



Joyful Noise

OCTOBER 2017

A Message from Your Pastor...

Dear Friends of Trinity,

This October 31st marks the 500th anniversary of the Reformation! What does this mean?

- We are privileged to be living in this time in history.
- God has blessed the Reformation movement with meaning even after 500 years.
- We should reflect on the blessings of our Reformation heritage.
- We can take this opportunity to learn more about the Reformation.
- It is a good opportunity to consider the importance of reformation in our lives.

All of the above is most certainly true! God has placed us in this time and place for a purpose. This is always the perspective of the Christian. He has put us here to learn, grow, serve and give witness to His Word and Grace. As we hit the 500th anniversary, we can't help but give thanks to God for preserving the truth of His Word in this world of sin and confusion. We also have the opportunity to learn more about just what happened from 1517 on for the reform and blessing of the Church.

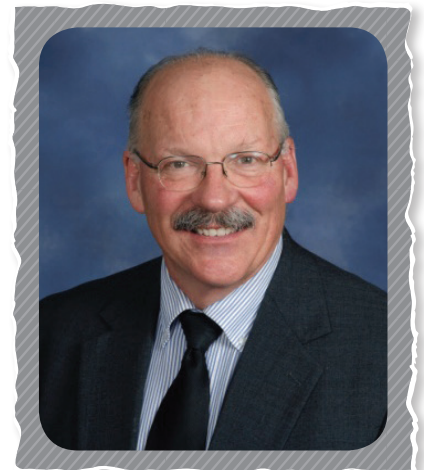
On Thursday, October 26th, the movie, "Martin Luther: The Idea That Changed the World," will be shown at the Shiloh 14 theater. Tickets are available at the church office for \$10. (This is the same movie that was aired on PBS September 12th that a number

of our members saw. It has been shown, and I understand will be available on cable or on computer.) Either online or together in the theatre, I encourage you to take advantage of seeing this well-done documentary/movie of Luther and the Reformation. If you come to the theatre, you can take advantage of a question and answer period!

On Sunday mornings at the Bible Class downstairs, we are looking at key Biblical teachings that were preserved or recovered as a result of the Reformation. This study will continue into the Christmas season. We have already discussed the main teaching of God's Word that has been emphasized since the Reformation: "(Salvation) Justification by Grace through Faith in Jesus Christ alone."

The celebration of the one-half millennium of the Reformation can help us to think about the importance of reformation in our lives. Reformation was about returning to the clear teachings of God's Word. We would do well as members of Trinity to take this seriously and continue to return over and over again to the clear and powerful teachings of God's Word for our own welfare and for our witness to others.

In His service and yours,
Pastor Dan Rinderknecht



Knowing Christ and Making Him Known

School and YOUTH NEWS



Rick Thomas

NOW MORE THAN EVER!

Greetings to everyone! The school year is up and running. Students are getting back into the groove. The Word of Christ is being shared daily with His children. I think one of my favorite challenges at school is to get the students excited about using their gifts and abilities that God has blessed them with. The Lord wants all of us to challenge ourselves daily and to praise Him through using our gifts. It seems to me that people today do not like to be stretched. I really believe that the Lord wants to stretch us every day. Each day, we give opportunity after opportunity for His children to grow in His love and to express their love in action. Yes, it is exciting and very challenging. We are humbled by your support and your prayers. Thank you.

– Rick Thomas,
Principal of Trinity Lutheran School

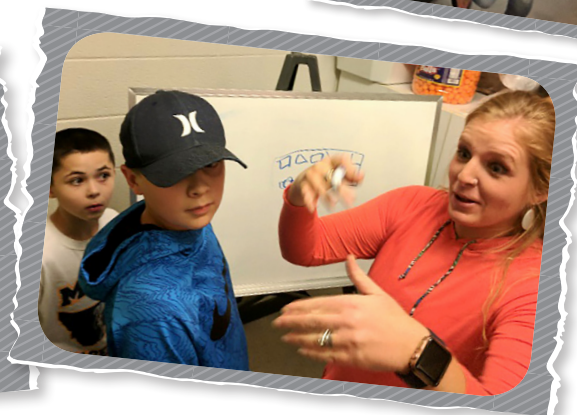
WHAT GIANTS ARE YOU FACING?

Through the first few weeks of the school year FIRE (high school youth group) has been working our way through a study we've titled, "Staring Down Giants." We've discussed topics like attitude, peer pressure, bullying, authenticity, gossip, fear, and self-image. When left unchecked, these issues become giants like Goliath and can stand between us and our Savior. The Israelites spent 40 days and nights camped out next to a river, listening to Goliath taunt and belittle them. Finally, a young shepherd named David stood up and took down Goliath. In the same way, we know that our victory has already been won! Jesus, like David, has seen the giants we face in our daily lives and has fought the battle for us. We have nothing to fear when He is on our side. So, what giants are you facing? Lay them at the feet of the cross, and remember, the battle has been fought and won on your behalf!

HERE ARE SOME IMPORTANT DATES:

October 1, Noon Youth and Family Meeting; 7th grade and older
October 14, 2:00-4:30 pm FLICKER and FLAME Costume Party @ TYM Square
October 27, 5:00 pm Senior-West Tailgate followed by FIRE Lock-in

FLICKER/FLAME Pictionary Relay & DEVOTIONS ON SEPT. 16TH!



2017 Trinity Tee-Off

Thank you sponsors and golfers!



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Psalm 48 MITE BOX SUNDAY 8 & 10:30am Worship 9:30am Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes Noon Youth & Family Meeting – 7 th and up	2 Mark 13 5:30pm Stewardship Mtg. 7pm Adult Class	3 Ezek. 18:1-4,25-32 6am Men's Bible Study 9am Quilting 6:30pm Christian Ed. Mtg. Properties Mtg. Fellowship Mtg. Youth Bd. Mtg. 7pm Ladies' Small Group	4 Philippians 2:1-18 1pm Visitation Guild 2:15pm Chapel at TLS 6:30pm FIRE Youth Group 8 th Gr. Confirmation	5 Matt. 21:23-32 10:30am Bible Study 6:30 Financial Peace Workshop	6 Mark 14	7 Proverbs 18 5pm Worship with Communion
8 Psalm 49 8 & 10:30am Worship w/Communion 9:30am Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes	9 Mark 15 6:30pm Evangelism Mtg. 7pm Adult Class	10 Isaiah 5:1-7 6am Men's Bible Study 9am Quilting 9:30am Rock of Ages 6pm Parish Planning Council Meeting 6:15pm Cradle Roll Mtg. 7pm Ladies' Small Group	11 Philippians 3:4b-14 8:30am Chapel at TLS 6:30pm FIRE Youth Group 8 th Gr. Confirmation Winkled Righteous - Trip to Heart Mountain	12 Matt. 21:33-46 10:30am Bible Study 6:30 Financial Peace Workshop	13 Mark 16 Fall Festival at Trinity School 5:30pm LWML District Board Meeting	14 Proverbs 19 2-4:30pm FLICKER & FLAME 5pm Worship
Church Directory Photos						
15 Psalm 50 8 & 10:30am Worship 9:30am Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes 2pm Chili Bowl – Meet at TYM	16 Luke 1 7pm LWML Meeting 7pm Adult Class	17 Isaiah 25:6-9 6am Men's Bible Study 9am Quilting 7pm Ladies' Small Group	18 Philippians 4:4-13 8:30am Chapel at TLS 6:30pm FIRE Youth Group 8 th Gr. Confirmation 7:00pm Circuit Reformation Worship Service at Mt. Olive Kitchen Cleaning Day!	19 Matt. 22:1-14 10:30am Bible Study 6:30 Financial Peace Workshop	20 Luke 2	21 Proverbs 20 5pm Worship with Communion
No School - Pastor/Teacher Conference – Mount Olive, Billings						
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22 Psalm 51 8 & 10:30am Worship w/Communion 9:30am Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes	23 Luke 3 No School at TLS 7pm Adult Class	24 Isaiah 45:1-7 6am Men's Bible Study 9am Quilting 9:30am Rock of Ages at Home 7pm Ladies' Small Group Lay Ministry Mtg.	25 1 Thes. 1:1-10 8:30am Chapel at TLS 6:30pm FIRE Youth Group 8 th Gr. Confirmation	26 Matt. 22:15-22 10:30am Bible Study 6:30 Financial Peace Workshop 6:30 Luther Movie at Shiloh 14	27 Luke 4 5pm FIRE Senior/ West Tailgate/ Lock-In	28 Proverbs 21 8am Work Day at the Church 5pm Worship
29 Psalm 52 Reformation 8 & 10:30am Worship Confirmation at 10:30 Service! 9:30am Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes	30 Luke 5 7pm Adult Class	31 Rev. 14:6-7 Reformation Day 6am Men's Bible Study 9am Quilting	ACOLYTES: Saturday: Seth Nelson Sun., 8:00: Serena Fink Sun., 10:30: Christopher Garcia ALTAR DUTY: Carrie Beth McNeese & Kathy Zagel	LAY MINISTERS: Saturday: Ron Kesler Sun., 8:00: Mark Wollenburg Sun., 10:30: David Jinguji	Trinity Worship Services on Community 7 8am Sundays & 5pm Tuesdays	

RALLY DAY & THE 2ND ANNUAL CAR SHOW "GOT WHEELS" IS A HUGE SUCCESS!

Almost 200 people were served lunch by the Sandee's food truck – and even more toured all the wonderful cars that were on display! This year, the event held on Sunday, September 10th, was sponsored by the Fellowship, Stewardship & Evangelism Boards.



LWML MEETING

Monday, October 16
7:00 pm
Trinity Fellowship Hall

ADDRESS CHANGES

Matt & Heather Aley
3224 Horton Smith Lane
Billings, MT 59106

Michael & Lisa McDaniel
1825 Island View Drive
Billings, MT 59101

Rachel Holst
510 Alkali Creek Road
Billings, MT 59105

Garrick & Ashley Speed
268 Westchester Square So.
Billings, MT 59105

MEMBERSHIP ADDITIONS

Through Affirmation of Faith:

Ronda Gale
JoAnn Ostermiller

MEMBERSHIP LOSSES

Released - living in Honduras: **Mike & Toni Sammartino**
Transferred to Mount Olive, Billings: **Carolyn Rukavina**

BAPTISMS

Mariella Payton Speed 8/26/17
McKenna Michelle Wendland 9/17/17

MARRIAGES

Joe Magnuson & Katy Hannah 9/9/17

FUNERALS / MEMORIALS

Ed West 8/28/17
Mary Duenow 9/17/17

Financial REPORT

August Financials		
Income		249,431
Expenses		127,138
Net Margin		122,293
2017-2018 Financials		
	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Target</i>
Offerings	149,986	159,453
Total Income	342,197	302,589
Total Expenses	264,830	302,256
Net Margin	77,367	333
Expansion Project Contributions		
July 2017 Gifts		9,747
July 2017 – July 2017 Gifts		14,169

Financial Update: In August we received an influx of revenue from school registration day, putting us in a strong cash position. We are thankful for the members who have responded to the \$5 Challenge. If you have not accepted this challenge, please consider doing so. Our 2017-2018 budget requires an 8% increase in offerings, which is equivalent to about \$5 per family, per week. Thank you for keeping this matter in prayerful consideration as you make financial decisions.

Special Events

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11

Wrinkled Righteous Heart Mountain Trip

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13 & 14

LWML District Board Meeting

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2:00PM

Chili Bowl!

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 7:00PM

Circuit Reformation Service @ Mt. Olive

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 6:30PM

Luther Movie at Shiloh 14 Theater

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 5:00PM

Senior/West Tailgate Party

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 8:00AM

Fall Clean-Up Day at Trinity Church

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 10:30AM

Confirmation



News



Friday, October 13, at 5:30pm
Trinity Lutheran School

JOIN US FOR THE FALL FEST!

Fall Fest is a family-friendly evening that includes dozens of fun carnival games for children and more than 100 silent auction items for adults. Admission is only \$5 and includes dinner, so join us for a wonderful evening of fun, food, and fellowship. Tickets are available in advance through the school office or at the door the night of the event!

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