

---



# THE MESSENGER

---

## Welcome to the Messenger.

---

We're so glad you're here! Each month, The Messenger keeps you in the loop with everything happening at Trinity—events, stories, announcements, and ways to get involved. Grab a cup of coffee and see how God is moving in our church family! The Messenger goes out the first Sunday of every month.



## Coming Up at Trinity

---



**February 1:** First Steps & Next Steps

**February 8:** Trinity Students Sing in the Late Service

**February 8:** Souper Bowl of Caring Cros Ministries

**February 11:** Trinity Youth Middle School

**February 14:** I Love my Car Show

**February 18:** Ash Wednesday Services- 12PM & 7PM

**February 18:** Being Challenge Small Groups Begins

**February 20-21:** 1517 Conference

**February 22:** Trinity Youth High School

**February 25:** Trinity Youth Middle School

**February 28:** Daddy Daughter Dance

## 1517 Conference

Get ready for our 1517 Conference on  
February 20–21!

1517 is a nonprofit organization dedicated to proclaiming and defending the Good News—that you are forgiven and free because of Christ alone. This February, we're honored to welcome several of their renowned speakers to Trinity as they lead us through our conference theme, Out of Darkness and Into Christ.

We'll hear from Chad Bird, Erick Sorensen, Erica Sorensen, Scott Keith, along with our own Pastor Jake Roedsens and local pastor Landon Ledlow.



## I Love my Car Show

Got a car that turns heads? Don't miss your chance to shine at our car show! Come out to our Car Show on Saturday, February 14th from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Trophy judging starts at noon, with awards at 1:00 PM. Enjoy free hot dogs and drinks while exploring an amazing lineup of classics, antiques, street rods, and more. Scan the QR code below to register or email [carshow@trinitydelray.org](mailto:carshow@trinitydelray.org). All proceeds go towards our school's library renovation.



SATURDAY,  
FEB. 14TH  
10AM-1PM



## First Steps & Next Steps

Interested in getting involved at Trinity? Join us for First Steps or Next Steps, both held on the first Sunday of each month at 11:45 AM.

First Steps is a great starting point if you're new to Trinity. Aaron Ash will walk you through who we are, what we do, and how you can get connected.

If you've already attended First Steps, we invite you to attend our Next Steps class. Led by Pastor Jake, this class is designed for those ready to become more deeply involved in the life of our church. You'll learn more about our Lutheran identity, discover ways to get plugged in, and complete the final step toward membership.

Both classes meet **TODAY**, February 1st in the Fellowship Hall. Lunch is provided for both classes.

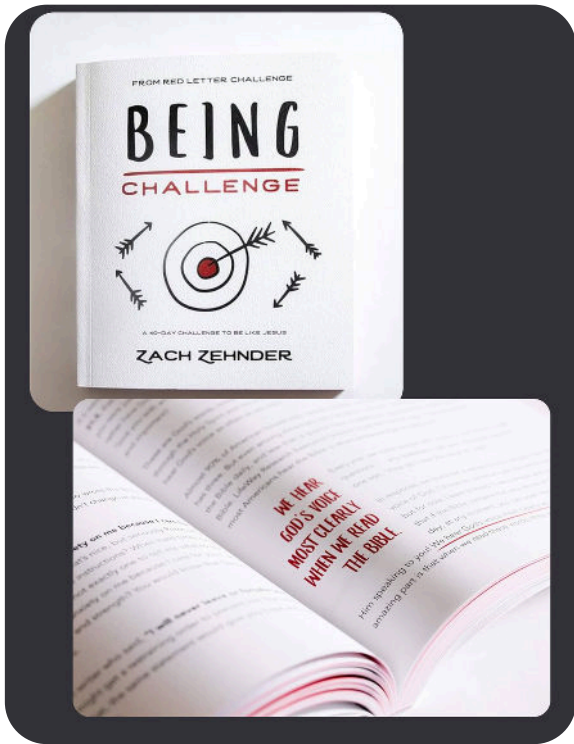
## Ministry of the Month- *CROS Ministries*



The ministry of the month of February is the Souperbowl of Caring. We are partnering with CROS ministries as they raise money for the food bank. Sunday, February 8th is Super Bowl Sunday, and it is the main day that we will be raising funds for CROS Ministries. Money can be donated at any time in the month of February, or throughout the year. Food donations are greatly appreciated, however more impact can be seen through giving money for CROS to buy food directly at greatly discounted prices. Thank you for partnering with us to serve our community.



# The Being Challenge



For the season of Lent, we are excited to launch a small-group focused study centered on The Being Challenge by Zach Zehnder. This study invites us to slow down, reflect, and grow deeper in our faith as we walk through the Lenten season together. Small groups will meet regularly throughout Lent and provide space for meaningful discussion, prayer, and connection.

Scan the code below to join a group through our Church Center app and be part of this intentional season of growth.



## Bible Studies at Trinity

### Pastor's Thursday Morning Bible Study

Meets Thursdays at 9:00 AM in the MC Upper Conference Room, led by Pastor Jake. For questions, email Pastor Jake at [jroedsens@trinitydelray.org](mailto:jroedsens@trinitydelray.org).

### Family Bible Study

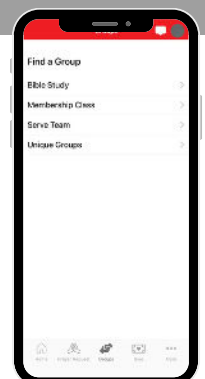
Meets Thursdays at 6:00 PM in the MC Upper Conference Room. This study is for all ages and stages of life. We are currently diving into the book of Acts. Childcare is provided. For questions, contact Aaron Ash at [cash@trinitydelray.org](mailto:cash@trinitydelray.org).

### Sunday Morning Bible Study

Meets Sundays at 9:45 AM in the MC Upper Conference Room. We are currently studying the book of Acts. We will be studying the gospel of John in the new year. For questions, contact Doug Preston at [douglas.preston1953@gmail.com](mailto:douglas.preston1953@gmail.com).

## Trinity Groups

Have you explored all of the groups we offer at Trinity? From Moms Club and Dads Club to our Prayer Team, the Passion Team, and even Faith & Firearms (coming soon) — there are so many ways to get connected and grow in community. Be sure to check out all the opportunities available on our app!



## Trinity Kids

Join Trinity Kids! We welcome children from Pre-School to 5th grade into a fun, faith-filled experience designed just for them. Trinity Kids will be every Sunday during our 10:30 AM service. Please check in at the EC office.

Your children will be brought back into service during offering. We can always use more volunteers. If you are interested, please reach out to  
Jamie McCormick at  
[jmccormick@trinitydelray.org](mailto:jmccormick@trinitydelray.org).

## Trinity Youth

Trinity Youth Middle School will meet bi-weekly from 6:30–8:00 PM in the gym. Dinner will be provided, and students can look forward to games, fellowship, and a Bible study. The dates for February are February 11th and 25th.

Trinity Youth High School will meet on the last Sunday of every month from 6:30–8:00 PM in the gym. Our next gathering is Sunday, February 22nd.

We are so excited to see both groups grow, connect, and flourish in their faith this year!

## Mite Box- Orphan Grain Train

The Orphan Grain Train, working with the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Ukraine, assists fifteen orphanages, by shipping food, clothing and medical supplies to them. Each orphanage is served by a pastor, who will tell them of a God who is merciful and cares for them, through acts of mercy, shown by followers of Jesus.

*"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me." – Matthew 25:35-36*



## Pastor's Corner

For those interested in church traditions, February marks the beginning of the season of Lent. On February 18th, we begin the Lent season with Ash Wednesday and end just before Palm Sunday, which is March 29th this year. Lent is a season of repentance and contemplation on what the Holy Spirit, through the person of Jesus Christ, has done for us. Our Sermon series this month will be called The Being Challenge: 40 Days to Abide in Christ.

Lent isn't about self-improvement; it's returning to Jesus and learning His life-giving habits so we don't just "try harder," but abide in Jesus deeper. We will learn to practice the rhythms Jesus practiced: solitude, prayer, reading and studying Scripture, and living in community as the gathered Church as He leads us to the cross and out of the tomb.

Ash Wednesday is a day focused on repentance, and Palm Sunday is a day of celebration and jubilation, and it's in the middle of those days, those middle moments that we will learn, together, how we can be more like Jesus. This season, we will have services not only on Sundays but also on Wednesdays in the historic chapel. I look forward to walking this journey with you all



## National Lutheran Schools Week

The last week of January was National Lutheran Schools Week, and our Middle School students had the opportunity to visit St. Paul Lutheran School to gather with other local Lutheran schools and put their faith into action through service. Together, they participated in service projects that reflected the heart of service, partnering with organizations like Phil's Friends and GIVT. Students packed hygiene boxes for those in need, wrote encouraging notes to individuals battling cancer, made blankets, and so much more. We are incredibly thankful for our students and the compassion and servant hearts they continue to show!





# Daddy Daughter Dance



Calling all Father and Father figures! Our Daddy Daughter dance is one month away! Mark your calendar for Saturday, February 28th from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM in Trinity's Fellowship Hall. This year's theme is Butterfly Kisses. Scan the QR code to purchase tickets. All are welcome! We hope to see you there!

## Giving at Trinity

We're so grateful for your continued generosity and support of Trinity's mission! Your giving helps us share the love of Jesus and serve our community in so many meaningful ways. You can give conveniently in several ways:

**Online:** Through the Church Center app (click the button below)

**Zelle:** Send to [zelle@trinitydelray.org](mailto:zelle@trinitydelray.org)

**Venmo:** @TrinityDelray (verification code 3507)

**In person:** Offerings can always be given during worship or dropped off in the church office.



## Follow us on Social Media!



**Don't miss a thing!**

Follow Trinity on Facebook and Instagram to stay up to date on events, stories, and all the amazing things happening in our church and school community.

**Facebook:** Trinity Lutheran Church & School

**Instagram:** @official.trinity.delray