

Joyful Noise

JULY 2022

A Message from Your Pastor...

Dear Friends of Trinity,

I invite you to take your time and thoughtfully read the following Word of God from the wisdom book of Ecclesiastes 3:1-13. This is the New Living Translation. Let it serve as a devotional reading for you today!

A Time for Everything

For everything there is a season, a time for every activity under heaven. A time to be born and a time to die. A time to plant and a time to harvest. A time to kill and a time to heal. A time to tear down and a time to build up. A time to cry and a time to laugh. A time to grieve and a time to dance. A time to scatter stones and a time to gather stones. A time to embrace and a time to turn away. A time to search and a time to quit searching. A time to keep and a time to throw away. A time to tear and a time to mend. A time to be quiet and a time to speak. A time to love and a time to hate. A time for war and a time for peace.

What do people really get for all their hard work? I have seen the burden God has placed on us all. Yet God has made everything beautiful for its own time. He has planted eternity in the human heart, but even so, people cannot see the whole scope of God's work from beginning to end. So I concluded there is nothing better than to be happy and enjoy ourselves as long as we can. And people should eat and drink and enjoy the fruits of their labor, for these are gifts from God.

As we continue in the summer month of July, our time schedules usually change. This is the time for vacations and trips, long evenings and leisure, early morning yard work and children enjoying their break from school. As God's Word above reminds us, there is a time for every activity under heaven.

I always think of July as an opportune time to get to things that I don't seem to have time to do during the rest of the year. And so July is a time to do a little more organizing and "cleaning up" at home and at the office. I hope that I will be fruitful in this endeavor this year!

The Word of God above also speaks about God's gift of time and that "God has made everything beautiful for its own time." This helps us to embrace the passing of time as we remember God's involvement. Also, God has given us a special gift of having a sense that there is something beyond time, and that is eternity. What a gift! God has blessings for

us now in the time we spend here on earth and because of Jesus we have an eternity to be with God where "time" will never end!

Enjoy God's gift of time this July!

Pastor Dan Rinderknecht



School NEWS



Richard Thomas
Principal of Trinity
Lutheran School

LAZY SUMMER DAYS?

Greetings from school. I thought you might be interested in what our teachers do during the summer. The month of June is packed for our staff. The staff began their summer with taking a CPR class. Then they had their staff retreat to plan out the next school year. They had 57 items on their agenda. The retreat was followed by a 6-hour workshop. The second week of June we hosted the Montana District Convention at the school. When the convention was over, we switched gears to prepare for VBS. The newsletter insert includes some photos for you to see some of the action. Yes, it is summer, but the Lord's work always goes on. We are blessed to have such great caring people here at Trinity Lutheran Church. It is my prayer that as things do slow down, His people may enjoy some down time. Praise the Lord!

Mouth NEWS

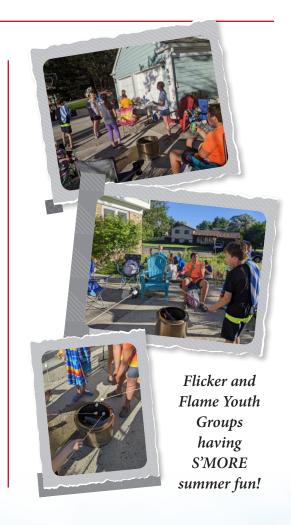


Cameron Heiliger
Director of Youth and
Parish Education

From July 7-15 our group of 12 youth and 4 adults will be heading to Houston, TX, to join nearly 20,000 Lutherans from around the world to spend time in fellowship, learning, and service with each other and our God who is at work IN ALL THINGS! As we prepare to go, we have a few specific prayer requests and invitations for you.

First off, please pray for on-time and uneventful travel. Second, please pray for health and safety for our group. Finally, please pray that God would be at work in all of us, drawing us closer to Him as we spend time in His Word throughout the week!

If you'd like to follow along with us, you can head to our social media pages (@TYM Billings on Instagram and Facebook), search #GETFOUND22 on Facebook or Instagram, or head to the LCMS Youth Ministry Website (www.lcmsgathering.com) to join us for livestreams of the mass events and other news.



JUNE HAPPENINGS AT TRINITY!



Staff CPR Training





MT District Convention at Trinity School



School Teachers Handling Hosting Duties







A Monumental VBS with over 220 kids at Trinity School!

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|--|--|---|--|--------------|--|
| ACOLYTES: See Summer Schedule | edule | | | | 1 Mark 2 | 2 Psalm 70 5pm Worship with |
| ALTAR DUTY: Sheryl Scheafer | _ te | Trinity Wo 8am | Trinity Worship Services on Community 7 8am Sundays & 5pm Tuesdays | nity 7 | | Communion |
| 3 Psalm 71 MITE BOX SUNDAY 8 & 10:30am Worship 9:30am Summer Sunday School & | 4 Mark 3 Happy 4th of July! Church Office | 5 Isaiah 66:10-14 9am Quilting 7pm Bible Study led by Pastor Zagel | 6 Galatians 6:1-10, 14-18 | 7 Luke 10:1-20 | 8 Mark 4 | 9 Psalm 72 5pm Worship |
| אממון טוטוק לומסס | Closed | | | NYG | in Houston, | Χ̈́L |
| 10 Psalm73 8 & 10:30am Worship w/Communion 9:30am Summer Sunday School & Adult Bible Class | 11 Mark 5 | 12 Leviticus 19:9-18 9am Quilting 6:30pm Properties Mtg. 7pm Bible Study led by Pastor Zagel | 13 Colossians 1:1-14 | 14 Luke 10:25-37 6pm Council Meeting | 15 Mark 6 | 16 Psalm 74 5pm Worship with Communion |
| National | Youth Gathering | in Houston, | Texas July 7 - 15 | 5 | | |
| 17 Psalm 75 8 & 10:30am Worship 9:30am Summer Sunday School & Adult Bible Class | 18 Mark 7 | 19 Genesis 18:1-14 9am Quilting 7pm Bible Study led by Pastor Zagel | 20 Colossians 1:21-29 1pm Wrinkled Righteous Game Day | 21 Luke 10:38-42 | 22 Mark 8 | 23 Psalm 76 5pm Worship |
| 24 Psalm 77 8 & 10:30am Worship w/Communion 9:30am Summer Sunday School & Adult Bible Class | 25 Mark 9 | 26 Genesis18:17-33 9am Quilting 7pm Bible Study led by Pastor Zagel | 27 Colossians 2:6-19 | 28 Luke 11:1-13 | 29 Mark 10 | 30 Psalm 78 5pm Worship |
| | Muddy | dy Cluster | ter Mission | | July 25 - 29 | |
| 31 Psalm 79 8 & 10:30am Worship 9:30am Summer Sunday School & Adult Bible Class | ELDERS: Saturday: Sun., 8am: Sun., 10:30am: | Clayton Scheafer Derek Vetch m: Rob Reeves | Ch Sc/ Website: | Church: 245-3984 School: 656-1021 Website: www.trinitybillings.org | Ď. | |

Pinancial REPORT

| May 2022 Finances | | | | | |
|---------------------------|---|----------|-----------|--|--|
| Income | | | 166,485 | | |
| Expenses | | | 190,413 | | |
| Net Margin | | | -23,928 | | |
| 2021-2022 Finances | | | | | |
| | | Actual | Target | | |
| Offerings | | 990,427 | 915,764 | | |
| Total Income | 2 | ,229,554 | 1,932,989 | | |
| Total Expenses | 2 | ,011,263 | 1,932,989 | | |
| Net Margin | | 218,291 | 0 | | |

We thank God for the amazing financial provision that He has lavished upon us this fiscal year! At the May Voters' Meeting, it was approved that we will set aside the first \$50,000 of any excess net revenue from the 2021-2022 fiscal year to use for future staff transitions and ministry needs. Any additional net revenue above and beyond this will be used for building maintenance and improvements, and to support ministry opportunities, as approved by the Church Council. Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow!





LWML NEWS

No July Meeting

Greeters for July: World Friendship Guild

NEW MEMBERS

On Sunday, June 26, we welcomed the following new members into our family at Trinity!

Tom & Angie Ebel and sons, Benjamin and Joshua

Andy & Sarah Hartford and sons, Clint and Wyatt

Randy Hiatt

Jeremiah Irish

Lance & Gisela Kokron

Megan Koppes and daughter, Hailey

Carol Mueller

Ashley Swarthout

Megan Sweedland



Special Events

SUNDAY, JULY 3
Mite Box Sunday

MONDAY, JULY 4

Independence Day Church Office Closed

THURSDAY, JULY 7 – FRIDAY, JULY 15

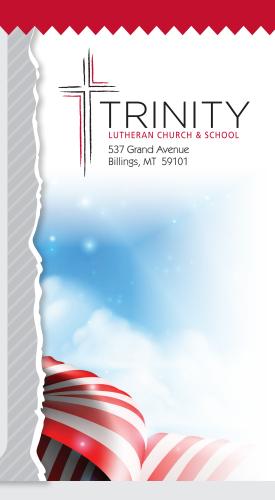
National Youth Gathering in Houston, TX

WEDNESDAY, JULY 20

Wrinkled Righteous Game Day 1:00pm

> MONDAY, JULY 25 – FRIDAY, JULY 29

Muddy Cluster Mission



News

MUDDY CLUSTER MISSION: JULY 25-29

Join us the last week of July to serve our Northern Cheyenne neighbors in Muddy Cluster! Muddy is only 90 minutes from Billings (3 miles from Lame Deer), so you can come to serve and share Jesus for a day or the week. We will continue construction on a ministry lodge and each afternoon will lead the Monumental Bible School for kids in the community! Whether you enjoy building lodges or building a love for Jesus, join us for this summer's Muddy Cluster Mission. Contact Jonathan Boll at 406-670-0124 or iboll@trinitybillings.org to find out more!

