

Trinity United Church of Christ



March 2022



✝ **Worship: 8 am & 10:15 am**
✝ **Sunday School: 9 am**

March 2: Ash Wednesday – 7:00 PM
Communion

Joshua 4: 1-7 “Remember- Stones of Grace”

March 6: Communion

John 11: 1-6, 17-44 “Take Away the Stone”

March 13: Mission Sunday- Habitat for Humanity

Hebrews 3: 1-6 Steve Whalen, speaking

March 20: John 13: 1-17 “A Servant’s Life”

March 27: John 18: 28-40 “Testifying to Truth”

Masks are required in Orange/Red status.
Masks highly recommended if in yellow/blue
regardless of your vaccination status!

Communion: Please pick up your communion wafer & cup as you enter the sanctuary.

Offering: Please place your gifts in the offering box or plate as you enter or leave worship.

Contact Information

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Pastor: Rev. Jane Hillman

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March Monthly Calendar

T 1	7:00 pm	Outreach Team
W 2	7:00 pm	Ash Wednesday Service
F 4	1:00 pm	World Day of Prayer
M 7	6:00 pm	Property Team
SU 13	9:00 am	Women’s Guild Men’s Fellowship Youth Breakfast
M 14	7:00 pm	Church Council
T 15	4:00 pm	Sunset Extension
W 16	Newsletter articles due 10:30 am UCC Clergy (Virtual)	
M 28	5:15 pm	Christian Education Team
T 29	7:00 pm	Worship Team
W 30	Newsletter Sent!	

Office closed every Friday!

March Weekly Calendar

Sunday School – Sundays @ 9:00 am

No Sunday School – March 20 & 27!

Confirmation – Wednesdays @ 5:30 pm

No Confirmation March 2 & 23!

Circle of Concern – Fridays @ 7:00 am

No Circle of Concern – March 25!

AA – Wednesdays & Fridays @ 7:00 pm

Music Together -

Mondays & Saturdays @ 9:30 am.

Lent 2022

"Let Go of the Old - BEHOLD, A New Thing Comes!"

Jesus said:

²¹ *No one patches old clothes by sewing on a piece of new cloth.*

The new piece would shrink and tear a bigger hole.

²² *No one pours new wine into old wineskins. The wine would swell and burst the old skins.*

Then the wine would be lost, and the skins would be ruined.

New wine must be put into new wineskins.

Mark 2: 21-22

Ash Wednesday, which is March 2, begins our Lenten Journey. This year we are encouraged to let go of the "Old" that weighs heavily upon our hearts. Jesus gives us the strength to let go of sins, mistakes, regrets, old grudges, bad habits and unhealthy relationships. Jesus said: *"New wine must be put into new wineskins."* This is also true for a butterfly that must shed the confines of the cocoon in order to fly free. Likewise, the stone is rolled back so that Jesus might rise from the dead. In faith, we trust in the promise of Jesus to make all things new. Joy comes in the midst of sorrow; hope comes when despair surrounds us; grace comes and fills our hearts with unconditional and extravagant love.

Yes, things are changing. The world around us is not the same as when we were younger. The challenges are not less; rather they are just different. **BUT>>> life goes on in the midst of change.** New life, new possibilities await us at the empty tomb. So, this Lenten season, consider letting go of at least one piece of "the old" and embrace the promise of new life.

Please bring your family and join me on Ash Wednesday at 7:00 PM in the sanctuary. As you enter you will be invited to select a rugged rock to hold in your hand during worship. At the time of confession, we all will have a chance to exchange this rugged rock for a keychain with three smooth stones. These stones are to remind us that God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit will guide us on the path that is before us with an abundance of grace. No, it will not be a straight or familiar path but we shall not fear for God will be our guide. Blessed ashes will be available for individual use; the ash is a reminder to "repent and believe in the Gospel"!

Together we shall wait for the blooming of love to wash over our old selves and clothe us in new life. **Together we shall proclaim to the world: "Behold, a New Thing Comes!"**

Know I hold you and those you love in my heart and in my prayers! Love, Pastor Jane



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Randy Catt	<i>St. Charles Health Campus, Rm. # 302 (under Hospice care) 3150 St. Charles Street, Jasper, IN 47546</i>	
Corrine Clark	<i>Legacy Living, 1850 IN-56, Rm. # 202- Jasper, IN 47546</i>	<i>(812-482-3482)</i>
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Others to keep in thought and prayer... **Shirlene Dreher, David Fischer, Janice Sunderman, and Brian & Sandy Ferrell.**



Pastoral Care: Please call Pastor Jane with any updates.
If you would like to chat with Pastor Jane, please call her 812-631-1147.

Our Sympathy: Our sympathy and prayers are with the **family of Pete Rasche who died on February 28, 2022.** May God's comfort be with his wife, Carol, his five sons, and two step-children and their families.

Within the Fellowship:

- ✝ Pray for those who continue to be stricken with Covid-19 throughout the world and those who grieve the loss of loved ones. We give thanks for our health care workers!
- ✝ Pray for those **impacted by the devastations from fire, wind & water & snow.**
- ✝ **Pray for ALL in need of healing;** may God grant them strength and patience.
- ✝ Pray for **those at the border, particularly the children who are alone and frightened.**
- ✝ Pray for those **killed by senseless violence,** particularly those killed at school.
- ✝ Pray for our **military, first responders and those in law enforcement.**
- ✝ We continue to **pray for people of Afghanistan and Americans who remain.**

Now Available – March/April Upper Room Devotionals

Hospital Grief Support



Hospital Grief Support Series will begin on **Tuesday, March 8th** and **every Tuesday until April 5th** from 6 PM to 8 PM in the hospital chapel.
Registration is important: Please call (812) 996-0219 to sign up!
There is no cost for the program.
Please come early to be screened at the front desk.

In Loving Memory -Richard A. "Pete" Rasche
August 28, 1942 ... January 28, 2022

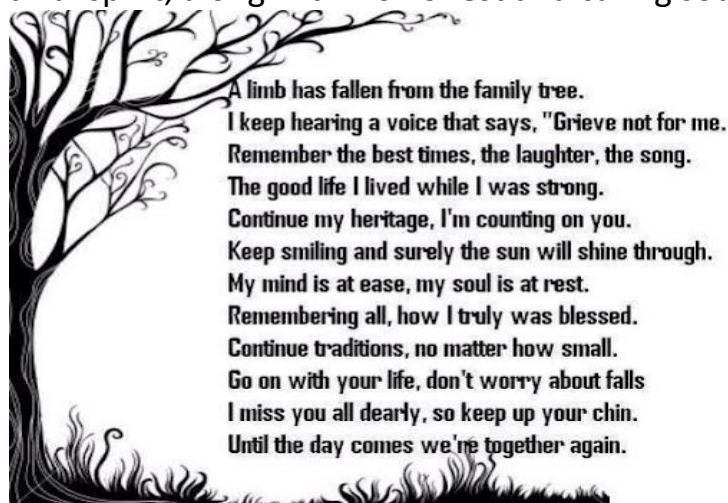
We give the Lord thanks for the 79 years of life appointed to God's beloved son, Richard A. "Pete" Rasche. By God's loving grace, Pete is now resting from his labors, free from all earthly limitations and safely cradled in the loving arms of his Lord. Pete was born on August 28, 1942 to Richard and Margaret Rasche whom he now joins in heaven along with his grandson, Elliot, brother, Donald and sister, Joann. May God bring comfort to his living sisters, Janice and Grace and their families.

We are thankful for 29 years of marriage Pete shared with his wife, Carol, following their wedding on July 17, 1992. They enjoyed many days filled with adventure as they rode their motorcycles and hunted for mushrooms. Pete was always thankful for his beloved wife who was his caregiver and constant companion.

Pete's family includes five sons Rick (Lisa), Tim (Ann), Shane (Julie Cline), Luke (Kelly) and Chuck, along with a Step-son, Randy (Jane) and a Step-daughter, Suzanne. Pete was blessed with the love of his six grandchildren: Lane, Jesse, Sylvie, Mitchel, Hunter and Dillon, along with his 5 step-grandchildren: Evan, Alex, Averi, Erika, and Kaleb. May this generation continue to share the love of their Grandpa.

Pete was baptized and confirmed in the Catholic Church, serving as an altar boy and soloist. He joined Trinity UCC in 2013. Pete was a U.S. Navy Veteran who served in the South Pacific; he was a member of the American Legion. Pete served as a Jasper City police officer; he retired as the assistant chief after 37 years of service. Pete then served as a courthouse security officer for the Dubois County Sheriff's Department for 8 years and was a member of the Fraternal Order of Police.

Pete logged many miles on the school bus taking countless athletes to their various games and was very involved with Jasper Little League Baseball. Pete loved God's gift of the land. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, riding his motorcycle and spending time with his family. We celebrate Pete's hard-working faithful spirit, along with his honest and caring soul.





Trinity Sunday School - 2022

Preschool – 6th grade – 9 am in the Sanctuary.

“BELIEVE you can BE all that God created you to BE!”

Thank you for wearing a mask when we are not in “Blue”!

Youth Breakfasts (7th – 12th grades): 3/13

Class: 3/6

Note: No Sunday School – March 20 or 27 due to Spring Break!

The SS kids will sing at the 10:15 am worship on March 13,
if our Covid status is Yellow/ Blue.

Wednesday Nights – March 9, 16, 30 5:30 – 6:15 PM Rm. # 201

March 2 – Please come to the Ash Wednesday service at 7:00 PM

March 23 – No Class due to Spring Break!



In March – we will be preparing for our Confirmation Conversation on April 24
and our Confirmation Presentation Sunday, May 15.

(Thank You for wearing a mask when we are not in “Blue!”)

VBS 2022 on Hold! At this time, The Christian Education Ministry Team has **NOT been able to find a Director** for the **2022 Vacation Bible School**. Therefore, plans are on hold for this ministry, as well as for the fund-raising Soup & Dessert Luncheon. **Note:** The Director finds a team of leaders, selects date & time to fit leaders’ schedules and selects the theme & materials.



If you are interested in being the VBS Director,
contact Greg Schnarr (812-630-8744) gregschnarr@hotmail.com



➤ It will be a joy to host the community World Day of Prayer. Thank you to our Women’s Guild for their leadership and to all the participants.

➤ Thank you to all who helped clean-up after the ice storm. Your labors were a blessing.

➤ Thank you to Jan Kalb for proofreading all worship bulletins, the newsletters, and the Annual Report.

➤ Thank you to all our team members for their faithful ministries among us.

➤ Thank you to those who provide special music and to Mary Ann Weisheit for playing while Sarah was gone.

Mission Alive at Trinity



Thank you for your generous donation of \$460.00 to Church World Services for their Blankets of Love project. Trinity has answered the call to Blanket the World with Love.



This year the Outreach Team, with the approval of the Church Council, has selected a **local organization for the Lenten Mission**. Members of the Outreach Team became aware that the local **Habitat for Humanity** was building a home in Huntingburg, and that this home would be for **Becky Mennerick Armstrong**. There was a story in The Herald this past fall explaining that Becky, her husband, and their two children were the people chosen to live in the house which is currently being built by Habitat volunteers. Becky and her family are also required to help with the building of the home. The story explained how deserving the family was. Since Becky's father was the minister at Trinity for many years, and her mother taught preschool at Trinity Tree House during that time, the Outreach Committee felt it was appropriate to select them as the recipients of our Lenten Mission donations.

Habitat for Humanity's local board president was contacted and assured us that any money collected will definitely go directly to the house being built for this family. The house should be finished about the end of this school year. The Habitat board president said our donation would be especially appreciated at a time when many things would be being purchased to finish the home.

Habitat's local board president, Steve Whelan, will be speaking at both services on **March 13th**. He will **present slides on our TVs** showing the progress of **Becky and Eddy Armstrong's home**, explain how Habitat works, and answer questions you may have.

We on the Outreach Team feel there are several of you who will remember the Mennericks and want to help their "child." We hope others of you who do not remember or have connections to the Mennericks, will just want to bless a deserving family by donating so they can have their own home.

Last year, Trinity donated more than the goal of \$5,000 to Water for South Sudan. Hopefully this year we will also reach more than that goal of \$5,000 for the **home of Becky and Eddy Armstrong and their children**.

Community Food Bank – *Hamburger and Tuna Helper*

Since the last newsletter, **7 boxes of oat bars and 1 box of chocolate chip bars, along with 18 boxes/bags of spaghetti, 11 cans of spaghetti sauce, and 8 jars of spaghetti sauce** have been donated. These items are very much appreciated by those in need in our community.



Thank you, people of Trinity, for your generous spirit!

Mission Alive at Trinity- Continued



Tornado Recovery Donations

Donations to aide in the **tornado recovery efforts** can be made through Trinity Church; they will be sent when information becomes available. **Please clearly mark your donations.**



Adopt a Family - Your spare change/dollars in the jar does more than a little! We use the total given each month to pay a bill or purchase a gift card for our Adopt-A-Family. **Our 2022 family is a mom, dad, and their 2 daughters (ages 5 and 11).** The younger girl is severely handicapped, and even though Dad works a full time job and Mom has 2 jobs, their budget is stretched with all the extra expenses pertaining to her care. We hope, by helping them with a gift each month, we can lighten some of the stress. So the money YOU put in the jar really matters. When added to what others give it can make a huge difference!! Thanks for your continued support.

Sincerely, Outreach Team



February 2022 - Council Decisions

- Council approved the Survivors of Suicide to use the Trinity building for their event on Saturday, June 11, 2022.
- Council also approved the removal of the hard copy of the property book in favor of use of electronic records and information.
- Also approved was the date change of the April Council meeting. It is now going to be held on April 4, 2022 to avoid meeting during Holy Week.



Date	Worship Attendance					Sunday School Attendance				
February 6	No Worship due to icy parking lots.									
February 13	8 am	20	10:15 am	38	Total	58	Kids/Youth	0	Adults	2
February 20	8 am	13	10:15 am	27	Total	40	Kids/Youth	2	Adults	2



March 2022 - Worship Participants

March 2 – Ash Wednesday – Communion

Bible Reader & Time with Children: Pastor Jane

Organist: Sarah Sergesketter

Usher & Lock-up: Mary Ann Weisheit

Acolyte: Parker Jahn

Communion Prep: Roth Family

Media Producer & Tech: Mark Blackgrave

March 6- Communion

Bible Readers: Pastor Jane, Sarah Sergesketter

Organists: Mary Ann Weisheit, Sarah Sergesketter

Time with Children: Heather Goodhue

Usher: 8:00 am Linda Troxler

Usher & Lock-up: 10:15 am Janet Meyer

Media Techs: Kurt Vonderheide, Mark Blackgrave

Acolyte: Madison Mauck

SS Teacher: Heather Goodhue

Communion Prep: Linda Kahle

Media Producer: Doreen Lechner

March 13

Bible Readers: Bill Small, Pamela Catt

Organist: Mary Ann Weisheit, Sarah Sergesketter

Time with Children: Audra Jahn

Usher: 8:00 am Bill Small

Ushers & Lock-up: 10:15 am Pamela Catt

Media Techs: Kurt Vonderheide, John Kahle

Acolyte: Addie Schnarr

SS Teacher: Audra Jahn

Media Producer: Kurt Vonderheide

March 20

Bible Readers: Mary Ann Weisheit, Dean Vonderheide

Organists: Mary Ann Weisheit, Sarah Sergesketter

Time with Children: Pastor Jane

Usher: 8:00 am Mary Ann Weisheit

Ushers & Lock-up: 10:15 am Dean Vonderheide

Media Techs: Kurt Vonderheide, Nicole Lechner

Acolyte: Ushers

Media Producer: John Kahle

March 27

Bible Readers: Connie Schmitt, Dan Sergesketter

Organists: Mary Ann Weisheit, Sarah Sergesketter

Time with Children: Pastor Jane

Usher: 8:00 am Connie Schmitt

Ushers & Lock-up: 10:15 am Dan Sergesketter

Media Techs: Kurt Vonderheide, Adam Roth

Acolyte: Ushers

Media Producer: Nichole Lechner

Faith & Fellowship

Men's Fellowship ... The Trinity men will gather on **March 13 @ 9 am** in the church lounge. This group is open to anyone; please invite friends for the fellowship & worship. The group hopes to gather monthly for conversation.

Women's Guild News... Next meeting is **March 13 at 9 am** in the chapel.



March 4, 2022 @ 1:00 PM **World Day of Prayer**

Trinity will be hosting!

We welcome all who are able to participate in this meaningful time of worship. This year's program was prepared by women in the United Kingdom.

Easter Flower Garden ~ April 17, 2022

The Worship Team is requesting that all flowers for the Easter Flower Garden this year be purchased by the donor and brought to the Communion Prep Room on the following dates:



April 14th - Maundy Thursday evening from 6:30 PM - 8 PM

April 15th - Good Friday from 10 – 11 AM or 7:30 - 8:30 PM

April 16th - Saturday morning from 10 - 11 AM

All flowers may be taken by donors following the 10:15 AM service on Easter Sunday.

Please send the following information to the church office. Forms are available in the entrance of the church.

I/we _____ will provide flowers to the Easter Garden and would like the donation to be shared (check and complete one of the below)

_____ **IN MEMORY OF** _____

OR

_____ **IN CELEBRATION OF** _____



March Birthdays

<u>Name</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Day</u>
Daniel Kahle	1	William Cole	16
Rick Hobson	7	Jera Hafele	17
Sarah Hopf	9	Maggie Hubster	19
Mike Berger	11	Ty Stockburger	22
Neil Astrike	10	Melissa Blackgrave	22
Shirlene Dreher	10	Linda Mehling	24
David Scherer	10	Jared Coller	25
Phil Schmidt	13	Treva Heise	25
Greg Braun	12	Remi Adams	26
Lisa Kincer	14	Sylvia Adams	29
Stacy Hubster	15	Jerry Brewer	30
Terry Kapp	15	Kimberly Aull	31
Jace Goodhue	15		

No Anniversaries in March!