TRINITY TRIANGLE

JUNE 2023

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Worship Schedule



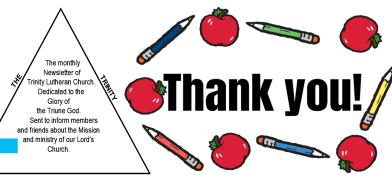
Summer Worship: Thursdays: 6:30pm

Sundays: 9:00am

No Sunday School

VBS: JUNE 12-16

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Another busy and exciting year of preschool concluded on May 25th. Parents, siblings, and grandparents met in church at 10:30am where Pastor Fremer gave a brief service with a children's sermon, and the children sang several songs. Afterward we met in the basement for lunch and fellowship.

My sincere thanks to Pastor Fremer, Toni Post, and Mary Fremer for all their help and encouragement this past year. Also thanks to the preschool families and members of the congregation for continued support of our preschool program at Trinity. Have a wonderful summer. Marilyn Heinemann.



Simply A Test

"Is God testing me?"

This is a question we often ask ourselves in troubled times. Have you ever stopped to think about what it means?

What is a test? In school, the "test" is one of knowledge. There are usually "right" or "wrong" answers. If you get enough right answers you pass. God does not work that way. When He presents you with trouble, He is not looking for you to tick the right boxes in terms of how you feel, how you respond, what you pray for, how you behave, etc. God already knows every possible outcome of every possible decision. God doesn't need to learn about you. Our English Bibles will use the word "test" or "trial," but God is not a scientist, God is not a lawyer. God is a judge, but He has already judged you innocent by the blood of Christ. Jesus has made sure that all your sins are forgiven because He has suffered the punishment for all of them.

The devil wants you to believe that God has a carefully outlined script that He wants you to follow exactly, but God refuses to show you. He wants you to believe that when you deviate from that script, God will be angry with you. None of that is true. The only script God wants you to follow is the one He gives you: The Ten Commandments. When you fail, which you will, God wants you to repent and try again. That is the only thing God expects from you. If God wants you to do something specific to you (get a new job, change location, step back from a hard relationship, etc.) He will ensure that you do it. God has a will for your life, sure, but what do we pray in the Lord's Prayer? Thy Will Be Done. God will do what God wants to do. You go ahead and do what seems best to you, so long as it doesn't conflict with the Ten Commandments.

So what about troubles? Are they tests? No. What are they? Well, just what they are. Troubles. Sometimes they come from our own sins. Sometimes they come because life is hard and kind of gross. Regardless of where they come from, our reaction is the same. We repent, remembering that no matter what trial comes, we deserve far worse. We pray, asking Him to take away our troubles, to give us patience and wisdom. Finally, we learn. We try to learn what it is that can be learned from those troubles, even if the only lesson seems to be "well, this is miserable." There's a lot of truth in that, and it can redirect your faith in interesting ways.

Why am I telling you this? Because God isn't a schoolmaster. God is a Father. He takes no pleasure in the troubles you suffer. He doesn't like to see you hurt. But as Father, God knows that this is sometimes what is best for us, and furthermore that this world is just a hurtful place. We as Christians suffer that hurt just as much as anyone. You have already passed God's only test. Jesus passed it for you. He got 100% on that test, no one can possibly do it better. When God troubles you, it grieves Him, but He does it to make you better. To make you stronger. To make you purer. He does it to redirect your priorities, to focus you. He does it to make you pray. There are a bunch of different reasons.

He doesn't do it to mess with you. He doesn't do it to hold you to some deeply specific standard that He won't tell you. He doesn't do it expecting a right answer. He isn't disappointed when you're sad, resentful of the trouble, or just want Him to cut it out. Keep talking. Keep believing. Keep praying. Let Jesus worry about the right answer. He got it right. You just worry about staying faithful to Him.

June 2023 Elders Corner

Our Granddaughter fell and had a minor cut on her knee. After we cleaned her knee, my wife asked her if she should kiss it and make it better. Tears rolling down her face, she said "No thank you Grandma, Jesus will make it better when I am sleeping tonight. **Don't you just love Child like Faith?**

What does Jesus say about teaching His Children?

Matthew 19:14

But Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven."

Matthew 18:5-6

"And anyone who welcomes a little child like this on my behalf is welcoming me. But if you cause one of these little ones who trusts in me to fall into sin, it would be better for you to have a large millstone tied around your neck and be drowned in the depths of the sea."

Luke 18:17

"Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it."

Have you ever thought about what an honor and responsibility it is that our Lord gave us His Children to raise and teach them His Word? We certainly are not worthy. If we are not teaching our children His Word, we are hindering them. It is our responsibility as Deuteronomy 6:6-9 clearly teaches us.

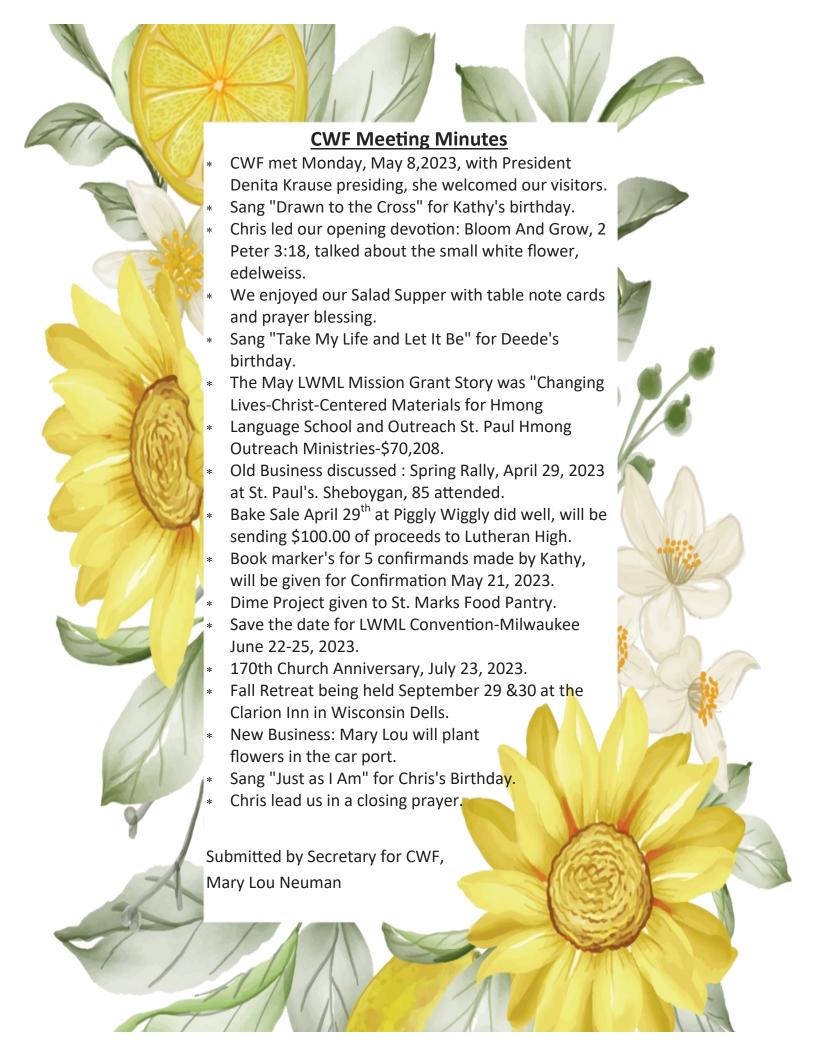
Deuteronomy 6:6-9

"And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates."

Here at Trinity we offer a Preschool, Sunday school, Vacation Bible School, Worship services and Confirmation. This year VBS is June 12-16. Our summer worship services. begin the Thursday before Memorial Day at 6:30pm and Sundays at 9:00am. Summer worship is just as important as all the other seasons. The Lord does not stop taking care of us just because it is summer. He is with us and takes care of us always.

Dear Lord.

As summer approaches and our activities and travel begin, please let your Holy Spirit be in our hearts and minds reminding us to faithfully worship You. Thank you for the blessing of our children. Help us to lead by example teaching them Your Word by worshiping you faithfully. Remind us what Scripture teaches us in Proverbs 22:6 Train, up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it. In Jesus Name, Amen.



PRAYER CALENDAR

submitted by CWF

Give thanks Pray for those **Pray for** to the Lord as who are farmers and you enjoy the homebound. agricultural beauty of workers who summer. supply our food. Thank the **Pray for LCMS** Pray for VBS. Pray for our Pray for our Worship in Pray for the Lord for your Men's Club. neighbors. missionaries, organist. peace knowing that family. including the God is with **Federwitz** Family. you. Pray for our Pray for Pray Luther's Pray for all Rejoice in the Count your Lord watch pastor and Christian those in the over those Morning Lord always. blessings. church elected **Armed Forces** traveling. Prayer. leaders. that God workers. would keep them safe. Listen to "Give thanks in **Pray for** This is the Pray for our Always try to Pray for the all Morning Christian be kind to LWML day that the family daily. Meditations on circumstances fathers. Lord has each other. **Convention in WHBL 1330am** for this is God's Milwaukee. made. let us Read 1 at 7:26am and will for you in rejoice and Thessalonians 10:45am. Christ Jesus". be glad in it. 5:15

Thank God for our church family.

Pray for
Pastor
Fremer on his
birthday.

"My command is this: love each other as I have loved you"
John 15:12

Thank God for all the ways He is working in your life. Pray for spiritual growth as you listen to the sermon.

Pray for contentment for what you have.



Kniffyn Koenig

Romans 16:27

To the only wise God be glory forevermore through Jesus Christ! Amen.



Matthew Koenig

Psalm 23:1

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.



Matthew Schurkow Psalm 27:1

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?



John 14:6

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."



Mykenna Weigert

Lamentations 3:22-23

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.







<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	Acolytes	<u>Greeters</u>	Video Operators
June 1 June 4	6:30pm 9:00am	Joey Senkbeil and Brody Timm Matthew Koenig and Andie Koenig	Jean Heibing Barb Wolfert	Scott Timm
June 8 June 11	6:30pm 9:00am	Mykenna Weigert and Kaitlyn Koenig Emily Harris and Chloe Grunewald	Rich Boje Dale and Linda Hopf	Lance Liermann
June 15 June 18	6:30pm 9:00am	Ethan Fenn and Cooper Schmidt Emmet Kunze and Rylan Bahr		Craig Lallensack
June 22 June 25	6:30pm 9:00am	Matthew Schukow Macey Schueler		Scott Timm

<u>June</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Elders</u>
Thursday 6:30pm	Team 5	Peter Franz
Sunday 9:00am	Team 2	Jim Post

<u>Date</u>	Altar Guild	
May 22-June 4	Connie Bitter and Linda Plocar	
June 5-June18	Linda Hopf and Kathy Franz	
June 19-July 9	Rita Milbrath and Susie Sixel	

Team 5	<u>Team 2</u>

Dave Scharinger Allen Dirks

Aaron Kuhlow Larry Bender

Scott Plocar Mark Schorer

Matthew Schorer

Joshua Schorer



JUNE 4 WALLACE AND MARGARET BORN 69TH ANNIVERSARY JUNE 18 GERI BRENDEL IN MEMORY OF LARRY BRENDEL JUNE 25 DICK AND LEE SCHOESSOW'S 58TH ANNIVERSARY



NEWSLETTER

DICK AND LEE SCHOESSOW'S 58TH ANNIVERSARY



TRAVELING BULLETINS:

Peter and Kathy Franz-Trinity Lutheran Church, Lake Mills, WI Connie Schmitt-Cascade Covenant Church, North Bend, WA Tim and Shelly Gessler-Faith Lutheran Church, Appleton, WI Phyllis Landry-Immanuel Lutheran Church, Marshfield, WI Zion Lutheran Church, Colby, WI Jean Hiebing-The Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer, Sheboygan, WI

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