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February 2014 Newsletter



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Dear Friends in Christ,

February is upon us and "love is in the air," as a familiar old song says. It's hard to miss the red hearts everywhere in the stores. Valentine's Day brings thoughts of romantic love and couples pairing off. It's a time of focus on relationships. Sometimes we have high expectations for behaviors demonstrating love.

God's behaviors in demonstrating his love for us are many and profound. A most comforting, loving action is him calling us his "children" in 1 John 3:1. A parent has a deep love for children. In contrast, our first thoughts of love are romantic, Valentine's Day variety love, generally mixed with feelings of lust. Such love is hard to sustain. It lasts but a while and fades. God's loving us as children is unconditional and lasting.

The best thing about God calling us his children is "we are" that merely by his saying the word. When God speaks something, it happens as surely as he is God. So we are – his children! That's the kind of love he gives us. Such is the kind of love he has given us, ongoing and promised eternally. We know it just as we know him. Yet the world around us doesn't know him. In rejecting him, they miss out on feeling his love and becoming his children, like us. We can't understand them misunderstanding God and his love. And they also miss understanding us in our love for him and each other, just as they have missed knowing him. It is the love we have in Christ, our Lord. A wonderful side benefit of knowing God is our gifted ability to return God's love to him and our neighbor – including the ones we see as our

## What Love!



Valentines. As hearts turn to love this month, may we see God's love for the depth and breadth of a father for his dear children. May he give us the power to love others as selflessly as he loves us. And may we do this to love him as he first loved us. Amen.

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Glenn

*"See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him." (1 John 3:1, ESV)*

## MINISTRY NEWS

### Evangelism

We need more people to sign up on the TLC prayer warriors sheet in the narthex. I am praying for our church, our congregation and council.; that God keeps His loving shield around us all. I have been putting out Portal of Payers, yard signs and John 3:16 cards.

*Denise Hosay*

### Fellowship

We will be having a reception for the new members on Sun., Feb.

23rd. More information will be in future bulletins.

*Christina Wacker*

### LWML

Our monthly meeting will be Sat. February 8th at 9 am. Annual Chili/Soup Fundraiser will be Sun., Feb. 16th after worship. Sign up to provided soup, chili or condiments is in the narthex. The proceeds will be sent to Fort Wayne, to support Kyle McBee. Thrivent will be matching the funds.

*Loretta Meyer*

### Social Ministries

*The Lord is righteous in all his ways and kind in all his works.* We have assisted 6 families from our food pantry. We received a rather large donation of food from Richard & DeAnn Kroeker (Clayton).

*Teresa Dove*

### Youth

No new activities

*Loretta Meyer*



### BIBLE STUDY GROUPS

Clayton Bible Study Tues., Feb. 4th at 6:30 pm  
Pigg Cell Group Thurs. Feb. 6th & 20th at 7 pm  
Lutheranism Prospective Bible Study Wed., Feb. 12th & 26th  
Jr. Confirmation every Wednesday at 6 pm  
Bible Class, 9:15 Sundays, Philipians

### Seeking Volunteers for the New Prayer Chain

People call often asking for special prayers for some urgent need. Denise Hosay is putting together a list of women and men willing to pray immediately for such a need as comes to us. The names will form a chain of persons, each one calling the next on the list and describing the prayer request.

Person 1 calls person 2, who calls person 3 and so on until the list is complete. If you are willing to join Trinity's Prayer Warriors, sign up on the sheet in the Narthex. Our goal is to use only phone contact so that the information is spread quickly. There is also a

level of confidentiality in such requests so social media are not suitable, while email is not swift or reliable. It takes a commitment to keep your phone on and charged and ready. That's what makes it a labor of love even to participate. May God bless this ministry and you!



### Update on Lee "Chuckie" Moore

As most are aware Lee "Chuckie" Moore was seriously burned in an accident the middle of January. He is in the Hillcrest Burn Center in Tulsa. He has been moved from the ICU to the Progressive Care Unit. So far he has undergone several surgeries and is improving daily. Please send cards to Primus & Veronica home address, 417 N. 10th, McAlester. Any text or email of encouragement to Primus and Veronica would be welcome. Please keep Chuckie and all the family in your prayers during this most trying and difficult time.

## Social Security Office Changes

As of February 2014, the Social Security Administration will no longer offer Social Security number (SSN) printouts and benefit verification information in our field offices. However, to ensure a smooth transition, we will continue providing these services if requested until April 2014. We are making these changes to meet the increasing demands for our services at the same time that our agency budget has been significantly cut by over \$1B in each of the last three years. During this same time period we have invested in technology that offers more convenient, cost-effective, and secure

options for our customers to obtain certain services without visiting a local office.

Because the SSN printout is not an official document with security features, and is easily duplicated, misused, shared illegally, or counterfeited, eliminating it helps prevent fraud. Employers, departments of motor vehicles, and other entities requiring SSN verification can obtain this information in real time or overnight using online government services such as E-Verify and Social Security's Business Services Online. Benefi-

ciaries and recipients needing a benefit verification letter can obtain one immediately by registering for a my Social Security account at [www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount), or through the mail within 5-7 days by calling our national toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213.

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I appreciate your support for this effort as we

best possible service to the American people. For future updates and news visit [www.socialsecurity.gov/thirdparty](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/thirdparty).

If you have questions, please feel free to contact Ms. Lee Alviar at [Rosalie.Alviar@ssa.gov](mailto:Rosalie.Alviar@ssa.gov) or by phone at (214) 767-1310.

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## The Time Is Now

Eternity will not be long enough to thank Jesus for dying on the cross to save me. Eternity will not be long enough to thank a friend who introduced me to Jesus. But in eternity I will not be able to introduce anyone to Jesus - the time to do that is now. It is not a year from now. It is now! But with whom shall I do it?

- **Family Members** - spouse, parents, grand parents, etc.
- **Neighbors** - next door, the elderly, new families
- **From Work** - any and all you are in contact with
- **Through Sports and Hobbies** - People you are in contact with
- **Friends** - your and your spouse's friends, parents of your child's friends, etc.
- **Casual Associates** - your doctor, dentist, realtor, insurance, professional groups, sales reps who call on you, babysitters
- **Those In Need** - who are undergoing stress of some kind

## Garden of Love



Cabbage always has a heart;  
Green beans string along.  
You're such a Tomato,  
Will you Peas to me belong?

You've been the Apple of my eye,  
You know how much I care;  
So Lettuce get together,  
We'd make a perfect Pear.

Now, something's sure to Turnip,  
To prove you can't be Beet;

So, if you Carrot all for me  
Let's let our Tulips meet.

Don't Squash my hopes and dreams now,  
Bee my Honey, dear;  
Or tears will fill Potato's eyes,  
While Sweet Corn lends an ear.

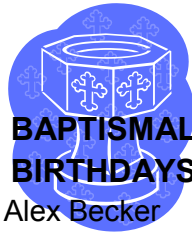
I'll Cauliflower shop and say  
Your dreams are Parsley mine.  
I'll work and share my Celery,  
So be my Valentine.

# Dates to Remember



## BIRTH-DAYS

- 17th Nathaniel Hummel
- 18th Rick Curtis
- Johnathan Ives (Potter)
- 19th Betty Rivers
- John Clark
- 24th Tracie Rivers
- 27th Sarah Brueggeman
- 28th Joshua Billos



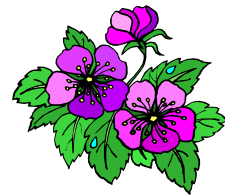
## BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

- 1st Alex Becker
- 5th Danny Harmon Pierce
- 15th Daryls Hutten
- 18th Aaron Phipps
- Audrey Phipps
- 27th Brenda Phipps



## ANNIVERSARIES

- 14th Primus & Veronica Moore
- 26th Randall & Roberta Lopez



**ALTAR FLOWERS**  
For the Month February  
Jo Ann Pigg

## Volunteers for the Month



### COM-MUNION ASSISTANT

Glenn Hosay



### GREETER

Denise Hosay



### USHERS CAPTAIN

Primus Moore  
Alternate Glenn Hosay



### ALTAR GUILD

Loretta Meyer

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Praise God  
for all our  
dedicated  
volunteers  
that help  
make our  
services run  
smoothly.

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### Earn money for TLC by using Goodsearch as Search Engine

Register with goodsearch.com and type in Trinity Luther Church – McAlester as the church you would like to support. Trinity will earn 1¢ for each time you use Goodsearch as your search engine. There are also other ways to earn more money for Trinity and it's all described when you sign up. So please do this simple thing to help us earn a little money.

# LORD, we implore you to hear our prayers:

## For Healing

**Winfred Boriak** (Pastor's uncle), **Delsa Curtis** (Rick Curtis' mother), **Debbie Galler** (Pastor Glenn's cousin), **Freda Gleichman** (Don Gleichman's sister-in-law), **Chad Hobbs** (Jade Burdick's cousin), **Denise Hosay**, **Kelly Jundt** (Glenn Hosay's cousin), **Ed Monizoos** (Denise Hosay's cousin), **Irene Meyer** (Pastor Glenn's mother), **Laura Moore** (Primus & Veronica Moore's daughter-in-law), **Steve Phipps**, **Carol Roberts** (Misty Robert's aunt), **Ester Valenta** (Linda Valenta's mother-in-law)

## Thanksgiving

God's Love, Strength and Peace

## Special Needs

**Steve Phipps** IV antibiotics for internal staph infection, **Robert Yoast** IV antibiotics for internal staph infection in knee; recovering from foot & knee surgery and needing a kidney transplant, **Squeaky Brown** recovering from skin cancer surgery, **Lee Moore** hospitalized with severe burns, **Billie Moore** (Connie Loman & Teresa Dove's mother) lower back, hip & shoulder problems, **Deanna Bostick** (friend of Teresa Dove) taking radiation treatments for squamous cell carcinoma, **Tanessa Gibson** (friend of Velva Jacobson) broken back, **Robert Stiedley** (acquaintance of Hosays) kidney failure, **Braden Page** (acquaintance of Denise & Glenn Hosay)

with sinus cancer, **William Anderton** (Denise Hosay's brother-in-law) lung cancer, **Travis Goodnight** (Teresa Dove & Connie Loman's friend) cancer treatments, **Aaron Wolfrey** (Mandy Loman's cousin) on liver transplant list, **Charlene Francis** (Peggy Gleichman's niece) cancer, **Gary Jundt** (Glenn Hosay's cousin) terminal cancer

## In Hospice Care

**Mary Elizabeth Borgelt** (Bill Borgelt's mother & Tessa Hamilton's grandmother), **Lyle Drews** (Doris Blake's brother),

## For Strength

**Primus Moore family**, **T J Ingle** (Clayton), **Denise Hosay**, **Peggy Gleichman family**, **Vic Jundt** (Glenn Hosay's cousin), **John Peasha Jr.**

## Serving in/with the Military

**Wesley Blake** (Doris Blake's grandson) **David & Courtney Guidry** (Teresa & Gary Dove's grandchildren), **Cole Jackson** (Connie Loman & Teresa Dove's cousin), **Robert Starry** (Mary Starry's grandson) going to Afghanistan, **Canaan & Alivia Potter** (Viola Potter's granddaughter), **Teddy Stevens** (Audrey Brown's brother)

## For Transformation

That we are feeling empowered by the Holy Spirit to keep inviting the lost to church so that God might save them and equip his kingdom workers at Trinity as evangelists.

## Prayer Focus for the Month of February

Spiritual Renewal of Inactive Members

Please contact the office when a name can be removed or changed to another category



ONGOING  
CONCERNS  
FOR OUR  
CHURCH,  
FAMILY AND  
FRIENDS



## Engaging the Aging—Lutheran Senior Services

### Research In the News

More and more studies are reaffirming the idea that healthy living can lead to healthier, happier aging.

Older adults who play video games report higher levels of emotional well-being.

Loneliness tends to trigger unhealthy immune responses.

Aging specialists are telling the aging public to save a lifestyle where you can eat a healthy diet, maintain a healthy weight, exercise, socialize and spiritualize.

Cognitive decline ranks among the top fears that people have as they age.

Staying physically and mentally active turns out to be among the best prescriptions for maintaining a healthy brain and a resilient memory.

Programs and activities that bridge generations create communities that thrive and grow.

Research tells us that having friends, love, respect, social support, religious activity, optimism, and a positive attitude tend to

make people happier and healthier in the long run.

The sooner people quit smoking, the faster they can reduce cardiovascular risks.

Seeing children and grandchildren growing up and being with them from time to time adds health and happiness for the aging person.

There is strong evidence that having good social connections promotes healthy aging and reduces the risk of chronic diseases.

### Investing in the Future

Aging in the world is accelerating. More and more people are living beyond the age of 65. Eighty to ninety percent of babies born today will live past the age of 65. More centenarians are experiencing good physical and mental health Today 70,000 Americans are over the age of 100. That's doubled in the last ten years.

This dynamic aging trend presents challenges, crises, and changes. Our society and faith communities

need to work together to plan new approaches to health care, transportation, housing retirement models, and caregiving.

Fostering good health is so important for an aging population. Promoting programs to enrich mind, body, and spirit dare not be overlooked. Working in the same old ways will not work.

The rising tide of chronic disease among older people places a

sharp focus on a need for a change in lifestyle for people of younger ages. People who achieve and maintain physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual wellness early in life often carry those traits forward to later in life.

It is time for communities, religious groups, and service organizations to meet these issues in a constructive, cooperative, and collaborative way.

### USE WORDS —“WORDS HAVE POWER

If we are to make disciples, we must use words. Share the gospel - and use words, since it's necessary. You don't need a gift to do it.

Christians seem to really love evangelism - as long as someone else is doing it.


Let's not find and propagate reasons to not share Christ. Let's live out the gospel - but also tell people far and wide about the good news of Christ. - *Ed Stetzer*

# February 2014

**ALTAR CAPTAIN**  
*Primus Moore*  
*Alternate Glenn Hosay*

**COMMUNION ASSISTANT**

**ALTAR GUILD**  
*Loretta Meyer*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Pastor's day off Thrivent meeting 3 pm at #9 Community Center in Eufaula
2 Sunday Bible Study 9:15 am Holy Communion	3 Pastor's day off	4 Clayton Bible Study 6:30 pm	5 Pastor at Eufaula on visits Jr. Confirmation 6 pm Youth Night 7:30 pm	6 Pigg Cell 7 pm	7	8 Clayton Ministry Planning meeting 11 am to 2 pm
9 Sunday Bible Study 9:15 am Council meeting Clayton Worship 6	10 Pastor's day off	11	12 Jr. Confirmation 6 pm Youth Night 7:30 pm Lutheran Perspective Class 7 pm	13	14 	15 Pastor's day off LWML meeting 9 am
16 LWML Chili/Soup Fundraiser Sunday Bible Study 9:15 am	17 Pastor's day off Pastor	18 Pastor in Tulsa at Circuit meeting doing Radio	19 Jr. Confirmation 6 pm Youth Night 7:30 pm Devotion at	20 Pigg Cell 7 pm 9:15 am on	21 Station 1150 AM	22 Pastor's day off
23 Sunday Bible Study 9:15 am New Members Reception Clayton Worship 6	24 Pastor's day off	25 Newsletter reports and articles due to Teresa	26 Jr. Confirmation 6 pm Youth Night 7:30 pm Lutheran Perspective Class 7 pm	27	28	

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