



Joyful Noise

SEPTEMBER 2021

A Message from Your Pastor...

Dear Friends in Christ,

There is a lot going on in the world today. Consider recent events. Instability in Afghanistan. An earthquake in Haiti. Covid 19 with its restrictions and disruptions to life and supplies. In the United States, we see a tropical storm and flooding on the east coast, while other parts of the nation are battling droughts and wildfires. People crossing the border at record numbers, some hoping to start a new and better life, others with evil intent; none following the designed legal process. There is political fighting. Different ideologies are being declared as authoritative and true. Economic concerns. Social concerns. The list of challenges could go on. It seems that list always grows longer, never shorter.

These challenges weigh on the hearts and minds of people. We see it in the news. We hear about it in conversations. We know our own feelings and reactions to these things. And to all of these things, and to you stuck in the middle of all these things, Jesus speaks.

In Matthew chapter 24, Jesus and his disciples are leaving the temple when the disciples admire and point out the beauty of the temple. Jesus then teaches them about a right understanding of the things of this world. He says that all the beauty they see will not last, "there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down." (Matt. 24:2) He continues a few verses later, "And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not alarmed, for this must take place, but the end is not yet. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be famines and earthquakes in various places. All these are but the beginning of the birth pains." (Matt. 24:6-8)

Before the challenges we see today even happened, Jesus predicted them. He knows that the things in this world will continue to get worse. It's the result of sin, "the beginning of birth pains" before Jesus returns. So how should we respond to them? Jesus says in verse 6, "See that you are not alarmed." Easier said than done. I know.

It's hard not to be concerned, worried, even alarmed as we see the world changing (drastically in some places) right before our eyes. And yet God's Word encourages and reminds us that our hope is not in the things of this world. Our hope is in our Savior Jesus. And Him alone. Peter proclaims about Jesus' name in Acts 4:12 *"And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."*

Indeed, Jesus is the One we need to come back to again and again, when the cares of this world weigh us down. Jesus is the One who has died and risen again to defeat the fears and failures of this world. He is the One who has come to bring you life. Forever. (John 10:10) That promise gives us hope to endure the challenges of this world until the end.

The hope and promises of Jesus are what we need to encourage each other with as we continue to endure the challenges of this world. That's one of the reasons we will celebrate Rally Day on September 12. We Rally together as the Body of Christ around the promises of God's Word. It is a rally not only to strengthen our faith, but also to strengthen, encourage, and build up one another. To remind one another that our hope doesn't rest on a changing world, but on the unchanging life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. For you. For eternity.

In Christ,
Pastor Keinath



Knowing Christ and Making Him Known

School NEWS



SUMMER FUN

Greetings to the new school year! The Lord has blessed us with over 280 of His children. These students will hear about their Lord and Savior on a daily basis. The staff is hard at it, preparing for another year of sharing Jesus. The photo is of Rhyse Scanson, grade 2, and Jace Jurado, grade 3. They finished 1st and 2nd in the Big Sky State Games in the discus. Wow, nice job! Parents, if you have stuff to share, please send it my way. It is fun to share the news. I pray everyone has a blessed new school year.

-Richard Thomas, *Principal of Trinity Lutheran School*



Youth NEWS



Cameron Heiliger
*Director of Youth
& Parish Education*

And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. COLOSSIANS 1:17

The Book of Colossians begins with a reminder for us of who Christ is – the creator and ruler of all, the head of the church who is before all and in all, the reconciler and bringer of peace. Paul reminds us in Colossians that Christ is present IN ALL THINGS, and it's this truth of Scripture that provides the foundation for next summer's LCMS Youth Gathering in Houston, TX.



Youth from around the world will gather together for 4 days celebrating our connection to Christ and each other as we spend time in fellowship, discipleship, and worship. Here at Trinity, any interested youth 8th-12th grade is eligible to attend the gathering and will spend the next 10 months preparing for the trip! Be on the lookout for opportunities to partner with us through prayer requests and fundraising opportunities.

Our first two group meetings will be Wednesday, September 1, and October 6 at 5:30pm at TYM Square and registration forms will be due to Cameron Heiliger by Sunday, October 17. Please feel free to email, text, or call Mr. Heiliger with any questions!



JOIN US FOR RALLY WEEKEND!

SEPTEMBER 11 & 12, 2021

REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday at
5:00pm

Sunday at
8:00am &
10:30am

ALL THREE YOUTH GROUPS WILL MEET!

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Fire..... 6:00-9:00pm at TYM Square

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Flicker..... 3:00-5:00pm at TYM Square

Flame 6:00-8:00pm at TYM Square

Join us during the Bible Study hour and help us wrap up summer ministries and kick off our school year Sunday School and Bible Studies!

Brunch
hosted by
Trinity
Youth
Ministry!

- Summer ministries wrap-up video
- Sunday School teacher meet & greet and kickoff
- Adult Bible Study information

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
ACOLYTES: Saturday: Jackson DiMatteo ALTAR DUTY: Shared Duty Trinity Worship Services on Community 7 8am Sundays & 5pm Tuesdays Church: 245-3984 School: 656-1021 Website: www.trinitybillings.org			1 Ephesians 6:10-20 1pm Visitation Guild 2:15pm Chapel at TLS 5:30pm NYG Meeting at TYM 6:30-8pm Second Year Confirmation Begins	2 Mark 7:14-23	3 John 9	4 Proverbs 16 5pm Worship with Communion
5 Proverbs 17 MITE BOX SUNDAY 8 & 10:30am Worship 9:30am Summer Sunday School & Adult Bible Class	6 John 10 LABOR DAY Church Office Closed – No School at TLS	7 Isaiah 35:4-7a 9am Quilting 6:30pm Properties Mtg. 7pm Bible Study led by Rev. Zigel	8 James 2:1-10, 14-18 8:30am Chapel at TLS 1pm Kitchen Guild 6:30pm Second Year Confirmation Class	9 Mark 7:24-37 6pm Council Meeting 6:30pm Choir Rehearsal	10 John 11 6pm FIRE Youth Group	11 Proverbs 18 11-2 Solberg/Allard Wedding Anniversary Celebration 3pm Flicker Youth Group 5pm Worship 6pm Flame Youth Group
12 Proverbs 19 Rally Day 8 & 10:30am Worship w/Communion 9:15am Brunch served by the Youth & Sunday School/Bible Study Kickoff Celebration	13 John 12 5:30pm Stewardship Mtg. 6pm Fellowship Meeting 6:30pm Evangelism Mtg.	14 Isaiah 50:4-10 9am Quilting 6:30pm Cradle Roll Mtg 7pm Bible Study led by Rev. Zigel	15 James 3:1-12 8:30am Chapel at TLS 1:00pm Wrinkled Righteous Game Day 6:30pm FIRE Youth Group 6:30pm Second Year Confirmation Class	16 Mark 9:14-29 10:30am Bible Study 6:30pm Choir Rehearsal	17 John 13 <div>LWML Fall Retreat Sept. 17-19</div>	18 Proverbs 20 5pm Worship with Communion
19 Proverbs 21 8 & 10:30am Worship 9:30am Sunday School and Adult Bible Class 1pm TRINITY TEE-OFF! Pryor Creek Golf Course	20 John 14 7pm Adult Class Begins! 7pm LWML Meeting	21 Jeremiah 11:18-20 9am Quilting 7pm Bible Study led by Rev. Zigel	22 James 3:13-4:10 8:30am Chapel at TLS 6:30pm FIRE Youth Group 6:30pm Second Year Confirmation Class Church-Wide Christian Education Night 5:30pm Dinner 6:15pm Education	23 Mark 9:30-37 10:30am Bible Study 6:30pm Choir Rehearsal	24 John 15	25 Proverbs 22 5pm Worship 6pm First Year Confirmation Meeting
26 Proverbs 23 8 & 10:30am Worship w/Communion 9:30am Sunday School and Adult Bible Class 11:30am First Year Confirmation Meeting	27 John 16 7pm Adult Class	28 Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29 9am Quilting 4pm LFL at Mount Olive 7pm Elders Meeting 7pm Bible Study led by Rev. Zigel	29 James 5:1-20 8:30am Chapel at TLS 6:30pm FIRE Youth Group 6:30pm Second Year Confirmation Class	30 Mark 9:38-50 10:30am Bible Study 6:30pm Choir Rehearsal	ELDERS: Saturday: Ray Koschel Sunday 8:00: Tom Runge Sunday 10:30: Rob Reeves	

Financial REPORT

July 2021 Finances		
Income		129,300
Expenses		171,555
Net Margin		-42,255
2021-2022 Finances		
	Actual	Target
Offerings	58,387	82,081
Total Income	129,300	175,726
Total Expenses	171,555	175,726
Net Margin	(42,255)	0



Lutheran
Women
in Mission

LWML NEWS

Meeting on Monday, September 20, at 7:00pm

Opening Devotion: Visitation Guild

Program: To Be Determined

Meeting Hostesses: Visitation Guild

Church Service Greeters for September: Visitation Guild

ADULT CHOIR/WORSHIP TEAM HELP WANTED

The Worship Team and the Adult Choir are looking for volunteers to play/sing in our worship services. If you would like to use your talents to praise the Lord, please call Nicolas Harding at 402-937-6301 to find out the details. Adult choir will begin practicing on Thursday, September 9, at 6:30pm.

USHERING – ADDITIONAL HELP IS NEEDED

Due to some of the older gentleman retiring due to health reasons and some of the ushers having other duties that limit how often they can help with the ushering duties, we could use additional help with the ushering duties especially for the Sunday morning services. Some of the current ushers are having to serve multiple times in a month on a regular basis to cover all the services.

For any gentlemen of the congregation who can help with this ministry at Trinity Church, please contact the church office (or Tim Grove 256-9826 or cell 697-2094 for the Sunday morning services and Ray Koschel 208-0081 for the Saturday night service). Training will be provided on an individual or group basis for new ushers.

Special Events

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 6:30PM
2nd Year Confirmation Begins

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 7PM
Adult Choir Begins

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 11AM
Solberg/Allard Anniversary Celebration

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12
Rally Day Worship at 8am & 10:30am
Brunch and Rally Day Kick-Off @ 9:15am

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1PM
Wrinkled Righteous Game Day

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 10AM
Thursday Morning Bible Study Begins

SEPTEMBER 17-19
LWML Fall Retreat

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 7PM
Adult Instruction Class Begins

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 5:30PM
Church-Wide Education Night

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 6PM
1st Year Confirmation Orientation Meeting

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 11:30AM
1st Year Confirmation Orientation Meeting



News



13th Annual



Sunday, September 19
Pryor Creek Golf Course

IT'S TEE-OFF TIME!

The 13th Annual Trinity Tee-Off Golf Tournament is coming up on Sunday, September 19. This day of smiles and shanks supports Trinity School and the Manitoba Mission trip and is an event you don't want to miss. Get your team registered today at www.trinitybillings.org/upcoming-events.

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