



Joyful Noise

AUGUST 2019

A Message from Your Pastor...

Dear Friends of Trinity,

In May of 2015, the people of Trinity moved forward in faith as they broke ground for Phase 1 of our Facility Expansion Project. Expanding the parking lot at church and adding classrooms, daycare, a library, and computer lab at the school encompassed this phase of growth. Now, four years and three months after the start of that project, God's Word reminds us of why Trinity is here, and why that expansion was necessary. We read just a few weeks ago in worship, *"The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest."* Luke 10:2

The harvest certainly is plentiful in Billings Montana. Just consider what's happening this year at the school. Right now (in mid-July when I'm writing this) our enrollment for grades K-8 at the school stands at 172 students. Although this number will fluctuate before the start of school, it's a solid number of students.

Even more, the need for early childhood care has continued to increase. Since the new addition, our Preschool program went from about 20 students at the house across the street, to 60 students last school year. This year, we have 62 students currently enrolled, with new families inquiring weekly about our programs. Feedback and interest from families have moved us to add more Early Childhood Classes. Specifically, for the first time, we are now offering two Pre-K classes, one in the morning and one in the afternoon that meet 5 days a week. This is in addition to our 2-day and 3-day Preschool classes, and our Kindergarten class, all of which are half-day programs.

This growth, not only in enrollment, but also in responsibilities and care for families, has moved the school to need an Early Childhood Director. Mrs. Sara Reintsma, who has been serving Trinity Lutheran School as a Preschool and Resource Teacher for the last six years, will be fulfilling the responsibilities of this new position. In her position as the Early Childhood Director, Mrs. Reinstma will oversee the Daycare, and all Preschool and Pre-K classes. I am thankful the Lord has provided Sara to serve in this capacity, and I invite you to encourage and support her in her new role.

This all points to the truth of Jesus' words indeed, "the harvest is plentiful." One hundred years ago people moved forward in faith and started a congregation known as Trinity Lutheran Church because they trusted Jesus' words. I doubt any of them who started this mission knew what the church and school would look like today. But today, not much has changed from 100 years ago. God's people continue to trust God's Word and move forward in faith, faith not in what we do, but in what God has done for us through His Son Jesus. As the Psalmist writes, *"The Lord has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy."* Psalm 126:3

In Christ's Service
and Yours, Pastor Keinath



Knowing Christ and Making Him Known

School and YOUTH NEWS



THESE ARE YOUR KIDS

Greetings from school. I just attended a wedding that I want to share a bit about with our congregation. On June 15, Katie Hertz (2009) was married to Patricio Bustamante. The couple met while attending Concordia University, Nebraska. Katie just finished her first year teaching at a Lutheran school in Houston, Texas. Patricio is in the business field. Mackenzy Pace (2010) was one of Katie's bridesmaids. MaKenna Sellers (2009) was the soloist at the wedding. Your children have become

adults, yet they still have that special friendship from their days at Trinity Lutheran School. I always like to share the fruit of the congregation's commitment. These three live in different areas, but their Lord and Savior is with them. Trinity families are blessed to have a congregation that provides a Christian school that equips the children for a Christ-filled future. Thank you, Trinity Lutheran Church.

– Richard Thomas, *Principal of Trinity Lutheran School*



REAL.PRESENT.GOD.
2019 LCMS Youth Gathering

QUOTES FROM THE NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING PARTICIPANTS:

"[The Gathering was] a slightly tiring but inspiring experience and opportunity to connect with others."

"Taking communion at the mass event was pretty amazing and powerful."

"The Gathering was amazing! The highlight of my experience was seeing how many other people have the same belief as me, that I'm not alone."

"It was an invigorating experience that reminds us how real and present God actually is."

"The Youth Gathering taught me that we are not alone and that God is real and present."

"[My highlight was] the methods of transportation we used."

"I'm so grateful I got to go!!"

"I really liked hearing people's stories at the mass events."

"It was interesting and quite an experience to see other Lutherans from across the country and world."



Growing and Serving!

2019 National Youth Gathering and Muddy Cluster Mission



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
ACOLYTES: See Summer Schedule.	LAY MINISTERS: Saturday: Clayton Scheafer Sun., 8am: Mark Wollenburg Sun., 10:30am: Mark Zagel			1 Luke 11:1-13	2 Matthew 9 Noon P.A.R. at TYM	3 Proverbs 20 5pm Worship w/Communion
ALTAR DUTY: Sheryl Scheafer & Stacie Shaw	Trinity Worship Services on Community 7 8am Sundays & 5pm Tuesdays			Manitoba Mission	Manitoba Mission	Mission
4 Psalm 141 MITE BOX SUNDAY 8 & 10:30am Worship 9:30am Summer Sunday School & Adult Bible Class Manitoba Mission	5 Matthew 10 Noon P.A.R. at TYM	6 Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-26 6am Men's Bible Study 9am Quilting 6:30pm Christian Ed. Youth Bd. Mtg. Fellowship Mtg.	7 Colossians 3:1-11 Noon P.A.R. at TYM 1pm Visitation Guild Mtg. 1pm Kitchen Guild Mtg.	8 Luke 12:13-21	9 Matthew 11 Noon P.A.R. at TYM	10 Proverbs 21 1pm Pickle Ball 1pm LWML Southern Zone Planning Meeting 5pm Worship
11 Psalm 142 8 & 10:30am Worship w/Communion 9:30am Summer Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 5pm Cambodian Meal with Greg Holz	12 Matthew 12 Noon P.A.R. at TYM 5:30pm Stewardship Mtg. 6:30pm Evangelism Mtg.	13 Genesis 15:1-6 6am Men's Bible Study 9am Quilting 6:30pm Properties Mtg.	14 Hebrews 11:1-16 Noon P.A.R. at TYM Trinity School Registration 9am - 11 am & 5pm - 7:30pm	15 Luke 12:22-40 6pm PPC Meeting	16 Matthew 13 Noon P.A.R. at TYM	17 Proverbs 22 Noon Flicker at TYM 1pm Pickle Ball at TLS 2:30pm Flame at TYM 5pm Worship w/Communion
18 Psalm 143 8 & 10:30am Worship 8:00am TLS Staff Consecration 9:30am Gift card shower for Mr. & Mrs. Nicolas Harding 5-8pm FIRE Youth Group at TYM	19 Matthew 14 Noon P.A.R. at TYM 7pm LWML Meeting	20 Jeremiah 23:16-29 6am Men's Bible Study 9am Quilting	21 Hebrews 11:17-40; 12:1-3 Noon P.A.R. at TYM 1pm Wrinkled Righteous Game Day	22 Luke 12:49-56 First day of School at TLS	23 Matthew 15 Noon P.A.R. at TYM	24 Proverbs 23 1pm Pickle Ball 2pm King Wedding 5pm Worship
25 Psalm 144 8 & 10:30am Worship w/Communion 9:30am Summer Sunday School & Adult Bible Class	26 Matthew 16 Noon P.A.R. at TYM	27 Isaiah 66:18-23 6am Men's Bible Study 9am Quilting 7pm Lay Ministry Mtg.	28 Hebrews 12:4-29 Noon P.A.R. at TYM	29 Luke 13:22-30	30 Matthew 17 Noon P.A.R. at TYM	31 Proverbs 24 1pm Pickle Ball 5pm Worship

SCHOOL KITS FOR WORLD RELIEF

Now is the time to gather our supplies for the School Kits for the 2020 World Relief Drive while school supplies are on sale! These are the items needed:

- Ruler
- 70-pg. Spiral Notebooks (or one 150 pg)
- Pencil Sharpener
- Scissors (blunt)
- #2 Pencils (NOT sharpened)
- Ballpoint Pens (No gel ink)
- Crayons (16 or 24 count)
- Eraser (2 1/2 inch)

Patterns for the School Kit Bags are also available - and they're easy!! (Check with Betty Kober.) Look for containers in the basement and church entrances to place your donations! Thank you!

ADDRESS CHANGES

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WEDDINGS

Samuel Ouzts & Kara Fink were united in marriage on Thursday, July 4, with Rev. Daniel Keinath presiding.

Aaron Smith & Tessa Thornton were united in marriage on Sunday, July 14, with Rev. Daniel Rinderknecht presiding.

FUNERALS / MEMORIALS

Lew Lehman passed away on July 4, in Colorado. His interment will be held in Billings at a later date.



LWML MEETING

August 19 | 7:00pm

Program: "Witness, Mercy, Life Together,
Lesson 2 "Witness as Confession"

Financial REPORT

June Finances		
Income		87,300
Expenses		154,180
Net Margin		-66,850
2018-2019 Finances		
	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Target</i>
Offerings	955,438	948,913
Total Income	1,801,471	1,892,572
Total Expenses	1,798,036	1,860,367
Net Margin	3,435	32,205
Phase 1 Completion Drive (Goal of \$325,000 to Pay Off Loan)		
Gifts and Pledges (through June)		\$130,000
Remaining Needed to Complete		\$195,000

Special Events

THURS, JULY 25 – SUNDAY, AUGUST 4
Manitoba Mission

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10, @ 1PM
LWML Southern Zone
Planning Meeting

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11, @ 5PM
Cambodian Meal with Greg Holz

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14,
@ 9-11AM & 5-7:30PM
Trinity School Registration

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18
TLS Staff Consecration @ 8am
Gift Card Shower for Hardings @ 9:30am
FIRE Youth Group @ 5pm

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22
First Day of School at Trinity!



News



SUPPORT CROSSING CAMBODIA BY ENJOYING DINNER!

Missionary Greg Holz, Director of Crossing Cambodia, is visiting Billings again this August - this time with his whole family. Join us Sunday, August 11, at 5 PM for a very special, authentic Cambodian meal prepared by Greg's wife, Sinoun. Spots are limited as this dinner will be hosted at the Heiliger's house (583 Sudan Place), so please contact Cameron (406) 647-8212 or Andrea Heiliger (406) 647-9801 if you are interested in joining us! Suggested donation is \$25 per person to help support Crossing Cambodia's mission for the coming year. Greg will also be available throughout the weekend to answer questions, provide updates, and share coffee and other goods from Cambodia!

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