



## SEASON #TRINITYTOGETHER

As we walk with Pastors Dave and Cristy through the summer months and toward their well-deserved retirement, we might be sharing some common feelings that can come with seasons of change: uncertainty, fear of the unknown, sadness, even stress and anxiety.

While this change does mean the ending of a specific season in the life of Trinity, every ending opens the door to new possibilities. Be patient and believe that we are a strong faith community who will continue to be welcoming—and, with open hearts, trust the journey and the unfolding path before us.

Watch for opportunities to gather together and to support each other. Get involved! When surveys come out and questions are asked, answer them honestly. If you have questions along the way, ask them! Reach out to staff or the members of the congregation council. We are in this together and the participation of each of us matters.

#trinitytogether—thanks be to God



#### SHARING GOD'S LOVE BY SHARING A VISIT

Members of Trinity have been making visits to our shuts-ins alongside those made by Pastor Dave. After the retirement of Pastors Cristy and Dave it will be even more important that shut-ins be touched by the love of fellow Trinity members. All who are interested in this important ministry are invited to a meeting to discuss visiting our shut-ins. The hope is people will volunteer to see one of our shut-ins on a regular basis. Those who are already active in this ministry or were a part of earlier discussions, please come and join us.

A simple visit can be an incredible gift to a fellow child of God. All are welcome—come and find out more on Thursday, July 24.



Ruth McDonald, Cindy Tikusis Pat Hanvey

When you see this fine group of happy Trinity gardeners, tell them "thank you" for their labor and dedication to keeping Trinity's gardens beautiful all season long! If you enjoy gardening, they'd love for you to join them!

> Also a shout of thanks to Mike Tikusis and Jayden Hanvey for their help with the heavy lifting!



Nancy Hanvey recruited family to help her make and serve pancakes—complete with toppings!—for the Trinity congregation to enjoy on Pentecost Sunday, June 8th! Turns out even Pentecost Pancakes go well with Dill Pickles (pickles have become a Trinity Tradition at Coffee Hour!)!

Thank you, Nancy & family!!!

Save the Date

Celebratory Worship followed by a Sending Reception in honor of

Sunday, August 31



FROM Paul Bauman, Trust Board Member

Thanks to earnings from the ENDOWMENT FUND the last two years, the Trust Board continues to have funds available to expand Trinity's ministry. During two meetings held this year the board approved Endowment Fund requests from Trinity members totaling \$5,300 for three Special Outreach Ministries:

- Funds supporting a Greater Milwaukee Synod's synodical approved ministry at two state Department of Corrections centers in Kenosha and Milwaukee.
- 2. Funds supporting some campership and transportation costs for Trinity's week at Pine Lake Crossways Camp.
- 3. Funds supporting a fall half day weekend workshop dealing with Loss and Grief Experiences in Life at the Blue Lotus Center, east of West Bend. Interested Trinity members will have first chance to register for this limited attendee event.

In addition, this fall a final gift of \$3,400 will be made from the Mission of the Larger Church portion of the fund. That gift joins gifts pledged from some of Trinity's members, fulfilling our 3 year commitment to our synod's Equipping the Saints emphasis.

The Trust Board is scheduled to meet again on Tuesday, August 19th and will consider any future requests at that time. However, if a request needs attention before then, the Board can meet virtually to review it. Request forms are available by the center wall in the Heritage Room.

The Trust Board held its annual organization meeting in May, when 2025 officers were selected and a 6th voting member, Marcia Vrankin, was welcomed. Trust Board members are appointed by the Congregation Council and each serve 3 year terms. The Trinity Congregation Bylaws also require the Council Secretary, Council Treasurer, and a Pastor to serve as (non-voting) Advisory Members. In addition to the Endowment Fund, the Trust Board also has responsibility for the Capital Improvement and Memorial Funds of the congregation.

#### TRINITY'S 2025 TRUST BOARD MEMBERS ARE:

Charles Hillman, BOARD PRESIDENT Katie Martin, BOARD VICE PRESIDENT Dan Pawlowski, BOARD SECRETARY Paul Bauman Cyndee Bruder

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Marcia Vrankin

#### SUMMER SERMON SERIES

During the months of July and August the worship themes will reflect some of the scripture readings and stories that Pastors Cristy and Dave have found most helpful, meaningful, relevant and inspirational over 41 years of preaching. We hope you will come and join us.





#### **WORSHIP SURVEY**

As one of the first steps in our upcoming pastoral transition, Trinity's Worship & Music team is reaching out for the congregation's input about how YOU wish to worship. Help us better understand the worship life of the church by taking the time to answer a few survey questions.

EVERY PERSON in your household who attends worship-confirmation age or older- is invited and encouraged to fill out a survey.



Scan this QR code to access the Worship survey online.

Paper copies can be found in the Heritage room or church office.

PLEASE COMPLETE AND TURN
IN YOUR SURVEY BY JULY 6



## IMPORTANT CONFIRMATION DATES

## 9<sup>TH</sup> GRADE CONFIRMATION

Rite of Baptism Renewal

Traditionally, the Confirmation of our 9th grade youth would happen on the second Sunday in October. However, because of the Pastor's retirement and the subsequent transition, we are moving the date of Confirmation for our 2025 9th Grade Class up to SUNDAY, AUGUST 24TH.

#### 9TH GRADE OVERNIGHT | FRI, JULY 11—SAT, JULY 12

HOSTED AT THE HANVEY HOME: 3025 Newark Drive E. West Bend 53090 It will start at 3 PM on Friday, July 11 and end at 11 AM Saturday morning.

The purpose of the 9th Grade Overnight is to give our youth, who are about to be confirmed on August 24th, an opportunity to examine and discuss more deeply the vows they will be making. Since no one can have faith for another, it is vitally important that these youth know and understand what they are promising and that it is their choice. THIS IS A REQUIRED PART OF CONFIRMATION PREPARATION!

We really need all of our 9th graders to participate!

#### CONFIRMATION REHEARSAL

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20TH

Confirmation Rehearsal and pizza party for 2025 Fall 9th graders.

CONFIRMATION WORSHIP SUNDAY, AUGUST 24TH | 9:30 AM



#### The Senior High Summer Immersion Trip HAPPENS THIS MONTH! | JULY 18-25

#### Pine Ridge Reconciliation Center – Pine Ridge, SD

10 of our Senior High youth will join Haley Kordosky, Pastor Cristy and Nate Shubat for our 2025 Summer Immersion Trip.

This year, we will travel by air to Rapid City, South Dakota and continue by vans to the Pine Ridge Reservation. We will be staying on site to experience the services offered and the needs addressed by the Reconciliation center. The immersive experience goes beyond traditional mission or service trips. It is a journey that invites us to listen, learn and engage with cultural speakers, explore significant cultural sites, and connect with the people of Pine Ridge. This trip will be one of expanding our understandings and experiencing issues that many of us do not face. We look forward to the opportunity to deepen our appreciation of this unique community.

The Pine Ridge Reconciliation center has sent us some suggestions for prep work before we arrive. We thought you all might find them helpful as well—some resources to consider are listed in the right column:

Please keep our South Dakota travelers in your prayers for a wonderful and life changing trip.

Lexi George Sophia Reno
Jayden Hanvey CJ Schiller
Amanda Hull Ava Schiller
Manny Jones Haley Kordosky
Victoria Kenworthy Pastor Cristy
Matthew Krawzik Nate Shubat
Oscar Martin



## The Doctrine of Discovery https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N3oc84aLC-Q (intense)

"The notion of discovery is a racist colonial concept that assumes the dehumanization of people of color. If you don't believe me I welcome you to put your car keys and smart phones out in front of you and I will come by and discover them. Discovery requires the dehumanization of the people who are already there. Otherwise i would be stealing them."

#### **Poverty**

One of our cultural guides is featured in this video Inside an Indian Reservation Reeling From Poverty and the Pandemic | LX NEWS

Why Treaties Matter https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bexvE4IZRGo

The "Indian Problem" https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=if-BOZqWZPE

Boarding Schools https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=UGqWRyBCHhw

Misconceptions (by teenage girls) https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=GHdW\_LVfn28

Time Line, History, Call to Action https://www.ted.com/talks/aaron\_huey\_ america\_s\_native\_prisoners\_of\_war

Little Wounds Warriors https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=nDvkx9g4TbM

Native Nations https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=XPkq8vbzYas

Canary Effect https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=ID7x6jryoSA

Battle for white clay: https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=HDAdhOxuTwk

PBS

https://www.pbs.org/wgbh/americanexperience/films/weshallremain/#part01

## ALL ABOUT YOU'VE YOUTH SCHEDULES, EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

SHARING THE LOVE & PROMISE OF GOD WITH OUR YOUNGEST MEMBERS & FRIENDS





#### **JULY 27- AUGUST 1**

It is destination PINE LAKE CAMP for Alyssa Brockman and 18 of Trinity's kids!

Each of our campers received a discounted camp cost because of our Pizza & Movie Night Fundraiser. There was a small amount of funds left over used to purchase customized water bottles for each of our campers. Thank you to Charlotte Butzler to donating her time and skills to cut and weed all that viny!

The CAMP BUS leaves Trinity Sunday, July 27th at NOON!
Feel free to join us to help send off our campers for a fantastic week of faith, fun and friendship!

Please keep Alyssa and our Trinity Camp Kids in your prayers for a wonderful week at camp!!

Joel Beier Morgan Beier Augustus Brockman Elias del Campo O'Connell Lucca del Campo O'Connell Amaya del Campo O'Connell

Thank you

Brad Hanson Jayden Hanvey Mia Hanvey Isaiah Hanvey Manny Jones Ariella Kemmett Harper Kenworthy Ella Lyles Kelly Omernick Finn Pawlowski Jordan Robinson John Wilson

The 2024-2025 MINSTRY year was Alyssa Brockman's fourth year serving as our Children's Ministry Coordinator and, for that, our congregation is truly blessed. About three-quarter way through the year she welcomed the help of Susie Kelnhofer who took on Coordinating the lessons and activities for our pre-school age kids—Trinity's LITTLE LAMBS Alyssa has said many times, "it takes a village," and there couldn't be a truer statement ever said! We are thankful, grateful and blessed with great leadership, dedicated to sharing God's love & promise with our kids—but—nothing happens without the help of our volunteers! During the week of June 9th-13th, the SCUBA VBS program filled Trinity with FIN-TASTIC fun, handson lessons, skits, games, snacks and joyous songs—all focused on Diving into friendship with God! Again, it took a village, and the village showed up!

We want to take a moment to say a **special thank you** to **Susie Kelnhofer** for all her work creating the incredible underwater decor and **Alyssa Brockman** for all her pre-planning, leadership, enthusiastic example, and dedication to Trinity's kids and the programs that help them develop their faith, connections and relationships with God and each other. **You make a difference—thanks be to God!** 

## Monarch

Alyssa has collected and handed out 58 monarch caterpillars so far this summer!

Raising monarch butterflies
can be a rewarding experience,
offering both educational
opportunities as well as the
chance to be totally
awe-struck if you witness
metamorphosis—all while
contributing to their
conservation.

If you would like to raise a monarch this year, sign up in the Heritage room next to the butterfly habitat.





VBS SCUBA | JUNE 9-13, 2025 We dove deep into a friendship with God during our week of VBS and it was **FIN-TASTIC!** Our crew consisted of 26 children and 18 adults. So much fun was had, and connections made.

A VERY heartfelt THANK YOU to Pastors Cristy and Dave, Pastor Jim, all who donated supplies and each and every one of our volunteers who dedicated their mornings to making

**SCUBA** week a success!

We are already looking forward to VBS 2025 — **Rainforest Falls!** 













































That's right, the men of harmone are back for their 5th SEASON of raising their voices in song for a good cause! Don't miss the only opportunity to hear them this season on the afternoon of Sunday, September 14.

### This year's nonprofit beneficiary is **The Youth and Family Project**.

The Youth and Family Project is a private, nonprofit agency with offices located in Washington and Waukesha Counties.

They provide supportive services to youth and families, helping them achieve an increased sense of safety, hope, and belonging. Staff and volunteers are dedicated to providing a variety of support, education and counseling services, aimed at reuniting the family divided by crisis and enriching family relationships. Programs and services offered by The Youth and Family Project, Inc. are confidential, free of charge, or available for a minimal fee. Funding is received from the United Way, county, state and federal sources and from corporate and private donors. Like many organizations, their support through federal funding is being threatened.

Watch for details on the exciting **SUPER RAFFLES** for 2025 and various ways that you can be part of this community outreach effort.

As part of this year's event, there will be "ticket bag" raffles for gift cards/certificates. We invite and would welcome donations of gift cards to local businesses, Amazon, DoorDash, etc. for those raffles. Donations for the härmene gift card raffles can be dropped off in the church office.

09.14.2<mark>5</mark> save the date!



Trinity's FAMILY PROMISE

MEAL WEEK

will be JULY 28-AUG 3

Watch for more details and a SignUP Genius invitation as we get closer to our week.

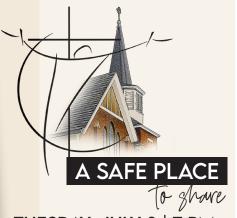
#### REMEMBER KAORI

Kaori Rosalina Ramos Benudlives in Huascar-B (Peru) with her family and she is Trinity's Compassion International Sponsored child. Your monetary support makes a difference for Kaori and her family.

Scan the QR code to donate now.

Thank you for your support.





TUESDAY, JULY 8 | 7 PM

A SAFE SPACE (a show allows people to share their hopes and fears about the world in a non-judgmental and supportive environment. All are welcome to join the group. Our next safe space gathering will be July 8th at 7 PM.



#### THE TRINITY COMFORTERS

gather on Thursday afternoons at 1 PM to create blankets of comfort that are distributed in and outside our community. Each blanket is made by layering three sheets.

DONATIONS of Flat cotton sheets -any size- are appreciated!

You do not need to sew in order to help make the blankets! We are a fun group, sharing stories, prayers, and humor all while creating a blanket that will make a difference in someone's life.

Come, check us out and share some comfort and joy!

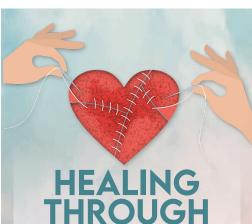


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# THROUGH

A JOURNEY TO WHOLENESS

This 3-hour workshop is open to anyone who is grieving whether through death, loss of a relationship, or significant life change. No prior experience with grief work is required.

Mark your calendar for Saturday October 11 | 9 AM - NOON **HEALING THROUGH GRIEF:** A JOURNEY TO WHOLENESS



This workshop is being offered free of charge to the community due to the support of Trinity **Endowment Funds.** 

# CURISTMAS

HOLIDAY HOPE FLEECE NO-SEW BLANKET **PROJECT** 

Trinity's no-sew fleece blanket project for the WBHS Holiday **Hope** Project is back!

The work of the project has been moved to be done in July, when most of our schedules are a little lighter than during the holidays.

We provide the fleece and written instructions; you provide the love and labor! This is a great family month of July to complete!

we have about 60 sets of fleece ready for the fringe to be cut and tied. Instructions will be included with the fleece and can also be found online.

**ELF ALERT!** | Sign up NOW to reserve fleece kits in the Heritage Room or via SignUP Genius ... kits

Fleece will be available to pick up beginning Sunday June 29. We ask that you return the completed blankets by Sunday August 3.

# WISHING

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

> Amaya Del Campo Brenda Deuberry

Caitlin Kemmett 7 | 01 **Emerson Ketter** 7 | 01 **Deborah Brooks** 7 | 02 Lee Taylor 7 | 03

Dorothy Draeger 7 | 04 **Dorothy Barnes** 7 | 06

Edward Bauer 7 | 06 Alexander Davis 7 | 06

Ingrid Groth 7 | 06 Dakota Gunnare 7 | 06

Sandy Poenitsch 7 | 06 Lincoln Butzler 7 07

Arik Loomans 7 07

Michael Loomans 7 | 07 CarlEda Skinkis 7 | 08

Cyndee Bruder 7 | 10

7 | 10 Darwin Dorn 7 | 10

A.J. Brandt 7 | 11

Sandy Moore 7 | 11

Cynthia Vore 7 | 12

Eduardo Del Campo 7 | 13 7 | 15

Michael York 7 | 15

Michael York Jr 7 | 15

Theo Gutschenritter 7 | 17

Emma Parchim 7 | 18

Ardi Bergerud 7 | 20

Carter Sobush 7 | 20

Shaun Brown 7 | 21 Finn Pawlowski 7 | 21

Sandy Roberts 7 | 22

Mary Schweiger 7 | 22 Sheilam Foyse 7 | 24

Sherry Oleniczak 7 | 26

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Diane Wagner 7 | 27 **Evelyn Carlson** 

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7 | 29 Wendy Reitz

Jerome Zaborowski 7 | 30 7 | 31

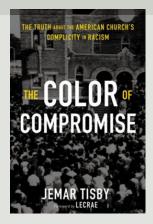
Carey Jacobsen

project that you have the entire Thanks to the Trinity Comforters,

**NO-SEW FLEECE BLANKET** 

available while supplies last!

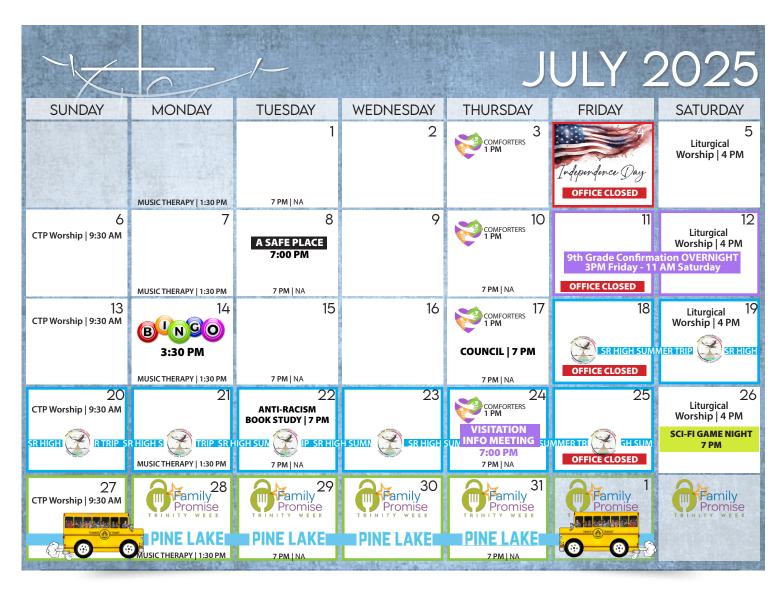
The workshop will be limited to 40 participants and Trinity will be given the option of early registration.



#### ANTI-RACISM BOOK STUDY TUESDAY | JULY 22 | 7 PM

The book we will be discussing in July is The Color of Compromise by Jemar Tisby.

It is a frank discussion of the Church's complicity in American racism. Please join us as we share and care for one another as we seek to grow in our anti-racist identities.



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