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## THIS WEEK AT TRINITY: August 27-September 3, 2023

### **Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

- Sunday 8/27: 8:00 & 10:30 am Worship Service with Communion  
9:30am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study  
*Rev. Salemink, Executive Director of Lutherans for Life, will preach and lead Bible Study*
- NOON All Call Committee Member Meeting
- Monday 8/28: 7:00pm Women's Bible Study @ TYM
- Tuesday 8/29: 9:00am Quilting  
7:00pm Bible Study led by Pastor Zagel  
7:00pm Elders Meeting
- Wednesday 8/30: 8:30am Chapel at TLS  
5:30pm 3<sup>rd</sup> Year Confirmation @ TYM  
6:00pm Youth Group @ TYM
- Thursday 8/31: 10:30am Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall  
6:00pm TLS Family Cookout
- Saturday 9/2: 5:00pm Worship Service with Communion
- Sunday 9/3: *~MITE BOX SUNDAY~*  
8:00 & 10:30 am Worship Service with Communion  
9:30am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study

*Knowing Christ and Making Him Known*

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are given in praise and glory to God by Wayne and Connie Klundt for their 55<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on August 10<sup>th</sup>.

#### **SPECIAL PRAYERS THIS WEEK ARE FOR:**

**Recent requests:** Katie Browne, Dane Reeves, Kathy Zagel, family of Miranda Cichosz, and Afia Basharat and New Hope Church in Pakistan.  
**Ongoing needs:** Sharla Arend, Don Brutlag, Katie Cardillo, Cateleya Castanon (granddaughter of Mary Uecker), Kim Dewey, Marilyn Fischer (Sue Hayes' mom), Linda Flechsig, Walter & Betty Flechsig (Linda's parents), Ralph Gurney, Brittney Hatzell, Beverly Hoose, Alyana Hutchings (Marti & Ron Jacobsen's granddaughter), Lorrie (Lechner) Inge (Marie Hailstone's sister), Keith Johnson, Dee Krohn, Don Kunkel, Shawn Kunkel, Don Leikam, Kinsley Murri (Rod & Phyllis Myers' granddaughter), Barbara Nies, Tom Patton (Leonard's brother), Heidi Renner, Mark Roesler (brother of Susan Shotwell), Lynette Rudio, Tom West, Darlene Zimmerman, and those who suffer with addiction and mental illness.

**WELCOME TO GOD'S FAMILY** – Noah Ekak was baptized on August 26<sup>th</sup> at the Saturday Service. He is the foster son of Paul and Alicia Wold. We pray God's blessings on Noah as he continues in his faith journey.

#### **LET'S RALLY TOGETHER!**

Mark your calendars and plan to attend Rally Day on Sunday, September 10, at Trinity School:

**8:00am Breakfast** – Pancakes and sausage will be provided. Please sign up in the narthex to bring an egg bake, or bring fruit, juice, or muffins to share.

**10:00am Church-wide Worship Service** – There will be no other worship services held that weekend.

**11:15am Ministry Fair** – Information about the nearly 50 ministries of Trinity Lutheran Church and School and an opportunity for you to get involved!

We will also have a booth at the Ministry Fair for members to get their photo taken for our updated church photo directory (more info coming on this soon). **Let's rally together around God's Word!**

## **FINANCES & FIRST-FRUIT'S' GIVING**

Budgeted Church/School Income (Year to Date)	\$ 404,942
Actual Church/School Income (7/01-8/20/2023)	\$ 496,561
Actual Church/School Expenses (7/01-8/20/2023)	\$ 272,785
A difference of:	\$ 223,776
Budgeted Offering Target (July 2022-July 2023)	\$ 63,589
Actual Offering (July 2022-July 2023)	\$ 73,018
A difference of:	\$ 9,429
Weekly Offering Goal – August 2023	\$ 12,718
Actual Offerings in August (3 of 4 weeks)	\$ 42,345

### **Last Week's Attendance – August 19 & 20, 2023**

Saturday Worship Service	83
Sunday Worship Services	221
<b>Total Attendance Last Weekend</b>	<b>304</b>
<b>Sunday School</b>	19
<b>Adult Bible Class</b>	64

### **Offering Counters for August 27th:**

Sherrie Murray, Charlotte Nedens, and Roxy Klundt

### **Offering Counters for September 3rd:**

Carol Corder, Myrt White, and Kathy Hoehne

**WE NEED YOUR HELP** - Each week a small team of members meets after late service to handle offering counting. Additional help is needed with this behind-the-scenes ministry. If you are willing to commit about an hour once a month to help out, please contact the church office.

**SING TO THE LORD A NEW SONG!** Trinity friends, please consider singing in the choir, even if only part of the year. First practice is Thursday, Sept. 14th - 7:00 until 8:15 pm. I'd love to have you join us. Please let Angie (church office) or me (Ken Kosche) know so I can plan. You may e-mail me: [kkosche@hotmail.com](mailto:kkosche@hotmail.com).

**SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED:** LWML is collecting items for the World Friendship Guild school kits: 70-80 count spiral notebooks, black and blue ball point pens (no gel please), 12 inch rulers with centimeters noted on one side, pencil sharpeners, blunt scissors, and 16 to 24 count crayon boxes. Please place items in the drop-off boxes. Thank you for your generosity! In addition, the Fall Quarterly is available in the narthex.

### **TRINITY TEE-OFF ON SUNDAY, SEPT. 17**

Get your team together and join us for the 15<sup>th</sup> annual Trinity Tee-Off on Sunday, Sept. 17, at 1pm. This 4-person scramble event will be held at Pryor Creek Elmer Link (private) course and will feature a steak dinner, tons of prizes, and a day you don't want to miss. Get your team together and

sign up today at [www.trinitybillings.org](http://www.trinitybillings.org) or by calling the church office.

### **PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS**

**FLOW!** A financial summary of our 2022-2023 fiscal year is available in paper form in the narthex. This report was prepared by our Treasurer, David Ottolino, and is yet another example of how God continues to pour out His blessings upon us. We ended the fiscal year with an operating surplus in our general fund of a little over \$100K. About half of this surplus remains in the general fund to provide cash flow flexibility as we move forward, while the other half was transferred to a savings fund for the Council to utilize for unanticipated projects and ministry advancement. We encourage you to review this information and offer a prayer of thanksgiving for how God continues to provide for the ministry and mission at Trinity!

**LISTEN, GOD IS CALLING** – With three ministry positions needing to be filled, we have three separate call committees. Here are the members:

**Principal:** Jonathan Boll, Thelma Grove, Samie Keller, Ted Loomans, Laura McCoy, Katie Winden, Rick Thomas, and Pastor Keinath

**Music Director:** Dion Campbell, Sammie Keller, Karole Michel, Katie Winden, Rick Thomas, and Pastor Keinath.

**Associate Pastor:** Ray Koschel, Bob Locke, Pam Meier, Rob Reeves, Johanna Thompson, Rick Thomas, and Pastor Keinath.

May God continue to guide these committees with wisdom and discernment to provide for our ministry's needs.

**CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATE:** We will be updating our church directory this fall and need your help! If your family information has changed since 2017, when our last printed directory was completed, please let Angie know in the church office. We will have a printed directory for you to check what we have on file. Also if you have a recent photo for us to add, you can email it to [church@trinitybillings.org](mailto:church@trinitybillings.org). A photo update opportunity will be available at Rally Sunday on September 10<sup>th</sup> at TLS as well. Thank you!