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Three *Little* Words... "With Great Power"
By Pastor Dana Ward

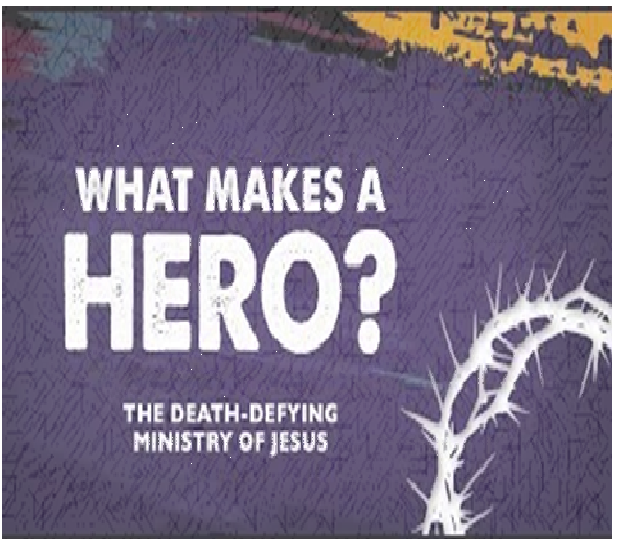
As you know, this Lent we are exploring what popular comic book heroes can tell us about the ministry of Jesus. One thing many of these heroes have is a catch phrase. One of my favorites is from the Spider-Man comic: "With great power, comes great responsibility."

Spider-Man is one of the superheroes detailed in the book *What Makes A Hero...* by pastor and author Matt Rawle. He also includes Wonder Woman and Captain America among others. He notes that "heroes are role models." We look up to them. We want to be like them in how we deal with the challenges of life.

In this way, we should see Jesus as a hero as well. Jesus helps others. Jesus reveals the goodness and love of God. Jesus possesses great power. But, Jesus is a different kind of hero than the ones we see in the comics. Jesus acts in meekness. Jesus lives practicing holiness. Jesus calls us to both responsibility and faithfulness.

Jesus' ministry is death-defying and powerful. These themes will guide our worship times during Lent, and during a weekly study which will include a DVD presentation and a time for questions and conversation. I believe we will all experience the truth of Lent this year "with great power." I hope you will join us.

...And We Can Be Heroes... This Lent.
This year our Lent Theme will be "What Makes A Hero," based on the study by Matt Rawle. During this season of Lent, we will explore the themes of good vs. evil, right vs. wrong, and life vs. death drawing from popular comic book heroes and from scenes of Jesus' ministry. There will also be a small group study each week of Lent, at both 9:15 a.m. on Sundays and 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays.



Women's Group

Esther Circle will meet at Big Boy Restaurant on Wednesday, March 14th at 8:45 a.m. for its' monthly breakfast meeting. Easter cards will be addressed for mailing to shut-ins and nursing home residents. This will be the deadline date for bringing donations for the Women's Shelter project. Don't miss the fellowship this meeting will provide.



Men's Group

The Men's Group will meet at Big Boy on Wooster at 9 a.m. on Saturday, March 17th. Invite a friend and join us for this time of good food and fellowship.



Youth Group

The youth group will meet on March 18th and 25th from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. at Trinity. Feel free to invite a friend and join us!



March Worship Volunteers

Ushers

Mary Rife Denise Zephier
Beverly Miner Sandy Stoots
Jason McCune Chris Sabo

Liturgists

3-4 Betty Jones
3-11 **Need Volunteer**
3-18 **Need Volunteer**
3-25 Allie Parish

Greeters

3-4 Sue Maurer
3-11 Andrew & Shelby Janes
3-18 Parish Family
3-25 Becky Eninger and
Leona Hawker

Acolytes

3-4 **Need Volunteer**
3-11 Abby Oswald
3-18 Katie Parish
3-25 Abby Oswald

Coffee Hour

3-4 Sue Butler
3-11 Janes Family
3-18 Nicki & Bill Kale
3-25 Parish Family

Jr. Worship

3-4 Christie Moser
3-11 Heather Janes
3-18 Sue Butler
3-25 **Need Volunteer**



5 Angela & John Beardsley
7 Laura & Jean-Phillipe
Laratique
10 Wanda & Jim Augsberger



4 Becky Eninger
5 Alice Brown
6 Janet Bowsher
8 Gary Manning
9 Carol Wickard,
Harold Avery
10 Carol Riker, Ryan Decker
14 Seth Pullins, Joanne Fields
16 Sheryl Sabo
18 Donna Snyder,
Beth Van Vorhis
19 Christina Oswald, Doug
Dunipace, Betty Parrish
20 Pat Brenneman, Rick Hall,
Joe Sabo
21 Flaming Fallon
23 Judy VandenBroek
24 Eleanor Fether
26 Joyce Stearns,
Christie Moser
27 Billie Milnor
29 Savannah Janes



Finance Report for January, 2018

January was certainly not one of the best months we've seen financially for Trinity Church. Sadly, we ended the month in the red. We had a small carryover from 2017 of \$2905.14, had receipts of \$16,912.27 in January and experienced expenses of \$20,325.09, putting us in the hole for \$507.68. Not a good way to start the new year.

And January was not an unusual month. Expenses were about what I expected. The utilities were up somewhat and I had to make the quarterly insurance payment on the property of almost \$2,000, but the rest of the expenses were fairly normal. The problem is on the other side of the ledger—receipts.

I'm of the opinion that the best way to resolve the uncomfortable feeling of living on the financial edge month after month is to attract more people to fill our pews each Sunday. We have wonderful, kind and friendly people in our congregation but we are not doing a good job of inviting and encouraging others in our neighborhoods and circles of friends to join us at Trinity. This would seem to be a better approach than to have to cut back on the things we do at the church because we have to pay the utilities and the insurance. I believe God wants us to encourage others to experience Him in church on a regular basis. And having more people among us will enhance our experience as well.

Think about it.

Tim

Easter Egg Hunt

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Palm Sunday after the second service. We hope all Trinity children will attend and invite a friend. Bring your basket and join the fun!

We will be filling the eggs on Saturday, March 24th (time to yet be determined). All help would be appreciated!



The **Hart Family** would like to thank everyone for all of the encouragement and well wishes over the last month. Your support and love during this time of new beginnings has been greatly appreciated!



All information for the **2017 church audit** is now due. Please get it to Alice Brown.

Winter Weather

Now that the winter season is upon us, we urge you to use good judgment when coming to church for a service or meeting. We always hope to hold service on Sundays, but if there is a now emergency or if the weather is severe, please check Channels 11 and 13 for cancellations.



We need you! Volunteers are needed to **teach Jr. Worship on Sundays** during second service. You can use your own lesson or we can provide one for you. Teaching the children is a great blessing. You don't have to be a trained teacher to do it. You just need a heart for helping our children learn about God. You can help for one week or several, it's up to you. There is a sign-up sheet on the information station table in the sanctuary. We hope you will consider being a part of this fun and important ministry!



We need a volunteer to **teach our 3rd-7th grade Sunday school class**

on Sunday mornings. The lessons are provided for you. We will need someone through May 27th. If you can help, please let Pastor Dana know as soon as possible. We want to be sure our children have a strong foundation in the Bible, faith and God's love, and Sunday school is an important opportunity for the children to learn and grow. You will find it is a blessing to you as well.

Esther Circle is assisting with a project to furnish necessary items to women who are entering shelters for battered women in the area. Items suggested are hotel-sized soaps, shampoo, body wash, deodorant, toothbrushes and toothpaste. Also needed are new make-up items, purses, folded tote bags, hair brushes, combs and books. The deadline for deliver is Easter, so we need your items by March 18th so that gift boxes can be assembled. A basket for your donations is by the information station.



Our **Children of God (CoG) Choir** is rehearsing at 6 p.m. on Thursdays. All children are welcome! Rehearsals for Trinity's Handbell Choir are also being held Thursdays at 6 p.m.



The District United Methodist Men's group is again selling **lilies, hyacinths and tulips for Easter**. This cost is \$8. We will display them on the altar for Easter service and then you can take them home. Please submit your payment with your order. There is a place below to dedicate your flowers in honor/memory of loved ones and those dedications will be printed in the bulletin. **Orders are due on Sunday, March 18th**. Checks should be written to Trinity UMC.

Name: _____

Number of flowers ordered (\$ 8 each):

Lilies _____
 Hyacinths _____
 Tulips _____



In memory of/In dedication of: _____

SPRC Update

We want to keep you updated on several staffing changes beginning this month. Missy Hart, who has begun her pastorate in Rising Sun, will continue on Trinity's staff doing part time work with communications and youth group. Beth Van Vorhis will be adding to her duties and will now edit the Tell newsletter as well as other communications. Trinity's office hours will remain the same - M/W/F from 9 a.m. to Noon. We will begin advertising for the Christian Education position very soon. In the meantime, we encourage every member to consider volunteering to help us through the Spring. If you can help with Sunday School, Jr. Worship, or other activities please contact us.

- Your Staff Parish Committee

Please stop by the Info. Station and pick up your copy of the **2018 Church Directory**.

Relay News ... **Girls Night Out – Glitz, Glamour and Girlfriends – March 22, 2018** – Hey ladies. Are you ready for winter to be over? Need something to look forward to? Tickets are available now for our 2nd annual girl's night out event. The event will be held at the Stone Ridge Golf Club and doors open at 5pm. Tickets are \$40 per person or \$300 for eight and include dinner, bingo cards and a gift. (Additional bingo cards can be purchased at the event.) For more information or to purchase tickets, contact Bev Robie at 419-409-0207 or bev@applied-imagination.com. If you prefer to pay by credit card, you can do so at <https://glitzglamourandgirlfriends.ticketspice.com/glitz-glamour-and-girlfriends-girls-night-out>. Save the Date cards are located at the information station table. Don't miss this opportunity for a fun-filled evening with friends and to support a great cause. If you are interested in joining our team, please contact Bev and Ken Robie, Joanie and Gary Manning, or Gretchen and Dave Avery. All are welcome J Thanks again for all your support.



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March 2018

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 6p CoG 6p Handbells 7p Chancel Choir	2	3
4 8:30a Service 9:15a Sunday school/ Lent Study 10:30a Trad Worship	5 9a Prayer Shawl 7:30p Dartball	6 3p Worship at Heritage Corner	7 12p Lenten Lunch 7p Lent Study	8 6p CoG 6p Handbells 7p Chancel Choir	9	10
11 8:30a Service 9:15a Sunday school/ Lent Study 10:30a Trad Worship	12 7p Finance Meeting 7:30p Dartball	13 3p Worship at Brookdale 7p 4-H Meeting	14 8:45a Esther Circle 12p Lenten Lunch 7p Lent Study	15 6p CoG 6p Handbells 7p Chancel Choir	16	17 St. Patrick's Day 9a Men's Group
18 8:30a Service 9:15a Sunday school/ Lent Study 10:30a Trad Worship 3:00p Youth Group	19 9a Prayer Shawl 6:30p Committees 8p Ad Council Mtg	20 3p Worship at BG Manor	21 12p Lenten Lunch 7p Lent Study	22 6p CoG 6p Handbells 7p Chancel Choir	23	24 ? Fill Easter Eggs 7p Game Night
25 8:30a Service 9:15a Sunday school/ Lent Study 10:30a Trad Worship 11:30a Easter Egg Hunt 3:00p Youth Group	26 6p Worship Team	27 3p Worship at BG Care	28 12p Lenten Lunch 3p Worship at Wood Haven 7p Lent Study	29 Maundy Thursday 6p CoG 6p Handbells 7p Chancel Choir 7p Joint Service at FUM	30 Good Friday 12p BGMA Good Friday Walk/Service	31

