Trinity Lutheran Church MAY 2024 Trumpet



In Christ, we welcome, equip and serve one another

Sunday Morning Worship At 9:30am

Sunday services are available on our FB page and website: trinityspooner.org

MAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

May 5 Worship 9:30 am 6th Sunday of Easter

May 12 Worship 9:30 am 7th Sunday of Easter

May 19 Worship 9:30 am Senior Recognition Day of Pentecost

May 26 Outdoor Worship 9:00 am Memorial Weekend The Holy Trinity

A NOTE FROM PASTOR HEATHER

On Sunday, May 19, 2024, we celebrate Pentecost and the amazing happenings recorded in chapter 2 of the New Testament Book of Acts. Our focus is on God's gift of the Holy Spirit. Pentecost means "the fiftieth day," and it occurs fifty days after Passover. It's a joyful celebration of the day when God gave Moses the Ten Commandments and made a covenant with Israel to be their God. In biblical times, it was a festival when people came each year to Jerusalem to bring the first fruits of their wheat harvest as an offering to God in the Temple.

In the time of the New Testament, Jesus promised the disciples that God would give them an awesome gift. He told them to wait in Jerusalem, for "you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses" to the whole world (Acts 1:8). To be a witness is to tell the truth of what you have seen, heard, and experienced. To be a witness for Jesus is to share the good news about who he is and what he has done as our Savior.

On the morning of Pentecost, a large group of Jesus' friends and disciples were praying together in a house in Jerusalem. Suddenly, they heard the sound of a powerful wind that filled the house. They saw what looked like tongues of fire above one another's heads. They felt themselves filled with the Holy Spirit and began speaking of the wonderful acts of God who raised Jesus from the dead!

Many Jewish people from other nations had traveled to Jerusalem for the Pentecost festival. Right away, they heard this good news in their own languages and accents. They were amazed that God gave the group of Jesus' followers from Galilee this special ability. Peter stood up and told the crowd that God was fulfilling the promise of the Old Testament prophet Joel. In response to Peter's sermon, thousands of people were baptized, and the church grew daily (Acts 2:1-40). This is why we call Pentecost "the birthday of the church."

When you go to worship on Pentecost Sunday, notice changes in color in the sanctuary. Red is the color of Pentecost, and it signifies the tongues of flames seen over the heads of those praying to-gether. Churches may also display tongues of flame and symbols of wind on banners or posters or create an arrangement of extra lit candles in the worship space.

Pentecost often goes unobserved in our households. But without Pentecost, we wouldn't have the church. It is good to spend time as a family in devotions on this important day, remembering that God began the church and continues to empower it by God's Spirit.

WHAT CAN YOU DO IN YOUR FAMILY TO OBSERVE PENTECOST?

- Read together Acts 2:1-40. Ask each family member to tell of one thing he or she will try to re member from the Scripture reading.
- Pretend you are Peter delivering that sermon. What would you say to people today to help them understand the message of Jesus?

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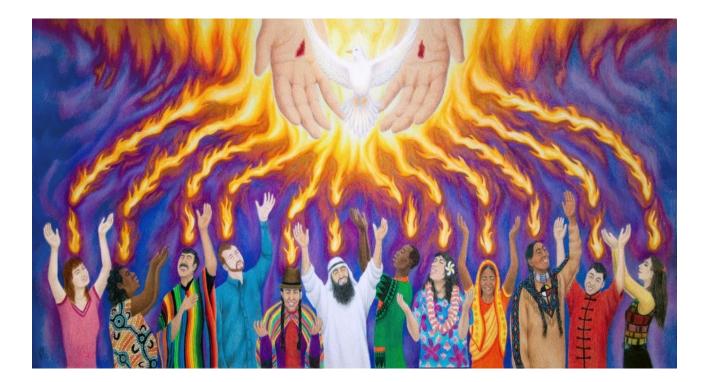
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- Enjoy wind activities together. Blow bubbles and watch as the wind carries them in the air. Make and fly a kite. Sit outside at dusk and feel the wind on your face.
- Visit an older member of your church. Ask this friend to relate memories of how the congre gation started, memories of Sunday school, and recollections of people who were important to his or her faith formation.
- Decorate your home by making red banners, posters, or pictures.
- Attend worship on Pentecost Sunday and wear something red.

Use the following prayer as part of your home devotions.

Gracious God, you gave the first believers in Jesus courage and the power of the Holy Spirit to tell others about Jesus' resurrection. Thank you for empowering us to be your witnesses today. Sometimes we are afraid and feel alone. But just like that Pentecost long ago, we are surrounded by your loving presence. Help us to live in such a way that others see in us a reflection of your love. We pray through the power of your risen Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Pastor Heather









Summer worship hours will change to 9:00 am beginning Sunday, May 26 and will be held in our beautiful Outdoor Sanctuary.



SUMMER

Monday-Thursday 9:00 am-3:00 pm

KWIK TRIP GIFT CARDS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

Help send Trinity's youth to the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans by purchasing Kwik Trip gift cards in the office, Monday—Thursday AND on some Sundays. Trinity's youth receive 5-10% of the sales. 5% is received when using towards gas and 10% for groceries. We sell gifts cards in the amounts of \$25, \$50, or \$100.

WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!

Trinity Lutheran Church Children's, Youth and Family Newsletter

Mission Statement "In Christ, we welcome, equip and serve one another"

SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATES

Our last Sunday School session for the school year is scheduled for **Saturday, May 11 from 9:00 - 10:30 am.** Please note the change from Sunday to Saturday for the month of May. We have some special activities planned to help our children celebrate their moms and felt that we needed some more time than our regularly scheduled Sunday time. Children will be doing some crafting and baking, so please dress them for a little "mess". We invite all children and parents to gather in the fellowship hall following the church service on Sunday to enjoy treats that the children helped to prepare.

If you are interested in joining the Sunday School committee to help us plan for the 2024/2025 school year, please reach out to Lind-say Meyer at <u>lindsay.meyer84@gmail.com</u> or 630-207-2668. We will begin planning for the new school year in mid-July.

ACOLYTE TRAINING

Typically, children can begin to serve as acolytes after they have received their first communion in 3rd grade.



Sarah Gothblad will be completing an acolyte training on Saturday, May 11 at 10:00 am.

If your child has never been trained or would like a refresher, feel free to attend. This training will be completed as part of our "Sunday School" class on this same date, however, if your child is not able to attend "Sunday School" but would like to be trained, please plan to have them arrive at church around 10:00 am.

SUMMER CAMPS FOR YOUTH & FAMILIES

Registration is still open for summer camps at both Luther Park (Chetek, WI) and Luther Point (Grantsburg, WI). We encourage you to look into the available camps for youth of all ages! Camp brochures are available at church or via camp websites. Trinity will financially support youth who are interested in attending one of these camps this summer. Families are responsible for the deposit for the camp they choose, but Trinity will cover the remainder of the registration cost. Use the following codes when registering for camps at each location:

Code: Trinity24



Code: TLCS





A Spring update for you all... Thanks to our AMAZING congregation, the funding for the trip this July is nearing a close! We have secured the following for the 18 participants:

- * Parking/shuttle at MSP airport
 * Registration
 * Hotel
- * Airfare ***** * Transportation in NOLA *****
- * and up next, food

Thank you again for all you've done to help support this venture. We look forward to sharing this once-in-a-lifetime experience with you all!



Sunday June 9th **Blū Kanū** is performing here at Trinity Lutheran! Come and enjoy this acoustic guitar singing duo.

Time: TBD

There will also be a pie auction – buy a pie made by one of our members going to New Orleans!

Free will donation will support the New Orleans Nat'l Youth Gathering trip this summer.



Brother and Sister from Spooner Artie Anderson and Rhoda Habedank



Many of us have watched and appreciated Trinity's services online when we were unable to physically attend. It takes volunteers to run Livestreaming and we only have 4 trained souls. Young or Old, we need **YOU** to give it a chance. You get to be creative AND serve at the same time. Please contact the office or Diane Hagler to find out how easy it is and sign up to learn. LET'S HAVE DINNER

The BCC (Board of Congregational Care) would like to promote relationship building through what we're calling "Dinner for Six". The idea is that three "families", whether that's a couple, a family of six or a single person, get together once a month for dinner at each other's homes, for the three months over the summer; June, July and August. How you decide to provide the meals will be up to your group. Whether you want to have the host family do the cooking, do a pot-luck each month, or even order out is totally up to you! The idea is that relationships can be and are formed over a meal.



HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR BLESSING AND RECOGNITION Sunday, May 19 9:30am



We join together as a faith

community to celebrate the resilience and achievements of the Class of 2024. God's blessings to our youth for a future full of promise and hope!

Mark your calendars for Senior Recognition Sunday on May 19th. This is a time we recognize the youth of the church who are seniors in high school and will be embarking on the next step of their life's journey. Ethan Young, son of Kyle and Amy Young, is our Senior this year and a quilt will be presented to him to remind him of the support of his church family. A reception after church will be held for the congregation to meet Ethan and celebrate his achievements.



CREATIVE SHARING SUNDAY

Creative Sharing Sunday will be held on May 5, 2024 and every first Sunday of the month after the worship service. Share your talents and skills with your church family. Great way to meet others who share your same interests, while enjoying some coffee and a sweet treat. Open to all ages.

All types of creations: Knitting, crochet, drawing, paintings, photography, crafting, culinary, wood working, flower arranging, fly tying, basket weaving, welding, pottery work, cross-stitch, sewing, quilting and stain glass.

Question contact Diane Hagler (612) 251-0946.



The WELCA board did not meet in April.

Following are the spring events that have been planned:

- May 19 Senior Recognition of 2024 graduates
- June 8 Flea Market and Bake Sale, 9:00 am Noon. Set up June 7

Quilting Days: May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

The next board meeting is May 13 at 9:30 am



MIEN°S STUIDY GROUP Tuesday, May 7 and May 21

9:00 am in the Youth Room at church.

All men are welcome to enjoy refreshments, fellowship and meaningful discussions!

DID YOU KNOW THAT MOSES WAS THE FIRST PERSON TO RIDE A MOTORCYCLE?



IT'S IN THE OLD TESTAMENT THE ROAR OF MOSES'S TRIUMPH COULD BE HEARD ALL OVER ISRAEL.





RELAY FOR LIFE is just around the corner!

The Washburn County Relay for Life will be held on Friday, June 14 from 5-10 pm at the Shell Lake Pavilion.

How can **YOU** be the hands and feet of Jesus? How can **YOU** make a difference??

1. Join the Trinity team. This relay is all about cheering on those affected by cancer and remembering those we've lost to it. No walking is required! Team members generally are present for all or part of the event and participate in fund-raising. Sign up using the following link:

https://secure.acsevents.org/site/STR?fr_id=107709&pg=team&team_id=2744683

- 2. Make a tax-deductible donation:
 - a. Write a check payable to American Cancer Society (ACS). Pre-addressed envelopes are available in the narthex (on the table where you pick up your Trumpet) and you can mail it in directly.
 - b. Write a check (cash is also acceptable if you prefer) and give it to a team member. We will be stationed at the table in the narthex after worship on Sundays from April 21-June 9.
 - c. Make an on-line gift using the link above.
- 3. "Purchase" a luminary bag via free will offering (ACS suggests \$10/bag). These, too, will be available from a team member after Sunday worship. Take the bag home, decorate it "in honor of" or "in memory of" your special person (or in any way you wish!), then return it to the basket on the table in the narthex. Our team will set it up for you at the event.
- 4. Come to the Relay. Even if you can't join the team, it's a meaningful and fun evening, filled with music, stories, and the lighting of the luminaries—all with a beautiful lake view!
- 5. Pray. Pray for those fighting cancer, those researching treatments and cures, for the caregivers and survivors. Pray for the success and safety of our Trinity team. Pray to discern how God is calling YOU.

Still have questions? Contact Jeanne Berglund (team captain) by phone or text at 763-370-1407 or by email at <u>jeannebergy@gmail.com</u>

GIFTS & MEMORIALS

GIFTS OF TIME AND MONEY

Money gift designated to WELCA Personal Care Kits and ELCA World Hunger from Bob & JoAnn Wanek, Romaine & Joyce Endreson, Marty Janey, Gary & Diane Hagler, Missy Wienbergen, Carol Thompson, Sandy Vesper, Steve Aschbacher, Dee & Rich Noeldner, Sharon Laingen, Karen Randby, Pat Reijo, Renay Jonjak, Dawn Olson, Mary Hemshrot

- Money gift designated to camperships from Ron & Jean Reimann
- Money gift designated to Trinity Bells from Dawn & Doug Olson, Kay Hunter, Gerald & Roxie Fenske
- Money gift designated to the National Youth Gathering from the Mission Endowment Fund, Bill & Jackie Callander, Karen Randby, Linda Ferris
- Money gift designated for the Malawi Well Fund and for the WiFi camera from Bill & Jackie Callander
- Money gift in memory of Ray Smith from Phyllis Lauby



Whoever wrote "Easy Like Sunday Morning" obviously never had to get kids ready for church

THANKFUL FOR APRIL HELPERS

- Romaine Endreson and Bill Callander for getting our outdoor water feature ready for summer
- Teri Schult for her ongoing baptism baby quilt ministry
- Mary Benson for sharing her calligraphy gifts
- Emory Slayton & Addie Macone and their moms for making baptismal tie quilts for older children
- Roger and Carolyn Pittman for transporting Ray Smith's belongs from church
- Gloria Thue and Cindy Fagerstrom for ongoing office help
- Gloria Thue, Ruth Skeie, Teresa Anderson, Brenda Melton and Jean Reimann for counting offering
- Gloria Thue, Kay Hunter, Teri Schult, Maverne Fabbrini for packing Kids Meals and Stan Johannes for delivering
- Diane Hagler for producing & sending out our weekly E-News and scheduling Live streamers
- And many more for sharing your gifts of time and service

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING: MARCH 11, 2024

Present: Bev Bohac, Lindsay Meyer, Ann Peterson, Pat Reijo, Laura Siwicki Absent: Gary Hagler, Gail Lynum, Jean Reimann Others Present: Pastor Heather Kistner, Julie Rankila

The March 2024 Trinity Lutheran Church Council meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Council President Pat Reijo.

Opening Devotions were given by Pastor Heather Kistner.

The Secretary reports from the February Organizational Meeting and Board meeting were provided prior to the meeting. A motion was made by Bev Bohac and seconded by Lindsay Meyer to approve the minutes from the Organizational Meeting as presented. Motion passed without negative vote. A motion was made by Bev Bohac and seconded by Lindsay Meyer to approve the minutes from the February Board meeting as presented. Motion passed without negative vote.

The Treasurer's Reports from January and February were provided prior to the meeting. A motion was made by Laura Siwicki and seconded by Ann Peterson to approve the January Financial Statements as presented. Motion passed without negative vote. A motion was made by Lindsay Meyer and seconded by Ann Peterson to approve the February Financial Statements as presented. The Board discussed that Treasurer Gary Hagler and Bookkeeper Peter Donlan will be revamping the current balance sheet in the future. Motion passed without negative vote.

Pastor Heather Kistner gave the Pastor's Report and focused on the Church and looking forward within our congregation and ministry. Trinity Lutheran Church does not currently have a five or ten-year plan and that may be something the Church needs. The Board discussed who to involve in this process and felt it needed to be made up of more voices than just the Council.

Old Business

Life of Faith Initiative – Pastor Heather Kistner provided an update on the status of the Committee working on the Life of Faith Initiative. Due to personal circumstances the committee has not met in 2024. A decision was made to invite the Committee to the April Council meeting so that the two Board could discuss how to best move forward with the Initiative.

National Youth Gathering – Lindsay Meyer provided a brief update. The group has met their last fundraising goal. Transportation to and from the venue is now available and will be the next thing booked. There will be a Talent Show/Pie Contest with Blu Kanu performing.

New Business

1. A motion was made by Bev Bohac and seconded by Ann Peterson to move the Decorating Committee to under the umbrella of the Board of Congregational Care and out of the umbrella from the Board of Trustees. Motion passed without negative vote.

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Council Minutes continued

- 2. A motion was made by Lindsay Meyer and seconded by Laura Siwicki to authorize approval for the Trinity American Cancer Society Relay for Life Team Fundraiser to fundraise through Trinity. Motion passed without negative vote. The race will be held in June this year and has been an ongoing activity supported by Trinity Lutheran Church.
- 3. A motion was made by Bev Bohac and seconded by Laura Siwicki to approve new member Marty Janey. Motion passed without negative vote.
- 4. Washburn Christian Outreach has been disbanded. The current budget allotted \$1000 toward the group. The Board of Church and Society is aware of this, and a decision was made at the Board of Church and Society meeting to leave the \$1000 in the budget right now and not reallocate it. It will be decided later how to use those funds.
- 5. A motion was made by Ann Peterson and seconded by Lindsay Meyer to appoint Council President Pat Reijo, Council Vice-President Bev Bohac, and Council Treasurer Gary Hagler as authorized signers on Checking and Loan Accounts for Trinity Lutheran Church.
- 6. A motion was made by Ann Peterson and seconded by Bev Bohac to set an April 14th Informational Meeting and April 21st Congregational Meeting for approving funding and planning for roof replacement. The Board of Trustees suggested these dates. Motion passed without negative vote.

The meeting closed with members joining hands and reciting the Lord's Prayer.

A motion was made by Lindsay Meyer and seconded by Bev Bohac to adjourn the meeting at 6:51 p.m. The next meeting will be on April 8, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. with Ann Peterson leading the devotional.

Respectfully submitted, Ann Peterson, Council Secretary Why are oak trees so forgiving? Every May they "turn over a new leaf" What kind of car would Jesus drive? A Christler



9:30 AM WORSHIP	SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE HELPERS	DATE
Ushers	Teresa Andraschko and Sarah Olson Bill Gipp and Peter Donlan Ron Reimann and Steve Aschbacher Cindy Fagerstrom and Bill Gipp	5-5 5-12 5-19 5-26
Acolyte	Easton Brummond Joe Eichten Lucas Haynes Outdoor Worship: no Acolyte needed	5-5 5-12 5-19 5-26
Reader	Steve Clay Mike Kistner Sarah Gothblad Roger Pittman	5-5 5-12 5-19 5-26
Prayer Leader	Mary Hemshrot Joe Weiss Janine McNulty Missy Wienbergen	5-5 5-12 5-19 5-26
Power Point	Dayne Macone and Daulton Brummond Dave Huebner and Ben Eichten Nick McNulty Outdoor Worship: no Power Point needed	5-5 5-12 5-19 5-26
Livestream	Diane Hagler Colton Siwicki Bill Callander Colton Siwicki	5-5 5-12 5-19 5-26
Communion Assistants	Laura Kalisch, Louise Martell, Cathy Severance Jean Reimann, Jeanne Berglund, Penny Cuskey	5-5 5-19
Altar Guild	Sandy Johnson and Penny Cuskey	May

GIFTS MANAGEMENT

TOTAL GENERAL FUND INCOME AND EXPENSES TO-DATE: MARCH 2024

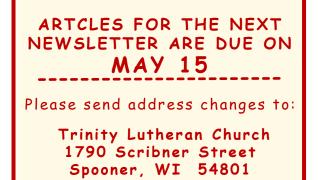
General Offering:	\$101,418
Other Income:	\$(748)
Total Income:	\$100,670
Mission for Others:	\$6,576
Our Church Expenses:	\$84,933
Total Expenses:	\$91,508
Net:	\$9,162

COMMENTS FOR GENERAL OPERATING FUND

General offering non-designated giving is below YTD budget by \$4800, and over last year same period by \$3,100.

Overall expenses YTD are on budget.

We received strong support for both Trinity Bells and for the National Youth Gathering thru fundraising and member designated giving with both being fully funded. Additional budgeted expense for the Nat'l Youth Gathering will be paid in April-May with the funds already received.



CONTACT INFORMATION

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Bookkeeper Peter I	okkeeper Peter Donlan				
Music Min. Tamar	Music Min. Tamara Smith				

FROM THE CHURCH RECORDS

Baptized -347 Confirmed - 268

Baptisms: Ava Handy 4-7-24 Cohan, Winston & Eloise Hurt 4-14-24 Jon Gauger and Jackson Gauger 4-28-24





MAY BIRTHDAYS

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
			1 Teri Schult	2 Sheldon Johnson	3	4 Rich Noeldner
5 Ken Johnson	6 Margaret Markgren Doug Rudolph	7 Shavon Sutherland Zach Huebner	8	9 Brayden Shafer Lucas Gothblad Emilie Aschbacher	10 David McNulty	11 Josh Peterson
12 Nicholas McNulty Sharon Laingen	13 Matt Vesper	14 Jo Ann Schmidt	15 Milda Brainerd	16	17 Mike Poppe	18 Emmie Davies Cathy Severance
19 Gloria Thue Liam Russell	20	21	22	23 Caitlyn Poppe	24 Shelvie Russell Carol Leischer Ron Reimann	25 Shaina Scalzo
26 David Vold	27 Darlene Olson	28 Savanna Siwicki Brett Gauger Cherie Hagen	29	30	31	



MAY CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thurs.	Friday	Saturday
			1 (10am Grief Support) 10:30am Mary Circle 1pm Sarah Circle (1pm Grief Supp.)	2 9am Quilting	3	4
5 9:30 Worship 10:30 Creative Sharing & Social Hour 10:30 Choir	6	7 9am Men's Group 3:15pm Trinity Bells	8 8:30am Trustees (10am Grief Support)	9 9am Quilting	10 10am Sen. Singles Coffee	11 9am Sunday School 10am Acolyte Training
12 MOTHER'S DAY Men's Choir 9:30 Worship 10:30 Social Hour	13 9:30 am WELCA Board 12pm Ruth Circle 5pm BCC 6pm Council	14 3:15pm Trinity Bells	15 NEWS- LETTER ARTICLES DUE (10am Grief Support)	16 9am Quilting (Foot Clinic) (1pm Material Girls)	17	18
19 SENIOR RECOGNITION 9:30am Worship 10:30 Reception/ Social Hour	20	21 9am Men's Group 3:15pm Trinity Bells	22	23 (Foot Clinic) 9am Quilting	24	25
26 9:00am Outdoor Worship 10:00 Social Hour	27 Memorial Day Office Closed	28 3:15pm Bells	29	30 9am Quilting	31	