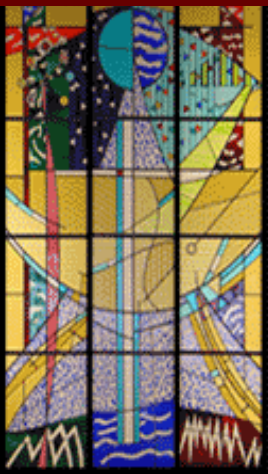


Third Sunday in Lent



We are:

- A Community of Faith.
- Sent by God
- To Pursue God's hopes and dreams
- For DC and the World

Weekly Mission and Ministry Opportunities March 7, 2010

Our Mission...

...is to be a diverse, caring and welcoming Christian community in the heart of our nation's capital. We celebrate and demonstrate our faith in the Gospel of Jesus Christ through inspirational worship, prayer and selfless, loving service to others.

First Trinity and St. Matthew's are congregations of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

We welcome absolutely

everyone to our worship service where we joyfully celebrate together our wholeness and oneness in Christ! Contained in these pages are the opportunities for mission, ministry and service in our parish this week. Some congregations might call them announcements but they are really more!

Jesus calls each of us to be his disciples. These pages contain visible, concrete ways that you can live out your discipleship in faithfulness to God's call.

To Our Visitors and Guests

Please join us for refreshments after the service.

We would like to pray for you. If you would please fill out one of the white prayer cards this will give us an opportunity to pray for you by name during the next week.

If you are looking for a church home, we hope you will consider First Trinity and St. Matthew's. Any of the pastors would be happy to discuss this with you further.

First Trinity Lutheran

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Church Office: 202-737-4859
Fax: 202-628-0571



St. Matthew's Lutheran

E-mail: pchuber@hughes.net
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Helpful Information

- The Pastors are available for private prayer after worship each Sunday. If you desire personal prayer let Pastor Moen, Pastor Knoll, or Pastor Huber know.
- Prayer Requests may be called in or e-mailed to the church office. All items (except the listing of the homebound) will now be removed from the list after one month, unless the person requesting prayer lets us know to continue the item.
- A CD of the sermon is available after each service, along with CD's from previous services, in the display rack in the back of the church. Help yourself, and when you're done with it, pass it on to a friend.
- To hear the sermon on your computer, go to www.firsttrinitydc.org, and click on "podcast blog" (towards the bottom of the page), then click on the direct download mp3 file. For help, call the church office at 202-737-4859.
- The Lutheran Hour is broadcast each Sunday morning on the following stations:
Metro Area: WMZQ 98.7 FM at 7:00 a.m. Baltimore: WBAL 1090 AM at 10:30 a.m.

IMPORTANT: Upcoming Meetings & Activities

- **Council Meeting: Thursday, March 18th, 7:15pm**
- **God's Mission in Tanzania Presentation/Luncheon (Pastor Huber & Dr. Atkins):
Sunday, March 14th, 11:30am**
- **Lifeline Partnership Pasta Party & Sing Praise Service: Saturday, March 20th, 5pm**

First Trinity & St. Matthew's February

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| 9:00 | a.m. | Coffee |
| 9:15 | a.m. | Parish Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary) |
| 9:15 | a.m. | Spiritual Gift Study (CFLS Lobby) |
| 9:30 | a.m. | Bible Study |
| 10:30 | a.m. | Worship Service with Holy Communion/ Children's Sunday School (Library) |
| 11:30 | a.m. | Fellowship Hour (Parlor) |
| 12:00 | p.m. | Lifeline Partnership Bible Study |
| 1:00 | p.m. | FCUCC Worship Service |
| 2:00 | p.m. | FCUCC Fellowship (Fellowship Hall) |
| 2:30 | p.m. | FCUCC Confirmation Class (Library) |
| 3:30 | p.m. | FCUCC Second Confirmation Class (Parlor) |
| 4:00 | p.m. | Democratic Society (Library) |

What is your Passion (Sunday Mornings in Lent)



**What is your God given passion for ministry and life?
What Spiritual Gifts has God given you to live out your passion?
What is God calling you to do in a life of discipleship?**

These are the exciting topics we will explore for 5 Sundays during this Lenten season. Our class will meet from 9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. beginning on Sunday, February 28 and continuing each Sunday until March 28.

Discernment of our spiritual gifts, God given passion, and God's calling for our life, is essential for living to the fullest, the life God has intended for us. During our class we move through a discernment process by participating in a passion and spiritual gifts inventory. Once some clarity has been reached as to these gifts, we will explore how God might be calling us to use these gifts in our day-to-day world and life in the church. If you plan to attend, please let Pastor Huber know so we know how many resources to obtain for the class.

VIPs* that you would need should you have to quickly evacuate your home are listed on a handy checklist from Lutheran Disaster Response (LDR). VIPs are "Very Important Papers," part of a Family Go-Kit recommended by LDR. Find the checklist [on the synod Web site](#) ("Ministries" tab under "Disaster Response").
*Very Important Papers

Lenten Worship Schedule

Spiritual Gift Study:

Sundays- March 7th, 14th, 21st, 9:15am
@ First Trinity

Thursdays-Evening Prayer

6:00 pm supper, 6:45pm worship

Holy Week:

Palm Sunday Procession/Worship
March 28th, 10:30am

Maundy Thursday-joint service with First Church

April 1st, 7:30pm

Good Friday Services:

April 2nd
@ First Trinity, 12:15pm
Joint Service with Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, 7:30pm
@ First Trinity

Lifeline Partnership Easter Vigil Sing Praise

Saturday, April 3rd; Dinner 5:00pm; Worship 6:00pm

Easter Sunday Festival Services

April 4th, 10:30am; Pancake breakfast to follow

This Sunday, an ELCA Town Hall Forum will take place with Presiding Bishop Hanson and an audience of ELCA members. View it on March 7 at 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) from <http://www.elca.org/townhall>. Questions can be submitted by viewers from that Web site. A selection of these questions and others from the audience will be addressed. Responses in English and Spanish will be open captioned during the webinar. The Rev. M. Wyvetta Bullock, executive for administration, ELCA Office of the Presiding Bishop, will be the forum's moderator. Learn more from <http://www.elca.org> (ELCA News Service, 2/24/10).

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Saturday, March 13 at 7:00 pm

Sunday, March 14 at 2:00 pm

Friday, March 19 at 7:00 pm

Saturday, March 20 at 2:00 pm & 7:00 pm

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