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TRINITY TIDINGS

A Newsletter of Trinity Lutheran Church, Huntley, IL

Forgiveness is the heart of the Good News of Jesus.

Jesus is "the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! (John 1:29)." On the cross, Jesus bore all of our sins, and, in the resurrection, he left them in his grave forever. Through Word, Absolution, Baptism, and the Lord's Supper he promises to forgive those who trust in him.

God's forgiveness is meant for us to share with others as well. As we pray in the Lord's Prayer, "Forgive us our trespasses *as we forgive those who trespass against us.*"

Here's how that works: we sin. We confess our sins. God forgives our sins for the sake of Jesus. But God gives us more forgiveness than we have sins. Overflowing with God's love and forgiveness, we can't help but share that with others.

For centuries, the church had a worship practice called the "kiss of peace" that exemplified this sharing of forgiveness with others. Prior to the beginning of the Lord's Supper liturgy, worshipers would kiss one another and say, "The peace of the Lord be with you." If there was conflict between one another, they took the time to be reconciled before communing together.

The church took seriously Jesus' words in Matthew 5:23-24: "Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First, go and be reconciled to your brother; then come and offer your gift." They knew that to celebrate the Lord's Supper while divided was a contradiction of their faith (1 Corinthians 10:14-22; 11:17-34).

In our liturgy, there is a provision for a modern form of the "sharing of peace" on p. 159 of our hymnal:

Following the prayers, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22-24; Eph. 4:1-3).

Though Trinity hasn't done this recently, we are going to implement it in our communion services, beginning September 25. So when the time comes, turn to your neighbors, and greet them with a handshake, embrace, or wave and say, "Peace be with you."

Let me be clear and state what the sharing of the peace is *not*, though. It is not a seventh-inning stretch. It is not a preview of the coffee hour. It is not extra time to socialize or strike up a conversation. None of those things are necessarily bad, but they miss the point. The sharing of the peace is all about the sharing of *God's* peace in order to be at peace with one another. It expresses that we truly are bound to one another in the waters of Baptism, and we're called to "maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace" (Ephesians 4:3).

One last thing: forgiveness can be very hard. On a given Sunday, you might not be pals with everyone in the room, and you might have difficulties with someone there. Share the Peace of the Lord no matter how you feel. In doing so, you are proclaiming the Gospel to yourself and to them, declaring that God's reconciliation is at work in this church and in us. You are making the claim that though forgiveness is hard and we would not normally be inclined to do it, it is God's intention that we do so.

And know this: our ability to forgive one another is rooted in God's forgiveness of us—he alone can make it happen.

The Lord bless and keep you,

+ Pr Hatesohl



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BOARD OF MINISTRY DIRECTORS *by Ken Ladage, Chairman*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

As we continue our Ministry at Trinity, I am reminded of the words of Dr. Allan Buss, Northern Illinois District President: "Keep the main thing the main thing – Jesus, His work and Word". May Jesus Christ be praised, He is risen, alleluia. May what we do, may what we say and may what we write lead to praise of Him who redeemed us, who brought the "Good News" of salvation to the entire world.

September has arrived and our ministry at Trinity continues. This month feels like the transition from summer to fall. Our Children and Grandchildren return to school, leaves start to turn, our activity schedules change, the days get shorter. Of course, spring, summer and winter all share a place for us, but it's hard to beat a crisp autumn day. It will be time to pull out the sweaters and sip on a pumpkin spice latte!

However, before we look to September, let's review several projects that were completed in August. The windows on the north side of the Preschool were completed, and under budget. As you leave Church, look left, the windows not only look great, but also, we anticipate a reduction in our energy expense. A shout out goes to those who were involved in various Farmer's Market activities during the Summer. The Elders passed out helium balloons with Trinity's name and the Quilters offered a quilt for a drawing. Pastor organized a successful 20-30's party and the Senior Picnic took place. The All-Church Picnic is scheduled for September 11th.

As we begin September, Church attendance continues to increase year to date. Our financial position is good as we begin our fiscal year. The Financial Advisory Team developed a plan for investing a portion of our church funds in CD's. The CD's will be for various lengths, insured, no penalty for early withdrawal and will return 1.5% to 2.5% interest.

The Village Team is completing design plans for our next building phase. The next step will be for the General Contractor to estimate the cost of the construction. With an estimated expense, funding options for the project can be reviewed. At that time a presentation will be presented to the Congregation for discussion.

Trinity's Preschool will begin classes on September 6th, as of this writing, 74 students will be in attendance.

The Church Security Team continues to meet and assign various items for review to team members. The team will review our fire extinguisher inventory and locations, door locking procedures, church security and emergency procedures, etc.

The Board's next meeting will be September 8th at 6:30pm. The Board welcomes your input. A segment of each Board meeting is reserved for Steward comments, suggestions, or questions. A suggestion box is in the Narthex.

Your Brother in Christ,

Ken Ladage
Chairman, Board of Ministry Directors

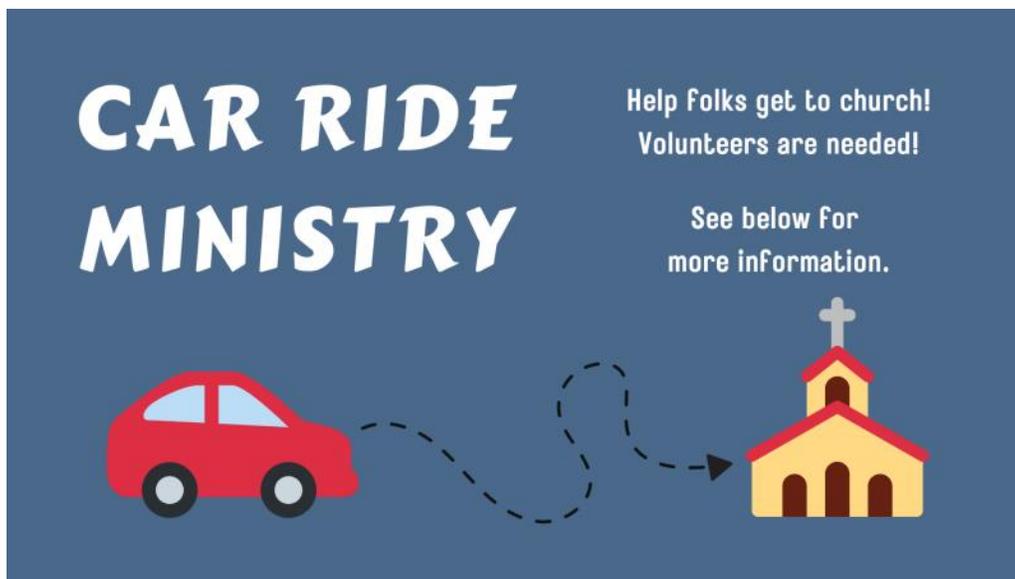
OFFICIAL ACTS - AUGUST 2022

Transfer In: Roger and Shirley Stettner from Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Elgin, IL on August 9, 2022.

Death: Cliff Carlson on August 11, 2022.

SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS *Psalm 100:2*

September 2022 Elder / Usher Schedule					
Date	Day	Time	Elder	Assistant Elder	Usher
9/4/2022	Sunday	8:00am	Solomon Post	N/A	Matt Castel
		10:30am	Donovan Johnson	N/A	Steven Drescher & Roger Stettner
9/11/2022	Sunday	8:00am	N/A	N/A	N/A
		10:30am	Tim Mahnke	Keith Bereolos	Hoppy Kahl
9/18/2022	Sunday	8:00am	Tim Mahnke	N/A	Hoppy Kahl
		10:30am	Keith Bereolos	N/A	John Varga
9/25/2022	Sunday	8:00am	Rick Castel	Solomon Post	Matt Castel
		10:30am	Roger Orkfritz	Steven Drescher	Bella Westberg and Roger Stettner



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>

SNAPSHOTS OF TRINITY

S R. P I C N I C



**A GOOD TIME WAS HAD BY ALL
The Senior Picnic was a huge success!**



Thank you to the 61 people in attendance. The most we've ever had. We couldn't have asked for better weather. We had lots of fun and plenty of laughs. There were "brain booster" games and prizes, (kudos to all the winners), card bingo, corn hole, music, and of course what we Lutherans are known for, the delicious sides, salads and desserts. Thanks to all of you for donating the great food! Apologies though for not having enough chicken. It won't happen again.

Good news! Thanks to Georgina Ozaga-Dortch, Connie Garrison, Annie Scheonfisch, and Lou Ann Jensen for signing up to volunteer to help next year. Thank you Pastor Hatesohl for joining in the fellowship for some fun and the blessing. Special thanks go out to Reta Stohs, Carol and Roger Tomlinson, Bob Gillig, Rick Payne and last, but never least, my husband, Eric Rieker. The success of this picnic could have happened without your hard work and cooperation. See you next year! *Ceil Rieker*



A NOTE FROM OUR MUSIC DIRECTOR *by Lana Gibbons*



You are invited! Get all excited!
 Be a part of the ministry!
 Singing a song! You can't go wrong!
 Come, make music at Trinity!
 Ringing a bell! You'll do it well!
 Playing a tune! It's not too soon!
 Won't you come join us? You'll be satisfied!
 You'll be with others! Sisters and brothers!
 Lift up your voice! Ring, play, rejoice!
 You will enjoy it as God's glorified!

(Sung to the tune of "In Thee Is Gladness" LSB 818)

Sing Ring Play

YOU ARE INVITED! Come and make music! *Celebration Ringers* (Adult Handbells) and *Voices in Praise* (Adult Choir) start on **Tuesday, September 13th** – Bells at 6:00 p.m. in the loft; Choir at 7:00 p.m. under the loft. Come, as you are, whether you're experienced or not! Come, whether you can make every rehearsal or not! Anyone in Bells and/or Choir will tell you that God always works out our schedules and makes all things good! Do you play an instrument? Get it out and play it in worship as part of *HIS! Band* (Instrumentalists). Also, calling all children to be part of the *Joyful Chorus* (Children's Choir). We can meet between services learning songs to sing and handchimes to ring. Serving, thanking, praising, playing, and praying together is what we do! You will enjoy being part of the music ministry as **GOD'S GLORIFIED!**

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

Laura DeVries	9/1
Hailee Michel	9/2
Ken Ladage	9/3
Carla Bollinger	9/3
Chase Keller	9/4
Christine Ganz	9/5
Tom Fischbach	9/7
John Imlah	9/8
Anton Schoenauer	9/8
Reuben Velez	9/8
Mary Ellen Moerke	9/9
Nancy Dvorak	9/12
Kerri DiGiovanni	9/13
Tammy Brimie	9/13
Marilyn Borhart	9/14
Reta Stohs	9/15

Cheryl Ravagnie	9/18
Linda Linnenkohl	9/20
Cameron Bredlau	9/20
Ryelee Drafall	9/22
Larry Melman	9/24
Bridgid Furmanek	9/27
Phil Post	9/27
Keith Nelson	9/27
Don Garrison	9/30

ANNIVERSARIES

Jim & Shirley Ring	49 years on	9/1
Alan & Joyce Scott	49 years on	9/8
Tim & Lora Mahnke	28 years on	9/10
Adam & Emily Kopp	4 years on	9/15
Rick & Marlene Pump	42 years on	9/20
Bob & Chris Gillig	60 years on	9/22
Jim & Carla Bollinger	55 years on	9/23
Steven & Jennifer Drescher	22 years on	9/24
Ted & Peggy Rottmann	54 years on	9/28

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

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



We are once again feeling blessed that we have the privilege to teach, serve and love the children and families in our care. This time of year is exciting. We've cleaned, planned and decorated. We can't wait to see the excited faces of God's precious little ones. We are ready for a great year!!

We will also once again be selling mums from Tom's. No need to order. Tom's will deliver them on Wednesday, September 21 in the morning. We'll set them up in the courtyard. Come by early to purchase your favorite fall-colored mum. They are always so beautiful.

Join us at Culver's on Tuesday, Sept 27 from 4-8pm. Enjoy a delicious dinner while helping out the preschool. Dining in or drive through all counts toward the fundraiser. Thank you for supporting us.

TLC school year theme



LWML *by Reta Stohs*



The **76th LWML NID Convention** will be on September 23 & 24 in Carol Stream, IL. For more info, [click here](#), or see poster on the board in the narthex. A sign-up sheet will be there also.

Our very own Lana Gibbons will be leading worship and singing! Lana has again written a wonderful convention theme song this year, "Take Heart!". Listen to it [HERE](#).

Plans are going forward for the National LWML Convention on June 22-25, 2023 in Milwaukee. As part of the Northern Illinois District we will take part in hosting this event. Registration forms are now available for those who wish to participate. Please contact Reta Stohs if you are interested at nandrstohs@att.net or 847-961-5321 (leave a message).



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

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



GALLOPING HORSE QUILTERS *by Marilee Payne*

Quilters Assist Lutheran Church Charities

Trinity Galloping Horses quilters recently gifted two sports themed quilts to the Chicago Hope group through Lutheran Church Charities. Chicago South side LCMS churches have opened their homes and hearts to homeless boys ages 9 to 16. Congregation members are attempting to show a way of life that these boys have not been exposed to.

Church members provide homes, mentoring, training the boys in how to do community service, scholarship guidance, and worship and Bible class. The quilts are the groups way of recognizing accomplishment. More quilts will be provided in the future.



MORE SNAPSHOTS OF TRINITY



The 20s and 30s gathered for an evening of food and fellowship on July 29th.

BIBLE STUDIES, GROUPS AND EVENTS



TRINITY'S ALL CHURCH PICNIC

Sunday, September 11, 2022
 One service only at 10:30 am
 Picnic to follow in the courtyard

DETAILS IN WORSHIP FOLDER
 SIGN UP IN NARTHEX



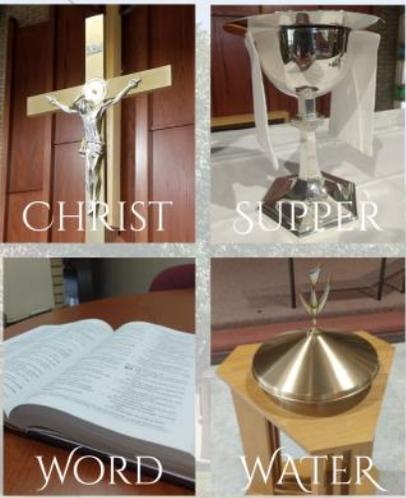
TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
AND TLC PRESCHOOL

The Catechumenate

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

For all adults desiring to be baptized
 or join Trinity

Breakfast and childcare provided!
See the worship folder for more info




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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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 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.

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 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.

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 lmelman02@comcast.net.

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