

Dear Family in Christ,

As this is being written our young people are preparing to leave on their trip to North Carolina. What will happen on this trip? Who knows? Some of the youth trips in the past have gone without a hitch. Other trips have had a host of problems along the way. Rooms given away at hotels where they had reservations. Derailing on a train track that meant getting off taking a bus for miles to go around and then getting on another train. People getting sick.

Yet each trip led to new growth and new joy. Each trip gave our young people a chance to grow in faith and maturity. Each trip opened doors to a new understanding of God, of self, and of the world. Our young people are showing us the depth of life in Christ.

We move through the journey of life in faith. Who knows how bumpy or smooth the trip will be. There will be challenges and there will be the deepest joys you can imagine. If we travel the road in faith we can be sure that we will grow. We will grow in faith toward our Lord. We will grow in love for one another. We will grow in thankfulness for life. We will break out of the cocoons that bind us and fly into ever new skies.

All we have to do is have enough faith to take the trip. God has promised to be with us along the way and so we face each path with hope and strength and we know where the journey ends. And so with the psalmist we sing:

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul.

He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

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Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff—they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long (or forever).

What will happen in the journey of life? Who knows? But we do know where we are going and where the path leads. So let us take the adventure that is given us.

Yours in Christ, Pastor Cris and Pastor Dave

FAMILY PROMISE AUG. 11-18



BOOK GROUP— HEADS UP!!

This year we will be focusing on books that call the Church and Christians to new understanding. Our first book this year will be One Coin Found by Emmy Kegler. Emmy was a speaker at our synod assembly this year. In this

book she shares the story of being a person who found it difficult to find a place in the Church. But who finally saw the welcoming reality of our Lord and embraced that Lord with joy, Emmy's story calls us to see the place where we have not made a place at the table for those who understanding of the world and self are different than ours. Come and join as us we challenge ourselves to see the world in new ways. More details on the times for books study will be found in the September newsletter. If there are those who would really like to have an evening study group please let Pastor Dave know ASAP and offer suggestions for a day and time. Also welcome are ideas for more books to put on the "must read" list!



ADVENT CANTATA - December 7-8

Planning for Trinity's 14th Advent Cantata is underway, with the choir again under the direction of Darci Ketter. If you have not sung with the cantata choir in the past but would like to join this year, see Hazel Griffin to be added to the e-mail communication list!

Rehearsals are Wednesdays from 6:30-8 on: September 25— October 2—November 6—November 20—December 4—and Final dress rehearsal on the afternoon of Saturday December 7

Cantata worship services:

Saturday December 7 at 5 p.m. Sunday December 8 at 9:30 a.m.

THANK YOU, TIFFANY WILSON!!!

An enormous thank you to Tiffany Wilson, who has taken on the task of providing frequent updates to the Trinity Facebook page to make Trinity more visible in social media. We have had many positive comments from nonmembers who have noticed our enhanced and timely online presence!

If you do not receive the Trinity Facebook updates, search for Trinity West Bend ELCA and like and follow the page to help spread the news of what is happening at Trinity!

GATHER FOR THE GATHERING

The Gathering in Milwaukee is a community of guests, volunteers and staff united by a common goal: <u>To feed the hungry in body, mind and spirit.</u>

There is a great need for new volunteers during the summer when fewer college student volunteers are available. Small groups from Trinity have gone to serve summer Friday breakfasts. You are invited to join us on **August 2 and/or August 16.** We meet at Trinity at 6 a.m. and carpool to the site. Anyone age 10 or older is invited to serve.

(Wear comfortable clothes but no sandals.) Return to West Bend by 11 a.m.

Also mark your calendars for **Saturday November 9**, when Trinity will have the opportunity to help prepare and serve lunch at the downtown Milwaukee meal site. There are tasks for children (age 10 and up) to adult, so make this a family event! Details on times and carpooling coming in the fall!

härmənē III - October 6 - CONCERT AND FUNDRAISER

The men of **härmənē** are back, singing in support of another great cause in Washington County – **Camp Hometown Heroes** (for children/siblings of fallen servicemen) and **Camp Reunite** (for children who have a mother incarcerated at Taycheedah Correctional Facility). For more information on the camps, visit the web site **www.camphometownheroes.org**

We are currently accepting donations of new items for raffle baskets or pre-assembled themed baskets as well as higher value items for a silent auction or super raffle. Items may be dropped off in the church office.

Watch for Sign-Up Genius and paper signups later in the summer for ways that you can volunteer and help us make this a successful benefit for these camps serving children who have lost so much.



God's Work. Our Hands. Day of Service – October 5

Trinity's third God's Work. Our Hands. day of community service is Saturday October 5. As in the past, there will be projects available for all ages and all levels of physical ability! Volunteering benefits individuals and agencies in our community, but volunteering in a shared activity is also one of the best ways to get to know new people in our church family and strengthen existing relationships.

Watch for project site details and signups later in August! If you would like to order a God's Work. Our Hands. shirt, sign up on the order form in the Heritage Room by the Outreach/Compassion International display. Order deadline is September 15.



PLEASE don't forget to drop off your unwanted books, kid games, puzzles, cd's & dvd's for the annual OWLS Book Sale coming up soon in September! This is a fundraising event for the group with proceeds helping support the team making blankets and those creating Prayer Shawls among others. If you feel the need to help, set-up takes place on 9/19 & 20 with the sale open to TLC members on the 21st/22nd. The public is invited on Sept. 26-27-28. THIS IS "FUN WORK"!! COME JOIN US!! (Helpers get first dibs on the merchandise!!)



Older Wiser Lutherans (OWLS) meet on August 8 for a good old-fashioned ice cream social with a side order of Turkey! Terry Rosenthal is back home in the "states" for a short time this summer and would enjoy spending some time with her friends and sharing stories from her "new" home. If that is not enough to get you to join us we might get in a few games of HIGH STAKES BINGO!! You don't have to be old, wise or even Lutheran for that matter! All are welcome!



Our first youth appreciation/recognition Sunday – August 4th during the 9:30 worship. It will be a chance for us all to celebrate their important place in our congregation, their contributions to our life together, their accomplishments, and to offer a special blessing for our Graduates as they move forward toward their future plans.

The dates for the 9th Grade Overnight are: Sunday August 11th at 3:00 pm to Monday, August 12th at 11:00 am at the Country Inn and Suites in Jackson, WI.

This is a REQUIRED CONFIRMATION ACTIVITY.

The 9th Grade Overnight Makeup (for anyone who misses the overnight) is Sunday, September 22nd from 11:00am to 4:00pm.

August Events

Sunday, August 11th- Monday, August 12th 9th Grade Overnight Wednesday, August 21st – 7:00pm 7th Grade Orientation for parents and youth Wednesday, August 28th – 6:00pm 8th Grade pizza party Wednesday, August 28th – 7:00pm Orientation for 8th Grade parents Thursday, August 29th, - 7:00pm 9th Grade orientation for parents and youth

The selected date for Confirmation 2019 (for our 2019 Freshmen) is October 13th at 11:30am.

CONFIRMATION AND SENIOR HIGH SERVICE PROJECT DONATE TRAVEL/HOTEL SIZE TOILETRIES

In September, our confirmation and senior high students will begin an ongoing project of assembling hygiene kits for the homeless for Mr. Bob's Under the Bridge, an outreach ministry coordinated by a member of Advent Lutheran Church (ELCA, RIC) in Cedarburg. Every weekend of the year, Mr. Bob's visits the homeless who live under the bridges in Milwaukee and surrounding communities to distribute clothing, hygiene kits, etc.

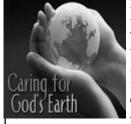
Over 5000 hygiene kits are given out every year. **Each hygiene pack contains a washcloth, travel size toothpaste, toothbrush, and hotel/travel size bar soap, shampoo, conditioner, and lotion.**We will gratefully accept your donations of unopened travel shampoo, conditioner, lotion, bar soap and toothpaste. New toothbrushes and new or gently used washcloths are also welcome! Look for a donation bin in the Heritage Room! An application has also been made for Thrivent Action Funds to purchase items to supplement your donations.

To learn more about the mission of Mr. Bob's Under the Bridge, see https://mrbobsunderthebridge.org/



In the Schoob household we are finding we have far more than we need and we are doing a lot of housecleaning. But we throw very little away. We know the gifts we have can be used by others and so we find ways to give our gifts to others. St. Vincent DePaul and Good

Will are great organizations in the community with which to share our bounty. We share things at the church when opportunities arise. We know people who would love to have some of the things we have and so we give them freely. We all reach the point of having too much "stuff," in our lives. You are invited when you reach that point to find ways to share freely with those around you. This is part of our Christian stewardship.



Part of our stewardship is also care of the earth. We in our congregation are working to find new ways to be energy efficient as part of this responsibilities. We are planning to do some lighting changes so be patient with us. We are also looking as we replace things in the church to choose the most energy efficient option. How can you be more energy efficient at home? Each small thing adds to the current of change that is needed in the world. And strangely enough we

are finding we also save some money in the long run. Something to think about.

PRAY F@R WORLD

Please pray each day for the needs of the world. Watch the news and be aware of the pain and need of the world around you. Here are some prayer suggestions for this month.

The immigration, refugee and asylum seeker crisis in our country continues. Please pray that we might find humane and caring ways to deal with those who come to seeking new life and place at the table.

Pray that civility would characterize the coming political season. Pray that democrats and republicans can find a way to work together on major issues for the good of all. Give thanks for the places where they do work together.

Pray that Church would become more and more a place where everyone born finds a place at the table.

Pray that the young of this world might be filled with a new spirit of boldness and care, and that those who are older might support them as they build the world of the future.

Pray for peaceful resolutions to the problems of the world including:

Continuing tensions in the Middle East

Growing tensions with Iran

Unrest in China, Brazil, Venezuela, Hong Kong, and here in the US, along the Mexican Border, Central America

Pray for the hungry and homeless in our community that they might find relief and give thanks for organizations like Family Promise, the Food Pantry, the Gathering, the feeding program at St. James, and all the other organizations that help with the deep needs of the world.

Trinity's Servant Kids!



härməne II

härmənē three-peat | Because we care about our community AND good things come in "threes"!

FREE COMMUNITY BENEFIT CONCERT!

ALL PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT

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Compassion encourages sponsors to write their sponsored children three times per year. Of course, you can write as often as you like since you last wrote to Kaori as well as some helpful writing tips. and here is a convenient way to keep track of how long it's been



Kaori Rosalia Ramos Benito February 10, 2013 As you write to Kaori here are some writing topics to consider.

- Talk about your family. Any kids or pets?
- Ask about Kaori's home.
- Ask about her church. Does she have friends there?
- Tell her about the difference God has made in your life.
- favorite foods, what you like to do in your spare time. Talk about your favorite things. Share with her your
 - Ask her what her favorite things are?
- Encourage Kaori. Tell her that she is strong, smart, capable of great things



"For I know the plans I have for you,"

declares the Lord

plans to prosper you and not to harm you. plans to give you hope

- Jeremiah 29:11 NIV

and a future.

of children don't receive letters rom their sponsors each year.

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encouraged when they receive a letter. ..of children say they feel loved and

...of parents say they would prefer their child receive a letter over gifts.

Just login to your "My Account" by visiting compassion.com/myaccount, and click "Write My Child." Remember, it's now even easier to write and send your letter to Kaori.



For more resources on how and what to write, and to hear how your words

TRINITY'S VARIED GROUPS!



Bible Study

We continue our journey through the book of Luke in August focused primarily on Jesus entrance in to Jerusalem, the crucifixion and the resurrection. All are welcome to join us. We meet on Tuesday at 1:00.



The "quilters" (or more appropriately named the "blanketeers" because there is pretty much no real quilting involved!) are STILL waiting for you to take them up on their offer to become part of the group. Stop in on the 2nd or 4th Friday morning and see what it's all about. They really are a nice fun bunch of ladies who have not

bitten anyone in quite a while! The blankets they produce are delivered to a boxcar in Sheboygan and from there they go to Luther-I an World Relief for distribution all over the world. Wouldn't you like to be part of this?



For those of you interested in what the young people are up to on these "servant trips' they take every summer, here are some of the highlights of this year's adventure!

On Friday July 19th, 27 folks met at Trinity at 7:30 am to board the bus headed to Cave City, KY. Saturday morning they toured Mammoth Cave and took off for Hickory, NC. They were scheduled to arrive at Kure Beach Camp at 4:30 pm on Sunday. Work in the mornings could include things like serving in local meal center or food pantry, cleaning, repairing or painting homes still needing help after the hurricane or clearing debris from storm ravaged beaches in the area. A "Surf Day" is planned including lessons for those so inclined! Of course, daily devotions and some food now and then. The time passes quickly and it is soon time to hit the road for the return trip. A rest stop in Jackson Ohio overnight and back to real life on Friday July 26th about 8 pm.



ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY COMING UP...

You are needed for the next hosting of Family Promise coming up August 11 to the 18th. There are sign up sheets in the Heritage Room for dinner suppliers, servers, fellowship, providing breakfast or lunch, or overnight help. Folks involved in the program are making a concerted effort to change their lives and those of their children for the better. We hope to give them some much needed support.

Thank you Trinity for all you do!

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS FOR AUGUST 2019

Counters Anita McClain & Jody Schilling

Saturday, August 3 , 5:00 pm

Ushers Arlyss Speener

Sunday, August 4, 8:00 am

Ushers Ron/Rosemary Fink, Jay Nelson, Carol Peters

Sunday, August 4, 9:30 am

Ushers Pauline Lentz, Danica Daley, Kevin Schmitt, Sam Laatsch

Counters Linda Amacher & David Putnam

Saturday, August 10, 5:00 pm

Ushers Mark Sergeant, Debbie Burns

Sunday, August 11, 8:00 am

Ushers Dale, Myra, Cory, Cary & Kyle Gunnare

Sunday, August 11, 9:30 am

Ushers Glenn Pietschmann, Nick Laatsch, Mike Kozlowski, Jim Klatt

Counters Dawn Spaeth & Judy Ehmke

Saturday, August 17, 5:00 pm

Ushers Eleanor Muraski

Sunday, August 18, 8:00 am

Ushers Bill/Cheryl Casey, Mary Immekus,

Sunday, August 18, 9:30 am

Ushers Todd Markgraf, Anita McClain,

Daniel Schmidt

Counters Rich Hills & Jay Nelson

Saturday, , 5:00 pm

Ushers Carl & Betty Schweiger

Sunday, , 8:00 am

Ushers Jay Nelson, Lynne & Eric Thorin,

Ken Juedes

Sunday, , 9:30 am

Ushers Paul Anderson, Ron Wicke, James Winkler

Matthew Hoppenjan

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!!

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Kevin Kichura	8/1	1 .	2 /2 /	Chet Nielsen III	8/24
Joey Schneider	8/1	Travis Thorin	8/14	Leah Rineck	8/25
Mary Treichel	8/1	Tami Dale	8/15	David Starr	8/25
	8/2	Lauren Hull	8/16	Cathy Wiedmeyer	8/25
Anthony Wulff Hazel Griffin		Brandon Hupfer	8/16	Kristine Dreher	8/26
	8/3	Victoria Kenworthy	8/16	Kyle Gunnare	8/26
Anniken Brandt	8/5	Michael Tikusis	8/16	Mason Hoffman	8/26
Tamara Cerniglia	8/5	Adeline Peters	8/17	Taylor Oksiuta	8/26
Leon Krueger	8/5	Kimberly Gryzkewicz	8/18	Matthew Wiedmeyer	8/26
Kaylee Starr	8/5	Sophia Neumann	8/18	Nancy Bower	8/27
Cindy Theisen	8/5	Ricky Gilbertson	8/19	David Sparks	8/27
Brittany Rady	8/6	Renee Kichura	8/20	John Wilson	8/27
Geoff Washa	8/8	Barbara Larson	8/20	Lily Myrhum	8/28
Joan Dricken	8/10	Elizabeth Markgraf	8/20	Diane Nielsen	8/28
Julie Hoffman	8/10	Rhonda Retzlaff	8/20	Rita Hupfer	8/29
Nolan Malecha	8/10	Autumn Appel	8/21	Carlyle Kirchner	8/29
Tanner Schmoldt	8/10	Eileen Davis	8/21		8/30
Mason Ellis	8/11	Christin Sinjakovic	8/21	Sally Behn	
Alexander Bergerud	8/12	Brock Cranney	8/22	Thomas Davis	8/30
Benjamin Schiller	8/12			William Mertens	8/30
Kelly Anderson	8/13	Jay Riederer	8/23	Jenae Vandehei	8/30
Michael Kurer	8/13	Maxwell Schickert	8/23	Rob Brockman	8/31
Sierra Mathieu	8/13	Autumn Disterhaft	8/24	Kaylin Kozlowski	8/31
Sheila Sauer	8/13			John Schauble	8/31
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8:00 am Traditional 9:30 am CTP—YOUTH SUNDAY 6:00 pm 1st Sunday Meets	5 10:00 am Women of Trinity Bible Study	6 7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous	7	8 1:00 pm OWLS Ice Cream Social with BINGO!! 7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous	9 9:00 am Blanketeers	1:00 pm Wagner Wedding 5:00 pm Traditional
8:00 am Traditional 9:30 am CTP 3:00 pm 9th Grade Overnight	12 11:00 am Overnight ENDS	13 7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous	14	15 7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous	16	17 5:00 pm Traditional
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