

Trinity Herald



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July 2020

Pastor Patrick Gumz

Sunday Service 9:00 a.m.

Sunday School & Bible Study 10:30 a.m.

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church Newsletter

SPECIAL NOTE FROM PASTOR GUMZ

"I was glad when they said to me,
"Let us go to the house of the LORD!"
(Ps. 122:1)

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Last month I ended my newsletter with the above verse from Psalm 122. I wrote about the tension that we live in during this pandemic. We want to protect ourselves and our neighbors, but we are also called to be in the house of the Lord. This tension has come up again and again as we discuss things like worship, VBS, and the Dorcas Rumage Sale. I have sat in all the meetings and listened to all the voices. I can assure you no choice was made without hearing all the options, all the things that are held in tension.

I would also like to thank you for your Christian love shown for your neighbor. Time and time again, the first word in these meetings is not about us but our neighbor. You are concerned about community children. You show love to the less fortunate. You demonstrate a desire to serve rather than be served. For this I could not be more proud of Trinity. (I wish I could take more of the credit.)

Over the next month, the elders and I are looking at information and numbers both locally and nationally and are evaluating our procedures. So far I have been happy with how well we have adjusted to the changes and look forward to a return to our normal way. Going back to our regular communion method and use of ushers will be evaluated during this month and we will let you know when we will transition back.

As for the work of the Church it continues as it always does. The Word is being proclaimed now further than ever as we live stream

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and record our services for our website. I know that for many these recorded services have been a blessing not only in our congregation but those in our community. I will also be meeting soon with Purdue Northwest to evaluate options for our work there. It continues to be a community in great need for the Gospel and we will find ways to share the good news with them.

Finally I would like to give you spiritual encouragement during this time. St Paul writes, "So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. (2 Cor. 4:16)

Indeed as Paul writes, we are wasting away. Our bodies are frail. We are prone to sickness and disease. Our bones break and our hearts stop beating. All of us are in some way wasting away. Beyond ourselves, our culture is wasting away.. Whether it is another shooting or the political and social strife about every issue, there is no peace.

Not only that, our world is falling apart. Nature itself is broken and decaying. We suffer earthquakes, tornados, hurricanes, and all forms of natural disaster. This doesn't even include the damage we inflict upon creation. City air is filled with pollutants and smog. Many have to come to far away places just to get a sense of fresh air. We have failed to be good stewards of creation.

It is hard to take Paul's instruction. Do not lose heart. That is exactly what I want to do. Lose heart in those around me. I see this destruction, this violence, this hatred and it is hard to keep faith. It is difficult not to lose heart.

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So how can we hear Paul's instruction and do it? We walk by faith and not by sight. When we walk by sight, all we ever see is the evil that surrounds us. We see the violence, the corruption, and the decay. We look around us and find so little good. But we who walk by faith, see a very different world.

When we walk by faith, we do not see the world for what it is but what it will be. We see the world through the lens of God's promises. The promise of the resurrection made in Christ. The promise of forgiveness found at the cross. The promise of the new heavens and new earth in the last day.

Those who walk by faith see their neighbors as those for whom Christ died. We see each other in the church as those forgiven and made new through the power of baptism. We see our physical struggles as temporary for we know that we will be raised incorruptible. We see the world around as passing away, but also being made new.

These promises change our outlook. They change our mindset. They allow us to understand that the inner self is being renewed. We are continually be strengthened by the Holy Spirit. We are encouraged through the fellowship of the Church. And we are daily renewed by the power of the Word and Sacraments.

This is how we do not lose heart as Paul instructs. Our hearts see the world through the eyes of faith only. For there is no other way to see the world and not lose heart. For the brokenness of the world can defeat us, if we do not look to the cross and empty tomb. For it is there, that we find no defeat. For when we look there, we find only victory and promise.

We hold to those promises of God. We await with eyes of faith the victory of life everlasting. Do not lose heart, my brothers and sisters. The Lord Himself has made a promise. Amen.

THEREFORE
WE DO NOT
LOSE
HEART.
2 CORINTHIANS 4:16, NIV

**Purdue Northwest
FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED**

ALSO please check **EXPIRATION DATES** the food cannot be outdated.



The next Dorcas meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 28 at 1 p.m. Dorcas is opened to all ladies in the church and they do help out in many ways here at Trinity. If you are interested in joining or have questions about Dorcas, see Cheryl Miller. You are always welcome to come to our next meeting and participate in our missions.



Fellowship Coffee Breakfast is be served at 8:30 a.m. followed by 9 am service. There is also a small window of Fellowship Time between Service and Sunday School.

Trinity is very Thankful for all its many blessing!

Thank you to Carl Schmidt and Dave Fanno who have over the last several months kept the garden by the Parish Hall Entrance weeded.

Thank you to Debby Schmidt for planting some pretty flowers in the pots by the parish hall entrance.

Thank you to Boudi and Schoop Families and Pastor Gumz for changing the banners over the last several months.

Thank you to Chris Schulp for his help getting the sound figured out for the online worship services. His expertise has been very helpful.

Thank you to Jeff Paschen and Austin Boudi for taking care of the tree that fell over in a recent storm.

Thank you to those who helped with Jeanette Feiertag's funeral luncheon. The family was very thankful for all our help.



Paper - Newspapers, Magazines, Shopping Catalogs, Junk Mail, Papers, Envelopes, etc. and drop them in the Green & Yellow Paper Retriever on the north side of the church parking lot.

Not accepted items - NO cardboard, cereal/soda cartons, food wrap/containers, tissue products, phone books, plastic or glass.

Aluminum cans can be dropped off in the box in the Parish Hall. These help us right here at Trinity.



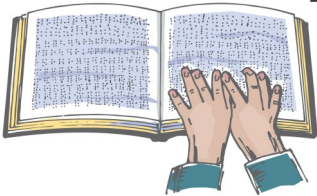
Sunday School

Sunday School will be doing the following lessons on: Zacchaeus, A Crushing Truth.



Starting on July 19 we will start our VBS Sunday School 5 week lessons. Our VBS Mission this year will be canned goods to be given to our Trinity Mission, so we are asking the children to bring in a canned good each week that we will put with our Trinity Mission food items to Purdue Northwest.

Braille Ministry



Trinity's mission to the visually impaired will be able to begin making books again in August. This group consists of 10 people who enjoy fellowship while making two devotionals and the book of Hebrews in Swahili all in Braille print. These books are mailed free of charge around the

world to those who are visually impaired.


We would enjoy having you join us for 90 minutes every other week. If you would like to be apart of this mission as well as enjoy the fellowship of some great people, please contact either Jean Reddel at (219) 924-8213 or jean.reddel@att.net or Nancy Mihich at (219) 836-9240 or n.mihich@att.net




Sun

Mon

Tue

<p>5</p> <p>8:30 a.m. Fellowship Coffee Breakfast</p> <p>9:00 a.m. <i>Holy Communion</i></p> <p>10:30 a.m. Sunday School & Bible Class</p>	<p>6</p> <p>9 am NO BW</p>	<p>7</p> <p>9 am NO BW</p> <p>9 am Quilters</p> <p>8-10 pm Delis Group</p>
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Fri

Sat

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8	9	10	11
15	16	17	18
22	23	24 August Newsletter Deadline	25
29	30	31 9 am Newsletter Team	

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION



Happy Birthday

- 7/1 Isabel Zuniga
- 7/1 Matthew Jezierski
- 7/4 Michael Ackerman
- 7/4 Heather Miller
- 7/7 Jennifer Markowicz
- 7/7 Jason Clark
- 7/8 Rachel Mihich
- 7/9 Daniel Carr
- 7/10 Brian Ackerman
- 7/10 Kenneth Breu
- 7/10 Bobbi Boudi
- 7/10 Nicole Miller
- 7/11 Eugene Schoop
- 7/13 Makayla Mueller
- 7/13 Joyce Sebek
- 7/13 Darlene Veyette
- 7/14 Adeline Weilmuenster
- 7/14 Timothy Milan
- 7/17 Betty Szala
- 7/17 Cheryl Miller

- 7/20 Betty Basick
- 7/21 Theodor Milan
- 7/22 Carol Odom
- 7/23 Christopher Niemin
- 7/25 Leslie Dreischerf
- 7/25 Barry Waggoner
- 7/25 Breanne Ochoa
- 7/26 Tracy Osburn
- 7/28 Eric Jezierski
- 7/29 David Duplessis
- 7/29 Joseph Veyette
- 7/31 James Veyette, Sr.



Happy Anniversary!

- Deborah & Jeffery Ruckman
- John & Virginia Frederick
- Keith & Margaret Madderom
- Carl & Debby Schmidt
- John & Amy Sandona
- Carey & Darla Pruitt
- Jason & Margaret Kottka



Baptism Birthday

7/? Ruth Milan
 7/2 James Fies
 7/2 Nicole Hasley
 7/2 Dexter Bruner
 7/4 Mackenzy Goreham
 7/5 Leon Bruner
 7/6 David Gladish
 7/6 Kelly Milan
 7/11 Gabriel Nieto
 7/12 Heather Miller
 7/12 Nicole Miller
 7/12 Dominic Batarseh
 7/14 Makayla Mueller
 7/14 Deborah Ruckman
 7/14 Kayla Veyette
 7/15 Margaret Nieto
 7/16 Barbara Janke
 7/16 Lynne Foust
 7/17 Jason Carr
 7/18 Jason Clark
 7/18 Evette Ojeda

7/19 Maxson Blount
 7/19 Nikole Noble
 7/20 Jason Kottka
 7/21 Katarina Milan
 7/22 Nathan Ochoa
 7/23 Charlotte Sandona
 7/24 Elizabeth Slavo
 7/25 Meg Madderom
 7/25 Benjamin Simmons
 7/26 Patrick Shetlar
 7/27 Brian Ackerman
 7/27 Sarah Moline
 7/31 William Ramsey



Barry Waggoner
 Steve Kennedy



Steve Kennedy



Trinity would like to extend our sympathy to the following families who lost a loved one;

† **Michelle Gladish**, who passed away on Sunday, April 19, 2020. Michelle is the wife of Alan Gladish and mother to Donna, David, and Jeff. Michelle worked on the Altar Guild for years. Funeral Service was held on April 22, 2020 at Burns-Kish Funeral Home in Munster, officiated by Rev. Patrick Gumz.

† **Herb Krumm**, who passed away on Tuesday, April 21, 2020. Herb is the father of Donna Krumm. Funeral Service was held on April 22, 2020 at Schroeder-Lauer Funeral Home in Lansing, Illinois, officiated by Rev. Patrick Gumz.

† **Jeanette Feiertag**, who passed away on Thursday, June 18, 2020. Jeanette is the mother of Pastor Tom Feiertag. Jeanette was involved here at Trinity with the Braille Work Center and helped in the office from many years. Funeral Service was held on June 24, 2020 here at Trinity, officiated by Rev. Patrick Gumz.



BILL BALL
JOSEPH JANIK
LEONA LEWIS

JOAN LUERSSEN
GRACE MUENICH

To all Members of Trinity. We have a Homebound list here at Trinity. If you are a member who can not get to church and would like to have prayers for you, receive weekly bulletins, and more, please let Mary in the office know at (219) 932-4660. Our office policy is not to just place you on this list unless you want to be. You do matter to Trinity and we would like you to know that.

Our Pastor - Pastor Patrick Gumz and Family.

Our Church - Trinity

For all who are serving in The Military

For all those who are Unemployed
or Under Employed

Dorcas Seminary Student -

Daniel Gray and his wife Michelle



For Those Who have ongoing Medical Illness: Milan Matuska, Darlene Veyette, Chuck Hemphill (friend of Lee Lewis), Riley Waldron (Hal Waldron's grandson), Emma Davis & Ann Davis (Ann is Emma's mom, both have cancer, great-niece & niece of Joyce Fies & Jackie Meincke), Carl Schmidt, Ruth Milan, Lincoln Maxberry (friend of Cheryl Gonski), Bill Ball, Marge Kottka (Ray Kottka's daughter-in-law), Kealeigh Goreham, Janna Crague.

For Home Bound Members: Bill Ball, Joseph Janik, Leona Lewis, Joan Luerksen, Grace Muenich.

If you have a family member or friend who would like to be on our prayer list please call Mary in the office at (219) 932-4660 and she will make sure your prayer request is entered. If you submit a prayer request to Nancy please let her know if you would like your prayer request passed on to Mary in the office to note in the Sunday Bulletin.



Other Lutheran News



The program is in need of clean “gently used” infants and toddler clothing up to size 3T, diapers, wipes, and formula. Infant Car Seats must be NEW and in the box.

Items may be dropped off at Grace Lutheran Church in Dyer or contact Mary in the office.

Lutheran TV and Radio Program

Station KFUO News Program - Weekdays 2-2:30PM CST. Find it at www.kfu.org — live streaming on your computer, laptop, tablet, iPhones, smartphones, Wi-Fi radio, and archived. Like and follow us: www.facebook.com/KFUORadio.

Worship ANEW Broadcasts in the Northwest Indiana and Chicago, Illinois Area, Sunday at 8:00 am on Chicago CW station WPWR channel 50 (Comcast 184) Viewers with DirecTV can find it on Sunday mornings at 10:30 a.m. on TCT (channel 377).

This is Most Certainly True, broadcasts on WLTH on Sunday mornings at 2 p.m. on WLTH Channel 92.7 FM and 1370 AM.

The Lutheran Hour Broadcasts in Northwest Indiana, Sundays at 10:00 am and 6:00 pm on 1230 am WJOB Radio Station.

SPECIAL NOTES:

July 6th Elders Meeting

July 13th Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.

July 19th Sunday School VBS Starts (next 5 weeks)

July 24th Newsletter Deadline



Serving At Trinity this month

Organist: Joyce Collins

Usher Teams:

Team A: R. Kottka, J. Paschen, D. Petroff, C. Schmidt, A. Schmidt, A. Boudi

Team B: J. Mihich, J. Meincke, T. Milan, T. Milan, C. Schoop

July 5 at 9 a.m.

Communion Asst: Carl Schmidt

Ushers : Team A

Altar Guild: Nancy Mihich

Acolyte: Olivia Gifford

July 12 at 9 a.m.

Communion Asst: Eugene Schoop

Ushers : Team B

Altar Guild: Kami Gumz

Acolyte: Agent Boudi

July 19 at 9 a.m.

Communion Asst: Jim Meincke

Ushers : Team A

Altar Guild: Nancy Mihich

Acolyte: Christian Schoop

July 26 at 9 a.m.

Communion Asst: Keith Madderom

Ushers : Team B

Altar Guild: Kami Gumz

Acolyte: Olivia Gifford

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