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**We Welcome YOU to Worship at
Trinity Lutheran Church ~ Abbotsford
February 15, 2026 NEWSLETTER**



Holy Communion – The 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month.

We, Lutherans, believe and teach that in this precious meal we receive is not only the bread and wine, but also Christ's true Body and true Blood given and shed for the forgiveness of sins. Proper spiritual preparation is necessary to rightly receive this sacrament. Please read the Communion policy card in the bookrack of your pew.



Please be attentive to the ushers. They will guide you to come forward to receive the Holy Communion.

Preparing for Sunday Worship

FIRST READING: Exodus 24:8–18

EPISTLE READING: 2 Peter 1:16–21

HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 17:1–9

God Manifests His Glory in the Body of Christ Jesus, Transfigured for Us by His Cross

The Transfiguration confirms *“the prophetic word ... to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place”* (2 Peter 1:19). The divine glory of Jesus is manifested in the word of His apostles, who were *“eyewitnesses of his majesty”* (2 Peter 1:16). *“He was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun”* (Matt. 17:2). Moses and Elijah witnessed the fulfillment of the Old Testament in this Lord Jesus, and the Father testified concerning Him: *“This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased”* (Matt. 17:5). By His own blood, shed on the cross, Jesus makes and seals the new covenant with us. Hence, *“the appearance of the glory of the LORD”* is no longer *“like a devouring fire”* (Ex. 24:17), but it is graciously revealed in His own body. As *“Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel”* went up the mountain with Moses and *“beheld God, and ate and drank”* (Ex. 24:9, 11), we also behold the Lord our God in Christ Jesus, and we abide with Him as we eat and drink His body and blood at the altar.

thank you
FOR JOINING US

a New Visitor to Trinity Lutheran Church? Please sign our “Guest Book” on the Narthex table.

Free Copies of “PORTAL OF PRAYERS” are available in the Narthex.

We Uplift in Prayer:

Faye Ulmer, Inez Johnson,
Loretta Brown, Alice Topnik,
Pat Frisk, Elizabeth Scheier.



**To all members and visitors,
PLEASE SIGN IN if you will be
partaking in communion.
Thank you**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dear members,

Please pray for the family and friends of Harold Balback who mourn his passing.

A Memorial Service will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church on Saturday, February 28th at 2:00 pm. Reception to follow.

Adult Bible Study:

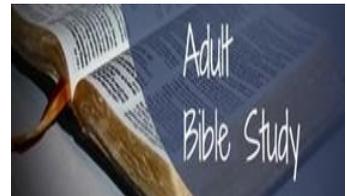
Paul's Letter to the "Ephesians," is the focus of our Bible Study for this Winter.

Pastor Henock is teaching this book on

Tuesday from 10:30 am to 11:30 am and

Sunday from 11:45 am to 12:25 pm

All are welcome to attend!



Voters' Meeting on Sunday, Feb 22 @ 11:45am.



Birthday Sunday

February 15 is: BIRTHDAY
SUNDAY!

We will be honoring all those who had a birthday in February, March and April. There will be cake, drinks and fellowship in the Narthex after the service. Everyone is welcome!

We will also be remembering the ministry of Saint Valentine.

February 18th

at 7:00 pm **Ash Wednesday Service**

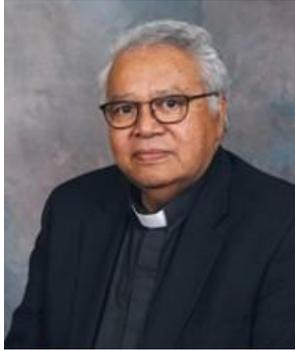


**"Our first Lenten
fellowship meal
will take place in
the gym on Ash**

**Wednesday (Feb. 18) starting at 5:30
p.m. It will be our traditional KFC
chicken dinner.**

Everyone is welcome."





MISSION PRAYERS

FEBRUARY 15, 2026 | CANADA

This week, we pray for **Rev. Razafy Razafindrakoto** who serves as pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Reconciliation in Sherbrooke, Quebec.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, as Your Son sent forth His Church to make disciples in all nations, we lift up before You, Pastor Razafindrakoto, asking You to sustain him by Your Spirit and bless his labors for the sake of the Gospel; Lord in Your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer.

TLC'S UPCOMING SCHEDULE & EVENTS February 2026

Feb 15 th	10:30 am Divine / Communion Service ~ Pastor Norm Miller
Feb 16 th	Family Day
Feb 17 th	10:30 am Bible Study
Feb 18 th	10:00 am Sew and Sews 5:30 pm Lenten fellowship meal 7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Service
Feb 20 th	6:30 pm Intro to Lutheran Christian Identity
Feb 22 nd	10:30 am Divine / Vajda Hymn Service 11:45 am Voter's Meeting
Feb 24 th	10:30 am Bible Study
Feb 25 th	7:00 pm Lenten Service
Feb 28 th	2:00 pm Memorial Service for Harold Balback.



Why Valentine's Day?



Valentine's Day is a celebration of love, devotion, and romance.

But why? And why do we call it "Valentine's Day"?

Why is it on February 14th?

Valentine, also known as "Saint Valentine of Rome," was a 3rd century bishop who lived in central Italy.

He ministered to Christians persecuted under the Roman empire.

At that time, soldiers in the Roman army were not allowed to marry, but Bishop Valentine chose to obey God rather than men. He secretly performed weddings for Christian soldiers despite the emperor's decree.

For these two activities, he was put on house arrest by a judge called "Judge Asterius," with whom he discussed faith in Jesus Christ. The judge put Valentine's faith to the test by presenting his blind daughter to him. "If Jesus is real, then ask him to restore her sight," he said. Valentine placed his hands on her eyes and her vision was restored. The judge was humbled and so impressed that he became baptized along with his 44-member household. He also freed all the Christians he had thrown into jail.

Valentine continued preaching the gospel, but was arrested again. He even tried to convince the Emperor Claudius II of the truth of Christianity, but was told to either renounce Christ or be executed.

He chose Christ, so he was beaten with clubs and beheaded on February 14, 269.

The Feast of Saint Valentine was instituted by the pope in 496 AD. He chose February 14, the day of Valentine's death, in honor of his martyrdom. The idea was to overpower the pagan holiday of "Lupercalia", a celebration of love and fertility in Ancient Rome.

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