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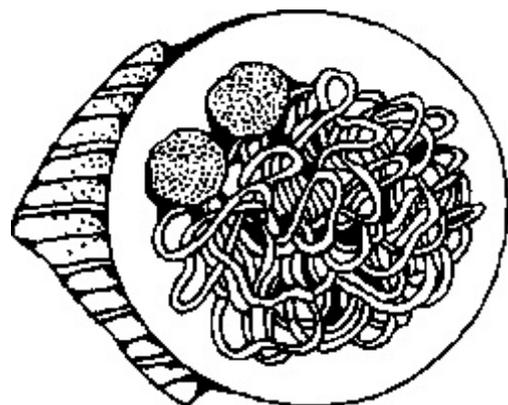
Since Pastor Jim Page left Trinity, there have been questions about what will happen next in that position. The staff and the Church Council have been discussing the next step and invite you to share your thoughts and ideas about what should happen with that position. To do that, there will be a forum in the Trinity Room on Sunday, October 2, after each worship service. What do you think Trinity needs the most, and how will we fulfill those needs? All ideas are welcome and encouraged. If you cannot participate in the forum, please share your ideas with Pastor Peter in person or email him at peter@trinity-ec.org

Join Us

"Discover Trinity" is the one-time event designed to introduce new people to our congregation's mission and many ministries. If you're looking for a faith community to provide you support, guidance, and growth in faith as well as joyful fellowship and opportunities to serve with people who love God, please join us! "Discover Trinity" is available for you to learn more about our church and become a member. The next "Discover Trinity" will be held on Monday, October 17, from 6:00 P.M.–7:30 P.M. Please register online at trinity-ec.org or call Becky Ragsdale at 715.832.6601 ext. 202.

Round Up!

The annual stewardship initiative will begin on October 2. This year's theme is Round Up! and will focus on education and encouragement about five T's: Time, Talent, Treasure, Testimony, and Temple (your body). Round Up! will show us how a little can add up to a lot. We'll learn together how each of us, at any age, can use these five T's to act in grateful response to God's great generosity. At the end of the process, just prior to Thanksgiving, you will be asked to commit to living out these five principles in your daily life and to supporting each other in doing the same. More will be shared each week.



Spaghetti Supper

Noah's Ark Preschool will host their Annual Fall Spaghetti Supper on Tuesday, October 18, from 4:00 P.M.–7:00 P.M. Come feast on a great spaghetti supper, meet new and old friends, enjoy children's activities, and participate in our annual Silent Auction. Themes for the Silent Auction baskets this year are "Reader's Corner," "Just Local," "Family Cooking...What's for Dinner?," "Family Cooking...What's for Dessert?," and a "Gift Card Basket." The Silent Auction begins at 4:00 P.M. and ends promptly at 7:00 P.M. with basket winners announced. In advance, individual tickets are \$5.00 for ages 2–12 years and \$8.00 for age 13 and older. Advance tickets are available in the office during the week and in the lobby on Sundays, October 9 and 16. Tickets will also be sold on Wednesday, October 12, after worship. At the door, adult ticket prices will increase to \$9.00. Come join us to enjoy the community of Noah's Ark!



Our Adoption Journey

Some around Trinity know that we are in the final stages of adopting a little girl from Thailand. Whether that includes you or this is your first time hearing such news, we thought we would take time this month to share our story and to offer our thanks and gratitude for your support and care throughout this process.

Seeds Planted ... While in college, we worked as camp counselors at Lutheran camps, and while there we began to realize that Christ somehow changes the definition of family in profound ways. Our fellow counselors were brothers and sisters with whom we worked, and played, and worshiped. The churches we visited were filled with aunts, uncles, and grandparents in the faith who had stories to tell and gifts to share. And at both camp and at these churches were kids who were our family even though we had no blood tie with them. We were connected through God.

A few years later, we served as Young Adults in Global Mission—an ELCA program similar to the Peace Corp. We were both sent to serve as English teachers in southern Thailand. There, we were befriended and cared for by people who didn't look like us, worship like us, or even share the same language. And yet, through their love and care, the possible definition of family grew even broader. Family didn't have to mean matching physical traits or even nationality. In fact, the idea of a global nuclear family began to grow in both of us that year, as something which might be both exciting and enriching.

Process Started ... So the seeds of adopting were planted, little by little, in these and other ways both individually and as a couple. We are fortunate not to have struggled with infertility in any way. Meta came along in 2012. And it has been a blessing to have her as our “guinea pig” eldest. At the same time, we hoped to give Meta a sibling, and we began to look into adoption in earnest, starting the process of education and application with Lutheran Social Services and Holt International. We knew there were kids in need of loving families, and we felt that God was calling us to this endeavor. While the paperwork and preparation were substantial, we did not feel the length of time to be too tedious. Meta was growing, and life was busy, and it was the process it needed to be.

Match and Travel ... Then, in September of 2015, we received the call that there was a little girl outside of Bangkok who was a possible match for us. We accepted the match, and then we began the wait to make the adoption official with the Thai government. This wait was harder than the initial stages now that we had images of our daughter to look at. While there was nothing we could do to speed the process, we prayed for patience and to understand what God's timing really meant. We have been receiving updates and sending care packages these last months, beginning to form the connection of a forever family.



Now, as of this past month, we have finally been given the go from our social agencies and have booked our tickets to Thailand. On October 22, we will fly from Chicago O'Hare to Bangkok where we will meet our daughter, Sybil Art, gain custody of her, and spend the next two weeks acquiring the needed documents to bring this 18 month little girl home.

Family Leave Plan ...

Once we arrive back to Eau Claire, we'll spend approximately the next two weeks bonding at home as a family. Brahm will then come back to work at church full time, while Sarah stays home for an additional month. When Sarah returns to Trinity (estimated just before Christmas), Brahm will return to stay home for an additional four weeks. By mid-January, we should be back to “normal” schedules around Trinity. The goal for this time is to be intentional about the important work of bonding and attachment.

When might you see this new addition around Trinity? We aren't quite sure yet! Much of that timing depends on her and how she is making the adjustment. We may need to keep her away from large crowds for a little while. But we are thrilled that her faith family is going to be Trinity, to eventually celebrate her baptism with you, and to grow together in faith. In the meantime, we appreciate your prayers and support and all that you have done to journey with us.

If you do have questions, please don't hesitate to ask. We are grateful for your care and the opportunity to serve as your pastors.

In Christ,

Pastor Sarah & Pastor Brahm



Supporting Trinity's Hunger Ministry

Did you know that in the Chippewa Valley, 1 in 9 individuals are food insecure, meaning at times they do not know where their next meal is coming from? This number rises to an alarming 1 in 5 when we are talking about children. Many of these people rely on our food pantry to help put food on the table.

Meet John. John shared why Trinity is so important in his life: *"I like Trinity. It helps when it's really hard financially. Most people, when they have an emergency, if it costs like \$400 that would really hurt. Now imagine doing that on an income of SSI. For us it lets us afford our place so we wouldn't be forced out on the street. Otherwise we wouldn't be able to keep the lights on. It's hard for seniors and people on disability to make it these days. Any one thing like a car breaking down is so hard. We try to make ourselves as self-sufficient as we can, but food is so expensive."*

Trinity needs your help. The pantry is only possible through your faithful gifts of money, food, and time. During the month of October, we have a goal of raising \$10,000 to support our mission of addressing hunger in our community—our mission of supporting our neighbors like John. In addition, financial gifts received in October will be matched by Feed My People up to \$5,000 allowing us to do even greater things through our congregation's outreach.

Your designated gift can be placed in the offering plate in worship or dropped off in the Trinity during the week. Thank you for contributing to the strength and vitality of this mission!

"Soles for Special Souls" Thank You

Trinity's mission of outreach extends to assist many children in need. Our "Soles for Special Souls" ministry seeks to provide children with a new pair of shoes at the beginning of the school year. In mid-August, vouchers for new shoes were distributed through our Food Pantry. We are thrilled to share that 211 children received shoes this year! Our partnership with Payless Shoes and your generous financial support blessed many children. Thank you for faithfully supporting this outreach to children in our community!

Quilt News

This month the "Quilt Ladies" will ship the last of the quilts to Lutheran World Relief. This year the quilters donated 1 quilt to Luther Park Bible Camp; 70 quilts, 214 tote bags, and 30 health kits to The Hands Foundation Homeless Veterans Project; 20 quilts to homeless students of the Eau Claire and Altoona School Districts; 12 quilts for Mission Jamaica; and 47 quilts, 25 school kits, and 92 personal care kits to Lutheran World Relief. That's a total of 150 quilts!

The "Quilt Ladies" meet on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 9:00 A.M. in the Lobby. You are invited to join them for fellowship and fun while you work on a worthy cause.

Ole to Ole'

Ole had the itch to travel, so he and Lena set off on a trip to England. Once there, the rain begins, and Lena and Ole struggle to keep positive. Do they continue on their travels, or do they head home to Norway? Join the Trinity Friendship Group on Wednesday, October 12, at 10:00 A.M. in the Trinity Chapel as the recorder ensemble MJ Consort entertains you with music and song. All are welcome!

Trinity on Facebook

Trinity's Facebook page is an active source of information and inspiration for your faith development. We have several Facebook pages: our general page for all, a youth page, and a Noah's Ark Preschool page. Be sure to "Like" Trinity soon and begin enjoying the benefits of inspiration and news.

Providing Meals to Hungry Children

Nearly 60% of children at Flynn Elementary qualify for the federal free or reduced lunch program. These children often struggle with hunger on the weekends when school meals are not available. But, there is GOOD NEWS. Trinity's Friends of Flynn Ministry partners with Feed My People each week to provide weekend meal bags to over 90 children at Flynn. We help pack the meals, deliver them to the school, and share in the cost. Thank you to everyone who helps make this possible. You are a blessing to these children! If you would like to support this ministry, note "Friends of Flynn" on your donation.





Worship



Affirmation of Baptism

Join in praising God and celebrating the Affirmation of Baptism of our sophomore confirmation students on Sunday, October 30, during the 8:15 A.M. and 9:45 A.M. Worship Services.

Trinity's Liturgical Dance Team

Trinity's Liturgical Dance Team is open to people age 5 to 105. The Dance Team is a multi-generational program for those seeking to help spread God's message through movement. No experience is necessary. The Dance Team will rehearse Sundays, beginning October 2, in the Worship Center from 4:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. Lynn Buske is the Dance Team Leader. Sign up at Clipboard Central or contact Lynn at 715.514.4648.

Be a Communion Server

Because Holy Communion is an important part of our faith life, we need YOU to help serve communion on the first and third Sundays of each month. Simply sign-up on the clipboard near the Lobby drinking fountains for a particular date/service. Arrive ten minutes before worship, and check in at the table near the pulpit with the pastor leading worship to receive instructions. If you have any questions, contact Shirley Sands at 715.832.6601 ext. 214 or shirley@trinity-ec.org

Rainbow Bags

On Sunday mornings, our Rainbow Bags fly off the racks. They are very popular. We are looking for additional volunteers to help resupply and clean out the bags once a month. It presently takes a volunteer approximately one hour to check them over and resupply as necessary. Noah's Ark parents could work together (only ½ hour then) while their children are in preschool. If you are willing to help out, please email Children's Ministry Director Sara Reed at sarar@trinity-ec.org or Deb Gilbertson at debbiegilbertson1@gmail.com



Thank You

Our Saturday Shift was an unqualified success. Bibles, supplies, etc. were shifted to their new homes within the building. Our deepest thanks to our volunteers who made it happen: Steven Olson, Logan Hughes, Chris Gessner, Mike Voelker, Roger Brian, Paula Becker, Alex Becker, and Dennis Luther.

Online Prayer Requests

You're invited to share prayer requests at trinity-ec.org by using the Prayer Request button. These requests go to our Prayer Link Team, and then they pray!

If you appreciate the benefits of prayer and are willing to pray for those who share requests, join our Prayer Link Team under the Grow menu at trinity-ec.org You will receive a monthly update of prayers and some inspiration for your praying. Please contact Becky Ragsdale for more information at becky@trinity-ec.org

When Your Address or Phone Changes

Whenever you're moving or changing to "temporarily away" with the United States Postal Service, any mail Trinity sends to you is returned at a cost per item. Please inform the church office when your address changes or you're going away and having your mail held.

And if you are eliminating or have eliminated your land line and are going exclusively to a cell phone, please share your phone number with your church. Email new information to becky@trinity-ec.org

Teen Study Leaders

We are looking for Teen Study Leaders to teach Club 78 Teen Study. Club 78 Teen Study leaders are needed for the first Sunday school session which meets from 8:55 A.M.–9:30 A.M., as well as the second Sunday school session which meets from 10:30 A.M.–11:05A.M. We are looking to make teaching teams so that each teacher will teach approximately once a month. Curriculum, materials, and support are provided. This is a great opportunity to serve in Christ's love and share the Good News!

Red Cross Blood Drive

Trinity is hosting our fall blood drive on Monday, November 14, from 12:30 P.M.–6:30 P.M Sign-up sheets are at Clipboard Central. If you have not given whole blood in the previous 56 days, you are eligible. Double red cell donors must wait 112 days. If you have never given blood, consider doing so.



Autumn Books Provide Colorful Reading

At this time, we have over 3,00 items in our Church Library. We have something for everyone to enjoy; children's books, youth books, fiction, non fiction, biography! Below are some of our new books. Stop by and "check them out."

Biography

- **The Mannings** by Lars Anderson. This is an epic, inspiring saga of a family of tenacious competitors who have transfixed a nation. (B AND)
- **Night** by Elie Wiesel. Born in the town of Sighet, Transylvania, Elie Wiesel was a teenager when he and his family were taken from their home in 1944 to the Auschwitz concentration camp. This new translation by his wife and most frequent translator corrects important details and presents the most accurate rendering in English of Wiesel's testimony to what happened in the camps and his message that this horror must never happen again. (B WIE)
- **The Nazi Officer's Wife** by Edith Hahn Beer. This is the story of how one Jewish woman survived the Holocaust married to a Nazi officer. Despite the risk it posed to her life, Edith created a remarkable record of survival. She saved every document, as well as photographs she took inside labor camps, which are now part of the permanent collection at the Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington D.C. (B BEE)
- **Hillbilly Elegy** by J.D. Vance. This is a deeply moving memoir with its share of humor and vividly colorful figures. It is a probing look at the struggles of America's white working class through the author's story of growing up in a poor Rust Belt town. (B VAN)

History

- **Born Survivors** by Wendy Holden. The Nazis murdered their husbands, but concentration camp prisoners Priska, Rachel, and Anka would not let evil take their unborn children, too—a remarkable true story that celebrates three mothers who defied death to give their children life.

Fiction

- **Another Brooklyn** by Jacqueline Woodson. In this coming of age novel, August, runs into a long-ago friend that sets into motion memories that transport her to a time and a place, 1970's Brooklyn, where friendship was everything—until it wasn't. (FIC WOO)
- **The House Without Windows** by Nadia Hashimi. Zeba has been the perfect wife and mother. But when her husband is murdered, she is jailed for the crime much to the surprise of her children. As she awaits trial, she gets to know the other women in her cell who have also suffered great misfortunes. To these women, jail is more of a haven, a safe place away from a world where women are treated so cruelly. This is a moving look at the lives of Afghan women and the power of sisterhood. (FIC HAS)

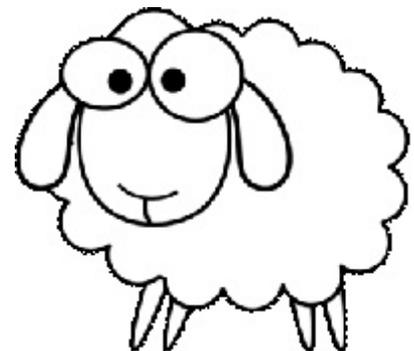
- **Underground Airlines** by Ben H. Winters. **Underground Airlines** is an intriguing, suspenseful alternate-history novel which asks the question "what if the Civil War had never happened and slavery remained legal." (FIC WIN)
- **A Great Reckoning** by Louise Penny. This is the latest novel in Penney's bestselling series featuring Chief Inspector Armand Gamache. (FIC PEN)

Book Club

The Page Turners Book Club meets on Tuesday, October 18, at 6:30 P.M. to discuss *Hit by a Farm: How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the Barn* by Catherine Friend.

When self-confessed "urban bookworm" Catherine Friend's partner of twelve years decides she wants to fulfill her lifelong dream of owning a farm, Catherine agrees. What ensues is a crash course in both living off and with the land that ultimately allows Catherine to help fulfill Melissa's dreams while not losing sight of her own. *Hit by a Farm* is a hilarious recounting of Catherine and Melissa's trials of "getting back to the land."

Author Catherine Friend will join us to discuss her book! Additionally, Catherine will have her books and hand-dyed yarn from the sheep on her farm available to purchase! RSVP by signing up at Clipboard Central or by emailing Cindy Beck at cindy@trinity-ec.org





Your Offerings Bless Missions

Our church is blessed by every offering that is shared to support its mission and ministries. Thank you for your offerings. If you're not already using the convenient service of electronic fund transfer, please consider doing so. You may set this up at trinity-ec.org or receive assistance by contacting the Trinity office. If you're already using electronic fund transfer for your offerings and no longer need offering envelopes mailed to you, please email amber@trinity-ec.org

January thru August	2016	2015
Regular Offerings	\$723,531	\$709,957
Expenses	\$738,913	\$731,766
Variance	-\$15,382	-\$21,809

Women's Giving Circle Annual Meeting

All Trinity members are invited to join the Women's Giving Circle as they meet on Sunday, October 9, in the Trinity Room. Refreshments will be available at 11:00 A.M., and the meeting will begin promptly at 11:15 A.M.

Even if you are not yet a voting member, come to find out more about this exciting organization as they review and vote on their grant recommendations. Board members for 2017 will also be elected. Read more about the Women's Giving Circle on the Endowment tab of Trinity's webpage or contact Mary Hanson at rye@hoopsinc.com

Women's Triennial Convention

Please consider attending the Tenth Triennial Gathering in Minneapolis from July 13–16, 2017. Registration is now open. The early bird fee is \$310; after January 6, the fee increases to \$350. Registration forms are available on the Women's Bulletin Board across the hall from the nursery, or you can register online at womenoftheelca.org Please call Phyllis Grohn at 715.836.7055 with any questions.

Bus transportation planning is ongoing, and will be provided for approximately \$50. Hotel registration should be made when registration for the gathering is sent in at one of the following hotels which are all about two blocks from the event center.

- * Hilton Minneapolis \$162/Parking Rate \$14/day
 - * Hyatt Regency \$165/Parking Rate \$19/day
 - * Millennium Hotel Minneapolis \$169/Parking Rate \$18/day
- *State and local taxes are 13.4% which are subject to change.*

Scholarships are available in the amount of \$200 for two participants from our Conference. Application forms are available on the Women's Bulletin Board across from the nursery and they need to be submitted before November 1 to be considered. In addition, if you are under 40 years of age and would like to consider attending for the first time, one full ride scholarship will be awarded. Please consider applying for that as well.

The Triennial Gathering will never happen closer to Eau Claire so this is our chance to be part of a gathering of women that will be an experience of a lifetime. Please call Phyllis Grohn with any questions at 715.836.7055.



Save the Date!

Ladies of Trinity, please save the date for our Third Annual Advent Tea on Monday, December 5, in the Trinity

Room starting at 1:30 P.M. Good food, great fellowship, a sing-a-long, and performances by the Madrigals from Memorial High School and Trinity's Noah's Ark Preschool children will be the highlights. We will again be looking for people that are willing to share their Christmas dishes, fancy sandwiches, and holiday cookies. Please look for the sign-up board in the lobby starting on Sunday, November 6. Please call Phyllis Grohn at 715.836.7055 or Sheila Running at 715.832.9686 with questions.

Planning Meeting

The Chippewa Valley Women's Retreat Committee will meet Monday, October 17, at 5:00 P.M. in the Fireside Room. Here's your chance to help with ideas, thoughts, and inspirations as we plan next year's retreat August 16 and 17, 2017.

Circle Listings

Deborah

Thursday, October 20, 9:30 A.M. Trinity
Hostess: Vicki Fields
Leader: Nancee Burbank

Martha/Mary

Tuesday, October 18, 6:30 P.M. Trinity
Hostess: / Leader:

Miriam

Wednesday, October 19, 9:30 A.M. Trinity
Hostess: Bev Tamke and Mary Ann Friederich
Leader: Mary Schoenknecht

Ruth

Tuesday, October 18, 1:30 P.M.
Hostess: Joanne Stange, 2029 Declaration Drive
Leader: Group



Health Ministries

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

The following is information from the American Cancer Society. Please visit their web site for much more information.

Risk Factors

1. Being a woman: Before you say "duh," men can get breast cancer also, but it is 100 times more frequent in women.
2. Age: Your risk of developing breast cancer increases as you get older. About one out of eight invasive breast cancers are found in women younger than 45, while about two of three invasive breast cancers are found in women age 55 or older.
3. Genetic Risk Factors: Only about 5% to 10% of breast cancer cases are thought to be hereditary, meaning that they result directly from gene defects (called mutations) inherited from a parent.
4. Family history of breast cancer: Breast cancer risk is higher among women whose close blood relatives have this disease.
5. Having one first-degree relative (mother, sister, or daughter) with breast cancer approximately doubles a woman's risk. Having two first-degree relatives increases her risk about threefold.
6. Personal history of breast cancer: A woman with cancer in one breast has an increased risk of developing a new cancer in the other breast or in another part of the same breast. (This is different from a recurrence of the first cancer.) This risk is even higher if breast cancer was diagnosed at a younger age.
7. Race and ethnicity: Overall, white women are slightly more likely to develop breast cancer than are African-American women. African-American women are more likely to die of this cancer. In women under 45 years of age, breast cancer is more common in African American women. Asian, Hispanic, and Native American women have a lower risk of developing and dying from breast cancer.
8. Dense breast tissue: Breasts are made up of fatty tissue, fibrous tissue, and glandular tissue. Having dense breast tissue (as seen on a mammogram) is when you have more glandular and fibrous tissue and less fatty tissue. Women with dense breasts on mammogram have a risk of breast cancer that is 1.2 to 2 times that of women with average breast density. Dense breast tissue can also make mammograms less accurate.

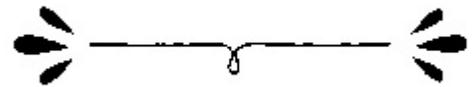
Prevention

9. Get your mammogram! Mayo Clinic recommends yearly mammogram starting at age 40–75. After age 75, it is up to the individual
10. Limit alcohol consumption: The use of alcohol is clearly linked to an increased risk of developing breast cancer. The risk increases with the amount of alcohol consumed.
11. Maintain a healthy weight: Being overweight or obese after menopause increases breast cancer risk due to increased estrogen production coming from fat tissue.
12. Physical activity: Evidence is growing that exercise (1.25–2.5 hrs/week or 15 minutes/day) of brisk walking daily can reduce risk by 18%
13. Don't smoke. Stop if you do.
14. Study results conflict on specific foods and prevention, but eating healthy reduces calories which reduces weight.

Community Events for You

- Chippewa Valley Walk to End Alzheimer's: Saturday, September 24. Registration at 9:00 A.M. at University of Wisconsin Eau Claire Zorn Arena.
- Chippewa Valley Community Chorus: For people with early to mid-stage memory loss and their caregivers. Rehearsals on Thursday morning, Concert November 10. Register with Lisa Wells, ADRC 715.839.4735
- Ladies Evening Extravaganza: Thursday, September 8 at the Heyde Center in Chippewa Falls. Sponsored by Family Resource Center
- Free Car Seat Check: Second Monday of each month 4:00–7:00 P.M. Chippewa Valley Technical College, West Campus.

ADRC September Newsletter is loaded with upcoming events for caregivers, exercise, meals on wheels, and more. Pick up a newsletter at the information center or by the Health Ministry bulletin board.



Memorials & Gifts

Endowment Trust Fund

- In memory of Richard Campbell: Scott & Melissa Hanson, Rose Sippel, Ann Ayres

Trinity Choir Fund

- In memory of Stephen Vorhes: Phyllis Burrows

Bed Nets Fund

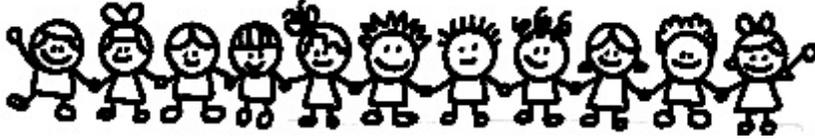
- In memory of Barbara Lorentz: Marjorie Satre

Endowment Trust—Pastor Kurt Jacobson Fund

- In honor of Pastor Kurt Jacobson: Todd & Peggy Munden



Children's Ministries



Wednesday T.G.I.F and Sunday School

Wednesday T.G.I.F and Sunday School have kicked off the year! Registration remains open for Wednesday T.G.I.F (Grades 3–6), choirs (Pre-Kindergarten–Grade 6), and Sunday School classes (two year old–Grade six). For more information, contact Sara Reed at 715.832.6601 ext 218, or sarar@trinity-ec.org or visit our website at www.trinity-ec.org. We encourage children to bring their Spark Bibles to each Sunday School class and Wednesday T.G.I.F class.

"My Church" for 2 Year Olds

Registration is open for "My Church." This class is designed for two year olds (two by 9.1.16.). Children will create personalized books using pictures, art, and much more. Throughout their time together, the children will be photographed in various settings of the church. These pictures will be put into a binder that the children can use at home and during worship. After December, the children will use the Spark Curriculum. "My Church" begins on October 9.

Do You Love to Tie Dye?

Join us on Saturday, October 1 at 10:00 A.M. This event is open for anyone who loves to tie dye or wants to learn. No reservations are needed. We will provide the tie dye, rubber bands, and soaking agent. We ask that you bring your own material to tie dye i.e. white t-shirts, socks, onsies, shirts, pillow cases, etc. We invite people of all ages to participate in this fun family-filled event. There is no cost.

First Communion Instruction

We invite children and parents who are in second grade and above who have not participated in Communion to meet for instruction on Saturday, November 5, from 9:00 A.M.–11:00 A.M. Their first Communion celebration will be during the Thanksgiving Eve worship service at 6:30 P.M. on Wednesday, November 23, at 6:30 P.M.

Early Childhood Enrichment Programs for Winter/Spring 2017

Registration for Winter/Spring Enrichment Programs will be by call-in on Tuesday, November 1 at 8:00 A.M. To register, please call Sara Reed at 715.832.6601 ext 218. Registration will be on a first come, first serve basis.

For more information about our Winter/Spring Enrichment Programs please, see our website www.trinity-ec.org, our facebook page or contact Sara Reed at 715.832.6601 ext 218.

Noah's News

Noah's Ark has begun for the 2016–2017 school year, and we are blessed with wonderful families and children. We had great visit days with children and parents or other caregivers. It was an awesome day for everyone to meet and learn about their school. We hope we will continue to welcome more children into our program, as we still have M/W/F openings.

September was spent discovering in our classroom, meeting new friends, and celebrating God's rainbows given to us as a promise of God's love and care. Children loved singing about rainbows, painting with colors of the rainbow, searching for the rainbow, and dancing with the rainbow. As we end the month, children will be cooking and eating the rainbow and tie dyeing their own Noah's Ark t-shirts. It's a joy to spend our days with such energy and enthusiasm! They are becoming peacemakers in their words and actions already!

As we look forward to October, we will be out enjoying the beautiful fall days on our playground, making science discoveries, visiting an apple orchard, and looking for colorful fall leaves.

Also in October, we will celebrate our Noah's Ark community with our annual Fall Spaghetti Supper fundraiser. We hope you will join us! If you know of a business or individual who would like to help sponsor this event, please contact Marlee Knickerbocker at marlee@trinity-ec.org. It's a great way to help support this ministry of early childhood education at Trinity.

Thanks for keeping Noah's Ark Preschool in your prayers!
In Peace,
Marlee Knickerbocker,
Director





Youth Ministries

Affirmation of Baptism

Join Alexandra Adkins, Sierra Auleta, Colten Berg, Zachary Bernhardt, Rebecca Boese, Averil Bohman, Sydney Brown, Elizabeth Campbell, Alison Fletcher, Megan Fuller, Greta Glaser, Madeline Hager, Alexandra Hansen, Nicole Hayden, Erin Hayes, Zini Hirsh, Leah Hujik, Cooper Kapanke, Jeremy Kaufman, Katrina Klawiter, Vanessa Luther, Landon Massey, Theodore Paul, Mark Pepperl, Alex Plante, Sydney Presler, Andrew Solberg, Connor Stoik, Emily Sylte, Lauren Walker, Annika Walukas, Derek Werk, and Lucas Zumwalt on Sunday, October 30, at the 8:15 A.M. and 9:45 A.M. worship service as we celebrate with them as they affirm their baptism.



Club 78 Teen Study

Seventh and Eighth grade confirmation students are asked to attend ten Teen Study classes as part of their Discipleship Plan. Teen Study is scheduled on Sunday mornings during both Sunday School sessions, 8:55 A.M. –9:30 A.M. or 10:30 A.M. –11:05 A.M. Classes begin on Sunday, October 2. For Session One all students will meet in Room 208, and for Session Two, grade 8 will meet in Room 208, and grade 7 will meet in Room 207.

Luther Park Recharge Club 78 and Club 9 Retreat

The Luther Park Recharge is scheduled for the weekend of October 14–15. This retreat is 24 hours of camp to recharge faith through faith discussion, music, friends, and activities. This year's theme is "Anchored." Registration cost includes programming from 7:00 P.M. Friday until 7:00 P.M. Saturday, meals, lodging, and a Recharge t-shirt. Register online at www.lutherpark.org or call 715.859.2215. Scholarships are available to offset the cost of registration. Contact Ashley or Cassie at 715.832.6601 ext 209 with any questions.

Lutheran World Relief- Load a Truck

Trucks will be ready to be loaded by youth and parent volunteers on Saturday, October 15, right here in Trinity's main parking lot. The first shift is from 8:00 A.M. – 9:30 A.M. and the second shift is from 9:30 A.M. –11:00 A.M. Various churches from around the region, including Trinity, will bring their donations to be transported to Minnesota, then shipped around the world. Lutheran World Relief works to improve the lives of millions of smallholder farmers and people experiencing poverty in Africa, Latin America, Asia, and the Middle East both in times of emergencies and for the long term. A sign-up sheet for volunteers is available at the Tool Bench.

Noah's Ark Spaghetti Supper

Volunteer at the Noah's Ark Spaghetti Supper and support Trinity's Preschool Ministry on Tuesday, October 18. Help serve a meal, bus tables, or engage with children as you assist with games and activities. Contact Mrs. Knickerbocker at 715.832.6601 ext 205 for more details, or sign-up at the Tool Bench.

Donut Fundraiser

Sign up at the Tool Bench to participate in the Donut Fundraiser on Sunday mornings. There are two shifts available each Sunday. This fundraiser allows youth to earn money for their student account. These funds are then available to put towards Trinity sponsored events, retreats, and summer camps/trips. A tithe will be given to Bolton Refuge House.

High School Events for 2016–2017

- October 15 (Saturday) from 8:30 A.M. –11:00 A.M. • Making Strides against Breast Cancer Walk
- November 2 (Wednesday) from 6:00 P.M.–8:00 P.M. • Sojourner House BBQ for the Homeless
- December 17 (Saturday) from 9:00 A.M. –12:00 P.M. • Christmas Sharing Project
- January 14 (Saturday) • All Day Ski Trip to Christie Mountain
- February 5 (Sunday) from 5:00 P.M. –10:00 P.M. • Souper Bowl of Caring (during worship) and Super Bowl
- March 5 (Sunday) from 1:00 P.M.–5:00 P.M. • Serve The Community Table
- April 21–23 (Friday–Sunday) • Urban Immersion Mini Mission Trip
- May 7 (Sunday evening) • "Great Escape Room"
- June 25–30 (Sunday–Friday) • Voyageur Canoe Trip on Lake Superior

Email Pastor Brahm for more information about any of these events at brahm@trinity-ec.org

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