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TRINITY—A MISSOURI SYNOD LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL



FROM THE PASTOR...

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

Here is a question for everyone to ponder as we come out of the pandemic, and back into, more or less, normal lives; what does God desire of me? We should contemplate this question all the time really, but as we resume our normal lives and have to reassess our priorities once again, it is especially worth considering. What does God desire of me?

King David has a lot to remind us of in Psalm 37 when he says,

- "Trust in the LORD, and do good; dwell in the land and befriend faithfulness.
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- Delight yourself in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart.
- ⁵ Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him, and he will act.
- ⁶ He will bring forth your righteousness as the light, and your justice as the noonday.
- ⁷ Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him; fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way, over the man who carries out evil devices!"

We are called to trust in the Lord, to delight in the Lord, to commit our way to the Lord, to be still before the Lord, and wait patiently for him. The long and the short of it, is that God desires that we trust Him, that we worship Him, and that we listen to His Word. David understood this so well that he wanted to make a grand house for God, to build God's holy temple. This honor would go to Solomon, instead of David, yet the lesson is clear. Worship of our God, hearing the proclamation of the Word, partaking of the sacraments, and the fellowship of all believers is essential to the will of God.

God desires for us to worship Him, He longs for His people to come home and delight in Him. He is jealous for our adoration, and for our love. He is our God, and we are His people. What does God desire of us? He desires for us to come home. He calls us to fear, love, and trust in Him above all things. He is searching and seeking out the lost sheep, yearning to bring His people back to the main flock.

As we return to normal, and the pandemic recedes more and more, may we remember who is faithful through thick and thin, through the good and the bad, in sickness and in health, even past death. May we remember that Christ, or Lord and Savior died for us, and now calls his bride, the Church to be faithful, just as he was. Brothers, and sisters,

Christ loves you all so much that he died for you, that you would be free of sin, death and condemnation. Come let us hear with joyful hearts, the Word of the God. Let us delight in the Lord, and he will make straight our paths.

In Christ, Rev. Timothy D. Smith



MILESTONES

UPCOMING EVENTS



celebrating their 80th or more birthday in July! Surprise them with a card or visit.

| July 1 | Lois Anker |
|---------|-----------------------------------|
| | 404 S 5th Ave. 54401 |
| July 8 | Lester Hotchkiss |
| | 6003 Eric St. Apt. A |
| | Schofield, WI 54476 |
| July 11 | Ronald Westcott |
| | 127212 Lovers Ln. |
| | Athens, WI 54411 |
| July 13 | Janna Hamann |
| | 223921 Lakeshore Dr. 54401 |
| July 14 | Jerald Ermeling |
| | 209 S 13th Ave. 54401 |
| July 15 | Karen Meurett |
| | 3306 Swan Ave. 54401 |
| July 16 | JoAnn Plautz |
| | 516 N 6th Ave. 54401 |
| July 17 | Doris Kerstner |
| | 158536 McIntosh St. 54403 |
| July 20 | Esther Smith |
| | 244308 Deer Creek Ln. |
| | Athens, WI 54411 |
| July 27 | Carl Boehme |
| | 1508 Merrill Ave., Apt. 215 54401 |
| July 27 | Shirley Sorenson |
| | 1605 Sheridan Rd. 54401 |

Constanties! Congratulations to the following who

will be celebrating their 50th or more Wedding Anniversary!

| ¥ | Thomas & Bev Goetsch | July 5 |
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| ¥ | Joe & JoAnn Plautz | July 8 |
| ¥ | Clark & Kathy Schuette | July 18 |
| ¥ | Bill & Carol Zastrow | July 23 |
| ¥ | Rod & Pam Riese | July 24 |
| ¥ | Ron & Jane Uekert | July 24 |
| ¥ | Robert & Katherine Stanton | July 31 |

Holy Baptism! We welcome the following

into the Lord's family through Baptism.

| + | Charlotte Wunsch | May 16 |
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| + | Eva Knock | May 30 |
| + | Ella Knock | May 30 |
| + | Violet Craig | June 1 |
| + | Bud Poch | June 6 |

Our Sympathy. We extend our sympathy to the

families of those who have passed away.

- Joan Urban
- Nancy Polasek

May 29

Vila Borth

- June 8
- June 10

Apcoming Events

SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICES Join us for two special services one on July 3rd at 5:00pm and one on Sunday, July 4th at 9:30am. These two services will be identical and blended in style. Hymns and praise choruses led from the front of the sanctuary by a small music group (due to the anticipated ceiling restoration project over the organ, the balcony will be inaccessible for a time), prayer, preaching, and the Lord's Supper will fill us for another week of service to the Lord!

OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED on Monday, July 5th in observance of the Fourth of July holiday.

Hymn Sing Needs YOU! As a summer outreach, the Sanctuary Choir invites you to sing some old favorite hymns at the Renaissance assisted living facility (4602 Barbican Ave., Weston) on Thursday, July 15th at 6pm. There are no rehearsals & anyone who can sing the melody is welcome. Please RSVP to Matt Hoehne at 715-842-0769 if you would like to join us!

MINI-VBS will be held on Wednesday, July 21st, 5:30-8:00pm. Children 3 years old through 5th grade (completed 2021) are invited to join us. We will learn Bible stories, sing songs, play games and enjoy crafts & snacks, while parents have the evening off. Registration info can be found on our website, www.trinitywausau.org, or outside the Sanctuary. Anyone interested in helping can contact Gina Maroszek at 715-848-0166 or maroszekg@trinitynet.org.

| TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL CONTACTS |
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| Penny Swanson, Director of Childcareext. 348 |
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| *Emergency On-Call Pastor715-842-0769, press "0" |

CHURCH RUMMAGE SALE



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. 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.

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

- Gently-worn clothing

- Baked & canned goods

We will NOT accept:

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

- Belts

TRINITY CHILDCARE PENNY SWANSON

Now learn this lesson from the fig tree: As soon as its twigs get tender and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. (Matthew 24:32)



Enrollment: Working to be as full as possible with the limited staffing struggle. Plan is to hire additional staff to be able to accommodate enrolling more children into the classrooms.

Hiring: Hired new part-time assistant teacher. Had an interview, person declined the job offer. 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 <u>swansonp@trinitynet.org</u> or 715-848-0166, ext. 348.

July Activities: 4th of July celebration will be on Friday, July 2nd. We will wear red, white and blue clothing, wave flags and patriotic things along Stewart Ave. and have a patriotic popsicle treat. An ice cream party is planned for Friday, July 23rd. The children have enjoyed outdoor activities in June and they will continue through July. Walks to Marathon Park to play on the playgrounds. Search for painted rocks, and the children painted some to hide at the park. Water fun days will continue on campus with different water activities. Childcare chapel will have the school-age children give the message.

Early Childhood Conference: Trinity will be hosting the Northern Wisconsin District Early Childhood Conference in August. This is a wonderful opportunity for our teachers to connect with other teachers in the district. **Summer Wish List:** science kits, elementary age craft kits, outdoor games, art and craft supplies, bubbles, bubble machine, bubble wands, water squirters (not squirt guns), buckets, 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.

Thank you to those that have taken upon their hearts to generously donate. You are very kind hearted.





TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL-LCMS



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!

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.

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.

2021-22 Theme "Rise Up!"

Psalm 20:8b: "But we rise up and stand firm."



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

Meet Mr. Kline

Hello! My name is Andrew Kline. I am from Greenville, Wisconsin, where my father works as a pastor and my mother as a counselor (so I suppose you could say talking is in my blood). This spring I graduated from Concordia University Wisconsin (where my father, mother, and sister all graduated) with a degree in Elementary Education with minors in math and theology. I also met my girlfriend, Saylor, at CUW, so I suppose it would be fair to say that the school has been a big part of my life.

My interests (outside of education) come in many different forms. First and foremost, I am an avid Scooby Doo fan. I am also a sports fan, specifically of the Green Bay Packers, Milwaukee Brewers, and (sadly) Buffalo Sabres. I played soccer the majority of my life and worked as the CUW Men's Soccer team manager in college. I have participated in theater since I was in 5th grade. And though generally below average at video games, I was the 2-year reigning CUW Mariokart Wii tournament champion.

Ministry has always been a part of my life. Obviously, this is the hope for a Christian, but I have seen it very close up, as I had two parents heavily involved in the ministry and always attended Lutheran schools. I have seen the impact of a Christian education on the lives of numerous young men and women. I wanted to be a part of that inspiration. And I'm so glad God has led me to Trinity to do it!





CALENDAR—JULY 2021

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9:15 AM MStaff Meeting—Lounge

Wednesday, July 14th:

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Thursday, July 15th:

No Scheduled Events

Friday, July 16th:

8:00 AM Bulletin Assembly—Parlors

Saturday, July 17th:

5:00 PM Blended Worship w/Communion— Sanctuary

Sunday, July 18th:

| 8:00 AM | Traditional Worship w/Communion— |
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| | 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 | NO Youth Group |

Monday, July 19th:

No Scheduled Events

Tuesday, July 20th:

9:15 AM MStaff Meeting—Lounge

Wednesday, July 21st:

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

Thursday, July 22nd:

No Scheduled Events

<u>Friday, July 23rd:</u> 8:00 AM Bulletin Assembly—Parlors

Saturday, July 24th:5:00 PMBlended Worship—Sanctuary

CALENDAR—JULY 2021 (CONT.)

Sunday, July 25th:

| 8:00 AM | Traditional Worship—Sanctuary & on |
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| | 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, July 26th:

No Scheduled Events

| Tuesday, July | <u>27th:</u> |
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| 9:15 AM | MStaff Meeting—Lounge |

Wednesday, July 28th:

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

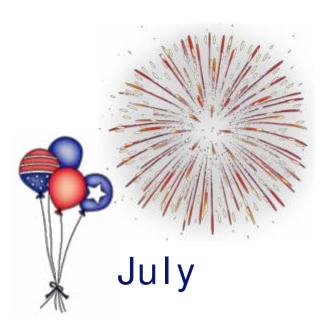
Thursday, July 29th:

Friday, July 30th:

| 8:00 AM | Bulletin Assembly—Parlors |
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<u>Saturday, July 31st</u>

5:00 PM Blended Worship w/Communion— Sanctuary



ANNOUNCEMENTS

FELLOWSHIP & PR COMMITTEE

Thank You! A huge thank you to everyone that attended the Spaghetti Dinner on June 20th. It was nice to have our church family gather together again! \$785 was raised for the Building Restoration fund. Thank you for your incredibly generous donations! Your gifts will make a huge difference for Trinity in the years to come!

Upcoming Event in August: Brat Fry & Corn Roast. Please continue to watch the Yellow Sheet for more information.

Coffee Hour is Back This Fall! Hosts are needed on Sunday mornings over the fall/winter months, September through December. This is a wonderful opportunity to provide treats and fellowship between church services! Sign up at the Reception Desk today! For any questions, please contact Sue Thiel at <u>sitpeanuts@gmail.com</u> or 715-297-6189.

LWML NEWS The Lutheran Women's Missionary League met at the end of June for their 39th biennial convention. We are all "Running the Race - Looking to Jesus." Please watch Trinity's yellow pages to see the new mission grants that were chosen at the June convention.

Ladies, consider attending the Fall Retreat at Camp Luther September 9-11, 2021. Registration forms will be out near the office or in the Summer Mission Tidings. Ask Sharon Hanke for more info.

THE KINDERGARTEN CLASS is seeking the following donated items for the 2021-22 school year:

- -4 child sized camping chairs
- -Used/Working, medium sized camping tent
- -Extra child sized gloves & mittens
- -Older Bathroom Towels (large only)
- Assorted Stickers (Especially pertaining to Holidays & Christian Themed)
- —Scale
- -Fake fall leaves
- -Christmas cookie cutters

Any donations can be dropped off at the school office. Thank you for helping to bring more learning, more fun, and more Jesus to our upcoming Kindergarten class!

Have You Faced "Tough Questions" in Life? Pick up Pastor Dan Kohn's newest book—"Tough Questions— Bible Answers" on the table in the Narthex!

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY will continue throughout the summer at 9:00am and 5:15pm in the Parlors.

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JOY GROUP



Join Us on Tuesday, September 21st for More Fellowship & Spiritual Growth Opportunities!

Friendship

GOD IS our chief friend. Thomas Aquinas, *Summa Theologica*

TO SPEAK of friendship with God can sound so cozy and consoling, as if we are all snuggling up to God; however, there is no riskier vulnerability than to live in friendship with God, because every friendship changes us, because friends have expectations of each other, and because friends are said to be committed to the same things... Any friend of God is called to faithfully embody the ways of God in the world, even to the point of suffering on account of them. There may be grace and glory in being a friend of God, but there is also clearly a cost. Paul J. Wadell, *Becoming Friends*

CHRIST DID not lay down his life for us as enemies so that we should remain enemies, but so that he could make us friends.

Thomas Aquinas, Lectures on the Gospel of John

WITHOUT friendships no one would choose to live, even if they had all other good things in life. Aristotle, *Nicomachean Ethics*

IN EVERY generation [Wisdom] passes into holy souls and makes them friends of God, and prophets. Wisdom of Solomon 7:27b



A Home-Based Family Worship Focused Idea for Growing Together with Jesus

Worship Together

Sing a song with the word "Love" in the title. Ask your children to choose one they've learned in school. Cut the letters L-O-V-E out of red or white paper. Ask each person to tell what love means to them. Write words or thoughts on the paper letters.

Read the following Bible verses and talk about the thoughts listed for each letter. Write more comments on the L-O-V-E letters as you talk.

- L = <u>Last.</u> Read Matthew 19:30 and Mark 9:35 To love you must serve and put yourself last. Jesus put himself last. He did not sin, yet He took all the punishment we deserve when He suffered and died. He rose from the dead and put you first, not last.
- O = <u>Open.</u> Read Revelation 3:20

Jesus wants you to be open to receive His love. The Holy Spirit helps you. Listen to how much Jesus loves you. Read John 3:16.

V = <u>Valuable</u>. Read Matthew 13:45-46 This is a story Jesus told. He wants to be just as valuable (important) to you as that pearl was to the man in the story. Talk about how important Jesus is to you.

E = <u>Everyone</u>. *Read 1 Timothy 2:4*

Jesus wants everyone to know about Him and receive His love. Is there someone to whom you can tell the Good News? Tell it to one another by saying, "Jesus loves you, and so do I."

Prayer suggestions:

- —As you hold hands, each person takes a turn saying, "I love you, Jesus, because you love me."
- -Pray for people who don't know about Jesus.
- -Ask Jesus to help you love one another in your family.

May the Holy Spirit Bless You to be a Blessing!







Life in Context

God is the Author of life...and of love. In God's plan for life, love is at the center. Indeed we could define L-I-F-E as <u>Love In Full Expression</u>—to honor God.

With these opening insights in mind, we reflect on this precious verse from Psalm 118—

"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it." (v.24)

Every day is a gift from God. Each day we can respond with joy and gratitude. Each day we can place a priority on love. Yes, every day is a unique time to experience God.

Yes, today is the day to live love. We have the privilege to love upward—toward God. We celebrate the opportunity to love outwardly—to the "neighbors" that surround us. In doing this we fulfill the Two Great Commandments from God (Matthew 22:37-39).

The upward form of love...and the outward--forms a cross. Here we find God's fullest expression of love. Here we also find our greatest reason to respond with love.

Live love. Find the fullness of life in shared love. Let the world know you are a follower of Christ—through your daily expression of love!

—Pastor Dan Kohn

NICARAGUA MISSION

Thank you for your generous donations to Trinity's mission in Nicaragua! Trinity is making such a difference in the lives of so many children!

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 & folders (no 3-ring binders).

We would also like to send used sporting equipment such as baseballs, softballs, gloves, bats, jump ropes, Frisbees & 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 <u>adbluhm70@gmail.com</u> or 715-848-5265 or Shannon Grosnick at <u>grosnicks@trinitynet.org</u>.



Facilities/Properties

Ceiling work in the Upper Sanctuary will be phased. The most critical area is over the balcony because the ceiling flakes are at risk of damaging the organ pipes. This would be a very expensive repair. Ceiling repair was not scheduled, but we were able to move forward with this top priority thanks to a generous donation that will likely cover the entire cost. The contractor was able to fit us in last minute, and the Properties Committee worked hard to make it happen. Repairs are expected to take place over a 4-6 week period.

We are looking at a few major projects that will total over \$300,000 – these projects have been outlined in detail over the past few months in this newsletter article. 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.

May Financial Summary

May 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 \$119,000 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 67% of budget for the year (this is down from 71% 2 months ago, 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.
- We are well under budget for expenses in *all* areas...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: \$135,121
 - ♦ Thrivent Loan: \$628,274
 - TOTAL Debt: \$763,395

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!

| May 2021 Financials Trinity Quilters | | | | | | | |
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| | May 21 | Budget | % of Budget | Jul '20 - May 21 | YTD Budget | % of Budget | Annual Budget |
| Income | | | | | | | |
| CHILDCARE INC | 22,479 | 42,965 | 52% | 249,116 | 473,811 | 53% | 516,776 |
| CONGREGATIONAL INC | 94,413 | 102,628 | 92% | 1,070,719 | 1,121,802 | 95% | 1,205,596 |
| LAY MINISTIRES INC | 54 | 50 | 108% | 886 | 550 | 161% | 600 |
| SCHOOL INC | 126,984 | 142,845 | 89% | 798,456 | 842,348 | 95% | 1,232,807 |
| Total Income | 243,930 | 288,488 | 85% | 2,119,177 | 2,438,511 | 87% | 2,955,779 |
| Gross Profit | 243,930 | 288,488 | 85% | 2,119,177 | 2,438,511 | 87% | 2,955,779 |
| Expense | | | | | | | |
| CHILDCARE EXP | 27,979 | 44,976 | 62% | 358,619 | 531,991 | 67% | 577,207 |
| CONGREGATIONAL EX | 15,577 | 16,656 | 94% | 196,286 | 191,912 | 102% | 584,609 |
| LAY MINISTRIES EXP | 39,727 | 38,197 | 104% | 484,079 | 446,545 | 108% | 490,042 |
| SCHOOL EXP | 96,100 | 100,864 | 95% | 1,109,672 | 1,207,017 | 92% | 1,303,921 |
| Total Expense | 179,383 | 200,693 | 89% | 2,148,656 | 2,377,465 | 90% | 2,955,779 |
| Net Income | 64,547 | 87,795 | 74% | -29,479 | 61,046 | -48% | 0 |

TRINITY QUILTERS

The Quilting Group has finished for the summer. We will convene again the Tuesday after Labor Day (September 7th). Even though CoVID did hamper us a little, we made 8 quilts for private individuals, and we feel we did quite well. From September 2020 through June 8, 2021, we made 176 quilts. We gave out 92 quilts before Christmas, and on Tuesday, June 8th we distributed 81 more. The last ones were taken to St. Vincent – Wausau and Merrill, Salvation Army, Hospice at Wausau Hospital, and Lincoln County Foster Care. We also donated a quilt to Wisconsin Valley Lutheran High School for their auction, and we have two for Trinity's Legacy Auction if they hold their event in November. We are so blessed to receive \$250.00 from Thrivent twice a year to purchase the needed supplies. We also welcome clean, used mattress pads and blankets. We meet on the 1st, 2nd, 4th & 5th Tuesdays of the month at 8:00 until about 11:30am and are very flexible. How about joining us?



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...In 1908 discussions had already begun and by March of 1909, at the suggestion of Teacher Ritzmann, a church band was formed with 16 members. Practice hours were once a week. The main purpose of the band was to help build the music program of the congregation. Besides choral music the church constitution allowed for respectable music pieces to be presented for various church festivals and gatherings. Frequently the band would play at mission festivals and school festivals in the open air where our congregation and others in the vicinity could enjoy the fine music. Several members purchased the instruments at a total cost of \$1200 in advance which the congregation paid back in small sums over time. Eventually a city band was organized and some belonged to both bands for a time, and when two rehearsals a week seemed too much, many dropped their membership with the church band. After rendering our congregation many fine services, the group disbanded on January 5, 1938. Soon after many remarked that our festivals and picnics were not what they used to be without our band. ...now you know!



The Trinity Church Band was officially organized in March of 1909 and continued until January 1938.



A group picture of the Trinity Church Band in 1913.



The Trinity Church Band seen marching sometime between 1910 and 1915.



A group picture of the Trinity Church Band around 1930. Back Row: Franklin Moellendorf, Henry Johannes, ? Lewitzke, Sam Eggebrecht, Hugo Steckling, Gust Kaatz, Clarence Graefe, Otto Wolff, Bill Klebenow, Carl Jehn, Bill Tessmer, Henry Marquardt, Alfred Luedtke, Albert Beckman, Julius Raduechel, Middle Row: Henry Laabs, Frank Huebner, George Moellendorf, Fred Eggebrecht, Bill Luedtke, Gottlied Froehlich, Front Row: Fred Egner, Kermit Strede, George Jacks, Herb Walters, Albert Goetsch, Otto Goetsch, Harry Walters



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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 <u>kimberlyattrinityss@gmail.com</u>.

| Name: | 1 | | |
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| Email: | Please circle the area(s) below you would be most interested in helping out in: | | |
| Phone: | Teaching | Substitute | |
| TEXT? (Please circle) Yes or No | Classroom Assistant | | |
| Here are a few roles and their time commitments: | | | |
| Adult Class Teacher/Instructor (weekly) | Circle all age groups you are willing to volunteer with: | | |
| Service Project Assistance (once over 2 months) | | | |
| Materials Preparation/Help (1-3 hours per week outside of Sunday Morning) | Age 0-Preschool | 4K-5K | |
| Christmas Program Assistance (duties will vary) | Grades 1-3 | Grades 4-6 | |

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You are the *Light of the* World.

A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.