

Trinity Times

Trinity Lutheran Church

September 2016

Preschool News

We are off to a great start for our new school year! The preschool has several new staff members, and some in new positions.

This year's staff is:

- Genevieve Vannest- Director
- Misty Judson- Administrative Assistant
- Christina Stevens- Elephant Room Teacher (4-5 yr olds)
- Neva Stephens- Kangaroo Room Teacher (pre-K)
- Gabe Bloedel- Bear Room Teacher (2 1/2 -3 1/2 yr olds)
- Becky Robinson- Bear Room Aid
- Kenzie Newby- Fish Room AM Teacher (1-3 year olds)
- Becca Newby- Fish Room PM Teacher
- Samantha Noyes- Fish Room Aid
- Jennifer Lard- Movement & After School Kids Teacher
- Kacia Show- After School Kids Aid
- Tiffany Traucht- Afternoon Aid
- Tiffany Gallegos- Cook

Each classroom is full, with new & returning children.

We have several improvement projects going on. The toddler room got an interior make-over with new paint and rearrangement of furniture. The preschool playground is a big project that many church and community members have assisted us with. We put in three climbing tires with help from Ben Wolcott and JR Dirt Work, a mud kitchen station sponsored by Sara and Kelly McCabe and Barbara Humbracht, a colorful paver hopscotch sponsored by Floyd and Joyce Johnson, refilled the sandbox with sand donated from Four Corners Materials, and we are planning the details for the Tonka Construction area with signs/cones donated from Linda Smith and Pea Gravel donated from Bill and Mary Lou Witthans.

Genevieve Vannest

Elders

The Elders are:

Kelly McCabe	565-7269
Marty Ruggles	565-4049
Joe Stevens	565-3679
Roland Walter	882-7450
Ralph Wegner	565-3936
Dennis Gard	928-379-2191

Please feel free to contact any of them at any time with comments or concerns.

Hopes Kitchen

The numbers keep themselves at a high level. Folks, there are hungry folks out here in Montezuma county. Your continued support of Hope's & Grace's Kitchens, The Bridge, The Good Samaritan Center, and all the other outreach groups is amazing. Without the support of the community none of these groups could continue in their ministry to those in need. First off, keep them in your prayers. Think

LWML Fall Rally



St. Paul's Lutheran has invited the women of Trinity Lutheran to the Fall LWML Rally. On Saturday September 24, 2016 at St. Paul's, 2611 Junction St., the event begins at 9 a.m. with Registration, Rolls and Coffee. The theme this year is Mission:Possible. There will be a Bible Study and offerings. Cost is \$12 per person. Register with Sue Giddings @ 970-903-2970 or Lisa Weber @ 270-860-4745 by Sunday September 18, 2016.

of them when you have something you want to contribute. Think of them when your belly is full and you are comfortable in your home...they may not be.

Mission Committee

The Mission Committee plans to focus on projects in our local community this year. Every quarter there will be a new mission project chosen from among those in Cortez.

In September, we plan to have a winter coat and blanket drive for The Bridge Homeless Shelter, which opens October 10th. Clean out those closets for any items you no longer use. We also scheduled a September 21, 2016, visit to the Bridge for Trinity members before it opens. We want to have a greater understanding and visual reminder of how the facility helps people in need, and how we can partner with the facility to serve "the least of these, my brothers". The plans for the visit on Sept 21 are in the planning stages, so stay tuned.

Sew 'n' Sews

The Sew 'n' Sews start up this month. A few people worked this summer and we recently delivered 44 quilts to Orphan Grain Train. The quilts we make are simple and quick to make. If you would like to join us, come to the Ruth Guild room in the basement of the Church at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, September 14, 2016.

Operation Christmas Child

While shopping, please remember Operation Christmas Child. There are lots

of clearance items out there now, like school supplies and summer clothing. The items for last month and this month were School Supplies and Games. Any items are welcome and can be put in the box in the narthex. If you would like to donate money to purchase items, you can give checks or money to me and I would be glad to purchase items. We will hold a packing party early in November. Due to changing customs regulations, this will be the last year that we will be able to pack toothpaste and candy.

Also I would like to put in a thank you to everyone that had a part in putting on the retirement party for me. Thank you for being there and for the well wishes and gifts. It was a great pleasure to serve God and Trinity as the preschool director, and a blessing to have so many people's support and prayers. If you would have asked me when I graduated High School what job I would be doing, this would have been the farthest thing from my mind. God chose this job for me and blessed me greatly with many special people to work with and parents and children to become acquainted with. My greatest joy was to see students that I had in preschool bring their precious children to us to be cared for. This showed that they had happy memories of being in preschool and trusted in the school to care for their children, and that we were doing our jobs well.

Book Suggestion

This month's suggestion is **The Jesus I Never Knew** by Philip Yancey. This is an in-depth study on Jesus, who he was,

why he came, and what he left behind. Yancey looks at the Gospels, cinematic films, other writers, and other sources to find some answers to his questions. Yancey considers himself a Christian journalist and does a great job of lining up his research in an easy to understand style. It's published by Zondervan Press, 1995.

Upcoming Events

- Sept 13, 2016 – Church Council Meeting @ 6:30
- Sept 14, 2016 – Sew 'n' Sews @ 9 a.m.
- Sept 24, 2016 – LWML Fall Rally @ St. Paul's in Dgo @ 9 a.m.
- Sept 28, 2016 – Sew 'n' Sews @ 9 a.m.

Question of the Month

What if you woke up today with only the things you thanked God for yesterday?



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