



# Trinity Trumpeter



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Greetings to you in the name of Jesus!

### **Go! Baptize, Teach, and wait patiently on the Lord!**

1 Corinthians 3:5-7 (ESV)

What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you believed, as the Lord assigned to each. I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth.

When is the next parade? As of this writing Trinity Lutheran has had a presence in FIVE parades! A dedicated group of members have been faithful in making sure Trinity is letting others know that this country church exists.

Where are they? So where are the people who saw the Blue shirts emblazed with the words Trinity? Where are those people that shouted, “Look horses!”, “Those are huge horses!” “Can I pet the horse?” Where are those people and why have we not seen them in our church?

We live in a microwave society. When I was growing up it took me ten minutes to cook a hotdog for lunch. I had to boil the water then place the hot dog into the water and let it cook. Today, it takes a minute to cook that hotdog in a microwave oven! No more waiting!

Paul tells us in 1 Corinthians 3:5-7 that each person, Paul and Apollos had different tasks. Paul planted the Gospel message of Jesus Christ crucified and risen from the dead for payment of all our sins. Apollos water that seed by teaching Christ crucified. He nourished the faith of those persons to whom he preached. And they waited!

And we wait! Patiently? Anxiously? The truth Paul writes is that God uses us as His hands, feet and voice to show, share, and spread the Gospel. God is the one who gives the growth!

God is the one who makes things happen! God is the one who creates faith by the working of the Holy Spirit. God is the one who will bring growth. Our task remains with the planting and the watering, we are the laborers in the field where the harvest is plentiful. God is the one who will make faith grow. And so we continue with

our given task recorded in Matthew 28 verses 19 to 20: “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.”

*Pastor Kohnke*



**Sunday School** Promotion Sunday will be August 26th Sunday school teachers will be installed during this service.

**The new Sunday school class (Grades 5-8) Ignite!**

Is still looking for: a tv, lounge/overstuffed chair.

Kids entering the 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to attend the class!!

 **Lutheran Church Extension Fund**  
where investments build ministry  
**2018 Kaleidoscope Fund**

Our initial proposals for the **2018 Kaleidoscope Fund grants offered by LCEF have been read!**

July 1, 2018

Dear Applicant:

Greetings in the Name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ; and thank you for submitting a proposal summary for a 2018 Kaleidoscope Fund grant. The response to the grants was exceptional, and we received over 400 abstracts requesting over \$35 million. Unfortunately, due to limited resources, the committee is unable to invite all who submitted proposals to apply for grant funding; 42 ministries have been invited to make application, though your proposal was not selected for this year's grant cycle.

A committee reviewed all submissions for qualified grants between \$25,000 and \$250,000 in the areas of ministry outreach and expansion, education, and rostered church worker wellness. It was no easy task to narrow the field to a group of finalists.

We encourage your ministry to watch for announcements of when the process will commence for 2019 grant awards and submit a proposal again next year. Thank you for your interest in the Kaleidoscope Fund. Asking God's continued blessings on your ministry.

**The first proposed initiative** was to launch a ministry with a **Director of Christian Education (DCE) intern** to serve the youth of our congregation. We also wrote a summary proposal to **Expand the Percherons Proclaiming the Gospel Ministry.**

### **Pastor Kohnke returns to school**

Classes begin on Monday, August 20<sup>th</sup> and are held Monday, Wednesday and Friday. He will be in class teaching Educational Psychology and Child Development from 9:00 a.m. - 9:50 a.m.; 10:00 a.m. - 10:50 a.m.; Chapel 11:00 a.m. and beginning sometime in October he will also be in class 11:40 – 12:30 p.m. teaching Introduction to Psychology. The professor who teaching this class will be going on maternity leave for the remainder of the term.

The Elders told pastor that because the teaching pay was low that he should ask for reimbursement of mileage. The response from Concordia was we don't do that, but.... As long as you are here anyway can you sub for our Introduction to Psychology Professor from mid – October until



December while she is on maternity leave? So that is how I got one more class and an increase in salary for mileage. Be careful what you ask for.

Please do not hesitate to call me on my cell phone, 402-641-6733 leave a message if I am not available and I will return your call if that is appropriate. Or you can text me. I plan to have contingencies built into my schedule in case of pastoral emergencies I will be able to leave the class.

**July Voters' Meeting:** Was held the day the newsletter came out... Please see September's newsletter for the recap. Next voter's meeting is October 28<sup>th</sup>

### **Confirmation Summer Camp: For Students in level I and II of confirmation.**

Camp was held on the Wednesday and Thursday July 11 and 12. The students covered various sections of the Six Chief Parts of Luther's Small Catechism using the new 2017 edition. The students enjoyed a walking tour of the cemetery looking for headstones that displayed the deceased's Christian faith.

The second day the students held class at the pastor's home, they enjoyed their time in the swim spa and discussed the topic of Baptism. In between games of pool and a walk to pet the horses, the students also learned about confession and absolution.

The final camp day is July 31, at the church and the students will focus on the Lord's Supper.

The parents will now take on a **significantly larger** role in instruction and memory work during the school year. They have been provided teaching materials and memory work that they will use as they teach their child at home. Parents and confirmation students will have monthly rather than weekly meetings with the pastor.

Pastor enjoyed the longer concentrated class time with the students. Now we pray that the increased parental involvement will improve the quality of the confirmation program and enhancing the faith life of the student.

### **Orphan Grain Train**



### **Our Mission dollars at Work**

Our August \$500 mission receipts will go for the support of Orphan Grain Train. In 1992, Rev. Ray S. Wilke, pastor of Grace Lutheran Church in Norfolk, Neb. volunteered with a group of Lutherans who traveled to Latvia and Russia to help with a church mission. There they met with people with "no hope" in desperate need of spiritual, emotional, and humanitarian aid after the breakup of the Soviet Union. The Latvians begged Rev. Wilke to help them more after he returned home and he promised he would. The result of that promise was Orphan Grain Train.

Since 1992, there are 27 regional locations that have delivered more than 25 million meals and 3,202 shipments of humanitarian aid to needy people in various US states and 68 countries on 5 continents. Along with these shipments has gone the love of Christ. More than 3.7 million hours have been volunteered. 98.3% of all donations go to mission projects; only 1.7% go to administrative and fundraising expenses earning them the highest rating from charity watchdogs.



## PARADES

**Thank you!** To **everyone** who worked hard in the heat to walk/ride and hand out water and candy in the Parades! We look forward to doing it again next year! Special thanks to Mark & Denise Moerer for making signs, Hank & Kilee Oetjen for purchasing the water with Thrivent money. And along with the Moerer and Oetjens, we thank Becky, Greg, and Whitney Bruce for helping with the horses. Thank you to Karen Lubke for ordering and handing out t-shirts and, everyone who brought their old/new cars, tractors and lawn mowers to join the parades. Tick & Tock for leading the church's section and, Pastor for coordinating the events. If we missed thanking you...we are

sorry....so many people helped with the 5 parades....it is hard to remember who all was where!! **THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!!**

**Funding for future parades:** The passionate parade participants will be selling Honey provided by the Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch in Minot, ND. This will provide funding so that we would not have to rely so much on the Thrivent Action Team gift cards to support the expenses incurred for the parades.

Honey Sunday will be Sunday, November 6th. The honey comes from the Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch. Bottles of delicious honey will be for sale for only \$8.00 each and be delivered directly to you! Thank you for your support in advance.

Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch is a Christian residential treatment and educational center for children and their families. Learn more: <https://www.dakotaranch.org/> Denise Moerer is in charge of this fundraising event!



## **Giving Hearts ~N~ Hands:**

1<sup>st</sup> Annual Picnic Sunday, August 19<sup>th</sup>

See Flyer on page 6 for more info, share it with your friends.

Next meeting: August 15<sup>th</sup> 10:00

### **Future Activities planned:**

Host the "Celebrating with Friends" on Saturday, December 1, 2018

**August Dinner out & Nibbles:** Our next dinner out will be September 16<sup>th</sup>. The church picnic is being held the Sunday we normally go in August. There will be no Nibbles in August.

**Ladies Aide Report:** meeting is held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month in the church basement.

Refreshments are served before each meeting. In the last month the ladies served Nibbles on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of June. On July 29<sup>th</sup> they will serve a lunch before the voters meeting.

**Sunday Circle group:** Meets the first Sunday of every month after church and is always looking for new members to join the group.

Our mission: Showing the love of Christ through service to others.



## August Birthdays

8/1 Zach Maahs  
8/2 Lisa Smithers  
8/4 Kylee Bruss, Lori Cartagena  
8/8 Ivan Bruss, Hank Oetjen  
8/9 Duane Cheney  
8/11 Cindy Claasen  
8/12 Hunter Maahs, Alan Retzlaff, Dottie Schliefert  
8/13 David May

8/17 Emily Dowd  
8/18 Joshua Harper  
8/19 Ethan Kemper  
8/21 Connie May  
8/25 Ron Mangel  
8/26 Don Broening, Kay Oetjen  
8/28 Preston Bruss  
8/29 Carl Siefert, LoRee May  
8/30 Carol Piper  
8/31 Nicholas May

## August Anniversaries

8/22 Terry & Nancy Klopfenstein (1998)  
8/25 Jeremy & Carolyn Bruss (2001)

### Life Expectancy

- Life spans have increased dramatically for people with Down syndrome
- In 1929, a baby born with Down syndrome often didn't live to age 10
- Today, someone with Down syndrome can expect to live to 50 and beyond, depending on the severity of his or her health problems

## Its's a Birthday Party!!

Come celebrate with Kay Oetjen. Kay will be 60 on August 26<sup>th</sup>. A light lunch will be served after church. All are welcome to join the celebration. Kay was born with down syndrome and this birthday is truly a reason to celebrate!

**The Church directory has arrived.** If you had your picture taken you get a copy of the directory! They are in your mail box!

### **NEW: Help the church enter the digital age.**

If you want to save the church some paper, you can join the email list for next newsletter. Just send a message to the church secretary and let her know you want to join the "Newsletter Email list" please include your first and last name in the email. Send emails to: [trinitywaltonsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:trinitywaltonsecretary@gmail.com)

**Lincoln Lutheran Choir:** welcomes new and returning members to the Fall Concert Season! Rehearsals begin with a retreat on Sunday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2-5pm @ Peace Lutheran Church, 9831 N. 145<sup>th</sup> St, Waverly. Brett Epperson, the choir's artistic director and conductor, is preparing a program which will continue our celebration of sharing spiritual music with the Lincoln musical community. Concerts: November 11<sup>th</sup>, TBA & November 18<sup>th</sup>, Grace Lutheran Church, Lincoln 3pm. Contact Sandie Anderson, 402-489-3948 or [lincolnlutheranchoir@gmail.com](mailto:lincolnlutheranchoir@gmail.com)



## **Giving Hearts ~N~ Hands**

Will host:

Trinity Walton Lutheran Church's 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Picnic

Sunday, August 19<sup>th</sup>

Sunday after church starting at 11:30!

Menu: Hot Dogs & Hamburgers, Beans, Chips, drinks.  
Please bring a side dish or dessert to share!

Volunteers needed & Appreciated

Contact Deb Rucker for more information: 402-499-6522

Everyone is Welcome, invite your friends and family to join the fun.

Fun and Games will follow the meal.  
Bean bag toss, bingo, Water balloons & More!!

Cost: Free Will Donation to cover the costs of this event, any extra money will be put towards next year's picnic. We have received \$250 from Thrivent to help with the event.

# August

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5 Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 9:00 a.m. Divine Service 10:00 a.m. Sunday Circle: 11:15 a.m.	6	7 Ladies Bible study at the home of Shirley Holtzen 12:45 p.m	8	9	10	11 Elder's Meeting at HyVee 7:30 a.m.
12 Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 9:00 a.m. Divine Service 10:00 a.m.	13	14	15 Giving Hearts ~N~ Hands 10:00 a.m.  Pot Luck      Noon	16 Ladies Aid 1:30 p.m.	17	18
19 Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 9:00 a.m. Divine Service 10:00 a.m. Church Picnic 11:30 a.m.	20	21	22  Deadline September Trumpeter Newsletter	23	24	25
26 Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 9:00 a.m. Divine Service 10:00 a.m. Kay Oetjen's Party 11:15-3	27	28	29	30	31	

**Acolytes, Ushers, and Altar Guild servers** please send an email to Tim Holtzen as he is setting up an email reminder for those who serve. Thank you! [tah@nebrwesleyan.edu](mailto:tah@nebrwesleyan.edu)

**Those serving in August, 2018**  
**Sunday 10:00 a.m.**

**Elders**

**5<sup>th</sup>** Roger Pearson, Alan Retzlaff  
**12<sup>th</sup>** Hank Oetjen, Nathaniel Kemper  
**19<sup>th</sup>** Roger Pearson, Tim Holtzen  
**26<sup>th</sup>** Alan Retzlaff, Tracy Refior

**Ushers**

**5<sup>th</sup>** Delbert Eickhoff, Mark Moerer  
**12<sup>th</sup>** Jakob Kemper, Roland Meyer  
**19<sup>th</sup>** Nate Rink, Ethan Kemper  
**26<sup>th</sup>** Matt Broening Jakob Kemper

**Acolytes**

**5<sup>th</sup>** Kaytlan Rocker,  
**12<sup>th</sup>** Katheryn Stewart, Brook McPherrin  
**19<sup>th</sup>** Whitney Bruce, Shannon Moerer  
**26<sup>th</sup>** Grayson May, Sophia May

**Altar Guild**

**5<sup>th</sup>** Shirley Retzlaff, Mary Jo Colbert  
**12<sup>th</sup>** Lori Cargagena, Betty Hodtwalker  
**19<sup>th</sup>** Doris Heineke, Madeline Hiatt  
**26<sup>th</sup>** Kristi Refior, Allison Kemper

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