

Prayer REQUESTS

Please pray for...

Our Church Family: Week of 3/24/24—Rick Quam, Madeline Reed, Dave Kern 3/17—Nancy Rickey, LeeAnn Ferriola & family, Jerry Wiedewitsch 3/10—Steve Wuckert and family, Lois Deland, Cathy Hyburg, Janet Nuse 3/3— The family of Barbara Bryan, Casey Taylor

Our friends and relatives: Week of 3/24/24— Dorothy Pugh, Those affected by the Baltimore bridge collapse, Rita Scriggia, Kenia & children 3/17—Richard Bloom, Bill Jackson, Jenny Hall 3/10—Wendy Latalladi, Valerie Makris, Eleni Makris, Diane & Ron Shelton, Derrick, Beth Porter, Vito Kusmin & family, Eric Napolitano, Amanda Pearson, Peggy Torgerson, Whitney

Ongoing church family, friends and relatives: Keira DeOliveira, Gary Krueger, Becky Burrows, Mary Ann Kraft, Diane Massa, Jackie Walsh, Ed Palmer, Cindy Ezell, Burnell Rex, Pat Berthiaume, Joan Forreidor, Fred & Ruth Eskuri, Sharon Faulkner, Mary Lou Burke, Dennis Brown, Chester Sulinski, Carolynn Chamberlain, Doreen Panyard, Greg Ezell, Mona Argentini, Larry Thomas, Dietmar Bennett, Jon Dickey, Margot Simmons, Sean Costa, John Holdrich, Don Randolph, Karen Smith, Audrey Stamps, Gary Krueger, Willa Francis, Piper Jandola, Margo Kiepert, Amy Meyer, Annette Morden, Helen Higgins-Kline, Ron Kline, Frances Fenwick

In Hospice care: Carol Knoeller

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



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**March 31, 2024
Easter Sunday**

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 front 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.

Church Staff

Co-Pastors
Pastor Andrea Barrios
Pastor Ken Barrios

Visitation Pastor
Pastor Carl Fischer

Celebration Worship Leader
Miles Mancini

Organist/Handbell Director
Cecil Buchinger

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Sonja Rozier

Choir Accompanist
Jean Sutton

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Rev. Eric Twine, Uganda

Synod Parish Deacons
Marianne Click
Gail Hintz
Steve Wuckert

SUNDAY STAR

TODAY'S SERVICE VOLUNTEERS

9:00am: GREETER: Mike & LuAnne Gruenke **BULLETINS:** Rosemarie Conklin

Reader: LuAnne Gruenke

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Tee Callan, Landon, Kathy Jacobsen, Anna Walsh, Harriette DiStefano, Hannah Barrios

10:45am: GREETER: Janet Anderson **BULLETINS:** Jim Anderson

Reader: Richard Schnur

OFFERING: Richard Schnur, Major Hatchell

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Corrye Hatchell, Major Hatchell, Rob White, Jennifer Fischer, Marianne Click, Eleanor Sulinski

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS: Early: Lenore Conenello Late: TBA

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 344

Bible Readings: Acts 10:34-43 Mark 16:1-8

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, Cathy Hyburg, Margaret Rose, Richard Schnur, Sandi Witzke



Let's Talk is an adult forum that meets every Sunday at 9:15 in Classroom E (off the courtyard)

Cancelled Easter Sunday

Monday - April 1

Office Closed

9:00a—~~Food Pantry~~ Closed

Tuesday—April 2

10:00a—~~Bible Study~~ Cancelled

Wednesday - April 3

9:00a—Food Pantry

*6:30p—Choir Rehearsal

Thursday - April 4

9:00a—Quilters

9:00a—Men's Breakfast-IHOP

Friday—April 5

Office Closed

6:00p—Tender Hearts-Spring Dance

Saturday -April 6

Office Closed

Sunday - April 7

9:00a - Celebration Worship

9:15a - Let's Talk

10:45a - Traditional Worship

*Today's altar flowers are presented by :
Doug Zook in memory of Marilyn Zook*

Also by....

Family & Friends of Sandy Santello' in honor of her first birthday in heaven.



The communion wine is presented by family & friends of Sandy Santello

In honor of her first birthday in Heaven

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

April 1— Charleen Woodfield, Steve Backstrom,
Cara Anderson-Briggs

April 2 — Robert Green, Marilyn Beiswanger, Kathy Banson

April 3 — Jane Stenberg, Lisa Mohr, Michael Landsberg

April 4 — Megan Dubbaneh

April 5 — Dolly Johnson, Ryan Molzahn, Emma Scaringella

April 6 — Dan Seaberg

THIS WEEK'S ANNIVERSARIES

April 2— Robert & Linda Green

63 yrs

April 2 — Nadine & Dave King

46 yrs

April 6— Tom & Janet Gramza

56 yrs

Our Financial Stewardship

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

FEB Actual \$104.6

15 year Mortgage

Needed \$101.6

as of 1/1/24 \$293.4

as of 2/29/24 \$285.5

Over/(Under) \$ 3.0

YTD reduction \$ 7.9

NET YTD—Feb 24 \$10.8

In-person Attendance

Mar 24, 2024— 456

Last year 2023— 384



Meet Christopher Briggs! Christopher is in the confirmation class and the service project he chose is to help the Sun Coast Humane Society by collecting donations on their “wish list”. Christopher loves animals and wants us to all remember that we are to help and protect them whenever and however we can. Thank you for helping him out with his project. Christopher will collect the items up until April 7th. He will deliver the items to the shelter in April.

ITEMS THAT THE SUN COAST HUMANE SOCIETY NEEDS TO HELP THEM TO CARE FOR THEIR ANIMALS....

Towels and blankets—needed to provide comfort for the animals. They are used as bedding for dogs and cats and can be sanitized and reused. We are unable to accept comforters or pillows.

Toys—a variety of toys are needed to keep the animals entertained. Please keep in mind that toys made of solid substances can be sanitized and reused. **i.e.—KONG TOYS or NYL-ABONES**

Pet food—dog and cat food is used to feed pets belonging to families in need.

Latex and Latex-Free Disposable Gloves—all sizes

Paper Towels, Toilet Paper, Trash Bags, Mops, Brooms, Squeegees—all to help keep shelter clean

Cleaning products including: bleach, Windex, dish soap, hand soap, air fresheners--we use specialized cleaning products for sanitizing the animals areas, but a variety of cleaning products are needed for general use

Single Women’s Ministry



The Single Women’s Ministry typically meets the first Monday of each month. This month they will be meeting Monday, April 8th at 11:00 am in the fellowship hall. Please bring a sack lunch. If you have questions you can call either Sally Simpson (941-661-4373) or Maryrose Risner (765-230-6603).

Holy Humor Sunday—APRIL 7th

What is Holy Humor Sunday? On this FUN Sunday, we rejoice with God that He had the last laugh over the devil on Easter when God raised His Son from the dead! There will be no more sadness, no more pain, only JOY as we celebrate the ultimate victory of the NEW LIFE we have in Christ Jesus our Lord! Our theme this year is the groovy 70’s with special emphasis on some great dance songs—remember those songs like... Saturday Night Fever, the Hustle, the YMCA (or like it will be named this year HTLC), Dancing Queen, Boogie Shoes....well, we will have some fun with these dance songs (and others) as Trinity’s Praise brings our focus to Christ’s victory over sin and death using fun lyrics to these different songs. It’s a day to worship, have fun and laugh! God is so good!!!! ALL THE TIME!!



We need your help to make this year’s Holy Humor another Sunday to remember! Please email a “dance pose photo” of you, your spouse, and family members to be included in the opening of our service on that Sunday (4/7). Full body/dance pose pictures are IDEAL but any picture(s) is/are better than nothing!

Please send your photo(s) with the names of all pictured and the service you usually attend (9am or 10:45am). You can send the photos to mnmanci-ni@gmail.com Thank you for your help! Trinity’s Praise Team



Easter Sunday Events



EASTER EGG HUNT following the 9:00 Worship Service (apx. 10:10am meet in the garden).

All children grade 5 and under are welcome to meet us in the garden!



Last Day to Sign Up



**Holy Trinity's Women's
Retreat**

**Dayspring Conference
Center (Parrish, FL)**

**Friday, April 12th
(late afternoon/evening)—
Sunday, April 14th
(end late morning)**

Cost: \$230/person—includes two nights, meals and supplies

**Join us for this retreat...a time to study, a time to relax, a time to laugh, play
and create with our sisters in Christ!**

Our study time will be focused on “The Storm Inside”—Trading the chaos of how we feel for the truth of who we are. We all face storms in life. Heartbreak. Fear. Regret. Insecurity. Shame. When those emotions well up inside us, it’s difficult to believe we will make it through. But God says, “Oh yes you will.” We will study the story of 4 different women of the Bible, whose stories still speak to us today, encouraging us that God is faithful and able to get us through the worst storms.

Along with the study we will have a few craft projects, play some games, and explore the canopy walk and other amenities on site. We will end the weekend with worship together.

Please email (pastorandrea@htlchurch.org) Pastor Andrea if you have any questions OR to sign up for the retreat.

Payment due by April 7

Last Day to Sign Up



From: Gayle Backiel, President of Mid-Gulf Conference

I would like to personally invite the women of your congregation to attend our Spring Gathering.

This year’s Gathering will be held at Living Waters Lutheran Church on Saturday, April 6th. The address is 12475 Chancellor Blvd, Port Charlotte. Registration will begin at 9:00 am. If interested contact Janice Hanus—863.558.0169



New Member Orientation

Monday, April 15th @ 6:30pm

If you are interested in joining our faith community, please let one of the pastors know or email the church office.



Calling all men. Join us for a fellowship breakfast the 1st and 3rd Thursday’s of each month at the IHOP on Tamiami Trail . No reservations necessary. We gather for food and fellowship at 9am.