

TRINITY TRIANGLE

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THE
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The monthly
Newsletter of
Trinity Lutheran Church.
Dedicated to the
Glory of
the Triune God.
Sent to inform members
and friends about the Mission
and ministry of our Lord's
Church.

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July Special Offering:

St. Mark's Food Pantry. This agency provides food to Sheboygan County area recipients in need of food. Open 1st and 3rd Friday of the month from 9:30am-11am.

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Worship Schedule



Summer Worship:

Thursdays: 6:30pm

Sundays: 9:00am



No Sunday School

Voter's Meeting July 16 at 10AM



Trinity Lutheran Church and Preschool

Howards Grove, Wisconsin

TO MAKE THE SAINTS - "WISE UNTO SALVATION" AND TO "EQUIP FOR SERVING"



SAVE THE DATE



»»» **170TH ANNIVERSARY** <<<
Worship will be at
10:30am on July 23rd.

Pastor Tim Llewellyn (Trinity's Vicar from 2001-2002) will be the Special Guest Preacher.

Worship will be followed by a luncheon catered by The Altona. **Menu includes:** Baked Chicken, Tenderloin Tips, and Ham.

A cake will be provided, but donations of bars/desserts are always welcome.

If attending the luncheon, please RSVP to Janelle Liermann by JULY 9th.

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Neat Repeats Upcoming Sales



7/5-7/8

Kitchen Items 50% Off

7/11

30% Off Everything in the Store

7/12-7/15

Baskets & Vases 50% off

7/18-7/22

Shoes & Socks 50% Off

7/25-7/29

Toys, Games & Puzzles 50% Off

Neat Repeats is having an open house to show off their newly renovated store! Sunday, July 16th from 2:00pm to 4:00pm. Neat Repeats is located at 2627 Eastern Avenue in Plymouth.

Tightrope Act

Lutherans are tightrope artists, at least when we're doing it right.

What do I mean by that? Lutherans try to walk a line between two extremes. We walk that line both in our thinking and in how we feel about ourselves and God. Psychological. Theological. We are on a tightrope.

Psychologically, we try to maintain two different things which are both true but seem mutually exclusive. Sin is evil, we have sin, we are evil, God hates sin. That is the Law. Jesus has suffered and died for our sins, He has taken away the punishment, so God loves us. That is the Gospel. Both of these things are true at the same time. God doesn't want us to sit around moping, or to hate ourselves, or to punish ourselves. At the same time, God doesn't want us to think that because we're forgiven, that we're awesome and perfect and can't ever do anything wrong. So we try to see ourselves as God sees us: Forgiven sinners. That's a hard tightrope to walk. We naturally want to see ourselves as better than we actually are, and sometimes we see our sins as worse than we actually are. Both of these tendencies distort how God wants us to see ourselves. Not hopeless, not perfect. Just sinners who have been forgiven.

Theologically, we walk a line between Roman Catholicism and the rest of the Protestants. Roman Catholicism tells people that they must follow rules in order to make God happy with them. They threaten that purgatory is the fate of those who do not live virtuous enough lives here on Earth. Protestants (Reformed, Methodists, Presbyterian, UCC, any community church) ultimately end up telling people the same. They believe in Jesus, but they don't believe in the value of forgiveness over the long term. To a Protestant, you have to *prove* that you are Christian through your good works. Lutherans believe that Christ and His good works prove that we are Christian, that it is Jesus who makes God happy with us once and for all. Our job is to stay connected to that, to stay plugged into it. We do this by hearing about it, talking about it, and singing about it. We do this by praying for forgiveness, by offering forgiveness to our neighbor, and then trying again.

Walk the line. You are neither the hero nor the villain of this story. Jesus is the hero, and He tells you that He's saved you. The devil is the villain, and he tells you that God doesn't love you, that you're awful. Or he tells you that you're just fine the way you are and don't need to be saved. Neither is the truth. You do need to be saved. Thanks be to God, you are saved. That is what you are. Saved. A saved sinner who still sins but is still saved. Don't sweat when you fall. God will pick you up.

Noah Fremer

Elder's Corner



Independence Day is approaching. July 4th is on a Tuesday this year, so we might not all get the 3-day (or more) weekend we hoped for. It marks the adoption of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776 when the United States declared independence from Great Britain. Graduation ceremonies were conducted just weeks ago. These graduates gained independence from high school or college and will move into the next phase of their lives. Most will no longer be dependent on their parents and this will create a new lifestyle. It's so very important for them to become properly independent to create a successful future for themselves and others. At our local Memorial Service a few weeks ago, the guest speakers talked about the great sacrifices our veterans made and how we trusted and depended on them to be able to keep our nation free so we can live our lives without fear of unjust government. The keynote speaker leaned heavily on the religious side, which was impressive! He talked about God and how we are a great nation because it was founded on religious principles. There are people who are trying to erase parts of our history because there were negative things that happened. We must keep history as it happened, because that is "history". We have been blessed to learn from our past. He stated this about the Pledge of Allegiance of the United States, "It doesn't need to be rewritten, it needs to be reread." It was written by Francis Bellamy in 1892 and changed only three times, the latest change in 1954 by President Eisenhower, who added the phrase "one Nation under God." I looked up exactly what that true meaning is; *under God* means "God willing / having faith in God." Notice this is God with a capital G!

Too many people give up on God and drift away from their spiritual upbringing and don't think God cares about their lives. Matthew 28:20 gives us God's promise, "And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Dependence on the Lord is our lifeline to eternity. We all have our "independent" viewpoints, but the Lord gives us proper guidance in the scriptures. 1 Corinthians 11:11-12 tells us, "Nevertheless, in the Lord woman is not independent of man nor man of woman; for as woman was made from man, so man is now born of woman. And all things are from God." We are also to be dependent on each other for support, comfort, and scriptural learning. Our parents raise us to be independent, but they never stop being our parents. My parents are both in heaven now, but they never stopped offering advice or encouragement, right up to their last days. I miss them dearly, but they always were there for me, no matter the circumstances. Proverbs 22:6 reads, "Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not turn from it." We may not always completely agree with them, but we are commanded to respect them. Exodus 20:12 is where we find the fifth commandment, "Honor thy father and thy mother." Independence Day has much greater importance than just another paid holiday off.

We pray dear Lord, that you would help us to find strength by depending on you for all things. Give us the wisdom to seek your help in good times and also in difficult times.

We pray this in your holy name, Amen.



Ellie Schueler

ELLIE GRADUATED FROM HGHS AND IS ATTENDING UW LACROSSE IN THE FALL WHERE SHE WILL PURSUE A DEGREE IN PHYSICAL THERAPY.



Devon Lallensack

DEVON GRADUATED WITH HIGH HONORS FROM MSOE WITH A BS IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING AND A MINOR IN MATHEMATICS.

DEVON AND HIS SENIOR DESIGN TEAM PLACED 2ND TO THE TURKISH NAVAL ACADEMY IN A WORLD COMPETITION WITH THE TOPIC OF ALTERNATIVE HYDRO JET PROPULSION SYSTEMS.

DEVON WORKS AT CURT JOA AS AN ENGINEER.



Celina Maratik

CELINA GRADUATED FROM
OSHKOSH TEACHER'S COLLEGE
ON MAY 13TH, 2023.



Connor Walsh

CONNOR GRADUATED FROM
LAKELAND UNIVERSITY ON
MAY 13TH, 2023.



On June 12-16, we had a “stellar” week of Vacation Bible School. Angie Schorer led the kids through a cosmic quest where they learned how to shine Jesus’ light to the world. The kids were blessed to be helped by our great crew of volunteers, as well! Our special mission project was for Operation Kid-to-Kid . A \$12 donation provides a language-appropriate Bible, plus connects recipients with discipleship opportunities that help them grow in faith. With the kids’ offerings during the week and the church’s help after the worship services, we raised \$637—enough for 53 Bibles!



July Prayer Calendar

1. Start your day with Luther's Morning Prayer and end your day with the Evening Prayer.
2. For God's wisdom and integrity to be good citizens and neighbors.
3. Read the Bible daily. We never stop learning, practicing and growing.
4. Slow down and appreciate the beauty around us. Thank Jesus for the beauty of nature.
5. Remember to pray before and after meals.
6. Enjoy the blessings of Summer.
7. Perform an act of kindness or generosity. Ask God to help you make it a habit.
8. The Lord's timing is perfect. Help us wait patiently.
9. Today, sing your favorite song of praise.
10. Use your time wisely; ask God to help you prioritize the day's task.
11. Dear God, You never change! God always fulfills His promise.
12. Pray for your loved ones.
13. Be confident! Read Joshua 1:9.
14. Thank God for our congregation, made up of a family of believers.
15. Read Philippians 4:6-7 Pray: Lord, I look to You. Please settle my anxious spirit.
16. "God, have mercy on me, a sinner." Luke 18:13
17. Pray for the shut-ins and elderly of our congregation.
18. Spend time with God. He's available 24/7.
19. End your day with Luther's Evening Prayer.
20. Give thanksgiving for all the Synod's faithful church workers, that they might be reenergized daily and find great joy in their service.
21. For all children, that they would be brought to the saving waters of Baptism and raised in the love, nurture and admonition of the Lord.
22. That the Lord would help us raise our children and young people in the faith, always pointing them to the hope and salvation found only in Christ.
23. For college students, who are struggling with many different issues and challenges.
24. For the elderly, that they would be Godly examples to the young as they are patient in their tribulations, joyful in their hope, firm in their faith and humble in all they say and do.
25. For the Synod, that they might have the resources and wisdom to effectively reach out to their communities.
26. For the Synod's partner churches around the world, that they would continue to teach Christ's Word in all its truth and purity.
27. For discernment, that we might heed God's call to serve in His name, whether around the world or right here at home.
28. For mission local mission work, that we would not become complacent in the work God has called us to do in our own communities.
29. That congregation members might be welcoming to every person the Lord brings to their church.
30. For all people who turn away from the loving arms of their Savior. Pray that the Holy Spirit would transform their hearts and minds.
31. With thanksgiving that God has called and equipped us to join in His mission to seek and save the lost. Ask God to give you courage to be His witness in your daily life.

Our July Service Teams

<u>July</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Elders</u>
Thursday 6:30pm	Team 1	Tom Weber
Sunday 9:00am	Team 4	Dale Hopf

<u>Date</u>	<u>Altar Guild</u>
June 19 - July 2	Rita Milbrath and Susie Sixel
July 3 - July 16	Janice Lieftring and Kathy Shircel
July 17 - July 30	Margie Born and Anne McCraw
July 31 - Aug 13	Donna Wolf and Robie Scharinger

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Video Operators</u>
June 29	6:30pm	Bryce Peter and Brody Timm	Jan and Deb Grunewald	Lance Liermann
July 2	9:00am	Matthew Koenig and Andie Koenig	Mark and Karen Plocar	
July 6	6:30pm	Joey Senkbeil and Ethan Fenn	Dale and Donna Bitter	Craig Lallensack
July 9	9:00am	Chloe Grunewald	Dick and Lee Schoessow	
July 13	6:30pm	Matthew Schukow and Cooper Schmidt	Betty Butler	Scott Timm
July 16	9:00am	Emmet Kunze and Rylan Bahr	Nathan and Jennie Cassity	
July 20	6:30pm	Bryce Peter	Al Bramstedt	Lance Liermann
July 23	9:00am	Macey Schueler and Emily Harris	Kathy Schmid	
July 27	6:30pm	Mykenna Weigert and Kaitlyn Koenig	Peter and Kathy Franz	Craig Lallensack
July 30	9:00am	Matthew Koenig and Andie Koenig	Josh Schorer	

July Flower Sponsors

Altar Flowers

June 16: Dan and Connie Bitter—Easton's Birthday

June 23: 170th Trinity Anniversary

June 30: Glenn and Vickie Cudworth - 50th Anniversary



July Birthdays

Jul 1	Jodi Berglund	Jul 18	Andrew Gardner
Jul 3	Stacey Block	Jul 18	Jean Hiebing
Jul 4	Jason Grunewald	Jul 18	Diana Reyer
Jul 5	Nicholas Koenig	Jul 20	Darrel Bergelin
Jul 8	Allan Bramstedt	Jul 21	Wyatt Heffernan
Jul 8	Sarah Jabs	Jul 22	Daniel Englebert
Jul 8	Samuel Parnitzke	Jul 23	David Born
Jul 8	Tom Weber	Jul 23	Lincoln Scheurs
Jul 9	Rachael Brickner	Jul 24	Marlyn Herzog
Jul 9	Kim Holler	Jul 24	Devon Lallensack
Jul 10	Keenan Beauvais	Jul 24	Lisa Landry
Jul 11	Mike Winter	Jul 24	Karrie Jo Richter
Jul 13	Crystal Luecke	Jul 25	Rachel Richter
Jul 13	George Marthenze	Jul 27	Vickie Cudworth
Jul 15	Kay Waldschmidt	Jul 28	Jeremey Berglund
Jul 16	Ronald Plocar	Jul 28	Terry Parnitzke
Jul 17	Andrew Endreas	Jul 31	Leo Waldschmidt

July Anniversaries

Jul 3	Ron and Dianne Marks (48)	Jul 21	Jim and Anne McCraw (33)
Jul 7	James and Connie Hansen (39)	Jul 23	Mark and Karen Plocar (40)
Jul 7	Michael and Vicky Milbrath (34)	Jul 26	Jerome and Mona Jaeger (48)
Jul 14	Gary and Dawn Hopf (44)	Jul 28	Glenn and Vickie Cudworth (50)
Jul 15	Steve and Wendy Forward (34)	Jul 30	Christine Breunig and Cal (37)
Jul 18	Gordon and Amanda Heffernan (14)	Jul 31	Eric and Tammy Stelter (13)

Traveling Bulletins:

Jerry Brandt (May 28 and June 14) St. John Lutheran Church - Kellner, WI

Dave and Robie Scharinger (June 4 & 18) New Life Community Church - Plymouth, WI

Josh, Jessica, Kim, and Emily Allen (July 2) St. Matthew Lutheran Church - White Lake, WI

July 2023

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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2 9:00am Worship with Communion	3	4 HAPPY Fourth OF July	5	6 6:30pm Worship	7	8
9 9:00am Worship	10	11 6:30pm Elder's Meeting 7:30pm Council Meeting	12	13 6:30pm Worship with Communion	14	15
16 9:00am Worship with Communion 10:00am Voter's Meeting	17	18	19	20 6:30pm Worship	21	22
23 10:30am Worship 170th Anniversary Luncheon	24	25	26	27 6:30pm Worship with Communion	28	29
30 9:00am Worship with Communion	31					