



# HE IS RISEN



## FROM THE PASTOR...

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

He is Risen! He is Risen indeed! This month we are celebrating Easter, and this is the highpoint of the Christian year—the reason that we are all saved. Praise be to Christ and his victory over sin, Satan and the grave. Easter is the whole reason we are Christian, the whole reason we have eternal life, and the whole reason we come to church. As Paul says in 1 Corinthians 15—



*“And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.”*

This is the whole point of our faith. Christ is risen, and if he is risen then we too are alive through our baptisms, and if we are alive then we will be raised on the Last Day when Christ returns. This is our hope, this is our celebration and indeed this is our whole reason for living. Christ is alive, and I am with Him!

This month as we start seeing the CoVID restrictions lessen and gatherings coming back gradually, I pray that we all remember this fundamental truth; CoVID may have taken the lives of some of our loved ones, but Christ has been raised from the dead, and that means we will be too! As we start to get back into the habit of seeing other people, meeting them and going about our normal (pre-CoVID) business, may we never forget to worship the God who resurrects from the dead, and may we never forget to spread this message to our neighbors, our coworkers and our friends. This is our hope, for all men will die, but in the resurrection.

May we always worship our Lord and our Redeemer, for this is his mercy and graciousness, that he died and rose again for us. Easter is everything, and that means nothing, not even CoVID can take away our God from us. Blessings on your Easter season!

He is Risen!  
He is Risen indeed. Alleluia!

In Christ,  
Pastor Smith



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

April 6	Martin Zernicke 3304 N 20th Ave. 54401
April 8	Ervin Birr 1120 N 8th Ave. 54401
April 8	Arlyle Schmidt 2424 Rainbow Dr. Kronenwetter, WI 54455
April 11	John Krueger 906 Hickory Rd. 54403
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April 25	John Kupsy 2901 N 7th St. 54403
April 27	Wesley Wilcott 922 Pinewood Ln. 54403
April 28	Pat Zeinert 5301 Sherman St., Apt. 63 54401
April 29	Grace Chaignot 2144 Old Hwy 51 Kronenwetter, WI 54455

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

• Charles Von Kanel	February 22
• Sara Blanchard	February 25
• John Mootz Jr.	March 4
• Joan Zahrt	March 8

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

† Maizy Gallagher Johnson	February 28
† Ruth Marie Hall	March 14

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

♥ Lorenz & Charlotte Breitenfeldt Jr.	April 1
♥ Tom & Kay Kellbach	April 1
♥ Don & Marlyn Fenhaus	April 8
♥ John & Karen Jauch	April 17
♥ Lloyd & Linda Grawien	April 27



### *A Spiritual Thought*

Did you know the end never came? In Matthew 26:28, we are told "But Peter followed afar...to see the end." What could Peter expect but the end?

Jesus had not put up any resistance as He was arrested in the Garden of Gethsemane. No doubt Peter felt depressed as the source of his joy and hope was soon to be crucified. But was it the end? No way! Three days later on Easter morning, the tomb where Jesus had been buried was empty. It was not the end! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

What a new beginning our Lord's resurrection proved to be for His followers then and for us today! Jesus' promise at His Ascension into heaven was very simple, "Because I live, you also will live!" (John 14:19)

Having once again celebrated the joy of Easter and experienced a faith rooted in the promise of our Lord Jesus Christ, we prayerfully continue to have the proper motivation to live the new life found in Christ alone...for now and for all eternity. The results of Christ's victory over sin, death, and the power of the devil enable us to stand firm in our faith relationship with God and with one another.

Each new day, you and I with Christians throughout the world are called upon to share the Good News of the Gospel and stand up for what is right (the Ten Commandments). We are challenged to stand firm in our faith walk against materialism, violence, atheism, and wickedness in every form. We live in a day and age when we are called by God to share the Good News of Christ crucified and risen for the salvation of souls along with standing up for justice and truth. Whether we know it or not, the present-day world is looking for the Christian Church to boldly carry out the will and command of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The question is: "Are you and I ready to daily give the world a reason for the faith that is in us?" We know Christ and the power of His resurrection victory, and we know that "the end will never come."

—Pastor Pegorsch





## An Example of Our Trinity Foreign Mission Contributions at Work Through Mission India

*Filthy. Dirty. Rat infested.*

These are just a few of the words used to describe a small village in Punjab. It consists of a grain market surrounded by a cluster of small houses. Desperately poor people live in these homes, since the area provides access to many day-labor jobs.

It's a tough place to be, but that just might be the exact reason God called one of our ministry partners to launch a Children's Bible Club there, led by a man named Sarampreet.

One of the children who signed up to attend was 11-year-old Shanay. In addition to the struggles faced by other villagers, Shanay dealt with a terrible home life, abused by his alcoholic father. This man didn't want his children to study, so he forced Shanay and his sister to go out begging instead—snatching any money they received as soon as they brought it home to buy more liquor.

It's hardly a surprise that Shanay often misbehaved when he first joined the Children's Bible Club—until the day he was quietly doing nothing with a somber look on his face. When Sarampreet asked what was wrong, Shanay tearfully poured out his heart to both Sarampreet and the other children there, explaining the pain his dad was causing.

While comforting Shanay, Sarampreet took this opportunity to talk about the love of Jesus Christ, who could heal his pain. He shared the Gospel, and then all the children at the Children's Bible Club joined in prayer for Shanay. Shanay started to pray, too—asking Jesus to transform his dad.

Miraculously, after being covered in prayer, Shanay's dad finally stopped his abusive, addictive behavior! The Holy Spirit remains at work in his life, and we invite you to join Shanay in prayer for his dad to ultimately surrender his heart to Christ.

Today, Shanay serves the Lord by bringing his friends to the Children's Bible Club and accompanying Sarampreet as he shares the Gospel around town. This brave young boy, strengthened by the love of Christ, is already making an incredible Kingdom impact, empowered by Jesus through the Bible Club you helped launch.

## Easter Sunday Prayer

*Lord God, You loved this world so much, that you gave your one and only Son, that we might be called your children too. Lord, help us to live in the gladness and grace of Easter Sunday, everyday. Let us have hearts of thankfulness for your sacrifice. Let us have eyes that look up on Your grace and rejoice in our salvation. Help us to walk in that mighty grace and tell your good news to the world. All for your glory do we pray, Lord, Amen.*



**Center Closed:** Friday, April 2nd, the childcare center will be closed for Good Friday.

**Enrollment:** We have 88% of the eligible children from the Butterfly room registered for 4K in the fall. Such a blessing to have those children continue with Christian education here at Trinity. The Childcare continues to work with filling classrooms to the capacity available with the current staffing shortage. Inquiry calls are received regularly during the month.

**Hiring:** Different advertisement opportunities are being researched to inform the community that we are hiring. Childcare has multiple positions open both full-time and part-time. Inquiries can be directed to Penny Swanson at [swansonp@trinitynet.org](mailto:swansonp@trinitynet.org) or 715-848-0166, ext. 348.

**April Activities:** Butterfly and Rainbow classrooms will go on a weekly walk if the April showers permit. Childcare chapel will be April 19th with Mr. Hoehne giving the message. 4-year-olds in the Butterfly classroom will visit the 4K classroom for Mrs. Graff to talk with them about 4K. Some of the classroom themes this month are: Easter, April Showers, Farm, Earth Day, Caterpillars, Butterflies, and Spring Colors.

**Music:** The Butterfly classroom worked on their singing skills and debuted their songs via a recording during some of the Sunday church services. I hope you enjoyed the special song they did for Palm Sunday.



## Here's What's Happening

### Still Time to Enroll for 2021-2022

Signs of winter are fading into spring, and now is the perfect time to start thinking of enrolling or re-enrolling for the 2021-2022 school year. Save your spot now! This is also the time to apply for the WPCP program. Those students new to Trinity or entering into the 4K, 5K, or 1st grade could potentially come to Trinity for \$0. Want to know more? Check out this link...<https://dpi.wi.gov/sms/choice-programs/student-applications>. Please remember we also offer tuition grants through our Education Grant Fund. Applications for those grants can be found here...<https://secure.tads.com>. Please feel free to call the school office if you have questions. We would love to see you here in the fall. Help spread the word to your family, friends, and neighbors about the value of a Christ-centered education at Trinity!

- Lutheran schools are places of quality, activity and vitality.
- Congregations are provided with opportunities to connect with their communities in unique ways.
- Schools are a rich and vital component of the church body.
- Schools impact the community through the arts with music and visual arts; athletics, as they compete in a Godly way with area school teams; and in connection with public, parochial and private schools in their community working together to educate children.
- Through it all, schools are a conduit for community connections where the Gospel message is shared.

***Last day to enroll for the WPCP program is April 15th***



## Dates to Remember

- **April 1-2**—Spring Break
- **April 5**—No School—Easter Monday
- **April 15**—Enrollment for WPCP ends
- **April 23-24**—Grade 8 Confirmation Retreat

## Education Grant Fund

Please consider a donation to Trinity's Education Grant Fund. We do have families that attend 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.

## Health & Wellness

As part of our school's Hot Lunch program, Trinity is required to put in place a Wellness Policy for our students. Part of that looks at physical activity for students in conjunction with getting a well balanced meal.

This past year has put some limitations on what we can and can't do here in America. We likely found ourselves stuck in our homes and our active time limited due to CoVID restrictions. While these restrictions may have done much to limit exposure to the virus, they did not do much to help us stay physically fit.

With the spring weather coming in and CoVID restrictions starting to ease, now would be a great time to encourage your children (and perhaps parents too) to get out and enjoy the outdoors while getting some much needed physical activity. Walking, biking, running, etc. are great ways to get the body moving and the heart pumping. Shake off the winter blahs and CoVID blues by enjoying God's creation and some springtime weather outside together!



# CALENDAR—APRIL 2021

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

## **Thursday, April 1st: Maundy Thursday**

10:00 AM Maundy Thursday Traditional Worship  
w/Communion—Sanctuary & on  
Facebook Live  
5:00 PM Maundy Thursday Blended Worship w/  
Communion—Sanctuary  
6:30 PM Maundy Thursday Traditional Worship  
w/Communion—Sanctuary

## **Friday, April 2nd: Good Friday—Offices Closed**

1:00 PM Good Friday Traditional Worship—  
Sanctuary  
5:00 PM Good Friday Blended Worship—  
Sanctuary  
6:30 PM Good Friday Traditional Worship—  
Sanctuary

## **Saturday, April 3rd:**

5:00 PM *NO Blended Worship*

## **Sunday, April 4th: Easter Sunday**

6:30 AM Easter Sunday Traditional Worship w/  
Communion—Sanctuary  
8:00 AM Easter Sunday Traditional Worship w/  
Communion—Sanctuary & on Facebook  
Live  
9:30 AM Easter Sunday Traditional Worship w/  
Communion—Sanctuary  
11:00 AM Easter Sunday Blended Worship w/  
Communion—Sanctuary & on Facebook  
Live

## **Monday, April 5th:**

*No Scheduled Events*

## **Tuesday, April 6th:**

8:00 AM NO Quilters  
9:15 AM MStaff Meeting—Bethany Rm

## **Wednesday, April 7th:**

9:00 AM Wednesday Morning Bible Study—  
Sanctuary

3:00 PM Grief Share—Bethany Rm  
5:15 PM Wednesday Evening Bible Study—  
Sanctuary  
5:15 PM 7th Grade Public School Confirmation  
Class—Parlors  
5:15 PM 8th Grade Public School Confirmation  
Class—Bethany Rm

## **Thursday, April 8th:**

*No Scheduled Events*

## **Friday, April 9th:**

8:00 AM Bulletin Assembly—Parlors

## **Saturday, April 10th:**

5:00 PM Blended Worship—Sanctuary

## **Sunday, April 11th:**

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

## **Monday, April 12th:**

10:00 AM Weekly Banter Bible Study on Facebook  
Live

## **Tuesday, April 13th:**

8:00 AM Quilters—Parlors  
9:15 AM MStaff Meeting—Bethany Rm  
3:00 PM Running Club—Gym

## **Wednesday, April 14th:**

9:00 AM Wednesday Morning Bible Study—  
Sanctuary  
1:00 PM LWML Meeting—Parlors  
3:00 PM Grief Share—Bethany Rm  
5:15 PM Wednesday Evening Bible Study—  
Sanctuary  
5:15 PM 7th Grade Public School Confirmation  
Class—Parlors  
5:15 PM 8th Grade Public School Confirmation  
Class—Bethany Rm

## **Thursday, April 15th:**

3:00 PM Running Club—Gym

## CALENDAR—APRIL 2021 (CONT.)

### **Friday, April 16th:**

8:00 AM Bulletin Assembly—Parlors

### **Saturday, April 17th:**

5:00 PM Blended Worship w/Communion—  
Sanctuary

### **Sunday, April 18th:**

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

6:00 PM Sr. YAT Youth Group—Youth House

### **Monday, April 19th:**

10:00 AM Weekly Banter Bible Study on Facebook  
Live

10:00 AM Childcare Chapel—SLC

### **Tuesday, April 20th:**

9:15 AM MStaff Meeting—Bethany Rm

1:00 PM JOY Group—Parlors

3:00 PM Running Club—Gym

### **Wednesday, April 21st:**

9:00 AM Wednesday Morning Bible Study—  
Sanctuary

3:00 PM Grief Share—Bethany Rm

5:15 PM Wednesday Evening Bible Study—  
Sanctuary

5:15 PM 7th Grade Public School Confirmation  
Class—Parlors

5:15 PM 8th Grade Public School Confirmation  
Class—Bethany Rm

6:30 PM Church Council—Parlors

### **Thursday, April 22nd:**

3:00 PM Running Club—Gym

### **Friday, April 23rd:**

8:00 AM Bulletin Assembly—Parlors

### **Saturday, April 24th:**

5:00 PM Blended Worship—Sanctuary

### **Sunday, April 25th:**

8:00 AM Traditional Worship—Sanctuary & on  
Facebook Live

9:30 AM Traditional Worship—Sanctuary

11:00 AM Blended Worship—Sanctuary & on  
Facebook Live

6:00 PM Sr. YAT Youth Group—Youth House

### **Monday, April 26th:**

10:00 AM Weekly Banter Bible Study on Facebook  
Live

### **Tuesday, April 27th:**

8:00 AM Quilters—Parlors

9:15 AM MStaff Meeting—Bethany Rm

3:00 PM Running Club—Gym

### **Wednesday, April 28th:**

9:00 AM Wednesday Morning Bible Study—  
Sanctuary

3:00 PM Grief Share—Bethany Rm

5:15 PM Wednesday Evening Bible Study—  
Sanctuary

5:15 PM 7th Grade Public School Confirmation  
Class—Parlors

5:15 PM 8th Grade Public School Confirmation  
Class—Bethany Rm

### **Thursday, April 29th:**

3:00 PM Running Club—Gym

### **Friday, April 30th:**

8:00 AM Bulletin Assembly—Parlors





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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, April 20th, 1:00pm in the Parlors**

### ***Special Video Presentation: “The Evidence for Heaven”***

...a documentary with a Biblical and Scientific Examination of our final destiny. Is there really a heaven...a spiritual realm where our souls go after our physical death? To us as Christians, the answer is a foregone conclusion. But don't we all have questions we would like to ask our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ? Where is heaven? What will Heaven be like? What about the experiences of those who say they already had a brief experience in heaven and came back to life through a death experience? This presentation is open to anyone...young and old...we are all the children of God waiting to go “home” to be with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Examine the facts...review the Biblical promises.

P.S. A special thank you to Cheryl Hoffman for providing us with this presentation.

Join us, and bring a neighbor or friend! You are asked to wear a mask, and the seating will be set up for social distancing. If there are any further questions, please contact Pastor Pegorsch at 715-675-4074.

## The Origin of Easter

Do you know how our Easter holiday originated? Yes, sometimes historians point to Acts 12:4 (KJV)...“And when he (Herod) had apprehended him (Peter), he put him in prison, and delivered him to four quaternions (groups of four soldiers) to keep him; intending after Easter to bring him forth to the people.” It is here translated from the Greek word “Pascha” and generally translated “Passover.”

There is a weekly celebration, but there is no annual celebration of the resurrection of Christ recorded in the New Testament. The Jewish Christians linked it with the Passover and so observed it on the 14th day of Nisan (April) regardless of the day of the week. However, Gentile believers later celebrated the annual resurrection on the Lord's Day (Sunday).

In the year 325 at the Council of Nicea, it was decided that Easter would be observed on the First Sunday after the full moon following the vernal equinox (the time when the sun crosses the equator—approximately March 21st & September 22nd). This is still our method of determining the date of Easter. It will always fall between March 22nd and April 25th.

The name “Easter” comes from a pagan holiday which fell during that time of the year. It was a very joyful holiday with much brightness and tradition observed. From this, we get some of our traditions (Easter outfits, decorating of baskets, etc.).

But the important thing about Easter, Resurrection Sunday, is this: Are you really “in Christ”? Are you living daily for Jesus? If we say we believe, then we will show it by our “fruits” and lifestyle. This is not done by worshipping only on special holidays. Do we have room for improvement? I believe so!

P.S. Two suggestions...1) Continue to grow in your “faith walk” through your reading and study of the Bible, and 2) take time to share your faith walk with others, beginning with your own family and friends. God will bless you to be a blessing!

A Blessed Christ-centered Easter to You & Your Family!

Pastor Dennis W. Pegorsch

# TRINITY FAMILY CAMPING WEEKEND



## TRINITY FAMILY CAMPING WEEKEND

July (22) 23-25, 2021



The 25th Annual Trinity Family Camping Weekend will be held July 23-25, 2021. \* Time goes fast, and at this point with the CoVID-19 pandemic, it is “time to dream” for good things and dreams in the near future. Once again, since so many campgrounds fill up faster these days than in years past, it is again important to get this information out to you. The camping weekend is an opportunity for great fellowship and the enjoyment of God’s beautiful and warm creation with brothers and sisters in Christ. The final update of information will be in the May Newsletter. We are again going back to Farmer Gene’s Campground near Marion, WI...about an hour drive from Wausau. Below is a Registration Form, which can also be found at the Reception Desk or in the Narthex.

Farmer Gene’s Campground is a large campground with activities for family members of all ages. The address is N11301 Kenney Lake Road (Marion, WI 54950). The cost for the weekend stay (Friday through Sunday) and use of the facilities is \$90, and if you add Thursday, July 22nd as an extra day (Thursday through Sunday), the cost will be \$130.50 for the four days. *\*Please Note: If you plan to camp the four-day period instead of the three-day weekend, it is important to let us know by Wednesday, April 14th.* The total payment for all campers needs to be brought to the Church Office by **Wednesday, April 14th.**

The planned activities are optional...campfires each evening, a spiritual growth study on Saturday morning, a potluck supper in the shelter at 5pm on Saturday (bring a dish to pass), and a worship service at 10am Sunday morning. (P.S. Good weather for the weekend has been requested.)

Once again, your reservation forms with attached payment are due to the church office by Wednesday, May 19th (checks can be made out to “Farmer Gene’s Campground”). Informational materials will be available with the registration forms. For further information and questions, please contact Pastor Pegorsch at 715-675-4074 or Doug Beisner at 715-845-3095.

In the meantime, take time to dream of a sunny and warm summer weekend and good Christ-centered fellowship.

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(Please turn in the below form with attached payment to the Church Office no later than Wednesday, April 14th.)

### Trinity Family Camping Weekend—Registration Form

NAME(S): \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Adults (18 and older): \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Children: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Camper:

- Tent Camper \_\_\_\_\_
- Tent \_\_\_\_\_
- Hardtop Camping Trailer \_\_\_\_\_
- RV \_\_\_\_\_
- Cabin Rental \_\_\_\_\_

Campsites are assigned  
on a first come, first  
served basis.

PLEASE CHECK ONE: \_\_\_\_\_ \$90.00 for 3 days/2 nights \_\_\_\_\_ \$130.50 for 4 days/3 nights



# CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR, TINA DICKENS

## Facilities/Properties

In an effort to recover any credibility lost over the past few months over the Stewart Avenue steps project, we will refrain from saying that it will be completed by any specific time. Instead, we will say that manufacturing and weather delays have been a hindrance, but that we are confident that the finished project will have been worth the wait. The project is fully funded.

The Properties Committee, now a function of Church Council, met March 16 to evaluate major upcoming building priorities. Priorities/cost are as follows:

1. **Ceiling/Wall Repair in the Sanctuary (balcony only)/ est. \$25,000** – All areas of the ceiling and walls in the Sanctuary need repair. The damage has been mitigated with the new roof and insulation, so now we can focus on the peeling and cracks. The most critical area is over the balcony and would require removal and replacement of the organ pipes.
2. **Brick/Molding Restoration on Stewart Avenue/ est. \$80,000** – This project will include full restoration of mortar, brick, stone caps, as well as scraping, cleaning and painting of all wood surfaces for the entire front façade and 4 sides of both towers. We are also looking into casting the existing woodwork in a sustainable aluminum option. This estimate is based on a quote from 5 years ago, and we are in process of obtaining updated quotes. This is a true restoration effort, not patching small areas of concern. The idea would be to restore the brick and woodwork in a way that glorifies God's house and provides a solid exterior that protects the interior from water damage.
3. **Remainder of the Sanctuary/ est. \$55,000** – This project will require removal of pews and displacing church services for a period of 8-10 weeks, which will require extensive coordination efforts. Ideally, this will be coordinated with the next priority.
4. **Carpet (Sanctuary, Narthex, Lounge)/ est. \$50,000** – Ideally, we would do this to follow the Sanctuary ceiling/wall repair so that carpet could be installed before replacing the pews. Carpet will not be a focal point, and will be neutral in nature. We would also sand and refinish the hardwood under the pews at this time.

As you can see here, we are looking at a few major projects that will total over \$200,000. We would hope to complete these in the next two years if possible. If you feel passionate about facility updates, you can give to "Building Restoration," which will help fund these upcoming projects in this order.

We continue to carry out disinfection protocols every day after school and church to insure 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) to kill human coronavirus according to Center for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines.

## February Financial Summary February financials are reflective of what we expected to see:

- We continue to struggle to fill vacancies in Childcare due to CoVID, which is impacting the Childcare Net Income by about \$30,000 to date (projected to have a \$45,000 unbudgeted loss by the end of the fiscal year). Childcare income is at 51% of budget for the year, while expenses are much higher at 71% of budget for the year. This is a big financial impact, which is causing us to look at solutions that need to be in process sooner than later. We have space for more children, but have an equal struggle in filling open positions...there is an important balance of these struggles that we hope to achieve.
- We are falling 5% short of budget for tithes and offerings. With less people attending church, we are seeing a dip in tithes and offerings that will likely impact our operating budget next fiscal year, meaning that we expect to have less funds to allocate to the overall ministry and must be able to account for that in spending. In general, Easter tends to give us a better picture of how the financials will look when the fiscal year ends in June. I'm not sounding alarms at this time.
- We are well under budget for expenses overall...we continue to be good stewards of the resources we are given.  
We continue to pay down debt ahead of schedule. Debt is currently:  
—Endowment Loan: \$144,233                      —Thrivent Loan: \$641,049                      —TOTAL Debt: \$785,282

In contrast to the report in December, our financial outlook for this financial year is not great...but it is not horrible either. We continue to be good stewards, but CoVID-19 is impacting our operations in more ways than we imagined. The future feels uncertain in the current political climate, but we are faithful that God's plan will be for Trinity to continue ministry for generations to come. We are truly blessed beyond measure.

## PPP Loan Update (in case you've missed this over the last couple of months):

In April of 2020, we applied for and received a Payroll Protection Program loan from the Small Business Association in the amount of \$227,600. The purpose of that "forgivable" loan was to provide relief during the Stay-At-Home period, when continued income was unpredictable. Because of the loan, we were able to continue providing income and benefits for all of our staff during that 8-week period.

We were able to apply for loan forgiveness in September. The SBA had 90 days to review our application and determine if any of our loan could be forgiven. We are so blessed! We found out in early November that **100% of our PPP Loan was forgiven, which means that we don't have to pay any of it back!** Some of that money is covering the loss that we are experiencing in childcare as a result of families staying home due to lost jobs, working from home, etc. Some of the money has been spent on salaries and benefits that fell outside of the 8-week eligible expense period. Some of that money went to staff bonuses in December since we were unable to budget wage increases this year. We are in process of evaluating what portion of that money remains and how it is best served in ministry.

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow!*

	Feb 21	Budget	% of Budget	Jul '20 - Feb 21	YTD Budget	% of Budget	Annual Budget
<b>Income</b>							
<b>CHILDCARE INC</b>	22,260	42,965	52%	175,822	344,616	51%	516,776
<b>CONGREGATIONAL INC</b>	98,135	92,958	106%	762,710	800,888	95%	1,205,596
<b>LAY MINISTRIES INC</b>	0	50	0%	832	400	208%	600
<b>SCHOOL INC</b>	128,594	145,104	89%	625,935	637,176	98%	1,232,807
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>248,989</b>	<b>281,077</b>	<b>89%</b>	<b>1,565,299</b>	<b>1,783,080</b>	<b>88%</b>	<b>2,955,779</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	248,989	281,077	89%	1,565,299	1,783,080	88%	2,955,779
<b>Expense</b>							
<b>CHILDCARE EXP</b>	28,227	45,283	62%	270,646	378,592	71%	577,207
<b>CONGREGATIONAL EX</b>	15,522	16,865	92%	138,790	138,783	100%	584,609
<b>LAY MINISTRIES EXP</b>	40,341	40,096	101%	361,645	319,579	113%	490,042
<b>SCHOOL EXP</b>	92,097	100,955	91%	818,704	866,255	95%	1,303,921
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>176,187</b>	<b>203,199</b>	<b>87%</b>	<b>1,589,785</b>	<b>1,703,209</b>	<b>93%</b>	<b>2,955,779</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>72,802</b>	<b>77,878</b>	<b>93%</b>	<b>-24,486</b>	<b>79,871</b>	<b>-31%</b>	<b>0</b>



**Lissa Anklam, 5th Grade Teacher**  
*What is your favorite time of day/day of the week/month of the year?* Mid-July my family spends a week together at Camp Luther—laughter, playing, and praying together as a family.



**Tim Eigenfeld, 8th Grade Teacher**  
*If you could live anywhere, where would it be?*  
 Either in Nova Scotia on the Atlantic coast or in the highlands of Scotland



**Shannon Grosnick, 6th/7th Grade Teacher**  
*If you could live anywhere, where would it be?*  
 Greece—it's absolutely beautiful, and I love the rich history of that country.



**Jodi Langehahn, Music/Choir Teacher**  
*If money were no object, what would you do all day?*  
 I would own a bakery.



**Barbara Simon, Childcare Assistant Teacher**  
*What is your favorite time of day/day of the week/month of the year?*  
 Morning/Saturday/May



**Calvin Bartelt, Custodian**  
*What is your favorite thing about your career?*  
 Learning the tricks of the trade



**Jubilee Fernald, Childcare Assistant Teacher**  
*What did you want to be when you were small?*  
 When I was younger, I wanted to grow up to be a wrestler.



**Kaitlin Holt, Childcare Lead Teacher for the Butterfly Room (3-year-old room)**  
*What sound do you love?*  
 Waterfalls and nature. Being outside and hearing the trees in the breeze and the birds chirping—it's all very relaxing.



**Cathy Page, 3rd Grade Teacher**  
*If you had a warning label, what would yours say?*  
 I have an identical twin sister, so if you see me and I don't say hello, it might not be me!



**Toria Dunn, Childcare Teacher Assistant**  
*What is the best gift you have given or received?*  
 The best gift I received was a ring from my parents with my birthstone on it.



**Kim Graff, 4K Teacher**  
*What do you miss most about being a kid?*  
 I grew up on a farm. I miss the space, animals, and starry skies.



**Jodi Johnson, School Teacher Assistant**  
*What do you miss most about being a kid?*  
 Carefree days riding my horse



**Rev. Dr. Dennis W. Pegorsch, Pastor Emeritus**  
*What is the best gift you have received?*  
 When I was called to be a Pastor; my dear wife, Grace; four children and seven grandchildren; my three church families where I have served.



**Corianna Wilhelm, Childcare Administrative Assistant**  
*If you could learn to do anything, what would it be?*  
 I would learn how to make calligraphy art.





# 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...As the surrounding area around Wausau continued to grow there was a transportation need for some students to get to school. In 1965 a Volkswagen van was purchased to transport sixty-eight students to and from school on a trial basis. When public transportation was made available to parochial school students only students within two miles of Trinity were offered transportation. In 1970, a new fifteen passenger Dodge Maxiwagon was purchased and the VW van was sold. In 1979, when state codes required extensive alterations of the Dodge, the congregation purchased a 29-passenger International half bus. Drivers for the school over the years were teachers John Kupsky and Margaret Born, DCE Paul Schwarting, and Bobby Moser, Ed Hannemann, Mrs. Doede, Sandra Wimmer, and finally Elvera Neumann. ...now you know!

Brand new 1966 blue and white Volkswagen van purchased on December 9th, 1965 for \$2250. The van was sold in 1971 for \$550.



Brand new 1971 Dodge Maxiwagon purchased on September 21, 1970 from Wausau Dodge for \$3366. (unable to find a picture of ours)

29-passenger International half bus purchased on February 15th, 1979.



Mrs. Elvera Neumann, longtime bus driver for Trinity, with the Trinity Bus in 1980.

Did you know...Trinity listed 46 young men from its midst in the military service during World War I, and those dying for their country, falling in action or becoming the victims of the deadly influenza at the time were: Reinhold Prochnow, Walter Raduechel, Arthur Radant and Edward Sell. In 1943, there were 170 members of Trinity serving in the Armed Forces, with 44 in service overseas. To help them keep in touch with our congregation and each other, an elaborate news system, called "The Mail Bag", under the direction of Pastor Martin A. Bertermann, was introduced. Trinity would eventually have 222 members serving in the military during World War II. Ten members died in action: Merlin Graveen, Jerome Knorr, Donald Hildebrandt, Martin Kankelfitz, Lawrence Erdman, Harold Sperberg, Elroy Woller, Merlin Gahnz, William Block and Rodney Schubring. As was common practice in the churches, Trinity Placed an American flag and Christian flag in the chancel area in April, 1942. ...now you know!



Trinity "Mail Bag" 1943-1946

Cover of the Memorial Service Bulletin for Cpl. Harold O. Sperberg. On February 27, 1944, he went to England with an infantry division, which took part in the landings on the Normandy coast on June 17, and was in battle since that time in France, Belgium, Holland and Germany. He fell in battle on October 6, 1944 in Germany.



Funeral of Cpl. Harold O. Sperberg the first European war victim returned to Wausau. Pastor E.H. Bertermann presided and is pictured on the left.



Initial letter of the "Mail Bag" to our servicemen in 1943 from Pastor M.A. Bertermann.





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**BAND OF BROTHERS BASEBALL OUTING** Band of Brothers invites you to a baseball outing with the Wisconsin Woodchucks. This men's social event will be held Fri., Jun. 11th at Athletic Park. \$25 includes a food & drink package in the open air Fan Deck along 1st base line. First pitch is at 6:35pm, gates open 1 hour before. With social distancing on the private deck, tickets will be limited. Please reach out to Bryon Graff at [chairman@trinitynet.org](mailto:chairman@trinitynet.org) to reserve your spot. Payment can be sent directly to Bryon or dropped off in the church office.

**GET TO KNOW THE STAFF AT TRINITY!** Each week, a few staff members will be featured in the pre-service powerpoint before the weekend worship services. The monthly newsletters will also feature our staff members with their picture, job title, and a fun fact. Get to know our TRINI-Team!

**ENROLLMENT** for the 2021-22 school year is happening now. Enrollment forms are available outside the school office. Some of the lower grades are filling up fast, so turn in your enrollment forms as soon as possible!

Trinity is a participant of the WPCP Program.

Your child may be eligible to receive FREE tuition!

Apply online at <https://apps4.dpi.wi.gov/ChoiceParent/>

Through April 15, 2021

If you would like to know more about the school choice program, please call the school office at 715-848-0166 or email [bellmanv@trinitynet.org](mailto:bellmanv@trinitynet.org).



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**PLEASE BE AWARE** that there is an orange cone in the north parking lot near the digital sign which marks a spot in the lot where the pavement is broken and has formed a sizable bump. We are unable to fix this until the ground thaws, but we are aware of it and will address it as soon as possible.

**Please avoid this potential hazard when walking or driving.**

**BLOOD DRIVE** Did you know that 4.5 million Americans will need a blood transfusion each year? If you would like to donate blood, Trinity will be having a blood donor day at the Blood Center of Northcentral Wisconsin (211 Forest St., Wausau, 54403) on Tuesday, May 11th, 8:00am-6:30pm. If you have any questions, please contact Diane Carlson at the Blood Center at 715-842-0761 or [dcarlsonbcnw@aol.com](mailto:dcarlsonbcnw@aol.com).

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*Mundy Thursday. April 1, 2021*

Traditional Worship: 10am\* & 6:30pm  
Blended Worship: 5pm

*Good Friday. April 2, 2021*

Traditional Worship: 1pm\* & 6:30pm  
Blended Worship: 5pm

*Holy Week*

*Easter Sunday. April 4, 2021*

Traditional Worship: 6:30am, 8am\* & 9:30am  
Blended Worship: 11am\*

\* Service in-person and  
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