



# Joyful Noise

JUNE 2022

## *A Message from Your Pastor...*

Dear Friends of Trinity,

“Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.”

These words from John 20:30-31 not only summarize the purpose of the Bible, but they also serve as a mission statement for the Christian Church. The purpose of the church is to give people Jesus. The abbreviated mission statement of Trinity Lutheran Church and School captures this purpose: “Knowing Christ and Making Him Known.” We exist to help people know Jesus. Even more, the Holy Spirit is at work bringing people to faith in Jesus.

But as a church, how do we get to know Christ? And how do we make Jesus known? Those kinds of questions are good for our congregation to regularly grapple with as we evaluate current ministry activities and consider future ministry opportunities. But in order to answer these kinds of questions, it's helpful to know some of the things that are happening at Trinity. Here's a short list of some of the happenings in just the next several weeks:

- Regular opportunities for worship, Bible study, & fellowship
- Completing one school year and planning for another
- Hosting the Montana District Convention – June 13-16
- Vacation Bible School – June 27-July 1
- Sending youth to the National Youth Gathering – July 7-15
- Servant event and VBS at Muddy Cluster – July 25-29
- Expanding our food pantry to include a grocery ministry with Love INC
- Long range planning in response to ministry opportunities
- Continued faithfulness to Holy Scripture

During our annual voters' meeting at the end of May, the plans for some of these ministry activities were discussed. As you consider these activities (and others that aren't listed), I would invite you to join in helping the church fulfill the mission of “Knowing Christ and Making Him Known.” Where do you begin? Begin in God's Word. Join God's people in worship, hearing the good news of Jesus through Holy Scripture and receiving Christ's Body and Blood for the forgiveness of your sins. Be intentional with Bible study and personal devotions. Continue to grow in your faith, and get to know Jesus more.

Then, be open to opportunities to help make Jesus known to others. Like a few weeks ago, when a man stopped me in the hospital and asked me, “How do you help a child face cancer?” I almost blurted out: “I don't, but Jesus does.” I wish I would have – but it seemed rude at the time. Instead, I listened to him tell how his 13-year-old daughter was diagnosed with leukemia four days earlier. I empathized with him. When he asked me the same question again, I shared that I was a Christian, and when I mentioned the name of Jesus, he interrupted me and talked more about his daughter. He shared that he was originally from India, but he didn't share what he believed. What he needed, though, was to know Jesus. Everyone needs to know Jesus.

God uses His Church to give people Jesus. Sometimes God gives people Jesus through organized activities like those listed above. Many times though, God uses individual conversations through individual people like you and me to give people Jesus. It is through God's Word in these conversations that the Holy Spirit works to bring people to faith in Jesus. It is my prayer that God will continue to bless His Church – to bless you – in fulfilling the mission of “Knowing Christ and Making Him Known.”

In Christ,  
Pastor Keinath



*Knowing Christ and Making Him Known*

# School NEWS



**Richard Thomas**  
Principal of Trinity  
Lutheran School

## CONVENTION HOST

Greetings from school. June 13-16: These are big days! We are hosting the Montana District Convention. It will be here before you know it. The Staff puts a lot of work and effort into making sure our guests have a great experience. If you would like to visit and see all the business going on in our district, feel free to drop in. The convention begins with an opening service on Monday evening. Christ the King will be hosting this year and sharing their new church building with all of us. This would be a nice way to see their church. Plus, the singing is awesome!

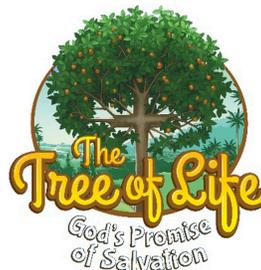
# Youth NEWS



**Cameron Heiliger**  
Director of Youth and  
Parish Education

Take a journey through the Bible with us this summer!

Join us for Adult Bible Study and Sunday School all summer long as we experience God's plan for us from creation to salvation with "The Tree of Life." We'll begin on June 12 with the story of creation, spending a total of 10 weeks looking at different accounts from God's Word that point us toward His divine plan for His people and for us!



You can follow along from wherever you are and continue engaging with each story by utilizing additional study materials as provided by CPH. We have Family Activity Kits available

which include activity sheets for each lesson and a picture book for kids, as well as youth and adult study guides. We also have just the adult study guides available! If there's enough interest, we could also order just youth study guides.

Help us kick off our summer Bible study programs with a potluck lunch at TYM Square on **Sunday, June 12, at noon!** We'll share a meal and enjoy some time in fellowship and fun with yard games and other activities! Can't wait to see you there!

## JUNE YOUTH EVENTS

**Saturday, June 11**

**Fire** goes to the Mustangs Game

**Sunday, June 19**

**Father's Day Car Wash** to support LCMS Youth Gathering group 9:00am-Noon

**Wednesday, June 22**

**Flicker and Flame** Oasis and S'mores at the Heiligers' 5:00pm-8:00pm



# HELP LAUNCH THE NEW GROCERY MINISTRY!

For the past five years, Trinity has been a partner church of Love INC (Love In the Name of Christ), a Christian organization that helps connect churches to the needs of families in our community. Love INC is a tremendous help to our church through their “clearinghouse” ministry: Trinity staff refer individuals to Love INC to talk with the clearinghouse staff about their situation and needs; Love INC takes the time needed to fully understand the holistic needs of the individual; and they then fact-check the person’s story to verify that there are truly needs in the situation.

One of Love INC’s core values is to ask those who come to them for help to commit to mutual participation in solving the problems. Often this involves ongoing education and training in various life-skills (budgeting, setting boundaries, seeking employment, etc.). One of the new courses that Love INC is offering helps people learn to set a weekly meal plan, prepare a grocery list, and cook their own meals. Trinity has agreed to come alongside families in this 1-year program to provide the essential groceries they will need to cook their meals. With the rising cost of groceries, this is obviously a huge benefit to the families in the program. Each family also meets weekly with their financial mentor, and the money that they save on the groceries we are providing will be used to pay down their debt and obtain permanent housing!

For many years Trinity has offered a basic food pantry to help our members and community. We are now expanding this ministry to include the grocery ministry items. Please help us launch this new ministry by bringing in the following items:

Canned Fruit	Applesauce (jars)	Canned Vegetables (all varieties)
Canned Chili	Refried & Baked Beans	Canned Tuna & Chicken
Tomato Paste	Canned Tomatoes	Spaghetti Sauce
Mac N Cheese	Hamburger/Tuna Helper	Taco, Chili, & Sloppy Joe Mix
Pancake Mix	Maple Syrup	Cake, Muffin, & Bread Mix
Jam	Honey	Jello & Pudding
Lemonade Mix	Coffee & Hot Cocoa	Baking Powder & Baking Soda
Salt & Pepper	Chocolate Chips	Sugar, Brown Sugar, & Powdered Sugar
Cooking Oil	Flour	Beef Roasts
Pork (various cuts)	Chicken	Hamburger (1 pound packs)
Cheese (block)	Butter & Margarine	

Items can be brought to the church office during the week or placed in the large “grocery ministry” box in the narthex on the weekend. We are grateful to Bev Schock for coordinating this new ministry, and to all who will contribute food items to make it blessing for many families!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><b>ACOLYTES:</b> See Summer Schedule</p> <p><b>ALTAR DUTY:</b> Sallie Hildenburg</p> <p><b>Church:</b> 245-3984</p> <p><b>School:</b> 656-1021</p> <p><b>Website:</b> www.trinitybillings.org</p>						
<p><b>5</b> Psalm 63</p> <p><b>MITE BOX SUNDAY</b></p> <p>8 &amp; 10:30am Worship</p> <p>9:30am Summer Sunday School &amp; Adult Bible Class</p>	<p><b>6</b> Matthew 23</p> <p>5:30pm Stewardship Mtg</p> <p>7pm Fellowship Mtg.</p> <p>7pm Adult Class</p>	<p><b>7</b> Genesis 11:1-9</p> <p><b>TLS Staff Meeting</b></p> <p>9am Quilting</p> <p>7pm Bible Study led by Pastor Zegel</p>	<p><b>8</b> Acts 2:1-21</p> <p><b>TLS Staff Meeting</b></p>	<p><b>9</b> John 14:23-31</p>	<p><b>10</b> Matthew 24</p>	<p><b>11</b> Psalm 64</p> <p>5pm Worship</p> <p>FIRE Youth Group at the Mustangs game</p>
<p><b>12</b> Psalm 65</p> <p>8 &amp; 10:30am Worship w/Communion</p> <p>9:30am Summer Sunday School &amp; Adult Bible Class</p> <p><b>NOON</b> Summer Bible Study Kickoff Potluck at TYM Square</p>	<p><b>13</b> Matthew 25</p> <p>7pm Adult Class</p>	<p><b>14</b> Prov. 8:1-4, 22-31</p> <p>9am Quilting</p> <p>7pm Bible Study led by Pastor Zegel</p>	<p><b>15</b> Acts 2:14a, 22-36</p>	<p><b>16</b> John 8:48-59</p>	<p><b>17</b> Matthew 26</p>	<p><b>18</b> Psalm 66</p> <p>5pm Worship with Communion</p>
<p><b>Montana District Convention at Trinity Lutheran School</b></p>						
<p><b>19</b> Psalm 67</p> <p><b>FATHERS' DAY!</b></p> <p>8 &amp; 10:30am Worship</p> <p>9:30am Summer Sunday School &amp; Adult Bible Class</p> <p>9-Noon Car Wash Fundraiser for the Youth</p>	<p><b>20</b> Matthew 27</p> <p>6:00pm LWML Summer Picnic</p> <p>7pm Adult Class</p>	<p><b>21</b> Isaiah 65:1-9</p> <p>9am Quilting</p> <p>7pm Bible Study led by Pastor Zegel</p>	<p><b>22</b> Galatians 3:23-4:7</p> <p>5-8pm Flicker &amp; Flame Youth Groups - Oasis &amp; S'mores at the Helligers</p>	<p><b>23</b> Luke 8:26-39</p>	<p><b>24</b> Matthew 28</p>	<p><b>25</b> Psalm 68</p> <p>5pm Worship</p>
<p><b>26</b> Psalm 69</p> <p>8 &amp; 10:30am Worship w/Communion</p> <p>New Member Recognition at 10:30</p> <p>9:30am Summer Sunday School, Adult Bible Class and New Member Reception</p>	<p><b>27</b> Mark 1</p>	<p><b>28</b> 1 Kings 19:9b-21</p> <p>9am Quilting</p> <p>7pm Bible Study led by Pastor Zegel</p> <p>7pm Elders Mtg.</p>	<p><b>29</b> Galatians 5:1, 13-25</p>	<p><b>30</b> Luke 9:51-62</p>	<p><b>ELDERS:</b></p> <p>Saturday: Brent Carstens</p> <p>Sun., 8:00: Tim Grove</p> <p>Sun., 10:30: Paul Kober</p>	
<p><b>Vacation Bible School at TLS on June 27-July 1 from 9:00am-11:30am</b></p>						

# Financial REPORT

April 2022 Finances		
Income		142,960
Expenses		171,832
<b>Net Margin</b>		<b>-28,872</b>
2021-2022 Finances		
	Actual	Target
Offerings	914,061	844,106
Total Income	2,063,069	1,757,263
Total Expenses	1,820,850	1,757,263
<b>Net Margin</b>	<b>242,219</b>	<b>0</b>

## ADDRESS CHANGES

**Ken and Coleen Lind**  
2246 Remington Square  
Billings, MT 59102

**Ray & Bobette Smith**  
1000 South Forest Dr.  
Casper, WY 82609

**Mary Wiedmeier**  
1173 SW Findlay Lane  
Ankeny, IA 50023



## LWML NEWS

### Meeting on June 20 at 6:00pm

**Opening Devotion:** Executive Board Members

**Program:** Summer Picnic

**Meeting Hostesses:** Executive Board Members

**Church Service Greeters for June:** Executive Board Members

## DEATHS

**Sarah Ostlund** (Ann Boucher's mother) passed away on May 3rd. Her funeral service was held on May 19 with Rev. Daniel Rinderknecht presiding.

**Jeanne Woodard** (Mother of Laurie Brogan, Theresa Putman, and Vicki Valentine) passed away on May 16. Her funeral was held on May 24 with Rev. Daniel Rinderknecht presiding.

**Lester Hudson** (father of Annie Hernandez) passed away on May 12. His graveside committal service was held on May 20 with Rev. Daniel Rinderknecht presiding.

## BAPTISMS

**Clara Jayne Schaff**, daughter of Joshua and Haylee Schaff, was baptized by Rev. Daniel Rinderknecht on May 21.

**Lily Anne Arneson**, daughter of Justin and Courtney Arneson, was baptized by Rev. Daniel Rinderknecht on May 29.



# Special Events

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 1:30PM**  
Spring Musical Matinee at Trinity School

**THURSDAY, JUNE 2, 6:30PM**  
Spring Musical at Trinity School

**FRIDAY, JUNE 3, 6:00PM**  
Trinity School Graduation at TLC

**SUNDAY, JUNE 12, NOON**  
Summer Bible Study Kickoff Potluck

**JUNE 13-16**  
Montana District Convention at TLS

**SUNDAY, JUNE 19, 9AM-NOON**  
Youth Car Wash Fundraiser

**SUNDAY, JUNE 26, 10:30AM**  
Reception of New Members

**JUNE 27-JULY 1, 9AM-11:30AM**  
Vacation Bible School at Trinity School



# News

## QUILTS, QUILTS, AND MORE QUILTS!

Each Tuesday a group of quilters convenes in the church basement for a little snack, a bit of fellowship, and a whole lot of quilting. Their aim is to bless people around the world with beautiful quilts. This past month they sent 153 quilts (and 13 boxes of school supplies) overseas via Lutheran World Relief!



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