# **ETrinitarian**



# **Pastoral Reflections**

# **Bring Your Garbage to Church**

Just about every week, someone walks into church with a bag of garbage - and we welcome it!

For more than a year, we have invited people to bring all kinds of items for us to recycle as a congregation - empty shampoo bottles, squeezed out toothpaste tubes, old cereal bags and the like (see the full list on page 11). While these pieces of garbage cannot be recycled through usual pickups, we have found another group (Terracycle) that takes them and uses them in a new ways rather than putting them in a landfill - bringing new life out of old. We are grateful to Georgina Marek for both bringing this to our attention as well as making sure that it gets sent off to them to be recycled.

This is one of those ministries (and yes, it is a ministry) that is a win-win-win-win. You get rid of your garbage, it keeps it out of a landfill and the church gets a very small amount of money for doing this (in 2016, we received approx. \$200 for our efforts). And even more importantly, we take care of God's creation that has been entrusted to us.

As I reflect on this ongoing ministry, I began to see a powerful witness and significance for our lives of faith as a congregation. Yes, it is good environmental stewardship that we are all called to live, but it also is an example of how we should live our whole lives in our relationships with others as well.

Let me explain. One week as I watched numerous people bring in these recyclables, I made the comment that everyone was bringing their garbage to church. It struck me that this applies to more than what we carry in these bags. We often bring other "stuff" from our daily lives - our frustrations, struggles, pains, uncertainties, and questions. We bring our strained relationships at home, work, school and elsewhere. We bring our busy schedules with limited time, our overwhelming responsibilities and questionable futures. In other words, all those things that are crowding our hearts and minds.

We bring them with us as we gather in worship. Some of them we are invited to lay at Christ's feet in confession. Others we lift up in prayer, seeking God's guidance, strength and peace. Still others we may hold back, not sure what to do with them, but bringing them nonetheless in hope.

As people of faith, we claim the resurrection as the central to our beliefs. We celebrate Easter as the cornerstone of our understanding of Jesus. Yet, more than just an event to mark, we are called to see the ways in which Christ offers us the gift of the resurrection in our daily lives, the ways in which new life can be made out of old. In other words, to see how the "garbage" or stuff of our lives can be recycled and made into something new.

So, bring your garbage to church, giving it to Christ that you may find the fullness of life through God's gifts of grace, love and peace.

Peace in Christ, Pastor Jen

### Off the Shelf

I love gift cards - especially when they allow me to buy more books (not that I "need" any more books, but...). I just purchased a few with gift cards that I received at Christmas and while I have not read them all, I thought I would share some of these finds with you.

- Pastor Jen

# Buechner 101: Essays and Sermons by

Frederick Buechner

A writer of more than 30 works of fiction and Mr. Buechner shares more non-fiction, reflections on faith and life. If you've not read any of his works before, this is a good sampling of his insightful and engaging words.

# Hidden Inheritance: Family Secrets, Memory and Faith by Heidi B. Neumark

A Lutheran pastor in NYC, Pastor Neumark shares her search and discoveries in her own family tree. Her search yielded new questions as family secrets were uncovered.

# Hither and Yon: A travel Guide for the Spiritual journey by Becca Stevens

An Episcopal priest who began a residential community (Magdalene) for women recovering from drug abuse and lives of prostitution. This book shares her own faith journey and her longing for God's presence and guidance along the way.

# Fear of the Other: No Fear in Love by William H. Willomon

A pastor and professor at Duke Divinity School (and former United Methodist Bishop), Dr. Willomon invites us in this small book to see the ways we as people of faith view and reach out to those who are considered outsiders or strangers in our midst.

Note: We are still looking at what our next book will be for our Speakeasy book discussions. Watch for an announcement soon (plan to have something to read during Lent).



# **DID YOU KNOW?**

This year, all of our Faith Formation groups of all ages are using the same readings as a part of their learning. These are the same scripture readings that are used during our worship services.

Reading the Bible is about more than learning information about God and our faith. As we hear God's Word, we seek to discover the ways in which it intersects with our daily lives. We look for what the passage tells us about God and about God's relationship with us.

You are invited to take each week's reading home with you. Continue to reflect on the reading during the week to see how God continues to speak to your life through the passage (note: there will be times when the connection is more obvious than others: and sometimes we may not find it at all - which is okay).

In each week's bulletin there is an insert called "Sharing God's story" with suggestions of activities and reflections for you to use as a part of your daily life. There are additional readings that move us from one week's reading to the next. Using the devotions connects God's story with our own. Use this resource with your family, a prayer partner or for your private time of prayer.

# Why Give?

# A Stewardship Reflection

Several months ago, I was asked to take a day off from work, drop all the projects I was trying to get funded and approved in no time, and drive to my mother-in-law's assisted living location to meet with her doctor. I'm the family expert in thyroid disorders (having one myself) so was "volunteered" by family members to go and ask the doctor why he wasn't treating her for low thyroid when her blood tests indicated the condition.

I wasn't happy one bit about this assignment. Pressures and deadlines at work demanded my attention, causing sleepless nights...and here I was taking a day off to talk a doctor into giving my mother- in-law medicine that he had said "no" to in the past.

This was a losing proposition in my mind.

Oh... and did I tell you my mother-in-law doesn't even like me? She's not exactly nice to me either.

I groused to myself on the drive there. And yes, fellow Christians, I did manage to eke out a weak prayer or two. "Dear God, open this doctor's heart to my plea. Let your hand guide all of us toward my mother-in-law's healing." And then I groused some more.

I arrived on time and said hello to caregivers and Ronnie (my mother-in-law). I inquired about her symptoms and her health. She felt exhausted and was too weary to advocate for herself. She clearly needed my help.

The doctor arrived and I introduced myself. Like many doctors, he had a healthy ego but he was also very kind to my mother-in-law and listened to her. I took this as a good sign and approached him about the test results. I said, "I know you're the expert doc and I'm just a patient, but I have low thyroid and Ronnie has been sharing some

symptoms with me that sound just like low thyroid. Is there any chance you could start her on a very low dose of thyroid hormone and see if it helps?" He hemmed and hawed...hand rubbing his chin as he reviewed the chart. "I think we can do this," he said.

I was THRILLED. I thanked him profusely. The doctor explained to Ronnie that he was going to start her on thyroid hormone among other treatments. I took copious notes.

I stayed the afternoon with Ronnie and we had a nice chat. I helped her with things around the apartment and left. On the drive home, I was absolutely buoyant. I had forgotten all about my projects and problems and thought how much the medicine was going to help Ronnie. I was so happy she was going to be feeling better on it. I even started singing.

Giving of ourselves is the highest gift we can give. Yet, it feels harder than anything because our sacrifice is great. Desmond Tutu has talked about what happens when we give ourselves to others. We actually take the focus off of OURSELVES and on to SOMEONE else. And in so doing, it opens us to God. That's exactly what I felt that day. It was freeing and fulfilling and full of light. I experienced the value of giving.

Today, my mother-in-law is feeling much better and my projects have successfully completed. God had a different way of calling me that day and in spite of my objections, something beautiful was created. I think I may be more willing and open to giving now, after that single experience.

Giving begets giving and grace for grace. Which makes me wonder...what if all of us gave to others everyday instead of focusing solely on ourselves? What would that world look like?

Heaven on earth? You decide.

Lynn Byrnes

Below are some of our upcoming ministries and their dates. These are opportunities to use the gifts God has given you to serve others. This is your chance to make a difference. A social ministry schedule for 2017 will be published next month. Any questions can be directed to Joanne Icken (jicken@yahoo.com)

#### **Putnam CAP**

Putnam CAP (Community Action Partnership) enables neighbors working together to gather and manage resources that help low-income and at-risk populations in Putnam County. They provide new car seats, transportation, emergency financial help, a food pantry and soup kitchen services.

Thank you for your continued generosity in filling the shopping cart each month with food and home items for Putnam CAP. Their clients are very grateful for the extra help we give them with your donations.

#### **Knitters and Crocheters!**

Thank you for your continued knitting and crocheting. On January 30<sup>th</sup> a box of hats and scarves will be shipped to the Seafarer's International House in NYC. Also a large bag of hats and scarves will be given to Putnam CAP. Please look for tubs of yarn located in the Narthex and take a bundle, along with the directions to create scarves and hats. Your completed items can be placed back in the tubs with the yarn. I collect them from time to time.

- Joanne Icken



# **Interested in joining Trinity?**

If you would like to find out more information about what it means to be a member of Trinity's church family, there will be an initial informational gathering on **Sunday, Feb. 12th at 9:45 AM** in Fellowship Hall. If you are interested but unable to make this gathering, please let Pastor Jen now. <a href="mailto:revjedyer1@yahoo.com">revjedyer1@yahoo.com</a>; 845-279-5181.

**Close the Gap** ... Thank you to everyone who helped close our 2016 budget gap. We started the year with \$13 thousand dollars in our checkbook and the real possibility of running out of money to pay our bills sometime during the year. While our checkbook was as low as \$3 thousand dollars at more than one time, we always had enough money to pay our bills. With a big push in December and a very generous outpouring at Christmas we not only brought our checkbook back up to its starting point, but blew right through it to end the year at \$18 thousand dollars. Your church thanks you for your largesse.

Don Icken, Chrair Finance Committee

## Year to Date Budget Report Thru 12/31/2016

GENERAL CHECKING	ACCOUNT		
Category	Actual		
INCOME			
Contributions	188,610.37		
Other Income	\$ 25,656		
Total Income	\$214,266		
EXPENSES			
Benevolence	\$6,000		
Pastoral	\$112,814		
Education	\$ 2,028.88		
Evangelism	\$ 654.49		
Worship & Music	\$21,514		
Administration	\$48,772		
Property	\$28,575		
Total Expenses	220,358		
NET INCOME	(\$6,092)		
CHECKING ACCOUNT BALA	NCES		
(Incudes \$25,000 in prior year le	oans)		
January 1, 2016 Balance	\$ 13,765		
Current Balance	\$ 18,891		

#### MORTGAGE FUND

Contributions	Payments	Variance	
\$43,688.10	\$43,131.81	\$556.29	

#### COMMENTS

MORTGAGE FUND

- Contributions are \$556 ahead of payments.
- Mortgage Fund balance is \$5,918

MONTHLY INCOME

- December income was \$9,788 more than expenses. YEAR-TO-DATE
- Expenses were \$6,091 more than income.

# **Property News**

I would like to thank everyone for their help in keeping things in order in the closets, keeping doors closed and the lights off when they are not in use. This is always greatly appreaciated.

Going forward for 2017 we will be doing more renovation to the outside and inside of our building. We will be discussing this at our next property committee meeting in February. As I have stated before, we have been approved by the NY Synod to do some additional repairs inside and outside, as well as air conditioning in Shepherds Hall. Things are continuing to look great thanks to many of our members volunteering their time and energy and donations.

We are always looking for additional members to serve on our committee, and helping to mow the grass. If you are interested in helping out let us know. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Again I would like to thank Pat Wills for all she does for recruiting organizations to rent our building. The income she brings in is fantastic. We have more groups every month looking to use our facility and that is a great thing.

Gods Blessings on all our members and their families. Have a safe winter and thank you all for your continued support to Trinity Lutheran Church!

Ken Mongold, Property Chairman

# **WELCA Update**

During the winter months we will be meeting twice a month at 10:00 AM as follows:

\* Feb 2: Bible Study lead by Debbie Lyon

Feb 16: Project followed by lunch out at 12:30 PM

Mar 2: Bible Study lead by Debbie Lyon

Mar 23: Lenten Study lead by Pastor Jen; lunch out at 12:30 PM

Mar 30: Lenten Study lead by Pastor Jen
Apr 6: Lenten Study lead by Pastor Jen

All women of Trinity Church are invited.

Irene Germain

# BESP Shelter Schedule 3rd week: Feb. 20 – 28<sup>th</sup> Venue: First Baptist Church

We still need gloves, hats, socks with some wool in them, boxer underwear, white t-shirts. Place donations of warm socks, hats, gloves, etc, in the box in the Narthex. Your prayers and blessings are welcome.

Contact Irene: 845 225-4689 Irene6174@comcast.net or Gail 845 225-8921 gpeasesoar@aol.com

## "UBUNTU"

There is a story about an anthropologist who proposed a game to the kids in an African tribe. He put a basket full of fruit near a tree and told the kids that whoever got there first won the sweet fruits.



When he told them to run they all took each other's hands and ran together, then sat together enjoying their treats. When he asked them why they had run like that as one could have had all the fruits for himself they said: UBUNTU, how can one of us be happy if all the other ones are sad?

UBUNTU in the Xhosa culture means: "I am because we are"

How might we live into the spirit of Ubuntu in our lives and as a community of faith?

# **Happy Wedding Anniversary**

HENRY & MARIE VON BARGEN on Feb 11 JEFFERY & LAUREN DADAY on Feb. 13

### **Memorials Received**

- ♥ In memory of Helga Whalen from John Palchak
- In memory of Gertrude Donovan from Louise Koenig and from Walter and Carol Straub



# First Friday Superbowl Potluck

## February 3rd at 6 PM, Fellowship Hall

Join us for First Friday Potluck on February 3rd at 6 PM in Fellowship Hall—As we celebrate Super Bowl Sunday, we gather to share a meal with a super bowl flair. Bring your favorite food to share. Sign up in the Narthex.



# Soup Cans for Souper Bowl Sunday Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>

This Sunday has become about more than football, but a chance to reach out to those who are hungry. We will be collecting monetary donations as well as cans of soup for Putnam Cap. In the spirit of the day, please bring beef soups if you are rooting for the Patriots, chicken soup for the Falcons or if it doesn't matter to you - any other kind of soup. Let's see who "wins" this competition.

## **February Birthdays**

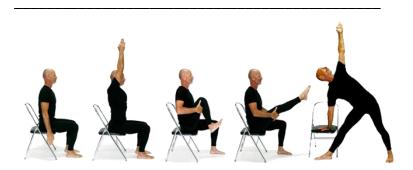
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LUKE LOFTUS	2/1
PAULA BELMONT	2/3
WENDY HEALY	2/3
DANIELLE MARKERT	2/3
URSULA MEROLLA	2/3
NICOLE MORELLO	2/3
DOWLETTE-MARY ALAM EL DIN	2/4
LAUREN BALDANZA-GIACOMELLI	2/4
LINDSAY WUND	2/4
JENNIFER GERFEN	2/6
JOHN GERFEN	2/6
ASHLEY HANSEN	2/6
SOPHIA PUCHALSKI	2/6
ALDONA GASIUNAS	2/7
LOIS LAWERENCE	2/7
FAITH PRISCIANTELLI	2/7
SYDNI BAKER	2/10
ALESSANDRO OLIVAPOTENZA	2/10
JOSEPH MASTON	2/11
AIDAN CASTRO	2/13
LAUREN DADAY	2/13
OLIVIA GIACOMELLI	2/13
MELISSA RICE	2/13
BRIAN VAN VLACK	2/13
ANDREA TIERSCH	2/14
KARL WESTERVILLE	2/14
JACK LITCHFIELD	2/15
SHARON LUND	2/17
MARY GERHARDT	2/20
NATHAN KNOLKER	2/20
MARK BOLDISH	2/21
KATHLEEN MC MORROW	2/21
JONATHAN TUCKER	2/21
ELIZABETH LYON	2/22
JEFFREY VON BARGEN	2/22
ADELINA ZHANG	2/22
ERIN CORBI	2/23
GRANT CUOMO	2/23
CAROL FENDT	2/24
GARY MEISSNER	2/27
RITA KARLSSON	2/28
LAWRENCE RUHS	2/28
LORRAINE VAN VLACK	2/28

# **Marriage Encounter Weekends**

ATTENTION MARRIED COUPLES: Have you signed up for your 2017 Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend? Marriage Encounter invites married couples on a journey—a deepening of your love. The program allows husband and wife to eliminate all distractions and focus solely on each other for the weekend. A \$100 per couple registration fee gets you signed up; plus toward the end of the weekend, you will be given an opportunity to make a confidential contribution of whatever amount you wish toward continuation of the program. Two nights lodging, 5 meals for each of you, and all supplies are included. The 2017 Northeast US Weekends are:

- March 24-26, 2017 at Toftrees Golf Resort Conference Center -- a peaceful resort nestled in 1500 wooded acres in State College, PA.
- April 28-30, 2017 in Lancaster, PA, at the all newly-renovated Heritage Hotel Lancaster, home of the unique tree-house-inspired restaurant, "Loxley's."
- **September 15-17, 2017** at Spruce Lake Retreat Center, Canadensis, PA, a new hotel-style facility on Spruce Lake in the heart of the Pocono Mountains an hour north of Allentown.
- October 6-8, 2017 at the Black Swan Inn in Lee, Massachusetts. Nestled in the foothills of the Berkshire Mountains, a hidden gem overlooking Laurel Lake an hour north of Hartford, CT.

**To sign up online, go to:** <a href="www.GodLovesMarriage.org">www.GodLovesMarriage.org</a> and pay the \$100 registration fee using your credit card, or mark the option to mail in a check For questions, or if you would like a brochure mailed to you, contact Northeast US Directors of Lutheran Marriage Encounter, Fred & Julie Schamber, at 724-325-3166 or email: <a href="mailto:fjschamber@comcast.net">fjschamber@comcast.net</a>. Registrations are limited, so act TODAY to ensure that you can attend the Weekend of your choice!



# **NEW!! Chair Yoga is Coming to Trinity!**

# Tuesdays, 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Want to try yoga but getting up and down off the floor is a struggle or just not possible? Chair yoga still offers amazing benefits: improves strength and flexibility, promotes stability, reduces stress and improves mental clarity, and it's fun!! This class is appropriate for everyone, including seniors and those with mobility challenges.

Join us every Tuesday morning beginning on January 31 in Shepherds Hall from 11:30-12:30.

Cost is \$5 per class. Contact Cyndi Bertone at 845-279-8240 for more info.

# We pray for those who are ...

IN THE HOSPITAL, ILL, RECUPERATING FROM SURGERY, OR **UNDERGOING MEDICAL TREATMENT:** Ava, Brigitte, Lee, Tony Baggetta, Tamara Bagen, Lisa Bagnati, Joan Baum, Kitty, Barbara Jean Bennet, Bennett, Joe Bettcher, Nicole Bettcher, Cherish Bliefernich, Michael Boyd, William Brown, Betty Buckmaster, Ronnie Byrnes, Chuck, Colleen, Corrie, Erin Conroy, Helen Conte, Sharon Cooper, Linda Cowen, Ben Dalecki, Joanne D; Karen Delduco, Kathren Devine, Dilynn, Wayne Farber, Tony Ferrajina, Robin Fieldstat, Kristin Foley, Christine Gallegher, George Gilleo, Barbara Goos, Eleanor Greene, Eric Halbekath Sr, Thomas Ingate. JoAnn Johnston, Jennifer Johnson, Dorothy Kafalas, Bob Koenig, Matthew Kromar, Jean Lamberston, Krystal Langke, Judy Lutz, Chaleb Mc Caughey, Raymond Maglio, Gail Maisel, Michael, Kelly Maxwell, Hedy McCloskey, Ziggy Mignanelli, Michael Montana, Karen Myerwold, John Noone, Pr. Paul Nordeen, Bob Obuck, Pr Garry Patrylo Jr, Chuck Pease; Ed Ranieri, Nicholas Rogan, Larry Ruhs, Marilyn Schoeller, George Schwarz, Sharon, James Sorge, Phyllis Sorge, Joe Stark, Meyer Steinhardt, Curt Stiles, Carol Straub, Walter Straub, Meranda Sue, Robin Talmadge, Michelle Tessier, Teddi Tom, Mary Torlish, Greg V., Henry Von Bargen, Marie Von Bargen, Katherine Waldvogel, Alex Wallace, Mary Ann Wilk, Jessica Wilkson

WRESTLING WITH LONG-TERM HEALTH ISSUES: Morgan Andren, Judy B, Gloria Bretone, Jennifer Rebecca Butvinik, Janet Canor, Tony Cardella, John Cianciullo, Dorothy Cordell, Deena Cox, Nancy Cuomo, Coppy Cuomo, Tom Curran, Glen DiSanto, Al Eberhardt, **Donna Ficara**, **Jim Fiore**, **Margaret** Fowler, Amanda George, Catherine Henneforth, Sue Kaufman, Raymond Kiernan, Janet Kniffin, Carl & Mary Kropp, Ryan Lee, Allen McCaslin, Reneé McElroy, Thaine Manske, George Miller, Tanya Murgai, Katie Ray, Betty Rodda, Rosaleen, Riley Rushia, Otto Schmid, Linda Siebold, Sindy, Sally Sheets, Zack Small, Audrey Stone, Dylan Stolper, Kenneth Strawn, Kathy Sullivan, Josephine Talley, Kaeli Tretera, Gina Venezia, Glenn Wagner, Walt, Cecilia Winters, Stephanie, Donna, Richard Yessian



Trinity has a new electronic prayer group. You can now submit a prayer request and receive prayer requests from others via your email. To join, send an email to tlcbrewsterprayers@googlegroups.com. Visit the Trinity website <a href="www.trinitybrewsterny.org/">www.trinitybrewsterny.org/</a> and in the search box enter: prayer requests

FACING LIFE'S CHALLENGES: Kim Andren, the Banuelos/Cable/Lyon family, Wanda & Cliff, Della Arndt, the Bueti family, Eleanor Byrnes, Catherine, Lillian Eberhardt, Fahy family, Jeannie Graham, Terry Gregori, Joanne Halbekath & family, Larry Hampson, Frank Hastie, Logan Keane, Nicola Kenny, Matt, Bill & Debbie Logan, Anita Luhrs, Mary Jane McMahon, Ryan, Mariela Ramirez & family, Alexander Maxwell, Charles Maxwell Wieller, Sue Rodriguez, Twila Skeels, Alex Smith, Barbara Sparkes, Katelyn Stufano, Kristen Sullivan, Michael Talarico, Morgan Watt, Jennifer West, Dave, Lisa, Jaimie Zeola

**RESTRICTED TO HOME/NURSING HOME:** Marge Christie, Gerrit Franssen, Lawrence Henry, Rita Karlsson, Marian Langlois, Horatio Massatti, Virginia Mead, Marge Popham, Muriel Rapp, Sylvia Rieg, Elizabeth Waugh, Scott Werner

**SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES:** Michael Caitney, Carlos Class, Dylan Cumpston, Adam Elliott, Phillip Gerhardt, Ron Hansen Jr., Dylan Kinsella, Pr Anthony Stephens, Alyssa Torlish, Adam Vieux, Jessica Woodall, all those in the service of our country, especially in Iraq and Afghanistan, and their chaplains

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Attending seminary: Dawn Morello

Partnership Ministries: The Northwest Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania; the Brewster Soup Kitchen (Brewster 1st Baptist Church) and Brewster Food Pantry (St. Andrew's Episcopal), Brewster Ecumenical Service Partnership (BESP); local small business owners in challenging economic times

Servants of the Church: Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, and the Churchwide staff; Bishop Robert Rimbo of the Metropolitan New York Synod and staff; Pastor Jennifer Boyd, Deacons Charles Germain, Jr. and Dorothy Kafalas; Minister of Music Franklyn Commisso; Council members; Sunday School teachers, and worship leaders

To make changes to the Prayer List, email: trinlutheranoffice@ yahoo.com

# Safety net for refugee children

EGYPT ELCA.org/hunger

Yohannes was 16 when he arrived in Cairo, Egypt, alone. He made his way to Egypt from Eritrea, in East Africa. He crossed the Sudan, and with food hard to come by, he went without eating for two days.

Upon arriving in Cairo, Yohannes came to St. Andrew's Refugee Services (StARS) seeking help. StARS, a program supported by gifts to ELCA World Hunger, offers unaccompanied refugee children food, education and psychosocial support. First order of business for Yohannes: a warm, home-cooked meal.

Through your gifts to ELCA World Hunger, StARS feeds 350 refugee children two meals a day, four



days a week. And, with the help of the program, Yohannes has learned about nutrition, budgeting, and services available to him in Cairo.

The program also offers him a safe space for playing sports and building friendships. "If StARS did not exist, I would go without food for the entire day," Yohannes said. "Nobody can study with an empty stomach."

"And here I get the chance to learn and to be with my friends."

Today, Yohannes is attending school. He has a brighter future thanks to your support of ELCA World Hunger.

Your gifts to ELCA World Hunger support innovative solutions that fight hunger and poverty in nearly 60 countries around the world, including the United States.

#### Will you help with your gift today?

YES! I would like to support ELCA World Hunger (WHG0038)

I have enclosed my	gift	of	\$100	
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☐ I have enclosed my gift of \$250 ☐ Other \$

Mail Make your check payable to "ELCA World Hunger." Place your gift in your congregation's offering plate or mail it to:

> ELCA P.O. Box 1809 Merrifield, VA 22116-8009

Online ELCA.org/hunger/donate

Phone 800-638-3522

#### **ELCA World Hunger**

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America God's work. Our hands.



#### ACCEPTED ITEMS

Trinity Lutheran Church 2103 Route 6, Brewster

Ordinary recyclable items such as shampoo bottles, toothpaste tubes, printer cartridges, and cell phones can be turned into cash for Trinity while keeping items out of landfills and the ocean. For more information, contact Georgina Marek.

Any time you use any of these products, bring the packaging and deposit it in the appropriate container in the coat closet. Trinity will periodically ship the items to Terracycle to be recycled in return for points that will lead to cash deposits.

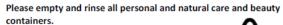
#### PERSONAL CARE AND BEAUTY accepted waste:

- 1. Hair care packaging such as shampoo bottles and caps, conditioner bottles and caps, hair gel tubes and caps, hair spray bottles and triggers, and hair paste plastic jars and caps
- 2. Skin care packaging such as lip balm tubes, face soap dispensers and tubes, face lotion bottles, tubes, and plastic jars, body wash containers, soap tubes and dispensers, body lotion dispensers and bottles, shaving foam tubes (no cans), and hand lotion bottles and tubes
- 3. Cosmetics packaging such as lipstick cases, lip gloss tubes, mascara tubes, eye shadow cases, bronzer cases, foundation packaging and bottles, powder cases, eyeliner cases, eyeliner pencils, eye shadow tubes, concealer tubes, concealer sticks, and lip liner pencils

Please empty and rinse all personal and natural care and beauty containers.

#### NATURAL CARE accepted waste:

- 1. Mouthwash bottles and caps
- Deodorant containers and caps
- 3. Toothpaste tubes and caps
- 4. Soap packaging
- 5. Floss containers
- 6. Toothbrushes



#### Solo PLASTIC CUP Brigade accepted waste:

ONLY #6 rigid plastic cups (not limited to Solo brand and not limited to large cups—any size accepted)

#### PLASTIC CEREAL BAGS:

Both plastic cereal bags and plastic cereal bag liners

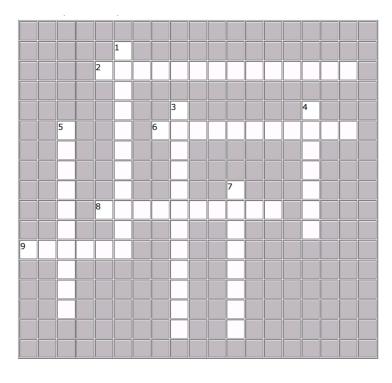
#### RETURNABLE BEVERAGE BOTTLES & CANS

can be placed in the upstairs kitchen. These are returned for the bottle deposit and the money goes to Trinity. Please only bring in items that qualify for the NY deposit—this is not general plastic/metal recycling. Please rinse everything and remove caps from



E-WASTE is no longer accepted by Terracycle, but if you have cell phones, smart phones, and/or toner cartridges and inkjet cartridges, please bring them in anyway. They will be recycled as appropriate. This doesn't bring Trinity any cash, but it keeps those items out of landfills and benefits or the organizations. Please restore your device to factory settings and/or remove any personal information. Trinity Lutheran Church is not responsible for information on your devices.

#### **Super Bowl of Caring Crossword Puzzle**



#### Clues

#### Down

- 1. People that are employed but whose wages from work are not enough to raise them above the federal poverty line. (2 words)
- 3. Access to enough food to maintain a healthy lifestyle. (2 words)
- 4. The act of giving something to individuals or families in need.
- 5. A charitable program that gives periodic bags of food to the hungry. (2 words)
- 7. A place where food is offered to nonprofit agencies for distribution. (2 words)

#### Across

- 2. The limited or uncertain availability of safe, nutritious food. (2 words)
- 6. A charitable program that provides free meals to hungry people. (2 words)
- 8. A youth movement that has raised millions of dollars worth of food and money for people in need since it began in 1990. (2 words)
- 9. The uneasy or painful sensation caused by involuntary lack of food which may over time result in malnutrition.

# WORSHIP SCHEDULE February 2017

# February 5

8:30 AM Holy Communion & SCS 10:45 AM Holy Communion

#### February 12

8:30 AM Holy Communion & SCS 10:45 AM Holy Communion

#### February 19

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