

*February 2025*

# *The Herald*

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*Be completely humble and  
gentle; be patient, bearing  
with one another in love.*

*Ephesians 4:2*



*Come Worship With Us Each Sunday*

*Sunday School 9:15 a.m.*

*Worship 10:30 a.m.*

# From the Pastor

*“27But I say to you who hear, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, 28 bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. 29 To one who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from one who takes away your cloak do not withhold your tunic[b] either. 30 Give to everyone who begs from you, and from one who takes away your goods do not demand them back. 31 And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them.” - Luke 6:27-31*

*Dear Brothers and Sisters,*

*It's February, and that means we are getting close to Valentine's Day and the topic of love will be in the air. I think most people would tell you that you ought to love those who love you. Another message we often hear is that you ought to do good to those who do good to you. Banks are good at lending to those who they know will repay the loan.*

*Yet in this text from Luke, Jesus breaks what we might call the “law of reciprocity” which says, essentially, people should get what they deserve. To put it another way, it is the supposed “common-sense” rule that you do good or bad to someone based on what they do to you.*

*In a world quick to cry out, “That's not fair,” Jesus reminds us that God deals with us in a way that isn't fair - in a way we don't deserve. He is kind, loving, and compassionate to the hardest kind of people, and He has mercy on us though we do not deserve it.*

*In this same way, Jesus says, we are called to love our enemies. Where our enemies would strike us, we are called to turn the other cheek. Where they would take from us, we are called to give. And this just makes no sense outside of Christ.*

*It violates every rule of survival like, “You must take care of yourself. You need to defend yourself. What would we have left if we allowed everyone to take all they wanted?”*

*I've read different opinions about this text over the years. Some have commented that they think Jesus doesn't really mean turn the other cheek or give what your enemies would take. But I think He does.*

*Because of Jesus, grace overflows into our lives. Instead of living a life of self-defense and repayment, we are called to share that overflow of grace with all those around us, including our enemies. For as St. Paul would say, what Christ has done for us makes us a debtor not to Christ but to everyone else, even our enemies.*

*In Christ,*

*P. Randy*

# Upcoming Events & Important Information



## Souper Bowl Luncheon

### Holy Trinity's TEENS FOR CHRIST

Invite you to our annual  
SOUPE BOWL LUNCHEON  
February 9th in the TLC following worship

\*Donations will be taken to support a local ministry of the youth's choosing\*

The congregation is invited and encouraged to bring a soup or chili, sandwiches (grilled cheese or pb&j), crackers, or a dessert.

Please indicate what you will bring on the sign-up sheet in the narthex.

This will help us ensure we have enough food for all!

Thanks for your support!!!



*Yearbooks are available outside the nursery.  
Please pick up one per family.*

The background of the entire page is filled with a pattern of pink hearts of various sizes and shades, ranging from light pink to a deeper magenta. The hearts are scattered across the white background, creating a romantic and celebratory atmosphere.

THE HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN MEN  
INVITE YOU TO THE 2025

# *Ladies Night*

Saturday, February 15 at 6:00 p.m.

Catered Meal &  
Entertainment by Pastor Ron Brown

Please see a member of the Lutheran Men or contact the  
church office for tickets. Tickets are \$15.

# February Serving Assistants

| Sunday | Acolyte       | Crucifer     | Bulletin Folder    | Lectors       | Flowers                          |
|--------|---------------|--------------|--------------------|---------------|----------------------------------|
| 02     | Eva Kednocker | Blair Cromer | Tanner Shell       | Eli Kednocker | Carmen Boland                    |
| 09     | Youth Sunday  | Youth Sunday | Cooper Morales     | Eva Kednocker | Darin & Becky Boland             |
| 16     | Roman Long    | Zack Henson  | Daniel Williams    | Joe Boland    | Dean & Barbie Rodgers            |
| 23     | Roman Long    | Zack Henson  | Joanie Billingsley | Becky Chapman | Daniel, Ashley, & Everett Boland |

| Sunday | Greeters                           | Nursery  |
|--------|------------------------------------|--|
| 02     | Phillip & Christie Allison         | Crystal Crouch, Erica Carter, Joanie Billingsley |
| 09     | Erica Carter & Houston Billingsley | Peyton Koon,, Jenna & Taylor Lake                |
| 16     | Darin & Becky Boland               | Joyce McCall, Jessica & Keaton Lindler           |
| 23     | Bobby & Laurie Chapman             | Karen Winn, Glenda Hentz, Dorothy Armstrong      |

|    | Communion                 |
|----|---------------------------|
| 02 | Holly Havird, Peyton Koon |

| Altar / Parament      |
|-----------------------|
| Sheri & Robbie Wicker |

| Ushers - | Chairman:      | Darin Boland     | * elevator operator |
|----------|----------------|------------------|---------------------|
| 02, 09   | Stuart Dalton  | Mike Riddle      | Scotty Kednocker*   |
| 16, 23   | Kevin Crumpton | Philip Armstrong | Travis Koon*        |



# February Birthdays

|             |   |
|-------------|---|
| February 1  | Brent Bodie, Maxton King                                    |
| February 2  | Darin Boland, Jared Wicker                                  |
| February 3  | Hillary Dana, Lynn Livingston, Lainey Attaway               |
| February 4  | Tina Attaway  |
| February 5  | Chris Sanders, George Stoudemire III                        |
| February 6  | Shelley Page  |
| February 8  | Frances Farr, Tara Chapman                                  |
| February 9  | Diane Hardy   |
| February 10 | Glenda Hentz, Kara Cumalander                               |
| February 11 | Julie McLeod, Jeff Bedenbaugh                               |
| February 12 | Daniel Williams   |
| February 13 | Tanner Shell  |
| February 15 | Hannah Sheely Huffstetler                                   |
| February 17 | Roxie Derrick, Bradley Abrams, Madison Abrams, Alex Attaway |
| February 19 | Desiree Chapman   |
| February 20 | Helen Koon, William Dupuis                                  |
| February 22 | Ann Sanders, Victoria Chapman, Everett Boland               |
| February 24 | Mike Morales  |
| February 25 | Debra Dupuis  |
| February 26 | Travis Koon, Taylor Lake                                    |
| February 27 | Morgan E. Shealy  |
| February 28 | Clyde Livingston, Liam Kaihara, Tammy Kednocker             |

Happy  
Birthday



# February

| SUN  | MON   | TUE                       | WED  | THU   | FRI | SAT                        |
|--|---|---------------------------|--|---|-----|----------------------------|
|  |   |                           |  |   |     | 1                          |
| 2<br><b>Epiphany 3</b><br>9:15am-Sunday School<br>10:30am-Worship  | 3<br>Prayer Shawl 9am<br><br>TLC - 7pm          | 4<br>Faith Circle - 2pm   | 5<br>Bible Study 10am<br><br>Choir Practice 7pm  | 6   | 7   | 8                          |
| 9<br><b>Epiphany 4</b><br>7:30am - Council Mtg<br>9:15am-Sunday School<br>10:30am-Worship Souper Bowl Luncheon                   | 10<br>Prayer Shawl 9am<br><br>Blood Drive 2-7pm | 11<br><br>GLASS - 6:30 pm | 12<br>Bible Study 10am<br><br>Choir Practice 7pm | 13<br><br>Revelation Bible Study 7pm                            | 14  | 15<br><br>Ladies Night 6pm |
| 16<br><b>Epiphany 5</b><br>9am-Confirmation<br>9:15am-Sunday School<br>10:30am-Worship<br>6:30pm- Lutheran Men                   | 17<br>Prayer Shawl 9am                          | 18                        | 19<br>Bible Study 10am<br><br>Choir Practice 7pm | 20  | 21  | 22                         |
| 23<br><b>Epiphany 6</b><br>9am-Confirmation<br>9:15am-Sunday School<br>10:30am-Worship/Preschool<br>Sunday 5pm- Teens for Christ | 24<br>Prayer Shawl 9am                          | 25<br><br>GLASS - 6:30 pm | 26<br>Bible Study 10am<br><br>Choir Practice 7pm | 27<br>Happy Mountaineers 10am<br><br>Revelation Bible Study 7pm | 28  |                            |

## Bible Verse of the Month

*" And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony."  
-Colossians 3:14*

# Memorials & Honorariums

## **Building Fund**

**In Memory of George Stoudemire** given by Walt & Julie McLeod.

**In Memory of Andy Bickley** given by Bob & Lucy Peters, Ann & Jim Sanders, Shannon, Gray, Christopher, & Benjamin Corley, Brenda Bodie, Eleanor Bush, Maxton & Bobbie King, Larry & Mary Ann Gunter, Mike & Jackie Riddle, Frank & Lin Lake, Frank & Lin Lake, Danny & Ann Newton, Keith & Janet Fulmer.

**In Memory of Mike Bickley** (Marilyn Pamplin's brother) given by Bob & Lucy Peters, Jim & Ann Sanders, Shannon, Gray, Christopher, & Benjamin Corley, Brenda Bodie, Eleanor Bush.

**In Memory of Willard & Cleo Shealy** given by Charles & Kaye Shealy.

In Honor of Owen & Erin Linton given by John & Kaye Roche.

## **General Fund**

**In Memory of Jane Putnam** given by McSwain Evans Funeral Home.

**In Memory of George Marion Stoudemire** given by McSwain Evans Funeral Home.

## **Trinity Life Center**

**In Memory of Andy Bickley** given by Allen & Melody Williams, James Hollis & Arlene Lindler.

# Thank You!

**To my church family,**

**Thanks for the calls, cards, and texts that I received during my last two back surgeries. It has meant a lot to me to have your love and support.**

**Judy Shealy**



# Prayer Concerns

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*Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your request be known to God. (Phil. 4:6)*

Family of Gerald Shealy, Kaye Shealy, Cade Floyd (Nephew of Patsy Frick), Hannah Drafts, Al Asbill (Brother of Alice Martinez), Jake Bearden (Grandson of Dot Abrams), Scott & Cheri Bell, Susan Hill (Mother of Crystal Crouch), The Director of Youth and Education Ministries position, Molly Kednocker, Micheal Torrence, Jean Miller (Mother of Pam Bush), Jean Alewine, Bobbie Bickley, Jonell Shealy. *Note: Out of respect for individual wishes and privacy, if you wish to have someone placed on the prayer list, please obtain their permission prior to submitting it for publication in the newsletter. Thanks for your understanding.*

*We remember those in nursing care centers and the shut-ins of our congregation:*

*White Oak of Newberry  
Jean Alewine*

*Going in the hospital? Having surgery? Recovering from an illness?  
Are you in need of spiritual guidance or maybe in need of prayer?*

*Pastor Randy and the pastoral care volunteers of our congregation will be happy to visit with you at the hospital, at home or just pray for your healing and well-being.*

*Please call Pastor Randy Drafts at (803)537-2303 or the church office and let us know of your need and we will be glad to visit and pray with you anytime.*

*Remember, the Pastor and pastoral care volunteers cannot respond to or meet your needs if they are not aware of them.*

# Holy Trinity Staff

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Pastor

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Director of Music Ministries

Organists

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Rev. Randy Drafts

Mrs. Marie Shealy

Mr. Brett Lindler

Mrs. Lib Boland

Mrs. Donna Fulmer

Mr. Brett Lindler

Mr. Ted Arnold

9:15 a.m. - Sunday School

10:30 a.m. - Worship

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