



THE TRINITY TRIANGLE



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PASTOR'S MESSAGE | Rev. Darrel L. Bergelin

Dear Friends in Christ,

"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever."

Everything else is subject to change. The truth is, everything else does change. Sometimes change is good and sometimes change is bad. Things change for the better and things change for the worse. All one knows for sure is that things change. What is changing in your life at this time? Do you consider it to be a good thing or not? Whatever it might be, I would encourage you to remember that your Lord stays the same. The same Lord you came to know as a child or as an adult is exactly the same today. He is always with you. He always cares for you. You can always count on him for help. How many times in life have you looked back and reflected on how the Lord was there for you and brought you through different things? Has there ever been a yesterday when the Savior turned his back on you? That simply doesn't happen. Now since the Lord is always the same and does not change, I can be assured He will be with me today. I only need to look at all the yesterday's of life to see how He will help today. That truly is the way it will be forever. It sure feels good in this

changing world and life to know that my Lord stays the same. I find that very comforting. On another note, July marks again the celebration of the birthday of our country. We all certainly have much to be thankful for when we reflect on the many freedoms we enjoy as citizens of this land. It is so easy to take them for granted. What a blessing to be able to worship the Triune God freely. What a blessing to be able to express our faith in an open manner. I would remind each and every person reading this to never take freedoms for granted. I would encourage you to hold our country and all our leaders in government up in prayer to the Lord on a regular basis. We all need each other's prayers if we wish to carry out the will of the Lord in our lives. May our gracious God continue to watch over our land and shower His blessings upon us. May we be a people who desire to be faithful to the Lord.

Serving our Savior
Pastor Bergelin



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Vicar Berg's Message

Independence Day, or the 4th of July, is the day we celebrate our independence. As Americans, we enjoy many freedoms in our great country. I feel grateful and privileged to live here.

Recently, I had surgery on my back. Thank you to all who prayed and offered encouragement during this time. I have heard that we appreciate something more when we lose it. As I recover, I have come to a new appreciation for freedom and independence. It has been frustrating to lose the simple independence I have enjoyed for so long to do the tasks of everyday living like getting dressed and walking around. These restrictions gave me time to reflect on the true meaning

of freedom.

In John 8:36, Jesus assures us that "if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed." So what are we free from? What is this freedom that Jesus speaks of? Romans 8:1-2 tells us, "there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death!" Free from sin and death! How do we get this freedom? In John 8: 31-32, Christ says, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples.

Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." Christ is truth. He paid the penalty for our sins, so we are now free from sin and

death to live with Him for eternity.

And what do we do with our freedom? How do we live as free in Christ? Galatians 5:13 says, "for you were called to freedom brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another."

The freedom we enjoy in America is amazing. Even more incredible is the freedom we enjoy in Christ. Let us work together to use our freedom in every way to love Jesus and serve each other.

In Christ,
Vicar Berg



Elder's Corner

As July 4th approaches, we think of fireworks, vacations and celebrations. But what are we really celebrating? July 4th also known as Independence Day, is the day the Declaration of Independence was signed in 1776. It was a defining day in American History. The Colonists were willing to fight and to die so they could worship God as they pleased. They did not want the church of England to take away their religious liberties.

Like the Israelites leaving Egypt to find a new land where they could worship God, so did the settlers that came to America.

In recent year, many have tried to dismiss the fact that this country was founded on Judeo-Christian principles. Our founding fathers writings, ideas and lives were influenced by

Christian principles. Patrick Henry wrote, "It cannot be emphasized too clearly and too often that this nation was founded not by religionists, but by Christians, not on religion but on the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Our founding fathers knew the Bible well. They knew that Romans 13:1 told them to "submit to Government and the authorities that exist because they are appointed by God.." They also were familiar with many Bible passages that approved resistance to ungodly authority. For example, in Acts 5:29 Peter asserted, "We ought to obey God rather than men." This was his response to the Sanhedrin telling the Apostles to cease preaching that Jesus Christ had risen from the dead. Are we as Christians today bold in our faith? Do we have the resolve

of the Israelites or the founders of this country? Give it some thought.

I found a quote from one of my favorite presidents, Ronald Reagan. He wrote, "Inside the Bible's pages lie all the answers to all the problems man has ever known. It is my firm belief that the enduring values presented in its pages have a great meaning for each of us and for our nation. The Bible can touch our hearts, order our minds and refresh our souls."

So, amid all the fireworks and celebrations this July 4th, consider pausing for a moment to reflect on the one our founding fathers called the Creator. This great country we live in today was made by God and was a gift to us all.



Congratulations Graduates

Cameron Gartman, Fielder Hermann, Riley Lisowe, Patrick Henry Navor, Marli Maris, Caylee Winter, Elin Winter, Avery Wolf, Savannah Heffernan, Harper Stephens, Rowen Gabrielse,



**Tom Weber and
Vicar Berg and
Tina's Kids.**

**Gage, Abel and
LeeAnna watching
as the tree branches
are burning.**

JULY PRAYER CALENDAR—SUBMITTED BY MEMBERS OF CWF

1. Start your day with prayer.
2. Joy filled living—John 15:11 “I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.” Thank you for the gift of joy.
3. Pray for God’s wisdom and integrity to be good citizens and neighbors.
4. Thank you God for our freedom. Bless our nation and our leaders.
5. Read the Bible daily. We never stop learning, practicing and growing.
6. Slow down and appreciate the beauty around us. Thank Jesus for the beauty of nature.
7. Remember to pray before and after meals.
8. Enjoy the blessings of summer.
9. Ask Jesus to help you rise above pride.
10. Help us understand—faith is following your will without question.
11. Ponder Hymn #722 as you enter church today.
12. Perform an act of kindness or generosity. Ask God to help you make it a habit.
13. The Lord’s timing is perfect. Help us wait patiently.
14. Psalm 9:1 “I will give thanks to you Lord, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonderful deeds.
15. Ask God to deliver those who have addictions.
16. Today, sing your favorite song of praise.
17. To use your time wisely; ask God to help you prioritize the day’s task.
18. As you enter church today, meditate on Hymn # 623.
19. Pray for Lutheran Bible Translators and their amazing work.
20. Dear God, You never change! God always fulfills His promise.
21. Ponder: “I lay my sins on Jesus, the Spotless Lamb of God. He bears them all and frees us, from the accursed load.
22. Pray for your loved ones.
23. Be confident! Read Joshua 1:9
24. Thank God for our congregation, made up of a family of believers.
25. Pray for Vicar Berg and his family as their year of vicarage comes to an end.
26. Read Philippians 4:6-7 Pray: Lord, I look to You. Please settle my anxious spirit.
27. “God, have mercy on me, a sinner.” Luke 18:13
28. Pray for the shut-ins and elderly of our congregation.
29. I Samuel 3:9 “Speak Lord, for Your servant is listening.” Pray for a quieting of the mind and wait for His wisdom.
30. Spend time with God. He’s available 24/7.
31. End your day with this prayer from Hymn #887
“Now the light has gone away;
Father listen while I pray,
Asking Thee to watch and keep
And to send me quiet sleep.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

1st Jodi Berglund	11th Mike Winter Karly Wise	21st Wyatt Heffernan
3rd Stacy Block	12th Ashley Gates	22nd Daniel Englebert
4th Jason Grunewald	13th Crystal Luecke George Marthenze	23rd David Born Marian Gerke
5th Nicholas Koenig Todd Kroll	15th Kay Waldschmidt	24th Marlyn Herzog Devon Lallensack Lisa Landry Karrie Jo Richter
7th Hayden Puls Douglas Renzelman Patrick Scharinger	16th Ronald Plocar	25th Rachel Richter
8th Allan Bramstedt Sarah Jabs Samuel Parnitzke Tom Weber	17th Andrew Endreas Greg Henschel Isaac Henschel	27th Vickie Cudworth Jody Dirks
9th Rachel Brickner Kim Holler	18th Andrew Gardner Jean Hiebing Diana Reyer	28th Jeremey Berglund
10th LaVerne Weber	20th Darrel Bergelin	

Flower Sponsors

July 18

Altar: The altar flowers are given by **Dan and Connie Bitter** for Easton's 9th birthday.

July 25

Altar: The altar flowers are given by **Vickie and Glenn Cudworth** in honor of their 48th anniversary.

Bulletin Sponsor

The bulletin for July 18th is sponsored by **Marlyn Herzog** in honor of her 90th birthday. Marlyn's birthday is on July 24th. Happy birthday **Marlyn**. God's blessings to you.

7th Mike and Vicky Milbrath 32 years James and Connie Hansen 37 years
14th Gary and Dawn Hopf 42 years
15^h Steve and Wendy Forward 32 years
18th Gordon and Amanda Heffernan 12 years
21st Jim and Ann McCraw 31 Years

23rd Mark and Karen Plocar 38 years
26th Jerome and Mona Jaeger 46 Years
28th Glenn and Vickie 48 Years
31st Eric and Tammy Stelter 11 Years



BULLETINS/FLOWERS/NEWSLETTER

Is there an occasion such as a birthday, anniversary, graduation, holiday that you would like to recognize at our church? Why not consider sponsoring a church bulletin, flowers or the newsletter. You can also sponsor flowers to simply beautify the church. Sign up sheets are on the bulletin board in the narthex.

SCRIP

Scrip is sold on Thursday and Sunday before and after worship. The table will again be in the narthex and the seller should be able to answer any questions you have about the program. The cards are sold to us at a discount and the percentages vary from 1.5%-16 % depending on the business. So far the program has profited over \$38,000. This is free money. We stock many cards - grocery (Piggly Wiggly, Pick n Save, Festival Foods, Meijer's, and Meisfeld)- gas (BP and Kwik Trip)- Restaurants(Culver's, Texas Roadhouse, Log Cabin, Panera Bread, Chili's) and others(Walmart, Kohls, Amazon, Target, Bath and Body, Menards, Marcus Theater, and Fleet Farm. These cards don't expire so you can use any portion of it and then use the rest another time. There are also 1000's available to order if you want them. If you haven't used scrip cards why not give it a try. It certainly does benefit your church.

TRAVELING BULLETINS

JERRY BRANDT

St. John Lutheran church

DAVE AND ROBIE SCHARINGER

New Life Community Church

GARY AND DAWN HOPF

St. Paul's Grafton

SUSIE SIXEL

St. Paul's Lutheran, Sheboygan Falls

CONNIE SCHMIDT

Cascade Covenant Church

JOHN AND JILL PELNAR

Saron United Church of Christ
Sheboygan Falls

LOVE INC (in the name of Christ):

Helping churches help people

Love, INC - Childcare Product Drive. There is a need for activity supplies for the children in childcare at Love, INC for a variety of projects, games, and activities to engage their motor skills while their parents/guardians complete classes for transformational living purposes.

ITEMS NEEDED

Bean bags, laundry baskets, ping-pong balls, jump ropes, hula hoops, bubble wands, buttons, noodles, zip lock freezer bags, masking tape, shaving cream, washable markers, clothes pins, cotton balls, straws, solo cup, string, coloring books, toy cars/trucks, construction paper, glue sticks, kids scissors, dry beans, plastic cookie cutters.

There is a labeled container by the information table in the narthex.

Love INC Church Liaison
Barbara Wolfert

Transfer in:

We welcome Christine Breunig into our membership by way of transfer from Trinity Lutheran Church in Menasha. We are happy to have her as part of our church family and look forward to growing in faith together. **Welcome Christine!!**

Profession of faith:

We welcome Audrey Parrish into our membership by way of Profession of Faith. We are happy to have her as part of our Trinity family and look forward to worshipping together. **Welcome Audrey!!**

Christian Funeral:

A Christian Funeral was conducted for Ernst Wehrmann on Saturday, June 26th. Burial was in the church cemetery. Pastor Bergelin officiated.

TRINITY NEWS



July Schedule

July 5-9	Trinity Sheboygan
July 12-16	St. Marks
July 19-23	Our Redeemer
July 26-30	Good Shepherd

THOSE SERVING IN JULY

- **July Elders**
Early—Tom Weber
Late—Dale Hopf
- **July Ushers**
Early—Team 5
Late— Team 6
- **Altar Guild**
July 4
Margie Born, Anne McCraw
July 5-18
Ann Parnitzke, Patsy Sixel
July 19-August 1
Linda Plocar
Connie Bitter
- **Video Operators**
July 4
Lance Liermann
July 11
Scott Timm
July 18
Craig Lallensack
July 25
Jim Post

Acolytes
July 4—6:30pm
Mykenna Weigert

July 11-9:30am
Allison Schobert
Matthew Koenig

July 15 —6:30pm
Addison Lallensack

July 18—9:30am
Annika Liermann
Matthew Koenig

July 22—6:30pm
Mykenna Weigert

July 25—9:30am
Jameson Schmidt
Trent Grunewald

July 29-6:30pm
Gretchen Winter



Joshua Schorer

Joshua graduated from Howards Grove High School. He is pursuing a career as an electrician with an apprenticeship at KW Electric Inc. near Plymouth, WI.



Congratulations to the Howards Grove Girls Soccer team for advancing to State.
The state game was held on June 25th.

AWESOME JOB GIRLS!!



Congratulations to Piper Beauvais. Piper received a scholarship to go to the dance studio "In Motion" next year. She was given the scholarship on June 5th at her dance recital that was held at Lutheran High School.



Farewell

*Vicar Berg, Tina
Gage, Abel,
and LeeAnna.*

Nicole Schobert achieved high honor roll and honor roll for the second semester at Lutheran High School. Congratulations Nicole. **Great job Nicole!!**

There will be a potluck farewell for Vicar Berg and his family on Sunday, August 1st. If you are able to help load up the moving truck, please go to the parsonage on Monday morning, August 2 at 10:00am.

Trinity Lutheran Church July Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4 9:30am Family Worship with Holy Communion	5	6	7	8 6:30pm Family Worship	9	10
11 9:30am Family Worship	12	13	14	15 6:30pm Family Worship with Holy Communion	16	17
18 9:30am Family Worship with Holy Communion Voters Meeting following worship	19	20	21	22 6:30pm Family Worship	23	24
25 9:30am Family Worship	26	27	28	29 6:30pm Family Worship with Holy Communion	30	



There is a voters meeting on
Sunday, July 18th
following worship.

July Special Offering—St. Mark's Food Pantry

This offering will help provide food to Sheboygan County area recipients in need of food. They are open the first and third Friday of each month from 9:30am-11:00am.



Pastor Bergelin's final worship service as our Pastor here at Trinity, will be Sunday, August 29th.

There will be a dinner following worship.

Watch your emails, bulletins and August Newsletter for more details.