

February 2018

Sunday Services

8:00am Contemporary Worship

9:30am Christian Education

10:45am Traditional Worship



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From Pastor Bode - **CALL UPON HIM**

Dear beloved friends,

"Call on Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you will honor Me." (Psalm 50:15—NIV)

Can you imagine a more thrilling invitation than the one above? ***"Call upon me in the day of trouble."***

When you or I are in trouble, God wants us to come to Him. He beckons us to come to Him! Precious to God are your prayers!

- We do not have to face the troubles of life alone. Our loving heavenly Father says, ***"Call upon Me ..."***

- We don't have to clean up our messes, fix our disasters, and solve our problems before we come to Him. He says, ***"Call upon me in the day of trouble ..."***

Step one when we find ourselves in trouble is to call upon our God. God does long to hear of our troubles, our woes, our hurts, our sorrows, our messes and disasters. Unlike us, He never wearies of hearing of the troubles of His people. And not only is He anxious to hear our prayers, but He also can't wait to answer our prayers and busy Himself delivering us from our troubles, calming our woes, forgiving our sins, healing our hurts, cleaning up our messes, solving our problems and fixing our disasters.

"Call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you ..." God made that commitment to us when He sent us His Son Jesus Christ to be our Savior from sin.

"For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet He did not sin. Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need." (Hebrews 4:15-16—NIV)

What's left for us to do but to praise, honor and serve Him ... and to heed His invitation:

"Call on Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you will honor Me." (Psalm 50:15—NIV)

Your servant for Jesus' sake,

Pastor Bode

P. S. Please plan on joining us for worship here at Trinity on both Sundays and Wednesdays during Lent, which begins on Ash Wednesday, February 14. Our mid-week Lenten services will be held each Wednesday during Lent at 6:30 pm. Don't miss these opportunities to deepen your relationship with our amazing Savior and experience the power of His grace!



A note from Trinity's President

Tena Sigmon

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Welcome February!

Last year came and went so fast.. Many of you had lots of things going on! Sickness, deaths, births, and so much more! Hope you had God along on your journeys! It is the only way!



January had lots going on with taking down our beautiful decorations! I really hate that. It then looks bare! At my house it does, but our church and its beautiful Sanctuary looks great even with the pretties moved back to storage!

February will bring more and more excitement for us as we continue to host events in various ways! Open Arms has a wonderful Game Night that was started last year and went over so well and everyone had so much fun! Those that don't attend, you need to check into it! Fun games, snacks, laughter and that is what we all need!! Get out, join us and get to know each other better! Help make our fellowship get closer and get to know each other better! You may find your best friends here!

The Mary Martha Ladies Guild is planning a fun Fashion Show Tea and hat contest again this year and more info will follow. Everyone is invited to come and have fun with us as we use this fundraiser to make funds to support our Mission projects! \$10 for good food, fun, prizes! Check the bulletin board for more info! We share this with the ladies and moms from Open Arms! You will be pleasantly surprised!

Remember our sick and home bound and give someone a call that you haven't seen in a while. We all like to know that we are thought of!!

If you have a concern, idea or suggestions, we need to know them. We can't make changes unless we have your input! Maybe you know of something we could do or change to make us even better than we are!!

Consider volunteering your time to help within the church. **We always need help on the Alter Guild and we will train you if you have never done this before. Sign up to bring refreshments to serve after the services. Become a greeter, an usher, or help in the office.** It doesn't take a lot of work, just a lot of heart!

Give a copy of our Newsletter to a friend or neighbor and invite them to come check us out and

Thank you, Trinity!

Thank you Trinity for remembering us this Christmas with your generous gifts, cards and other expressions of love and appreciation. Your thoughts, prayers and gifts meant a great deal to us and always make our Christmas celebration much more beautiful. May 2018 draw us all closer to Him who is our Prince of Peace. —

Pastor and Mary Bode

From the Prayer Team What's the Good of Prayer?

Have you ever secretly wondered that??? I wouldn't be surprised if that question hasn't crossed every Christian's mind at some point in their faith-journey. I would like to share some thoughts from a classic Christian author, Oswald Chambers. He wrote these words in a series of lectures given between 1911-1915 - over one hundred years ago - truth is timeless! He writes:



"Your Father knows the things you have need of before you ask Him." (Matthew 6:8)

"Then why ask? Very evidently our ideas about prayer and Jesus Christ's are not the same. Prayer to Him is not a way to get things from God, but so that we may get to know God."

When a man is born from above, the life of the Son of God begins in him, and he can either starve that life or nourish it. Prayer nourishes the life of God. Our Lord nourished the life of God in Him by prayer. He was continually in contact with His Father. We generally look upon prayer as a means of getting things for ourselves, but the biblical idea of prayer is that God's holiness, purpose and wise order may be brought about.

As long as we feel we are self-sufficient and complacent, we don't need to ask God for anything. We don't want Him. It is only when we know we are powerless that we are prepared to listen to Jesus Christ and do what He says." (Oswald Chambers, from his book, If You Will Ask: Reflections on the Power of Prayer)

So, why should we pray? Answer -So we can get to know God! Prayer is the means of changing our imperfect hearts and wills to align with God's perfect will, so that God's holiness, purpose and wise order may be brought about on this earth!

I can't think of a more productive way for Christians to spend their time. I don't know about you, but I know I am powerless, and that is why I need to pray to the One who is all-powerful.

Come join me and our prayer team every Wednesday at 10:30 am so we can pray together and encourage one another!

In Christ, Mary Bode (b103067.1377@gmail.com)



We Will Be Receiving New Members at Trinity on Sunday, February 11.

If you are interested in membership or are ready to take this step of faith and growth, please let Pastor Bode know. **We will be offering TRINITYCONNECT**, our special introduction to Trinity class on Saturday, February 3, from 10 am to 12:30 pm. **TRINITYCONNECT** is offered for those interested in becoming a part of our church. It provides you with more information about Trinity and the opportunity to ask questions and meet others who have started attending our church. Again, please let Pastor Bode (772-353-1633—craig.bode@gmail.com) know if you can join us for **TRINITYCONNECT** or if you have any questions. If you are interested but cannot make it on February 3, let Pastor know and we will be glad to schedule another opportunity for TrinityConnect.

"Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household." (Ephesians 2:19—NIV)

How Do I Become a Member of Trinity?

If you currently have no church home Trinity's doors are open and ready to receive you into our fellowship ... to join with us in the celebration of our salvation in Christ and to unite with us in our mission to passionately share the life we have found in Him.

You may be wondering ... *"How do I become a member of Trinity?"* We offer several avenues of entry into membership in the Body of Christ here at Trinity:

Baptism: We believe in our Lord's command to baptize "all nations." (Matthew 28:19) Therefore, we extend to all—infants, children, youth, and adults who have not been baptized—the sacrament of Baptism.

Confirmation: We graciously invite those adults who are looking for a church home and want to know more about membership here at Trinity to attend our membership class, TrinityConnect (See below). Upon completion of this class you may choose the Rite of Confirmation to become a member. If you are interested please give me a call.

Reaffirmation of Faith: If you were confirmed in the Lutheran Church, but have not been active and wish to reaffirm your confirmation vows, we welcome you to become a member. Please speak to me regarding your desire and come join us at TrinityConnect.

Letter of Transfer: We gladly accept the transfer of your membership from your previous church if you are a confirmed member of a Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod congregation. If you currently hold membership in a church of another denominational background, we kindly request that you speak to a pastor about the membership procedure.

Our Lord and His people here at Trinity are ready to welcome you into our spiritual home and family.

Joyful Noise, Trinity's Music and Movement playgroup, free for all children ages 6 months to 4 years meets every Friday morning at 9:30 am. No sign up needed, just drop in. We also host the Fort Pierce Community Playgroup, Mondays at 9:30 am.

White Horse Inn: Join us on Tuesday evenings at 6 pm for *"conversational theology"*, where we will listen and discuss what we believe and why we believe it. 500 years ago Martin Luther worked to recover the Gospel. However, that recovery is ongoing and is needed more than ever in postmodern Christianity. For more information contact Robert Garst (rgarst88@gmail.com—224-383-4639).



**Don't Forget to
Direct your Choice Dollars!**



Grant funding from Thrivent Financial through its Thrivent Choice program can help support Trinity. Don't let Choice Dollars expire. Eligible Thrivent Financial members who have Choice Dollars available have until March 31, 2018, to direct any remaining 2017 Choice Dollars.

Go to **Thrivent.com/thriventchoice** to learn more **OR Call 800-847-4836** and say **"Thrivent Choice"** after the prompt. They will work with you and are able to help you Direct Your Choice Dollars.



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The Trinity Leadership Council is preparing for the New Year which will be here before we know it. A part of the planning process includes identifying needs related to our church facilities.

Looking ahead, a few of the **major projects include**

- ⇒ **modifying our primary signage on 13th Street**
- ⇒ **painting the exterior of our buildings,**
- ⇒ **Replacing the doors on the trash dumpster areas**

Donations designated for these costly projects are welcomed and necessary to maintain our facilities in good order.

We hope you will consider supporting the efforts. Use the pew envelopes and note the donation is for the "Building Fund."

Looking for Mom Friends? MOPS is what you need! Join us here at Trinity again on Tuesday, February 13, 10 am-12 pm. MOPS is for all Moms with children from pregnancy through Kindergarten. It's a place for friendship authentic community, support and growth—because Better Moms Make a Better World! MOPS Kids Childcare is provided.

For more information or to volunteer to help with this ministry of Trinity contact Christie Garst (christiananlee@ymail.com—224-383-4639). Check us out on Facebook at FtPierceMOPS.



Today's Light 2-year Bible Reading Plan

"The unfolding of Your words gives light."

(Psalm 119:130—NIV)

Our Today's Light Bible Reading Plan guides you through the whole Bible in 2 years, breaking the Bible into segments that take about 10-15 minutes a day to read. God's Holy Spirit will teach, comfort, confront, and sustain you through His Word on a journey that is sure to make a difference in your day ... a difference in your life!

"Be in and encourage each other with God's Word!"

Week 57 (January 29-February 4)

Monday—Isaiah 53

Tuesday—Isaiah 54-57

Wednesday—Isaiah 58-59

Thursday—Isaiah 60-62

Friday—Isaiah 63-66

Saturday—Jeremiah 1-2

Week 60 (February 19-25)

Monday—Jeremiah 29

Tuesday—Jeremiah 30-32

Wednesday—Jeremiah 33

Thursday—Jeremiah 34-35

Friday—Jeremiah 36-37

Saturday—Jeremiah 38-40

Week 58 (February 5-11)

Monday—Jeremiah 3-4

Tuesday—Jeremiah 5-6

Wednesday—Jeremiah 7-8

Thursday—Jeremiah 9-10

Friday—Jeremiah 11-12

Saturday—Jeremiah 13-14

Week 61 (February 26-March 4)

Monday—Jeremiah 41-43

Tuesday—Jeremiah 44-45

Wednesday—Jeremiah 46-49

Thursday—Jeremiah 50-51

Friday—Jeremiah 52

Saturday—Lamentations 1

Week 59 (February 12-18)

Monday—Jeremiah 15-17

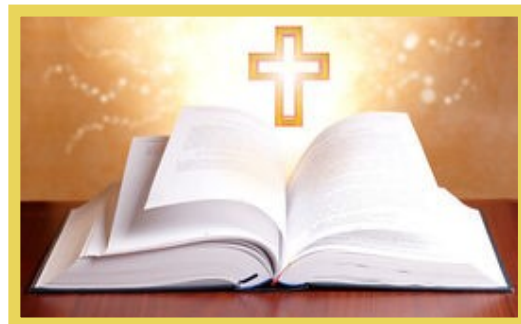
Tuesday—Jeremiah 18-19

Wednesday—Jeremiah 20-22

Thursday—Jeremiah 23

Friday—Jeremiah 24-25

Saturday—Jeremiah 26-28



EVENTS @ local Churches



SAINT NICHOLAS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH'S
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Dorothy Walker

We missed your
90th birthday.
Happy 91st birthday
last month!



Barb & Ken Dunnivant

Celebrated their
65th wedding anniversary,
congratulations!

Welcome back winter worshippers!

We are glad you are here worshipping with us and you are encouraged to participate fully in the life of Trinity.

We are anxious to stay in touch with you and involve you in what God is doing to build His kingdom in our midst. Please make sure that you update us with any changes to your contact information. You may do so on the attendance pad or by contacting our church office (772-461-7272—officemanager@trinitychurch4u.com) We always welcome your prayer requests and would be happy to provide offering envelopes to those who wish to receive a accounting of their offerings. We trust that your time with us will be a mutual blessing!



February has our Sweetheart Dance on the 9th. Hope to see you there.



Our two year olds gave us a weather update



The three year olds played dress up

[Check out our website – openarms4kids.com](http://openarms4kids.com)

We had 10 new enrollments this month, which brought us to a waitlist in all of our classrooms with only 3 spots left in our VPK.

Mary Martha Guild

Please save the date of Saturday, April 14th.

The Mary Martha Guild will be hosting the Treasure Coast Zone spring rally. We would like to have you join us for a continental breakfast, a communion service with Bible study, guest speaker from Mustard Seed, a luncheon, and a short business meeting. If possible we will be collecting canned goods for Mustard Seed, as our "Gifts from the Heart". We will have more in the March newsletter. Our theme is "He is Risen, Why worry?" based on Mathew 6: 26-28 & 33.

Our annual Tea Party / Fashion Show will be on May 5th. There will be models from Trinity and Open Arms to show the Bon Worth fashions. This will be from 11-2 and will also include a hat show contest. Tickets will be \$10.00 and the funds will be raised for our mission projects. Tickets will go on sale April 15th. Come join in the fun!

On March 31st, Open Arms will have their Easter Extravaganza, we will be working the kitchen, however, they need volunteers for other activities.

Another project on our list will be working on the Christmas tree decorations. We will let you know times and dates later. So if you like to do crafts, please join in.

We have changed our meeting time to the 2nd Thursday of the month, at about 11:45 am, right after bible class. The next meeting will be on February 8, 2018.

Debbie meanolgranmad@gmail.com

TRINITY CELEBRATIONS

February Birthdays and Anniversaries of our Members

Birthdays

2 Karen Pearson
 3 Jason Morgan
 7 Isabella Santamaria
 9 Connie Barr
 10 Zoe Barbeau
 Betty Moore
 12 Hunter Rowan
 13 Maverick Sigmon
 14 Anastasia Trotter
 19 Alex Trotter
 21 Dawn Sigmon
 22 Tyler Plumstead

23 Irene Wood
 24 Chloe Greene
 Kim LeSage
 25 Keith Smothers
 26 Janice Peterson
 David Walters
 28 Judi Marchioli

Anniversaries

10 John and Paulette Burkmyre
 14 Heather and Randy McMillan
 Dawn and Marcus Sigmon
 26 Gloria and Paul Tausch
 27 Mickey and Glenna Sigmon

Ride Needed:

Dorothy Davidson, an elderly woman, who attended Trinity for many years, is in need of a ride to the 10:45 service at Trinity.

If you can serve in this way contact the church office or call Dorothy at 772-466-0324.

REMEMBER OUR MEMBERS

Who are homebound or in a nursing care facility

Lord Jesus Christ, in the days of your flesh, the sick were brought to you for healing: hear us as we now bring to you in our prayers those who are ill, in the body or in mind. May your presence be with them to relieve suffering and distress and to restore them to fullness of life, for your great love's sake. Amen.

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Louise Wile	Broadmoor Assisted Living, 200 Dixieland Dr., Ft. Pierce, FL 34982

Please pray for our members.

THOSE WHO SERVE TRINITY

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	10:45 AM	Shirley Louria	772-460-5034

The deadline for Trinity Tidings submissions is the 10th of each month.
Pls. email Pam N4095P@gmail.com

The deadline for Sunday Bulletin information is Tuesday of the prior week.
Pls. email OfficeManager@Trinitychurch4U.com . Thank you.