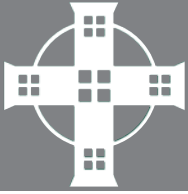


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LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Trinity Family:

We all ask two questions to understand our existence: where am I from and where am I going? This year will be focused on that 2nd question: where am I going?

Faith, Family and Future. A couple of years ago we set out on a 3 year journey of looking at these words that define our life together, looking at one word per year. It is time for the last one: Future. Our theme this year is Future Focused and our theme verse is Jeremiah 29:11: For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans to give you a future and a hope.

Where am I going? What is my future? We first want to more fully discover the eternal future God has given us in Jesus. Knowing our eternal future then informs our temporal future. Knowing our eternal future fills us with great confidence and hope so that we can follow God's plans personally and as a church.

So here's a couple of major highlights as we head into the fall:

1. Beginning on **Sunday, September 8th** we introduce a new Sunday morning schedule to make room for Bible Class and Sunday School. The best thing we can do in pursuing the future is to seek the Lord in his Word and in prayer. So please look at what is being offered in this book and join us for Eucharist and Bible Study:
Saturday: 5 PM Eucharist
Sunday: 8:30 AM Eucharist, 9:45 Bible Class and Sunday School, 10:45 Eucharist
Wednesday: 11 AM
2. During this year of being Future Focused we will be taking a **Generosity Journey** together. The goal is to become more generous followers of Jesus in every aspect of our life, including how we resource and expand the work of Jesus at Trinity. That journey will culminate in February, but this fall we are looking for those who want to make an early commitment in the journey in the hopes of inspiring the rest of the congregation. If you would like to be involved this fall please drop me an email or give me a call.

May we be truly focused on the future God has planned for us. May we always focus on Jesus.

Your brother,
Pr. Mielke
pastormielke@trinityL.org
574-674-8800



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STAY CONNECTED

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK

Follow Trinity on Facebook @TLCSElkhart for news, quotes, humor and event updates throughout the week.

TRINITY'S WEBSITE

Go to trinityL.org to find everything from news and updates about all our events and classes to our weekly homilies and all our contact information.

TRINITY'S E-TIDINGS AND E-BLASTS

Sign up on our website or through the office to receive our monthly E-tidings, our online newsletter that lets you know everything that is happening for the upcoming month. You will also receive email updates periodically about special events and news.

NEWS & NOTES

Each weekend you can pick up a copy of the News & Notes. You will find a listing of the weekly readings, a details on a few of our largest upcoming events, a calendar of the next weeks events, and a save the date calendar. You can also see the financial & attendance stats for the previous weeks.



WORSHIP

Worship Times

SATURDAY - 5PM	A blended worship service led by organ & piano.
SUNDAY - 8:30AM	A blended worship service led by organ & piano.
SUNDAY- 9:45AM	Bible Study and Sunday School for all ages.
SUNDAY - 10:45AM	A contemporary worship service led by our worship team.
WEDNESDAY - 11AM	A traditional worship service led by piano.

Weekend Sermon Series

FOCUS ON: FOLLOWING JESUS

In our “Future Focused” year, we learn in this series that the first step into the future is hearing Jesus’ invitation “Come, Follow Me!” “Where are we going, Lord?” “Come along and you’ll find out!” The future starts when we get up and start to follow where he leads. Join us for this sermon series as we revisit what it means to be a daily disciple and follower of Jesus and discover his plans for us.

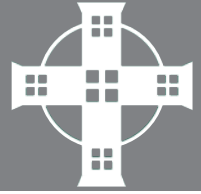
DATES - WEEKENDS, AUG. 24TH - SEPT. 22ND.

FOCUS ON: BECOMING GENEROUS FOLLOWERS OF JESUS

Building on the previous series, Focus on: Following Jesus we now look specifically at how we become generous followers of Jesus. God is so generous to us through Jesus in every aspect of life. We are made and redeemed to be generous people. In this series, we will discover the joys of becoming more generous disciples.

DATES - WEEKENDS, SEPT. 28TH - OCT. 27TH

WORSHIP



DESTINY: FOCUSING ON OUR ETERNAL FUTURE

Where exactly are we going? What is heaven and what is it like? In this series we look at our eternal future and destiny exploring such topics as the Communion of Saints, the Resurrection, and the End Times.

DATES - WEEKENDS, NOV. 2ND - 24TH

Advent Sermon Series

FOCUS ON: CHRISTmas

As Christ followers, how can we focus more on Christ during this busy holiday season? We will discuss what it means for Jesus to be the Christ, the one anointed as our Prophet, Priest and King.

DATES - WEEKENDS, NOV. 30TH - DEC. 15TH

Special Worship Times

THANKSGIVING EVE: WEDNESDAY, NOV. 27TH 11AM & 6:30PM

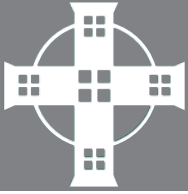
CHRISTMAS EVE: TUESDAY, DEC. 24TH 1PM (ORGAN) 4PM(WORSHIP TEAM/JAZZ) 7PM (CHOIR/BELLS)

CHRISTMAS DAY: WEDNESDAY, DEC. 25TH 10AM (ORGAN)

Advent Midweek Services

LESSONS AND CAROLS OF ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS: WEDNESDAYS, DEC. 4TH AND 11TH, 6:30 PM

CHILDREN'S (K-4) CHRISTMAS PROGRAM: WEDNESDAY, DEC. 18, 6:30PM



WORSHIP & GIVING

VOLUNTEER MINISTRY

There are many ways to volunteer at Trinity from serving in worship, working in our outreach ministries, serving a soup supper, helping out in the school, and many more. If you are interested in exploring how you can use your gifts to serve God, please visit our website to sign up (trinityL.org) or contact Sue Emmack to set up a time to meet.

DATE AND TIME- ONGOING
CONTACT- SUE EMMACK

Stewardship

IGNITE: A GENEROSITY JOURNEY

During the month of August, the congregation chose to approve our work with the consulting company Generis, to guide us on a generosity journey this fall and winter. The purpose of **IGNITE** is for our congregation to grow as generous followers of Jesus. This journey will consist of two phases an early engagement phase this fall and a congregation wide phase during the months of January and February 2020. **All members and friends of Trinity are welcome to take part in the early engagement phase which consists of small group gatherings. If you would like to take part in this phase, please contact Pastor Mielke or Tom Haeussler as soon as possible.**

DATE AND TIME- EARLY ENGAGEMENT PHASE THIS FALL
CONTACT- PASTOR MIEKLE AND TOM HAEUSSLER

BUILDING FUND

Please consider a gift to the building fund this year as we work to pay down the principal on our mortgage as quickly as possible and be good stewards of all our blessings.

DATE AND TIME- ONGOING
CONTACT- PASTOR MIEKLE AND TOM HAEUSSLER



WORSHIP & GIVING

GENERAL FUND

Our general fund covers items such as: Church staff, day-to-day operations, and materials that support our worship and faith education together as a Christian community.

There are several ways to give to our general fund.

ONLINE GIVING

If you go to trinityl.org/giving, you'll find an option for online giving. You can make a one-time gift or a recurring tithe. This method is convenient for both you and the church office (saving time and labor is another form of good stewardship).

MOBILE GIVING

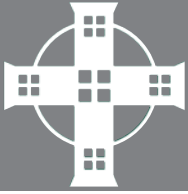
The mobile app Tithe.ly allows you to make donations to all of our available funds right from your mobile device.

KIOSK GIVING

At the information center you can use the iPad to make a donation at Tithe.ly.com using your credit card as well.

GENERAL FUND ENVELOPES

You can also make donations by placing a check or cash in a general fund envelope. If you are not currently receiving envelopes and would like to, please contact the office for assistance.



BIBLE STUDIES & CLASSES

Sundays

PHILIPPIANS: THE JOY OF FOLLOWING JESUS.

A verse by verse study of the “Epistle of Joy.”

DATE AND TIME: BEGINS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 9:45-10:30AM, GATHERING AREA

CONTACT- PASTOR MIELKE

WOMEN’S STUDY- CAPTIVATING- LED BY MELANIE NELSON

Every little girl has dreams of being swept up into a great adventure and of being the beautiful princess. Sadly, when women grow up, they are often swept up into a life filled merely with duty and demands. Many Christian women are tired and struggling under the weight of the pressure to be a “good servant,” a nurturing caregiver, or a capable home manager. By revealing the core desires every woman shares - to be romanced, to play an irreplaceable role in a grand adventure, and to unveil beauty-John and Stasi Eldredge invite women to recover their feminine hearts, created in the image of an intimate and passionate God. Please register on the Trinity website or by emailing Sue Emmack at sueemmack@trinityL.org. The study guide is required for this class and is \$8. The book is not required, but adds a great deal to the study. Books are \$12.

DATE AND TIME: BEGINS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 9:45-10:30AM

CONTACT- SUE EMMACK

MEN’S STUDY - WILD AT HEART- LED BY GREG EMMACK

Think back to your boyhood: Remember the boyhood dreams that had you tracking dangerous villains, swinging swords, and storming the castle? Adventure is what God planned for you. John Eldredge, in his book “Wild at Heart”, invites you to join him in this passionate, daring, and wild at heart video series- and to discover how men across the country are recovering their masculinity as God designed it. The study guide is \$8 and the book “Wild at Heart” is \$12. The study guide is required, the book is not, however, the book adds a great deal to the experience. Please register on the Trinity website or by emailing Sue Emmack and indicate the materials you would like her to order.

DATE AND TIME: BEGINS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 9:45-10:30

CONTACT- SUE EMMACK



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BIBLE STUDIES & CLASSES

BASICS OF THE LUTHERAN FAITH

This class is for those who are currently active members of another Christian church, but would like to make Trinity their church home. Registration is required.

DATE AND TIME: BEGINS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 9:45-10:30AM

CONTACT- SUE EMMACK

HIGH SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY

Many of us struggle to find our identity, thinking we can search the world and find it. Being cut from the team, not making first chair in the orchestra, or getting less than an “A” can feel like our whole world is crumbling. When our friend groups change, we are sent on an emotional roller coaster. As we explore the book of Ephesians, we’ll discover the benefits of having an identity that is anchored in Christ. Through this study, we’ll unpack what it means to find our identity in Christ so that we can live with confidence when the circumstances of our lives challenge our answer to the question: Who am I?

DATE AND TIME: BEGINS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 9:45-10:30AM

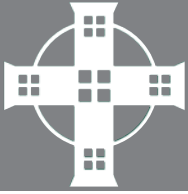
CONTACT- TAIS BREKKE

7TH-8TH BIBLE STUDY

How well do your actions mirror the faith that you proclaim? Faith isn’t an abstract concept or a statement that we mindlessly recite. Faith has effects in the real world. As we explore the book of James, we’ll dive into the theme of real faith producing authentic deeds so that we can “walk the talk” as followers of Christ. We’ll learn more about the stability, love, humility, and patience that we receive as fruits of the faith that we have in Christ.

DATE AND TIME: BEGINS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 9:45-10:30AM

CONTACT- TAIS BREKKE



BIBLE STUDIES & CLASSES

RCIC - CONFIRMATION INSTRUCTION

A two year journey for students in 4th-6th grade—or those older who haven't yet gone through confirmation. Over the course of the year, we will look at the Scriptures and Catechism during our Sunday morning instruction times. On our Wednesday evening sessions, we will look at how our faith intersects with the modern world we live in today. The goal is to create lifelong disciples and support parents in the spiritual care of their children. The students will grow in their ownership of their faith and be lead over a two year journey to celebrate the Rite of Confirmation and receive their first communion. Please contact Pastor Davis if you would like to join. (See also Wednesday section).

DATE AND TIME- BEGINS SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 8TH, 9:45-10:30AM
CONTACT PASTOR DAVIS FOR DETAILED SCHEDULE

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children ages preschool through grade 4 will gather together to grow in faith and learn more about their Savior. Songs, Bible Stories, and various projects and activities will be included as children learn more about what it means to be a child of God.

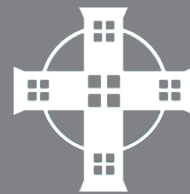
DATE AND TIME- BEGINS SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 8TH, 9:45-10:30AM
CONTACT- FRAN CONNER

NURSERY

Children ages birth through 3 will be lovingly cared for as their parents and siblings attend Bible classes on Sundays.

DATE AND TIME- BEGINS SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 8TH, 9:45-10:30AM
CONTACT- FRAN CONNER





BIBLE STUDIES & CLASSES

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH - SANCTUS

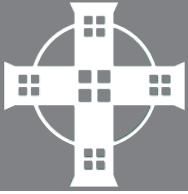
Our high school youth ministry at Trinity is open to all current 9th-12th grade students. The Word Sanctus comes from the Latin word which means Holy, or “to be set apart.” We are set apart for God through Christ to become a part of His eternal family. The high school youth group meets the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month. The first Sunday of the month we will come together to ‘Build Community’ among one another and grow deeper in faith through learning and conversation. The third Sunday of the month are ‘Serve Community’ nights where the youth will have an opportunity to show and share Christ’s love through different acts of service. A detailed calendar is available upon request.

DATE & TIME - BEGINS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH, 6:00-8:00PM MEETS EVERY 1ST AND 3RD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH
CONTACT - TAIS BREKKE

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH - FORTWELVE

Our middle school youth ministry at Trinity is open to all current 6th-8th grade students. Named after 1 Timothy 4:12, 6th-8th grade youth are invited for a night of fellowship, study of God’s Word, and prayer as they grow in their living faith. The middle school youth group meets the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month. The second Sunday of the month we will come together to ‘Build Community’ among one another and grow deeper in faith through learning and conversation. The fourth Sunday of the month are ‘Serve Community’ nights where the youth will have the opportunity to share Christ’s love through different acts of service. A detailed calendar is available upon request.

DATE & TIME - BEGINS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH, 6:00-8:00PM MEETS EVERY 2ND AND 4TH SUNDAY OF THE MONTH
CONTACT - TAIS BREKKE



BIBLE STUDIES & CLASSES

Tuesdays

WOMEN'S STUDY: SINGING IN THE RAIN, FINDING JOY IN LIFE'S UPS AND DOWNS

True joy isn't the same as a happy heart or a smiling face. In this study, you'll discover what the Bible says true joy is (it's not just happiness), how you can experience it, and how you can be joyful in all of life's circumstances. Study guide is \$3.

DATE & TIME - BEGINS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 9:30-10:30AM

CONTACT - SUE EMMACK

HEBREWS: INTERSECTION OF CHURCH AND STATE

It's no secret that we are entering into another election cycle (do they ever truly stop?). In a world where we are constantly bombarded with different voices and viewpoints across all spectrums, how do we faithfully live as Christians while also being citizens of our nation? What is the role of the Church in this nation, especially as we care for those in greatest need? Come for an evening of discussion and fellowship as we tackle these tough questions and seek to faithfully live out our calling in Christ in the world today without being brought down into the pit of politics. Bring a Bible and a brew (or another beverage) for yourself, and another drink to share with a brother. Open to all men 21 years old and older.

DATE & TIME - BEGINS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 9:30-10:30AM

CONTACT - PASTOR DAVIS



BIBLE STUDIES & CLASSES

Wednesdays

CHILDCARE

Children ages 0-4th grade will be lovingly cared for in the childcare room while their siblings and parents attend classes.

DATE AND TIME- WEDNESDAYS, 6:30-8PM

CONTACT- SUE EMMACK

RCIC - CONFIRMATION

A two year journey for students in 4th-6th grade—or those older who haven't yet gone through confirmation. Over the course of the year, we will look at the Scriptures and Catechism during our Sunday morning instruction times. On our Wednesday evening sessions, we will look at how our faith intersects with the modern world we live in today. The goal is to create lifelong disciples and support parents in the spiritual care of their children. The students will grow in their ownership of faith and lead them over a two year journey to celebrate the Rite of Confirmation and receive their first communion. Please contact Pastor Davis if you would like to join. (See also Sunday section).

DATE AND TIME- WEDNESDAYS, 6:30-8PM

CONTACT- PASTOR DAVIS

CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP CLASS (RCIA)

Christian Discipleship Class (RCIA) is for those who are new to the Christian faith, or have been away from the church for quite some time, baptized or unbaptized. Together we journey through the story of faith as we connect it to our life in the church. Registration is required.

DATE AND TIME- WEDNESDAYS, 6:30-8PM, SUNDAYS DURING ADVENT AND LENT, 9:45-10:30AM

CONTACT- SUE EMMACK



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DATE AND TIME- WEDNESDAYS, 6:30-8PM

CONTACT- SUE EMMACK

7TH-12TH GIRLS BIBLE STUDY

Fearfully and wonderfully made, teen girls will grow to learn how truly unique, important, and beautiful they are as they become who they are in Christ.

DATE AND TIME- WEDNESDAYS 6:00-8:00PM

CONTACT- TAIS BREKKE

7TH-12TH BOYS BIBLE STUDY

What does it look like to be a godly man? This Bible study will focus on issues specific to teen boys, providing wisdom from God's Word, and encouraging one another as they learn what it means to be a man of God.

DATE AND TIME- WEDNESDAYS 6:00-8:00PM

CONTACT- TAIS BREKKE

ADULT CHOIR

Love to sing? Trinity's Adult Choir sings a variety of songs and styles and is currently welcoming new members! Reading music is not required. The Adult Choir leads worship 1x/month plus at special services like Christmas Eve, Lenten Midweeks, Triduum, and Easter.

DATE AND TIME- WEDNESDAYS 6:30-7:30PM

CONTACT- LAURA HEDSTROM





BIBLE STUDIES & CLASSES

ADULT HANDBELL ENSEMBLE

Love to ring? Trinity's Adult Handbell Ensemble rings easy repertoire in a variety of styles within a fun environment. Experience is not required, but reading music is a must. The Handbell Ensemble leads worship 1x/month plus at special services like Christmas Eve, Lenten Midweeks, Triduum, and Easter.

DATE AND TIME- WEDNESDAYS 5:30-6:20PM

CONTACT- LAURA HEDSTROM

Other Groups and Classes

CONNECTION GROUPS

Connection Groups are a gathering of people who meet regularly and are open to a growing relationship with Jesus and each other through studying His word and praying, caring for one another and serving others.

DATE AND TIME- VARIOUS TIMES AND DATES

CONTACT- SUE EMMACK

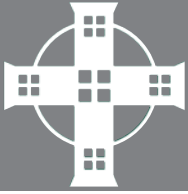
TEEN CONFIRMATION

Teen Confirmation is available throughout the year for any student 18 and under who is interested in learning more about the Christian faith by diving into the Scriptures and catechism.

DATE AND TIME- MONDAYS 6:30-8:00PM, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 16

CONTACT- TAIS BREKKE





BIBLE STUDIES & CLASSES

BAPTISM CLASS

Parents and Godparents are invited to attend a three week class that will cover topics such as parenting, the role of sponsors/godparents, as well as walk through the Rite of Baptism.

TIME AND DATE- THIS CLASS IS OFFERED THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

CONTACT- JODI FRESHOUR

MOMS- MOTHERS OF MANY SEASONS

MOMS Group- "Mothers of Many Seasons" is a MOMS group that is geared towards meeting the needs of MOMS of all ages with children of all ages. A MOMS meeting includes free childcare, wonderful food, fellowship time, and is a safe place to share issues relevant to moms and families today. We will incorporate the MOPS curriculum into our monthly meetings which includes yearly themes, engaging speakers, and creative activities.

DATE AND TIME- MEETINGS ARE ON THE THIRD THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH FROM 9:00-10:30 A.M.

CONTACT- JODI FRESHOUR

SING AND SPROUT

A Christian music and movement class for children ages six months to five years old and their caregivers. The class is taught by an experienced preschool teacher and is fun and interactive for the kids and adults.

DATE AND TIME- SESSIONS ARE MADE UP OF SIX WEEKLY CLASSES THAT MEET ON FRIDAYS FROM 10:00-10:45 A.M.

COST IS \$35 PER FAMILY.

CONTACT- JODI FRESHOUR

CPR/AED CLASSES

Looking to become certified in CPR and AED use? Trinity can help. Our parish nurse leads classes upon request

DATE AND TIME- OFFERED THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

CONTACT- STEPHANIE STANLEY



MINISTRIES



Our School

PTO

The Trinity family comes together to support and encourage student learning by fostering relationships through the Parent Teacher Organization. All friends of Trinity are encouraged to get involved and invest some time by volunteering through the PTO. Upcoming events include Back-to-School Hee-Haw and Grandparents' Day.

CONTACT- PTO PRESIDENT KRISTI MOHAMED; STAFF LIAISON SARAH GALIHER

SCHOOL ATHLETICS

Cheer on the Crusaders this season! Girls' volleyball, co-ed Soccer and Cross Country schedules are available on the athletics calendar.

DATE AND TIME - ATHLETICS CALENDAR LINK: <https://tinyurl.com/yafsuem4>

CONTACT- PAUL ROSIN

CHAPEL

Need a midweek Jesus boost? Join our school community for Morning Prayer on Wednesdays throughout the school year. Chapel runs from 8:15-8:50am.

DATE AND TIME - WEDNESDAYS FROM 8:15-8:50AM

CONTACT- PASTOR DAVIS



School Give-Back Programs

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Box Tops for Education are printed on hundreds of products, and each one clipped and returned to our school contributes ten cents to our program.

CONTACT- SCHOOL OFFICE: OFFICE@TRINITYL.ORG

SCRIP

SCRIP gift cards benefit shoppers and our students! The stores and vendors give back a percentage of purchases to our school, which is then shared with school families toward tuition costs and used to fund scholarship programs. Gift cards are available daily in the school office, can be ordered online, and can be delivered through the information center on weekends.

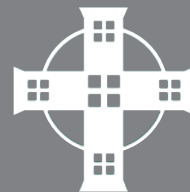
CONTACT- SCHOOL OFFICE: OFFICE@TRINITYL.ORG

AMAZON SMILE

Amazon Smile gives cash back to our school every time you make an Amazon purchase. To sign up, go to smile.amazon.com and choose Trinity Lutheran Church and School as your organization.

CONTACT- SCHOOL OFFICE: OFFICE@TRINITYL.ORG





MINISTRIES

TRINITY SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

Student tuition costs are subsidized by congregational giving as a mission to our community, but many families need additional support through our established financial aid program. These funds are a blessing to those who give and those who receive as they provide the opportunity of Christian education.

CONTACT - SCHOOL OFFICE: OFFICE@TRINITYL.ORG

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP

The George Woldt Student Aid Fund (for non-member students) and the Cindy Cataldo Memorial Fund (for preschool students) are designated accounts established in honor of our former Trinity principal and teacher.

LUTHERAN SGO SCHOLARSHIP

The Lutheran SGO is the Scholarship Granting Organization for Lutheran schools in Indiana. Donors, either individual or business, give directly to the fund and can receive additional state tax credits for their contribution. For more information or to donate online please visit Lutheransgo.org

DONATIONS TO SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS MAY BE MADE THROUGH CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES OR BY CONTACTING TOM HAEUSSLER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, OR SANDY PRICE, PRINCIPAL.

TLS UPCOMING EVENTS

- AUGUST 21 First day of school
- SEPT 24 Back to School Hee-Haw
- OCT 22-24 Parent Conferences
- OCT 24 e-Learning Day
- OCT 25-28 Fall Break
- NOV 27 e-Learning Day
- NOV 28-29 Thanksgiving Break
- DEC 18 K-4 Christmas Program
- DEC 20-JAN 3 Christmas Break



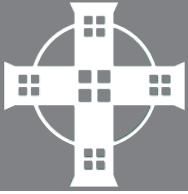
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School Volunteers Needed

PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION

Parents and Friends of Trinity can volunteer through the PTO to help in classrooms, put up bulletin boards and displays, lend a hand at special events, and enjoy time with other parents, teachers and kids!

CONTACT - KRISTI MOHAMED OR SARAH GALIHER

LIBRARY HELPER

We are in need of volunteers to adopt a class to help in the library once a week; check students' books in and out and shelve returned books.

CONTACT - OFFICE@TRINITYL.ORG

Care Ministries

STEPHEN MINISTRY

This one to one Christian Care giving ministry is available for those who are experiencing a time of difficulty, loss, or change in their lives, and need a Christian friend to walk beside them. If you would like to learn more about this ministry, or would like the care of a Stephen Minister, please contact one of the Pastors or Sue Emmack.

DATE AND TIME- VARIES

CONTACT- ONE OF THE PASTORS OR SUE EMMACK

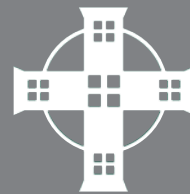
CARING FOR OUR ELDERLY

This group works under the direction of our Parish Nurse, Stephanie Stanley, and serves our senior saints by sending cards, making visits, offering rides, or assisting with tasks.

DATE AND TIME- VARIES

CONTACT- STEPHANIE STANLEY





MINISTRIES

HOME VISITS

Trinity offers spiritual care and pastoral visitation for those unable to attend worship or for other needs. Fr. Ted Stanley, our visitation pastor, makes monthly visits with Holy Communion to those who desire it. Pr. Mielke and Pr. Davis can also visit as needed. Other spiritually mature volunteers at Trinity are also willing to make care visits.

DATE AND TIME- VARIES

CONTACT- IF YOU WOULD DESIRE THIS TYPE OF SPIRITUAL CARE, PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE.

PRAYER CHAIN

Be a part of our email prayer chain by submitting your email address to the office

DATE AND TIME- VARIES

CONTACT- OFFICE@TRINITYL.ORG

MEALS

We offer meals to our members who are expecting a baby, having surgery, or are experiencing other crisis. This team uses a website to organize meals and communicate to each other and the family.

DATE AND TIME- AS NEEDED

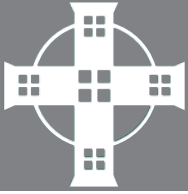
CONTACT- STEPHANIE STANLEY

DIVORCE CARE

Have you experienced a separation or divorce? You don't have to go through it alone. DivorceCare is a nationally recognized DVD based study that seeks to bring healing in the midst of what is a stressful and painful time. This program helps you walk through issues you've never faced before and gives a safe place to ask the many questions you may have. DivorceCare helps you face these challenges together and move toward rebuilding your life.

DATE AND TIME- MONDAYS, SEPTEMBER 9 - DECEMBER 2, 6-8PM.

ANTHONY BUOSCIO AT 574-971-7909 OR ABUOSCIO@HOTMAIL.COM OR JANET HAVEKOST AT 574.217.3260 OR SIGN-UP ONLINE AT: [HTTPS://WWW.DIVORCECARE.ORG/GROUPS/109240](https://www.divorcecare.org/groups/109240)



MINISTRIES

GRIEFSHARE

GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences - experiencing the pain of losing someone you love. You don't have to go through the grieving process alone. GriefShare is a Christ-centered, video-based program with discussion questions to help people process grief in the toughest moments of life. Our prayer is that through this process, you experience healing and joy in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The group is facilitated by Diane Enos and Deb Sorokin.

DATE AND TIME- WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 - NOVEMBER 13, 6:30-8:00PM

CONTACT- DIANE ENOS AT DENOS@SBMF.ORG OR 574-220-5068

Events

OKTOBERFEST

This is a Trinity tradition and is a fun afternoon for all ages! We have delicious German food and inflatables for the children. Bring the whole family and invite your friends! Entry and inflatables are free, food and drinks are available for purchase.

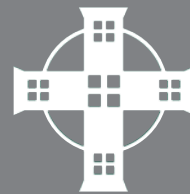
DATE AND TIME- SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, NOON-3PM

CONTACT- SUE EMMACK

“THAT THEY MAY BE ONE” ANNUAL SERIES

When we commemorated the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation in 2017, we built a wonderful friendship with St. Pius X Catholic Church. Following the desire of our Lord for the unity of His Church, as well as the same intention of the Lutheran Reformers, this relationship has helped us grow in understanding of each other as Lutheran and Roman Catholic Christians, celebrate what we share in faith, and look for ways to serve our community.

Our “That They May be One” series is an annual gathering of our parishes for a topic of faith. Trinity is proud to host this year's event with special guest, Deaconess Chrissie Gillet of Lutherans for Life and Word of Hope Ministries.



EVENTS, HAPPENINGS & GROUPS

Times for prayer and fellowship will round out the evening. As we look at the moral crisis of our time, we can find support and strength in each other as Christians, especially in the issues of life, sexuality, and marriage. Deaconess Gillet's presentation will certainly encourage us all.

DATE AND TIME- MONDAY, OCT. 21, 7 PM AT TRINITY
CONTACT- PASTOR MIELKE

CHRISTMAS CRAFT BAZAAR

Get a head start on your Christmas shopping and visit over 75 booths filled with wonderful items. Browse our bake sale area for delicious homemade desserts and stop by our cafe with hot breakfast and lunch items available for purchase. You can win a prize from one of our vendors by participating in our drawing. All booth rentals, bake sale, and drawing proceeds go directly to benefit Church Community Services in Elkhart, an agency that assists those who are struggling with poverty.

DATE AND TIME- SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 8AM-2PM
CONTACT- ANDREA WAECH AT ANDREAWAECH@GMAIL.COM

SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS

This one day session which is connected with our GriefShare ministry focuses on how you can deal with the grief of losing a loved one as the holidays approach and their absence is felt more powerfully than at other times during the year. This one day seminar is facilitated by Diane Enos and Deb Sorokin.

DATE AND TIME- SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23RD, 10AM-NOON
CONTACT- DIANE ENOS AT denos@sbfm.org OR 574-220-5068



EVENTS, HAPPENINGS & GROUPS

Fellowship Groups

O.W.L.S. (OLDER WISER LUTHERAN SENIORS)

This group is for those 55 years of age or older to fully live out a Christ-centered life, and also, a means to reach out to the senior adults in our community. Monthly activities are scheduled. Pick up a brochure at the information center for more information.

CONTACT- RUSS BUSSE

ESTHER CIRCLE

This group of ladies meets once a month for lunch and to contribute to an outreach project.

DATE AND TIME- ONGOING

CONTACT- NANCY SCHROEDER

TURNING PAGES BOOK CLUB

An avid reader? Turning Pages Book Club for women gets together once a month to discuss a book from the collective reading list. It is a time of learning, growing, sharing, and fellowship.

DATE AND TIME - FOURTH TUESDAY OF THE MONTH, 7-8:15PM

CONTACT- SUE DUCKWORTH AT 574-261-4083 LIZ MEEKS AT 574-674-6799

Outreach

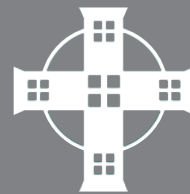
CCS BAG PROJECT

The task is simple, but the impact is great as we sort and fold recycled grocery bags to be used in the Church Community Services Food pantry

DATE AND TIME- MONDAYS, 12:30-2PM

CONTACT- SUE EMMACK





EVENTS, HAPPENINGS & GROUPS

CHURCH COMMUNITY SERVICES PROJECT NIGHT

Join us at CCS (907 Oakland Avenue, Elkhart) on the first Tuesday of every month from 6-8pm. Tasks vary month to month and children 10 years of age and older are welcome but need to be accompanied by an adult. You can sign up here: <https://goo.gl/hJHMC4>

DATE AND TIME- FIRST TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH, 6-8PM

CONTACT- SUE EMMACK

CHURCH COMMUNITY SERVICES FOOD DRIVE

Bring your nonperishable food items and place them in the designated area in the entryway. These donations go to the food pantry at Church Community Services.

DATE AND TIME- ONGOING

CONTACT- SUE EMMACK

CHILDREN'S QUILT MINISTRY

This group meets once a month to make baby quilts for various outreach organizations that help families in need.

DATE AND TIME- SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH FROM SEPTEMBER TO MAY, 9-11AM

CONTACT- RENATA MOYER

SCHOOL "FIRST FRIDAY" SERVICE PROJECT

The "First Friday" of each month is designated for a specific outreach service project in the school. Children may bring in monetary or in-kind donations to support the project.

DATE AND TIME- FIRST FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH

CONTACT- SANDY PRICE

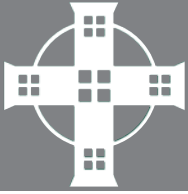
SCHOOL CHAPEL OFFERINGS

An offering is collected during each school chapel service and designated for a specific need, organization or outreach project.

DATE AND TIME- WEDNESDAY MORNINGS

CONTACT- SANDY PRICE





OUR TEAM

Church Council Officers



SHANNON RICE
Council Chair



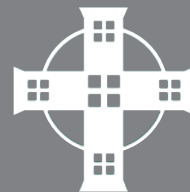
COREY VAN LUCHENE
Vice-Chair, School Board



GREG BACKHUS
Treasurer,
Finance
Committee



SUSAN FRANGER
Secretary, School Board Chair



OUR TEAM

Church Council At-Large Members



STEVE THALHEIMER

School Board



DUANE WILCOXSON

Generosity Initiative
Committee



KRISTI MOHAMED

Marketing &
Messaging
Committee



JEFF MCNEILL

Maintenance &
Grounds Committee



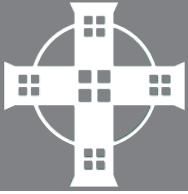
TOM DUCKWORTH

Committee TBD



SABRA TWIFORD

Finance Committee



OUR TEAM

Pastoral & Parish Staff



PR. SPENCER MIELKE

Senior Pastor: Ministry of Word and Sacrament, Vision, Design of our Worship, Leadership for Staff, Lay Leaders and whole congregation Board Chair



PR. CHRISTOPHER DAVIS

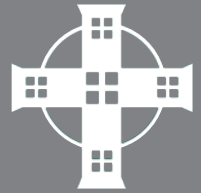
Ministry of Word and Sacrament, Pastoral Care Ministries (visitation, GriefShare, Divorce Care, Lutherans for Life, etc), Children's Confirmation, Young Couples



SUE EMMACK

Director of Membership
Ministries: Invitation, Initiation and Incorporation of Members, (Volunteer Ministries, Connection Groups, Adult Bible Studies, etc.)
Outreach and Fellowship Events

OUR TEAM



Pastoral & Parish Staff



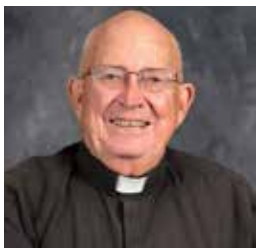
LAURA HEDSTROM

Director of Worship and Music:
Chief Accompanist for Worship,
Leadership for Choir, Bells,
Worship Team, School Choirs, and
other ensembles



TAIS BREKKE

DCE Intern (Director of Children,
Youth and Family Ministry
starting in Jan., 2020): Children's,
Middle School and Senior High
Youth Ministries.



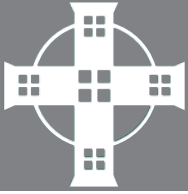
PR. TED STANLEY

Visitation Pastor: 11 AM
Wednesday Eucharist,
Homebound & Hospital Visitation



STEPHANIE STANLEY

Parish Nurse: Coordinator
of care to seniors and other
members as needed, visitation,
CPR certified trainer, health
seminars



OUR TEAM

School Staff



SANDY PRICE
Principal



PAUL ROSIN
Asst. Principal, Athletic
Director, 6th grade



JODI FRESHOUR
Early Childhood Director,
Pre 3-4, Before & After Care



KATHY LEIBENGOOD
2 & 3 year olds



SHELLEY MIELKE
3 year olds



SARAH GALIHER
4 year olds



BRIANNA NEUMEYER
4 year olds



BECKY VEEN
Kindergarten



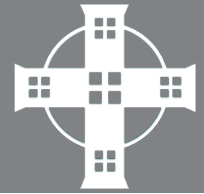
JODEE PRICE
1st Grade



KRISTEN MCGIRR
2nd Grade



TERESA BLYSTONE
3rd Grade



OUR TEAM



METTA HEUBLEIN
4th Grade



LARRY BRUMMET
5th Grade



MATT ALBERTIN
7th Grade

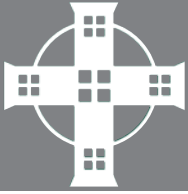


DAWN FLATT
8th Grade



CHRIS CHAPMAN
School Music & Band Director;
Worship Team Assistant Director

AMY PRINCE
Art Teacher



OUR TEAM

Support Staff



TOM HAEUSSLER

Executive Director:
Oversight and Development
of Finances, Human
Resources for Staff, Leads
Office and Properties Staff
for Life, etc), Children’s
Confirmation, Young
Couples



COREY COX

Communications and
Technology Director: Oversees
all Communications, Maintains
and Develops Technology
Systems, Trains and Supports
Staff in Communications and
Technology



SHANNAN ASBURY

Office Administrative
Assistant: reception
and secretarial services
for Church and School;
the “1st line” in tending
to the needs of callers,
visitors, members, and
students



KRISTA RANDALL

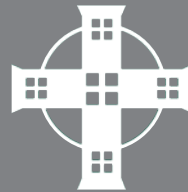
Financial Administrative
Assistant: Assists in maintaining
the financial records of the
Church and School



JULIE PLUMMER

Parish Administrative Assistant:
Assists Church staff, Church
records, Organization of
volunteers

OUR TEAM



LORI CRONMILLER

Admissions Counselor:
Manages and maintains the
enrollment and financial aid
processes

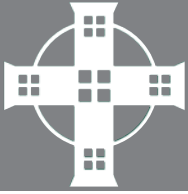
CALEB MILLER

Maintenance Manager:
Provides general
maintenance, upkeep,
and daily management of
Trinity's buildings, grounds,
and equipment

TODD SCHULZE

Custodian: Responsible for
keeping the church and
school clean and in good
order between events,
services, and various church
activities.





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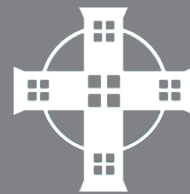
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SAVE THE DATES

SEPTEMBER

- › 14TH CHURCH FISH FRY
- › 15TH MARRIAGE IN CHRIST SEMINAR
- › 28TH START OF GENEROSITY SERMON SERIES
- › 29TH OKTOBERFEST

OCTOBER

- › 1ST CCS SERVICE NIGHT
- › 11TH MOPS MOMS NIGHT OUT
- › 19TH LAW ENFORCEMENT APPRECIATION EVENT
- › 23RD MIDDLE SCHOOL NELSON'S FUNDRAISER
- › 25TH SCHOOL FALL BREAK

NOVEMBER

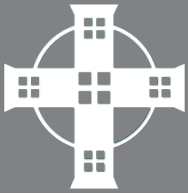
- › 2ND CHRISTMAS CRAFT BAZAAR
- › 5TH CCS SERVICE NIGHT
- › 8TH MOPS MOMS NIGHT OUT
- › 9TH STEPHEN MINISTRY TRAINING RETREAT
- › 23RD GRIEFSHARE: SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS
- › 27TH THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP
- › 28TH THANKSGIVING BREAK

DECEMBER

- › 3RD CCS SERVICE NIGHT
- › 8TH IGNITE EARLY COMMITMENT EVENT
- › 12TH CHRISTMAS MUSIC ASSEMBLY
- › 15TH FAMILY YOUTH NIGHT
- › 18TH K-4 CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
- › 20TH CHRISTMAS BREAK BEGINS
- › 24TH CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP
- › 25TH CHRISTMAS DAY WORSHIP

JANUARY

- › IGNITE CONGREGATIONAL PHASE
- › 5TH CHRISTMAS BREAK ENDS
- › 7TH CCS SERVICE NIGHT
- › 10TH MOPS MOMS NIGHT OUT
- › 26TH LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK



SAVE THE DATE

Sermon Series
Becoming Generous
Followers of Jesus
Sept 28th - Oct. 27th

Early Commitment Event
Sunday, December 8th at 6 pm

Congregation Wide Generosity
Journey & Commitments
Jan/Feb 2020


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