

YOU ARE GOD'S MASTERPIECE

FOR WE ARE HIS WORKMANSHIP, CREATED IN CHRIST JESUS FOR
GOOD WORKS, WHICH GOD PREPARED BEFOREHAND,
THAT WE SHOULD WALK IN THEM.

EPHESIANS 2:10



Grace, mercy and peace to you from God our Father, and our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

For anyone that knows me, I am sure that this will not come as a surprise, but one of my favorite times every year was the beginning of school. I always got excited to get my new school supplies, label everything for the classes I was about to take, and start the new year getting to know my teacher. I absolutely loved school, and while I understand that this is not a sentiment shared by many, this time of year is always filled with new expectations and excitement. Excitement at a new teacher, at new classes, and at a new start where students believe they can do better than last year (or they are at least excited to see their friends again).

Yet this year poses some new challenges, both for students and for teachers. A mask mandate, many schools offering virtual learning only, and social distancing only serve to make this time of year, usually filled with hope and excitement, packed with fear and worry instead. It is in these times of stress and apprehension where God is most present, for he reminds us in the final chapter of Matthew “And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.” The apostle Paul echoes this in Romans 8 when he says “Neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

These are scary and difficult times that we live in, and our schoolchildren are no exception. As we begin this school year, may we continually pray for the youngest of us, for our teachers, and for all who are here to serve us in the middle of this confusion and chaos. We know that Christ will never leave us, nor forsake us, and that is enough comfort to see us through anything and everything! He will continue to watch over us, guiding and protecting us until that last day comes, when he will take us all to be with him in eternity. That is the comfort we have as Christians, even in the midst of a world filled with terror and evil.

In his famous hymn “A Mighty Fortress” Martin Luther puts it this way “A mighty fortress is our God, a trusty shield and weapon; he helps us free from every need that hath us now overtaken.” The Lord is our warrior, and nothing can defeat us. In that light let us start this fall and school year celebrating in Christ’s ultimate and final victory.

In Christ,
Rev. Timothy D. Smith





Happy Birthday

To our members who are celebrating their 80th or more birthday in September! Surprise them with a card or visit.

September 3	Donald Voight 1100 Grand Ave. Apt. 100B Schofield, WI 54476
September 5	Ruth Praeuner 1605 Evergreen Rd. 54403
September 6	Janet Hohn 224301 Rose Ave. 54401
September 12	Gordon Bauman 121 Ross Ave. 54403
September 16	Nancy Krahn 1905 Rosecrans St. 54401
September 17	Gertrude Freiberg Applegate Terrace 3001 Westhill Dr. Apt 103A 54401
September 21	David Erdman 2202 Burek Ave. 54401
September 23	Ruth Jahns 1507 Kenwood Dr. 54401
September 30	Viola Brunow 2903 Springdale Ave. 54401

Anniversaries! Congratulations to the following who will be celebrating their 50th or more Wedding Anniversary!

♥ Robert & Karen Burton	September 3
♥ John & Shirley Sorenson	September 4
♥ Merlin & Joan Zahrt	September 4
♥ David & Rosemary Groth	September 6
♥ Thomas & Joyce Traska	September 13
♥ Otto & Delores Fitzsimmons	September 14
♥ Roger & Barbara Schultz	September 19
♥ Dean & Nancy Thomsen	September 29

Holy Baptism! We welcome the following into the Lord's family through Baptism.

† Stormy Waupekenay*	July 26
† Beau Ross Berendsen	August 1
† Wilson Donald Liss	August 16

Our Sympathy. We extend our sympathy to the families of those who have passed away.

• Lucille VanderGeest

August 19

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Mutual Respect

It is a character quality that is both caught and taught starting at a young age. It is also a vital element in healthy human relationships. It has a close association with love. We are talking about respect. In the Bible it is comparable to honor.

The apostle Peter shares this expectation—"Show proper respect to everyone" (1 Peter 2:17a). This is a quality of Christian living under the realization that everyone bears the image of God (Genesis 1:27).

Respect is also an expression of love. This is a pivotal quality of being a disciple for Christ (John 13:34-35). We follow in the footsteps of Christ.

When conflict rears up, respect between parties is essential. Christ leaves no room for disrespect, judgment, belittlement, condemnation, and arrogance at such times. Respect makes space for grace. Love is shared in light of whose we are—brothers and sisters of Christ. Respect always leaves room for confession and forgiveness.

Imagine the impact if mutual respect was ever-present in daily conversations. Imagine the added harmony in churches if mutual respect was a lived-out core value.

To Christ be the honor and praise!

—Pastor Dan Kohn



SEPTEMBER

*In-person worship is being held at the following worship times: Saturday 5:00pm and Sunday 8am, 9:30am, and 11:00am. This calendar is subject to change.
All videos on Facebook Live will also be posted to the Trinity Lutheran Wausau YouTube channel.*

Tuesday, September 1st: *No Scheduled Events*

Wednesday, September 2nd:

9:00 AM Wednesday Morning Bible Study—Sanctuary
5:15 PM Wednesday Afternoon Bible Study—Sanctuary

Thursday, September 3rd: *No Scheduled Events*

Friday, September 4th:

8:00 AM Bulletin Assembly—Parlors
8:30 AM Grades 3-4 to School Forest

Saturday, September 5th:

5:00 PM Blended Worship w/Communion—Sanctuary

Sunday, September 6th:

8:00 AM Traditional Worship w/Communion—Sanctuary & on Facebook Live
9:30 AM Traditional Worship w/Communion—Sanctuary
11:00 AM Blended Worship w/Communion—Sanctuary & on Facebook Live

Monday, September 7th: *Labor Day—Offices Closed*

No Scheduled Events

Tuesday, September 8th:

6:30 PM State of the Church Address—Sanctuary

Wednesday, September 9th:

9:00 AM Wednesday Morning Bible Study: Ephesians—Sanctuary
5:15 PM Wednesday Evening Bible Study: Ephesians—Sanctuary
5:15 PM 7th Grade Public School Confirmation Class—Parlors
5:15 PM 8th Grade Public School Confirmation Class—Bethany Rm

Thursday, September 10th: *No Scheduled Events*

Friday, September 11th:

8:00 AM Bulletin Assembly—Parlors

Saturday, September 12th:

5:00 PM Blended Worship—Sanctuary

Sunday, September 13th:

8:00 AM Traditional Worship—Sanctuary & on Facebook Live
9:30 AM Traditional Worship—Sanctuary
9:30 AM New Membership Class—Parlors
11:00 AM Blended Worship—Sanctuary & on Facebook Live

Monday, September 14th:

9:15 AM MStaff Meeting—Parlors
10:00 AM Weekly Banter Bible Study on Facebook Live

Tuesday, September 15th:

6:30 PM Special Voters' Assembly—Sanctuary

CALENDAR—SEPTEMBER 2020 (CONT.)

Wednesday, September 16th:

9:00 AM Wednesday Morning Bible Study: Ephesians—Sanctuary
5:15 PM Wednesday Evening Bible Study: Ephesians—Sanctuary
5:15 PM 7th Grade Public School Confirmation Class—Parlors
5:15 PM 8th Grade Public School Confirmation Class—Bethany Rm

Thursday, September 17th: *No Scheduled Events*

Friday, September 18th:

8:00 AM Bulletin Assembly—Parlors

Saturday, September 19th:

8:00 AM 4-8 Volleyball Tournament—Gym
5:00 PM Blended Worship w/Communion—Sanctuary

Sunday, September 20th:

8:00 AM Traditional Worship w/Communion—Sanctuary & on Facebook Live
9:30 AM Traditional Worship w/Communion—Sanctuary
9:30 AM New Membership Class—Parlors
11:00 AM Blended Worship w/Communion—Sanctuary & on Facebook Live
6:00 PM Sr. YAT—Youth House

Monday, September 21st:

9:15 AM MStaff Meeting—Parlors
10:00 AM Weekly Banter Bible Study on Facebook Live

Tuesday, September 22nd: *No Scheduled Events*

Wednesday, September 23rd:

9:00 AM Wednesday Morning Bible Study: Ephesians—Sanctuary
5:15 PM Wednesday Evening Bible Study: Ephesians—Sanctuary
5:15 PM 7th Grade Public School Confirmation Class—Parlors
5:15 PM 8th Grade Public School Confirmation Class—Bethany Rm

Thursday, September 24th: *No Scheduled Events*

Friday, September 25th:

8:00 AM Bulletin Assembly—Parlors

Saturday, September 26th:

5:00 PM Blended Worship—Sanctuary

Sunday, September 27th:

8:00 AM Traditional Worship—Sanctuary & on Facebook Live
9:30 AM Traditional Worship—Sanctuary
9:30 AM New Member Class—Parlors
11:00 AM Blended Worship—Sanctuary & on Facebook Live
6:00 PM Sr. YAT—Youth House

Monday, September 28th:

9:15 AM MStaff Meeting—Parlors
10:00 AM Weekly Banter Bible Study on Facebook Live

Tuesday, September 29th: *No Scheduled Events*

Wednesday, September 30th:

9:00 AM Wednesday Morning Bible Study: Ephesians—Sanctuary
5:15 PM Wednesday Evening Bible Study: Ephesians—Sanctuary
5:15 PM 7th Grade Public School Confirmation Class—Parlors
5:15 PM 8th Grade Public School Confirmation Class—Bethany Rm



Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it. (Proverbs 22:6)

Thank You: We would like to thank those that donated items from the childcare wish list. Your generosity is very much appreciated. Thank you for your servant hearts.

Center Closed: The Childcare Center will be closed Monday, September 7th for Labor Day.

Reminders:

- ✱ Have a jacket for your child to go outside. Fall is on the way.
- ✱ Exchange extra clothes from summer to fall clothes.
- ✱ All items from your child's hallway hook and shelf need to go home at the end of each day. The custodians are doing cleaning and sanitizing of the hallways every night after school.
- ✱ If your child is bringing a cold lunch, please provide all needed utensils. If you want to purchase a milk from the hot lunch program, please let your child's teacher know at drop off.
- ✱ If your child will be eating hot lunch, your child's teacher needs to be notified by 8:00am. Hot lunch is \$3.10, and payments for this program need to be separate from your childcare tuition payments.
- ✱ Continue to bring a labeled water bottle for your child, as the drinking fountains will not be available to get drinks from.

Enrollment: Making calls to families from the wait list. Enrolling children from the wait list while other families have passed, as they found other care they are happy with.

Hiring: We are hiring part-time assistant teachers for all classrooms and full-time lead teachers for the 4-year-old classroom and school age program. Contact Penny Swanson at 715-848-0166, ext. 348 or swansonp@trinitynet.org.

Childcare Ministry Board: Discussion about childcare tuition. Research into staff pay scale. Conversation on how the childcare did this summer and how enrollment is looking for the fall.



Here's What's Happening

"What's New At Trinity?"

This year will be unlike any other year that any of us have ever seen. There will be many challenges, many opportunities to grow, and in the end we hope to rise out of the pandemic as a stronger and better place for serving our families and most importantly, serving our Lord.

The decision was made to go back to school face-to-face prior to WSD making their decision not too. We decided to move forward with that decision feeling that we have done much to implement a safe learning environment. This does not mean our school will with all certainty remain COVID free. It means we are doing our best to prevent it from coming in and asking our families to also work hard on their end to help keep it out of their homes and out of our school building.

Much of what we have decided and moved forward with will continue to follow have been guidelines and recommendations from the state and county health departments. Working with them will be vital in us doing the best we can to keep our learning face-to-face. That being said, we do have some families opting to learn virtually, and we are also working to accommodate those families until they feel better about having their children in a face-to-face setting.

Please keep our school, students, faculty, and staff in your prayers. Much talk has been said about heroes. I believe that I have been surrounded by heroes here in the form of faculty and staff. Please give them your thanks as you see them for all they are doing to help Trinity move forward and for the risks they are taking to make this all happen.

Enrollment

At the time that I am writing this, we have 183 students enrolled in our 4K-8th grade program. What a blessing this is! We have waiting lists in many of our classes too. This number is up from last year's 156. Praise God!

Dates to Remember

- **September 7**—Labor Day/No School
- **October 6**—School Picture Day
- **October 28**—End of 1st Quarter
- **October 29**—Professional Church Workers Convention (No School)
- **October 30**—Inservice Day (No School)

Substitute Teachers Needed!

If you or anyone you know of is interested and able to serve our school as a substitute teacher (teaching degree and current license required), please contact the school office at (715) 848-0166.

Education Grant Fund

Please consider a donation to Trinity's Education Grant Fund. We have families attending here that are in need of financial help and do not qualify for the WPCP program. Some families just hit hard times with the loss of a job, for example, and need some help with tuition. Your generous donations help make a Christ-centered education possible for many of our families.

2020-21 Theme "Unlikely Heroes"

Judges 6:12: "The Lord is with you, mighty warrior."



TRINITY HISTORY: DID YOU KNOW?

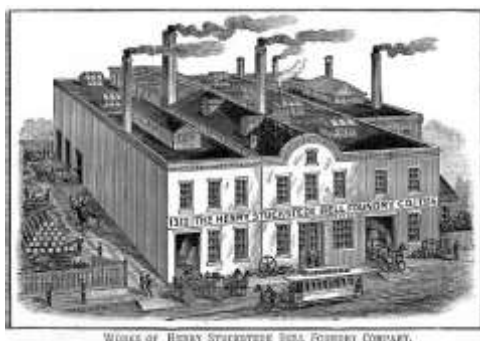
Recently, we have been publishing a history tidbit each Friday on our Facebook page. We are going to put a couple in the newsletter each month for those who don't have Facebook or may have missed the postings. The history of our congregation is so rich and valuable. Through it we are able to see how faithful God has been to his people. It serves as a reminder that if he has been faithful to us in the past, he will certainly be faithful to us in the future. Enjoy!

*God bless,
Rick Stengl, DCE*

Did you know... Our church bells are usually heard and not seen. Well, with the installation of new louvers this past spring, many of us got a peek at our bells for the first time! There are two bells, one large and one small that are housed in the East bell tower. They were manufactured by The Henry Stuckstede Bell Foundry Company in St. Louis, Missouri and purchased and given as a gift by Trinity's Ladies Aid. Inscribed on both bells (in German of course) is the following: HY Stuckstede B F Co, St Louis MO, 1908, Gifted by the Ladies Aid of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church. ... now you know!



Installation of the new louvers on the belfries.



Exterior of the Stuckstede Bell Foundry in St. Louis, MO where our bells were made.



Interior of the Stuckstede Bell Foundry in St. Louis, MO where our bells were made.

Did you know... In 1924 a new altar, pulpit, font and lectern were purchased by the Ladies' Aid Society and other generous donors and installed along with the altar carving of The Last Supper. All of these still remain today, although the altar, lectern and pulpit were slightly modified with the 1958 addition to the nave. The altar piece, being one of the focal points of the chancel, is an oak woodcarving by German artist Johannes (Alois) Lang, who at the time was American Seating Company's master woodcarver. He immigrated to the US in 1890 from Oberammergau, Bavaria, Germany and later went to work for ASC in 1903. Lang was known for his depictions of Leonardo da Vinci's masterpiece of The Last Supper. The original altar, pulpit and font had been purchased used from Trinity Lutheran Church in Merrill in 1908. With the installation of the new items in 1924 the former altar, pulpit, etc., were donated to the Lutheran Indian mission in the Oneida Indian Reservation. To this day the altar carving represents one of the finest pieces of church art in this part of the state. ...now you know!



Altar carving installed in 1924.



Johannes (Alois) Lang working on a carving similar to ours.



Exterior of the American Seating Company that was located in Manitowoc, WI at the time.

SAFETY PROTOCOL FOR IN-PERSON WORSHIP

Safety Protocol for In-Person Worship

The following guidelines will be followed when in-person worship is reinstated at Trinity Lutheran Church:

- If you are sick or experiencing the following CoVID-19 or Flu-like symptoms, we ask that you would refrain from entering the building. CDC CoVID-19/Flu-like symptoms are as follows:
 - ◇ Cough
 - ◇ Fever
 - ◇ Chills
 - ◇ Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - ◇ Muscle pain
 - ◇ Sore throat
 - ◇ New loss of taste or smell
- We will continue to offer services online for the time being
- If you determine that you do not feel comfortable attending worship in-person, you are encouraged to attend online services
- All worship services will be held in the Upper Sanctuary at the following times: Saturdays at 5pm and Sundays at 8am, 9:30am, and 11:00am. This change is to accommodate a greater occupancy and for cleaning purposes.
- For safety precautions, we ask that you refrain from gathering in the Narthex. We encourage you to wait in your vehicle until 5-10 minutes before service.
- Narthex-level restrooms will be open for visitor use. No other restrooms will be open
- For those with limited mobility, please park on Stewart Avenue and utilize the ramp
- Pastors will wash hands before and after services
- Hand sanitizers will be placed at all entrances and at the entrance of the Sanctuary
- Maximum attendance will be set at 150
- Maximum of 5 people per pew, *except* to accommodate an *immediate* family unit of greater than 5
- Social distancing of a minimum of 6 feet between people not living in the same household must be followed. Pastors will greet after service, but we ask that social distancing be maintained
- You are encouraged to come to your normal service time, and then leave when service is over. Please refrain from socializing before or after service
- Every other pew will be blocked off. Please refrain from sitting in blocked pews
- All hymnals, fellowship pads, pencils, and offering envelopes will be removed from the Sanctuary
- Frequently touched surfaces in the church (pews, door handles, railings, elevator buttons, cushions, etc.) will be sanitized after every service by Elders using specialized materials prepared by Custodial staff per OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration) guidelines
- Handouts, not full bulletins, will be prepared and left in the pews in advance of the service. Any handouts must be taken out of the building with you when leaving worship
- Non-worship gatherings (Coffee Hour, Sunday School, etc.) will continue to be suspended for the time being. An exception will be made for necessary Voters' Assemblies
- Solos may be sung, but we will continue to suspend Sanctuary Choir and Handbells
- Collection baskets will not be passed from person to person. The collection will be taken at the door and will not be left unattended
- No shaking of hands will take place

Communion Protocol

- Those preparing Communion will thoroughly wash hands
- Those distributing Communion will use hand sanitizer before and after distribution
- Communion will be by families/pews. An Usher will release each pew to avoid a line for Communion and to maintain social distancing between families
- For those who are uncomfortable attending in-person worship yet still desire the Sacrament of Holy Communion, please call the church office (715-842-0769) during the office hours of 7:00am-12:00pm to set up an appointment with a pastor

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Fellowship & Spiritual Growth Opportunities

***Meets the Third Tuesday of Each Month
(During the School Year)***

Afternoon Special Fellowship & Presentation:

1:00-2:30pm, Parlors

Opportunity for good Trinity fellowship with refreshments provided. Invitation open to all ages—bring a friend or neighbor! For more information or questions, please contact Pastor Pegorsch at 715-675-4074. Please also share any ideas for future programming.

Tuesday, September 15th at 1:00pm

Maybe yes or maybe no...

This would be our next 55+ Adult Gathering...but it depends on how CoVID-19 is or is not progressing. Once again, it will be a last minute decision. IF CoVID-19 has calmed down and decreased, we may have the September Gathering.

A word of caution: if you are not comfortable in participating, please do not do so...use the time as a prayer session.

IF we do meet...the presentation will be from the Creation Museum entitled, "The Bankruptcy of Atheism" by Mark Spense. As you know, Atheism is a religion which denies the supernatural intervention.

If we do gather for the afternoon of Christian fellowship, you are asked to wear a mask. The Parlors will be set up for social distancing.

Keep Praying!

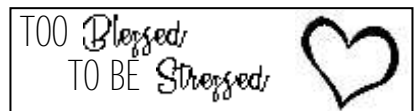
Today's Challenges...

This is a summary of an article I recently read...it might put our world's present struggle into perspective.

Imagine you were born in 1900. When you were 14, World War I begins, and it ends when you are 18 years old with 22 million dead. Soon after, a global pandemic, the Spanish Flu appears, killing 50 million people. And you're alive and 20 years old. When you were 29, you survive the global economic crisis that started with the collapse of the New York Stock Exchange, causing inflation, unemployment, and famine. When you are 33 years old, the Nazis come to power in Germany. When you're 39, World War II begins, and it ends when you're 45 years old with 60 million dead. In the Holocaust, 6 million Jews died. When you're 52, the Korean War begins. When you're 64, the Vietnam War begins, and it ends when you're 75.

A person born in 1985 thinks his/her grandparents have no idea how difficult life is, but they have survived several wars and catastrophes. (P.S. The polio fear and the fear of the Russian military power and atomic bombs and the construction of bomb shelters in the 1950s haven't even been mentioned.)

Today, we have all of the comforts in a new world amid a new pandemic. But we complain because we need to wear masks. We complain because we must stay confined to our homes where we have food, electricity, running water, WiFi, and even Netflix! None of that existed year ago! But humanity survived those circumstances and never lost the joy of living. A small change in our perspective can generate miracles if we have firm trust in the Triune God. We should be thankful that we are alive and that God, our Good Shepherd leads us one day at a time. HE simply requests that we do everything we can to lift up and help one another. This happens best when we are continuing to grow in our faith and then sharing the Good News of our loving, forgiving, and caring Lord and Savior. Let's get busy to share our faith, and God will bless us to be a blessing to our despairing world.

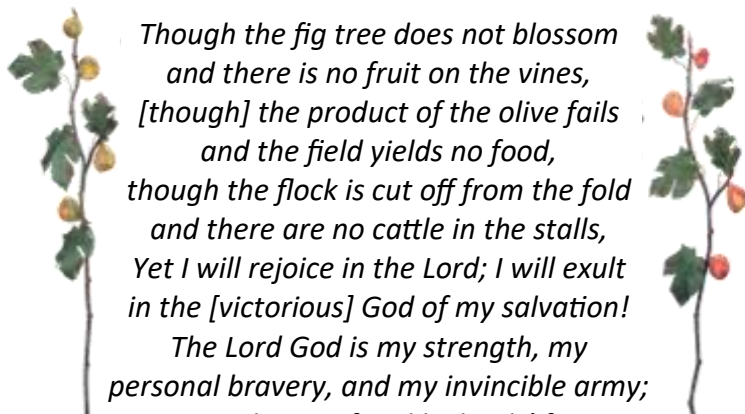


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Report on the July 24-26, 2020 Trinity Family Camping Weekend

Once again, in spite of CoVID-19, six plus family units enjoyed the 24th annual Trinity Family Camping Weekend. It was a warm weekend with only a slight down-pour on Sunday morning during our church service. We were at Farmer Gene's Campground at N11301 Kinney Lake Rd near Marion, Wisconsin. It is an 800-site campground with about two-thirds of it being permanent or seasonal sites. The Saturday morning Bible Study theme was "Wisdom of God" with a focus on Job 28:12-28, Proverbs 2:1-15, James 3:13-18, Proverbs 8:1-5, 17-36, and 1 Corinthians 1:18-25, 2:1-5. Wisdom is the theme of both the Old and New Testaments. It provides a spiritual reflection on the way we love and serve the Lord. In the evenings we sat around the campfire, roasted marshmallows, and shared experiences, devotions, and prayer. In the morning after breakfast, we had a worship service based on Luke 19:1-10 entitled, "Tree to Climb." Once again, a special thank you to Ken and Sherri Messerschmidt for providing the music for our worship service. After which we packed up and went on our homeward way. We praise God for the beauty of His creation, the spirit-filled Christian fellowship, and the anticipation of camping once again as a church family at Farmer Gene's Campground on July 23-25, 2021. Plan ahead to join us!

—Pastor Dennis Pegorsch



*Though the fig tree does not blossom
and there is no fruit on the vines,
[though] the product of the olive fails
and the field yields no food,
though the flock is cut off from the fold
and there are no cattle in the stalls,
Yet I will rejoice in the Lord; I will exult
in the [victorious] God of my salvation!*

*The Lord God is my strength, my
personal bravery, and my invincible army;
He makes my feet like hinds' feet
and will make me to walk
[not to stand still in terror, but to walk]
and make [spiritual] progress upon my high places
[of trouble, suffering, or responsibility]!*

—Habakkuk 3:17-19 AMP

Facilities/Properties

The Stewart Avenue step repair is scheduled to begin in September with completion expected in November. The repair includes digging out concrete, rebuilding supports if needed, pouring concrete steps and recreating the planters with a composite material. Our community partners at Keller and Wausau Tile will complete this project, which will be paid from generous donations, memorials, Reaching Up and Reaching Out Properties funds, and Endowment gains set aside specifically for property maintenance.

We have implemented extreme disinfection protocols every day after school and church to ensure the safety of our staff, students and visitors. Extra measures have also been implemented in childcare. We are using non-toxic cleaning materials when possible to reduce exposure to potentially harmful chemicals. All cleaning materials that we are using have been researched and are on record with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) according to Center for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines.

July Financial Summary

When Wausau School District made the determination to return to virtual-only classes, Trinity Lutheran School was inundated with enrollment requests at all grade levels. We were able to accommodate 28 new students. We simply did not have physical space to safely accommodate those on the waiting list. Due to this increase in enrollment, we had to update the budget, including additional income and expense, as well as using some resources in the church to accommodate the additional needs in the Day School.

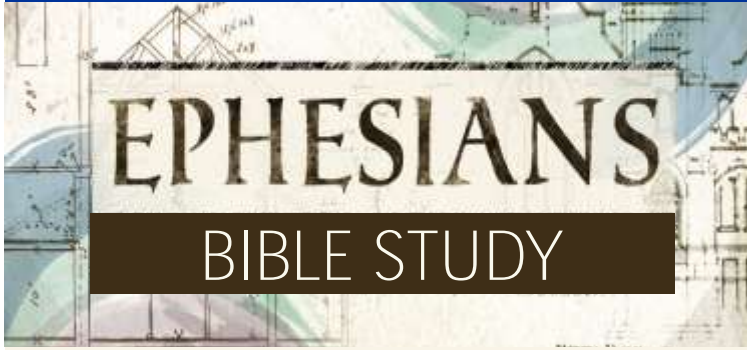
Despite the ongoing effort to be transparent in financial reporting, we are unable to give a detailed breakdown of the financials in the newsletter this month. This is due, in large part, to the reworking of the Chart of Accounts and additional students that we enrolled just before the start of school that required an updated budget. We are in process of updating the budget due to additional students. Updated financial information for July and August will be in the October Newsletter.

Human Resources

CoVID-19 has impacted *everyone* in so many different ways. Have you noticed this amongst your friends and family over the past 6 months? **Our own experiences help shape who we are...but not whose we are.** Take this opportunity to be a witness in your own life and in the lives of others – reflect on how your faith has impacted your own experience over the past 6 months and then let the light of Christ shine through you as you share your experience with others. Exercise grace and patience and love as you listen to others process their own experience.

At Trinity, many of us have been working from home over the past 6 months. Many of us have learned to operate remotely, from classrooms, meetings, and home offices. As we return to the building, we are reminded that the church is a beautiful and sacred worship space, but *we are the Church*. Our staff is working to process through how CoVID has impacted each of us individually, as well as **how CoVID has impacted those we serve. We are here for you...** even if only remotely.

Please pray for our staff and families as they return to church, childcare and school. We will continue to pray for you.



Wednesdays at 9:00am & 5:15pm
Upper Sanctuary

Beginning Wednesday, September 9, 2020

Want to learn about the important truths of the Christian faith? Or see how a book written thousands of years ago pertains to life today? If so, join us as we dive in and study the book of Ephesians.

Check out the NEW WEBSITE (www.trinitywausau.org) that was designed as a collaboration between Trinity's Ministerial/Administrative Staff and Amperage Marketing, made possible through funds from Reaching Up and Reaching Out "Outreach/Inreach" dollars and generous donations from Chris Liedtke and Amperage Marketing. The new website has MANY new features, including online forms, featured calendar, sermons, and a Member Portal! Directions for the Member Portal are under CONNECT --> ONLINE DIRECTORY, and access to the Member Directory is located in the top right of each page.

The idea is that this new website will provide the most updated information in the church, school & childcare.

We are still in process of some formatting. If you see something that doesn't look quite right, please give us a few weeks as we iron out the wrinkles. Grammatical corrections can be sent to info@trinitynet.org.

SPECIAL VOTERS' ASSEMBLY SEPTEMBER 15TH The LCMS North Wisconsin District approved our new governance so we are moving forward with a Special Voters' Assembly to elect our Church Council, Board of Elders and School Board. It's scheduled for Tuesday, September 15th at 6:30pm in the Upper Sanctuary. The nominating committee will provide a list of names for the ballot two weekends prior.

CONFIRMATION INSTRUCTION for our 7th & 8th grade students this year will begin soon! We will not be having an orientation meeting as we have in the past. On the first day of class students will receive a folder that contains information including requirements, forms, schedule and other important information needed throughout the year. For those who wish to participate, the first evening of instruction for Public School students will be on Wednesday, September 9th. Class runs 5:15 PM – 6:15 PM with 7th Grade in the Parlors and 8th Grade in the Bethany Room. Trinity Day School students will begin their confirmation instruction in their homeroom at the beginning of the school year. A letter was sent out to all 7th & 8th grade families with more details. If there are any questions please contact Mr. Stengl at 715-843-7023.

STATE OF THE CHURCH ADDRESS will be held on Tuesday, September 8th at 6:30pm in the Upper Sanctuary. For those not comfortable with attending in-person, a Zoom video link for a live recording of the address will also be emailed out to the congregation. Click the link found in the email to access the live stream video.

THANK YOU FROM TYLER WERNER

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ at Trinity, Wausau:

I simply want to say thank you to you all. Your generosity, love, and support shown to me and my family, especially over the course of the last 8 years of my education, is something that I am truly grateful for. I truly appreciate all the love and support that my family and I received at my ordination service back in June, a culmination of all these years of study and then some. For all the gifts, cards, as well as the clergy pectoral cross that I received from you all as a congregation meant a lot to me and my family, so I thank God for all of you. Ministry continues to go well here in Minnesota, even during CoVID-19, because I know God is doing awesome things here, as I know He's working through you all, too! You're all in my thoughts and prayers, and I pray God would continue to richly and abundantly bless you all. Take care, stay healthy, and live in His peace daily, loving and serving Him and others through everything you do!

In His service,
Pastor Tyler Werner

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YOUTH GROUP begins again on Sunday, September 20th with Sr. YAT meeting in the Youth House from 6:00 to 8:00pm. Sr. YAT also meets on Sunday, September 27th. Welcome back!

SUNDAY SCHOOL AT HOME STARTS SEPTEMBER 13TH! Our plan this fall, September through December, 2020, will provide distance learning lessons via email with craft material bags you can pick up at the church office for your children registered in Sunday School. Instructive videos for parents from our pastors and supplemental videos for kids will also be available. To register for Sunday School at Home, please fill out the registration form at trinitywausau.org (Ministries > Children > Sunday School). A paper copy of the registration form can also be found in the Narthex. Materials will be available for pick-up after Labor Day weekend.

STAY UP-TO-DATE ON EVERYTHING TRINITY! Find our Trinity Lutheran Church & School—Wausau Facebook page by searching “@TrinityWausau.” We also have a YouTube channel, “Trinity Lutheran Wausau.” If you would like to receive important news via email and be added to our church email list, please share your email address with the church office (info@trinitynet.org or 715-842-0769).

OFFICE HOURS have returned to 7:00am-4:00pm. SCRIP will be sold during office hours only.

DON'T HAVE INTERNET OR CHARTER TV? You can still watch the weekly worship services! A limited number of DVD recordings of each worship service will be made available each week. Please call 715-843-7023 to request a DVD.

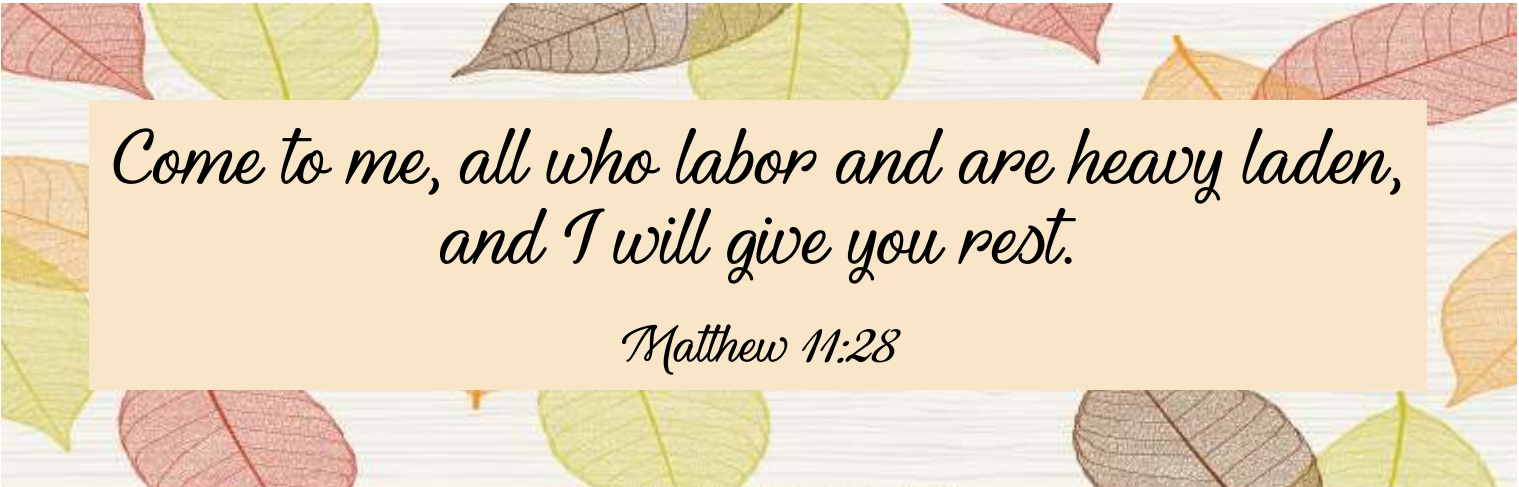


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*Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden,
and I will give you rest.*

Matthew 11:28