



Mightier
than the
waves of
the sea
IS HIS LOVE FOR YOU.

PSALM 93:4

Come...Follow!

John Maxwell, a popular leader of Christian leaders, has said—

“If a leader is more than ten steps ahead of his followers, he is not leading. He’s only taking a walk.”

So we consider our Lead Leader—Jesus Christ. Yes, here was a true leader among men. He intentionally set an example for us as His followers.

Jesus calls us to be “disciples.” We are to be, like those first disciples—“students” of Christ. Jesus had intimate contact with those whom He called to follow. Jesus made a personal connection with all whom He called. Jesus walked with them.

Disciple-making was a part of Jesus’ mission on earth. Those called would be His passionate witnesses. We have the same calling.

So we consider a pivotal question—How passionate are you as Christ’s disciple? Consider a 1 to 10 scale. One would equate to “Not Ready Yet.” Ten would mean—“All-In For Christ.”

Jesus was/is well aware of two human challenges that contribute to a lower level of passion. We are faced with apathy and distractions. It is all too easy to be lukewarm when it comes to our devotion to Christ and His mission. Sadly, this defines the majority of those who claim Christ’s name as Christians.

Many are the distractions that surround us daily. In the P-H-D (Piled Higher & Deeper) choices is the option of placing Christ in a lower position. He can be relegated to a “Get-Around-To-It” status, and stay there indefinitely.

Jesus gave/gives His followers a “Helper”...the “Spirit of Truth” (John 14:16-17). The Holy Spirit was/is sent to “teach [us] all things and bring to [our] remembrance all that Jesus has said to [us]” (v.26). He is both a power source and a pace-setter for our work for Christ. The Spirit dwells within us (20:22).

In the church, both laity and leaders have the same Spirit. They share in Baptism when the Spirit enters in. Both are endowed with spiritual gifts through the Spirit that are intended to be an indicator of what area of kingdom work each believer is called to fulfill.

So we consider a timeless definition for a “disciple”—“A passionate follower who *knows* Christ...*grows* in Christ...and *shows* Christ in their daily lives.”

How are you doing as Christ’s disciple?

Rev. Dan Kohn, Pastor Emeritus
Author of *Discipleship In Our Postmodern Age*



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

June 1	JoAnn Birr 1120 N 8th Ave. 54401
June 4	Bennie Krueger 151445 Lily Ln. 54401
June 5	June Wilcott 922 Pinewood Ln. 54403
June 12	Betty Kreamsreiter 227274 Bob O Link Ave. 54401
June 13	Kenneth Ziegel 1560 Westwood Dr. Apt. 70 54401
June 16	Margaret Schlais The Meadows M26, 2601 Touchmark Dr. Appleton, WI 54914
June 22	David Hansen 1919 Brookview Ct. 54403
June 22	Douglas Koenig 5908 Connie Ln. Weston, WI 54476
June 23	JoAnne Goelden 2771 Cloverdale Dr. 54401
June 25	Merlin Zahrt 1626 N 2nd Ave. 54401
June 26	Rosemary Groth 1510 Graham St. 54401
June 27	Bob Zimmerman 902 Stark St. 54403
June 28	Arlin Meilahn

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

♥ Don & Adele Bluhm	June 1
♥ Elgart Jr. & Eunice Baumann	June 3
♥ Ervin & JoAnn Birr	June 6
♥ Bob & Sharon Zimmerman	June 7
♥ Bennie & Doris Krueger	June 9
♥ Gilbert & Betty Ninnemann	June 13
♥ Gary & Nancy Zastrow	June 17
♥ Wayne & Jeanette Brandt	June 18
♥ Dan & Carla Schwantes	June 20
♥ Carl & Arlyle Schmidt	June 28
♥ James & Esther Smith	June 28

♥ John & Darlene Wiesneski June 28

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

- Helen Tessmer April 27
- James "Jimmy" Reynolds May 5
- Shirley Hansen May 9

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

- † Jexi Olcott April 24
- † Soren Pempek May 2



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Saturday, August 14th & Sunday, August 15th

SAVE THE DATE: The Annual RUMMAGE SALE will return to the Trinity Gym August 14 & 15 this year! We recognize that people have been holding items since we didn't have last year's sale, and we are encouraging you to hold them just a little bit longer! Drop off dates & times will be posted in future Yellow Sheets and the July Connection (monthly newsletter). Please contact Mary Cota with any questions or if you are interested in assisting: 715-298-0186.

We will accept the following donations in like new or gently used conditions. (Please separate by category.)

- Home Décor—Furniture (*no sinks*)
- Books (*no health, training or encyclopedias*)
- Sporting goods (*no golf clubs or skis*)
- Small exercise equipment
- Holiday items (*no trees*)
- Bedding, rugs
- Hand tools
- Bikes
- Toys
- Baked & canned goods

We will NOT accept:

- Large appliances
- Microwaves
- Computers
- Televisions
- Stained or worn clothing
- Any item with a compressor
- Large exercise equipment (bikes, treadmills...)
- Mattresses
- Luggage
- Belts
- Tapes, DVD's, CD's

Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. (Ephesians 4:2)



Enrollment: As summer starts for the Trinity Childcare we will have 50 families with 70 children that we will provide care for in a Christian environment. Care is offered to children as young as 6 weeks of age to 13 years. We have families that are Trinity members, non-Trinity members, families of other faith, and families with no church home.

Hiring: Different advertising opportunities have been utilized. Maybe you have heard our weather sponsorship on 89Q or seen our ad in the City Pages. The childcare has multiple positions open both full-time and part-time, along with positions for the summer. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age. Inquiries can be directed to Penny Swanson at 715-848-0166, ext. 348 or swansonp@trinitynet.org.

June Activities: With the warmer weather, the classes will go for walks, play at Marathon Park, and have water play at Trinity. Childcare chapel messages will be led by the summer school-age children monthly during the summer.

Administration: We would like to thank the Trinity members for their support during this challenging time working through the COVID pandemic. Your support gives us the opportunity to continue to reach the childcare families with a Christian environment for the care of their most precious God-given gifts, their children.

Summer Wish List: water squirters (not squirt guns), buckets, science kits, elementary age craft kits, outdoor games, playdough, art and craft supplies, bubbles, bubble machine, bubble wands, sidewalk chalk, kites, washable markers, dry erase markers, cash donation for summer treats and fun. Donations can be placed in the collection bin by the front office.

School-Age Families: If you are not utilizing summer care, your security badge will be deactivated at the end of the school year. Please return your badge to the childcare office to be reprogrammed for another family.



Here's What's Happening

Still Time to Enroll for 2021-2022

We still have openings in some of our classes for the 2021-2022 school year. Call the office to get more information on how your child can become a Trinity Eagle! Please remember we also offer tuition grants through our Education Grant Fund. 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.

School Registration

Registration packets will be available beginning Monday, July 12th outside the school office.

We will be sending an email to our enrolled families with a Google doc to sign up for registration appointments beginning July 15th and going through August 6th. Parents may also call the school office at 848-0166 or email bellmanv@trinitynet.org to sign up for an appointment.



Dates to Remember

- **July 15th-August 6th**— School registration days
- **August 25**— 1st Day of 2021-2022 School Year

Fun at Trinity



Second Grade Chapel on Jonah



Spelling Bee Champs!

Congratulations to (from L to R) Will Stengl, Hunter Schult (our school Champion!) and Emmy Matz.



8th grade leads chapel

CALENDAR—JUNE 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.*

Tuesday, June 1st:

8:00 AM Quilters—Parlors
9:15 AM MStaff Meeting—Bethany Rm

Wednesday, June 2nd:

9:00 AM Wednesday Morning Bible Study—
Parlors
5:15 PM Wednesday Evening Bible Study—
Parlors

Thursday, June 3rd:

6:30 PM Vocal Techniques & Music Theory Class—
Parlors

Friday, June 4th:

8:00 AM Bulletin Assembly—Parlors

Saturday, June 5th:

5:00 PM Blended Worship w/Communion—
Sanctuary

Sunday, June 6th:

8:00 AM Traditional Worship w/Communion—
Sanctuary & on Facebook Live
8:30 AM Reception in Honor of High School
Graduates—Lounge
9:00 AM Sunday School End of Year Party—Green
Space (Gym if rain)
9:30 AM Traditional Worship w/Communion &
Recognition of High School Graduates—
Sanctuary
9:30 AM Catechism Class—Parlors
11:00 AM Blended Worship w/Communion—
Sanctuary & on Facebook Live
6:00 PM Sr. YAT Youth Group—Youth House

Monday, June 7th:

No Scheduled Events

Tuesday, June 8th:

8:00 AM Quilters—Parlors
9:15 AM MStaff Meeting—Bethany Rm

Wednesday, June 9th:

9:00 AM Wednesday Morning Bible Study—
Parlors
5:15 PM Wednesday Evening Bible Study—
Parlors

Thursday, June 10th:

6:30 PM Vocal Techniques & Music Theory Class—
Parlors

Friday, June 11th:

8:00 AM Bulletin Assembly—Parlors
6:30 PM Band of Brothers Baseball Outing @
Athletic Park

Saturday, June 12th:

5:00 PM Blended Worship—Sanctuary

Sunday, June 13th:

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

Monday, June 14th:

No Scheduled Events

Tuesday, June 15th:

8:00 AM BreakThrough Basketball Camp—Gym
9:15 AM MStaff Meeting—Bethany Rm

Wednesday, June 16th:

8:00 AM BreakThrough Basketball Camp—Gym
9:00 AM Wednesday Morning Bible Study—
Parlors
5:15 PM Wednesday Evening Bible Study—
Parlors

Thursday, June 17th:

8:00 AM BreakThrough Basketball Camp—Gym
6:30 PM Vocal Techniques & Music Theory Class—
Parlors

Friday, June 18th:

8:00 AM Bulletin Assembly—Parlors

Saturday, June 19th:

11:30 AM Blind Outreach Gathering—Parlors
5:00 PM Blended Worship w/Communion—
Sanctuary

Sunday, June 20th:

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

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

Monday, June 21st:

No Scheduled Events

Tuesday, June 22nd:

9:15 AM MStaff Meeting—Bethany Rm

Wednesday, June 23rd:

9:00 AM Wednesday Morning Bible Study—
 Parlors
 5:15 PM Wednesday Evening Bible Study—
 Parlors
 5:30 PM Vacation Bible School—Various

Thursday, June 24th:

6:30 PM Vocal Techniques & Music Theory Class—
 Parlors

Friday, June 25th:

8:00 AM Bulletin Assembly—Parlors

Saturday, June 26th:

5:00 PM Blended Worship w/Rite of Fellowship—
 Sanctuary

Sunday, June 27th:

8:00 AM Traditional Worship w/Rite of
 Fellowship—Sanctuary & on Facebook
 Live
 9:30 AM Traditional Worship w/Rite of
 Fellowship—Sanctuary
 9:30 AM Catechism Class—Parlors
 11:00 AM Blended Worship w/Rite of Fellowship—
 Sanctuary & on Facebook Live
 6:00 PM Sr. YAT Youth Group—Youth House

Monday, June 28th:

No Scheduled Events

Tuesday, June 29th:

9:15 AM MStaff Meeting—Bethany Rm

Wednesday, June 30th:

9:00 AM Wednesday Morning Bible Study—
 Parlors
 5:15 PM Wednesday Evening Bible Study—
 Parlors

Please Help

Trinity Lutheran School is sponsoring a school supply drive for students in rural jungle areas of Nicaragua. We are asking the congregation to help buy school supplies for these children who were hit twice last year with hurricanes. The greatest needs are **notebooks** and **pencils/pens**. Those are essential for attending school and many families cannot afford to even buy those. Other items that the children and teachers would be thrilled to get include crayons, magic markers, colored pencils, pencil sharpeners, rulers, erasers, scissors, loose leaf notebook paper, glue, and folders (no 3-ring binders).

We would also like to send used sporting equipment such as baseballs, softballs, gloves, bats, jump ropes, frisbees, and soccer balls. If you have any to donate that would be wonderful.

Because of the hurricanes, the families need children's clothes (for ages 4K through 6th grade) that are in good condition. If you have any new or gently used t-shirts, shirts, blouses, shorts, sundresses, skirts, jeans, slacks, shoes, or flip flops for young children please think about donating them.

Boxes will be set out in the narthex and down in the reception area. The drive will run through the summer so you can shop the school supplies sales when they come out during the summer.

If you are not able to shop and wish to donate money, we would like to make a monetary donation to Wisconsin/Nicaragua Partnership out of Stevens Point as they will transport everything at no charge to us.

For further questions please contact Don/Adele Bluhm at adbluhm70@gmail.com or 715-848-5265 or Shannon Grosnick at grosnicks@trinitynet.org.



NICARAGUA MISSION UPDATE (CONT.)

2021 Update of Nicaragua Mission

The needs are greater than ever for schools in Nicaragua. Because of hurricanes that hit that part of the country and the socialist/dictatorship government, parents have no money to fix schools, buy school supplies or clothes for their children.

Francisco Oporta oversees 39 schools in two municipalities. Twenty-one of the schools are close to Nueva Guinea but eighteen are further away. Fifteen of his schools were damaged from the hurricanes. This year with the money sent to him from the students at Trinity, four of those schools will be repaired. These are schools that are in bad shape and the children get wet every time it rains because of the poor condition of the roof and walls. Francisco will furnish the materials from the money sent to him and the parents will supply the labor.

Francisco will also use part of the money sent for religious books, textbooks, whiteboards, and maps. He is not spending any money on school supplies as Trinity is doing a drive to supply those needs (*see article about School Supply drive on page 7*).

Trinity School has been a huge blessing to the children and families of Nicaragua. In the past five years Trinity students have helped over 1900+ students in 48 different schools. This year they collected over \$2400 in the Penny Wars so with matching funds, almost \$5000 will be sent to Francisco to use for the schools. The students and staff are commended for their efforts and sacrifice. Every year Francisco gives a budget and an accounting of how every penny is used. Neither Francisco nor his non-profit organization keep any money for administration. It all goes to the schools.

On a personal note: Francisco and Katherine put in long days. They live 20 miles from Nueva Guinea and motor-bike to the city every morning and then eat the breakfast that they packed. They begin work at 7:00 AM, Katherine teaching at different schools in the city and Francisco with his non-profit organization. At noon they meet for lunch and eat what they prepared from home. Then they go back to work until 6:00 PM. On Saturdays, Katherine teaches English at the university. Francisco does a little farming with his father-in-law and raises corn and beans. Francisco's monthly pay is about \$300 American dollars.

Both Francisco and Katherine are fearful of the government. The government monitors all social media, and you can post nothing that opposes the government, or you will be jailed. Francisco has said that even if you post a picture of someone running for office that is not sanctioned by the government you will be jailed. There will be elections this year, but Francisco just laughs and says the outcome is already predetermined as the elections are fraudulent. Katherine is a government employee as she is a teacher and has been threatened and forced to do whatever they tell her. Francisco has been stopped by government officials and they checked his documents. They also tried to trick him into saying something against the government, but he tells them he will not discuss politics. Six years ago, when Francisco left Wausau to return home, Nicaragua was a democratic nation. In just those few years they have changed to democratic socialist, to socialist, to dictatorship. There is no freedom of speech or assembly. They are taxed heavily and much of social security has been taken away. Please keep Francisco and Katherine and all the people of Nicaragua in your prayers.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLIND OUTREACH GATHERING will be held for the first time since the pandemic on Saturday, June 19th from 11:30am-2:30pm in the Trinity Church Parlors. An open invitation to anyone who is blind or visually-impaired and “caregivers” in the Greater Wausau Community. Join us for a FREE MEAL, followed by entertainment. If you know of someone who is blind or visually-impaired and would like to attend, please invite them, and let the Church Office know. We ask that you would observe social distancing and wear a mask if possible. Transportation can be provided if necessary and requested by Tuesday, June 15th. To arrange, please call the Church Office at 715-842-0769. For more information, please call Virginia at 715-370-3853, Andrew Plath at 715-574-6064 or Rev. Dennis Pegorsch at 715-675-4074.

MINI-VBS will be held on two Wed. evenings this summer. Children 3 years old through 5th grade (completed 2021) are invited to join us on June 23rd & July 21st, 5:30-8pm. We will learn Bible stories, sing songs, play games and enjoy crafts & snacks, while parents have the evening off. Registration info will be made available in the coming weeks. Anyone interested in helping can contact Gina Maroszek at maroszekg@trinitynet.org or call the office at 715-848-0166.

LWML NEWS As we are enjoying the spring and summer season, LWML women are eagerly anticipating June 24-27 for our national convention in Lexington, KY. The theme is “**Running the Race...Looking to Jesus,**” which is so appropriate since we’ve looked to Him through the past difficult year. Please pray for safety for our Zone 11 delegate, Sharon Kautzman, and more than 65 other ladies from the North Wisconsin District, as they travel to the convention. The delegates will choose mission grant recipients for the next 2 years from 34 proposals. We praise God for all those who faithfully sent in mites to surpass our \$2,100,000 goal for the last biennium which ended in March!

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 to reserve your spot. Payment can be sent directly to Bryon or dropped off in the church office.

CATECHISM CLASS There will be a catechism class held in June for any new members or existing members who would like to learn more about Luther’s Small Catechism. There will be four classes held on the four Sundays in June (6th, 13th, 20th & 27th) from 9:30 to 10:30am in the Parlors. Join us as we study what it means to be Lutheran!

ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN is a Christian volunteer network that ships donated food, clothing, medical, and other needed items to people in 69 different countries including the USA. In loving response to Christ, the Servant, the OGT movement encourages and enables God’s people to share personal and material resources in bringing Christ’s name and character to those in need, both near and far. This can be expressed as a bandage well applied, a child well fed, or even as a word well spoken. If you feel led, there are many ways to get involved, including the donation of necessities. The OGT is in need of the following items the most: like-new clothing, toiletries, blankets, towels, toys, shoes, medical equipment (e.g. walkers, canes), school supplies, household items, furniture, and food items (canned or dry). Any items that you feel moved to donate can be placed under the coatracks outside the Parlors. For a more detailed list of needed items, please call 715-675-4203.

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

WISCONSIN VALLEY LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL NEWS
Join a DYNAMIC school offering BIG opportunities! If your student is looking for the opportunity to be challenged, grow, and flourish in a smaller classroom environment while enjoying fun, exciting, and inclusive co-curricular offerings, then Wisconsin Valley Lutheran High School is the place for your family! Partner with The Valley to help prepare your student for life after high school. The tuition is affordable and tuition assistance is available. The Valley is accepting applications for the coming school year and is open to students of all faiths entering grades 9-12. Check us out at www.wvlhs.org or on Facebook at WI Valley Lutheran High School - The Valley, and set up a time to visit the school at 601 Maple Ridge Road, Mosinee. If you have any questions about The Valley or would like an application packet, please call Jamie Wehrs in the school office at 715-693-2693.

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A Christian Father's "10 Commandments"

1. Thou shalt hold no other group more important than the family unit, in all thy ways being faithful to it.
2. Thou shalt teach thy sons and daughters to love, respect, and obey their parents.
3. Thou shalt be a loving and considerate husband.
4. Thou shalt not speak in a manner unbecoming to a Christian gentleman.
5. Thou shalt make Sunday a day set aside for God and worship as a family.
6. Thou shalt provide for thy family—spiritually and physically.
7. Thou shalt promote and lead family worship in thy home.
8. Thou shalt be honest in all thy dealings.
9. Thou shalt respect the desires and freedoms of thy family as individuals.
10. Thou shalt be the head of thy household, while ruling it with love.



Meet My Dad

I wish you could meet my Dad; He's really quite a guy!
I wouldn't trade with anyone,
And here's the reason why:

Whenever I have problems, Doubts, or questions, too,
We talk them all over—Dad and I—
And find what's best to do.

He helps me practice baseball, And gives me useful tips;
And even lets me go along When he takes fishing trips!

Then, too, my Dad's a Christian;
We often kneel and pray;
He helps me live as Jesus taught. Yes sir, my Dad's O.K.

An Open Letter to My Parents (from a Teenager)

I am your child. You have brought me into this world and raised me to what I am today.

If I am not what I should be, please do not be too harsh with me; for I am your product, and by my actions I advertise the quality standards of home.

Do not point at one of my playmates as an example of how I should behave; for by doing so you are admitting that they are doing a better job than me.

You say that you are a Christian: and yet when Church time comes you make little effort to attend, giving me no encouragement to be in God's house either.

You say that you love me, and yet it has been years since you put your arms around me at bedtime and with tears in your eyes asked your Heavenly Father to watch over me as I slept.

You seem to be more interested in my school grades than in the condition of my eternal soul.

You give me the impression that it is better to be popular than to be pure; better to be attractive on the outside, than to have that 'inner beauty' that comes to one who loves the Lord.

So next time you feel like throwing up your hands and saying, "I just can't do a thing with you," please remember, you have had the opportunity to influence me since I was born, and that the Bible says..."Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." And in another place... "...And they shall rise up and call you blessed."

Juvenile delinquency could be curbed if parents would start at the bottom.

Rearing children is like drafting a blueprint—you have to know where to draw the lines.



—Author Unknown

Second Chances in Life's Journey

Do you like second chances? Can you think of a second chance in your life's journey that would have changed the quality of your life? The month of June has a day which is called "Father's Day." James Dobson in his book, "Dare to Discipline" says, "Good fathers are made, not born." June 20th is Father's Day. We live in a world that often has "second chances." Jobs and careers and a variety of life opportunities come and go! But when it comes to parenting at the various stages in our life's journey, there are few if any second chances. Realistically, when it comes to parenting at each stage of a child's growth, there are no second chances. As Dobson points out, we have only three chances at it, according to Scripture.

First, the father is to be a spiritual leader in the family. Mothers are vital spiritual leaders in the family but Scriptures remind us that fathers are called by God to set the spiritual foundation of the family and their daily relationship with Jesus. Ephesians 6:4 is very clear: "Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord."

Secondly, the best thing a father can do for his children is to love their mother. A Christ-centered relationship is vital. St. Paul tells us in Ephesians 5:25, "Husbands, love your wives just as Christ loved the church..." A father's top priority outside retaining his relationship to Christ is to love his wife.

Thirdly, a loving Christian father will take the time to be with his children...playing with them and teaching and guiding them...giving them a caring and loving "Christ-like father image." Know your children...take time with them...bless them to be a blessing in their relationships with others. Fathers, you don't have a second chance! Be a guiding light, reflecting the saving love of God, which one day will guide them to their eternal home!

Have and enjoy a Christ-centered Father's Day...each new day!
You are blessed to be a blessing!

—Pastor Dennis Pegorsch

SOME
Super **Heroes**
Don't have
CAPES...
They are
called **DAD**

A FATHER'S 'S

Always trust your children to God's care

Bring them to church

Challenge them to high goals

Delight in their achievements

Exalt the Lord in their presence

Frown on evil

Give them love

Hear their problems

Ignore not their childish fears

Joyfully accept their apologies

Keep their confidence

Live a good example before them

Make them your friends

Never ignore their endless questions

Open your heart to their love

Pray for them by name

Quicken your interest in their spirituality

Remember their needs

Show them the way of salvation

Teach them to work

Understand they are still young

Verify your statements

Wean them from bad company

Xpect them to obey

Yearn for God's best for them

Zealously guide them in Bible truth



8th Grade Graduating Class of 2021



1st row (front sitting down): Keyton Laszewski, Zachary Singkofer

2nd row: Christian Rhoden, Sophia Goetsch, Joshua Kribs, Ellah Ness, Ayla Graff, Norah Ness, Maezo McKnight, Tyler Grosskreutz, Paityn Calmes

3rd row: Tristan Swanson, Brianna Laszewski, Jordan Peterson, Mr. Eigenfeld, Judah Ness, Andrew Bolin, Sadie Peissig, Sophie Matz

KINDERGARTEN GRADUATING CLASS

Kindergarten Graduating Class of 2021



Gage Bunkelman
Riley Colbert
Deacon Dehnel
Landon Edwards
Landon Fritz
Gavin Gehrmann-Grapp



Leo Gjerde
Rylie Grade
Catalina
Hernandez
Jace Jolin
Rylee Kleinstick
Kinley Kriewaldt



Anastasia
Lewitzke
Bennett Lynn
Hayden Maahs
Kendal Mell
Brax Olcott
Alexa
Prasoeuthsy



Ariya Prochnow
Bryce Schultz
Diedra Stangl
Alice Swisse
Mrs. Erdman



CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR, TINA DICKENS

****Most of this information is a repeat from last month's report. That is purposeful because the information for Properties is important, and the financial state is relatively unchanged. The only exception to financials is that we remain committed to paying down debt, and that is evident in these numbers.**

Facilities/Properties

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. **Parking Lot resurfacing – *this one is new* (North end of Northeast lot, est. \$63,000; Courtyard lot, est. \$50,000)** – The lots were evaluated for sealing, but these two lots were found to be in resurfacing condition as opposed to sealing condition.
3. **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.
4. **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.
5. **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 \$300,000. 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.

April Financial Summary

April financials are reflective of what we expected to see at this point in the fiscal year:

- We continue to struggle to fill staffing and student vacancies in Childcare due to CoVID, which is impacting the Childcare Net Income by about \$204,000 to date (projected to have a \$59,000 unbudgeted loss by the end of the fiscal year). Childcare income is at 53% of budget for the year, while expenses are much higher at 68% of budget for the year (this is down from 71% last month, which is a good trend).
- We are falling only 4% short of budget for tithes and offerings. We increased the Tithes and Offerings budget this year by 5%, so the fact that we are so close to budget (let alone during a pandemic) is truly a blessing.

APRIL 2021 FINANCIALS

- We are well under budget for expenses overall...we continue to be good stewards of the resources we are given.
- We did **not** qualify for the second round of PPP Loans due to our current financial state. That is a good thing.
- We continue to pay down debt ahead of schedule. Debt is currently:
 - ◇ Endowment Loan: \$136,168
 - ◇ Thrivent Loan: \$632,536
 - ◇ **TOTAL Debt: \$768,704**

Our financial outlook for this financial year is actually turning out to be impressive. Despite the political climate, a pandemic, lower in-person attendance, and the vast changes in the governance of the church, we are a thriving church community with much to celebrate. We are faithful that God's plan will be for Trinity to continue ministry for generations to come. We are truly blessed beyond measure by each member of our church family.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

	<u>Apr 21</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>	<u>Jul '20 - Apr 21</u>	<u>YTD Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>	<u>Annual Budget</u>
Income							
CHILDCARE INC	21,859	43,265	51%	226,637	430,846	53%	516,776
CONGREGATIONAL INC	97,513	115,068	85%	976,305	1,019,174	96%	1,205,596
LAY MINISTRIES INC	0	50	0%	832	500	166%	600
SCHOOL INC	13,934	37,372	37%	671,471	699,503	96%	1,232,807
Total Income	<u>133,306</u>	<u>195,755</u>	<u>68%</u>	<u>1,875,245</u>	<u>2,150,023</u>	<u>87%</u>	<u>2,955,779</u>
Gross Profit	133,306	195,755	68%	1,875,245	2,150,023	87%	2,955,779
Expense							
CHILDCARE EXP	28,354	63,023	45%	330,589	487,015	68%	577,207
CONGREGATIONAL EX	18,473	18,347	101%	180,682	175,256	103%	584,609
LAY MINISTRIES EXP	41,612	50,623	82%	444,352	408,348	109%	490,042
SCHOOL EXP	88,844	138,040	64%	1,013,256	1,106,153	92%	1,303,921
Total Expense	<u>177,283</u>	<u>270,033</u>	<u>66%</u>	<u>1,968,879</u>	<u>2,176,772</u>	<u>90%</u>	<u>2,955,779</u>
Net Income	<u>-43,977</u>	<u>-74,278</u>	<u>59%</u>	<u>-93,634</u>	<u>-26,749</u>	<u>350%</u>	<u>0</u>

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...On December 7, 1964 the president and treasurer of the Trinity Ladies Aid appeared before the Board of Trustees with a proposal of installing an automation mechanism that would ring our two large church bells with electronic switches. Up until then the bells were rung manually using ropes under the east belfry. The proposal also included a switch to allow the usher to toll the large bell one strike at a time. Typically the bell is tolled after the reading of each name on All Saints Sunday and Confirmation Sunday and is tolled at the conclusion of a funeral service as family and friends depart the sanctuary. The proposed cost was \$2325 and was approved. On February 12, 1964 the Trinity Ladies Aid notified the Board of Trustees that they would fully sponsor the cost of the installation and the board gratefully accepted. Installation took place one year later in February 1965 by the United Organ and Bell Company in Milwaukee and the electrical work was awarded to Badger Electric Service of Wausau for an additional cost of \$384. The automation mechanism system was dedicated on Easter Sunday, April 18, 1965. ...now you know!



The east belfry where the church bells are housed.



The ceiling of the east belfry as it looks today. You can still see the openings where the bell ropes once were.



The inscription on the control box cover.



As part of the dedication ceremony, Ilean Grosskopf, president of the Ladies Aid, tolled the bells.

Did you know...As early as 1943, plans were made for a mission congregation on the north end of town. Our congregation's most ambitious missionary program was put into motion with the purchase of property on North Fourth Avenue and Merrill Avenue in 1944, which later, was found impossible to purchase two additional lots to complete the proposed site, was exchanged in 1945, in part, for a site at 602 West Strowbridge Street. This exchange, and further purchase, became possible through Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Helmke, of Hamburg, the owners, who later sold out their holdings to Trinity when they learned of the possibility of a mission congregation being built there. The north end mission was begun when Mrs. Alvina Prochnow opened her home at 916 N 2nd Avenue for a branch of our Sunday school. Elaborate building plans were first made for the mission but later changed to meet changing financial realities. Ground breaking took place on May 12, 1949, for a chapel, with Edmund Schield as contractor, the cost being around \$18,000. Worship services were first conducted at the "Trinity Mission Chapel" on December 18, 1949 and our pastors, Rev. E.H. Bertermann and Rev. Leroy Koepke, served the chapel until a permanent pastor could be called. St. Mark's Lutheran Church was officially organized on August 13, 1950. The name, St. Mark's, was chosen upon the recommendation of Mr. Raymond Schulz. On November 13, 1950 the land and chapel were deeded to the new congregation as a gift from Trinity in a fitting ceremony in the chapel. Thirty Trinity members were released to become the charter members of the new congregation. ...now you know!



The initial sketch of a church and school building for Trinity's mission congregation on the north end of Wausau. Plans were later changed due to changing financial realities.

Trinity Mission Chapel built at 602 W Strowbridge St, Wausau, WI in 1949. The chapel would eventually be renovated into a parsonage for St. Mark's Lutheran Church.



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SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION FORM

Thank you to all who have been so flexible through this challenging year! Whether meeting virtually or in person, the Sunday School program at Trinity is always striving to share the love of Jesus with children of all ages. *"Neither... 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."* (Romans 8:39)

The fall semester of Sunday School will resume in September (date TBD). If we are safe to meet in person next fall, we will be in need of volunteers to help with Sunday School. Below is a Sunday School volunteer form for the fall, which has a variety of volunteer opportunities. Forms are also available at the reception desk and outside the Upper Sanctuary. Completed forms can be returned to the church office or emailed to the Sunday School Director, Kimberly Schwantes, at kimberlyattrinityss@gmail.com.

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

TEXT? (Please circle) Yes or No

Here are a few roles and their time commitments:

Adult Class Teacher/Instructor (weekly)
 Service Project Assistance (once over 2 months)
 Materials Preparation/Help (1-3 hours per week outside of Sunday Morning)
 Christmas Program Assistance (duties will vary)

Please circle the area(s) below you would be most interested in helping out in:

Teaching Substitute
 Classroom Assistant

Circle all age groups you are willing to volunteer with:

Age 0-Preschool 4K-5K
 Grades 1-3 Grades 4-6



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