

Trinity Lutheran Church

- *Sunday Worship Services 10AM*
 - *Holy Communion*
- 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month*

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MARCH 2026 MONTHLY TIDINGS



*Our Mission and
Ministry Statement is:*

*“To know Christ
and
make Him known”*

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FROM THE PASTOR - March, 2026

We are in the midst of Lent where we reflect upon the Lord Jesus Christ Passion for you and me in His innocent suffering and death. Since the modern church of the 21st century is confined to 12 months, we only highlight the major events of Jesus's life and ministry. We know very little about Jesus from birth to twelve years old and then from twelve until he is about thirty years old. So there are many years we do not know much about the life of Jesus. But one thing we do know, the path to the cross did not begin in Bethlehem but in Nazareth!

Luke 1:26-38 English Standard Version Birth of Jesus Foretold

²⁶“In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, ²⁷to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin's name was Mary. ²⁸And he came to her and said, “Greetings, O favored one, the Lord is with you!” ²⁹But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and tried to discern what sort of greeting this might be. ³⁰And the angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. ³¹And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. ³²He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, ³³and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.” ³⁴And Mary said to the angel, “How will this be, since I am a virgin?” ³⁵And the angel answered her, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore, the child to be born will be called holy—the Son of God. ³⁶And behold, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son, and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. ³⁷For nothing will be impossible with God.” ³⁸And Mary said, “Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word.” And the angel departed from her.”

The church observed March 25 as The Annunciation of Our Lord—is a most appropriate time to celebrate the Incarnation. God became man at Jesus' conception in Mary. Here are several articles and resources to help you observe the Annunciation of our Lord and to teach the great value God in Christ places on all human life.

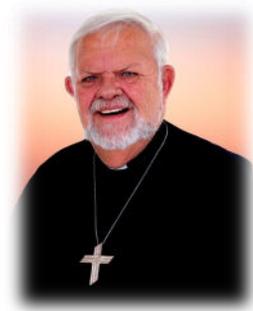
Conceived by the Holy Spirit . . .” These few words from the Apostles’ Creed point to the divinity of Jesus. He was God in the flesh from the moment of conception.

These words also point to our humanity from the moment of conception. The Psalmist writes, “Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me” (Psalm 51:5 NIV). If we are sinful from the moment of conception, we are human beings from that moment and are in need of salvation. Jesus began as we began and passed through all the stages of our development to redeem us from our sinful condition.

Jesus passing through all the stages of human development gives value to all human life in all stages of that development. Jesus being “conceived by the Holy Spirit” enables us to joyfully proclaim and defend the preciousness of all human life from the moment of conception.

Martin Luther has struggled with the incarnation of Christ and all the ramifications surrounding the conception. Even in the Roman Church Immaculate Conception dogma was not finalized until December 8th, 1854. The important view of this is not whether or not we believe in this or that about Mary, but rather we believe the following. . . “I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,” Apostles Creed.

Pastor Norris



Upcoming Events

Next SUNDAY Fellowship Hour For MARCH, 2026

March 8, 2026 - Hosted by Nancy McKeon & Lynne Wendzel

March 22, 2026 - Hostess needed

March 29, 2026 - Hostess needed

WISH TO HOST ANY EVENT?

*Please see the Sign-Up Sheet in the Narthex to pick a day.
All events will follow the services.*



DRIVE THRU CHICKEN DINNER!

At Hartzell's Grocery Market 350 E Interlake Blvd.,
Lake Placid, FL.
(\$15.00 per plate)

Wednesday, 03/18/2026

Pick up time 3:30PM - 6PM

The Trinity Ladies will be there
to bring the meals out to the vehicles.

Men's Breakfast Saturday, March 28, 2026

**& Every LAST Saturday
of the month at 8AM**

*At Oscar's Kitchen 1979 Placid Lake Blvd.
Lake Placid, FL*

PALM SUNDAY SERVICE

03/29/2026 at 10AM



NEXT 4 SERVICES FOR LENT

WEDNESDAYS AT 4PM

SILENT WITNESSES



Wednesday Soup & Sandwich after the 4:00 Lenten service



MENU

- * **Wednesday, March 4- Chicken tenders**
- * **Wednesday, March 11- Ham & cheese sliders**
- * **Wednesday, March 18- Ladies Guild drive-thru chicken dinner**
- * **Wednesday, March 25- Sandwich wraps**

Can you bring a crockpot of soup or a dessert?

Sign-up on the hallway door!

Will you be staying to eat?

Sign-up on the door!

Baskets Galore!

Check out the Trinity Tots baskets in the hallway.

*This is our major fundraiser
of the year!*

Tickets are \$1.00 each

Just write your name
and phone # on it
and which basket # you want.



*(If we have your phone # on file,
you don't need to write it on the ticket.)*

The drawing will be on April 6th.



#1-GONE FISHIN'- \$800

**Sponsored by Mrs. Harris' Class & Lake Placid Marine*

**4-hr. Guided Fishing Trip by Corky Neff
Adult Fishing Pole, Bass Addict Gift Card,
Youth Fishing Pole, Tackle Box
Assorted Hooks, Lures & Jiggs , Hat,
Fishing Backpack and Cooler**



#2- AMERICAN GIRL- \$225

**Sponsored by Mrs. Pepper's Class*

**"Truly Me" American Girl Doll, Doll Bag Carrying
Case, Assorted Clothes,
Toy Beauty Kit,
White Plush Kitty Carrier,
Skateboard & Helmet**



#3- BARBIE'S ON THE GO- \$219

**Sponsored by Mrs. Escobar's Class*

**Girls Scooter, Assorted Barbie, Ken & Chelsea Dolls,
Barbie Off-the-Road Jeep,
Doll Clothes,
Assorted Coloring and Reading Books ,
Pink Storage Bin**



#4- DINO STAMPEDE- \$258

**Sponsored by Mrs. Norris' Class*

**Dino Egg Dig Kit, Paint Your Dino Race Cars,
Lego Jurassic World, Dino Magnetic Building Tiles,
Large Dino Egg with Dinosaurs, Dino Racetrack Set,
RC Dinosaur, Assorted Reading and Activity Books,
Large & Small Storage Cubes**



#5- FAMILY ROAD TRIP -\$500

**Sponsored by Guelff Orthodontics*

\$250 Marriot Gift Card
 \$75 Wawa Gift Card \$50 Chick-fil-A Gift Card
 Blanket, 2 Drawing Tablets , Memory Game
 Snacks , Books, Storage Tote



#6- TASTE OF LAKE PLACID- \$470

**Featuring the following restaurants:*

Casa Tequila, Dock 633, Dunkin Donuts,
 Golden Corral, Hitt's Nutrition, Main Street,
 Mr. Sammy's Pizza, Morty & Edna's, Oscars,
 Schoonis, Wet Dogs & Wine Down



#7- DISNEY GET-A-WAY- \$625

**Sponsored by Miller's Central Air, JPP Sod & Thrivent Financial*

\$450 Disney Gift Card , \$50 Wawa Gas Card,
 Mickey Mouse Plush Toy, Mickey & Friends Totes,
 Blankets, Mickey Toys,
 Signed Disney Print by Artist Rob Kaz



#8- A DAY JUST FOR ME- \$275

**Sponsored by LP Noon Rotary*

Purse & \$100 Visa Shopping Card, Devotion Book,
 Lee's Nail Salon, Gift Certificate,
 Gift Cards from: The Blueberry Patch, Panera Bread,
 Bath & Body Works, Bella Gusto Olive Oil,
 Bottle of Wine



#9-GET TO WORK- \$1,059

**Sponsored by The Pourghafari Family*

HP 15.6" AI PC Laptop Computer Mouse Pad, Mouse, Thumb Drive



#10- ROAD TRIP READY – \$350

**Sponsored by Ole South Auto Salvage & O'Reilly's Auto Parts*

Car Wash Bucket & Supplies, \$40 Gift Card to Triple B's Car Wash-Sebring, \$200 Gift Card to Weather Tech, \$40 Gift Card to O'Reilly's Auto Parts



#11- STITCH'S TREASURE CHEST- \$155

**Sponsored by Friend of Trinity Tots*

Stitch Backpack & Duffle Bag, Stanley Water Tumbler, 2 Zippered Pouches, Stitch Disney Miniso, Plush Angel



#12- START YOUR ENGINES- \$170

**Sponsored by The Bradshaw Family*

RC Electric Truck Tesla, 3 Racing Cars, Tow Truck, FAO Schwartz Build Your Own Track

Thrivent Choice Dollars



**THRIVENT
FINANCIAL®**

Connecting faith & finances for good.®

DESIGNATE THOSE FREE DOLLARS!!!

Have you designated any of your **2025 Thrivent Choice Dollars?** (hopefully to Trinity Lutheran Church or Trinity Tots Preschool 😊) You have until **March 31, 2026** to give your 2025 Choice Dollars away if you have any. Trinity Lutheran Church and Trinity Tots Preschool use these “free” dollars to pay for projects around the church and preschool that are not budgeted. We also help families in need and sponsor some of the public school sports teams. **We really could use your Choice Dollars this year!** Your Choice Dollars are put to good use and many of these projects would not have been accomplished without this money that Thrivent gives to its members to give away. So, either check your online Thrivent account or call them at **1-800-847-4836** to see if you have any Choice Dollars and consider designating to Trinity or Trinity Tots. If you have any questions, Susan Norris will be happy to help you.

****Thrivent Choice dollars cannot be claimed on your taxes. These are Thrivent funds that they allow you to designate which non-profit they go to.**



MARCH'S 2026 items are:

PASTA

& SPAGHETTI SAUCE

(Items may be placed in the Narthex at any time.)

The Dragon's Den

Another Trinity Serving Opportunity



Trinity serves this community by providing snack and food items for the Lake Placid Middle School Dragon's Den, a food pantry in which staff would give needy Middle School youth a bag of breakfast, lunch and snack items they could pre-prepare/microwave themselves over the weekend.

Many of the youth in our community depend on the free breakfasts and lunches which are provided each day at school, but when the weekend gets here, their parents might be working, and they are left to fend for themselves.

The 2nd Sunday of each month will be called Green Dragon Sunday. You will have the opportunity to either bring in some of the items which are listed below, or you can put a few dollars in the basket labeled "Dragon's Den" and we will purchase the items in bulk from Sam's or Walmart. If you bring in items, please stick to the ones listed as these are the suggestions from the school. We will update the list according to their needs. Thank you!

Microwave Raviolis

Microwave Spaghetti O's

Ramen noodles

Tuna packs

Microwave Mac n cheese cups

Granola bars

Pop tarts

Oatmeal

Cheese crackers

Peanut butter crackers

Peanut butter

Jelly

Fruit cups

Snack size cookies

Beanie weenies

Hormel packs

Vienna sausages

Microwave Soup

Special Days to Celebrate!!!

March 2026



Happy Anniversary!

3 Randall & Linda Grohler '91

17 Steve & Pamela Bradshaw '90

Happy Birthday!

5 Robert McFarlan

9 Susan Turoff

12 Hilda Nichols

15 Anthony Verdin

17 Kathy Hoffman

18 Sandy Rybacki

15 Teresa Farlee

21 Barry Zick

22 Steve Blake

26 Dale Farlee

29 Ronald Brow



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MARCH'S 2026 CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 10:00am Worship Service with Communion	2	3	4 4:00pm Lent Service - The Nail (Soup & Sandwich will follow the service - See sign-up sheet)	5	6	7
8 10:00am Worship Service followed by Fellowship Hour	9	10 1:00pm Trinity Ladies Guild Meeting	11 4:00pm Lent Service - The Spear (Soup & Sandwich will follow the service - See sign-up sheet)	12	13	14
15 10:00am Worship Service with Communion	16 Spring Break	17 Spring Break	18 3:30-6pm Drive Thru Chicken Dinner at Hartzell's - Prior purchase required (Trinity Ladies will be there to bring meals to the vehicles). 4:00pm Lent Service - The Shroud Spring Break	19 Spring Break	20 Spring Break	21
22 10:00am Worship Service followed by Fellowship Hour	23	24	25 4:00pm Lent Service - The Stone (Soup & Sandwich will follow the service - See sign-up sheet)	26	27	28 8:00am Men's Breakfast at Oscar's Kitchen
29 10:00am Palm Sunday Worship Service followed by Fellowship Hour	30	31	1	2	3	4