



Trinity Topics

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Message from Pastor Josh

We are doing a new thing to help ensure that pastoral care is more readily available. No pastor can be available all the time. In addition to days off, pastors attend conferences, take vacations, and sometimes come down with contagious illnesses. Our closest ELCA neighbor, Messiah Lutheran (Redwood City) has an interim pastor, and it makes sense that the two pastors cover for each other for pastoral emergencies. It will be important that the people of each congregation get to know the other congregation's pastor. To that end, Messiah and Holy Trinity will begin regular pulpit exchange during the Easter season.

The Reverend Pamela Griffith Pond is a certified Intentional Interim Pastor who has served congregations in transition in Redwood City, Vallejo, San Francisco, San Lorenzo and Stockton. She served as a settled pastor for five years in San Rafael. She completed Basic Training in Intentional Interim Ministry through the Interim Ministry Network, and certification in Appreciative Transitional Ministry through the Clergy Leadership Institute. Pastor Pamela served as executive director of Marin Interfaith Worker Justice, one of more than 60 affiliated organizations across the country that educate congregations and people of faith about economic justice and mobilize them to support low-wage workers in their struggle for justice in the workplace. Her advocacy for marginalized people has also included night ministry in Seattle and San Francisco, helping secure prenatal care for poor Hispanic women in Orange County, California, and advocating for full inclusion of LGBTQ people in the life and ministry of the ELCA. Pastor Pamela serves on the Sierra Pacific Synod's Interim Steering Committee. She served on the faculty of The Art of Transitional Ministry during the summer of 2015, and co-facilitates a weekly clergy phone conference through the Clergy Leadership Institute. Pastor Pamela is a co-founder of Stand Up for Neighborly Novato, an affordable housing advocacy group. She has served on the Elder Care Alliance Board of Directors and the Marin Interfaith Council Justice Advocacy Team. Her spouse, Dave Pond, is a software development manager for a medical diagnostics company. They enjoy hiking, reading, gardening, and being run ragged by their golden retriever puppies, Cinnamon Bun and Dancing Moonbeam. Pastor Pamela and Dave have two grown children, Rebekah and Erik, both of whom live in the Bay Area.



Celebrate Holy Week and Easter at Holy Trinity



Palm/Passion Sunday, April 9

10:15 am | Holy Communion with Procession of Palms

Maundy Thursday, April 13

7:00 pm | Worship Service

Good Friday, April 14

7:00 pm | Worship and Adoration of the Cross

Sunday, April 2 | Noon

Navajo Lutheran Mission/School & Thrivent Team Up!

Join us for a light luncheon in Beilstein Hall sponsored by Thrivent to fundraise for Rock Point, AZ Lutheran Mission & School. We are creating no-sew tied fleece blankets for the families in winter, writing greetings/notes to the school students and children can color their own stained glass paper design to take home. We are asking for your support as part of the Lenten fundraising ministry activity for Rock Point.

Please volunteer/donate towards this longtime HTLC & WELCA social ministry! Questions? See Barbara Padilla.

Saturday, April 15 | 9 am

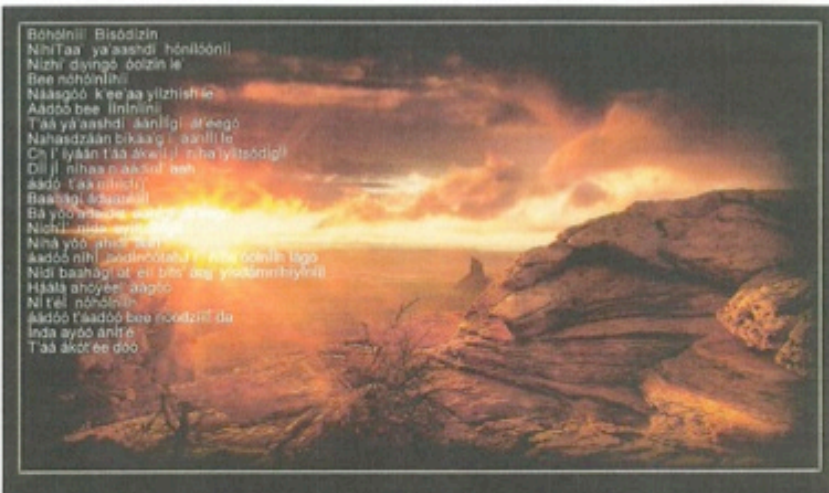
Youth to meet in Beilstein Hall to prepare for Easter breakfast and egg hunt. Fun tasks including baking, filling easter eggs, setting up tables & chairs, and decorating.

EASTER SUNDAY, April 16
The Resurrection of Our Lord

9:00 am Easter Breakfast
with free-will offering

9:30 am Easter Egg Hunt

10:15 am Festive Church Service



Bóhóníí! Bísóódzín
Nihítáa' ya' aashdi' hónííóníí
Nizhi' d'iyíngó' óózin' íe
Bee' n'ohónííá'
Máásgó' k'ee' aa' yízhish' íe
Aadó' bee' líínííni'
T'áá' ya' aashdi' ááníígi' á' eegó'
Nahandzáan' bikaag' á' aashí' íe
Ch' í' íyáán' t'áá' ákwé' í' ná' h'á'yátsóógi'
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Nihítáa' The Lord's Prayer in Navajo Language

Our Father at heaven. You who are there,
Your name is being holy. Let it be kept.
Your kingdom, further on let it be increased,
And may your will works, just like it works at heaven,
Let it work on the Earth.
The food you feed us every day. Give it to us today again.
And those who do wrong toward us, we forgive them (put it aside)
In that way forgive us for our mistakes and sins.
And do not send us to the tempting place
But save us away from it.
Because the only You who are in charge
Forever and ever
And there nothing stronger than You
Also You are the great.
Let it be that way. (Amen)

Endangered Languages Project-Navajo-/The Lord's Prayer
www.endangeredlanguages.com

Sunday, April 30, 2017 after worship

representatives Greg Jahnke and Amy Beuthel Hastings will be at Holy Trinity and will offer a brief explanation/presentation arranged by the Endowment Committee and Stewardship Team. Everyone is invited to attend to learn how Holy Trinity can benefit from Thrivent's commitment to "live generously". A light lunch will be provided!



A Huge Thank You to all our volunteers for Home & Home from February 26 - March 5. You have made such a difference in the lives of our guests who stayed with us!! They wish to express their gratitude for all the help, prayers, and support you offered and dedicated to their lives. It was the love of Christ in action!

Over 40 people contributed to our set up/ take down, meals, overnight hosts, monetary donations, shopping, laundry, and visiting time with the families. Many of you also held us all in prayer, and we are grateful to St. Charles Catholic Church, San Carlos.

~ Barbara Padilla & John Schornstein



PMC Joins in Free Dental Clinic

The Peninsula Multifaith Coalition is joining in the California Dental Association free dental clinic **April 21-23** at the San Mateo Event Center. Volunteers are needed to set up and take down the clinic, register patients and volunteers, escort patients and translate, conduct exit interviews, enter data, provide oral health education, food and beverage services, and more. To learn more and register to volunteer, visit cdfoundation.org/sanmateo. Questions? See Dick Rescho.



Home & Hope Article Highlighting Volunteers

Meet Barbara and Leroy Padilla, two of three coordinators at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in San Carlos. Their selflessness and care for other shines through in their interactions with our guest families. Thank you for your continued support over the years!

For our second Volunteer Spotlight, staff members Aliyah and Adriana conducted a joint interview with Barbara:

ALIYAH: How did you start volunteering?

BARBARA: I was at another church doing similar things, and in 2005 I joined Home & Hope. I was the person who got the volunteers for [the church we are currently at], Holy Trinity.

A: Why did you come to this church, specifically?

B: I think it is a good facility and is a good space to serve what Home & Hope does.

A: Why do you like to volunteer?

B: I think the most important way you can give to your community is by sharing your time with people.

A: If you could describe Home & Hope in one word, what would it be?

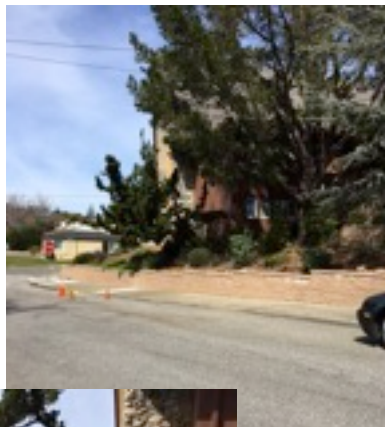
B: Compassion. Home & Hope is about being compassionate and seeing people in their entirety, recognizing their transition, and helping them.

ADRIANA: What is your favorite part of volunteering?

BARBARA: I like seeing the smiles of the children and preparing arts and crafts with them.

A: What keeps you coming back to Home & Hope every year?

B: The ability to give families time to reorganize their lives.



Tree removal near the church, after storm and water damage.



Wednesday Lenten worship.

MAKE ROOM FOR GENER

With these 7 tips, you can work generosity into your life, even when time and money are tight.

Your heart breaks when you learn about a family in need of food or shelter. You want to help, but what can you do when you're feeling time-crunched and strapped for money supporting your own family? You just may find the answer in these seven ideas to help you be generous without breaking your budget.



1. Follow Your Heart.

Give your gifts of money and time to the causes that are most important to you, says Todd Sipe, president and CEO of Thrivent Federal Credit Union. "There are so many great causes. Support the one or two that mean the most to you." Giving from the heart will be the most meaningful to you and will help keep you engaged in the cause.



2. Give Wisely.

Make sure that your money is going to a credible nonprofit, whatever the size of your gift, says Sandra Miniutti, vice president of marketing at Charity Navigator, an independent charity watchdog organization. "There are about 1 million charities in this country," she says. "Research shows that the vast majority of them work hard and with integrity, but it's always a good idea to vet any charity before making a gift." You can do so at Charity Navigator, which evaluates and ranks more than 8,000 of the country's largest charities.



3. Create a 'Bucket of Generosity.'

Open a bank account exclusively for your charitable donations, Sipe suggests. "If you set aside \$25 every time you get paid, by the end of the year, you'll have \$600 or \$700 to give away," he says. That amount is significant for any organization. "We find that people who have a bucket of generosity give much more proactively and consistently," he adds.

OSITY

MAXIMIZE YOUR IMPACT WITH A THRIVENT ACTION TEAM

Your gift of time, talent and/or dollars can do even more when you form a Thrivent Action Team. Available to all members, a Thrivent Action Team is a way to support a need in your community. Teams receive tips, resources and seed money from Thrivent to jump-start a service project, fundraiser or educational activity. More than 100,000 Thrivent Action Teams were led by Thrivent members in 2016.

To create a Thrivent Action Team, identify the need, gather volunteers, create a plan for addressing the need and fill out an application online.

Benefit members each can lead two teams per year, each associate member can lead one team per year and a total of three over his or her lifetime. To learn more and fill out an application, visit Thrivent.com/livegenerously. Or, call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Action Teams" at the prompt.



4. Set Up Recurring Gifts.

"If you can't give \$100 now, consider setting up a \$5 or \$10 monthly gift throughout the year," Miniutti says. "Charities love recurring gifts because it's money they can budget and plan for."



5. Get a Matching Donation.

"Many employers match some or all of an employee's donations to charitable organizations, which significantly increases the impact of your gift," Miniutti says. Check with your human resources department to learn if your company provides a match.



6. Sell Instead of Donate.

Though you might think that a charity would benefit from your gently used clothing or household goods, many organizations simply don't have the capacity to deal with them. "Gifts of used goods can end up being really costly for a nonprofit," Miniutti says. Instead, organize a garage sale or sell items online to turn your old things into cash. Then donate the proceeds.



7. Give Your Time and Talent.

"Periodically, my wife and I visit area nursing homes with a group of friends," Sipe says. "We take coffee and doughnuts, spend some time with the residents, then wash windows. We say we give the seniors a better view of the world—but we give ourselves a better view of the world, too." The opportunities for volunteering are nearly limitless—from serving a meal at a soup kitchen to visiting with sick people at a hospital to helping stuff envelopes for a charity event.

Molly Culbertson writes for a variety of publications and blogs at myviewfromhome.com.

Lydia Circle (WELCA)



Tuesday, April 18 | 12:30 pm

We will meet again at Lillian Pogreba's temporary home in Brookdale Senior housing, 485 Woodside Rd. in Redwood City We continue to study Paul's letter to the Galatians. The text for the lesson is Gal. 5:1 - 6:18 and can be found on pg. 24 of your April issue of *Gather*. Please bring your Bible, a lunch and *Gather*. Tea and refreshments will be served. Any questions, please see Lynn Garbe-Recknagel.

All women of Holy Trinity are welcome. *Join us!*



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

A birthday is God's reminder to enjoy life. May your birthday be a day of celebration!

- 4/1 Cole Baker
- Tony Ledwith
- 4/4 Peter Meier
- 4/10 Rick Gilmore
- 4/13 Lisa Antonino
- 4/15 Greg Bohlmann
- Cameron Haas
- 4/17 Hannah Meier
- 4/21 Lynn Garbe-Recknagel
- 4/23 Kate Rohrer
- 4/24 Johnathan Rodgers

ANNIVERSARY WISHES!

God bless you as you celebrate your years together!

Pamela & Greg Bohlmann
4/1/1994 (23 years)

American Cancer Society Relay for Life

Saturday, May 6

Join Team HTLC! This year it will be at Sequoia High School in Redwood City on May 6 and again Holy Trinity will sponsor a team. During April we will have our Luminaria board, giving the opportunity to honor friends & family affected by cancer with the donation of a Luminaria bag (\$10 ea). We will also have the gift card drawing fundraiser – this year the goal is to get enough support from HTLC members & friends so that the drawing will not need to be extended to the entire Relay for Life event (meaning all winners will be associated with HTLC in some way!). Each prize will consist of \$50 - \$75 in gift cards; tickets will be \$5 each or 5 for \$20, & once again supporters can choose their own prize. Keep an eye out for more info.

Save the Date: September 9

Trinity is hosting a community-wide event in honor of Reformation 500. The planning team is actively preparing details to include fun, games, food, beverage and most importantly social outreach activities. Everyone's participation is needed and there is a job for everyone irregardless of age or circumstance!



Contact a member of the leadership team and offer your help:

- Sandy Frojelin/Bob Beuthel: Co-chairs
- Petra Gilmore: food
- Mary Webb: home brew; beverages
- Youth Activities: Anna Friedman
- Publicity/communication: Lori Friedman
- Social outreach activities: Barbara Padilla
- Displays: Christine and Kemp Segerhammar
- Set-up/clean-up: Leroy Padilla
- Thrivent Action proposals: John McDowell

**Martin Luther Reformation Pilgrimage
August 30 - September 6**

Former HTLC Pastor Dan Smith is leading a 500th Anniversary of the Reformation Pilgrimage to Germany this summer from August 30 - September 6. Join us for this tour which includes Worms, Wartburg Castle, the Augustinian Monastery, Luther's birthplace in Eisleben, Buchenwald, the Wittenberg Castle Church, Berlin, and more! For more details, go to www.travelillum.com/trc/vks for details. Questions? See Dick Rescho.

Prayer Ministry

The prayer chain is an important part of HTLC's ministry. If you would like to be part of this ministry praying for those in need, please contact either:

Ruby Phillips at (650)593-0228
or Anita Reimann reimann.anita@gmail.com

A P R I L C A L E N D A R S

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 9:15 AM Adult Forum 10:00 AM Confirmation Field Trip 10:15 AM Worship Service 11:15 AM Coffee and Fellowship 11:30 AM Choir Practice 5:00 PM AA Meeting--Conf Room	27 Peninsula Multifaith Coalition (PMC) Meeting 6:00 PM Fitness Class--Beilstein Hall	28	29 6:30 PM Midweek Lenten Service 7:00 PM AA Meeting--Conf Room	30	31 7:00 PM AA Meeting--Conf Room 7:30 PM Russian Gospel Temple--Beilstein Hall	1 8:00 AM Men's Breakfast - Beilstein Hall 9:00 AM Spring Sparkle + 5:00 PM AA Mtg (women's group)--Conf Room
2 9:15 AM Adult Forum 10:15 AM Youth-led Worship Service 11:15 AM Coffee and Fellowship 11:30 AM Choir Practice 12:00 PM Navajo Lutheran Mission Luncheon Fundraiser 5:00 PM AA Meeting--Conf Room	3 6:00 PM Fitness Class--Beilstein Hall	4	5 6:30 PM Midweek Lenten Service 7:00 PM AA Meeting--Conf Room	6 6:30 PM W&M Team Meeting	7 7:00 PM AA Meeting--Conf Room 7:30 PM Russian Gospel Temple--Beilstein Hall	8 5:00 PM AA Mtg (women's group)--Conf Room
9 PALM/PASSION SUNDAY 9:15 AM Adult Forum 10:15 AM Worship Service 11:15 AM Coffee and Fellowship 11:30 AM Choir Practice 5:00 PM AA Meeting--Conf Room	10 OFFICE CLOSED 6:00 PM Fitness Class--Beilstein Hall	11 10:00 AM Executive Team Planning	12 7:00 PM AA Meeting--Conf Room	13 MAUNDY THURSDAY 7:00 PM Worship Service	14 GOOD FRIDAY 7:00 PM AA Meeting--Conf Room 7:00 PM Worship & Adoration of the Cross 7:30 PM Russian Gospel Temple--Beilstein Hall	15 9:00 AM Easter Set-up - Beilstein Hall 5:00 PM AA Mtg (women's group)--Conf Room
16 EASTER SUNDAY 9:00 AM Easter Breakfast 9:30 AM Easter Egg Hunt 10:15 AM Worship Service 11:15 AM Coffee and Fellowship 5:00 PM AA Meeting--Conf Room	17 6:00 PM Fitness Class--Beilstein Hall	18 12:30 PM Lydia Circle	19 7:00 PM AA Meeting--Conf Room 7:00 PM Council Meeting	20	21 7:00 PM AA Meeting--Conf Room 7:30 PM Russian Gospel Temple--Beilstein Hall	22 5:00 PM AA Mtg (women's group)--Conf Room
23 9:15 AM Adult Forum 10:00 AM Confirmation Field Trip - Glide Memorial 10:15 AM Worship Service 11:15 AM Coffee and Fellowship 11:30 AM Choir Practice 5:00 PM AA Meeting--Conf Room	24 6:00 PM Fitness Class--Beilstein Hall	25 5:00 PM Sierra Club Potluck -- Beilstein	26 7:00 PM AA Meeting--Conf Room	27 7:00 PM Healthy Start Mtg	28 7:00 PM AA Meeting--Conf Room 7:30 PM Russian Gospel Temple--Beilstein Hall	29 5:00 PM AA Mtg (women's group)--Conf Room 6:30 PM Green Octave Faculty Concert
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Worship Leaders

	4/2 (Youth)	4/9	4/16 (Easter)	4/23	4/30
Organist	Duane S	Duane S	Duane S	Duane S	Duane S
Assisting Minister	Cathy Bready	Erik Vorhes	Pamela Bohlmann	Gary Wiessinger	Anita Reimann
Lector	Youth		Randy Friedman	Barbara Padilla	Doug Southard
Acolyte	Hannah Meier	Eva Schmuckal	Max Reimann	Jack Wiessinger	Cameron Martin
Sound System Operator	Greg Bohlmann	John Schornstein	John McDowell	Leroy Padilla	Dave Pitts
Altar Guild	Vivian Southard	Karen Schornstein	Barbara Richards	Pamela Bohlmann	Vivian Southard
Greeter(s)	Ann Wunderlich	Andrea Reiser	Lynn Garbe-Recknagel	Hillary Wiessinger	Barbara Richards
Ushers	Richard Wunderlich	Dick Rescho	Greg Bohlmann	Dick Rescho John McDowell	TBD
Nursery Assistant	Parent to Stay	Parent to Stay	Parent to Stay	Parent to Stay	Parent to Stay
Coffee Host	Hillary Wiessinger	Lisa Kersten	Lori Friedman	Cathy Bready	Julianne Fredericks
Counters	Lisa Telfer John McDowell	Barbara Padilla Mary Webb	Greg Bohlmann Andrea Reiser	Lisa Kersten Chris Kidwell	TBD

If a conflict prevents you from serving, please arrange a trade/substitute and notify the office: 650.593.0325 or office@sancarloshtlc.org



STAFF and COUNCIL OFFICERS/MINISTRY TEAM CHAIRS	
Pastor	The Rev. Joshua Serrano
Office Administrator	Monica Cryan
Nursery Care.....	Jo O'Brien
President	Anita Reimann
Worship & Music	Erik Vorhes
Evangelism & Outreach.....	Gary Wiessinger
Vice President	Bob Beuthel
Stewardship	Barbara Richards
Secretary	Doug Southard
Social Concerns	Barbara Padilla, Hillary Wiessinger
Buildings & Grounds	Bob Beuthel, Leroy Padilla
Youth	Lori Friedman
Congregation Life	Pamela Bohlmann
Financial Secretary	Mary Webb
Endowment	Cathy Bready, John McDowell
Treasurer	Petra Gilmore
Education/Sunday School	Erica Schemper

All are Welcome!

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in San Carlos celebrates and shares God's gifts by worshipping together, caring for each other, and doing God's work in the community and beyond.

We believe that Christ has made us one body with many members, sharing in God's grace and unconditional love.

We joyfully welcome ALL people, without exception — of every age, sex, race, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical or mental ability, or anything else that divides us — to join with us in worship, learning, fellowship, prayer and service.

"For in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. ... there is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus." Galatians 3:26, 28

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