

Trinity Spirit

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

NEWSLETTER

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Trinity Family and Friends,

It was an incredible time of celebration on September 17th and 18th. 100 YEARS!

So much has happened over the last 10 decades and we offered our thanks to God with all our hearts. We celebrated the gifts of God's people here at Trinity in song and prayer. And, after the struggles and challenges of the last couple years, there was a great reconnection. We started out to celebrate the past, but in the process we were also reborn. Thank you to everyone who was involved in the planning, you could not have done better. Thanks to everyone who offered their gifts of song and creativity and joy as a part of the program and the worship service. And thanks to everyone who came—in the end this celebration is about all of you along with all who have gone before.

In the Sunday worship Bishop Erickson did a great job of laying out the cycle of Christian living. We live by the three R's (not reading, riting and rithmitic). REMEMBER. REJOICE. RENEW.

We REMEMBER all that God has done. We remember all the gifts of God. We remember all the joyous moments. We remember all those who laid the foundations for us. And we will continue to remember throughout the rest of 2022.

We REJOICE and celebrate and give thanks for all these gifts. We pray and sing and worship together and share the meal of Christ. We know that as Paul says in Philippians that no matter what the circumstances we, Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. —PHILIPPIANS 4:4-7

Finally it is time for us to RENEW. All this prepares us to continue the work. We renew our commitment to the gospel. We renew our love for each other. And we renew our determination to take the love and promise of God into the world.

This is not just the cycle for this year, but for our Christian lives each and every day. **REMEMBER. REJOICE. RENEW.** The celebration has only begun—because God is not done with us yet. *On to the next 100 years*.

With Joy and Thanksgiving,

Pastol Cus Pastor Wall

Pastors Cris and Dave



While we had to change our Rally Day plans from meeting in the Park to meeting indoors—even a day that saw almost 7-inches of rain fall from the sky could not dampen the Trinity SPIRIT!

Being inside gave us the opportunity to dedicate the new chancel banners and Children's Ministry kicked off with games, crafts, food and fun!

for preparing and serving his ABSOLUTELY DELICIOUS shredded pork!

Texas Roadhouse for donating the dinner rolls!

Everyonewho helped with Children's Ministry,
Worship, brought a dish to pass, and
helped set up and/or clean up!













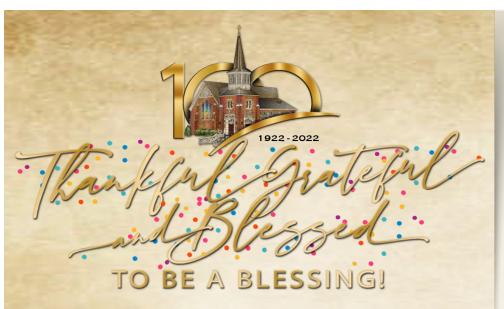












So many reasons and so many people to THANK for helping make our **Centennial Celebrations so wonderful!**

From ... the MOWA event and Celebratory Worship planning and set-up teams, Pastor Cristy and those who helped find and scan hundreds of pictures, those who created slide & video presentations, those who packed up and transported (forth and back again) tables, table coverings, TVs, coolers filled with water, balloons and table decorations, to the music coordinators, choir directors and singers, quest musicians, sound and video technicians, photographers, ushers, the Bishop and special quests from Trinity's past and present, food providers and servers ...all the way to... dish washers, clean-up crews and a multitude of behindthe-scenes task-doers ... it took a village and the village showed up!

Because we are blessed, we are to be a blessing to others.

ank you for sharing your blessings, Trinity!

Our sincerest gratitude to the following The Trinity Centennial planning team: members who donated funds to help offset the cost of our centennial event:

Chet & Maribeth Nielsen JJ & Annette Ziegler Charlie & Gaytha Hillman Tom & Margie Kieckhefer Ryan & Jessica Gieryn Gary & Judy Shabino Anita McClain

Thank you also to:

- MOWA | Ann Marie Craig & Staff
- Ofordville Lutheran Church for the use of their large coffee makers
- The Clothes Clinic for the use of the table coverings
- The Norbet for excellent food!
- Jeff's Spirits on Main for their excellent service!

Hazel Griffin Pastor Cristy

Amy Kreutzer Darci Ketter Charlie Hillman Anita McClain

Fleanor Muraski **Bob Rick** Cheryl Scaffidi Sandy Poenitsch

Large or small, all behind-the-scenes, task-doers made a huge difference:

Miriam Altman, Sue Beekman, Phil Wagner, Jeff Ketter, Tom Bulin, Candy Sarauer, Peter Nelson, Joseph, Jay & Denise Riederer, Laura Younglove, Dave Kreutzer, Bob Poenitsch, the Trinity Comforters, Charlotte Butzler, Greg Griffin, Suzanne & Jim Barker, Alyssa Brockman/Children's Ministry

And, thank you, thank you to everyone who contributed baked goods and finger foods for our Centennial Coffee Hour!



Stewardship 2022-2023

THE NEXT 100 YEARS

On the heels of our centennial celebration, our 2022/2023 Stewardship theme and focus is a commitment to the **NEXT 100** years.

We have seen how the people of God are blessed as they come together, each offering their special gifts to the life we share. Remembering God's goodness we offer our best for our Lord.

Many of Trinity's ministries will be highlighted during Ministry Fair weekend on October 1st & 2nd -you will be invited to join in as God calls you.

Commitment to the **NEXT 100** years begins now and will run through November, leading up to **COMMITMENT WEEKEND** on NOVEMBER 19th & 20th.

In the weeks to come you will receive a mailing asking you to prayerfully consider your financial commitment for 2023, along with a pledge card. Please bring your pledge card when you join us for worship on November 19th or 20th when we offer our gifts with thanks and praise.

As in the last 100 years so will it be in the NEXT 100—God does great things as each of us offers our gifts to our life together.

Join us as we commit ourselves to sharing the love and promise of God for **NEXT 100** years.



SUNDAY | OCTOBER 2 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Trinity's Senior High Ministry invites **ALL 9TH-12TH GRADE** folks to gather together throughout the year for Senior High 1st Sunday meetings;

- Worship and Service opportunities;
- Retreats, Lock-ins and activities;
- fundraising and preparing for planning for the 2023 Senior High Summer Servant Event.

Join us on Sunday, October 2nd from 6:00 to 7:30 PM. There'll be time to reconnect and a chance to share dinner, discussion and communion.

NEXT MEETING - November 6th, 2022





Kick Off SUCCESS! We had a blast reconnecting with everyone during our kick off on Rally Day. If you haven't registered your child yet, it is never too late, they are always welcome! Please join us!

SEEIT. MAKEIT. TASTEIT. MOVEIT. TELLIT. SHAREIT!

- NOW | The CREATION STORY Rotation
- **The MOSES Rotation**—from Bulrushes to the Burning Bush • OCT 23

BRING-A-FRIEND SUNDAY!

One way to let your light shine is to share God's love and promise with others by bringing a friend to experience Children's Ministry! We will have special take home gifts for all friends and those who bring them!

hank you to our September volunteers!

Lisa Clark | Nancy Hanvey | CarlEda Skinkis | Kelly Doede | Nicole Beier

PARENTS: Can can you help lead a 3 week rotation?

Please sign up on the big orange bulletin board just outside of Fellowship Hall or contact Alyssa today! trinitywestbendcm@gmail.com

Confirmation

YOUTH PROGRAM

WEDNESDAYS | 6:30-8:00 PM

WEDNESDAY | OCTOBER 5 | 6:30 PM

What's the point? SNACKS: Riley Weber 9th Grade - Confirmation Rehearsal

SUNDAY | OCTOBER 9 | 11:30 AM

Confirmation Worship

WEDNESDAY | OCTOBER 12 | 6:30 PM

Faith changes how we see ourselves and others. SNACKS: Alex Davis

WEDNESDAY | OCTOBER 19 | 6:30 PM

THE BIBLE: What is it and why should I care? SNACKS: Delia Gunnare

FRIDAY-SUNDAY | OCTOBER 21-23 **CONFIRMATION FALL RETREAT**

PINE LAKE CAMP General History of the Commandments Commandment #1

adult years.



Monthly **F.I.S.H<<** events are designed to grow both faith and friendships among Trinity's 4th-6th graders - many of whom attend different schools. In grades 4 – 6 children's friendships become more and more vital to their opinions, behavior, and self-image. 4th – 6th Grade Youth Ministry provides a vehicle for deepening and expanding the connections between children made on Sunday mornings. In this way, we seek to help our younger youth develop friendships with those who will be their fellow travelers in the faith through their confirmation, Senior High, and

Most F.I.S.H<< events are held "in house" in an effort to keep the "per family" cost down and to be sure that no one is prevented from participating because of cost. In-house activities take place in Fellowship Hall (lower level) after Children's Ministry.



Attention ALL 4th - 6th Grade Youth **JOIN US FOR SOME FUN ON OCTOBER 30** | 11 AM - 12:30 PM

F.I.S.H<< HALLOWEEN PARTY!

NOVEMBER 13 | NOON - 1:30 PM F.I.S.H<< FAMILY BOWLING PARTY

OCTOBER 26 | NO CONFIRMATION



Fall Ministry Fest

OCTOBER I & 2

Bring the whole family to take in all the activities at the #TEAM TRINITY TAILGATE PARTY FALL MINISTRY FEST

before and after worship on

SATURDAY & SUNDAY | OCT 1 & 2

It takes **ALL OF US** to carry the ministries of our church into the end zone. Show your support for **#TEAM TRINITY** with your **TIME**, **TALENTS**, and **GIFTS**. Team captains along with their players will be on the sidelines to answer your questions and talk about how **YOU** can make a difference! With **YOU** on the team, we'll definitely score the winning Touch Down!

- Grilled HOT DOGS at the concession stand!
- Play the **PENALTY FLAG** toss game!
- RAFFLE PRIZES!
- Something for everyone!

#GOTEAMTRINITYGO!



of the Trinity Comforters



DONATIONS WELCOME NOW!

The Trinity Comforters group is gratefully accepting book, puzzle and jewelry donations to help stock this sale!

ALL SALES SUPPORT the work and ministry of the Trinity Comforters group | Making and donating blankets of warmth for people in need both in and outside of our community.

Thank you

FAMILY COLORS



Jay Riederer is greeted and thanked by staff from Green Tree Elementary School for Trinity's crayon donation for their students



Trinity collected **269** boxes of multicultural crayons that were distributed to the West Bend Elementary Schools!

THANK YOU!



Help us create a book of Monarch Ministry Memories!

Please share your Monarch photographs and stories with Suzanne Barker via text (847-212-8558) or email SUZRN73@yahoo.com

Feel free to include your butterfly's name or any special details.

Thank you













































Nick Schoob































In October we will continue our study of the first eleven chapters of Genesis. The focus will be on the Noah story and the events that followed. **Come and join us as we see ourselves and our world through the pre-history of Genesis.**

Bible study meets on Tuesdays at 1PM and the sessions will be available on-line, shortly after.

WHAT'S NEW IN THE PEW

10% of our offerings here at Trinity go to help support the work of the ELCA through the Greater Milwaukee Synod.

The Greater Milwaukee Synod (GMS) is a geographic grouping of congregations, extending from Sheboygan down to the Illinois border and from Lake Michigan to the western edge of Waukesha County. We are one of 65 synods of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). This synod is made up of 119 congregations, and 59,143 baptized members in southeastern Wisconsin led by Bishop Paul D. Erickson and a 17-member synod council.

Within this territory, faithful ministry takes place in diverse congregational settings that are urban, suburban and rural—worshiping in five different languages, including Spanish, Hmong and Lao.

In addition to ministry in congregational settings, we spread the Gospel through:

- Campus ministry sites at Marquette and and the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee;
- Specialized ministries such as Outreach for Hope, the Kujichagulia Lutheran Center, the ELCA Urban Outreach Center in Kenosha, Serenity Inns and the Racine Vocational Center;
- ELCA chaplains, who serve at hospitals and care facilities such as Luther Manor (Wauwatosa) and Lincoln Lutheran (Racine) and with Lutheran Social Services of Wisconsin and Upper Michigan;
- Carthage College in Kenosha, one of 28 ELCA colleges and universities.

40% of the Greater Milwaukee Synod's income goes to the National ELCA. They, in turn, touch lives around the world.

So you see, the TEN CENTS of every dollar YOU give goes a long way, touching so many lives in our state and around the globe.

THANK YOU TRINITY!

KEEP CALM

Fall is a time for high school and college football games, plus those of the Green Bay Packers and other NFL teams. With every game, time becomes important. Often in games, *CRUNCH TIME* arrives and it's got to happen then in order to win.

That same metaphor can be applied to the next 3 months and Trinity's finances for ministry. It's CRUNCH TIME. When our Centennial Year Budget for ministry was adopted, it showed potential expenses exceeding expected income by \$54,000. The income figure was based on Fall 2021 Stewardship pledges received for 2022, plus anticipated offerings that were not pledged. I am happy to report that, so far, our expenses this year have been slightly lower than expected. That's good news! We are thankful to you and congregation leadership for helping make it possible.

But the next three months are crucial.

Sharing the love and promise of God, *our congregation's mission statement*, is always a privilege and a challenge. We do it together by sharing both our time and money at Trinity, plus individually in other ways and in other places. <u>Thank you for everything you continue to do to support Trinity's ministries</u>. Let's finish our Centennial Year with a big win. *CRUNCH TIME is here*. Three months remain.

Let's go team Trinity!

Your Congregation Treasurer, Paul Bauman

OCTOBER BOOK STUDY

Plan now to join the discussion of this powerful book | TUESDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 25th | 6:30 PM.



In October we will share a book that many consider one of the best they have ever read.

The Book Theif by Marcus Zusak is a story set in 1939 in Nazi Germany.
The country is

holding its breath. Death has never been busier, and will become busier still.

Liesel Meminger is a foster girl living outside of Munich, who scratches out a meager existence for herself by stealing when she encounters something she can't resist—books. With the help of her accordion-playing foster father, she learns to read and shares her stolen books with her neighbors during bombing raids as well as with the Jewish man hidden in her basement.

All are welcome to join in the discussion of this powerful book.



Project RETURN grew out of a volunteer base that believed men and women returning from incarceration deserved a second chance. It offers a variety of support for those returning from incarceration.

Project RETURN has asked us to concentrate our efforts toward some of the most needed items, *such as:*

- · Gift cards any stores
- · Bus cards
- · Gas cards
- · Warm hats and gloves
- Larger size coats up to 6x men and women
- · Gently used and laundered clothing
- Under-garments
- Hygiene Products (Soap, Shampoo, Conditioner, Toothbrush, Toothpaste, Deodorant, Razor, Hairbrush/Comb, Washcloths, Feminine Hygiene Products, Shaving Cream, Toenail Clippers, Lotion, etc.)
- · Laundry Detergent, Bleach
- Toilet Paper

Project RETURN also accepts donations of functional furniture and other small household items that can accommodate a new house or apartment. *Items most needed are:*

- Beds
- Dressers
- Pillows & Blankets
- Pots & Pans
- Kitchen Table & Chairs

Thank you for your continued support to this important community ministry.



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	Christopher Budoff	10 10	Candace Anderson	10 16	Paula Vaughn	10	22
Elizabeth Wulff	10 01	Briana Schauble	10 10	Jack Behn	10 16	Claire Brehmer	10	23
John Buege	10 02	Betty Schweiger	10 10	Nancie Crass	10 16	Sarah Lloyd	10	23
Kennedy Chlupp	10 03	Sharon Sutton	10 10	Jodi Falconer	10 16	Jane Abel	10	25
Alyssa Dillon	10 03	Bradley Hanson	'	Theo Gutschenritter	10 17	Brandon Kittel	10	26
Arlyss Speener	10 04	•	'	Joyce Kirchner	10 17	Richard Peters	10	26
Kennedy Butzler	10 05	Todd Markgraf	'	Haley Kordosky	10 17	Bryce Bauer	10	27
Desiree Pietschmann	10 06	Walter Zube	10 12	Jennifer Schauble		Steven Holcomb	10	
Jody Schiller	10 06	Brooke Walsh	10 13	Toni Shubat		Patricia Brehmer	10	
Meghan Schuster	10 06	Adrienne Schneider	10 14					
Julia McClain	10 07	Pierce Griffin	10 15	Myra Gunnare	'	Amanda MacDonald	10	
Olivia McClain	10 07			Dakota Breuer	10 20	Carl Schweiger	10	30
Cheryl Bauer	10 08	James Klatt	10 15	Richard Hills	10 20	Jackson Wendelborn	10	30
Carly Spaeth	10 08	Katherine Pollnow	10 15	Laura Lang	10 20	Glenn Naumann	10	31
Rose Weber	10 08			Lindsey Yapp	10 20	Nicole Schuster	10	31

TRINITY IS SEEKING A FINANCIAL CLERK

Trinity Lutheran Church, a congregation that has declared its commitment to respect, care for, and include all people, has a part-time job opening for a Financial Clerk (approximately 15 hours/week).

The Financial Clerk maintains and records all revenue and expenses for Trinity Lutheran Church. In addition, this role is responsible for maintaining payroll for all church employees and filing Federal and State quarterly and annual tax forms. For a full job description, visit Trinity's website trinitywestbend.com and click on TRINITY JOB OPPORTUNITIES on the home page, in the second column under the three boxes.

We encourage all those who are interested in applying for this part-time position to send your resume by 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

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TRINITY IS SEEKING A MUSIC COORDINATOR

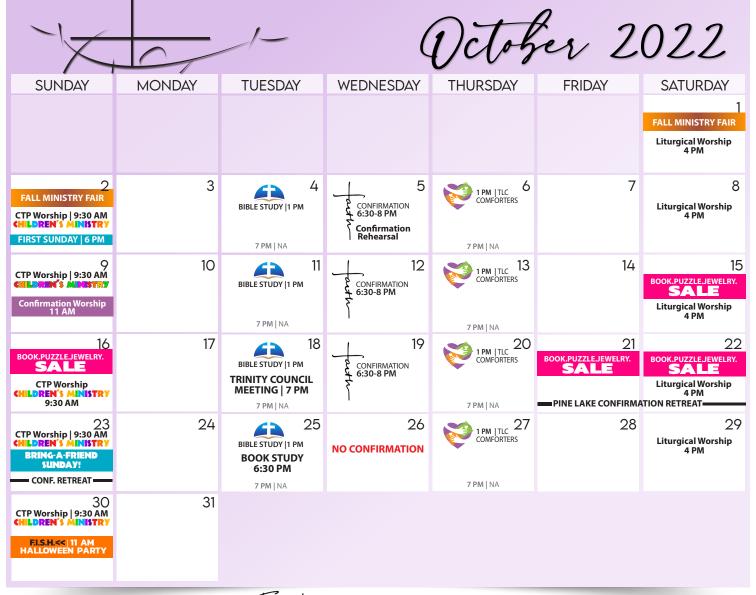
Trinity Lutheran Church, a congregation that has declared its commitment to respect, care for, and include all people, has a part-time job opening for a Music Coordinator (approximately 15 hours/week).

The Music Coordinator is vital and essential to Trinity's commitment to carry out our mission to Share the love and promise of God. The incumbent is responsible to build and nurture both spiritually and musically teams of musicians, instrumentalists and vocalist to lead music for worship. For a full job description, visit Trinity's website trinitywestbend.com and click on TRINITY JOB OPPORTUNITIES on the home page, in the second column under the three boxes.

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Trinity Office Hours

MONDAY — THURSDAY...... 8 AM - 3:30 PM FRIDAY...... 8 AM - NOON

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