schoolers only. February 24-26, Lincoln NE. www.heartlandtec.org/heartland_TEC/home.html
- **Acquire the Fire:** February 10-12 . Junior and senior high guys only. Cost is \$75.
- **50+ Anniversary Dinner:** Sunday, February 12 Senior high students should mark their calendars to help. We host this for those in the congregation married 50 years and more. Help needed in the kitchen, hosting, serving, etc. on Sunday, February 12.
- **Dare 2 Share:** February 17 & 18 in Lincoln, NE - \$45.
- **Tenebrae Worship Service:** Each year our senior high students practice and perform a re-enactment of the last moments of Jesus' life. We will practice on Sunday evenings at 6:00 PM at the Church Center. Our first rehearsal date will be announced soon. Please watch the weekly bulletins. We still have roles to fill. Please contact Janet Tschudin, 402-639-0592 if you would like to participate or have any questions.
- **Revolve Tour** for junior and senior high girls. April 21 & 22. Cost is \$60
- **Adventure Trip:** June 24-28 our **6-8th graders** will head to Minnesota for an exciting adventure. Cost for the trip is \$85. **Senior high students** may attend as tent leaders. Request an apply for this position. Responsibilities include: helping with devotions, tent leadership, support on our adventures and various other functions. This is an awesome trip and a fun way to develop those leadership skills.
- **Mission Trip:** July 15-27 through Youth with a Mission (YWAM) in Cascade, Idaho.

~Matt Pearson
Youth and Family Minister
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Among Our People

Happy Birthday to Trail Blazers:

- 02/03 - Jack Lofgren, 11657 Lilley Lane, Bellevue, NE 68123
- 02/16 - Henrietta Grimm, 501 E. Gold Coast Rd #11E, Papillion, NE 68046
- 02/24 - Mary Hagen, 501 E Gold Coast Rd #19E, Papillion, NE 68046
- 02/24 - Dolly Hedin, 2114 John St, Papillion, NE 68133
- 02/25 - Wes Armitage, 602 Castle Pine Drive, Papillion, NE 68133

Happy Anniversary:

- 02/08 - Harold & Marge Sundsboe, 520 W Lincoln #110, Papillion, NE 68046 - 65 years of marriage
- 02/14 - Jack & Farol Lofgren, 11657 Lilley Lane, Bellevue, NE 68123 - 62 years of marriage
- 02/14 - Gordon & Pat Njus, 601 Cedardale Rd, Papillion, NE 68046 - 54 years of marriage

Congratulations on New Birth

- 01/04 - Kasey and Carrie Nash welcomed their daughter, Kylie, into the world.

Congratulations on Marriage

- 01/28 - Kristie Hawn and Dustin Johnson were married at Trinity

Hospitalized in the last month

Pat Njus, Jan Mohnsen, Jackie Scheffler, LeRoy Sorensen, Marlene Fey, Barb Hale, Courtney Rhoten, Doris Haase.

Due to HIPPA laws, hospitals do NOT contact churches to share when a congregation member has been admitted. If you or someone close to you is hospitalized, please notify a pastor or the Church Office so we may provide pastoral support during your illness.

WE OFFER OUR SYMPATHY to John, Mark and Marsha Braddock, Terri and Elizabeth Pitzer and Erin Bueltel on the loss of their uncle, Dale Braddock; to the family of Shirley Evers who went home to the Lord on Monday, January 2; to Carl Williams on the loss of his brother-in-law, George. May God grant these families peace during this time of grief.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on February 22. Both worship services are at the FLC. However, the rest of the Wednesday services during Lent are at the Church Center. All services are at 5:00 & 6:30 PM.			1 10:30A-Bible Study 6:45P-Rooted 6:30P-Adult Choir 7:30P-College & Career Grp	2 - 7:30A-WIC Clinic 1P-Fifty-Five Plus 5:30P-Fitness Group 7P-Basketball 7P-Girls with God	3	4 7:30A-Fitness Group 8:30A-WT Instrumentalists
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Prayer Focus: We want to see God move in and through the people of Trinity. Prayer is vital to this. This February pray that:

- Our new and current leadership is encouraged and has wisdom from God to guide our congregation to live out the Gospel
- Our individual lives reflect the gifts God has given us to equip and build up the Church of Jesus Christ.
- God will stir our hearts to action in response to all the stories our missionaries share with us upon their return.
- Our students will be impacted and encouraged to live for Christ as they attend Dare 2 Share and Acquire the Fire.

TRINITY'S MISSION

Trinity Lutheran Church is an ever-widening circle in Christ where the Gospel is proclaimed, the Bible is taught, and people gather to worship, serve and glorify God.

TRINITY'S VISION

Trinity is a place where people are able to establish a solid foundation in Christ upon which faithful and fulfilling lives can be built.

Trinity Office Staff

Erik Boye - Senior Pastor

Neil White - Associate Pastor

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Monthly Newsletter: All details for the next *Trinitarian* are due at the office by 02/15.

Office Hours: Monday through Friday from 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM. **Phones:** When you call the office, the staff may be on another line or away from their desks, so please leave a message on the answering machine and we will get back to you as soon as possible. The general church voicemail is not checked regularly on the weekend so if you have an *emergency* on Saturday or Sunday, please call a staff member listed in the directory and they will relay your message to the appropriate person.