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Office hours:

Mon - Fri: 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Sundays at Trinity

9:15 a.m. Worship
~~10:15 a.m. Fellowship~~ Suspended
8:45 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Sunday School
(assigned groups)

Listen live Sundays on **KVIK 104.7 FM**
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Saturday Worship

5:00 p.m.
1st and 3rd Saturdays each month

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BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS: OCTOBER 4

Adapted from Franciscan Media, by Kevin E. Mackin,
OFM, Franciscan of the Holy Name Province

St. Francis of Assisi, whose feast day is October 4th, loved the larks flying about his hilltop town. He and his early brothers, staying in a small hovel, allowed themselves to be displaced by a donkey. Francis wrote a Canticum of the Creatures, an ode to God's living things. "All praise to you, Oh Lord, for all these brother and sister creatures."



There are more than 62 million cats in the U.S. and 52 million dogs. The bond between person and pet is like no other relationship because the communication between fellow creatures is at its most basic. And our farm animals, as well, are important to us.

The Blessing of Animals usually goes like this:

"Blessed are you, Lord God, maker of all living creatures. You called forth fish in the sea, birds in the air and animals on the land. You inspired Saint Francis to call all of them his brothers and sisters. We ask you to bless this animal. By the power of your love, enable it to live according to your plan. May we always praise you for all your beauty in creation. Blessed are you, Lord our God, in all your creatures! Amen."

Some people criticize the amount and cost of care given to pets. People are more important, they say. Care for poor people instead of poodles. And certainly our needy fellow humans should not be neglected.

However, I believe every creature is important. The love we give to a pet, and receive from a pet, can draw us more deeply into the larger circle of life, into the wonder of our common relationship to our Creator.

Trinity Lutheran will celebrate the Blessing of Animals on October 4 at our **9:15 a.m.** service on the north and east sides of the church, weather permitting. The blessing will occur at the end of the service. Please keep your animals on leashes or in crates until the blessing. If you plan to bring a larger animal to be blessed – and they are welcome! – please call the church office ahead of time.

OCTOBER 25: REFORMATION SUNDAY WORSHIP AND CONFIRMATION SERVICE

More details inside about these two upcoming special services.

FROM OUR PASTORS

“For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me. ... Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.” ~ Matthew 25:35-36,40b

Beloved Children of God,

Recently several people have asked me “Is Greta all right?” I think almost everyone knows that I walk my little schnauzer, Greta, every morning and most evenings, and when they saw me walking alone several times in the last couple of weeks they were concerned that something had happened to Greta.

I want to assure you that Greta is fine. She still gets her morning and evening walks, plus a lot of play time in between. But since school started, I’ve also been a “walking school bus” volunteer in the morning. I walk to the southwest part of town, pick up two sisters at their babysitter’s house, then walk them the rest of the way to school. It’s another way the school is helping keep kids safe during this time when COVID has temporarily changed the way kids get to school. And I’m happy to help!

One of the things I love about serving Trinity is living in Spring Grove, where people notice if your dog is not with you on your morning walk. (Sometimes they notice other things as well, but that’s another story.) Paying attention means people care. Research shows that communities thrive when they look out for one-another, when they have strong social bonds, and when they have a strong faith foundation. And I believe we have all those things here.

We are now more than six months into COVID, and we’ve had to adapt in numerous ways – at school, here at church, in how we shop, and more. And it hasn’t always been easy.

But research also shows that humans are very adaptable, even when we think we aren’t. There are numerous examples of how Trinity has continued to care for our neighbor in need – from the HIP program to Helping Hands to the Habitat House to putting together layettes and school kits – during this time.

There are also numerous examples of how we’ve adapted to love our neighbor in new ways. We called our “81 over 81” members twice. We sanitize frequently. We wear masks and keep our distance. We worship outdoors and online.

Thank you for all you’ve done to love God by serving your neighbor during this time.

God bless you! ~Pr. Elizabeth



Revelation 1:9-11 *“I, John, your brother who shares with you in Jesus the persecution and the kingdom and the patient endurance, was on the island called Patmos because of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. ¹⁰I was in the spirit on the Lord’s day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet ¹¹saying, ‘Write in a book what you see and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus, to Smyrna, to Pergamum, to Thyatira, to Sardis, to Philadelphia, and to Laodicea.’”*

As John wrote the book of Revelation, he wanted the churches reading it to consider it being God’s word directly to them. John’s letter was just passing on what God told him. John had been banished to a small island called Patmos. He was writing to in a world dominated by the Roman being corrupted by society; some had Revelation speak to the questions of who uses bold and dramatic visions to remind



seven churches who are struggling to survive Empire. Some faced persecution; some were quit taking their faith seriously. The visions in or what is at the center of Christian life. John us that Jesus is at the center of Christian life.

John also wrote these visions to us today. what Christians faced so many years ago. We face being corrupted by the society we live in; many churches are struggling to survive especially in this time of COVID; some people have just quit taking their faith seriously. The images raised in Revelation are bold and colorful. They are meant to keep us Christ-centered even today.

We face our own struggles, some similar to

~Pastor Lane

WORSHIP IN OCTOBER

Jesus said: "A man was going to Jericho when he was attacked and left half dead. A priest was going down the same road, and when he saw the man, passed by on the other side. So too, a Levite. But a Samaritan took care of him. Which of these was a neighbor?" The expert in the law replied, "The one who had mercy on him." Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise." Luke 10:25-37 (paraphrased)

The Trinity COVID-19 Response Team met on Tuesday, September 15, and agreed that it is best for our community for worship to continue outdoors for the foreseeable future. Worship will be moved indoors with limited attendance in case of rain or if the temperature is colder than 50 degrees. Once capacity is reached inside, members will need to either watch Facebook Live or listen on the radio. Changes will be announced on 498-HOPE, our website, and Facebook by 8:00 a.m.

In addition, the following decisions were made regarding worship:

- We will begin Saturday evening in-person worship with communion beginning Saturday, October 3 and 17. Individuals wishing to attend will need to sign up ahead of time using Signup Genius or by calling the church office.
- It is very important that COVID guidelines be maintained at funerals. Masks are required and seating is limited to every other pew with 6 feet of distancing in the middle for non-family members. If capacity is reached in the sanctuary, the fellowship hall will be available for overflow (with the funeral service available on speakers) but distancing and masks are required there as well.
- A fogger to assist with sanitation procedures is being purchased to help with cleaning the sanctuary for when we have Saturday and Sunday worship inside.
- If school moves to virtual only, Trinity worship moves to virtual (radio and Facebook Live).
- If there is an active case of COVID in the Trinity community, Trinity moves to virtual (radio and Facebook Live).

Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

Friendly reminder on how to wear a mask.

And remember....they need washing, too! 😊



Yes!
nose, mouth, chin
covered.

No...
nose not covered.

No...
nose, mouth, chin
not covered.

FALL YOUTH PROGRAMMING IS BACK!

Even though it's a bit later than usual, Trinity is ready for Sunday School, Confirmation, and Release Time to begin in October! Here is how those programs will work this year:

SUNDAY SCHOOL - We have split our Sunday School students into four groups - Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. These groups were divided based on school cohorts and family units. The students in the Matthew group will come the first two weeks of the month at 8:45 a.m. on Sunday mornings (before worship) and the students in Mark will come those same Sundays but after church at 10:30 a.m. Luke and John groups will have a similar schedule but on the last two Sundays of the month. Sunday School will meet outdoors as long as weather permits. If we are to meet indoors, Sunday School will take place in the Fellowship Hall with proper distancing and mask-wearing. Parents of Sunday School children should have received a letter with group assignments and schedule. Email Bekah if you didn't receive one! cyf.trinitysg@gmail.com

CONFIRMATION - Confirmation mentor groups will meet in person 15 times throughout the school year (5 weeks in a row 3 times throughout the year). Mentor groups will Zoom in to a 10-15 minute lecture with Pastor Elizabeth and then have 45-50 minutes to discuss. Students and mentors have the option to meet virtually with Zoom. There will also be four Trinity U classes offered this fall - Nine Square Construction, Exploring the Bird Trail, Fall Clean-Up, and Stars! Each Confirmation youth will attend one of these classes.

RELEASE TIME - Bekah and Pastor Len Liptack will meet with most K-5 Spring Grove School students on Wednesday afternoons for religious Release Time! Students will be released by their school cohorts and each cohort will have Release Time once a month October through April. Proper distancing and mask-wearing will be maintained!

MIDDLE SCHOOL GAME NIGHT - Middle School Game Night (MSGN) will meet every other Friday at 7:30 p.m. starting October 9! This fun night of fellowship is for 7th and 8th graders - invite your friends! MSGN will meet in Bekah's backyard for a bonfire until weather doesn't allow us to do so; then a new plan will be made! Confirmation students - watch Remind for announcements related to MSGN!

3:16s - Our high school youth group will begin meeting weekly on Wednesdays at 8:00 p.m. starting October 7. These evenings of fellowship are for 9th-12th graders and will meet in Bekah's backyard until it is too cold to do so; then we'll move into our new youth room at Trinity Center!

If you have **questions** about any of the above programs, Bekah would be happy to chat with you! You can call her at the church office, 498-5291, or email her at cyf.trinitysg@gmail.com!

OCTOBER 25: REFORMATION SUNDAY WORSHIP AT 9:15 A.M. AND CONFIRMATION AT 11 A.M.

Please join us on Sunday, October 25, for two big celebrations at Trinity: At our 9:15 a.m. worship service, we will celebrate the 503rd anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation. Weather permitting, that service will be held outside in the parking lot – on chairs or in cars – so we can sing “A Mighty Fortress” as our closing hymn.

Then, at 11:00 a.m. our eleven 10th graders will affirm their baptism during a special Confirmation service. That service will be held indoors in the sanctuary for **confirmands and their families and friends only**.

Confirmation families, please note the change in time for the service and look out for a communication from Bekah about how to RSVP for the Confirmation service. Masks will be worn, and distancing will apply for the indoor service.

Both services will be streamed on Facebook Live, and the 9:15 service will also be on the radio.



UPDATE FROM WELCA

It's been another busy month for the ladies of Trinity Church. Karen and Jim Gray provided us with a wonderful surprise of items used in making layette kits. Also, others used Thrivent cards to purchase items used in the layette kits. This has been such a blessing at a time many of the items we had sent were destroyed in the Beirut, Lebanon explosion a few months ago. Lutheran World Relief (LWR) quilts and kits were on a cargo ship parked in the harbor, in total three 45-foot storage containers were destroyed containing valuable items for refugees and others in need.

The warehouse in South St. Paul which collects and processes items for LWR was almost empty when Jacque Wennes dropped off 80 quilts, 80 layette kits, and 56 school bags on August 25. Typically this warehouse has supplies to fill semitrailers to be driven to Maryland where they are transferred to the 45-foot containers to be transferred by cargo ships to their destinations.

On September 1 Confirmation students, with the help of Trinity Church women, assembled another 106 layette kits. These kits contain 2 t-shirts, 2 sleepers, 1 jacket/sweater with hood, 2 receiving blankets, 4 cloth diapers, 2 pairs of socks, 2 diaper pins, 2 bars of soap, and 1 hand towel in sizes 6-months to 24-months. We have enough supplies to assemble another 100-120 layettes which will be done in early October. Thanks to Marian Bunge for all her homemade knit sweaters and Mary Deters for keeping our WELCA stewardship team busy and organized.

Judy Bratland has many more school bags also ready for LWR with the help of others donating items. These nylon drawstring school bags contain notebooks of ruled-paper, scissors, ruler, pencil sharpener, 6 pencils, eraser, construction paper, and crayons.

Yvonne Krogstad and Jacque Wennes took Trinity's Boutique to the Farmer's Market and sold some items made by Trinity Women. They also sold 5 quarts of syrup for the youth.

Some of our circles are beginning to meet with extra precautions and for some women it is nice to have Bible Study in-person. If there is any woman who would like to join a circle please do not hesitate to call Jacque Wennes, (563) 380-5454, or if you know someone who attends a circle ask them to go along. Many of us find it is an avenue to feel connected and continue to learn what the Bible has to offer.

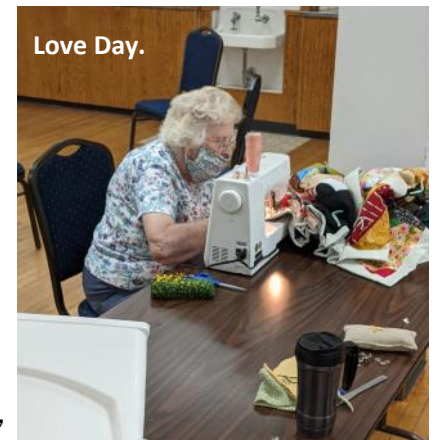
We will meet for Love Day on the last Friday of September and October, we usually begin around 9:00 a.m., bring a sack lunch. A person does not need any quilting skills; we tie quilts and there are many to teach the process as we enjoy each other's company. For those who are unable to stand, we have things to do sitting. Come try it, you MIGHT like us after all.



Youth helping pack layettes.



Youth helping pack layettes.



Love Day.



Some of the ladies that helped pack layettes.

TRINITY IS NOW PART OF AMAZON SMILE! What is AmazonSmile? It is a simple way to support a favorite charity (Trinity!) every time you shop on Amazon, at no cost to you! When you shop at AmazonSmile, you'll find the exact same low prices and selection just like on Amazon.com with the added benefit that Amazon donates 0.5% of eligible purchases to the charitable organization of the shopper's choice. There is no cost to the shopper for shopping through AmazonSmile and there is no cost to the charitable organization.



Here's how to shop through AmazonSmile....

- 1) Visit this website and it will automatically put Trinity as the charity that will receive the AmazonSmile donation: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/41-0724052>. (Or you can simply go to: smile.amazon.com and search for "Trinity Lutheran Church" as the charitable organization you want to select.....there are other churches with the same name, so make sure to look for a Trinity from Spring Grove, MN.)
- 2) Shop as usual! Tens of millions of products are eligible for donations. These products will be marked "Eligible for AmazonSmile donation" on their product detail page.

Please note.....if you have previously chosen a charitable organization through AmazonSmile, you can easily change it to Trinity....you can take turns selecting your favorite organizations to receive the donation!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF TRINITY AND ITS MINISTRIES

Thank you so much for your continued support of Trinity and our ministries during this time when we can't be together.

We have options to receive your offering during this time when we will not be gathering at the Trinity building:

- ▶ **ELECTRONICALLY:** via our website, www.trinitysg.org. Click on the "Contribute" link on the ride-side of the page.
- ▶ **BY MAIL:** Trinity Lutheran Church, 203 E. Main St., Spring Grove, MN 55974.

Remember — **sponsorships for the radio broadcast** (\$100) or **Missionary for a Day candle** (\$40) can also still be done. Do you have a certain date in mind?

Give us a call, 498-5291, and leave a message or send us an email, trinity@springgrove.coop.



SEPTEMBER 9, 2020 CONGREGATION COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Motions passed:

- To accept the Constitution with changes as presented with the exception of the Endowments.
- To allow Spring Grove Assisted Living facility to use Trinity as a temporary evacuation space.
- To rent one room at Trinity Center to Little Gnome Daycare and to comply with their list of items required.
- To suspend the choir conductor's contract as of 9/4/20 due to the inability of the conductor to comply with the contract terms and responsibilities for reasons beyond his control.
- To hire Scott Solberg, effective 9/5/20, as a temporary employee to provide individual and group music as well as audiovisual support for worship services with periodic review of responsibilities.
- To authorize \$6,000 for improvements at Trinity Center including keycard system, locks, handles, and cement as well as leveling of cement slab leading to stairs.
- To accept the Education Team fundraisers as presented (dependent on COVID-19 restraints: Thanksgiving pies, stock sales, Lenten suppers, Easter breakfast, Syttende Mai dinner, 144 envelope challenge).

Next Meeting: October 14 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom and in-person in the Gathering Room.

Complete minutes are on Trinity's website.

SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT

Each year Trinity's Scholarship Endowment awards scholarships to Trinity members that are just graduating from high school through their fourth year of college. The students have to reapply each year. This fund has helped many, many students throughout the years.



An anonymous donor has offered to match all donations 1:1 to the Scholarship Endowment through December 28, 2020! What a generous blessing! Usually the Endowment holds a fall fundraiser, but due to the COVID situation, the fundraiser is postponed until sometime in 2021. The Endowment is grateful for donations made at this time so that they can continue their mission to help our students.

If making a donation, please make checks out to Trinity Scholarship Endowment. Thank you!

STAYING IN TOUCH WITH OUR YOUNG ADULTS

Many young adults are away from home at college, in the military, or working. Or maybe they are at home but going to college. Trinity's Outreach Team would like to periodically send these young adults notes of encouragement or just a simple "hello we are thinking of you."



Do you have a young adult in college or military or in the workforce? Or are you one of those young adults? Please send us their mailing and email address so that the Outreach Team can send them a note, too. Thank you!

EMAIL ADDRESS UPDATE REMINDER:

Please update your contact list for....

Bekah, she will now be using this email address: cyf.trinitysg@gmail.com.

Marlene and Stewart will both be using this email address: trinity@springgrove.coop

FRIDAY EMAILS

As you know, on Fridays we send an email with news about the weekend and upcoming week. We've been having different issues with this email going through to our list. Last week we tried a new method of delivery — through MailChimp. Please check your spam/junk/promotions folders to see if the email is "stuck" there. We are continuing to work on finding the best, most reliable method to get this information delivered to everyone. Please bear with us as we get this figured out. Thanks for your patience!

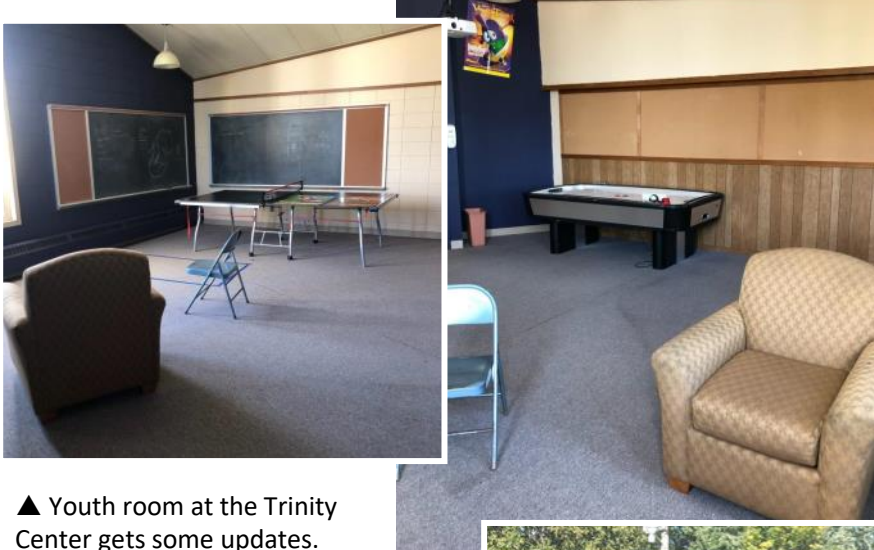


If you would like to be added to the Friday email list, please let us know in the office. Thank you!

YOUTUBE

Did you miss a Sunday worship service? Would you like to hear a Bible story read to your children? Remember all of these things are available on our YouTube channel.....past worship services, Bible Stories with Bekah, and short videos on Telling the Trinity Stewardship Story. Lots of things to watch, check it out! [Click here.](#)





▲ Youth room at the Trinity Center gets some updates.

▼ The end of our driveway was in tough shape. Thank you JC and Darla Nerstad for the donation of having it renewed!



▲ Welcome to God's family, Timothy, proud parents Eric and Karla Hansen.

◀ ▼ New spots for worship!
Now in the parking lot to enjoy the morning sun and avoid the dewy grass.



◀ Handbell rehearsals began again!

▼ Trinity ladies found a way to do lunch outdoors!



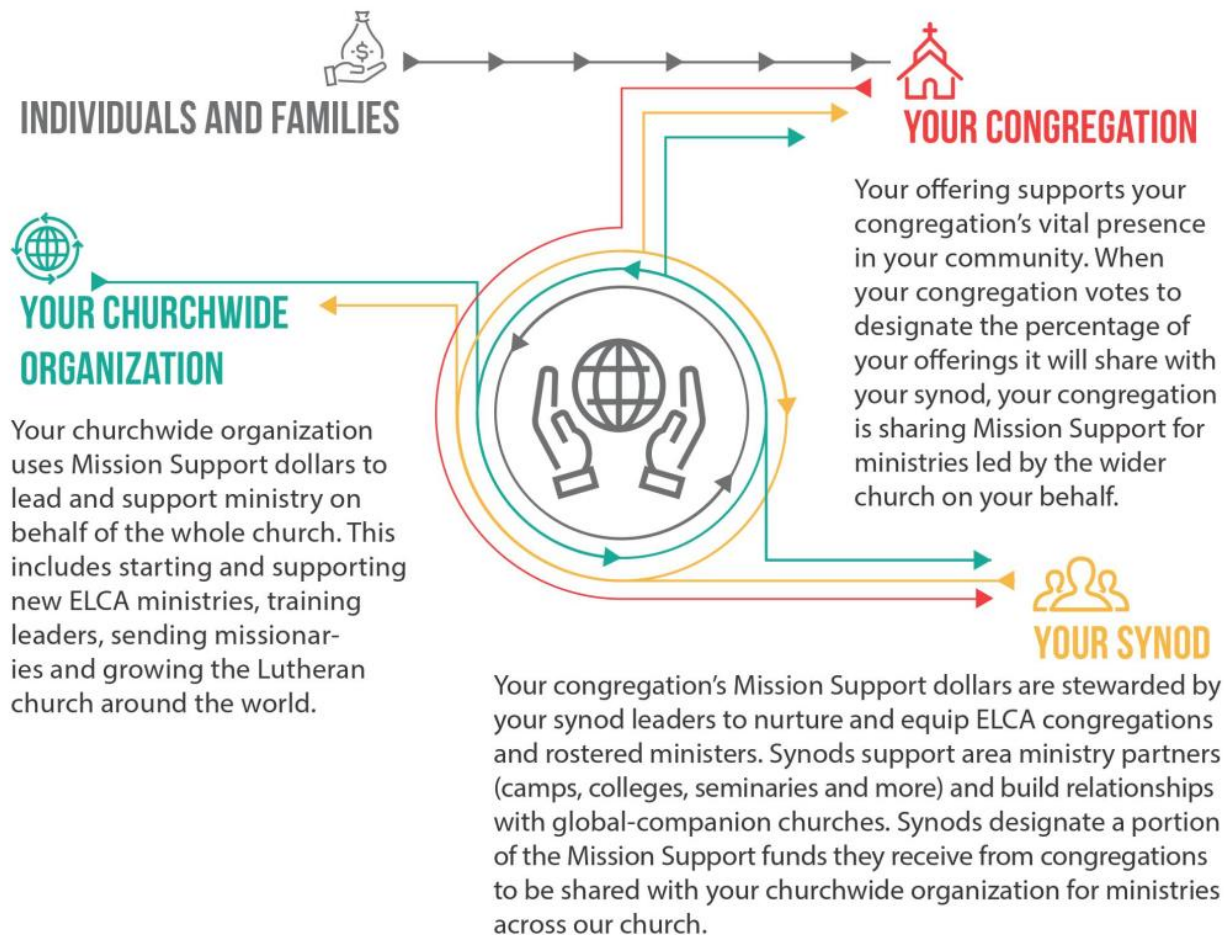
HOW YOUR OFFERING BECOMES MISSION SUPPORT

As Lutherans, we believe that Christ has freed us from sin and death, and even from ourselves, so that we can love and serve our neighbors. One way we put our faith in action is by making a financial gift — an offering — to our congregation.

Each year, ELCA congregations pledge to share a portion of their offerings to fund ELCA ministries in their synods and beyond. We call these funds Mission Support.

Mission Support enables the ELCA's 9,100 congregations and 65 synods to pool resources to love and serve our neighbors in ways that no individual or congregation can do alone. Mission Support is one way we are church together — it's essential to who we are as the ELCA. Through Mission Support, we expand our participation in God's life-changing work in our communities and around the world.

HOW MISSION SUPPORT FUNDS MINISTRY ACROSS OUR CHURCH



2019 FINANCIAL PICTURE

In 2019, ELCA members gave \$1.7 billion in unrestricted offerings* to support God’s mission and ministry through the three expressions of the ELCA. Thank you for your generosity!

94.5% — CONGREGATIONS

\$1.6 billion remained with and was stewarded by the ELCA’s 9,100 congregations. \$93.5 million was shared by congregations as Mission Support.

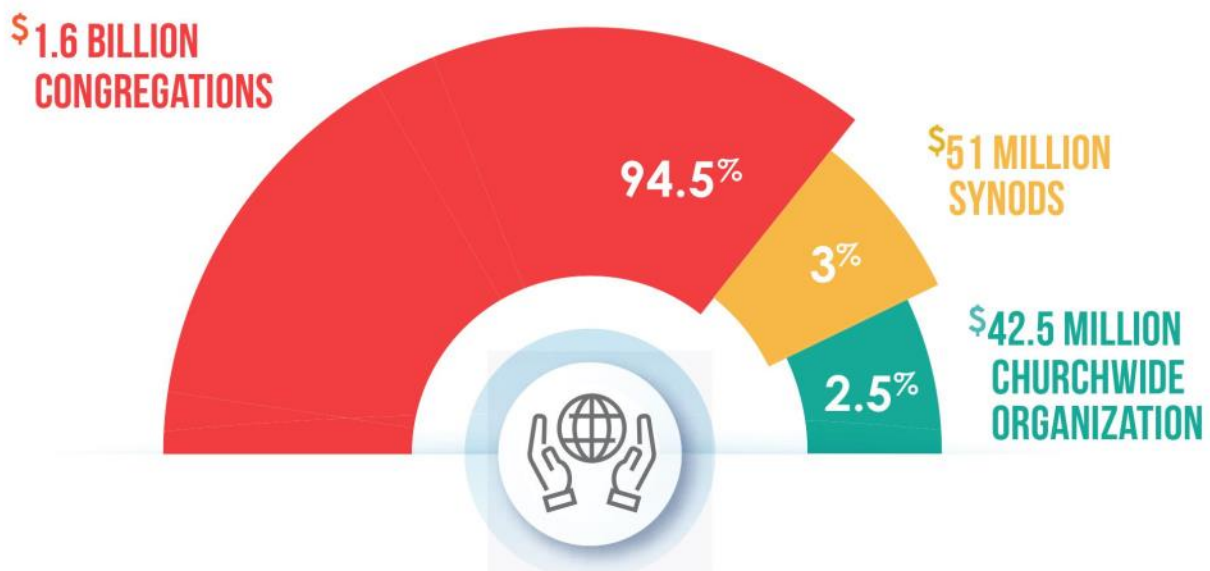
3% — SYNODS

\$51 million was stewarded by the ELCA’s 65 synods.

2.5% — CHURCHWIDE ORGANIZATION

\$42.5 million of Mission Support was stewarded by the ELCA churchwide organization.

*Unrestricted offerings do not include special offerings (e.g., congregational capital improvements or gifts to ministries such as Lutheran Disaster Response or ELCA World Hunger).



READ ON FOR STORIES OF FAITH IN ACTION —
MADE POSSIBLE BY MISSION SUPPORT!

LEGAL RULES FOR CHURCHES AND POLITICS

What a church MAY DO:

- ★ Voter registration that does not endorse a particular political candidate or party.
- ★ Distribute material that is educational, but does not endorse a particular candidate or party.
- ★ Conduct candidate or issue forums where all candidates are given equal opportunity; the same applies to elected officials or candidates invited to address a church service.
- ★ Lobby on potential legislation as long as the amount budgeted is not a substantial amount of its annual budget (5% or less is safe).
- ★ Pastors may endorse candidates in their capacity as private citizens and may allow their title to be used in the endorsement.
- ★ Pastors may participate in political committees that are independent of the church.



What a church MAY NOT DO:

- ★ Pastors cannot endorse candidates on behalf of their church and should never do so from the pulpit or at any other church meeting, either directly or indirectly.
- ★ Contribute funds or services directly to candidates or political committees.
- ★ Distribute material that clearly favors any one candidate or political party.
- ★ Pay fees for political events from church funds.
- ★ Set up a political committee that contributes funds to any candidate.
- ★ No campaign or political committee should allow a campaign or political committee to solicit funds while speaking at a church.

DEAR FRIEND IN CHRIST LETTER EXCHANGE PROJECT

Women of the ELCA are a community and have an opportunity to stay connected via an unique letter-exchange.

How does it work?

1. Write a letter. Use the “Dear Friend in Christ” salutation. Fill a page or two, however you are inspired. Among other things, please share your thoughts on these questions:
How is your faith in Jesus Christ sustaining you during the global pandemic? What words of encouragement can you offer the person who receives your letter?
2. You can handwrite or type the letter.
3. You could include a drawing, a photo, or a recipe, anything that fits into an envelope.
4. Offer up a prayer for the recipient.
5. You may include your mailing address in the letter if you do not wish to remain anonymous.
6. Print and sign the Dear Friend in Christ release form. If you don’t have access to a printer, please use our online form. We cannot exchange letters without a release.
7. Mail your letter and signed release form to Dear Friend in Christ, Women of the ELCA, 8765 W Higgins Road, Chicago IL 60631. Deadline for mailing letters to the churchwide organization is October 15, 2020.



What else do I need to know?

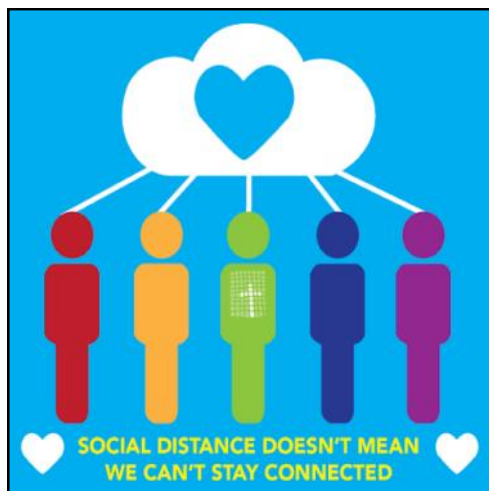
When you write to Dear Friend in Christ, your letter will be swapped with a letter from another writer. They will get your letter; you will get their letter. The exchange is anonymous (unless you provide your contact information), so you can share as little or as much information about yourself as you like.

Dear Friend in Christ is open to all participants, although writers under 18 must have parental consent. A release form is needed with each letter. A release form can be downloaded and printed or filled out online. Visit, www.womenoftheelca.org/special-initiatives/dear-friend-christ to find the form.

Letters are paired at random, and will be tried to be paired with someone in a different geographical part of the ELCA. Women of the ELCA staff read all letters before the exchange happens. Letters should be We will continue exchanging letters received through All Saints Day, November 1, 2020.

Volunteers

498-AMEN	
September 27– October 3	Joyce Landsom
October 4–17	Karen and Bill Fried
October 18–24	Ruth Johnsrud
October 25–31	Judy Bratland
Lectors	
October 4	Rachel Udstuen
October 11	Lee Hoekstra
October 25	Maggie Lile
Youth Worship Helpers	
October 4	Ruby Engeldinger, Jaxon Strinmoen
October 11	Siri Konkkel, Eli Solum
October 18	Macy Kraus, Ellie Halverson
October 25	Addison Turner, Cierra Blaskowski
Ushers	
October 4, 11, 18, 25	Jeff Ellingson (captain), Jeremy Myhre, Dale Buxengard, Stewart Storlie, Chris Deck, Dave Selness **
	** Ushers – 1 team member is needed each week to assist the Youth Worship Helpers. Your entire team is not needed each week.



WAYS TO STAY CONNECTED TO TRINITY

- **498-HOPE (4673)**
-short daily messages and updates
- **498-AMEN (2636)**
-daily devotionals
- **www.trinitysg.org**
-news, updates, info
- **Facebook: Trinity Lutheran Church Spring Grove**
-updates, music, worship, info
- **YouTube:**
Trinity Lutheran: Spring Grove
-video recordings of worship, Bible Stories with Bekah, short messages from Pr. Elizabeth
- **Instagram**
-photos, updates
- **KVIK 104.7FM**
- Sunday worship service, updates
- www.kvikradio.com

October happenings at Trinity

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 6pm Education Team	2	3 5pm Worship, Sanctuary
4 9:15am Worship/ Blessing of Animals, outdoor Rally Sunday Group 1 8:45 & 10:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Team	5	6 4:45pm Outreach & Communications Team leads meeting 7pm Response Team, FH/Zoom	7 1pm & 2pm Release Time, TC 6pm Confirmation 7pm Handbells 8pm 3:16s, Bekah's yard	8 7pm Finance Team	9 7pm Middle School Game Night, Bekah's yard	10 10am Trinity U: Bird Trail 1pm Trinity U: Nine Square, TC
11 9:15am Worship/ New Members, outdoor 8:45 & 10:30am Sunday School	12 7pm Care Ministry, FH	13 10:30am Assisted Living Communion, outdoors 5:45pm Stewardship	14 1pm & 2pm Release Time, TC 6pm Confirmation 7pm Council; Handbells 8pm 3:16s, Bekah's yard	15 9:30am Manor Communion 7pm Staffing Team, Zoom	16	17 11am Baptism 5pm Worship, Sanctuary
18 9:15am Worship, outdoor Rally Sunday Group 2 8:45 & 10:30am Sunday School	19	20	21 1pm & 2pm Release Time, TC 6pm Confirmation 7pm Handbells; Trinity U: Stars 8pm 3:16s, Bekah's yard	22 9:30am Tweeten Apartments Communion	23 12pm Newsletter info due in office 7pm Middle School Game Night, Bekah's yard	24 Trinity U: Fall Clean-Up
25 Reformation 9:15am Worship, outdoor 8:45 & 10:30am Sunday School 11am Confirmation Service (confirmands & guests only)	26	27	28 1pm & 2pm Release Time, TC 6pm Confirmation 7pm Handbells 8pm 3:16s, Bekah's yard	29 2pm Newsletter assembled	30 9am Love Day	31

FH = Fellowship Hall (large room in basement)

GR = Gathering Room (in basement near men's bathroom)

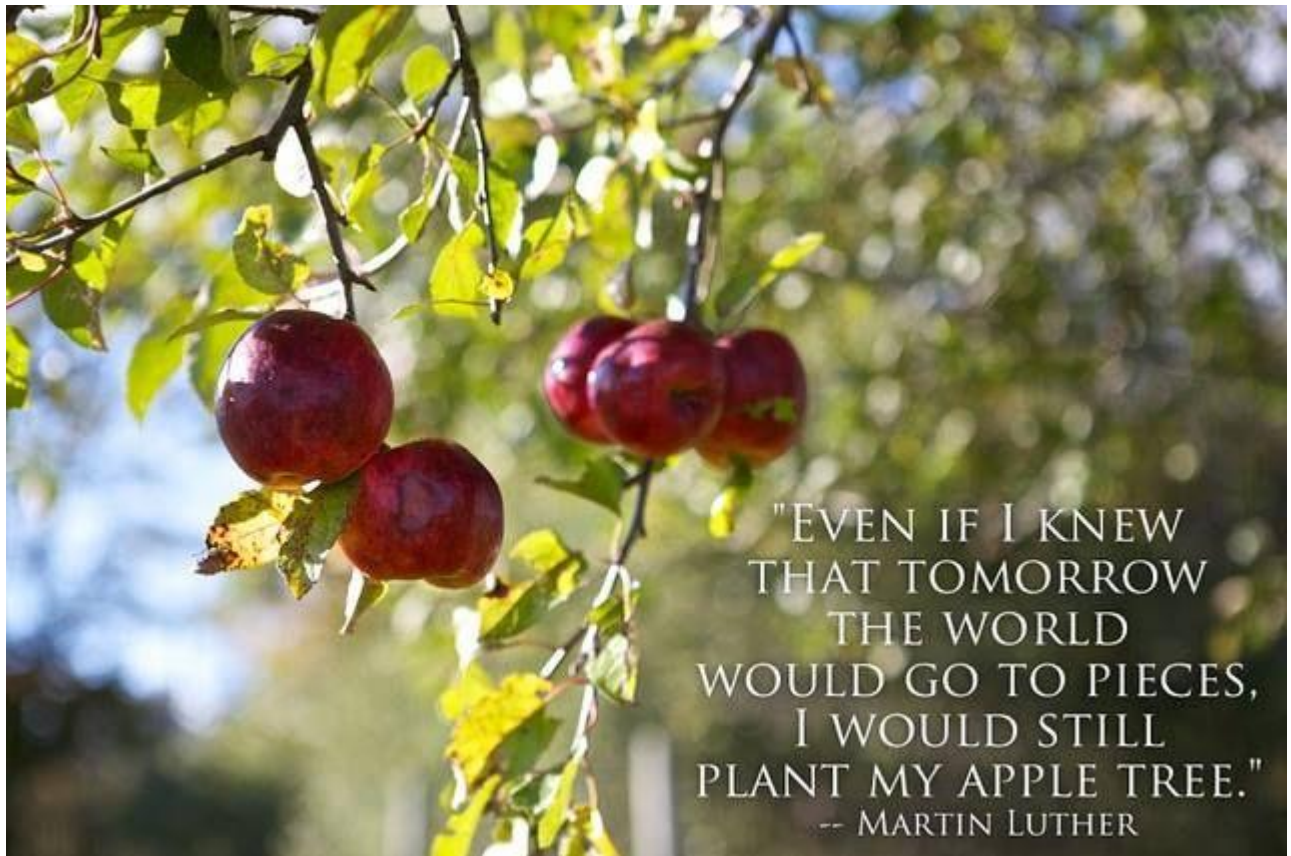
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