

September 2023

# TRINITY TIDINGS

A Newsletter of Trinity Lutheran Church, Huntley, IL

Dear Saints,

I have decided to decline the call to St. John Wheaton and continue to serve here at Trinity.

I believe my work here is not yet complete and that my gifts are best used here at this time. We have come a long way in three years, but there is still so much to do as we continue to gather around, grow in, and go with Jesus.

Of course this has never been my work alone, but God's work through me. As Luther once said, reflecting on the reformation, "I simply taught, preached, and wrote God's Word. I really did nothing. The Word did everything."

And it's not just me. I need you. Trinity needs you—all of you. We need your presence in worship and Bible study, your love, your service, your generosity, your mercy, and the witness you give to your neighbor.

I look forward to seeing where the Lord Jesus leads us together with His love and grace.

The Lord bless and keep you,

+ Pr Hatesohl



## TRINITY'S ALL CHURCH PICNIC

Sunday, September 10, 2023

Picnic to follow the late service  
in the basement

DETAILS IN WORSHIP FOLDER  
SIGN UP IN NARTHEX

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

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

As we continue our Ministry at Trinity, May Jesus Christ be praised, He is risen, alleluia.

September has arrived and our ministry at Trinity continues as we transition from summer to fall. Our Children and Grandchildren are back in school, and our Church programs return to the schedule. Our attendance through the summer continued to be strong, and our financial position is good as we are several months into our fiscal year.

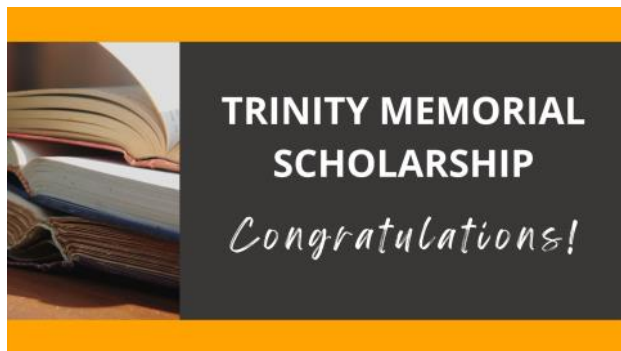
The Strategic Planning Committee has been meeting to determine the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats that face Trinity. With those in mind, strategies will be developed to position our future ministry. To date the meetings have been very productive.

Please note: The Board of Ministry Directors will initiate a different schedule beginning with our September 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. The Board will meet at 6:00 pm and the Elders will meet at 7:15 pm. This schedule will reduce Pastor's evening meeting commitments.

The Board's next meeting will be September 14th at 6:00 pm. 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



### RECIPIENTS OF TRINITY'S COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

Congratulations to Braeden Kittel and Breanna Westberg for being chosen to receive the Trinity Scholarships! Braeden will be attending Elgin Community College this fall and is working on getting his Associates Degree in Criminal Justice. He then plans to attend the Police Academy and continue his education after that. Breanna will be continuing her education at the University of Whitewater, WI and is majoring in Human Performance and minoring in Allied Sciences, studying Kinesiology and Exercise Science. May God Bless Braeden, Breanna and all of Trinity's college students richly!

*The Elders of Trinity Lutheran Church*

## OFFICIAL ACTS - AUGUST 2023

### Baptism

Ashton Randall Von Ahnen, son of Alex and Adrienne Von Ahnen, was baptized on Sunday, August 13.

### Transfers In

Curt, Annette, Luca and Lana Kittel from St. Peter Lutheran Church, Arlington Heights, on August 15, 2023.

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

## September 2023 Elder / Usher Schedule

Date	Day	Time	Elder	Assistant Elder	Usher
-	-	-	-	-	-
9/3/2023	Sunday	8:00 am	Donovan Johnson	N/A	Georgina Ozga-Dortch
		10:30 am	Keith Bereolos	N/A	Reuben Velez
9/10/2023	Sunday	8:00 am*	Steven Drescher	Solomon Post	Hoppy Kahl
		10:30 am*	Roger Orkfritz	Rick Castel	Matt Castel
9/17/2023	Sunday	8:00 am	Tim Mahnke	N/A	Georgina Ozga-Dortch
		10:30 am	Steven Drescher	N/A	Bella Westberg
9/24/2023	Sunday	8:00 am*	Solomon Post	Rick Castel	Matt Castel
		10:30 am*	Donovan Johnson	Tim Mahnke	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.

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.



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



(Sung to the tune of "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" LSB 802)



***Come, Join Us!*** You'll like us!

God's name we will praise!  
In His love united His song we will raise!  
It's lovely tintinnabulation they play!  
The Bells will be ringing!  
Come join them today!

***Come, Join Us!*** You'll like us!

God's name we will praise!  
In His love united His song we will raise!  
It's worship and praise in the words that they say!  
The Choir will be singing!  
Come join them today!

***Come, Join Us!*** You'll like us!

God's name we will praise!  
In His love united His song we will raise!  
It's His songs they play in a beautiful way!  
The Band will be playing!  
Come join them today!

***Come, Join Us!*** You'll like us!

God's name we will praise!  
In His love united His song we will raise!  
It's God we will serve giving thanks ev'ry day!  
The people are serving!  
Come join them today!

***Come, Join Us!*** I'm looking forward to a fruitful year of praising God with you! Think and pray about joining us in the music ministry! *Celebration Ringers* (Adult Handbells) and *Voices in Praise* (Adult Choir) will begin our "season" **Tuesday, September 19th** - Bells at 6:00 pm in the loft; Choir at 7:00 pm under the loft. Come as you are - no experience necessary! Can't make every date? It's ok; God works out the scheduling conflicts and directs us every step of the way! Do you play an instrument? Play it in worship with *HIS! Band* (Instrumentalists). They meet before worship on the days they play. If you know of any teens that are musically inclined encourage them to ring, sing, play, and serve! Also, the younger children can make a joyful noise in the *Joyful Chorus* (Children's Choir). They meet during the Sunday School hour between services at 9:15 am. Come and invite a friend! Let's grow together praising God's name! ***Come, Join Us!***

**VOICES IN PRAISE**

Handbells & Choir  
will be starting  
**Tuesday, September 19**  
Bells at 6 pm, Choir at 7 pm

**CELEBRATION RINGERS**

See worship folder for more information



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

Please help us to welcome our new staff member Emma Zeis to TLC Preschool. Emma is an alum of TLC Preschool and is currently studying Early Childhood Education. Emma will be assisting Kate Darnall with the grasshopper class this year and is so excited to be a part of the Preschool team! We are blessed to have her and can't wait for the Trinity congregation to meet her!



Our Preschool Meet-n-Greet was a great success. Kona Ice was on site to help everyone stay cool, since the weather was a bit toasty. The children were so excited to meet friends and teachers and it was so wonderful to have the little faces and voices back in the building. After all the hard work of getting the classrooms cleaned and ready, we can finally share it with all the little ones! We still have availability for our classes and welcome anyone interested in registering their children, to stop on by for a tour and meet our wonderful staff!

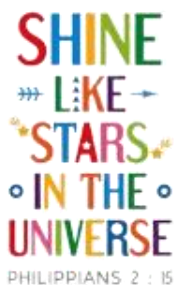
It's hard to believe that it is that time of the year once again! Tom's Mums are being delivered on September 20th, so head over for your fall flowers! We all know how wonderful Tom's flowers are and how they make every space look amazing!

TLC Preschool will be hosting Fellowship on September 17th. We are all looking forward to spending some time with the Trinity congregation and getting the opportunity to chat with all of you!

Brightest Blessings,

Kathy Kaszuba

Our 2023-2024 School-year theme:



## LWML *by Reta Stohs*



Last month we listed three of the mission projects selected by our ladies at our convention in Milwaukee. We are trying to raise a total of \$2,350,000 over the next two years for the projects.

The next three grants are: 4) Lutheran Braille Workers (fortifying those that are visually impaired) - \$100,000, 5) Desert Response Team of Tyler, Texas - \$50,000, 6) Mobile Fire Kitchen (Forged by Fire Services), Gulf Coast Region - \$85,000.

We remember the widows mite story told in Mark 12:42-44 by Jesus of the woman who gave her small offering and pleased God. Her small coins were called Mites. We hope to use our small offerings to fund our grant projects. There are small boxes in the Narthex to hold donated coins. Use the boxes to hold donations and just drop the boxes in the collection plate any Sunday. As you donate please pray for the mission projects and the works of the LWML,

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](#).



# BIBLE STUDIES, GROUPS AND EVENTS




*Sunday Bible Study*

STARTING SEPTEMBER 17TH  
Sundays at 9:15 am  
See the Worship Folder for more information.



**SUNDAY SCHOOL** Begins September 17!

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




Train up a child in the way he should go:  
and when he is old,  
he will not depart from it.

Proverbs 22:6




TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH  
AND TLC PRESCHOOL

*The Catechumenate*

Saturdays, 8:45 - 10:00 am  
Begins September 23rd

For all adults desiring to be baptized  
or join Trinity

Breakfast provided!

See the worship folder for more info



**Thursday Bible Study**

1st & 3rd Thursdays of the Month  
Begins Thursday, September 7th

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




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

Matthew 18:20

### BOOK REVIEW GROUP

Any questions you may have may be directed to Judy Ladage, 224-858-7282.

### BOOK REVIEW GROUP



All women are welcome!

2nd Tuesdays  
1:30 pm @ Trinity

Join us on September 12th!

We will be discussing:  
"Iron Lake"  
by William Kent Krueger



### 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



Serve the Lord  
with gladness!

Psalm 100:2

### Altar Flowers

THE FLOWER CHART FOR 2023 IS POSTED IN THE NARTHEX.  
TO PLACE FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR FOR A SPECIAL DATE, SIGN YOUR NAME AND OCCASION (IF APPLICABLE) NEXT TO THAT DATE.  
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!  
THE COST IS \$35. FLOWER ENVELOPES ARE IN THE RACK IN THE NARTHEX.



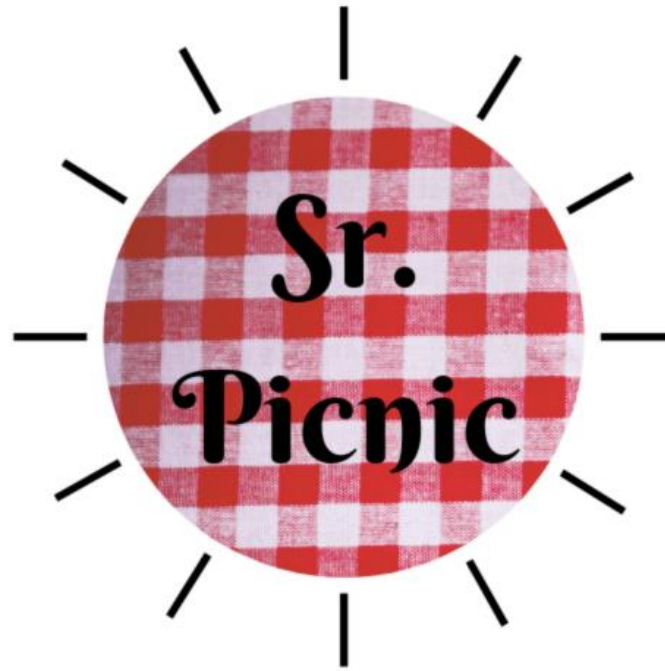
### SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP HOUR FOR 2023

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



## SNAPSHOTS OF TRINITY



### **Rumor has it that our 2023 Senior Picnic was a huge success!**

Thanks to everyone that attended and brought food for our picnic table.

Thank you, pastor, for your cameo appearance and prayers.

There was a good variety of hot and cold salads and sides, not to mention the array of delectable desserts, and plenty of chicken and pulled pork sandwiches. Everything was really so delicious. Trinity knows how to cook!

I want to take a moment to thank our good friend, Merrily Burkland, who made the delicious BBQ pulled pork.

I especially want to give a shout out and sincere thanks to Georgina Ozga-Dortch, who was an enormous help in sharing her thoughts and ideas, setting up, our Bingo caller and for the generous prizes.

Kudos to Lana, our choir director, who brought us a spirited and energetic sing-along. Great job!

To Reta Stohs, who was unable to attend, many thanks to you for always being a mentor to me.

Many thanks also to Diana and Bob Lutzow for their generosity and helping out when needed.

Good job and many thanks to all our volunteers: Annie Schoenfisch, Janet Krueger, Carol Jaroch, Sandy and Steve Phelps, Bob and Lee Melka, Kristy and Gary Schultze, and last, but never least, my husband, Eric Rieker. Great job and a million thanks for all your support and grunt work that you always provide.

Blessings to all. See you next year everyone.

Ceil Rieker









**Are you using Trinity's Photo Directory?** There are four ways to view the direc-

1. 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.

### Is your photo in the directory?

If not, here are several options to do so:

Upload your photo here: [https://www.instantchurchdirectory.com/submit\\_photo.aspx?id=370d1885-7d39-4035-8e99-6335c71c96b5](https://www.instantchurchdirectory.com/submit_photo.aspx?id=370d1885-7d39-4035-8e99-6335c71c96b5)

- Send your photo to the church office via email.
- Drop off a photo that can be scanned and uploaded.
- Visit the Selfie Station after service and have your photo taken. Please be sure to sign the form so we know who the picture belongs to.

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

### BIRTHDAYS

Laura DeVries	9/1	Keith Nelson	9/27
Hailee Michel	9/2	Pat Eisenstein	9/28
Ken Ladage	9/3	Don Garrison	9/30
Carla Bollinger	9/3		
Christine Ganz	9/5		
Tom Fischbach	9/7		
Anton Schoenauer	9/8		
Reuben Velez	9/8		
Elinor Hatesohl	9/8		
Nancy Dvorak	9/12		
Kerri DiGiovanni	9/13		
Tammy Brimie	9/13		
Reta Stohs	9/15		
Linda Linnenkohl	9/20		
Cameron Bredlau	9/20		
Ryelee Drafall	9/22		
Larry Melman	9/24		
Bridgid Furmanek	9/27		
Phil Post	9/27		

### ANNIVERSARIES

Jim & Shirley Ring	50 years on 9/1
Alan & Joyce Scott	50 years on 9/8
Tim & Lora Mahnke	29 years on 9/10
Adam & Emily Kopp	5 years on 9/15
Rick & Marlene Pump	43 years on 9/20
Bob & Chris Gillig	61 years on 9/22
Jim & Carla Bollinger	56 years on 9/23
Steven & Jennifer Drescher	23 years on 9/24
Ted & Peggy Rottmann	55 years on 9/28
Eric & Annie Schoenfisch	56 years on 9/30

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

# CHURCH CONTACT AND OTHER INFO

Trinity Lutheran Church ~ 11008 N. Church Street ~ Huntley, Illinois 60142

## Contact

Church (847) 669-5780  
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 Fax (847) 669-5978  
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 Website [TrinityHuntley.org](http://TrinityHuntley.org)

## Staff

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 Lana Gibbons, *Organist & Music Director*



## Elders

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

## 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).

And [Jesus] said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.

Luke 10:2



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