



# Trinity Lutheran

## Ministry Action Teams

### Ushers

Leader: Mike Strube - 734.457.0982

Teams of ushers serve at each service. The ushers assist with the flow of worship. They also greet and help people find seats as well as helping visitors navigate the facilities.

### NEW AND EMERGING

#### 175th Anniversary

Leader: Deborah Saul – 734.755.2829 deborahsaul116@gmail.com

This team will dream up and organize ways to commemorate the 175th anniversary of Trinity’s founding. Join us!

#### Men’s Fellowship

Leader: 734.242.2308 (Church Office)

Do you like doing manly things like cooking meat over a fire, hatchet-throwing, or competitive sports? Or maybe something more sedate, like golf? Come join with other men as we do “manly” things together.



Braille Work Center #203



SWAT Team Visit



Washington D.C. Trip

*"It is more fun serving our great Lord than anyone could imagine."*

-Jacky Nietubicz, MAT Leader for Community of Needs Meal and Funeral Lunches

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**Choir**

Leader: Mary Holtzen - 734.770.6374

The purpose of this group is to provide special choral music to enhance the worship experience for the congregation. Practices are held on Tuesday evenings (excluding the summer months). All are welcome!

**Greeters**

Leaders: Barb Wolfenbarger/Jane Lemke - 734.243.6314/734.241.0639

These volunteers are a welcoming presence to all who come to worship. To be a part of this team, members should be knowledgeable about our facilities and the various ways people can get involved at Trinity.

**Power Point Team**

Leader: Lori Kirk - 734.384.4474

The volunteers from this group run the power point during worship services, helping to lead the congregation through the elements of the service. Training is available. Volunteers will generally be scheduled for one service once or twice a month.

**Praise Band**

Leader: 734.242.2308 (Church Office)

The praise band leads the music for our contemporary worship service at 11 a.m. on Sundays.

**Sound Board**

Leader: Morris Leonard - 734.586.8223

This group runs the sound board, thereby, regulating sound for all worship services.

## Ministry Action Teams and Opportunities

### 7th/8th Grade Washington D.C. Class Trip

Team Leader: Tracey Hackbarth - 734.241.1160 (School Office)

The purpose of this team is to raise funds for an educational trip to Washington D.C. for 7th and 8th grade students at Trinity.

### Trinity Alumni Group (TAG)

Team Leader: Elizabeth DeSloover - 734.777.9691

This group supports past, present and future Trinity Lutheran School families and alumni.

## WORSHIP SUPPORT TEAMS

### Acolytes

Leader: Pastor Daniel Potts - 734.242.2308 (Church Office)

This group enhances worship for the whole family of Trinity by lighting candles for each service. Volunteers are primarily confirmation participants, but others are welcome. This might be a nice opportunity for a parent/child serving together.

### Altar Guild

Leader: Marilyn Evans - 734.457.2639

These volunteers prepare the sanctuary for worship by displaying the appropriate altar vestments and preparing supplies necessary for communion.

### Candle Fillers

Leader: Laura Strube - 734.457.0982

This group works in teams that can be made up of family members or a group of friends. Each team takes a turn filling the oil candles in the church and chapel once a week for a month at a time. Each team usually serves two months out of the year.

### What are ministry action teams?

Ministry Action Teams are groups of members and friends of Trinity Lutheran Church and School that work to carry out the mission and ministries of Trinity. These teams form around specific events, activities and services and become the primary drivers to get those goals accomplished.

### What kinds of things are being done?

Each team is comprised of a leader and group of volunteers. They may form because someone has a heart for a particular ministry, such as our Community of Needs meals, or they may form at the request of a pastor or the principal. Many of these groups are involved in making our worship services go smoothly, groups such as altar guild, soundboard operators, ushers, greeters, choir and praise band, acolytes, and candle fillers. Many support the school, such as boosters club, lunch room volunteers and golf outing fundraisers. Ministry Action Teams typically fall under one of these categories: Member Support, Missions and Outreach, School Support, and Worship Support.

### How does the program work?

The teams are approved and cheered on by the Administrative Team (pastors, principal, and finance manager) so that this vital work is aligned with our congregation's core values and the ministry plan for each year. Leaders are asked to complete a form in January that lists activities from the previous year, plans for the current year, and special requests for funding, meeting space, promotional materials and/or additional volunteers.

For more information about the Ministry Action Team program,  
how to join one or how to start one, please contact:

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## **Listing of Ministry Action Teams Currently Available at Trinity Lutheran**

### **MEMBER SUPPORT**

#### **Care and Keeping**

Team Leader: Kevin Weilnau - 734.735.8173

This team makes contact with the congregational members that have shown a marked gap in attendance of worship. This team further shows care and concern for fellow members, builds relationships, offers prayer, and provides referral to the Pastor if additional help is needed.

#### **Counters**

Team Leader: Myrna Meek – 734.241.5021/Marge Eighmey – 734.242.4017

This volunteer group consists of two teams that take turns counting the weekly offering, preparing the bank deposit and taking the deposit to the bank.

#### **Dinner Angels**

Team Leader: Karen Brown -734.344.7150

This team will provide dinner on a short-term basis to members in need due to illness, injury or surgery. Team members will be responsible, occasionally, for one meal a week.

#### **Endowment Committee**

Team Leader: Hal Eighmey -734.242.2308 (Church Office)

This group seeks to meet a variety of needs by providing money generated by the Endowment Fund. Recommendations to the voters' assembly are made in accordance with the purpose set out in the congregation's Constitution.

#### **Servant Hearts for Los Limones**

Team Leader: 734.242.2308 (Church Office)

The purpose of this team is to help the people of Los Limones come to faith in our Savior Jesus Christ and become spiritually and physically healthier. This team is currently working on projects to raise funding to help the Los Limones families build a church and to provide seeds and training so they can raise food to better provide for their families. Next mission trip to Los Limones: 2019.

#### **Stephen Ministry**

Team Leader: Dave Bork - 734.242.5667/734.344.4593 or coachbork509@aol.com

This team has received training that allows them to come alongside of a grieving person or an individual going through a difficult life situation and to provide Christian care. Stephen Ministers are available to members of Trinity and to others in the community who may have a need.

#### **SummerFest**

Team Leaders: Steve/Melissa McAuliffe - 734.242.2308 (Church Office)

This is an annual event that is held each year in the Trinity parking lot. The purpose of this event is to enjoy fellowship with those in our neighborhood and to share our Christian care and concern.

### **SCHOOL SUPPORT**

#### **Boosters**

Team Leader: Erin Downen - 734.241.1160 (School Office) or boosterstls@gmail.com

This team supports the school by hosting family fellowship events, supporting schoolwide activities, and providing fundraising opportunities to raise support for school needs.

#### **MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers)**

Team Leader: Nancy Gross - 734.241.1160 (School Office)

MOPS encourages and equips mothers of young children to realize their potential as mothers, women, and leaders, in relationship to Jesus, and in partnership with the local church.

### **Malotky Mission**

Team Leader: Rich Huger - 734.289.1214

This team is looking for individuals who have a passion for missions and are available to meet for an hour once or twice a month to plan quarterly projects. The group encourages members of Trinity to be involved in mission work in our community and around the world by raising funds for local and international mission efforts and by offering opportunities for personal involvement providing outreach to the spiritually lost. If you have ideas for a mission you would like to support, please contact a member of this team.

### **Media Ministry**

Team Leader: Patrick Mullin - 734.777.1293 and Howard Wellhousen - 734.625.2793

The function of this team is to provide recordings of our weekly worship services. These volunteers record, edit and make DVDs, TV media and web media. The recording is available on Trinity's Facebook page, for distribution on DVDs to shut-ins, given to Wellspring for the residents and sent to M-PACT -- Monroe's local public access television station.

### **Parenting Class**

Team Leader: 734.242.2308 (Church Office)

This program is designed to teach parents how to avoid un-winnable power-struggles and arguments, stay calm when your kids do terribly upsetting things, set enforceable limits, avoid enabling and begin empowering, help your children learn from mistakes rather than repeating them, raise children who are family members rather than dictators.

### **Prayer Shawls**

Leader: Marge French - 734.244.4551

Members of this team meet to knit or crochet "prayer shawls" that are available to members of Trinity to give to anyone they know who is struggling and needs a "hug from God." The shawls are prayed over while being made and are blessed in a church service when complete.

### **Fellowship Time**

Team Leader: Sabrina Lemanski - 734.497.3407

This team schedules groups to provide beverages and snacks for Fellowship Time between church services on Sunday mornings.

### **Live and Give - with Confidence**

Team Leader: Deborah Saul – 734.755.2829 deborahsaul116@gmail.com

Getting a grip on our money – that is, household income and resources -- is all about empowerment. With a little knowledge we can make choices that free us to be in control and comfortable and generous to the people and things that mean the most to us. This team helps identify financial lessons and inspiration for Trinity's congregation, parents, staff and leadership.

### **SWAT (Spontaneous Work At Trinity)**

Team Leaders: Deborah Saul – 734.755.2829 and Renea Bunkelman – 734.242.3359

The purpose of this group is to provide help to any member of Trinity who has a temporary or unexpected need.

### **Thrivent Connect**

Team Leader: Cheryl Everett -734.242.2308 (Church Office)

Trinity members who belong to Thrivent have the opportunity to direct funds to Trinity Church. This group meets periodically (when funds are available) to recommend how these funds are to be used.

### **Advent Lunches/Lenten Lunches**

Team Leader: Karen Brown -734.344.7150

This team works to provide food and fellowship around worship services.

## **MISSIONS AND OUTREACH**

### **Better Homes for Appalachia Servant Event**

Leader: Pastor Daniel Potts - 734.242.2308 (Church Office)

Each year, a team of youth members from Trinity participate in this event to share the love of God and to help the residents of Appalachia by completing small construction projects.

### **Braille Work Center #203**

Team Leader: Kevin Weilnau - 734.735.8173

This group meets each Saturday morning (except during the summer) to produce portions of the Bible in Braille. Six people are needed for each work session to operate the various stations. Once the books are complete, the Pastors pray over the Bibles during the weekly worship services and then they are sent on their way to be a blessing to a visually impaired person.

### **Community of Needs Meals**

Team Leaders: Jacky Nietubicz - 734.586.8491/Rickie LeGendre - 734.625.6240

This team serves a meal each Sunday evening to those in need with the help of a different group of volunteers each week. Jacky/Rickie and their team will help plan the menu, shop for the items needed, and provide guidance before, during, and after the meal to the individuals serving the meal that week.

### **Deinzer Committee**

Team Leader: Rich Rousselo - 734.474.5210

This team reviews applications for assistance from the Lucille B. Deinzer Trust Fund for food, clothing, and medical bills and makes recommendations to the Senior Pastor for support in accord with the Trust's guidelines.

### **DVD Ministry**

Team Leader: Mark Menzel - 734.242.2308 (Church Office)

The purpose of this team is to deliver Bulletins and DVDs of the church services to the Lutheran Home and to several private homes. This team of 8 could use 3-4 more people.

### **Family Time with Jesus**

Team Leaders: Amanda Baron, Katie Potts, Jennifer Johnson 734.242.2308 (Church Office)

Families with young children learn about God together as they enjoy lessons and crafts.

### **Funeral Lunches**

Team Leader: Jacky Nietubicz - 734.586.8491

This team supports Trinity's mission by offering families a hot, tasty meal and showing them the love and comfort of Jesus. We currently have one team providing these meals, but would like to have an additional team to assist in the ministry.

### **Jail Ministry**

Team Leader: John Krug - 734.693.7065

This team shares the love and Word of God each week as they visit our local detention center and jail. They hold Bible classes, distribute Bibles, and pray with and for the inmates and detainees.

### **Ladies Aid**

Team Leader: Marge French, President - 734.244.4551

The purpose of Ladies Aid is to develop and maintain greater Christian love among members of the congregation, promote Christian fellowship and give financial assistance to the congregation and support select mission projects. All women members of Trinity are eligible for membership. This group of ladies meets on the second Thursday of the month from September to May.

### **Lutheran Women's Missionary League**

Team Leader: Susan Gruber - 734.625.5644

LWML is recognized as the official women's auxiliary organization of the LCMS. Its purpose is to further Christ's mission to the world by supporting the work of the church and by providing education, inspiration, and opportunities for service. The work is accomplished by the contributions of its members through Mite Box offerings. The Michigan District supports its programs with 75 percent of the Mite Box offerings and forwards 25 percent to national.