



The Trinity Window

March 2024

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From the Pastor

Almighty God, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take our flesh upon him and to suffer death on the cross. Grant that we may share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

--Prayer of the Day for Palm/Passion Sunday.

March Events

On Sunday, March 10 there will be no worship due to the St. Patrick's Day Parade. **Please join us the evening before, Saturday, March 9 at 4:30 p.m. for worship**, with Pastor Kathleen Mills as our guest preacher.

On Sunday, March 17 join us **for Seafarers Sunday as we celebrate the retirement of Ruth Setaro as Port Chaplain after 27 years of service.** Pastor Marsh Luther Drege, Executive Director of Seafarers International House, will join us as guest preacher, and following the service there will be a special reception in Ruth's honor.

Lenten Soup Suppers continue every Thursday in Lent at 6:30 p.m., with a simple supper in the Parlor followed by brief Compline Prayer.

Holy Week Services

Palm Sunday / Sunday of the Passion

March 24, 10:15 am

Procession of the Palms, St. Mark's Passion
Palm Sunday Bake Sale

Maundy Thursday

March 28, 7:30 pm

Holy Communion, Individual Absolution,
Stripping of the Altar

Good Friday

March 29th, 7:30 pm

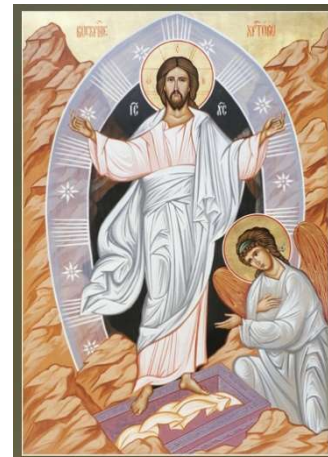
St. John's Passion, Solemn Reproaches of
the Cross

Easter Sunday - March 31st

The Resurrection of our Lord

9:30 am, Children's Easter Egg Hunt

10:15 am, Festival Service of Holy Com-
munion



--Pastor Mills+

Sanctuary Eternal Light

Burns to the glory of God *In Memory of:*



Burns to the glory of God *In Honor of:*

Carter Handy Feb 4th
Gail Pederstuen Feb 11th
Wayne Lubenow Feb 18th

Altar Flowers



Given to the glory of God...
*In Memory of all the Faithful De-
parted*

In Honor of:

Men's Fellowship Group

The next meeting of the Men's Fellowship Group will be announced at an upcoming worship service. Please stay tuned for details. Please contact Pastor Mills with any questions.

Trinity Window Articles

Trinity Window articles for the next issue are due by the 15th of every month. It is important that you get your articles in on time and think ahead for the next month. Please email articles to: Office@TrinityLutheranNH.org.

Articles must be submitted in WORD or PDF format.

PLEASE DO NOT EMBED THE TEXT OF YOUR ARTICLE IN THE EMAIL.

Oremus

"Let us pray"

This month we prayed for the following members and friends of Trinity who were sick and/or hospitalized:

Karen Johnson, Annie Wright, John Chaffin, Donald Langlois Jr., Christine Thomforde, Margaret Hawkins, Thaddeus Gensicki, Pat Panza, Jake Swanson, Don Johnston, Debbie Boychuck, Joseph Aceto Jr., Michael Pingle, Richard Werner, Mindy Durham, Dan Zawack, Rosie Weaver, Amanda Rice-Johnston, William Douglas, Julia Kanozo, Rita Roman, Mike & Lucy Nieves, Nancy Kops, Yoly Ortiz, Rachel Thompson, Kathryn Patrick, Wendy Lynn, Allison Empringham, Mimi Thompson, Mary Ellen Schoonmaker, Philip Cerrone, Sandy Noonan, Maria Roman, Elizabeth Leone, Pamela Simone, Vincent Villano, Frank Wright, Esther Goffinet, Nicole Donzello, Cindy Quinn, David Lewis, Glenn Pelc, Joe Marinelli, Suzanne Pallanti, Florence Flynn, Carol Lee Robinson, Melanie Thayer, Mary Wade Home and all assisted living facilities, Christian Community Action, and all who serve in the armed forces, especially: Daniel Burk, Christopher Bushy, Justin Coonrod, Jonathan Outlaw, and Ben deLaubell. And those who mourn Sean Noonan.



Upcoming Events

Here is a preliminary listing for the events we have for this month. Please mark your calendars in advance so you can save the dates.

March

Mar 3 rd	After Worship	Church Council
Mar 9 th	4:30 pm	WORSHIP
Mar 10 th		NO WORSHIP
Mar 11 th	5:00 pm	Confirmation Class
Mar 17 th	After Worship	R Setaro Retirement Celebration
Mar 24 th	After Worship	Blood Pressure Screen
Mar 28 th	7:30 pm	Maundy Thursday Worship
Mar 29 th	7:30 pm	Good Friday Worship
Mar 31 st	9:30 am	Easter Egg Hunt

Confirmation Classes will be held at Trinity

Operation Christmas Child



Operation Christmas Child

"Run with perseverance the race marked out for us" Hebrews 12:1-2

The above is the theme verse for the Northsat for 2024. The total for Northsat shoeboxes for 2023 are in. 405,232 shoeboxes were collected. We were a part of this great total. How great it is that we at Trinity get to spread the gospel to so many.

I have signed the recommitment forms for 2024 to continue as a drop of location.

National Collection week 2024 is November 18 - 25. Mark your calendars now and plan to be a part of the excitement that always lights up so many faces. The plan thus far is to keep the daily drop off schedule the same as last year as it seemed to work well.

REMINDER

Our annual Palm Sunday Bake Sale will be held on March 24th after Church in the parlor. Proceeds will go toward the shipping cost of our 2024 boxes. Baked goods are needed. See me for questions or details. Your pallet is sure to be satisfied with yummy delectable for a great cause.

As always our collection box is always available in the Narthex for your donated shoebox items.

Yours for the children
Barbara Mourer OCC Chairperson and Drop off Coordinator

Thank You !

Hi all!

I want to thank the congregation for awarding me the Herpich scholarship. This money will fund my master's degree at Albertus Magnus College in New Haven, CT. Upon graduation this December, I will be one step closer to becoming a licensed CPA in Connecticut. I am appreciative of all Trinity has done for my family and me.

All the best,
Kevin Morris

Dear Trinity Lutheran Church,
Thank you for the Eleanor Herpich Scholarship. It will help me to cover the costs of school and reach my goal of studying fire science and becoming a firefighter.

Ryan Morris

Dear Trinity Lutheran Church,
Thank you for the Eleanor Herpich scholarship money. It was an honor to receive it. It will further help me to become a professional pilot, and I really appreciate it.

Patrick Morris

Mary Wade Service

Join us in our outreach to The Mary Wade Home, 118 Clinton Avenue, New Haven. Come help sing, assist in worship and/or visit with the residents! The date for our next service will be announced

CHURCH COUNCIL

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Monthly B.P. Screening



Deb Nicolson, Parish Nurse, has scheduled the next Blood Pressure Screenings for **Sunday, Mar 24th** Deb will do the screenings in Pastor's office after worship. A quick cleaning of equipment will be done

between each person.

DON'T FORGET YOUR FLU SHOT and the UPDATED COVID VACCINE ! if it is recommended by your doctor. Also, anyone age 60+ should consider getting the RSV (respiratory syncytial virus) vaccine.

Are You Interested in Serving?

Are you interested in serving on the Altar Guild, being a lector, or usher? Please email or call the office to let us know how you would like to assist in worship at Trinity. The office phone number is 203-787-6521 or email Office@TrinityLutheranNH.org

INSPIRATION

If you cry because the sun has gone out of your life, your tears will prevent you from seeing the stars.

Rabindranath Tagore

End Hunger

In lieu of ordering Easter Lillies, we are asking members to instead, consider making a donation to either the ELCA World Hunger fund or to our local food banks.

Where Are You ?

As you might imagine the church has quite a collection of phone numbers, home and email addresses. We are hoping to "clean-up" our files and get rid of any outdated information. We're asking that you please fill out one of the forms provided and return it to the church office.

PARKING AT TRINITY

Everyone is aware that there is limited off-street parking available at Trinity. There are spaces in the driveway and behind Emerson. We are happy to make these spaces available when possible. There are deliveries, and contractors who also need access to these spaces. **If you would like to use these spaces you MUST contact the church office for approval before you park. Do Not just park and assume that it's okay.**

Weather Related Church Closings

Winter is here and we never know what it can bring! Please note that any weather related delays, cancelations or closing of Trinity will be broadcast on WTNH 8, WFSB 3, NBC 30 and Fox 61. This information is also available on their websites at www.wtnh.com, www.fox61.com, www.wfsb.com and www.nbcconnecticut.com

Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers

1253 Whitney Ave

Hamden, CT 06517

475-257-6538; www.carenewhaven.org

38 YEARS AS THE GOOD NEIGHBOR

Are you looking for a new volunteer opportunity? Can you drive an elderly person to a doctor's appointment? Visit with an elder from time to time? Please consider joining our team and discover how your small acts of kindness can make a huge difference in the life of an elder in our community. Since 1983, Interfaith Volunteer Care Givers (IVCG) has assisted seniors in the Greater New Haven area by fostering independent living and reducing isolation. We train and insure volunteers from area faith communities and civic organizations to offer free neighborly services with compassion and love.

To find out more, please check out our website: www.carenewhaven.org

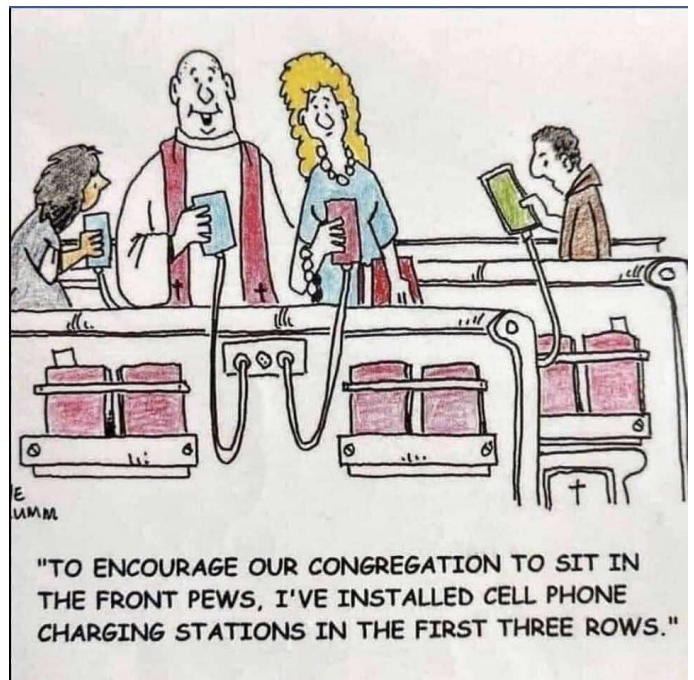
Volunteer Orientation & Training At The Connecticut Hospice, Inc.

The Connecticut Hospice, Inc. (inpatient and homecare). is sponsoring volunteer orientation and training this fall. If you or someone you know is looking for an opportunity to serve others in your community, we would like to hear from you. Our patients and families are in need of your care and support. As a volunteer, you can fill your hours (weekdays/evenings or weekends) by assisting in a clerical capacity or offering direct patient/family contact as a friendly visitor, provide pastoral care or bereavement services, help in arts, massage therapy, pet therapy, hairdresser/barber or provide transportation. For more information, please contact Joan Cullen at 203-315-7510 or jcullen@hospice.com

Time for a Laugh

A priest and a taxi driver both died and went to heaven. St. Peter was at the Pearly gates waiting for them. "Come with me," said St. Peter to the taxi driver. The taxi driver did as he was told and followed St Peter to a mansion. It had everything you could imagine from a bowling alley to an Olympic size pool. "Oh my word, thank you," said the taxi driver.

Next, St. Peter led the priest to a rough old shack with a bunk bed and a little old television set. "Wait, I think you are a little mixed up," said the priest. "Shouldn't I be the one who gets the mansion? After all, I was a priest, went to church every day, and preached God's word. "Yes, that's true." St Peter rejoined, "But during your Easter sermons people slept. When the taxi driver drove, everyone prayed."



MARCH CELEBRATIONS AND ANNIVERSARIES



BIRTHDAYS

Mar 1 st	Finley Setaro
Mar 2 nd	Krista Ching
Mar 3 rd	Thom Hayes
Mar 7 th	Evelyn Ching
Mar 7 th	Justin Handy
Mar 7 th	Lois Stover
Mar 8 th	John Chaffin
Mar 8 th	Stephanie Mims
Mar 9 th	Colin Morris
Mar 14 th	Caroline Mills
Mar 16 th	Justin Lamont
Mar 16 th	John Mills
Mar 19 th	Mark Setaro
Mar 22 nd	Theresa Driscoll
Mar 24 th	Fred Sundermann
Mar 27 th	Karen Golden



BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES

Mar 6 th	Kai Langlois
Mar 17 th	Ryan Langlois
Mar 27 th	Wayne Lubenow
Mar 30 th	Justin Handy



WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Mar 22 nd	Amy & Justin Handy
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Easter 2024 Donations to End Hunger

Donations may be made to the **ELCA World Hunger Fund** or to support **Local Food Banks**. You can note your designation on this form, or on the Memo line of you check.

<u>Amount</u>	<u>In Honor or In Memory of Name:</u>	<u>Given by:</u>	<u>ELCA / Local Food Bank</u>
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CONGRATULATIONS !!!



**Annie and Frank – Married 25 Years !
Frank Wright 90 Years Young !**

Eleanor Herpich Scholarships Awarded



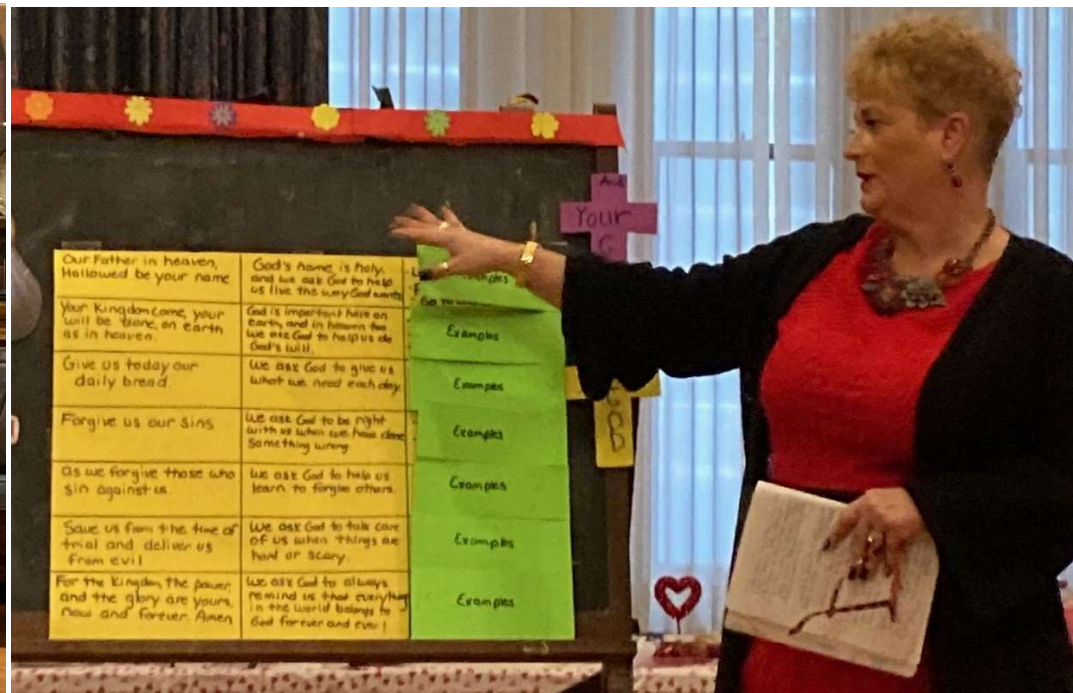
**Congratulations !
Ryan, Kevin and Patrick Morris
February 18, 2024**

Trinity Talks



**Priscilla & Grant Herreid
Piffaro – The Renaissance Band**

Intergenerational Fellowship Time



Come and Join Us !

Ready to Volunteer? Connecticut Hospice Wants You!

Volunteers are the heart of The Connecticut Hospice. Founded locally in 1974, the hospice continues to set the standard for home and inpatient hospice and palliative care.

Our mission to serve the needs of our patients and their families is made possible by our dedicated team of volunteers. Our staff is very welcoming and all training is provided for you.

Our volunteer openings include these roles:

- **Homecare Volunteers:** Roles include providing companionship, quiet presence, light housekeeping, and respite for family members to run errands. These patients are either in their own homes or living in an Assisted Living or Skilled Nursing Facility. We have patients who need such care in both New Haven and Fairfield Counties.
- **Weekend Reception:** Weekly 4-hour shifts greeting families and checking them in. Minimal computer skills required.
- **Data Entry/Clerical:** We have open roles to fill in several departments at our Branford facility.
- **Musicians:** Flexible hours to play in our lobby or in our Branford in-patient care unit.

To find out more, please contact Joan Cullen, Director of Volunteers for The Connecticut Hospice, at 203-315-7510 or via jcullen@hospice.com.