

Trinity Tidings for March 2026

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Lent 2026



Greetings Trinity Family,
Blessings to you all in this season of Lent. As we journey through this time of repentance and reflection, we look to the ways in which we can give of ourselves in service to others that they might know the love and hope of Jesus Christ.

As a mission-oriented congregation, we have a tradition of joyously giving our time, talent, and treasures to those in need. Two years ago, we sent a number of our Trinity family into the mission field as they headed to North Carolina to assist in making needed home repairs for folks who couldn't afford it otherwise. We accomplished this work through **Carolina Rebuild Ministries**. Learn about them at www.crmhome.org.

And so, this year our special Lenten offering will support the work of CRM. Here's a snippet taken from their website that explains the work they do:

CRM currently serves North Carolina's northeastern Counties of Washington, Chowan, and Bertie. Together with our teams of volunteers, we work with low-income homeowners to provide accessibility upgrades and repairs that target health and safety.

Typical repairs can include:

- *Wall & Ceiling Sheetrock*
- *Floors/Subfloors*
- *Re-roofing*
- *Wheelchair Ramp*
- *Plumbing & Electrical*
- *Window/Door*
- *Weatherization*

Won't you please consider supporting this ministry through your prayers and your financial gifts? Lenten offering envelopes are available in the Narthex. May God guide you to people and places of need and equip you to serve them with hope and joy.

Peace and grace abide in you,
The Stewardship Team



Kids of the Kingdom
Sundays During Service



Kids of the Kingdom

Beginning Sunday, February 1st, a new Sunday School for children ages preschool through 4th grade will be offered. Kids of the Kingdom will meet after the Sunday morning Children’s Message. We will meet twice a month in the library. Our time will be filled with Bible stories and activities. On Sundays when we don’t meet, children will receive an activity bag to enjoy during worship. Following are dates for Kids of the Kingdom:

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| February 1, 15 | June 7, 21 |
| March 1, 15 | July 5, 19 |
| April 5, 19 | August 2, 16 |
| May 3, 17 | Fall Schedule TBD |

**Sunday, March 1st following Worship.
We will review and approve the
2025 Annual Report
as well as the 2026 Endowment Budget.**



HELP TO GROW OUR EASTER GARDEN – Beginning March 1, there will be a sign-up sheet available in the narthex for Easter flowers. The price for daffodils, hyacinths, and tulips will be \$8.00, mums will be \$9.00, and lilies will be \$10.00.



Lenten Schedule for 2026

March 4, Wednesday

12:00 Ministerium Lenten Service at UCC of Robesonia
6:00 Soup and Study
7:00 Evening Prayer

March 11, Wednesday

12:00 Ministerium Lenten Service at St. John's Hains
6:00 Soup and Study
7:00 Evening Prayer

March 18, Wednesday

NO 10:30 Holy Communion

12:00 Ministerium Lenten Service at Trinity Wernersville
6:00 Soup and Study
7:00 Evening Prayer

March 25, Wednesday

12:00 Ministerium Lenten Service at Trinity Wernersville
6:00 Soup and Study
7:00 Evening Prayer

March 29, Palm Sunday of the Passion

10:30 Fellowship
11:00 Worship

March 30, Monday

5:30 Tentative Vigil practice

April 2, Maundy Thursday

7:30 Worship

April 3, Good Friday

7:30 Tenebrae Service

April 4, The Easter Vigil

2:00 Practice for those involved in the service
5:00 Easter Vigil begins outside

April 5, The Resurrection of Our Lord

10:30 Fellowship
11:00 Worship

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL TASK FORCE – What’s this? Time to get the Strawberry juices flowing to design, organize, and orchestrate the



June 13, 2026 Trinity Strawberry Festival, 3:30 - 7:30 pm.

Do you have some suggestions?? new ideas?? old ideas to revive??. We will listen, adapt, and move forward. YOU are welcome to join us! **Tuesday March 31, 2026 at 7:30 pm** in the church library. Contact—BL Franzen 610-781-8132 or BLou-clue@comcast.net with questions or

Church Council Highlights from February

1. During the congregational meeting, Bob Bashore will thank those who filled out Estimate of Giving cards and explain, “Mission Support”.
2. We saved \$632.95 in gas usage in the last 3 months with the new furnace over the previous year.
3. Bob Bashore will be preaching 4 sermons as required for his Licensed Lay Minister certification.
4. New spotlights have been installed above the altar.
5. We will be upgrading our Shepherd’s Staff software for the first time in 10 years.

Please remember in your prayers:

Members who are sick or recently hospitalized:

Members who are homebound or in care facilities: Sharon Gring, Joan Kava, Diane Klinger, Bob Kohler, Carolyn Kurtz, Janice Lamm, Betty Reber and Pat Sickles. |

The Military: John Kurtz.

Family and Friends: Justin Audet, Eleanor Brossman’s daughter Kim, Arline G., Delores Hickernell, Karen Kline, Bronwyn Morgan, Eileen Rhoad, Karen and Linda.

Special Ministries: Our missionary in Tanzania-Stephen Friberg and his Family.

Please let us know when to remove people from the prayer list.

PRAYER CHAIN

For confidential prayers for yourself or other
Call Mary Young at 610-678-4470 to activate the prayer chain.

Thank you for participating in the mission of Jesus Christ through your gifts to Trinity. How gifts may be received: ***Online giving via Trinity’s website: www.trinitywernersville.org**



Or scan the QR-code with your phone camera to connect to Trinity’s Donate page. There you can securely make a one-time gift or set up recurring donations.

*Regular mail: 130 S. Walnut St., Wernersville 19565

*Vanco Mobile App. using debit or credit.

*To make changes to automatic withdrawal use invite code hpfk34.

Flower and Bulletin Sponsorship

The cost of sponsoring the flowers is \$45.00. The cost of sponsoring the bulletins is \$15.00. If you choose, you may decide how you want to sponsor flowers. There are any number of ways to do that: cut your own when appropriate, provide potted plants or flowers like mums, poinsettias, lilies, etc. . . . You are free to design your own arrangements. As always you may take your arrangements home with you after worship. You may also request we use our own artificial flowers and donate the \$45 to the general fund. Or please feel free to purchase them the traditional way: simply sign up, put \$45 in an envelope, and place it in the offering plate. **Most importantly, you must indicate on the flower sign up if you are going to provide flowers yourself, so Barbara knows not to order them from Royer's.**

We need Flower Sponsors for 3/22 and 3/29. Please sign up in the book in the narthex.

Altar Flower Sponsors for March: 3/1-Betty Schaeffer in honor of her daughter-in-law, Agnes's birthday, 3/8-Cheri Giangiacomo in memory of our friends this year, 3/15-Scott & Betty Lou Franzen in memory of Lydia Beth, 3/22-Available, 3/29-Available

Bulletin Sponsors for March: 3/1-Mary Young in memory & honor of Deacon Carol Koch, our extraordinary Administrative Assistant, 3/8-Leslie Pirl-Roth in honor of Rick's 30th Birthday, 3/15-Mary Young in memory & honor of Deacon Carol Koch, a wonderful friend, 3/22-Cheri Giangiacomo in memory of our friends this year, 3/29-Carol Yachnik In honor of Carol & Michael Yachnik's 66th Wedding Anniversary

Helpers for March

Altar Guild: Betty Lou Franzen

Communion Bread: Betty Lou Franzen

Communion Assistant: 3/1-Sam Shoumlisky, 3/8-Dawn Hickernell, 3/15-Jerry Jarsocrak, 3/22-Alexis Shoumlisky, 3/29-Harmony Wentzel, Kay Stout, and Kevin Kurtz

Acolytes: 3/1-Tedd Hickernell, 3/8-Quentin Light, 3/15-Owen Wentzel, 3/22-Alexis Shoumlisky, 3/29-Julie Sutliff

Lay Readers: 3/1-Elaine Briner, 3/8-Julie Sutliff, 3/15-Carol Yachnik, 3/22-Ed Evans, 3/29-Charlotte Moyer

Ushers: 3/1-Lawry, 3/8-Bashore, 3/15- Kurtz, 3/22-Given, 3/29-Shoumlisky

Sound System: 3/1- Owen Wentzel, 3/8-Scott Franzen, 3/15-Stephanie Kurtz, 3/18-Scott Franzen(12 noon), 3/22-Wendell Byler, 3/25-Wendell Byler(12noon), 3/29-Michael Weiler

Counters: 3/1-Hassler-Schappell, 3/8-Rapley/Pirl-Roth, 3/15-Hummel/Jarsocrak, 3/22-Debiec/Rinehimer, 3/29-Franzen

Snacks: 3/1-Barbara Debiec, 3/8-Beth Byler, 3/15-Jennifer Coldren, 3/22-Available, 3/29-Leslie Pirl-Roth

Bulletin Assemblers: 3/1-Mary Young, 3/8-Mary Jane Evans, 3/15-Marilyn Weatherholtz, 3/22-Kay Hassler, 3/29-Laura Krick

Newsletter Assembly: Barbara Debiec

Church Council Members

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