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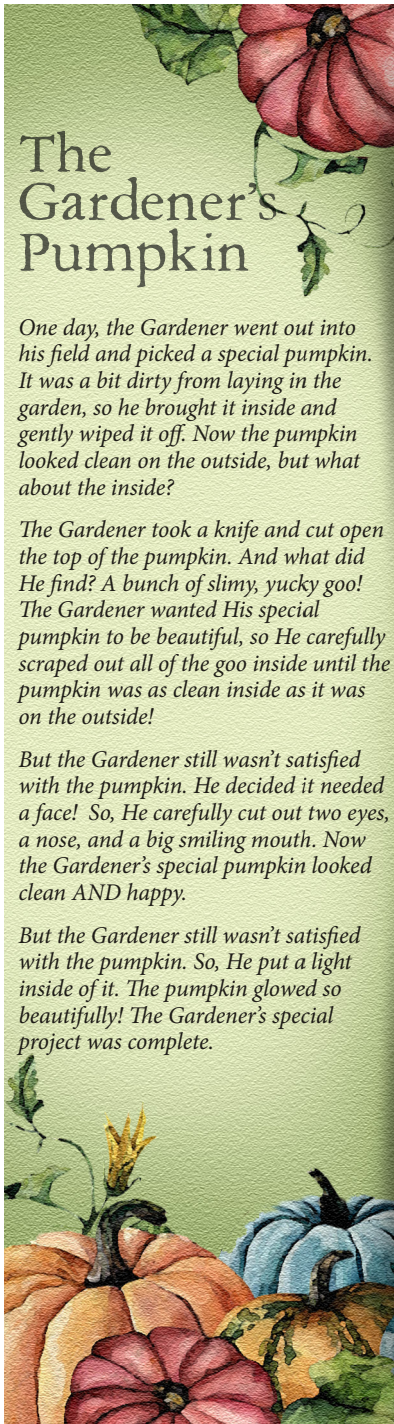
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The Gardener's Pumpkin

One day, the Gardener went out into his field and picked a special pumpkin. It was a bit dirty from laying in the garden, so he brought it inside and gently wiped it off. Now the pumpkin looked clean on the outside, but what about the inside?

The Gardener took a knife and cut open the top of the pumpkin. And what did He find? A bunch of slimy, yucky goo! The Gardener wanted His special pumpkin to be beautiful, so He carefully scraped out all of the goo inside until the pumpkin was as clean inside as it was on the outside!

But the Gardener still wasn't satisfied with the pumpkin. He decided it needed a face! So, He carefully cut out two eyes, a nose, and a big smiling mouth. Now the Gardener's special pumpkin looked clean AND happy.

But the Gardener still wasn't satisfied with the pumpkin. So, He put a light inside of it. The pumpkin glowed so beautifully! The Gardener's special project was complete.

Dear Trinity Family and Friends,

It has been six months now that we have been struggling with the Covid-19 virus. Additionally, we as a nation are having to face a long history of racism that has been a real part of our country. It is painful. From this pain has arisen violence and unrest. The west coast is being hit by the worst fire season ever. The south has faced flooding. Refugees have been displaced in Greece. Old enemies throughout the world seem to be finding new ways to go after each other. ***So far 2020 on the surface has been much more of trick than a treat.***

But that is only true if we look just at the surface of things. The deeper truth is that many have come together in the midst of the coronavirus to work for new initiatives in health care. People in many places are learning to look out for one another in new and different ways. The Church has been challenged to expand its ministry to reach a larger and more diverse population and a younger population. Families are having new opportunities to be together —ours among them.

It was long past due for this country to engage in discussions of race. Though many are still resisting dealing with the reality of racism, many are also looking within more deeply and governments and agencies are starting to ask what it would look like to truly embrace an anti-racism agenda—our Greater Milwaukee Synod among them.

In the midst of natural disasters, people are mobilizing aid efforts and reaching out to one another. This does not do away with the pain and loss so many are experiencing, but it is another reminder that none of us stands alone in the midst of our struggles. We are united in our common humanity and need. People risk their lives to end the fires, to rescue people and pets, to help clean up after both natural and man-made disasters —many of them volunteers.

While old enemies find new ways to antagonize one another, new alliances are also forming and new relationships developing. In the midst of need, people are reaching across the great political divide to develop measures to help those most in need. It may not be moving as fast as we would like, but sometimes even the smallest change brings light and hope. We are reminded again of Paul's words in Romans 8:28: *And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.* Which does not mean all of this is good, but to us who trust in God we realize that **God is at work in the midst of the brokenness of life to bring new life and light to the world.**

As we enter October maybe the image from The Gardener's Pumpkin story (on the left panel) will mean something to us as God's people. The dark and spooky Halloween night is followed by the bright proclamation of All Saints. That is an oversimplification possibly, but so is the simple choice between trick or treat. Life is filled with both. **We believe that God is at work in the midst of it all bringing new life.**

May you receive this new life as the gift it is, an unmitigated treat for all of us.

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Crusty *Pastor Dave*

Pastors Cris and Dave

Turn your sighs
into songs,
and your worry into
worship.

The excitement and plans for 2020 at the beginning of this year have given way to feelings of hopelessness and asking "Now what?" While "This, too, shall pass." may be true, it isn't always comforting. Sometimes we just want someone to listen to our fear and hear our cry. We are definitely in a "day of trouble"—we aren't sure what the future holds, much less when or if things will return to "normal." Considering our current circumstances, Psalm 77 is very fitting.

"I cry out to God; yes, I shout. Oh, that God would listen to me! When I was in deep trouble, I searched for the Lord. All night long I prayed, with hands lifted toward heaven, but my soul was not comforted. I think of God, and I moan, overwhelmed with longing for his help. You don't let me sleep. I am too distressed even to pray! I think of the good old days, long since ended, when my nights were filled with joyful songs. I search my soul and ponder the difference now!"—PSALM 77:1-6

The heading to Psalm 77 says that Asaph is writing to the Chief Musician. The chief musician was the master or director of the sacred music of the sanctuary (1 Chronicles 6:31), but the chief musician is also a picture of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

In our day of trouble, the Chief Musician is always there waiting to hear our prayers, cries, laments, or complaints. Too often, we pour out our laments to a spouse or best friend. We air out our complaints on social media. We "vent" our fears or worries around the water cooler. But Asaph didn't do any those things. He went directly to the Chief Musician and laid the worry at his feet.

There is nothing wrong with talking to a Pastor, advisor, spouse, or friend about our day of trouble—people play a part, a measure or two, even a solo, or a duet in our lives. But the Chief Musician is conducting our Symphony—guiding us in the song of our life. God knows us better than anyone and will keep us in our day of trouble.

In days of trouble . . . Surrender. Pray. Cry to the Lord. *And, if those things are not comforting?* . . . Sighing to the Lord is okay . . . Pouring out your heart and immersing yourself in grief is okay . . . Not feeling comforted and longing for the past is okay. . . for a season. But, we can't stay there, because if we are not careful, our sighing soon turns into sinking. The more we focus on us, the further we find ourselves sinking into the black hole of despair, eventually forgetting who God is and what God has promised. **Our sighing turns to sinking when we fail to remember that our God is God and his unchanging hand is on us even in our day of trouble.**

"BUT THEN I recall all you have done, O LORD; I remember your wonderful deeds of long ago. They are constantly in my thoughts. I cannot stop thinking about your mighty works. O God, your ways are holy. Is there any god as mighty as you? You are the God of great wonders! You demonstrate your awesome power among the nations. By your strong arm, you redeemed your people, the descendants of Jacob and Joseph."—PSALM 77:11-15

Take a breath. Stop the whirlwind in your mind and take a moment to pause. Remember how God's power has saved you time and time again. Remember God's grace, mercy, and unchanging love on your life.

Worship (yes, even virtual worship!) helps take our eyes off of the problems and puts them on THE SOLUTION. Worship lifts us when we are sinking and places us back where we belong. As your sighs turn to songs and as your worry turns to worship, the God who works wonders will hold your hand every step of the way. Our HOPE is in the Lord.



VOLUNTEERS 🥰 ROCK

Trinity is well blessed by talented members who give "above and beyond" of their time, gifts and compassion. They work for the strengthening and support of Trinity's members and ministries, but also for the growth, investment and integrity of God's kingdom. Too often we take these amazing gifts and people for granted.

One of those people is Tiffany Wilson! Tiffany has been volunteering to make sure Trinity's Facebook page is always updated with the latest information.

Tiffany and her son, John have both had an adventurous start to the school year! John started 5K at Kewaskum Elementary, where he is loving the new big kid perks of eating lunch at school and having TWO recesses! Masks are a minor inconvenience for him to be able to learn and participate with his classmates in person! Tiffany's adventure with the Kewaskum School District keeps her on her toes as she works to support both in person and virtual learning for the entire district. It's great to see students back in person, but also rewarding to offer the option for students and families who prefer to learn virtually.



Practicing our mask wearing before 5K. We'll get there! 🥰 🥰 ❤️



Thank You, Tiffany Wilson!



Another volunteer Trinity has been well blessed by is Donna Hallada! Donna has been volunteering herself and recruiting others to volunteer their time and talents at Trinity for many, many years. She has always had an enthusiasm and heart for service and has never been intimidated or shy about encouraging others to step up and get involved! Donna has connected with a number of young people in our congregation over the years, planting seeds and showing them, by living example, that serving others gives your own life an invaluable and special purpose. In addition to Donna's devotion to her Trinity family and ministries, she has been very involved in the ministries and operations of the West Bend Moose Lodge.



Thank You, Donna Hallada!

WHY WOULD YOU VOLUNTEER

It's not for money, it's not for fame. It's not for any personal gain. It's just for love of fellowman. It's just to send a helping hand. It's just to give a tithe of self. That's something you can't buy with wealth. It's not medals won with pride. It's for that feeling deep inside. It's that reward down in your heart. It's that feeling that you've been a part. Of helping others far and near, that makes you be a Volunteer!

BE STILL & KNOW

“Better is the end of a thing than its beginning, and the patient in spirit is better than the proud in spirit.”

Ecclesiastes 7:8

Dear Trinity Members and Friends,

Many of us are weary. All of us would like to put the coronavirus pandemic (and 2020, for that matter!) behind us. We just want some sense of normalcy. After all, it's already been more than six months! When will it end? We miss each other! We miss worshipping in our beautiful church! And, hey, the Catholics are going back to church, *why aren't we?*

You should know, Trinity's Worship & Music team and Council members were very close to considering opening our doors to a form of in-house worship on the first and third Sundays of the month, beginning in October. Reality already mandated that the worship experience we could offer would not be quite what we are all used to.

- We would need to maintain socially distant practices - *sit in designated pews apart from each other.*
- Attendance would be by reservation only - *as we can only safely accommodate a fraction of our capacity.*
- Masks would be required - *no other option.*
- There would be no singing - *limited pre-recorded prelude/postlude music only.*
- No Communion shared while in the building together - *as it would require removing masks.*
- No close contact with each other - *no socializing, no coffee hour, etc.*
- Use of restrooms would need to be limited - *one person at a time.*

Not ideal, certainly not what we are accustomed to ... but ... still doable, so we thought.

A number of other factors that were brought to our attention and must be taken into consideration, have given us pause. One is the ability to provide clean, fresh airflow inside the sanctuary. This is very important when folks are confined to sharing one area for extended periods of time (*like during a worship service*). We will be investigating our options regarding this issue. Another factor is sanitizing occupied areas before and after use - this includes things that may be touched as well as the air itself.

Finally, the recent and alarming spike in COVID cases alone (*in our community, in our state and beyond*) does not support our longing to hold in-house worship services. **For all of these reasons, the Council decided it would be in our best interest to stay the course and delay offering in-house worship opportunities at Trinity at this time.** *This was not an easy decision.*

We are, however, planning another DRIVE-IN Worship Service in late October and are also looking at ways that small groups *may* be able to gather outside, on our courtyard for a time of worship. **STAY TUNED FOR MORE DETAILS!** Please know that we will also continue to investigate options to make our building as safe as possible while monitoring the COVID case numbers, health official guidelines and best practices in our community.

With the help and support of staff and volunteers, our Pastors have been (and continue to provide) worship services each and every week. Additionally, Pastor Dave provides daily devotions 5 days a week. They are all posted on Trinity's Facebook page and on our website: trinitywestbend.com and are available to experience at your convenience. These worship opportunities are meaningful, poignant, spirit-filled and they include a mix of traditional and contemporary music with lyrics that we can sing along with as loud and often as we like (*from the safety of our own homes*). While we would all prefer to gather inside Trinity, until we can do that safely, these virtual devotion and worship recordings go a long way to keep us grounded in our faith. **Please take time to thank our Pastors for their ongoing devotion and never-ending service to feed our spiritual well-being.**

“Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.”

Romans 12:12

Please join us in prayer for patience and better days ahead. As we continue to find ways to cope and keep the faith in these challenging times, let us take a lesson from the turtle by surviving, not rushing life and taking quiet comfort in our homes.



Trinity Virtual Worship

AVAILABLE 24/7 ONLINE

trinitywestbend.com

New VIRTUAL WORSHIP opportunities are added each week and available ONLINE 24/7 to experience and to help us all stay connected and grounded in our faith.

#loveoneanother #churchwithoutwalls



Audio CDs of weekly Worship services and Daily Devotions are available!

BUT YOU NEED TO REQUEST THEM!

Call Shirli Curreri weekday afternoons

262-334-2125



turtle | A symbol of longevity, turtles survived extinction when the dinosaurs didn't. Some live up to 200 years - without appearing to age at all. How?!? By never rushing life and, at the first sign of stress, heading in to the quiet comfort of their custom mobile homes.



SAVE-THE-DATE
TRINITY SCHEDULED TO
SERVE AT THE GATHERING
RUNNING REBELS LOCATION
1300 W FOND DU LAC AVENUE | MILWAUKEE
Saturday | November 7TH

Watch for updates and a SignUP Genius invitation

As we get closer to the November date we will check with The Gathering to see how many people they can accept to help serve while still maintaining COVID-safe distances.

In the meantime, they continue to do bag lunches, and donations are always needed and appreciated; please visit their website for updated needs: thegatheringwis.org

Being a Christian is like being a pumpkin

God picks you from the patch and brings you in. (JOHN 15:16)

Then washes all the dirt off of you. (2 CORINTHIANS 5:17)

He opens you up and scoops out all the yucky stuff. He removes the seeds of doubt, hate, greed, etc. (ROMANS 6:6)

Then, He carves you a new smiling face. (PSALM 71:23)

Finally, He puts His light inside you to shine for all the world to see! (MATTHEW 5:16)



CROSS PUMPKIN
FALL FAMILY CRAFT

Visit Trinity's website for the pattern to make your own 'stained glass' cross pumpkin at home.

trinitywestbend.com

CHECK IT OUT.

TRINITY EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES



SENIOR HIGH FIRST SUNDAY

Sunday | October 4TH | 6:30-7:30 PM

MASKS REQUIRED

Trinity's Senior High Ministry invites ALL 9th-12th Grade folks to gather together on the First Sunday of each month. In the "pre-Covid" years, we would also schedule Lock-ins and a Retreat, as well as begin the planning, fundraising and preparing for the Senior High Summer Servant Trip. As soon as it is safe and possible, we will return to these activities. We are sincerely hoping they can resume in 2021.

WATCH FOR COVID-VIGILANT UPDATES AND DETAILS



CONFIRMATION YOUTH PROGRAM

Wednesday Nights | 6:30-8:00 PM

MASKS REQUIRED

Trinity's 9th Grade Confirmation Youth are meeting on Wednesday nights from 6:30-8:00 PM until they are confirmed on Sunday, October 11th at Ridge Run Park. Barring Covid set-backs, Trinity's 7th and 8th Grade Youth will begin meeting on Wednesday nights from 6:30 to 8 PM starting on Wednesday, October 14th.

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GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS.

Saturday | October 24TH | 9 AM - 1 PM

BLUE LOTUS FARM & RETREAT CENTER

Family-friendly day of service

SEE PAGE 6 FOR MORE DETAILS ABOUT THIS SERVICE DAY OPPORTUNITY.

ATTENTION 4th-6th GRADE FAMILIES

4th - 6th Graders are considered the most "at risk" age group nationwide. If a young person doesn't make a central place for their faith at this age, it will become less likely to ever happen. When a youth identifies church with friendships and a feeling of belonging, they tend to WANT to be involved. This ministry only happens with the support of youth AND parents!



F<I<S<H<<<
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If you have questions and/or want to get involved with F<I<S>H<<< Ministry, contact Pastor Cristy or Cheryl Scaffidi. CONTACT INFORMATION ON PAGE 10.

F<I<S<H<<< HALLOWEEN PARTY

Sunday | October 25TH | 11AM-12:30PM

MASKS REQUIRED

WATCH FOR COVID-VIGILANT UPDATES AND DETAILS



BIBLE STUDY with PASTOR DAVE

Tuesday Afternoons | 1:00 PM

IN-PERSON at Trinity, SOCIALLY DISTANCED & MASKED

-or- IN REAL TIME through the internet **ZOOM**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83634007037>

Recordings also available to view | trinitywestbend.com

The Bible study for the month of October will be the book of Jonah. Jonah has elements of tricks and treats. This story of a reluctant prophet is filled with comedy but at the same time tricks us into considering our own prejudice and bitterness. *Hope you can join us.*



GAINING A DIFFERENT

PERSPECTIVE OF TRINITY

Eleven years ago my wife and I moved to this area from Greenfield, a Milwaukee suburb, and settled into a Village home on the Cedar Lake Campus of Cedar Community. In our retirement we had been part of an ELCA congregation in Greendale, a suburb close to our previous residence. My wife likes a 9:30 Sunday worship time and we soon discovered Trinity had a worship opportunity at that time. **We joined Trinity in 2010 as associate members and continued our membership also in Greendale.**

Over the years I decided to sing in the Advent Cantata and also with Härmanē, the men's chorus. In addition I was invited to be part of the Stewardship Committee/Team and after that our Ministry Support Team. I enjoyed all of these opportunities and we switched memberships so Trinity became our primary church. **During this time, I learned there are some great people at Trinity.**

Then, last year I was elected to a one year term on our Congregation (Church) Council and subsequently chosen by that group to serve in the office of treasurer. With that position I learned it also put me on the Finance Committee and Trust Board, the latter as an ex-officio member. I was glad that I did not need to "keep the books"; since our very competent Parish Clerk, Ruth McDonald, did all that and I just needed to sign the checks. And this past January, at the Annual Congregation Meeting, I was elected to a three year term and chosen to serve again as treasurer for the year.

All of these opportunities have given me a different perspective about Trinity—a very positive one. I had that sense before but even more so with the great singers I've been with and fellow committee plus council members. I've also been impressed with our committed part-time staff members and especially our pastors.

Now I must admit I was not too sure what I would find when I joined the council and became treasurer last year, especially how we would do financially in 2019. Because of many years with financial struggles, some significant budget cuts had been made, including salaries of our pastors and other staff. But we ended the year with one of the largest surpluses ever and much to my surprise have continued the same in this COVID-19 year, despite being a very limited in-person congregation. **I would say that we are a "can do" congregation! God's Spirit of love through Jesus is working and creating sharing responses among us.** Thank you for giving me this sense as I've experienced life with many of you. It's my new perspective, a different one through times with you.

So, volunteer your abilities or say 'yes' if asked, and perhaps you will gain a different perspective as I have.

Together in Ministry,

Paul

Paul Bauman

A SINGER, A COUNCIL/COMMITTEE MEMBER AND TRINITY'S TREASURER



Prayer Concerns

We continue to pray for the huge events that are impacting so many lives.

WE PRAY for all those who have been infected with the Covid-19 virus. We pray that health would return to those who are recovering from the disease themselves. We pray for comfort for those who have lost loved ones to the pandemic. We pray for safety for health care workers, first responders, and essential workers who live in the shadow of the disease each and every day. We pray for wisdom for our leaders as they seek to blunt the impact of the pandemic. And we pray that all of us would do our part to limit the spread of the disease.

WE PRAY for those caught in the natural disasters plaguing the country. We pray for strength and help for those who have to rebuild from fire or wind or flood. We pray for safety for those who are fighting the fires or helping clean up after any of these disasters. Again we pray leaders would be guided to the best ways to help in these situations. And we pray that all of us would do what we can to help whether through prayer, support of those we know, or donations to organizations that are helping on site.

WE PRAY for civility and wisdom during this contentious election cycle.

WE PRAY for peace in the midst of the violence that seems to have become a normal part of our nation's life and we pray for openness, honesty, humility, and actions that lead to reconciliation and reparations in the face of the racism at work among us.

WE PRAY that Churches of all kinds would continue to be led to offer ministry in new and unique ways during this time.

WE PRAY that we would embrace our oneness more fully as Christians, Americans and people of the world. We pray that we would think of the good of all as we make our day to day choices.

Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God.

—Psalm 146:5

CALIFORNIA'S LARGEST WILDFIRE EVER HAS A TRINITY CONNECTION

Brad Washa works for the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) as Utah State Fuels Management Specialist. He is the son of Trinity members Geoff and Dee Washa.



Brad is currently working as a Strategic Operations Planner for the North Zone of the 794,801 acres August Complex in Northern California. He earned a Master's degree in fire management and has fought on national teams fighting wildfires all over the United States and in Australia. Brad has over 31 years of wildfire fighting experiences ranging from being on the Mesa Verde National Park heliotech crew while in college at UW Stevens Point to battling wildfires and earning advance certification in wildfire operations.



**PLEASE KEEP BRAD AND ALL
THE BRAVE WILDFIRE
FIGHTERS EVERYWHERE IN
YOUR PRAYERS.**

God's Work. Our Hands.

BLUE LOTUS FARM & RETREAT CENTER

Family-friendly Day of Service

Saturday | Oct 24TH | 9 AM - 1 PM



Blue Lotus Farm and Retreat Center

5501 Co Hwy M, West Bend, WI 53095, which provides life-enriching day retreats for seniors

and people with life challenges, has asked if we would once again assist with their fall cleanup. *This is a great opportunity to serve and also appreciate the natural beauty of this site!* In the past, there have been tasks suitable for all ages, including raking, cleaning canoes, pulling up plants, and storing recreational equipment to list but a few. Please consider volunteering either as an individual or as a family - and spending some time serving with your Trinity Family. Please sign up through SignUP Genius through the volunteer section on our website: trinitywestbend.com soon so that we can give Blue Lotus an approximation of the number of volunteers.



Volunteers should plan to arrange their own transportation to Blue Lotus; *directions and any additional instructions will be sent to those who sign up closer to the workday.* The mask policy is that one needs to be worn whenever contact will be less than 6 feet, like during the opening talk/group selections. Snacks and possibly hot chocolate/water will be provided to volunteers.



NEW HEARING-ASSIST SYSTEM INSTALLED IN TRINITY'S SANCTUARY!



Installation of an INDUCTION LOOP ASSISTIVE HEARING SYSTEM to aid hearing-impaired worshippers at our services has just been completed in Trinity's sanctuary!

This new technology employs a copper cable laid under the carpeting in a "Figure-8" pattern to surround the pews in the sanctuary on both the left and right sides of the center aisle.



The audio signal from our sound system is sent into this wire "loop" from a transmitter at the AV desk in the balcony, and generates an electrical signal.

This signal is able to be picked up by any hearing aid equipped with a "T-coil", which is currently installed in over 70% of existing hearing aids.

A person wearing a compatible hearing aid and seated in any of the pews will be able to receive the signal and hear the service.



The cost for this new hearing-aid ministry system and installation was paid for thanks to a generous donation from Ralph & Mary Seymer —*Thank you!*



RALLY DAY | DRIVE-IN WORSHIP!



When it comes to creative ways to gather during the ongoing pandemic, it turns out church in your car works pretty well!

**EVEN APART,
WE'RE TOGETHER!**

Some of our focus this fall will revolve around lessons from the "kings" of history,

KINGS

Unlike many who have wielded power over the centuries, the GIFT of power and influence is meant to be used to help make the "earthly" kingdom work more like Jesus' kingdom.

On Sunday, September 13th Trinity celebrated Rally Day with our second DRIVE-IN Worship experience where Pastor Cristy lifted up the story of Joseph
GENESIS 37:1-4, 12-28


And, in keeping with the Joseph story, his COAT OF MANY COLORS inspired worship swag in all the colors of the rainbow.

**THANK YOU TO ALL
WHO HELPED CONDUCT
AND ATTENDED THE
RALLY DAY SERVICE.**

By justice a king builds up the land, but he who exacts gifts tears it down.

—Proverbs 29:4




PASTOR
Appreciation
**October is National Clergy
 Appreciation Month**

Clergy Appreciation Day is always the second
 Sunday in October, and all of October is celebrated
 as Clergy Appreciation Month.
*The celebration was established in 1992 with a mission
 of uplifting and encouraging pastors, missionaries
 and religious workers.*

Thank You,
Pastors Dave & Cris

TRINITY IS SEEKING A COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR

Trinity Lutheran Church, a congregation that has declared its commitment to respect, care for, and include all people, is seeking a communications coordinator.

This individual will have a key role in continued declaration of our Mission and Welcome statements. The communications coordinator will be expected to create communication through pronouns, images and other elements that offer Welcome to all people and ensure the understanding that our mission is to share the love and promise of God. These elements are at the heart of who we are as a congregation.

**We encourage all those who are interested in
 applying for this part-time position
 to send your resume before October 15th
 to the the attention of:**

Ministry Support Team | Trinity Lutheran Church
 140 N 7th Avenue | West Bend, WI 53095
 Email: trinity@trinitywestbend.com

ONGOING FUNDRAISER FOR TRINITY'S HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH PROGRAM



**The RaiseRight mobile app makes fundraising for
 Trinity's Youth Program easier!**

Shop gift cards from more than 750 top brands—right from
 your phone, whether you're at home or at the store. **On-the-go
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 Sign in with your same ShopWithScrip username and password
 TRINITY'S PROGRAM NUMBER IS: B4FF674164897

Access your gift cards right away

Check out with payment information already saved to your account;
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- Discover new earning opportunities every day
Daily bonuses, Giveaways, Seasonal offers, In-app exclusives
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Manage your gift cards in one place: your Wallet

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- Organize and quickly find the ones you use most

FOR MORE INFO ABOUT TRINITY'S SCRIP PROGRAM/YOUTH FUNDRAISER,
 CONTACT Penny Bergerud | pjbergerud@gmail.com

*Faith is being sure of what we hope for
 and certain of what we do not see.—Hebrews 11:1*

Birthday BLESSINGS

ON THE DAY YOU WERE BORN, GOD DANCED,
ANGELS SANG AND THE STARS ALIGNED.
WE HOPE THAT YOUR BIRTHDAY WILL BE
A HAPPY CELEBRATION FILLED WITH BLESSINGS.

Terry Pietschmann	10 01	Finnley Thorin	10 11	Dakota Breuer	10 20
Elizabeth Wulff	10 01	Charles Kirchner	10 12	Richard Hills	10 20
Kennedy Chlupp	10 03	Todd Markgraf	10 12	Laura Lang	10 20
Alyssa Pusch	10 03	Walter Zube	10 12	Lindsey Yapp	10 20
Arlyss Speener	10 04	Brooke Walsh	10 13	Paula Vaughan	10 22
Desiree Pietschmann	10 06	Adrienne Schneider	10 14	Claire Brehmer	10 23
Jody Schiller	10 06	Pierce Griffin	10 15	Sarah Lloyd	10 23
Meghan Schuster	10 06	James Klatt	10 15	Jane Abel	10 25
Julia McClain	10 07	Katherine Pollnow	10 15	Brandon Kittel	10 26
Olivia McClain	10 07	Candace Anderson	10 16	Richard Peters	10 26
Cheryl Bauer	10 08	Caylee Cerniglia	10 16	Bryce Bauer	10 27
Carly Spaeth	10 08	Nancie Crass	10 16	Steven Holcomb	10 29
Judy Severson	10 09	Jodi Falconer	10 16	Alexandra Weston	10 29
Christopher Budoff	10 10	Joyce Kirchner	10 17	Patricia Brehmer	10 30
Traynor Gieryn	10 10	Haley Kordosky	10 17	Amanda MacDonald	10 30
Briana Schauble	10 10	Jennifer Schauble	10 18	Carl Schweiger	10 30
Betty Schweiger	10 10	Toni Shubat	10 18	Glenn Naumann	10 31
Sharon Sutton	10 10	Myra Gunnare	10 19	Nicole Schuster	10 31

Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go. —Joshua 1:8-9



It just cannot be said enough, we thank everyone for their support through this unprecedented time. Your faithfulness financially has allowed the ministries of the church to continue unabated.

- Thanks to our council and our ministries teams for continuing to help us do ministry in new and creative ways.
- Thanks to volunteers who help us produce quality online material and helped set up the parking lot service. It was great.
- And thanks to all for your prayers and support.

Trinity is not a building or specific ways we do things. Trinity is the people bound together in the love of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

HELP WANTED

Trinity's FINANCE TEAM is looking for some people who would be a part of their work. If you are interested please contact Shirl Curreri in the church office so she can connect you to the team and answer any questions you might have. 262-334-2125 NOON-4 PM weekdays, or email your interest/questions: trinity@trinitywestbend.com

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October 2020

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

Calendar grid for October 2020 with event details for each day, including 'OCTOBER IS CLERGY APPRECIATION MONTH', 'WATCH FOR DATE FOR NEXT DRIVE-IN WORSHIP', and various church activities like Bible Study, Confirmation, and Halloween Party.

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