

May 2023

# TRINITY TIDINGS

A Newsletter of Trinity Lutheran Church, Huntley, IL

Dear Saints,

We continue our walk through Christian art by taking a look at Caravaggio's *The Supper at Emmaus* painted in 1601, when he was only 30 years old(!).

This beautiful painting relates the events of Luke 24:13-35, Jesus' journey with the two disciples on the road to Emmaus. We heard this Bible story in church on April 23. If you don't remember it, I'd encourage you to reread it before continuing.

In the text, it is Easter Sunday, and Jesus is risen from the dead. The two disciples have heard rumors of this from the women, but they don't believe it nor do they recognize Jesus when he joins them on the road. Perhaps that is why Caravaggio depicts the risen Jesus so youthfully and without a beard. It is the same Jesus in his flesh and blood, but he is also changed, raised from the dead, unrecognizable to many.

The painting depicts the climax of the story. They are sitting down for a meal, and Jesus takes bread, blesses it, breaks it, and gives it to the two disciples. Only then are their eyes opened, and they recognize him—their crucified and risen Savior, Jesus. Then, Jesus vanishes.

Note the disciples' abrupt, physical reactions of surprise—arms thrown open, chair hastily pushed back, eyebrows raised, and brows furrowed. Caravaggio masterfully portrays the joy and surprise of Easter. Christ is risen! Death no longer has the final word! Alleluia!

Why does Jesus vanish, though? Luke's point seems to be that one place that followers of Jesus now find him is in the Lord's Supper. It is there that we truly see him and recognize him and receive his benefits. Caravaggio reinforces this point by nearly concealing the bread behind the roasted chicken. The Body of Jesus in the Lord's Supper, just like the Risen Body of Jesus, is concealed from many and yet revealed to those who have faith and eyes to truly see.

Caravaggio may also employ some wonderful symbolism. There are grapes in the fruit basket, perhaps symbolizing the wine of the Lord's Supper and the blood of Christ. The apple in the basket appears to be rotting, too, a symbol of the temptation and fall of humanity in the Garden of Eden. Jesus is the new Adam who is faithful where Adam, Eve, you and me are not.

Finally, notice the shadow of the basket. It appears to show the silhouette of a fish. Jesus has caught them in the net of his church, and now they will be "fishers of men" (Matthew 4:19). They will go to the ends of the earth and tell everyone that Jesus died, is risen, and is coming back.

The Lord bless and keep you,

+ Pr Hatesohl



## **BOARD OF MINISTRY DIRECTORS** *by Ken Ladage, Chairman*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

May Jesus Christ be praised, He is risen, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. May knowing Jesus bring you peace to bless each day, hope for each tomorrow, and joy in every season. Let us remember the One who humbled Himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross (Philippians 2:8). Let us renew our faith and receive with open hearts the love of God who makes us brothers and sisters in Christ.

The average attendance for the Lent midweek services averaged 76 Worshipers. The Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday Services totaled 560 Worshipers. This represents a 17% increase over last year. Compliments and a thank-you to those responsible for the beautiful decorations and music during the services. Church attendance for 2023 is up 25% over 2022.

The work of the Church continues. The Village Team has received the pricing for our building options. These figures were presented and discussed during the Congregational Town Hall meeting on March 26<sup>th</sup>. Pastor is organizing a group to set long-term goals for Trinity. These goals can provide direction as building options are considered.

The Church Security Committee continues to move forward with their plans. CPR Classes are being scheduled for the Preschool, staff, Board Members and Elders in mid-May. The Committee will reach out to others in the congregation who are often in the building to get as many Trinity members as possible trained.

The financial performance for Trinity and the Preschool continues to be strong. Year to date, we continue to operate in the black.

The Budget Committee completed the budgets for Trinity and the Preschool and sent them to the Board of Ministry Directors for review. The windows replacement project was completed in 2023 and represented a significant infrastructure expense. However, the needs of our aging facility will continue to require repairs and replacements in 2023-2024. The budgets will be offered to the Congregation for review beginning May 28<sup>th</sup>. A Voters Meeting is scheduled on June 11<sup>th</sup> for Congregational approval.

The Board will be meeting May 11<sup>th</sup> and your input is welcomed. A segment of each Board meeting, (second Thursday of the month at 5:00 pm) is reserved for Steward comments, suggestions, or questions. A suggestion box is located in the Narthex.

Your Brother in Christ,

Ken Ladage, Chairman, Board of Ministry Directors

## **OFFICIAL ACTS - APRIL 2023**

Deaths:

- Gerhard Pilz on April 2, 2023
- Carol Colby on April 9, 2023
- Mary Ellen Moerke on April 16, 2023

# SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS *Psalm 100:2*

## May 2023 Elder / Usher Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Elder</u>	<u>Assitant Elder</u>	<u>Usher</u>
5/7/2023	Sunday	8:00 am*	Keith Bereolos	Roger Orkfritz	Hoppy Kahl
		10:30 am*	Steven Drescher	Rick Castel	Matt Castel
5/14/2023	Sunday	8:00 am*	Donovan Johnson	Solomon Post	Georgina Ozga-Dortch
		10:30 am*	Tim Mahnke	Keith Bereolos	Roger Stettner
5/21/2023	Sunday	8:00 am*	Steven Drescher	Rick Castel	Hoppy Kahl
		10:30 am*	Donovan Johnson	Solomon Post	Bella Westberg
5/28/2023	Sunday	8:00 am*	Tim Mahnke	Solomon Post	Georgina Ozga-Dortch
		10:30 am*	Roger Orkfritz	Steven Drescher	Reuben Velez

\* Communion



Sign up for weekly emails from Trinity!

<https://www.trinityhuntley.org/email-sign-up>

### Emergency Line



Pastor is always available to you in the case of a pastoral emergency, even after hours. Simply call the main Trinity phone number, 847-669-5780, and follow the instructions.

Your call will then be forwarded to the pastor.

(Note: Pastor's cell phone number has changed. To reach him for non-emergencies, call the office or send him an email.)

## Kid's Worship Bags



Kid's Worship Bags (lovingly sewn by The Trinity Quilters) are available each Sunday at the back of the Sanctuary. These bags are appropriate for kids 3 - 10 years old.

The bags are filled with crayons, coloring pages that go along with the day's scripture readings, books and other surprises which can help keep the squirms and wiggles at bay.

Kids are invited to take a worship bag into the worship service with them and are asked to place the worship bag to the return basket after service.

# A NOTE FROM OUR MUSIC DIRECTOR *by Lana Gibbons*



Hear the bells ringing! The Choir singing!  
 Celebrate Jesus! He's risen today!  
 The battle is done! The victory won!  
 Alleluia! It's resurrection day!  
 Praise the Lord! Be glad! No need to be sad!  
 Rest in the comfort that His vict'ry gives!  
 Make music! Give praise! Thank God all your days!  
 You know for certain your Redeemer lives!



**GIVE PRAISE!** Were you there when we celebrated Easter last month? Did you hear the Good News that Jesus has risen from the dead? Did you hear the Bells ringing, the Choir singing, the instruments playing? Did you hear that our risen Savior is with us always? His victory is our victory and so we continue to celebrate every day in every way as His redeemed, beloved children! Easter people singing, ringing, playing, worshipping together with resounding gladness all the days of our lives here and in eternity! We thank God not only for all that He has done and continues to do, but for those that serve in the music ministry. Even though the "season" of *Celebration Ringers* (Bells) and *Voices in Praise* (Choir) will be winding down at the end of this month His song is one of perpetual Alleluias! Thank God for His abundant grace and mercy that flows to us and through us as we invite others to life with Jesus, making music and continuing to **GIVE PRAISE!**



**GIVE PRAISE!** I personally want to thank and praise those involved in the music ministry! To God be the glory! These people give tirelessly of their time every week, singing and ringing (or both!) multiple times each month or playing instruments. We are so blessed! Also, thank God for the children singing in church and for a Confirmation student, Rylan Castel, who played his trombone for Easter! Let's continue to make music and **GIVE PRAISE!**

**VOICES IN PRAISE**

**Handbells & Choir  
 Tuesdays**  
 Bells at 6 pm, Choir at 7 pm

**CELEBRATION RINGERS**

See worship folder for more information

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

April brought so many wonderful things. The kids know that Jesus is alive and is always with us. They also had a visit from the Huntley Fire Department and we are in the spring of things watching caterpillars grow into butterflies. May brings an Art Show that displays a few pieces of art from each child and evening of fun, reading and family time.

If you ordered flowers through our Tom's Flower fundraiser, they will be delivered on Saturday May 20 and available for pick-up from 8:30 - 10:00 am. You know they will be beautiful!



I wish to extend my deepest gratitude to Trinity Church and TLC Preschool for the most joy filled career I could ever have hoped for. Where else can you read fun books, sing songs, dance like no one's watching, get hugs from smiling little ones and teach that "Jesus love me this I know, for the Bible tells me so". I truly will take with me memories that make me smile, good hearty laughs, and a few tears. I wish Kathy Kaszuba, the next director, the same joy I have found here at TLC. Kathy Kaszuba is no stranger to TLC. Her four children attended here for preschool and she and her family members have worked here in different capacities since 2008. She has been teaching since 2012. She will serve TLC well.



**Congratulations and  
God's Blessings to**

*Mrs. Kathy Kaszuba*

as she assumes the role as  
TLC Acting Director for the  
2023-2024 school year!

We know she will

*Shine like a star!*

## LWML *by Reta Stohs*

It's still possible to register for the upcoming LWML national convention in Milwaukee, June 22-25. Excitement is growing for this event as we celebrate Jesus. For those unable to go please remember to pray for our attendees from our Zone and for all the participants. [Convention Central - Lutheran Women's Missionary League \(lwml.org\)](https://www.lwml.org)



We will be choosing new mission grants to support and also new officers to serve. Thanks to all who have supported and fulfilled our mission goals from 2021-2023

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](https://www.LWML.org)

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

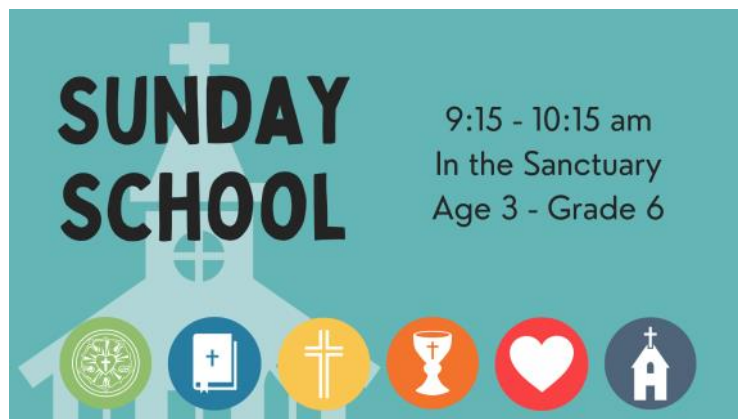


# BIBLE STUDIES, GROUPS AND EVENTS



## THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY, 9:15 AM  
SEE WORSHIP FOLDER FOR MORE INFO



## SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:15 - 10:15 am  
In the Sanctuary  
Age 3 - Grade 6



## The Trinity Quilters

Meets on the 2nd and 3rd Mondays  
10:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Church Basement

Contact Marilee Payne for more info



## Men's Breakfast

2nd Saturday  
of the Month at 8:00 am

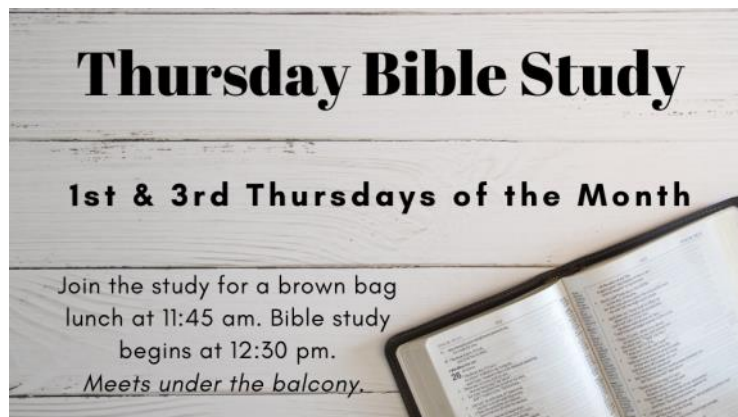
All men are welcome to meet  
for breakfast and fellowship

Meets at the Village Inn  
Huntley



For where two or three are  
gathered in my name,  
there am I among them.

Matthew 18:20

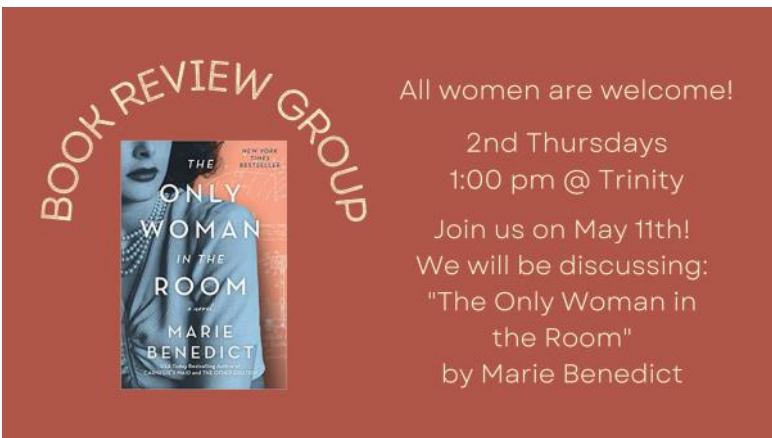


## Thursday Bible Study

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.



All women are welcome!

2nd Thursdays  
1:00 pm @ Trinity

Join us on May 11th!  
We will be discussing:  
"The Only Woman in  
the Room"  
by Marie Benedict

## BOOK REVIEW GROUP

Any questions you may have  
may be directed to Judy Ladage,  
224-858-7282 or Marilee Payne,  
847-659-9086.



**Serve the Lord  
with gladness!**

Psalm 100:2



**SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP  
HOUR FOR 2023**


Volunteer sign-up spots are available for hosting/providing goodies for the Fellowship Hour between Sunday services (coffee and juice is provided by the church). You can host on your own, with a friend or with a group.

Sign-up on the board in the Narthex

Trinity has an ongoing collection for the **Grafton Food Pantry**.

Cash donations are the best and most efficient way to offer help... every \$1 buys \$8 worth of food from the Northern Illinois Food Bank. However, they cannot purchase household supplies and personal care products, so they are the next most needed items. All donations are appreciated, needed and used. Food items must be non-perishable.

Items are always picked up and delivered weekly from the food cart in the narthex. Contact Judy Melman with any questions.



## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

### BIRTHDAYS

Steve Phillips	5/2	Juliana Sindelar	5/17
Carli Arriola	5/3	Mateo Arriola	5/17
Lynne Sturtecky	5/3	Corinne Miller	5/18
Ilene Steinlein	5/6	Alan Scott	5/21
Shirley Colsant	5/7	Joy Bereolos	5/21
Joan Cushing	5/8	Carol Baffa	5/22
Connie Garrison	5/10	Roy Derby	5/23
Mary Wickersheim	5/10	Kevin Sindelar	5/23
Autumn Surman	5/11	Richard Payne	5/26
John Goers	5/10	Ciera Keller	5/26
Ed Manke	5/12	Patricia Mayer	5/31
Lou Ann Jensen	5/16	Leonard Bunge	5/31
Bruce Krich	5/16		
Breanna Westberg	5/16		
Shari Schaumburg	5/16		
Diane Fischbach	5/17		

### ANNIVERSARIES

Leonard & Shirley Zoellick	46 years on 5/7
Gary & Kristy Schultze	10 years on 5/8
Keith & Joy Bereolos	24 years on 5/15
John & Shelly Goers	29 years on 5/21
Clifford & Phyllis	63 years on 5/21
John & Becky Lesniewski	14 years on 5/23
Dale & Melissa Erath	31 years on 5/23
Brad & Christine Ganz	32 years on 5/26

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

# SNAPSHOTS OF TRINITY



Palm Sunday  
Processional



Resurrection  
Sunday



Egg Hunt





# CHURCH CONTACT AND OTHER INFO

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## Staff

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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](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 2023 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 \$35. 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 [lmelman02@comcast.net](mailto:lmelman02@comcast.net).

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