

Trinity Times

Trinity Lutheran Church

August 2016

From the Pastor's Desk

So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. Luke 11:9

Greetings in the name of Jesus! The above verse was a part of the Gospel and my message last Sunday. It tells us so much about our God and His great love for us. If you were here you heard me speak of how we

hope for things and that leads us to prayer. Then that leads us to trust our God to know and do what is best for us. And the best thing ever was the gift of His Son who went to the cross to pay for our sins.. God then raised him from the dead and promises us the victory also.

God's peace, Pastor.

Fellowship Sunday July 31

Bring your friends and family to the Carnival Barbeque after Church on Sunday. Bring a side dish to share. Great food – Games – Good visiting!

Preschool Director Retires

Jackie Snow has been the Trinity Preschool Director for many years. At the end of last year, she announced she would be retiring in August of 2016. That announcement led to the search for a new Director for the Preschool. August is here and we will be saying thank you and farewell to Jackie. She has no immediate plans, but Jim Snow retires at the end of the year, so I'm sure some new adventures are in the planning. Join the community to give Jackie the best for the future on August 10 from 5 – 7 p.m.

Social Concerns

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The Social Concerns Committee will be looking for a new person(s) to head this committee this month. Working on the Social Concerns of our church and community is rewarding, interesting and enjoyable.

You work with and are on the board of the Good Samaritan Center which meets every other month on the 2nd Tuesday of that month. Picks up day old bakery and dairy products on Tuesdays from Safeway and delivers them to the Good Samaritan Center.

You collect hygiene and personal items for "Renew". a service for battered women.

More information is available if you would like to serve in this area.

Thank you for all your generous contributions to each of these organizations.

Diana Hoehn

Upcoming Events

- July 31, 2016 – Carnival Barbeque Church Picnic @ 10:30 a.m.
- August 10, 2016 – Jackie Snow's Retirement party – 5 – 7 p.m.
- August 22, 2016 – Preschool begins

Elders

The Elders are:

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| 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 continue to increase as the summer goes on. Sometimes there is no rhyme or reason, although school being out and good weather will converge to produce large numbers. I cannot say thank you enough to individuals who are continuous in their efforts to assist. Tom Burnison is contributes his always delicious eggs. THANK YOU, TOM. Others are equally generous with their contributions. Everything gets used in one fashion or another.

Let me know if you have a large donation of any sort and I will be happy to make arrangements to pick it up as opposed to bringing it to church with

you on Sundays. August sees me gone for almost the entire month on Sundays so just give me a call. 565-6371

The Bridge

Although the Bridge is not open during the summer, the crew at the Bridge is always making changes in their off season to spruce up their location and make things ready for fall when they do open. Blankets and bath linens can always be utilized as well as warm clothing for when that snows begins to fly again. Canned and dried food stuffs are also welcome as they will attempt to have someone cooking most of the evening meals on site this year.

Of course, your time and talent would be appreciated as well if you are so inclined to spend time with the individuals at the Bridge.

Hospital Auxiliary

The Southwest Memorial Hospital Auxiliary is looking for volunteers for the Gift Shop. If you have some extra time there are full and half day openings. Call Carol Wethinton at 565-9364 or Aida Harper at 505-320-2336.

Book Suggestion

This is a new addition to the newsletter. If anyone has any suggestions, just contact me with the information.

This month's book is **The Prodigal God: Recovering the Heart of the Christian Faith** by Timothy Keller. Several of the Small groups studied this book about 2 years ago. The subject of the book is the parable of the Prodigal Son in Luke 15. Most of us know this story from childhood and are quite familiar with the son who asked for his inheritance and then wasted it away in another country. When he comes to his senses and returns home he is accepted unconditionally by the father. Keller also includes the father and brother in this book with some surprising thoughts. It is both convicting and liberating at the same time for both grace and love are involved.

Timothy Keller is a writer, speaker, church planter, podcaster, and is the pastor of Redeemer Presbyterian Church in Manhattan NY. Riverhead Books, 2008.

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