

August 2022

# TRINITY TIDINGS

A Newsletter of Trinity Lutheran Church, Huntley, IL

If you were going to invite a friend to church, what would you say?

If he or she asked you, "Why should I go?", how would you answer?

Why do you go to church?

There's a wide range of reasons that people go to church, just as there is for a lot of things.

Take the gym, for instance. Some people actually go for their health — to lose weight, to get stronger, to stay fit. Going to the gym helps them stay healthy. But others go for other reasons. Maybe you go because your friends are there. Maybe you go because your wife got you a membership and you don't want to seem ungrateful. Maybe you go because it gets your mind off of other things in your life. Maybe you go because that guy you're interested in works out there.

What's the range of reasons people go to church? Here are some reasons I came up with — what did I miss?

My family has always went. My friends are there. I like the music. I feel like I'm supposed to. The pastor is entertaining. I feel good when I'm there. I want people to think I'm a good person. My wife made me. I don't want the pastor on my case.

There are good and bad in those reasons, and it's worth thinking that through. But none of those reasons gets to the heart of the matter.

Here is the heart of the matter: **Christians go to church to hear the voice of their Savior, Jesus.** That's the amazing thing about church – in this place at that time on Sunday mornings Jesus sees fit week after week to show up and shepherd us with his Word. Go because Jesus is there, in forgiveness and mercy, and he's talking to you!

Back to the original question, that may seem like a far-fetched thing to say to a friend who doesn't go to church. Why would he care about any of that?

**Well, if he's a friend, he'll care about it because you care about it.**

That's why Christians need to have their heads straight about what church is for. If you act like God's Word is unimportant or church is a social club or it's a family affair or it's all about nostalgia, then that is what your friends will think.

But if you care about hearing God's Word, and if you care about it because you know that your life depends on it — how can your friends and neighbors not help but see that? What a wonderful gift you can give them!

So get excited about coming to church! Get excited because God is here and he's talking to you. He's forgiving your sins and giving you his life; he's teaching you to trust him and love your neighbors; he's preparing you for eternal life in his kingdom. This is where it all happens!

And then, let your excitement show!

Rejoice that your sins are forgiven!

Rejoice that you have peace with God!

Rejoice that heaven has been opened and you are going to inherit paradise!

Rejoice and tell your friends that you want them to share in your joy!

The Lord bless and keep you,

+ Pr Hatesohl



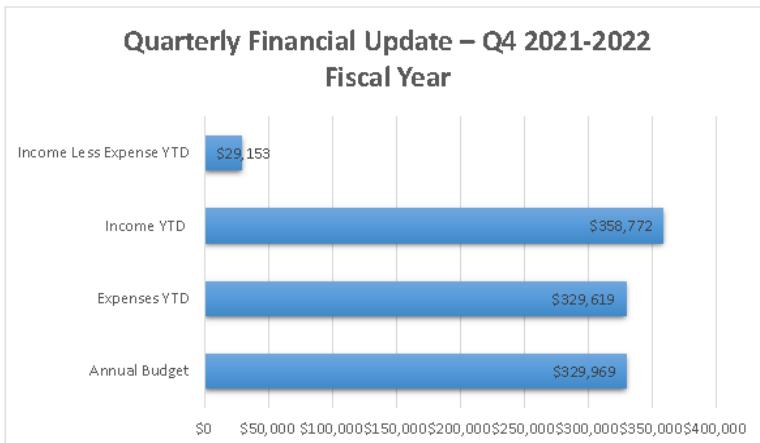
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# A NOTE FROM OUR TREASURER *by Louise Johnson*

Quarterly Financial Update – 4th Quarter 2021-2022 Fiscal Year  
 July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022

Annual Budget	\$329,969
Expenses YTD	\$329,619
Income YTD	\$358,772
Income Less Expense YTD	\$29,153



\$29,153 year end surplus was placed in the Emergency Reserve Fund

## OFFICIAL ACTS - JULY 2022

Transfer In: Rev. Paul and Karren Krause from First St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Chicago, on July 1, 2022.

Baptism: Gatlin Michael Helmersen, son of Nicholas and Brittany Helmersen, was baptized on July 31, 2022.

Death: Diane Chamberlain on July 9, 2022.

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

### BIRTHDAYS

Ed Dennis	8/3	Mary Post	8/22
Jocelyn Miller	8/5	Danielle Bahn	8/23
Cliff Moellenkamp	8/5	Roger Orkfritz	8/23
Shirley Zoellick	8/7	Alex Post	8/27
Emily Kopp	8/8	Kay Hildebrand	8/28
Amy Lyons	8/8	Benjamin Kahl	8/29
Gary Schultze	8/10	Norm Fossmeyer	8/29
Tripp Kopp	8/11	Mary Siebert	8/31
Gladys Stewart	8/12		
Juli Conway	8/13		
Steven Drescher	8/16		
Abigail DeVries	8/19		
Harper Rodgers	8/20		
Mary Mueller	8/20		
Gene Hinners	8/21		
Janet Westberg	8/21		

### ANNIVERSARIES

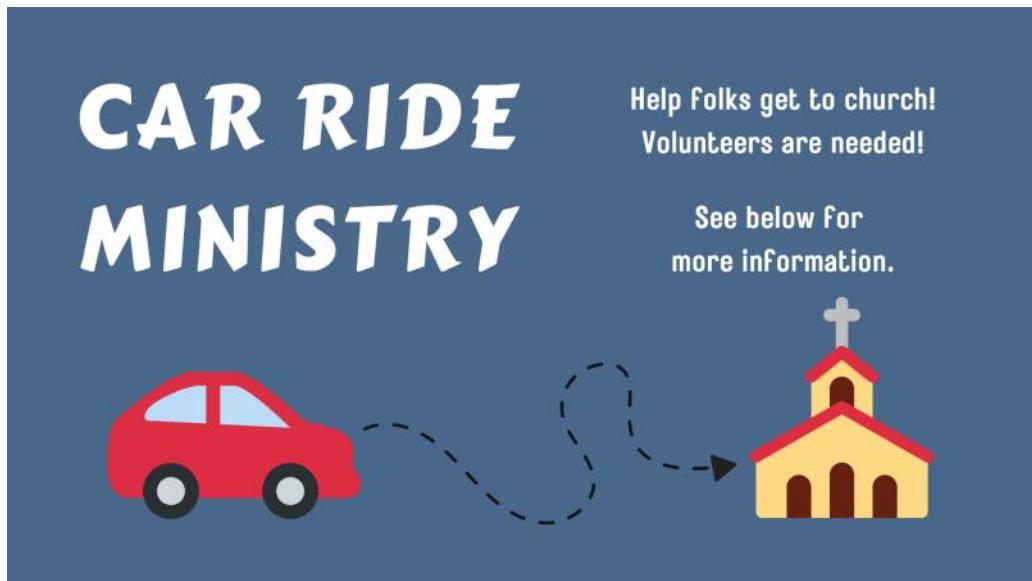
Ed & Jan Dennis	8 years on	8/2
Michael & Juli Conway	5 years on	8/5
Phil & Mary Post	44 years on	8/5
Donovan & Louise Johnson	18 years on	8/7
Vern & Joyce	61 years on	8/12
Don & Connie Garrison	60 years on	8/18
Ken & Judy Ladage	55 years on	8/26
Gene & Marge Hinners	62 years on	8/27
Dale & Diane Schoenrock	34 years on	8/27
Dan & Liz Siegrist	11 years on	8/30
Randy & Vicky Bahn	26 years on	8/31
Chris & Bridgid Furmanek	26 years on	8/31
Anton & Renate Schoenauer	54 years on	8/31

*If we have missed your birthday or anniversary, or have the wrong information, please call the church office.*

# SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS

*Psalm 100:2*

August 2022 Elder / Usher Schedule					
Date	Day	Time	Elder	Assistant Elder	Usher
8/7/2022	Sunday	8:00am	Donovan Johnson		John Varga
		10:30am	Roger Orkfritz		Breanna & Bella Westberg
8/14/2022	Sunday	8:00am	Rick Castel	Roger Orkfritz	Matt Castel
		10:30am	Keith Bereolos	Solomon Post	Niko Bereolos
8/21/2022	Sunday	8:00am	Keith Bereolos		Hoppy Kahl
		10:30am	Tim Mahnke		Reuben Velez
8/28/2022	Sunday	8:00am	Steven Drescher	Solomon Post	Hoppy Kahl
		10:30am	Tim Mahnke	Steven Drescher	Breanna & Bella Westberg



**CAR RIDE MINISTRY** Looking for a small-time commitment, high-impact area in which to serve? Join our car ride ministry at Trinity! Each Sunday, volunteers pick up folks, bring them to church, and return them back home. For those unable to drive themselves, it means a lot to still be able to attend church. Contact the church office if you are interested in helping (or need a ride).



**Sign up for weekly emails from Trinity!**  
<https://www.trinityhuntley.org/email-sign-up>

# A NOTE FROM OUR MUSIC DIRECTOR by Lana Gibbons



## THIS IS AN INVITATION!

Join in the celebration

to give God thanksgiving for all He has done!

Perhaps you like the singing? Or playing or the ringing?

Making music together can be lots of fun!

I will lead you with the others, your sisters and your brothers  
as we praise God with the songs that together we bring!

You're cordially invited! And, we'd be all excited!

Just answer God's calling to sing, play, and ring!

(Sung to the tune of "Gent Forth by God's Blessing" (ELB 643))

**AN INVITATION!** Yes, for you! You're cordially invited to praise God with others in the music ministry at Trinity! There's plenty of praising and thanksgiving to be done for all that God does for us as He "richly and daily provides us with all that we need to support this body and life". Did I mention that our sins are forgiven and He gives us a joy-filled life both here and in eternity! And what's our response? "For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him." Indeed! Join in the celebration!

**AN INVITATION!** Yes, for you! You're cordially invited to play in **HIS! Band** (aka Instrumental Group). Do you play an instrument? Let me know what you play and your availabilities. I will get you music to be rehearsed before worship or as needed. Join in the celebration!

**AN INVITATION!** Yes, for you! You're cordially invited to be part of **Voices in Praise** (aka Adult Choir) and/or **Celebration Ringers** (aka Adult Handbell Choir). Both of these groups will be starting up **Tuesday, September 13th**. Handbells at 6:00 p.m. in the loft; Choir at 7:00 under the loft. No experience necessary; both groups would welcome you and help you along! Think about it. Pray about it. Join in the celebration!

**AN INVITATION!** Yes, for you! You're cordially invited to come up to the loft with your child after worship to see, hear, and ring a bell and hand chime. I was delighted that a child from our TLC Preschool and church asked if she could ring a bell! Not just one Sunday, but twice! And, two children asked if they could sing the "Alleluia" from our worship service. They not only sang, but learned about sounds on the organ! Wonderful! I would encourage you to do this along with taking your children to Sunday School where, along with learning more about Jesus, they can learn songs and be part of the **Joyful Chorus**. What a joyful noise to hear the children singing and ringing praises to God! Join in the celebration!



## TLC PRESCHOOL NEWS by Linda Kranz, TLC Preschool Director

As July finished up, we had three successful weeks of summer camps. The kids enjoyed Nature, Animals and two Ready, Set, Kindergarten camps. It's so nice to hear children's laughter in the halls again.

For fall, we already have 73 children enrolled with only have a few openings left. The staff has been busy preparing for the year and as we prepare, our excitement for the new year grows. We will share good books, songs, games and most of all how much our God loves us and takes care of us.



## LWML by Reta Stohs

God's people lean on the Lord and trust Him in difficult times. "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me" (Phil: 4 :18).

This month four of our mission grants are asking for our support through prayers and our Mites. They are:

- 1: Light of Christ in Eastern Europe. The mite grant for them would bring the love of Christ to German and Czech citizens. (\$56 ,000)
- 2: LAMP ministry needs \$65,000 to bring the Gospel to remote areas of Canada using small planes.
- 3: \$100,00 is needed for educating pastors in Central Africa.
- 4: \$100,00 is needed for Redeeming Life ministries in northern Illinois to provide a deaconess to serve in transitional homes for single parent women.

Please remember these mission outreaches in prayer.

The 76th LWML NID Convention will be on September 23 & 24 in Carol Stream, IL. Our very own Lana Gibbons will be leading worship and singing! For more info, [click here](#), or see sign on board in narthex.

Being a Christian is a blessing and the Joy of Jesus in our lives should be evident. The LWML website is full of information and contains all the news and events going on. You can visit them at [www.LWML.org](http://www.LWML.org)



You can check out their latest eNews newsletter by clicking [HERE](#).



1. **Are you using the Photo Directory?** There are four ways to view the directory:

Download the app on your phone at [www.instantchurchdirectory.com/app/](http://www.instantchurchdirectory.com/app/). When searching for Instant Church Directory, choose the one with the little green house.

2. Download from any computer/laptop at [www.members.instantchurchdirectory.com/](http://www.members.instantchurchdirectory.com/)

*For both options 1 & 2, you will set your account up with your email. Only emails that are listed in the directory will sync. Contact Jamie in the church office if your email doesn't match and she'll update it.*

3. Request a PDF directory from the church office.

4. If you are unable to access through a computer, please contact Jamie in the church office for a printed copy.

*Note: The app and online version are always current and updated. The PDF and printed version will only be updated at the time of publishing.*

If you do not have your picture in the directory, it's never too late! You can submit online or send an image to the church office email.

# BIBLE STUDIES, GROUPS AND EVENTS



 **TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
AND TLC PRESCHOOL

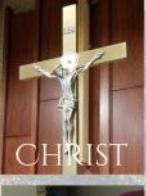
## The Catechumenate

Saturdays, 9:00 - 10:30 am  
Begins October 8

For all adults desiring to be baptized or join Trinity

Breakfast and childcare provided!

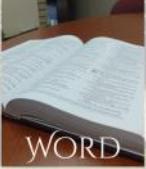
Questions? Contact Pastor Hatesohl  
[pastorhatesohl@trinityhunley.org](mailto:pastorhatesohl@trinityhunley.org)



CHRIST



SUPPER



WORD



WATER



## Men's Breakfast

2nd Saturday of the Month at 8:00 am

All men are welcome to meet for breakfast and fellowship

Meets at the Village Inn Huntley

## Thursday Bible Study

**1st & 3rd Thursdays of the Month**

Join the study for a brown bag lunch at 11:45 am.  
Bible study begins at 12:30 pm.  
Meets under the balcony.

# CHURCH CONTACT AND OTHER INFO

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## Contact

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## Staff

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 Jamie DeLaCruz, *Administrative Assist.*  
 Lana Gibbons, *Organist & Music Director*



## Elders

Keith Bereolos  
 Enrique Castel  
 Steve Drescher  
 Donovan Johnson  
 Tim Mahnke  
 Roger Orkfritz  
 Solomon Post  
 Dale Schoenrock

## Board of Ministry Directors

Keith Bereolos  
 Ed Dennis  
 Nancy Dvorak  
 Ken Ladage  
 Keith Nelson  
 Sandy Phelps  
 Janet Westberg

## Trinity Worship Times

Sundays @ 8:00 am and 10:30 am

## Holy Communion

2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays

## Worship Service Broadcast

Every service is broadcast live on the internet. You can find it at [TrinityHuntley.org/live](http://TrinityHuntley.org/live) or on the Trinity home page.



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**Church Office Hours** The church office is open Tuesday - Friday from 9:00 am - 2:30 pm. Pastor Hatesohl is available in the office both Tuesday and Friday mornings and by appointment.

**Help Keep Church Records Up To Date** If your contact information has changed or you are not receiving emails, please let the church office know. Call the church office at 847-669-5780 or email at [office@trinityhuntley.org](mailto:office@trinityhuntley.org).

**Prayer Chain** Trinity's prayer chain is always available to pray for you and those you love. Jesus hears our petitions and He will answer according to His good and perfect will. With thanksgiving, we make our requests to Him. Call or email the church office.

**Hospital Visits** Please contact the church office if you or a family member are, or are planning to be, in the hospital. You can be added to the prayer chain and/or a visit can be scheduled.

**Flower Chart** The flower chart for 2022 is on the bulletin board above the tract rack in the Narthex. To place flowers at the altar for a special date, sign your name and occasion (if applicable) next to that date. The cost is \$25. Altar flowers may be taken home after the last service (If more than one person has signed up, please just take one vase). This is a great way to glorify God as you remember someone you love or celebrate a milestone!

**Electronic Giving** Trinity offers two options, Give+Online and the Vanco Mobile App. Visit [TrinityHuntley.org](http://TrinityHuntley.org) and click on the "Giving" tab for more information.

**Head over to Culver's Restaurant** of Huntley, Rt. 47, on ANY Saturday evening, ANY Sunday or ANY Wednesday and present your weekend bulletin when ordering and Culvers will donate 10% of your total order to Trinity.

**WORSHIP ANEW - A Program for Shut-Ins** A 30-minute Lutheran worship service is televised weekly on Sunday at 8:00 a.m. on Chicago's CW station WPWR channel 50 (Comcast 184) and at 10:30 a.m. on TCT (DirecTV channel 377). A complete list of viewing options is available at [WorshipAnew.org](http://WorshipAnew.org).

**MCRide** is a great way to get around McHenry County. It is an "on-demand" travel service available to citizens of Huntley. Riders schedule their trips in advance and the vehicle provides curb-to-curb service from the rider's desired pick-up and dropoff destinations. Call 1-800-451-4599 to schedule a ride.

**Grafton Food Pantry** Please place donations in the "shopping cart" located in the narthex. Please also consider a monetary gift. If you would like to make a monetary donation you may place a separate envelope from your Trinity donation in the offering plate labeled FOOD PANTRY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT! Questions: Contact Judy Melman at 847-669-6563 or [jmelman02@comcast.net](mailto:jmelman02@comcast.net).

## SNAPSHOTS OF TRINITY



Following the July 10th service a distressed Jan Meyer was very concerned about driving home to Aurora with the tire warning light on in her vehicle. Taking the Good Samaritan Sermon to heart that he had just heard, Bob Gillig told Jan that he carries a portable compressor in his trunk. In just a few moments Jan's tire was full of air and she was on her way home.

### GOOD SAMARITANS AT WORK

Let's all look for ways to reach out to those around us.

A Cubs' quilt was donated by the Galloping Horses Quilters and given away in a drawing held by the Trinity Elders on Saturday, July 16th at the Huntley Farmers' Market. The quilt was made by Colleen Wilkins, another Trinity Good Samaritan at work.



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