

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Partner in Cooperative Ministry

First Lutheran West Jordan

N. IL. Synod of the ELCA

Ministers

The People of God

Pastor **Rev. Susan Davenport**

Secretary **Janet Barkley**

Organist **Nancy Janssen**



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**Trinity Lutheran Church
Milledgeville, IL**



**And
First Lutheran of
Jordan, Sterling, IL**





SOUTHTOWN ICE CREAM SOCIAL

**Saturday, September 9th,
at 2:00p.m.**

Faith on Forty is hosting
a Ice Cream Social at the
Southtown Home.

All are welcome to come
for the festivities.

Ice cream with different topping and
cookies.

This is a special treat



Sponsored by the Ministerial Association
Hosted by The Milledgeville Brethren Church
521 North Main in Milledgeville

**EVENTS FOLLOWING HOME GAMES
FOR THOSE IN GRADES 7-12**

Friday, September 1st

Friday, September 15th

Friday, September 22nd

Friday, September 29th

Friday, October 20th

Sponsoring Churches: The Brethren Church,
Dutchtown Church of the Brethren, Trinity Lutheran Church,
Milledgeville United Methodist Church,
Chadwick Evangelical Free Church, Chadwick First Lutheran
Church, and Hope United Methodist Church.



**TRINITY LUTHERAN
RALLY DAY
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER
10TH AT 10:15 A.M.
COME EARLY
HAVE COFFEE AND
TREATS OR STAY
AFTER CHURCH
FOR SOME TREAT
AND SOCIAL TIME.**





West Jordan

Worship Helpers

Alter care, communion assistant, Ushers

Sept. 10 th	Gary & Carol Sibley
Lector	Carol Sibley
Sept. 17th & 24th	LaVerne & Carol Woessner
Lector	LaVerne Woessner

SEPTEMBER 3RD LABOR DAY WEEKEND

JOINT WORSHIP SERVICE AT TRINITY

AT 9:00AM



Grace Meals

Sept. 19th 2023 @ 11:30a.m.
at Trinity's social hall
Smoked pork, green beans, deserts +

**"The bible is alive,
it speaks to me;
it has feet,
it runs after me;
it has hands,
it lays hold of me."**

—Martin Luther

In our prayers:

From First:

Roger Hinrichs, Ramon Woessner,
Dodie Whitmer, Rhonda Ramirez,
Debbie Howlett, Dick Bushman,
Olivia Crossman, Bob Woessner,
Polly Adams, Charlene Lane,
Frank Lazansky, Melissa Woessner
Roxanne Klein, and Lloyd Mull

From Trinity:

Lori Anderson, Bill Borth, Jim Brubaker,
Dick Bushman, Shirley Cheeseman, Tom Cleary,
Betty Dettman, Chet Gerdes,
Larry & Mary Gerdes, Ronald Gerdes
Roger Hinrichs, Amanda Smith,
Joyce Lancaster, Jonathan Lenhart,
Mikey Remmers, Sandy Skinner,
Shirley & Bob Woessner. Melissa Woessner,
Pam LaBarron, Roberta Moseley,
Keep Connor Wooden in your prayers as he serves
our country in Dubai
Keep in your pray the family of Corrine Ohlwine.

Our Southtown Ministry

Will be Tuesday, September 19th. at 4:30

Lynn Kaufman, Jodi Woessner &
Greg Kruse, leaders

**If you have News or a An-
nouncement for the **October**
newsletter please email, or call
me before **October 24th****

Church Leaders Directory

Trinity Lutheran Church

President	Tammy Miller
Vice-President	Kevin Anderson
Secretary	Sharon Woodard
Treasurer	Donna Landis
At-Large	Ken Peterson
	Lori Oncken
	Jim Brubaker
Custodian	Lynn Kaufman
Musician	Nancy Janssen
Financial Secretary	Ken Peterson

First Lutheran West Jordan

President Jan Wetzel (815-631-9353)
Secretary Jodi Woessner

Pastor, Rev. Susan Davenport
563-613-3892

Church Secretary Janet Barkley
Church # 815-225-7410 Cell# 815-590-0520

SEPTEMBER 10TH



Lutheran Basics Vocabulary

L S A N C T I F I C A T I O N Q T W Z B K M F W
M S H D G G K B T F T D P B U R T J M G J M X V
Y D E M E N J Q J N K D O L I G I Q R Z C P Z B
F Y X G Q G Q H R P E D D N P O O A O T F S G I
P A M D G E A B Y V Q M I Z Q D C S C C S C O W
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L A K H U P M H X M Y A C N A M J I W E Q Q O O
I G Y V G I P K Z N V X E A O Z T F E D L I A N
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D N T K R E C O N C I L I A T I O N Z L B W X X
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K B A B S O L U T I O N A A C Z C W V S J A E J
A P A N W C H J C D O J V Q K B G O I A G C W K

worship

word

trinity

sin

sanctification

salvation

sacrament

repentance

reconciliation

justification

grace

gospel

faith

disciple

creed

confession

church

atonement

absolution

How to get what you need at Trinity Lutheran/First Lutheran Church's

Emergency Pastoral Care Concern?

Hospitalizations, Illness,
Family Crisis

Call Pr. Susan Davenport at
Cell phone # 563-613-3892

Do **NOT** rely on the hospital to
contact the church.

Do **NOT** rely on word of mouth/
The grapevine.

Do **NOT** rely on mindreading skills.
Pastor missed that class in seminary.

Non—Urgent

Pastoral Needs?

Scheduling a home visit/baptism/
wedding. Confirmation/Christian Ed,
Coffee & Conversation

Leave a message at Trinity for Pr. Susan.
She will return it as soon as possible.

E-mail Pastor Susan

pastorsusan678@gmail.com

Questions about

Administrative stuff?

Announcements for the bulletin, ques-
tions about schedules, Financial ques-
tions, hall rental, etc....

Call the Church and leave a message for
Janet on the Church answering machine,
for her to return during office hours

815-225-7410 or E-mail Janet at
telcsecretary@mediacommbb.net

Contact a council member



Food Pantry

September 5th 2023

9:00 to 11:00 AM

6:00 to 8:00 pm

Please help out with the church's scholarship
fund by donating [offering plate in narthex].

SCHOLARSHIP FUND
PROVIDING HOPE THROUGH EDUCATION

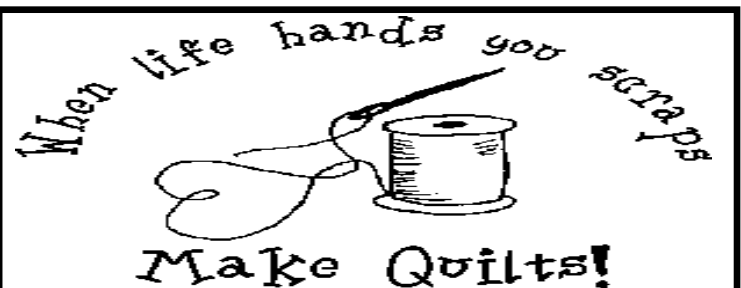
MILLEDGEVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Coffee Plus —Fridays mornings from 9-11 we gather for
coffee (or tea or water) and some conversation with our
friends and neighbors here in town.

Our Lego Builders' Club meets every Saturday. All ages
are welcome to stop in at any time during the day and build
with our Legos.

Our adult book club meets monthly to discuss various fic-
tion and non-fiction titles. Meetings are generally held on the
fourth Tuesday of each month at 1 pm.

Local History Bernie Hawkins, father of Lois Simmons,
began his collection of Milledgeville photos and histories
during the early 1900s. Lois has been generous in donating
all of her father's papers to the Milledgeville Public Library.
A small group of Milledgeville residents have worked for
several years, organizing Bernie's photos, making them easi-
ly accessible to residents.



Make Quilts!

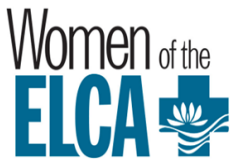
IT' TIME TO SEW

SEWING WILL START ON

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 11TH AT

10:30 A.M.

**THERE WILL BE A POTLUCK LUNCH
AROUND 12-12:30.**



Northern Illinois Synod
Women of the Evangelical
Lutheran Church in America
34th Annual Convention

Saturday, October 7, 2023

Theme: "Be the Body of Hope"

Morning Message: Bishop Stacie Fidler
1 Corinthians 12:13, 26 "For by one Spirit
we were all baptized into one body-if any
member suffers all suffer together; if one
member is honored all rejoice together."

Location:

St. John's Lutheran Church
2000 Luther Drive, Peru, IL

Coffee & Registration: 8:00 a.m.

Registration Fee: \$40.00

Fellowship – Worship– Singing Songs – Exhibits-
WELCA business meeting for voting members
If interested more information in Trinity church office

Trinity Lutheran Web Page & Facebook Service

The web page has the most current Newsletter plus the last

10 years of annual reports. Web Page is found at www.trinitymville.com

Facebook where all the Sunday Services can be viewed if you can't make
it to church. You would have to have Facebook account on your comput-
er, laptop, tablet or phone. Just "Like" Trinity Lutheran Church
Milledgeville, to view the church's Facebook page and you can view the
service. And get other post from Trinity Facebook page.

September Daily Prayer

Sept 1st—Hear my voice when I cry out to you, O God, and help me when I am in need. In Jesus' name. Amen

Sept 2nd—God of love, shape me in and for love. In the name of Jesus I pray. Amen

Sept 3rd— Christ of the cross, help me bear your saving love through all that I am and all that I do. Amen

Sept 4th— Protect us, O God, amid raging storms, and deliver us from all evil, through Christ our Lord. Amen

Sept 5th— God of promise, when trails come, thank you for keeping us in your tender care, through Christ our Lord. Amen

Sept 6th—O God, fill me anew with trust in your enduring promises of love for me. In Jesus' name. Amen

Sept 7th - Turn me around, O God, when I have gone astray, that I might be filled with your life. Amen

Sept 8th— Show me when I am wrong, O God, and teach me always of your ways. I Christ's name. Amen

Sept 9th— Loving God, in my thoughts, words, and deeds, help me to love first. In the name of Jesus. Amen

Sept 10th— God of reconciliation, bind us together in love as you reconciled people. In Jesus' name. Amen

Sept 11th—O God, help me to see your image in all people I meet today and to honor them. In the name of Jesus. Amen

Sept 12th—Point me to Jesus, O God, that I might daily die to my self and rise with him.. Amen

Sept 13th —O God, give me insight from hindsight, that I might see how you work for good. Through Christ I pray. Amen.

Sept 14th—O God who so loves us, help us to trust that your love is complete, though Christ our Lord. Amen

Sept 15th— Stir up in me, O God, the faith to trust in your gracious forgiveness. In Jesus' name. Amen

Sept 16th— Holy God, we are grateful for your Spirit's movement through our lives. In Christ's name. Amen

Sept 17th— God of grace, your love makes us who we are. Help us remember this. In Jesus' name. Amen

Sept 18th—Your love, O God, unites us all. Help us embrace this truth as we live with our difference's. Amen.

Sept 19th God of compassion, show us when we seek to judge, and help us love as Jesus did. Amen

Sept 20th—God of grace and mercy, open our hearts in any necessary way that we might live with love. Amen.

Sept 21st—O God, let your healing love transform us, as it did Matthew, into the people you call us to be. Amen

Sept 22nd—Holy One, give us awareness of your presence through everything, that we may live in trust. Amen.

Sept 23rd—God of heart and home, help us live as fully as we are able, because life comes as gift from you. Amen.

Sept 24th— Your grace abounds, O God, and you cover us with love. Our hearts overflow with thanksgiving. Amen

Sept 25th— Faithful God, your presence never leaves us. Help us trust we belong to you through eternity. Amen

Sept 26th—God of life, help us love as you love and honor you as you dwell in all your people. Amen.

Sept 27th— Compassionate God, help us see the new life you call us to, even with our mistakes. Amen

Sept 28th— Faithfull God, give us open hearts and listening spirits, that we may be teachable. Amen

Sept 29th— Lead us, holy God, in the way we should go. Let your lovelight our way. In Christ's name. Amen

Sept 30th— Holy Jesus, clothe us in your love, that our unity would flourish for the healing of this world. Amen



September

Daily Devotions



Sept 1st	Psalm 26:1-8
Sept 2nd	Romans 12:9-21
Sept 3rd	Matthew 16:1-28
Sept 4th	Psalm 17
Sept 5th	Revelations 3:7-13
Sept 6th	Jeremiah 17:5-18
Sept 7th	Ezekiel 33:7-11
Sept 8th	Psalm 119:33-40
Sept 9th	Romans 13:8:14
Sept 10th	Matthew 18:15-20
Sept 11th	1 Peter 2:11-17
Sept 12th	Psalm 119:65-72
Sept 13th	Genesis 50:15-21
Sept 14th	John 3:3-17
Sept 15th	Psalm 103:[1-7] 8-13
Sept 16th	Romans 14:1-12
Sept 17th	Matthew 18:21-35
Sept 18th	Psalm 133
Sept 19th	Romans 14:13—15:2
Sept 20th	Jonah 3:10—4:11
Sept 21st	Matthew 9:9-13
Sept 22nd	Psalm 145:1-8
Sept 23rd	Philippians 1:21-30
Sept 24th	Matthew 20:1-16
Sept 25th	Psalm 106:1-12
Sept 26th	Romans 16:17-20
Sept 27th	Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32
Sept 28th	Psalm 25:1-9
Sept 29th	Luke 10:17-20
Sept 30th	Philippians 2:1-13

LOVE ONE ANOTHER
as I have loved you.

September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					<p>1 Steven and Jessica Barkley's anniversary</p>	<p>2 Rebecca Green's birthday</p>
<p>3 Joint Worship & Communion; at Trinity 9:00am</p>	<p>4 </p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8 Brian and Florence Miller's anniversary Randy and Donna Landis's anniversary</p>	<p>9</p>
<p>10 Worship FWJ 8:30; Trinity 10:15 Trinity's Rally Day</p>	<p>11 Sewing Begins 10:30 </p>	<p>12 Keagan Murray's birthday</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15 Evalynn Beckham's birthday Shane and Brenda Harris's anniversary</p>	<p>16 Mitch O' Brien Birthday</p>
<p>17 Kathy Nye's birthday Worship & Communion FWJ 8:30; Trinity 10:15</p>	<p>18 Korey VanDyke's birthday TRINITY</p>	<p>19 Kathy Hinrichs Birthday DELIVERS</p>	<p>20 Roger and Ramona Koett's anniversary MEALS THIS</p>	<p>21 Luke and RyAnn Koett's anniversary WEEK</p>	<p>22 Melissa Woessner's birthday Brian Beveroth Birthday</p>	<p>23 Heather Schmidt's birthday </p>
<p>24 Worship FWJ 8:30; Trinity 10:15</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27 Korey and Brandi VanDyke's anniversary</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29 Harriet Dambman's birthday</p>	<p>30 Cadence Coyle's birthday Krista Wagenknecht's birthday</p>
<p>1 Worship & Communion FWJ 8:30; Trinity 10:15</p>	<p>2 Craig and Amanda Schildgen's anniversary</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4 Dick and Carol Lee Bushman's anniversary</p>			

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH Of West Jordan
20314 Hickory Hills Road
Sterling, IL 61081
815-225-7410
Worship: Sundays 8:30 AM

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
717 Stover Ave, PO Box 637
Milledgeville, IL 61051
815-225-7410; telcsecretary@mediacombb.net
Worship: Sundays 10:15 AM



“¹⁶Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. –
Romans 12: 16

For many, autumn is a time of reestablishing routines. The appointed readings for autumn speak much about whom we beloved-yet-flawed humans may consider the “undeserving” or the “lowly” among us. As students often do, we may decide to invent ourselves anew for the start of the school year! Thus, autumn is a time to be reminded of our human tendency to judge ourselves as worthy as compared to others around us, and to intentionally choose to reorient ourselves toward *God’s vision* of who is deserving, who is just as sacred and beloved as everyone else.

Romans 12:16, for example, urges us away from haughtiness and instead toward being willing to “associate with the lowly.” We are reminded from Matthew’s Gospel early in the fall to forgive “seventy-seven times”. Jesus’ parable of the workers paid equally whether they arrived at the last hour or worked from the beginning of the day challenges us to rethink our conventional ideas about what justice looks like and whom we ourselves may judge to be unworthy of the full measure of benefits that the supposedly “worthy” among us receive. In the parable of the great wedding feast Jesus tells of strangers being invited in after guests decline the invitation, upending our ideas of who is legitimately welcome to or deserving of the feast.

In the best Lutheran theology, the gift of grace frees us to be disciples in a new way. With God’s law written on our hearts (Reformation Sunday), we can dare to take up Paul’s call to Philemon, serving our neighbor not out of duty but on the basis of love. Discipleship is a serious calling but also a joyful one. The dazzling display of autumn color reminds us of this truth.

September 10 is our designated “Rally Sunday” and we hope you will be with us to kick off a “new year,” to celebrate a coming autumn, and to remember who and whose we are!

Peace,

Pastor Susan