

# TRINITY TIMES

## From the Pastor's Desk

Greetings to all in the Risen Lord Jesus Christ!

There is no greater joy or message in the world than the verse from John, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life." John 3:16

With that said we are reminded of Easter and who it is all about. Easter is about our God who sent His Son Jesus into the world to live a perfect life, to take our sins with Him on the cross dying in our place, and then being raised from the dead that all may have eternal life with the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

This is the message that is shared week after week as God strengthens our faith and gives us encouragement to live for our Savior who lived for us.

Don't let the stone be rolled back and hide the truth! "We know that our Redeemer Lives" to bless us and keep us as His children and heirs. Look at the hymn in our Hymnal and see how God takes care of us and all our needs. To keep the stone from being rolled back be in God's Word every Lord's Day rejoicing with our live, Risen Savior and all the saints who believe. God's rich blessings are ours in the Risen Lord Jesus Christ!

Peace, Pastor Thur

## Trinity Lutheran News

On May 1, 2019, at the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod St. Louis Seminary, Candidate Luke Scheele was called to Trinity Lutheran Church! Pastor Scheele is originally from Colorado and he has family on the Front Range. His father is also a LCMS Pastor in Bailey, Colorado. Pastor and his wife Hope have 4 children ages 8, 6, 4, and 2 (2 girls, 2 boys). Hope is from a farming family in Iowa.

Pastor went to college and earned an Electrical Engineering degree. He then joined the Air Force for 8 years where he served as an ROTC instructor at the University of Illinois. After exiting the Air Force he chose to enter the Seminary.

Pastor Scheele will graduate May 17<sup>th</sup> from the Seminary. After his family winds up business and obligations in the St. Louis area, they will plan their move. They also plan to house hunt at some point, as well.

Mark Johnson asked him how he would prefer to be addressed and he asked that we call him "Pastor Scheele" ~ doesn't it have a wonderful ring to it!

Here is a link to a sermon that Pastor Scheele gave as he studied at the Sem: <https://scholar.csl.edu/cs1819/56>.

This is a joyous time for Trinity and we are looking forward to welcoming Pastor Scheele and his family and moving forward with our work in God's kingdom.

## Elders

At the May 5, 2019 Elders Meeting, we began a study on "Pastors and Elders Caring for the Church and One Another". This will give a good overview of our roles in the Church.

Bill Withthans resigned from the Board of Elders for health reasons.

The Elders will be working closely with Pastor Luke Scheele as his schedule becomes clearer. They will be coordinating an Installation Service when Pastor and his family have become Cortez residents and all the individuals involved are available. Please continue to keep Trinity and Pastor Scheele and his family in your prayers.

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Josh Chittick	560-4785
Michael Merrit	739-5353
Burt Ramsey	565-3086
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## Council

The Church Council is also working with Pastor Scheele long distance to work out some of the more mundane issues that are part of the call system. They are currently working on insurance so there will be a smooth insurance transition as Pastor Scheele moves from student to called pastor. They are also assisting with the housing search. There are always lots of matters to work through in a move like this.

## Trustees

The Trustees are working on roof leaks, Spring yard work, and clean up. The sign in the front of the church is being freshened up.

The 2019 trustees are:

Bruce Short (Head)	Jim Broderick
Kyle Riddell	Jerry Wittwer
Dale Cumpston	David Sperling
Andrew Riddell	Brian Rose
Ben Wolcott	

Please let any of these folks know if something is out of order or any facilities questions. Repair request forms are posted on the bulletin board by the upstairs restrooms between the narthex and the fellowship hall.

## Mission & Social Concerns

When I took the collected items to Renew recently, as usual they were very grateful. They shared this news with me; when they have an overabundance of hygiene items, they send them over to the Bridge! So your donations of Hygiene are shared with Renew and the Bridge. Renew welcomes and needs bath towels/cloths.

Good Samaritan Center has an increase of clients. Clients may come in for food items 9 times a year instead of 6 times a year as previously. Clients may come in for produce or bread anytime without counting as their food items visit.

Thank you for all your contributions. Diana Hoehn

## The Treasurer

Did you know you can celebrate a special date with fresh flowers on the Lord's altar, AND take the bouquet home with you after Sunday service? Here's how it works: The Council sets aside enough money every year to pay for flowers, and the Flower Cottage gives us a very nice deal on the bouquets. However, congregation members can cover the cost of those bouquets if they wish, leaving the funds for some other purpose and commemorating a wedding anniversary, birthday, the life of a loved one, or another special event. It costs \$25/bouquet. There's a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer...simply put your name on the Sunday date closest to your "special" date, and put a check for \$25 in the collection plate. Please write "flower fund--(special date)" on the memo line. After the

service on that date, the flowers are yours to take home and enjoy!

## Fellowship

Join us in wishing our High School Graduate, Morgan Rose, well as she graduates and heads to school. We'll celebrate after the Worship service Sunday, June 2, 2019.

## Preschool News

The May themes are Dinosaurs, Summer, and Kindergarten. The color is Rainbow; the shape is a review of all shapes; the letter is reviewing A-Z; the concept is Old and New.

Important Dates: May 7th is Graduation @ 5:45. May 12th is Mother's day. May 21<sup>st</sup> is the Board Meeting @ 4. May 22nd is last day of school and we will be at Denny park having a picnic. (Parents are welcome to join us and eat lunch – it's sack lunch for this day.) We will also be planting some flowers this month and kids will be helping us. There is a calendar at the church on the bulletin board near the front door.

Thank you, Becky

## Sew 'n' Sews

The Sew 'n' Sews will meet on the second and fourth Wednesdays of May as usual. And also as usual, we will take the summer off. If you have some extra time, we have bundles of quilt squares that need to be assembled into quilts. That way, we can jump right in when we start again in September.

Also, this summer, we will have a couple of work days to make some new banners for the Fellowship Hall. We are adding more banners so that the acoustics in that room will be more advantageous to hearing each other talk. Stay tuned for details. There will not be a lot of sewing, so you do not need to be a seamstress to help out!

## Did you forget to bring your glasses to church?

No problem! Trinity now has a box of readers on the table in the narthex. There are glasses in every prescription. Just look for the big googly eyed box! Thanks to Doc Burnison for keeping an "eye" on us!

### Dates to Remember

May 8, 2019 - Sew 'n' Sews @ 9 a.m.  
May 22, 2019 - Sew 'n' Sews @ 9 a.m.  
June 2, 2019 – Elders Meeting @ 7:30 a.m.  
June 2, 2019 – High School Graduation Celebration during Fellowship after Worship  
July 7, 2019 – Elders Meeting @ 7:30 a.m.  
July 9, 2019 – Church Council Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

### Newsletter and Website

You can sign up for the monthly newsletter by sending your e-mail to Shar @ [shortstuff1950@gmail.com](mailto:shortstuff1950@gmail.com).

The Trinity website is also current with Church information and Calendar. If you would like to post something on the website you can contact Shar as well. The website is [www.trinitylutheranchurchcortez.com](http://www.trinitylutheranchurchcortez.com)