

June 2023

TRINITY TIDINGS

A Newsletter of Trinity Lutheran Church, Huntley, IL

Dear Saints,

This month, we'll reflect on Rembrandt's *The Return of the Prodigal Son* (1661-1669).

This painting portrays one of the most beloved and famous of Jesus' parables, the parable of the prodigal son (Luke 15:11-32). In that parable, a young man takes his share of his inheritance, wastes it all in reckless living, and returns to his Father in repentance. The painting depicts the moment his father receives him and, in the process, shows us God's grace, mercy, and love with profound solemnity.

The father and son stand out in light against a dark environment. The ragged torn garments of the son are particularly vivid. In a kneeling position, he faces his father, only to reveal his bald head, back and feet (one barefoot) in a gesture of repentance and with the appearance of an outcast—or even a lost, wayward child. He has absolutely nothing to offer his father, just as we are spiritual beggars before God.

Despite that, the welcoming father (who faces us, the audience) tenderly embraces him in love and joy. His hands seem to suggest mothering and fathering at once; the left appears larger and more

masculine, set on the son's shoulder, while the right is softer and more receptive in gesture.

The father's face shows multiple emotions at once: grief about his son's behavior, relief that he is back, and the love of being able to embrace his son again. It is a picture of compassion for sinners like you and me.

Standing at the right is the prodigal son's older brother, who crosses his hands in judgment. In the parable, he objects to the father's compassion for his sinful brother. But the Father reminds him: "It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found" (Luke 15:32).

Rembrandt's dramatic interpretation suggests a unique opportunity for us today to become "the prodigal son" ourselves. He invites us to kneel before our heavenly Father in repentance, confident that he tenderly embraces us in love and joy.

The Lord bless and keep you,

+ Pr Hatesohl



The Return of the Prodigal Son, c. 1669
Rembrandt Harmenszoon van Rijn,

BOARD OF MINISTRY DIRECTORS *by Ken Ladage, Chairman*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

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.

Members of the Board of Ministry Directors, Elders and staff members attended a training session offered by the Huntley Fire Department. The class covered emergency procedures including CPR training for adults and children. Instruction was also given on operating an AED machine. Stop the Bleed supply kits were explained and also how to stop bleeding from puncture wounds until EMT services arrive. The TLC Staff has also taken these courses. 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 Board has reviewed the Budgets for Trinity and Preschool and presented to the Congregation for their review. The Budgets will be approved during the June 11th Congregational meeting. However, the needs of our aging facility will continue to require repairs and replacements in 2023-2024.

The Board will be meeting June 8th 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



SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS *Psalm 100:2*

June 2023 Elder / Usher Schedule

Date	Day	Time	Elder	Assitant Elder	Usher
6/4/2023	Sunday	8:00 am*	Donovan Johnson	Roger Orkfritz	Georgina Ozga-Dortch
		10:30 am*	Rick Castel	Solomon Post	Matt Castel
6/11/2023	Sunday	8:00 am*	Keith Bereolos	Rick Castel	Hoppy Kahl
		10:30 am*	Steven Drescher	Solomon Post	Roger Stettner
6/18/2023	Sunday	8:00 am	Tim Mahnke	N/A	Reuben Velez
		10:30 am	Donovan Johnson	N/A	Bella Westberg
6/25/2023	Sunday	8:00 am*	Steven Drescher	Roger Orkfritz	Bella Westberg
		10:30 am*	Keith Bereolos	Tim Mahnke	Niko Bereolos

* 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.

OFFICIAL ACTS - MAY 2023

Deaths: Dale Schoenrock on May 7, 2023

Baptisms: Cooper Anthony and Anna Rose Dziekanski on May 28, 2023

Maxwell John Drafall on May 28, 2023

Confirmations: Ryan Castel, Noah Drescher, Julian Gutierrez, Caleb Kittel, Luca Kittel, Kyle Sdrenka on 4-30-23

A NOTE FROM OUR MUSIC DIRECTOR *by Lana Gibbons*



*ABIDE with me, fast falls the eventide.
 The darkness deepens; Lord, with me ABIDE.
 When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
 Help of the helpless, O ABIDE with me.*

*I need thy presence ev'ry passing hour;
 What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r?
 Who like Thyself my guide and stay can be?
 Through cloud and sunshine, O ABIDE with me.*

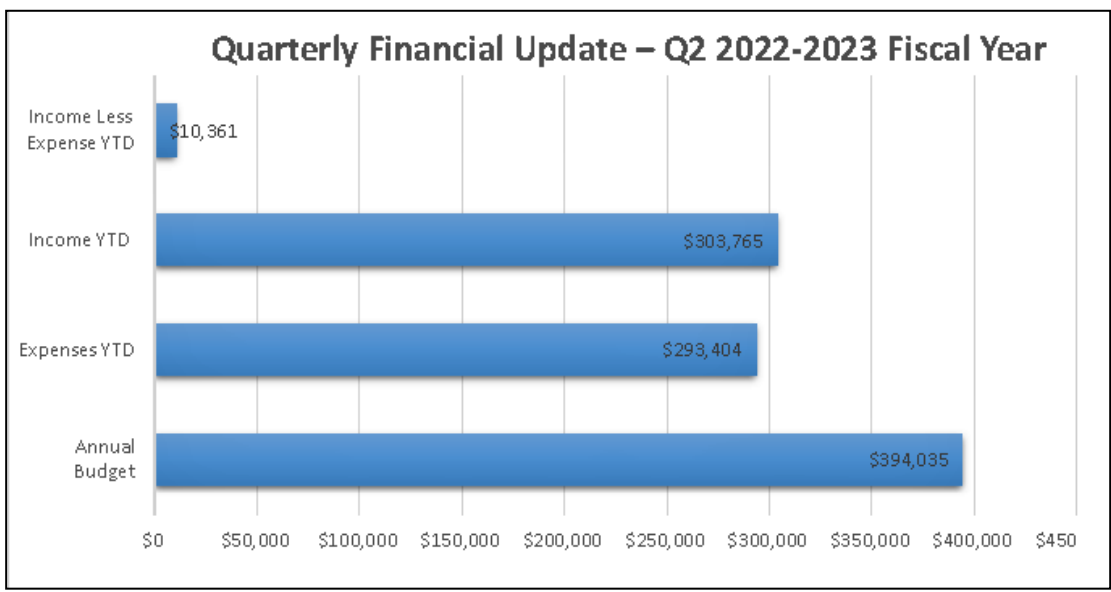
Abide with Me (LSB 878)



ABIDE! That's an action word meaning to "remain" or "stay". What a comfort to know that God remains with us through every season of our lives. He abides with us "through cloud and sunshine"! And, He clearly tells us "I am the Vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I you, you will bear much fruit; apart from Me you can do nothing" (*John 15:5*). Did you catch that? He remains in us and we in Him! He abides with us forever! It's an intimate relationship, a living union with Him! It is through Him, and not by any of our "own reason or strength" that we are "kept in the true faith". It is through Him and the gift of the Spirit that we grow in His grace and anything accomplished is for His glory!

ABIDE! As we end a season of rehearsals, I thank God for the people involved in the music ministry and for the gifts He has given us to edify our worship! The *Celebration Ringers* (Bells), *Voices in Praise* (Adult Choir), and *HIS! Band* (Instrumentalists) are quite a devoted group that have met regularly through the year! What a blessing and demonstration of bearing much fruit as He has orchestrated, guided and directed us every step of the way! And, what a joy it has been to sing with the children of our Sunday School! Perhaps you have heard the *Joyful Chorus* of children leading us in the Kyrie and Alleluia! God is indeed growing His church to bear much fruit. May every season be the growing season to always stay connected to Him as He always, and in all ways, with us will **ABIDE!**

A NOTE FROM OUR TREASURER *by Louise Johnson*



TLC PRESCHOOL NEWS *by Kathy Kaszuba, TLC Preschool Director*

The Preschool school year has wrapped up and we are well on our way to prepare for the new year before us. As many of you already know, Mrs. Kranz has taken her final bow and has retired after 27 years with TLC Preschool. With those big shoes to fill, I have decided to accept the position of TLC Director/Teacher for the 2023-2024 school year. Many of you may not know me, so I would like to take a moment to introduce myself to you. My name is Kathy Kaszuba and I have been a part of the TLC family for 20 years, with all four of my children going through this amazing program. Once my oldest son Zachary started here at TLC, I knew this was the best place to be and have been here ever since! Starting as Preschool Assistant, I have worked my way up to Preschool Teacher of the 5 day program and now Director of this incredible preschool. I am looking forward to meeting many of the congregation and building a lasting relationship with you. I look forward to new ideas and building friendships along the way. If you happen to be in the preschool area, please stop in to say hello or catch me on the way in or way out. I am excited to take this journey with all of you and pray for a wonderful school year ahead!



End of the Year

The Preschool year has come to an end and the children and parents enjoyed some amazing programs. The children sure have incredible voices and really sang their hearts out for everyone. Not a dry eye in the Chapel or classrooms for that matter. These little ones light up any room they enter and really made us all proud!

Tom's Farm Fundraiser

We want to thank you all for your incredible support during our Tom's Farm fundraiser this year. Your generosity means the world to our program and to each of us as well. I can only imagine what your gardens will look like this year! We also want to thank Tom for always providing us with such gorgeous flowers, veggies and herbs.

Registration

We still have availability in our Preschool classrooms, so please spread the word and help us to continue to bring the word of Jesus into the hearts of our young people.

Enjoy the summer months and I look forward to seeing you all very soon!



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

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



BIBLE STUDIES, GROUPS AND EVENTS

All Men of Trinity Lutheran Church are invited:

Men's Bonfire Event

Sponsored by the Elders

Friday
June
2
6:00 pm

Hoppy Kahl's Farm
11809 Brier Hill Rd.
Huntley, IL



Food, Beer,
Music &
Fellowship
Shareable
Snacks/ Drinks
Welcome,
Please Bring a
Camping Chair

RSVP to an
Elder so
they can get a
head count.



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.

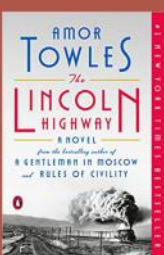


BOOK REVIEW GROUP

All women are welcome!

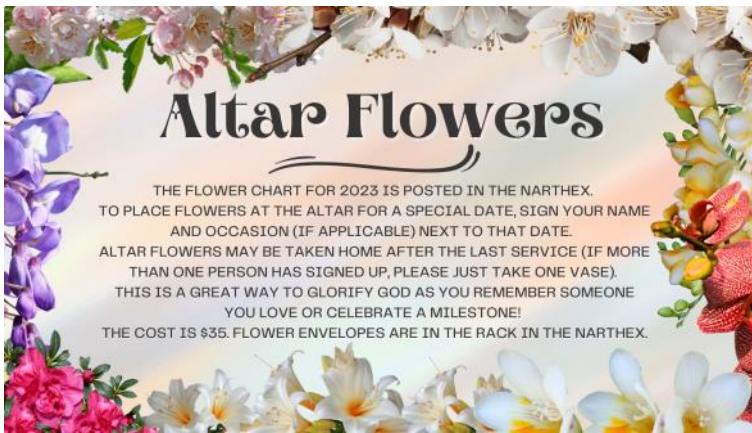
2nd Tuesdays (new day)
2:00 pm @ Trinity

Join us on June 13th!
We will be discussing:
"The Lincoln Highway"
by Amor Towles



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

Debbie Nelson	6/1	Rose Rust	6/19
William Andros	6/2	Shirley Ring	6/20
Natalia Furmanek	6/3	Joshua Thomas	6/20
Sheryl Ravagnie	6/8	Ben Post	6/20
Laura Galik	6/9	Aaron Bengtson	6/21
Melissa Massey	6/9	Isabella Westberg	6-21
Evelyn Bicknese	6/10	Bailee Bell	6-22
Nathan Schultz	6/10	Jacob Steinbach	6-22
Hanna Wendes	6/10	Pat Krebs	6/24
Rebecca Gaskell	6/15	Daniel Siegrist	6/26
Rebecca Dvorak	6/15	Ruth Schaefer	6/26
Joyce Scott	6/15	Tim Mahnke	6/28
Nate Sneed	6/16		
Wolfgang Reich	6/16		
Easton Fiedler	6/17		
Ina Izaguirre	6/17		
Becky Lesniewski	6/19		

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

ANNIVERSARIES

Marty & Helke Loughlin	39 years on 6/2
Kyle & Laura DeVries	23 years on 6/3
Kevin & Diane Bengtson	34 years on 6/3
Douglas & Pamela Frederick	28 years on 6/3
John & Kathleen Mayerhofer	32 years on 6/8
Caleb & Kristi Kittel	23 years on 6/9
Richard & Gloria Boesch	58 years on 6/12
John & Bobbi Drafall	43 years on 6/14
Enrique & Julie Castel	22 years on 6/15
Craig & Nancy Dvorak	49 years on 6/15
Wolfgang & Karen Reich	61 years on 6/16
Tom & Annamarie Sansom	46 years on 6/18
Wayne & Sue Goers	54 years on 6/21
Keith & Debbie Nelson	29 years on 6/25
Dwight & Janice Wood	57 years on 6/25
Roger & Betty Orkfriz	58 years on 6/26
John & Sharon Kothe	53 years on 6/27
Andre & Julie Michel	26 years on 6/28

SNAPSHOTS OF TRINITY



**Congratulations and many blessings
to our 8th grade Confirmands!**

**CONFIRMATION
SUNDAY**

04/30/2023

CHURCH CONTACT AND OTHER INFO

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Elders

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 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.



@TrinityLutheranHuntley

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 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 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.



TRINITY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

All confirmed members who will
be full-time college students
this fall are eligible.

Please contact the church office
for an application.

Application due to the Elders by July 16, 2022

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