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Mon - Fri: 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Sundays at Trinity

9:15 a.m. Worship
10:15 a.m. Fellowship
10:30 a.m. Sunday School

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SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

There will be a Special Congregational Meeting on **Sunday, June 11**, in the sanctuary immediately following worship at **10:30 a.m.** There is just one item on the agenda: We will vote to authorize approximately \$80,000 to repair the steeple.

Please plan to attend this very important meeting. If you can't make the meeting in person, you can join the meeting via Zoom (details below and on our website).

If you have questions, please contact Pr. Elizabeth, Congregation Council President Kim Kapplinger, or Property Team Lead Jerald Oakes. Thank you.



TO JOIN THE MEETING VIA ZOOM:

You can CALL in to the meeting or join via the ZOOM APP. (It is a free app, download it in your device's app store or visit www.zoom.us/download.)

Via Zoom app:

- type in this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81773675223>

- you will be let into the meeting, please be patient as many may be trying to join at the same time.

Via phone:

- call (312) 626-6799.

- when prompted, enter meeting ID: 817 7367 5223

To vote:

- on your device you will need to have your video turned on, then you will raise your hand to vote yes or keep your hand down to vote no.

- if you called into the meeting via phone, you will need to say yes or no followed by your name, you will be asked for your answer so that people are not talking over each other.



Wed. June 7 — High school Bonfires begin

Fri. June 9 — Day Camp and VBS registration deadline

Sun. June 11 — Special Congregational meeting

June 19-22 — Day Camp, with Good Earth Village counselors
— Vacation Bible School (VBS)

July 23-28 — Confirmation Camp at Good Earth Village

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them.

When they saw him, they worshipped him, but they doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 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 and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Matthew 28:16-20

Dear disciples,

I have probably read this passage from Matthew many dozens of times, but no matter how often you read a familiar passage in the Bible, the next time you read it you are bound to see something new in the text. This text from Matthew's gospel is referred to as "The Great Commission." We read this text this year on Holy Trinity Sunday, but it could just as easily have been read on either of the previous two Sundays. On those two Sundays (Ascension and Pentecost), the disciples are at the end of their time with Jesus. He has been resurrected. Alleluia! He has spent the better part of 50 days (hence the "penta" [5] in Pentecost) teaching them, giving them their final instructions. And now he's leaving them to "sit at the right hand of God" in Heaven.

We tend to focus, rightly, on the "great commission" part of this text: "Go therefore and make disciples ..." It's what the disciples are called to do, and it is also what we are called to do.

But here's the part that jumped out at me as I read it again: "... but they doubted." The disciples were with Jesus on the top of a mountain, but they doubted. They worshipped, but they doubted. They were empowered by the Holy Spirit to do the work of discipleship, but they doubted. They were assured that Jesus was the authoritative God, but they doubted. They were assured that Jesus would be with them always, but they doubted.

This is encouraging for us. Why, you ask, is all this "doubt" encouraging?

Because if the disciples, who spent actual time with the actual Jesus could still have doubts, then it is understandable that we, who rely on the stories told to us in the Bible, will sometimes have doubts as well. Doubt may be the sign of a true disciple. And if those doubting disciples could begin the work of the church, we doubting disciples can continue it.

God bless you! ~ Pr. Elizabeth

Well, here I am. My car wouldn't start and I was supposed to lead a Holy Communion service at Tweeten Apartments. I was close to losing my religion. But I thought of how the Apostle Paul says in 1 Thessalonians, "**16 Rejoice always, 17 pray without ceasing, 18 give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.**" Then I thought...I can take my lawnmower! It goes faster than I can walk and I won't be sweaty when I get there. Brilliant. Everyone waited for me. We had a great service and a good laugh about my disposable car.

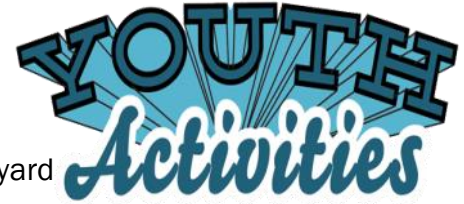
I've been reading the book "Braiding Switchgrass" by Robin Wall Kimmerer. She is a mother, a member of the Potawatomi Nation, and a biology professor. She recounts in one chapter of her book how school starts at the Onondaga Reserve with a Thanksgiving Address. What a great way to start the school day or any day.

How would our lives be different if we started our days with hearts and prayers of Thanksgiving gratitude no matter whether our car started or not.

~ Pastor Lane



UPCOMING YOUTH ACTIVITIES



WEDNESDAY NIGHT YOUTH BONFIRES

Beginning June 7 and meeting weekly throughout the summer, 8 p.m.-10 p.m. 8th -12th grade youth invited! Bring a friend! All are welcome! Meet in the church yard near the parking lot. Faith formation time, fellowship, activities, and s'mores!

VBS • June 19-22 • 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. • \$10 • Children 3-years old through beginning Kindergarten in 2023
 • Register: fill out the form on the next page and drop it off or mail it (PO Box 188, Spring Grove) or pick up a form in the office.

DAY CAMP • June 19-22 • 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. • \$20 • Youth completing grades kindergarten through 5th in 2022 • Register: goodearthvillage.org/daycamptlc2023, in the office, with Kerri, or scan the QR Code. We are also looking for dinner host families to serve dinner to the counselors that are coming from Good Earth Village Bible Camp to lead our Day Camp this summer. Please call the office if you are willing to host a dinner one night between June 18 - 21.



CONFIRMATION CAMP • July 23-28 • Good Earth Village • all 7th grade youth are required to attend • \$200 • Confirmation campers have memorable, faith-building adventures during this week! Campers spend time each morning with their pastor or a confirmation leader exploring faith topics in depth. Afternoons and evenings include group activities, canoeing, swimming, arts and crafts, epic games, and campfire worship led by GEV staff.

1. Please sign up online. www.goodearthvillage.org/summer
2. List in the program space in your registration: CONFIRMATION CAMP with TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, SPRING GROVE, MN
3. You will pay a non-refundable deposit when you register.
4. Total cost per youth is \$200, as WELCA and other monies have been given to our youth to off-set the cost. If you are unable to pay the amount or deposit, please let Kerri know and we can help figure out a way for your child to attend camp.
5. Select tier 3 for \$445, enter sponsorship code TRINITYSG23 on the 'My Cart' page at the end of the registration

MISSION TRIP TO CHEYENNE RIVER RESERVATION —update!

Parents of youth attending the mission trip this summer thought it would be best to postpone the mission trip to a future year when there is not a big SGHS Band/Choir trip; they want more youth to be able to go. Funds raised will transfer to another mission trip in the future.



2023 VBS REGISTRATION AND HEALTH HISTORY FORM

RETURN FORM AND FEE TO:

Trinity Lutheran Church, PO Box 188, Spring Grove, MN 55974 or drop off in the office.

Preschool - Kindergarten VBS - \$10 fee

NAME OF CAMPER _____

Grade (Fall '22) _____ Male Female

Birthdate _____ Current Age _____ Home Congregation / Town _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home or Cell Phone (_____) _____ Cell or Work Phone (_____) _____

Parent / Guardian Name(s) _____

Parent / Guardian Address (if different from camper) _____

MEDICAL ALLERGIES

If none apply, check here

Life Threatening? Bee Stings Yes No

Penicillin Yes No

Other Meds: Yes No _____

FOOD ALLERGIES

If none apply, check here

List food allergies: _____

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Emergency Contact Person - If Mom or Dad cannot be reached.

Name: _____ Phone (_____) _____

Family Doctor _____ **Clinic:** _____

Phone (_____) _____

My child is allowed to walk or ride a bus to and from an afternoon activity away from the church property.

Parent / Guardian Signature (required): _____

Date: _____

APRIL 12, 2023 CONGREGATION COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**Updates:**

- Kathy Overland and Sheri Allen completed the audit of WELCA, Mission, Scholarship, and Heritage Endowments for the 2022 year. The endowments receive their year-end reports towards the end of January. Going forward, the Finance Team said that the November totals for the endowments will be used for the Annual Report so the information can be included in the formal Annual Report
 - Jerald Oakes/Property Team has a bid for concrete work for the elevator entrance, but this project will be put on hold due to fixing the steeple.
 - Two bids have been received for work on the steeple (\$92,000 and \$80,500).
 - The Staffing Team will be doing staff evaluations May 2-10.
 - Stewardship Team noted that Trinity has 240 giving units. Team lead, Lenny Myrah, said if all giving units increase by 1%, Trinity would be in good shape.
 - Worship Team will be going through décor to see what to keep and what to recycle.
- Black Hammer does not want to be a part of the Trinity Center and Release Time Committee and no other church has responded to Pr. Elizabeth's invitation to join the committee.
- First round of windows is complete. They will be doing the storm windows next.

Motions passed:

- to confirm Ellevia Berns, Karson Betcher, Christian Bjerke, Ruby Engeldinger, Siri Konkkel, Macy Kraus, Madison Lile, Tysen Moen, Callie Petersen, Addison Turner, Olivia Wedmann.

MAY 10, 2023 CONGREGATION COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- The Care Team received \$1,000 from county commissioner for food shelf and a \$500 donation toward Christmas Cheer.
- The Communications Team posted 10 signs of affirmation around town to spread God's love. Will be putting out a new sign each week.
- The Outreach Team has been brainstorming having a New Member Sunday. Looking at the newly baptized. They asked that others let the Outreach Team know of new people attending church.
- The Finance Team recommends to contract with Tri-State Business Machines for a new contract for a printer for the office. It would be an annual contract so that overprinting would be calculated once a year instead of every month which should prevent overage fees. The cost of the new contract is \$100 less per month.
- Stained Glass Window Project update: They are here currently working on the windows. It will take 3 weeks to finish. Clean up inside the window panes. 2 coats of paint to the windowsills. Install new storm windows.

Motions passed:

- to repair the boiler at the Trinity Center for \$4,000 to \$5,000
- to enter into a new lease (60 months) with Tri-State Business Machines for a Canon IR ADV C756i II for office use with a cost per B&W copy of \$.007 and color copy of \$.06.
- to repair the steeple with Jason Crawly (Coon Valley, WI) for \$80.5K. A Special Congregation Meeting will be Sunday, June 11, 2023.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 14, 2023, at 7:30 p.m. Complete minutes are on Trinity's website.

WELCA NEWS

Our WELCA ladies once again have been busy putting different kits together for Lutheran World Relief (LWR). During the winter months several gals have been meeting the last Friday of the month for Love Day. During this time making quilts is the main focus. Throughout the winter different supplies have been collected for Baby Care Kits, School Bags, and Personal Care Kits. Mary Deters leads us with organizing the supplies and when we have accumulated enough individual items we have a day to assemble the kits. Judy Bratland puts her time to good use collecting the supplies for the school bags and then puts these supplies into a nylon school bag. On May 6, 2023, we were able to load all the boxes and take them to Decorah where about 15 volunteers unloaded our pick-up truck and suburban into a semitrailer which then would haul them to a warehouse where the boxes stay until loaded onto shipping containers. The generosity of many provided 31 quilts, 104 school bags, 88 personal care kits, 94 baby care kits and 4 fabric kits. WELCA would like to thank everyone for their contributions to this worthy cause.



Romans 12:6-8

⁶ **We all have different gifts**, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; ⁷ if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; ⁸ if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.

TIME & TALENTS SURVEY What talents can you share at Trinity? We'd love to know! Fill out the Time & Talents Survey (youth through adult!) and let us know. Surveys are available at the sanctuary entrances and by scanning the QR code. Thank you!



TAKE WHAT YOU NEED, GIVE WHAT YOU CAN Our Little Free Pantry has been a great success. If you'd like to donate non-perishable items (one-serve chili, stew, ravioli, etc.; canned meats (chicken, tuna), potato packets, gravy; canned fruit, peanut butter, jelly, Jello) please drop them off by the pantry – southwest door on Main Street, open 24/7, or add the items to the shelves in the appropriate spots placing new food at the back of each grouping. Monetary donations also help us shop for needed items. Donations can be dropped off or mailed to the office, please indicate "Little Free Pantry" on the donation. Thank you very much! ~ Care Team



ART AS PRAYER: SACRED CIRCLES

Many of us find ourselves surrounded by the pace of life, always on the lookout for the next thing we have to do. We fill in gaps on our calendars with yet another thing. Some of this comes from the voices in our heads that say to be successful, we assume busyness must be in the instruction manual. Busyness then becomes an addiction that consumes us, controlling everything from our workday calendars to our kid's extracurricular activities.

For us, as the church, can we recognize that there is no urgency to do anything in the church other than to proclaim God's amazing grace – the only urgency is the urgency of grace.

On June 8, we invite you to pause with us and join in Art as Prayer, Sacred Circles: The Shape of God.

Life is a sacred circle. When we gather in a circle, the praying has already begun. The symbolism of the circle is one of the oldest in North America. As a symbol of life, it is found in nearly all Native American tribes. It may also represent self, life, earth, the seasons, the sun, and the cosmos. Similarly, the Sanskrit word for circle (rooted in Buddhism) is mandala. Mandalas are designed to bring about inner focus and peace. The ultimate goal of painting spiritual compositions in the form of a circle or mandala is the achievement of wholeness.

Together, we will explore the beauty of painting a sacred circle as prayer practice. No painting experience is necessary. The desire to open your heart to the joyful voice of the Spirit is all you'll need.

Mary Thompson will guide the class. She is a regional artist, who has taught Art as Prayer at the Franciscan Spirituality Center in La Crosse for several years. We are so grateful she is able to share this experience with us.

Thursday, June 8, 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Everyone 14 years of age and older are welcome to participate. Supplies will be provided. Cost \$10.

Please register by Monday, June 5 so that enough supplies may be provided. Register by calling the Trinity office, 507-498-5291, or emailing, trinityspringgrove@gmail.com.

A Letter From Pastor Corrine Haulotte

"There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus." -Galatians 3:28

At our student leader training retreat in August, I asked those gathered what they'd like our "focus theme" to be for the year. We'd already talked about how God's abundant love is felt, not just talked about at the LCC and how faith is at your own pace. They were primed and chose **"commUNITY,"** emphasis (obviously) on the unity.

Admittedly, this is the 3rd, or 4th year that our leaders chose something along the lines of "community," which I think says something about how the pandemic was for us. College students especially yearned for community in periods of isolation, distancing, masks, and stress. For those graduating in 2023, this was their first full "normal" year of college; (remember, they began in 2019-20!) They were eager, I think, to seek out unity, or wholeness. **So often I hear students say they can bring their whole selves to the LCC.**

When one student was asked by his partner, "Why do you bother with religion and the whole God thing?" he replied, "I know I could get love and find love in so many other places. And, I do, like in my family and friends. But, this is the one place that doesn't require anything of me first. **I'm just loved.**

No matter what." We talked about how often we can forget that when we're bombarded by messages of "not enough" every day. Which is why we keep coming back to this community— to be reminded of who and whose we are.

I've witnessed this student take that love he feels and share it all over the place. He brings friends to get coffee, handing out LCC bookmarks, showing them the chalkboard we decorate with encouraging messages, helping others to experience the safe and loving community of the LCC. He invites people to events. He sends out our weekly emails, and, as I told my mom recently, "keeps spinning gold." In fact, here's what he wrote recently: "I know I'm being long-winded, and maybe what I've just typed makes no sense, but know that it all boils down to this: **You will question, and you will wander, and all the same, you will be loved.**"

Dear ones, I cannot thank you enough for continuing to support our community of faith. I truly can't believe I get to do this work, and I want you to know how much it means to me that you are a part of it— every day. May you, too, remember that "all the same, you will be loved by Jesus."

With love,

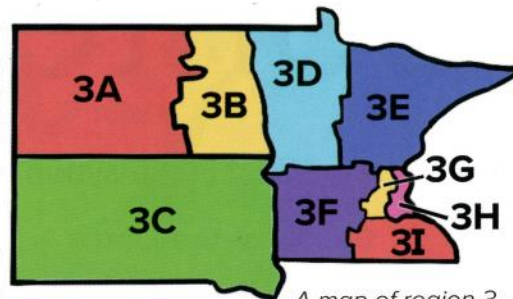
Pastor Corrine Haulotte

Lutheran Campus Center, Winona MN



What is the synod?

The Southeastern Minnesota Synod is a faith community of over **117,000 baptized people** in **165 congregations**. It is one of the **65 synods** that make up the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). The synod includes **two** synod-authorized worshipping communities, **two** campus ministries, **one** camp, and **many** South Sudanese worshippers.



A map of region 3.

Synod means “to walk together.” The three expressions of the ELCA are congregations and specialized ministries, synods, and the churchwide organization. Of the nine regions, the Southeastern Minnesota Synod is part of region 3. The synod consists of congregations, groups, leaders, and members. Our domestic partner synod is the New England Synod. Our global partners include Evangelical Lutheran Church of Colombia (IELCO), Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania - Central Diocese (ELCT-CD), and Evangelical Lutheran Church of Africa – Mission in South Sudan (ELCA-MSS).

**The mission of our synod:
To walk together proclaiming
the gospel of Jesus Christ.**

The Five Conferences:



This synod is divided into five conferences: **Blue Earth River, Cannon River, Minnesota River, Root River, and Zumbro River**. Each serves to cultivate relationships between congregations, provide a community for ministry leaders, select representatives to synod boards and committees, and create workgroups in alignment with the mission of the synod. Each holds monthly meetings and annual conference assemblies. Officers are also elected to represent each conference. Find more information and updates at semnsynod.org/conferences.

2023-2024 Conference Officers:

<u>BER</u>	<u>CR</u>	<u>MR</u>	<u>RR</u>	<u>ZR</u>
Dean: Rev. Kristi Mitchell	Dean: Rev. Drew Yackel	Vice Dean: Rev. Liz Rossing	Dean: Rev. Kurt Bockoven	Dean: Rev. Megan Reedstrom
Vice Dean: Rev. Dr. Jeanette Bidne	Vice Dean: Rev. Inger Hanson	Vice Dean: Rev. Dave Reedstrom	Vice Dean: Rev. Sarah Walker Brown	Vice Dean: Rev. Lisa Janke
Secretary: Rev. Erica Cunningham	Secretary: Rev. Kira Anderson	Secretary: James Christiansen	Secretary: Rev. Kay Wold	Secretary: Rev. Nikki Rockne
Treasurer: Stephanie Johnson	Treasurer: Rev. Hannah Bergstrom de Leon	Treasurer: Rev. Kristen Anderson	Treasurer: Rev. Nissa Peterson	Treasurer: Larry Laber
Chaplain: Rev. Dr. Jeanette Bidne		Chaplain: Rev. Trish Reedstrom	Chaplain: Rev. Elizabeth Hermeier	



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“And Jesus came and said to them, ‘All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 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, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age’”
(Matthew 28:18-20).

Dear siblings in Christ,

We know the gospel changes lives and that God’s power and grace are real and at work today. Together we are called to bear God’s creative and redeeming word to all the world. What if we could make God known to more people? To the child who’s never heard of Jesus? To young adults who are trying to make sense of the world? To older adults who often feel lonely and isolated?

Our purpose – “to activate each of us so that more people know the way of Jesus and discover community, justice and love” – is an expression of our calling and our longing for others to know the love of God in Christ Jesus. We live out our purpose through worship and service, in our congregations and communities, through our individual vocations and our collective work as church together.

Many of you have wondered why we set a goal to reach one million new, young and diverse people. We believe that each of us is made in the image of God, redeemed by Jesus on the cross, and filled with the Holy Spirit. Our focus on young and diverse people is not exclusive but an acknowledgment that younger and more diverse people are disproportionately missing from our pews and gatherings. We are challenging one another to reach out across differences of all sorts to meet our neighbors.

Setting a goal to engage with one million is a way for us to know whether the work we are doing is, in fact, reaching new people. It encourages us to work together to be a church that cares about the world around us and is effective and faithful in responding to God’s call.

Join us on this future-focused journey to widen our welcome and break down the barriers that keep people from engaging with the church. Together, we can help people experience the difference God’s grace and love in Christ make for all people and creation.

In Christ,

The Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton
Presiding Bishop
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America





Learning from the Forest

A message from Bishop Regina Hassanally

I have been learning a lot about trees. Maybe these are things you already know, but just in case, I will share them with you.

Oak trees develop their taproots first. The taproot grows deep into the soil so that the sapling can access water even in a season of drought. Once the taproot is established, the oak grows lateral roots. Lateral roots are not as deep, but they reach outwards, sometimes up to 90 feet, and create a wide support base. The oak tree needs both types of roots to thrive.ⁱ

Forests create networks of connection and support underground. Through their underground networks, the oldest trees in a forest provide nourishment and stability for the youngest trees.ⁱⁱ The whole forest flourishes only when the trees are connected and equally invested in both their health and the health of the whole.

I have been learning a lot about trees and how the ecosystem of a forest might have lessons to teach. It is essential for an oak tree to first establish its taproot's depth, and once that is done, it is just as crucial for its roots to extend out. Young trees depend on the strength and gifts of "mother trees" for their own nourishment and life.

In Psalm 1, the psalmist writes,

*Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, but their delight is in the law of the Lord, and on God's law they meditate day and night. **They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper.***

About a year ago, as I approached the midpoint mark in this first term as bishop, a mentor asked me, "What do you hope to focus on in this season?" I told him I wanted to remind our congregations (you!) that you are part of a whole network of congregations (a synod). And that this connection to one another makes us all better. We are made better not for ourselves but for the sake of the gospel in the world.

As we make our way out of a season of intense isolation, it is important to remember we are not alone as individuals or congregations. Each and every one of us has been called to share

in the ministry of Christ Jesus our Lord.ⁱⁱⁱ Each and every one of us is a member of the *one* body of Christ.

We each have a role in the ministry of the whole synod as individuals and congregations. Each congregation's ministry can be fortified and strengthened by the ministry and presence of the congregations around it.

That's why I've been thinking so much about trees. Trees, it seems, know this. Trees know their livelihoods depend on deep *and* wide roots.

We each need a deep taproot, something solid and solitary, rooted in Christ and our communities. We each need a lateral root system, too. This fibrous outreach to other individuals, communities, and congregations connects us to one another.

When we are deeply rooted in Christ and connected in community, we have all that we need to flourish, like trees planted by streams of water.

ⁱ For this entire paragraph see: "Care of California's Native Oaks" a publication from *California Oaks* a project of the California Wildlife Foundation at <http://californiaoaks.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/05/CareOfCAsNativeOaks.pdf>

ⁱⁱ <https://www.smithsonianmag.com/science-nature/the-whispering-trees-180968084/>

ⁱⁱⁱ 2 Corinthians 5:20



Syttende Mai Meatball Dinner —
look at that line! 540 meals served!



Youth-led
Worship



Palm Sunday





Confirmation youth assembling Health Kit



Wednesday Bible School



Baptism of Journey Desire Johnson



Work continues on the stained glass windows



Final Confirmation test

THANK YOU FOR VOLUNTEERING!

Date	Lector	Acolytes	Communion Servers	Communion Bread Maker	Fellowship Hosts
June 4	Nolie Kapplinger	Joey Jaster Roland Bjerke	Mark & Betty Dokken	Peggy Landsom	Darla & Jim Hunzeker Kelly Eilers
June 11	Julianna Lile	Tyler Turner Renner Staggemeier			Mary & Howard Deters Bev & Steve Nelson
June 18	Jim Hunzeker	Harper Myrah Jada Strinmoen	Bob & Roxie Finnesgard		Amanda Ingvalson Sammy Eiken
June 25	Carolyn Olson	Merik Allen Emery Bartell			Kristi & Phil Griffin Jen & Scott Solberg
June Ushers Families & Friends — can you help?		June Altar Guild Jan Lochner, chair Jan Kraabel Bev Nelson Cindy Thorson Lori Wilhelmson		498-AMEN May 21-June 3: Nolie Kapplinger June 4-June 10: Saundy Solum June 11-June 17: Alisha Solum June 18-July 1: Bev Nelson	
July 2	Roxie Finnesgard	Mariah Fretty Reanne Lemke	Deb Spence Terry Holland	Terry Holland	Jackie Parker Chris & Tammy Petersen
July 9	Bill Fried	Adelia Gross			Janna & Len Myrah Pat & Jerald Oakes
July 16	Michelle Jahnke	Weston Ingvalson Ezra Konkkel	Jackie Parker Kim Kapplinger		Nolie & Kim Kapplinger
July 23	Sheri Allen	Liam Roland			Sheri & Andy Allen
July 30	Kim Kapplinger	Chase Peterson			Elaine & Dana Kjome Joyce Bergrud
July Ushers Families & Friends — can you help?		July Altar Guild Linda Pierce, chair Lorilyn Dehning Paula Karlsbrotten Danielle Myhre		498-AMEN June 18-July 1: Bev Nelson July 2-July 8: Ruth Johnsrud July 9-July 22: Missy Wold July 23-August 5: Bethany Bergsgaard	

498-AMEN reminder

“Christ in our Home” devotional booklets and recording instructions are in the office.

After your last reading, please contact the next person on the list to remind them to begin. Thank you!

Prayer Chain 1	Prayer Chain 2
Joyce Landsom	Karen Gray
Nolie Kapplinger	Bev Nelson
Terry Holland	Janet Wold
Bonnie Solberg	Jan Lochner
Dawn Hewitt	Ruth Johnsrud
Lynn Rostad Anderson	Judy Bratland
Milly Halverson	

JUNE HAPPENINGS AT TRINITY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
FH = Fellowship Hall (large room in basement) MR = Middle Room (upstairs by offices) YGR = Youth Gathering Room (in basement near men's bathroom)				1 5:30pm Education Team, MR	2	3 10:30am AA 5:00pm Worship/Communion
4 9:15am Worship/Holy Communion 10:15am Fellowship	5	6 7:00pm Finance Team, MR	7 5:00pm Master Planning Team, MR 8-10pm HS Bonfire (8 th -12 th grade)	8 6:30pm Art as Prayer, FH	9 Day Camp & VBS registrations due	10 10:30am AA
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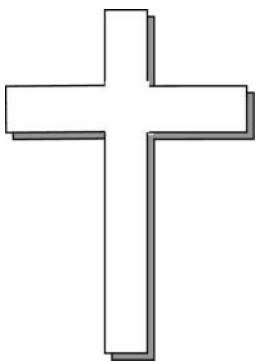
JULY HAPPENINGS AT TRINITY

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HOLY GOD, THIS FATHER'S DAY, I DECLARE YOUR WORD OVER MY FATHER'S LIFE. BLESS HIM WITH WISDOM THAT WILL HELP HIM TO DISCERN YOUR WILL. BLESS HIS EVERY STEP, THAT WHENEVER MY FATHER RUNS OR WALKS, HE WILL NOT BE HAMPERED NOR WILL HE STUMBLE. INSTEAD, HE WILL SOAR LIKE AN EAGLE. FINALLY, BLESS HIM WITH PROTECTION AGAINST TEMPTATIONS AND SINS, SO THAT THE EVIL ONE HAS NO FOOTHOLD ON MY FATHER. I PRAY THAT HE KEEPS YOUR WORDS IN HIS HEART SO THAT HE EMERGES VICTORIOUS FROM ANY TRIALS. MAY YOU CONTINUE TO BE THE ROCK THAT MY FATHER CAN LEAN ON AT ALL TIMES, AMEN.