



Trinity Tidings

MAY 2016 Newsletter

Trinity Lutheran Church

11008 N. Church Street, Huntley, Illinois 60142

SPECIAL DATES TO REMEMBER IN MAY

Mother's Day ... May 8th

Last day of Sunday School ... May 15th

Blessing Worship Service ... May 22nd @ 10:30 am

Church/Preschool Picnic & Soft Ball Game ... May 22nd @ 11:30 am

TLC in Memorial Day Parade ... May 30th @ 11 am

... and coming up in in JUNE

Voter's Meeting ... June 5th

Sunday School Teacher Appreciation ... June 5th

Family Sunday School begins June 5th @ 9:15 am

VBS June 13-17



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A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR HOFFMAN...

"Here We Go"

God's Mission For Us: Sharing God's Love & Hope, Spreading His Word!

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age." (Matthew 28:19-20)

Go, such a simple and short word yet very powerful. In the Bible the word go is used over 1,500 times! And in Trinity's mission and Great Commission who do you think are the goers? (hint, it's not John and Shelly Goers!) It's you and me, it's all of us here at this church, both young and old. Our Lord has given us a directive and a command to go, share, spread, teach, and make disciples. This command from Christ Himself has been in effect for over 2,000 years worldwide, and we have been given heavenly assistance through the Holy Spirit to complete this mission.

What this means is we have work to do, and lots of it, in the coming months and years beginning now. Everyone will be called upon to begin helping move the mission forward, sharing God's love & hope, spreading his Word through tithing, participation above and beyond worship in outreach to the community, becoming equipped through family Sunday school or Bible study, and making the most out of every opportunity to serve one another and our Lord in the ministries of Trinity!

This is serious business. Jesus gave his life for the church and He has placed us here to do His work. If we don't care about His command for us to go and do his work then what are we doing here? Trinity will be going through an expansion of the church facility over the next several years in order to provide service to the community for the next 145 years and in order to do that successfully we need people who are dedicated to the Lord, who know that not only do they need a Savior but so does everyone else around us. God has given us all that we need to move the mission forward, allow Him to use you and you will be amazed at how we can work together and share the love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ on Church Street, in Huntley, and throughout the rest of the world!

I Can Do All Things Through Him Who Strengthens Me (Philippians 4:13)

In Christ,
Pastor Robert Hoffman

<u>Address</u> 11008 N. Church Street, Huntley, IL 60142	<u>Regular Worship Times</u> Saturday at 5:30 pm Sunday at 8:00 am & 10:30 am	<u>Confused? Questions? Comments?</u> If you have any questions or wish to make a comment, please feel free to contact:
<u>Contact</u> Church (847) 669-5780 Preschool (847) 669-5781 Fax (847) 669-5978 Email <i>Office@TrinityHuntley.org</i> <u>Website</u> <i>www.TrinityHuntley.org</i> Pastor Hoffman (847) 857-8015 Email <i>PastorHoffman@trinityhuntley.org</i>	<u>Adult Education Hour</u> Sunday @ 9:15 am <u>Family Sunday School</u> <u>begins June 5th</u> Sunday @ 9:15 am <u>Sunday School (Sept. - May)</u> Preschool—6th grade @ 10:30 am (meet in church)	<u>Elders</u> Bruce Krich 847-669-2721 Tim Mahnke 847-669-2955 Larry Melman 847-669-6563 Richard Mueller 847-515-3704 Rick Payne 847-659-9086 Phil Post 847-204-5771 Bruce Reinhold 847-687-5849 Dale Schoenrock 847-961-6599 Gary Schultze 708-712-9672
<u>Staff</u> Rev. Robert A. Hoffman, <i>Pastor</i> Janice Krawczak, <i>Church Office Manager</i> Alyce Johnson, <i>Organist, Bell & Choir Director</i> Vicky Piller, <i>TLC Preschool Director</i>		<u>Chairman of the Congregation</u> John Drafall 847-669-3025

Chairman John Drafall called the meeting to order at 11:45am. Pastor Hoffman opened with prayer.

Jan. 24, 2016, voters meeting minutes passed out for review as they weren't in the newsletter. Ceil Rieker commented that Joan Olsen's death was not listed. Pastor Hoffman apologized and said that it would be recorded. Rick Payne made a motion to accept the 1/24/16 meeting minutes; Jim Bollinger seconded. The motion passed.

Accepting new voting member, Ernie Link. (He signed the official book.) A motion made by Lyle Johannsen, and seconded by Betty Zirk to accept Ernie Link. Motion passed.

The Treasurer's report was presented. Bob Gillig wanted to know why TLC budget isn't provided with church budget; we need to know if they are running in the black or red, especially with upcoming vote for expansion. John Drafall asked Vicky Pillar, preschool director, to comment. She said TLC is currently in the red. She said the preschool is a mission and the expansion isn't only to provide for the preschool, it is designed for multi-purpose use. She understands that in the past TLC financial report was provided and it stopped at some point. She will make it available in the future. John Drafall commented that the preschool has always kept track of their own finances. Vicky said the main reason they are in the red is due to her salary.

Pastor's Report

Duties performed since 1/24/16 - seven Bible studies, eight confirmation classes, seven hospital visits, 18 home visits, 34 worship services, 29 meetings, 22 chapel sessions, two funerals (Bruce Weber is not listed since he was not technically/officially a member but attended regularly, two Baptisms (one for a TLC family).

Special events - chapel @ Zion, Marengo; and had a daughter!

During the summer months, he would like to hold various sessions to discuss concerns of the church. Sunday school continues to be an area that needs more volunteering; teachers are stretched thin. He also addressed our welcoming of visitors. Kathy Yerke wanted to thank Pastor for having the altar moved so his back is not always to the congregation.

Elder's Report

Gary Schultze reported the official acts.

Baptism:

3/27 - Joy Ann Hoffman

Reaffirmation of Faith:

3/10 - Joan Cushing

3/31 - Margaret Sadoski, Mabel Votava

Transfers in:

2/24 - Dainen Bugh from St. Mark's, St. Charles, IL
Renate Schoenauer from Grace, Mount Prospect, IL

3/8 - Kevin & Kelly Sindelar and their baptized children, Juliana, Anthony and Arabella, from Immanuel, Crystal Lake, IL

Released:

Dan, Cindy, Jeremy & Brendan Hollow to Shepherd of the Prairie

Melanie, Abigail & Andrew Ressler to Shepherd of the Prairie

Dennis & Sherry Perkey to Shepherd of the Prairie
Jack Jacobs

Dave & Joy McLaughlin

Ryan, Emily, Ella, Ethan & Nolan Schoenberg

Death:

3/3 - Dan Eickemeyer

Bruce Krich was asked to be an Elder; he accepted. A motion to accept Bruce Krich as an Elder was made by Janice Krawczak, seconded by Jerry Nepermann. Motion passed.

Board of Christian Education - Jason Rolnicki reported

- The Family Project Bible Study continues today 4/3 for six weeks; they will skip Mother's Day and end on May 15.
- The next study series will be on marriage with a speaker at the end of the study.
- VBS registration has been posted online and Krissy Fossmeier has started the PR on Facebook etc. We need volunteers.
- Easter Egg Hunt on Sat., March 26 was a success. We had over 60 children.

Board of Evangelism/Missions - Marilee Payne reported

- Consumer Showcase at Del Webb on 4/14; in need of volunteers to man the table.
- Work day at Green Trees to do flower bed clean-up with other local churches, sometime in April, watch for more information to be posted.
- April 28, 2016, is the 20th Anniversary of Elgin Pregnancy Center. We've recently provided diapers and quilts for them. They will be holding a free banquet to benefit the Center featuring guest speaker Pam Tebow. Reta Stohs is taking RSVP's.
- May 28, 2016, Feed My Starving Children event at St. Mary's in Huntley. Limited space is available; Norm Fossmeier is taking RSVP's.

Board of Parish Fellowship - no report

Board of Public Relations - reported by Krissy Fossmeier

- Promoted Lenten Services, Holy Week and Easter Services
- Facebook has had several new members.
- Posters made to promote Child Safety Day, 4/23/16.
- Created Oktoberfest, "Save the Date" cards to use at Consumer Showcase at Del Webb.

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- Working on new ways to get Vacation Bible School promoted.
- Watch for information about clean-up day for Reed Road; the church has adopted a portion of Reed Rd.

Board of Stewardship - reported by Betty Zirk
Lou Ann Jensen not present. Betty said they're not really doing anything right now but as we get closer to expansion meeting and beyond, they'll be busy.

Board of Trustees - Jerry Nepermann reported

- The outside spring cleaning is done.
- Watch for sign-up for indoor spring clean-up.
- The wind has blown off many shingles. They had some extras in the basement and repaired what they could. They had the steeper parts hired out. TLC wing needs roof repairs.
- Panels on the front of the church were also blown down. The company that installed them is out of business. If he can't find someone to make the repair, we'll have to rent scaffolding and repair ourselves.

TLC Preschool - report by Vicky Pillar

- 1) Currently have 83 enrolled for next school year. We have 115 this year so they're getting close. More to come this summer and hoping the special events and activities will attract more. Best advertising is our own members with word of mouth. We're a licensed program and many preschools in our community are not.
- 2) 4/23/16 from 9-10:30am is Child Safety Day. The sheriff's department will do car seat checks and discuss bike safety. They will have the classrooms open and provide snacks.
- 3) May 22 at the 10:30 service, will have a Baccalaureate Service for blessing of TLC graduates and have a picnic afterwards.
- 4) TLC made cards for US Naval sailors.
- 5) Complimented Krissy Fossmeyer for the wonderful job she is doing with Facebook and PR. Very time consuming to do what she does.
- 6) VBS will have a little different set-up with groups of families; multi-aged children in each group. Reiterated the need for volunteers, even men. 90% of VBS attendees are non-members. It's a great way to send a family message.

Old Business - John Drafall and Pastor Hoffman

- 1) The Expansion Special Voters Meeting will be April 17,

2016. Everyone will be receiving additional information as it has been asked what the cost would be for renovation versus expansion.

- 2) A special Prayer Service with dinner will be on April 13 at 6:30pm. Lyle Johannsen asked how vote will be taken; John responded that it would be a closed written ballot. Ron Panning asked about the plans since they have just returned from winter travel. Pastor advised they are posted in the back and also in the basement.
- 3) Oktoberfest - Pastor joked that it should be renamed Augtoberfest. They have the footprint of the layout, main tent to be in grass area behind the house that we own. The exit drive will be closed to car traffic. The Congregational Church will allow us to utilize their space for parking for \$1,000 per day. We declined; we will use our own lot and use the grass space we own.

New Business - John Drafall

Nothing on the agenda.

Bruce Reinhold voiced his concern on the number of families we lose. We develop them and then they transfer. We need to pray to see what we can do to keep them. Do we consider another youth pastor? Pastor Hoffman said that this is exactly what he has asked the elders to do; talk to their members and find out what they need. We have 639 members. Why aren't they attending? We need to be more attuned to their needs. Elders should contact those members that transfer out to see why.

Ron Panning said he would like to make a motion that TLC financial report should be provided at meetings. John Drafall said he cannot accept the motion at this time. Ken Ladage commented that the motion is out of order and is not constitutionally correct. There are other means to provide that information. John left the motion on the floor and said we're not prepared to bring it to a vote. It will be brought back at a later date. Ken Ladage asked how long before the committee to revise the constitution and by-laws will be available. Pastor responded by the end of 2016.

The next voters meeting is scheduled for May 22, 2016, at 11:30am. A motion to close was made by Lyle Johannsen, seconded by Shelly Goers. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Missy Erath

in place of Recording Secretary, Lynette Schiesher

40 days after the resurrection **Jesus** was taken up to Heaven in the presence of eleven of his apostles.

Come to Trinity's first Ascension Day Service.

Thursday, May 5th at 7 pm

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven.

(Luke 24:50-51)



SERVING OUR LORD IN MAY 2016

DATE	TIME	ELDERS	USHERS	READERS	GREETERS	MEDIA TECHS
4/30	5:30 pm	Bruce Reinhold	Roger Orkfritz		Eric & Ceil Rieker	
5/1	8:00 am	Phil Post	Bill Eisenmenger Ken Racine	Gerhard Pilz	Roy & Cheryl Ravagnie	Janice Krawczak
	10:30 am	Rick Payne	Lyle Johannsen Ken Kemnitz	Valerie Reinhold	Don & Connie Garrison	Josh Rolnicki
		Bruce Reinhold	Norm Fossmeyer			
5/7 C	5:30 pm	Tim Mahnke	Carol Colby		Evelyn Bicknese	
5/8 Comm	8:00 am	Bruce Krich	Howard Hoffman Ken Mundt	McKenzie Krich	Chuck & Kathy Yerke	Janice Krawczak
	10:30 am	Larry Melman	Ron Panning Tom Rolnicki	Valerie Reinhold	Dick & Elaine Tanney	Solomon Post
5/14	5:30 pm	Bruce Reinhold	Carol Colby		Maxine Hischke	
5/15	8:00 am	Larry Melman	Ralph Drafall John Varga	Tara Nelson	Max & Inez Bundgard	Janice Krawczak
	10:30 am	Tim Mahnke	Norm Fossmeyer Bert Stohs	Danielle Bahn	Ken & Nancy Kemnitz	Mike Finger
5/21 C	5:30 pm	Phil Post	Roger Orkfritz		Lynette Schiesher	
5/22 Comm	8:00 am	Rich Mueller	Ken Mundt Ken Racine	Nancy Dvorak	Al & Grace Danielson	Janice Krawczak
	10:30 am	Gary Schultze	Bill Eisenmenger Donovan Johnson	Phil Post	Jan Meyer	Solomon Post
5/28	5:30 pm	Phil Post	Carol Colby		Roger Orkfritz	
5/29	8:00 am	Rich Mueller	Howard Hoffman John Varga	Gerhard Pilz	Bob & Chris Gillig	Janice Krawczak
	10:30 am	Rick Payne	Norm Fossmeyer Ken Kemnitz	Valerie Reinhold	Herb & Hanna Wendes	Josh Rolnicki
5/1 5/8 5/15 5/22 5/29	<p>Chris & Bridgid Furmanek Bill & Bev Eisenmenger Roger & Betty Orkfritz Ron Panning & Marilee Payne Valerie Reinhold</p> <p style="text-align: right;">ALTAR GUILD Carol Colby (224) 406-6757 Lynette Schiesher (847) 669-5065</p>					

VOTERS MEETING

The next Voters meeting will be **held Sunday, June 5th**, at 11:30 am. Everyone is welcome to attend; all voting members are urged to be there. If you are a communicant member and would like to become a voting member, call the church office by Wednesday, May 19th. Names will be published in the bulletin the two Sundays prior to the voters meeting. You must also attend that meeting and sign the constitution to become a voting member.

ANNOUNCEMENT 1

The next Voters meeting is moved to the first Sunday in June.

ANNOUNCEMENT 2

All board members & officers will meet on May 22nd between services for the quarterly meeting.

MONTHLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT for April 2016

	Simply Giving 3/27	3/27	4/3	4/10	4/17	4/24	TOTALS
Operating Needed Weekly \$5,915	2,525	9,758	4,762	4,744	3,972	n/a	25,761
	Operating—Received YTD						\$99,080 \$76,895
Capital Stew.	200	108	385	507	167	n/a	1,367
Debt Reduction	- - -	100	100	700	100	n/a	1,000

Birthdays

2 Meagan Melaniphy, Steve Phillips, Alexandra Sukta
3 Lynne Sturtecky, Carli Wilson
4 Piper Heimbrodt
5 Abigail Staab
6 Cindy Gaitsch, Ilene Steinlein
7 Shirley Colsant
8 Joan Cushing
10 Connie Garrison, John Goers
11 Knollyn Ewert, Muriel Fink, Autumn Surman
12 Reilly Cassata, Ed Manke, Drecinda Martin

13 Christian Rivera
14 Nickolas Finger, Will Schroeder
15 Paul Dumont, Erin Gaitsch, Lou Ann Jensen, Mason Martin
16 Bruce Krich, Shirley Shoup, Breanna Westberg
17 Diane Fischbach, Katelynn Kahl, Juliana Sindelar
18 Corinne Miller
19 Bryce Artmann Jr., Howard Hoffman, Tessa Jensen, Ingrid Kiss, Fred Steinlein
20 Milford Brown

21 Joy Bereolos, Zach Staab
22 Samuel Rivera, Heather Werner
23 Irish Jacobs, Kevin Sindelar
24 Miranda Racila, Hannah Sukta, Don Woods
25 Pat Marsh, Autumn Roche, Kayley Roche
26 Richard Payne
29 Kevin Gaitsch, Miranda Martin
31 Elizabeth Case

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

Anniversaries

5/1/1954 Lach & Gladys Stewart Jr.
5/6/1978 Ken & Carole Bowgren
5/6/1961 Bob & Marilyn Kunde
5/8/2013 Gary & Kristy Schultze

5/14/1994 Bob & Anne Roche
5/15/1999 Keith & Joy Bereolos
5/17/1996 Kelly & Steve Quartaroli
5/19/1962 Howard & Bernice Hoffman
5/21/1994 John & Shelly Goers
5/21/1960 Cliff & Phyllis Moellenkamp
5/23/1992 Missy & Dale Erath

5/23/2009 John & Becky Lesniewski
5/25/1957 Gerhard & Gerda Pilz
5/27/1950 Dick & Elaine Tanney

FELLOWSHIP VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to those who volunteered to host during fellowship time in **April** ...

4/3 LWML members Evelyn Bicknese & Bernice Hoffman
4/10 Bob & Marilyn Kunde
4/17 Bruce, Carolyn, McKenzie & Kendall Krich
4/24 Confirmation Celebration



We all enjoy fellowship time and newcomers to our church appreciate this warm inviting way of welcoming them.

Volunteer signup spots are available! We all enjoy those special goodies provided by just a few. **Please consider volunteering to host — on your own, with a group, friend or another family!**

Coming up in May ... Fellowship Hosts

5/1 LWML members Chris Gillig & Marlene Luedke
5/8 Altar Guild members
5/15 ... **OPEN** ...
5/22 TLC Preschool Board
5/29 ... **OPEN** ...



FLOWER CHART

The flower chart for 2016 is on the bulletin board above the tract rack in the Narthex (at the east entryway entering from the parking lot). To place flowers at the altar for a special date, sign your name next to that date and occasion (if applicable). The cost is \$25. Altar flowers may be taken home after the last service. If more than 1 person has signed up, please just take 1 vase. Extra money is used to purchase flowers when no one has signed up. This is a great way to glorify God as you remember someone you love or celebrate a milestone! At Easter and Christmas Easter Lilies and Poinsettias are



CALLED TO GLORY...

"Because I live you shall live also."

Ruth Radloff was called to her eternal home on Wednesday, April 20, 2016.

The funeral service took place on Saturday, April 23rd. *"May the peace of God which passes all understanding keep the hearts and minds of her family in His grace."*

DID YOU KNOW...

The **chasuble** is the outermost liturgical vestment worn by clergy for the celebration of the Eucharist in Western-tradition Christian Churches that use full vestments, primarily in the Roman Catholic, Anglican, and Lutheran church. More recently, the chasuble has been readopted for Communion services in both Germany and North America.

A **processional cross** is a crucifix or cross which is carried in Christian processions. They became detachable from their staffs, so that the earliest altar crosses were processional crosses placed on a stand at the end of the procession. The Cross represents the Lord's presence at the altar.

PRAYER CHAIN IS THERE FOR YOU

Trinity's prayer chain is always available to pray for you and those you know and 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. A visit can be scheduled and/or you can be added to the prayer chain. Due to new privacy laws, hospitals are no longer able to contact the church.



A NOTE FROM RETA STOHS

Six ladies of the Trinity LWML attended the Spring Rally Zone 6 on Saturday April 9th at St Johns Lutheran Church in Algonquin. The theme of the gathering was the LCC K-9 Comfort Dog Ministry featuring Butter and Comfort dogs Hannah and Wave.

Ladies attending from Trinity included Elaine Tanney, Grace Danielson, Gladys Stewart, Dee Mundt, Marlene Luedke and Reta Stohs. All attendees were shown that the comfort dogs are ambassadors for Christ and minister in places that church people cannot go. The dogs, which number about 123 now in service, are golden retrievers who are very sociable and have a calming influence with children and those facing traumatic situations. Butter is a dedicated dog to St Johns since January 2010 and visits nursing homes, schools, hospitals and shut-ins.

The NID Convention will be held September 23-25 at Elk Grove Village. The theme will be REJOICE REJOICE "Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say again Rejoice" (Phil:4:4)

Items to be collected for this gathering will be Bibs for Bethesda, items such as blankets, baby clothing etc for the Elgin Pregnancy Center, and monies for the Lutheran World Relief to purchase farm animals (goats and chickens).

Information on the NID Convention and the collection of items will be posted on the LWML bulletin board beside the church office and donations of items will be placed in the baskets under the post boxes at church marked LWML.

ON-GOING COLLECTION FOR PHIL'S FRIENDS

LWML continues to collect for "Phil's Friends", an organization begun by a cancer survivor to help those fighting the disease.

- ◆ Unflavored lip balm
- ◆ NIV Small New Testaments
- ◆ Tea (small 16 pack boxes)
- ◆ Extra soft, individually wrapped toothbrushes
- ◆ Individual coffee packets
- ◆ Package of blank note cards with envelopes
- ◆ Thick fuzzy women's socks
- ◆ Trial size Eucerin or Keri lotion
- ◆ \$5 giftcards (Panera, Starbucks, etc)
- ◆ Boxes of pre-printed Christmas or "praying for you" cards
- ◆ Prepackaged craft kits for kids/teens

TRINITY OUTREACH—TLC PREGNANCY CENTER UPDATE

This year the TLC Pregnancy Center in Elgin will celebrate its 20th anniversary. Part of the celebration is the April 28th banquet featuring Pam Tebow (mother of Tim Tebow). The Elgin Pregnancy Center has touched the lives of hundreds of young mothers and their infants in the past 20 years and needs our help to continue the work in the future.

The people of Trinity have helped in the past through the donations of quilts (Galloping Horses Quilting group), collections by our TLC Preschool and the LWML diaper drive, etc.

As we look to the future the Preschool and ladies of the LWML will be collecting items in the up-coming months. In the meantime, we request your prayers for this outreach. We are looking to collect baby clothing, especially smaller sized items. There is also always a need for lotions, shampoo, wipes, towels and cribs sheet items.

MISSIONS & OUTREACH MUSINGS BY MARILEE PAYNE

Trinity members manned a table at Del Webb's Consumer Showcase on April 14th. Members shared information on both our church and our TLC preschool. All participants said they really enjoyed their time at the expo, and talking with those in the community about our church. THANK YOU! to the Del Webb Consumer Showcase Trinity Table Volunteers.

Many opportunities for Trinity Missions and Outreach are available to you. Activity contacts are listed for your convenience. **We invite Trinity members to consider taking part in at least one of these service opportunities.**

- Monday, April 25th** Garden clean up at Green Tree, 9:00-11:00 AM, Contact is Marilee Payne, 847-659-9086
- Thursday, April 28th** Elgin Pregnancy Center Banquet, 7:00 PM, Contact is Reta Stohs, 847-961-5321
- Saturday, April 30th** Reed Road Clean up, Contact is Norm Fossmeyer, 847-669-6937
- Sat-Sun, May 14-15** Quilters display at Trinity before shipping. Contact is Jan Meyer 224-569-6862.
- Sunday, May 22nd** TLC Day at Trinity - 10:30 AM Service. Recognition of TLC in our congregation and ingathering of small children's used clothing for Elgin Pregnancy Center. Contact is Vicky Piller, 847-669-5780
- Saturday, May 28th** FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN, 9:00-11:00 AM. Contact is Norm Fossmeyer, 847-669-6937 to register. Pre-registration is a must!



Del Webb volunteers: Back row left to right: John Varga, Ken Ladage, Bob Gillig, Pastor Hoffman, Rich Mueller, Rick Payne, Bill Eisenmenger, Marilee Payne. Front row left to right: Betty Zirk, Marlene Luedke, Chris Gillig, Mary Mueller, Judy Ladage

The Trinity Missions and Outreach Committee is happy to welcome Cheryl Ravagnie and Judy Ladage to our group.

TLC PRESCHOOL NEWS

BY VICKY FILLER,
TLC PRESCHOOL DIRECTOR

We are entering our last month of preschool - where did the year go?! The children have grown so tall over the last 9 months and learned so many skills to prepare them for the next school year. But, the most amazing growth has been in their love of Jesus. They are eager and bold in sharing their love for Jesus and you should hear them sing. Their favorite spring song is "God's Not Dead!" and I'm sure they will



Conversation between two preschoolers at TLC:

"Did you know that God is everyone's dad? Even our Dad's dad?"

"Hmm...I wonder if my Dad knows that?"

be singing it for their parents and special guests at our closing celebrations in a few weeks.

Thank you for all you have done to support the ministry and work of TLC Preschool. Your gifts used to purchase the new curriculum and supplies, your assistance at preschool events and especially your prayers have been so appreciated.

Tom's Flowers - Flower Delivery Day is Saturday, May 14, 8 am - 10 am. I'm praying for a beautiful, sunny day!

Blessing Service and Picnic - We are celebrating the end of preschool with a blessing service and church/school picnic on Sunday, May 22.

TLC Preschool, A Mission of Trinity Lutheran Church

VBS Decorating Meeting

Come help us make plans to turn Trinity into an Egyptian village for Vacation Bible School. We need to come up with a plan and make a list of needed supplies. Google and Pinterest for decorating ideas and let's have fun! Wednesday, April 27, 6:30 pm at church.

FAMILY SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL -

Summer Sunday School is going to be *different* and **FUN** this year. Sunday School will be held at 9:15 and it is for the whole family - you are never too young or too old to attend Sunday School. Families will learn about creation and work on craft projects (you can keep your craft projects or give them to a friend to tell them about God's amazing work). Moms and Dads will help their children; grandmas and grandpas are welcome to attend with their families, also!



BLESSING SERVICE AND PICNIC

We are celebrating the end of preschool with a blessing service and church/school picnic on Sunday, May 22. Plans are being made, the Fellowship Board and Elders are



organizing food, the Elders are planning a fun baseball game, and you are invited to help us celebrate the end of a great school year. All guests are asked to bring a salad or dessert to share. Bring a picnic blanket or lawn chairs - we'll be picnicking outside (a few tables will be set up for those who prefer to stay off the ground). Watch the bulletin for more details. We will have a sign-up sheet so you can indicate how many will be attending from your family and if you're bringing a salad or dessert.



DATE NIGHT -

LAUGH YOUR WAY TO A BETTER MARRIAGE

Grab your sweetie and join us for Date Nights this summer. Beginning on Friday, June 17 through Sept. 2, 6:30-8:00 pm. Child care will be provided. We will be viewing DVD presentations featuring Mark Gunger, learning how to strengthen our marriages and enjoy great belly laughs throughout the evenings. This is a wonderful opportunity for newly married couples all the way through couples who are empty-nesters or approaching milestone anniversaries.



It's almost time for VBS 2016

June 13-17 9-11:30 am

Come join us on an Egyptian adventure and to learn from Joseph all about God's blessings to his family.

We need your help - the children will be divided into family groups (up to 10 children) and each family needs a parent (a mom or dad). You will help the children understand how God cares for them today, lead them to

the different activity centers and participate in the opening and closing worship times. Watch the bulletin and emails for lists of items that we need to borrow for decorating or items we need donated for other VBS activities.

Click on link <https://www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/hl/TrinityLovesKids> to register to attend or **VOLUNTEER!!**



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A drop-off box is located in the church office.

WHAT IS SIMPLY GIVING®?

... An easier, simpler way to make your regular contributions to our congregation through automated giving. By participating in the program, you can use electronic funds transfer to give your weekly, semi-monthly or monthly offering. To learn how you can participate, contact the church office at 847-669-5780. Forms also available at the Narthex tract rack (left side).



HELP SUPPORT TRINITY!

Advertising in the weekly bulletin and/or the monthly newsletter - A chance for members to support fellow members businesses as well as those in the community.

This is not for business owners only! Place an ad to celebrate a milestone, such as a wedding anniversary, graduation or birthday; in memory of a loved one; or to sponsor an organization.

The costs range from \$10 - \$45 per month, with savings with a yearly commitment.

Call the church office @ 847-669-5780 for terms & prices for the weekly bulletin & monthly newsletter!

GRAFTON FOOD PANTRY

Thank you to everyone who has donated items toward the Grafton Food Pantry.

April's Focus Weekend is the 16th-17th. There are red Trinity shopping bags to hold your purchases. If you don't already have one, please take one the next time you are at church and bring it back on the third Sunday of the month with your items.

We also collect donations for food and household supplies for the Food Pantry all month. There is a basket in the Narthex to drop off items.

Also accepted—monetary donations (make checks out to Grafton Food Pantry) for the Food Pantry to purchase items from the Northern Illinois Food Bank.

A \$1 cash donation provides \$8 of buying power.



Trinity is signed up for a
"Feed My Starving Children" Mobile Event!
at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Huntley
Saturday, May 28th, from 9 - 11 am



Open to all Trinity members & friends!
Sign up on the Narthex bulletin board.

OPPORTUNITY TO SUPPORT TRINITY!

Scrip is shopping cart fundraising

Prepaid gift cards available for purchase
(or to order!)

Check out the latest participating retailer list in the Narthex. Then put your shopping dollars to work for our church by making regular household purchases (groceries, clothing, toys, gifts, even gasoline) you would make anyway.

THE TOP FIVE (ALWAYS AVAILABLE!)

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☆ SUBWAY ☆ WAL-MART

Other Cards (our existing inventory) are also **AVAILABLE NOW!** Group orders are placed once a month, and available to be picked-up the first or third Sunday between/after services.

Scrip Coordinator available in the narthex after church services to answer any questions or to purchase cards.

Eat at Parkside Pub!

Let your server know you're a member of Trinity & Parkside will donate 10% of your food order to the Building Fund!



EAT AT CULVER'S ANY
WEDNESDAY, SATURDAY EVE
OR SUNDAY & SUPPORT
TRINITY'S YOUTH!

Head over to Culver's Restaurant of Huntley, Rt. 47, on ANY Saturday evening or ANY Sunday and present your weekend worship bulletin when ordering and **Culver's will donate 10% of your total order to our Living Light Youth Group.** The 3rd Sunday of every month is designated "Trinity Sunday". Join us after church—enjoy a great meal and support Trinity's youth.

2016 SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Trinity offers two college scholarships for students who are confirmed members of Trinity. The first is the **Trinity Lutheran Church Memorial Scholarship** for students entering college as freshmen this fall.

There are two scholarships for students enrolled as a sophomore, junior or senior in college this fall — the **Frank & Alice Henning Memorial Scholarship** and the **Richard Staab Memorial Scholarship**.

Application forms are available at the church office or online at www.TrinityHuntley.org. Please return your completed form to the church office, to the attention of the Elders. All scholarship applications are due by **Thursday, June 30, 2016**.

TIME FOR SPRING CLEANING!!!!

St. Peter's Lutheran Church Annual

TRASH TO TREASURES SALE—June 9, 10 & 11

Donations being accepted for our annual Trash to Treasures Sale. Items needed: household goods, furniture, bikes, collectibles, antiques, plants, tools, puzzles (with all the pieces), outdoor items, etc. **No** clothing of any kind, please. We would appreciate it if the items were gently used and in good condition. Deadline for donations—June 5th. Please contact church @ 847-464-5721 for more info.

LADIES LUNCH GROUP

Trinity's Ladies Lunch Group meets at 11:30 am on the fourth Thursday of the month at a different restaurant each time. Look for the sign up on the bulletin board in the Narthex for more info!



This month we shine the Member Spotlight on some of the year's Confirmation Class.

Mackenna Brown is the daughter of Jim and Penny and sister of

Brandon, Aubrey and Chloe. Her favorite school subject is Science and she might like to be a surgeon someday. Her favorite after school hobbies include volleyball and gymnastics. A "fun fact" about MacKenna is that she has had knee surgery. Mackenna's confirmation verse is Philippians 4:4.

Taylor Calame lives with her mom, Bonnie. She credits her grandparents, Frank & Betty Dudek, for being a big part of her life. Taylor has a 4-pound dog, Jazzy Star. Her favorite school subjects are math and geography and after school she enjoys dance and hanging out with her friends. Someday Taylor would like to be an architect and own her own business. Some "fun facts" about Taylor are that she has been dancing for ten years, loves to travel and try new things. Taylor's confirmation verse is 1 Timothy 4:12.



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TRINITY MEN'S GROUP

meets at church the 2nd & 4th
Saturday of each month from 8-10 am.
Come join us for breakfast & fellowship!

Michael Eikeland live with his parents, Finn and Elisabeth, older sister Michelle and younger brother Kenny. His favorite school subject is math and social studies/history. His hobbies are baseball, swimming and fishing. When Michael grows up he might want to be a police officer or a helicopter pilot. A "fun fact" about Michael is that he was born in Norway! Michael's confirmation verse is Psalm 23:4.

Dana McNamara lives with her parents, Austin and LeeAnn and younger brother Ryan. He favorite school subject is science; her favorite after school activity is dance. She is active in McHenry County 4H. Someday she would like to be a small business owner. A "fun fact" about Dana is she has been dancing for five years. Dana's confirmation verse is Luke 6:31.

Ryan Vrugt lives with his parents, Adriaan and Sandy, older sister, Madison, and two cats. His favorite subject at school is math and after school hobbies include basketball and playing PS4. Someday he would like to be involved with the NBA. A "fun fact" about Ryan is that he loves golf. Ryan's confirmation verse is Psalm 100:5.

Next month we'll get to know the rest of our Confirmands. In the meantime, take a moment to say hi to the newest communicant members of Trinity when you see them.

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	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
WEEK 19	May 1 8:00am Worship Service 9:15am Adult Ed. Hour 9:15am Sunday School 7-8th grade (bsmt) 10:30am Worship Service 10:30am Sunday School pre-6th grade	2	3	4	5	6	7 5:30pm Worship Service/Comm
		TLC Preschool Monday - Friday 9-11:30 am & 12:30 - 3 pm					
		Pastoral General Conference (offsite)			National Day of Prayer		
			9:20am TLC Chapel 12:50pm TLC Chapel 5:00pm Church Staff Meeting	6:00pm Board of Ed meeting	9:20am TLC Chapel 7:00pm Worship Service - Day of Ascension		
WEEK 20	8 HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY! 8:00am Worship/Comm 9:15am Adult Ed. Hour 9:15am Sunday School 7-8th 10:30am Worship/Comm 10:30am Sunday School pre-6th 5:00pm GAME NITE!	9	10	11	12	13	14 Tom's Flower Pick-up 8:00am Men's NetWork (onsite) 5:30pm Worship
		TLC Preschool Monday - Friday 9-11:30 am & 12:30 - 3 pm					
		9:30am Quilters Group (offsite)	9:20am TLC Chapel 12:50pm TLC Chapel 7:00pm Elders meeting	10:00am Missions Meeting (under balcony)	9:20am TLC Chapel 7:00pm AA Open Men's Meeting (bsmt) 7:00pm Finance Meeting (under balcony)		
WEEK 21	15 LAST DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL 8:00am Worship Service 9:15am Adult Ed. Hour 9:15am Sunday School 7-8th 10:30am Worship Service 10:30am Sunday School pre-6th 11:30am Oktoberfest Meeting -	16	17	18	19	20	21 Grafton Food Pantry Collection 5:30pm Worship Service/Comm
		TLC Preschool Monday - Friday 9-11:30 am & 12:30 - 3 pm					
		NEWSLETTER DEADLINE! 9:30am Quilters Group (offsite)	9:20am TLC Chapel 12:50pm TLC Chapel 3:30pm TLC Staff Meeting (under balcony) 5:00pm Church Staff Meeting		1:00pm Book Review (offsite) 6:30pm TLC Preschool Board Mtg (under balcony) 7:00pm AA Open Men's Meeting (bsmt)		
WEEK 22	22 Grafton Food Pantry Collection CHURCH PICNIC 8:00am Worship/Comm 9:15am & 10:30a Adult/Sun. School 9:15am All-Boards Qtrly Meeting 10:30am Blessing Service/ 11:30am Church Picnic & Softball	23	24	25	26	27	28 8:00am Men's NetWork (onsite) 9:00am Feed My Starving Children Event (offsite) 5:30pm Worship
		TLC Preschool Monday - Friday 9-11:30 am & 12:30 - 3 pm					
			4:00pm Youth Scoopie Night @ Culver's	M-W TLC Program 6:00pm Holy Land Info meeting	11:30am Ladies Lunch Group (offsite) 6:00pm By-Laws Review Meeting 7:00pm AA Open Men's Meeting (bsmt)	Th/F TLC Program	
WEEK 23	29 8:00am Worship 9:15am Adult Ed. Hour 10:30am Worship	30 MEMORIAL DAY TLC Marches in the Parade @ 11am	31	Jun 1 6:00pm Board of Ed meeting	2 11:00am Pastor Circuit Meeting (offsite) 7:00pm AA Open Men's Meeting (bsmt)	3	4 5:30pm Worship Service

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Trinity Worship Opportunities in

Weekend Worship Times

Saturday @ 5:30 pm & Sunday @ 8 & 10:30 am

Holy Communion on the 2nd & 4th Sundays

Adult Education Hour @ 9:15 am

Sunday School (September–May)

Preschool–6th grade Sunday School @ 10:30 am;

7th & 8th grade @ 9:15 am

Summer Family Sunday School begins June 5th @ 9:15 am



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