



Joyful Noise

OCTOBER 2022

A Message from Your Pastor...

Dear Friends of Trinity,

A few weeks ago, our school principal, Mr. Thomas, showed me a full-page ad from the Billings Gazette. We were waiting in his office when he said, "Oh, here's what I talked about with the 8th graders during religion class yesterday." The ad was respectfully presented, but its content was disgusting. The title read "I'm secular and I vote." Centered under the title was a picture of a woman with a capital building out of focus in the background. Below the picture it read: "I'm one of more than 75 million secular Americans who are not religious. The 'Nones' (those of us unaffiliated with religion) are now 29 percent of the U.S. population. We're the largest 'denomination' by religious identification."

Perhaps you saw that ad. Or maybe you wonder who sponsored that kind of advertisement. It is a group called "Freedom From Religion Foundation." This group (according to their website) is made up of "atheists, agnostics and skeptics of any pedigree." Their goal is to "promote the constitutional principle of separation of state and church, and to educate the public on matters relating to nontheism."

I bring this up not to rail against the Billings Gazette or people who have a different perspective on faith, politics, marriage, or anything else. As Jesus' disciples, we are called to love people and to pray for those with whom we don't get along (John 13:34-35 & Matt. 5:44). Rather, I bring this up to encourage you in standing firm on the truth of God's Word.

It is challenging to follow Jesus in a world that doesn't. We are constantly assaulted with worldly values and advice through social media, TV, movies, and other influences. As this ad demonstrates, there are groups of people set against the teachings of Scripture. And yet, as God's redeemed children, named and claimed in the waters of Holy Baptism, you have been called out of the darkness of sin and into Christ's marvelous light (1 Peter 2:9). It is in the marvelous light of Christ's death and resurrection that we confidently stand and live as God's children.

That's what Martin Luther did on October 31, 1517, when he nailed his 95 theses on the Castle Church door in Wittenberg, Germany. He wanted the church to stand on the truth of God's Word alone. Today, we remember Luther's boldness and confidence to stand on God's Word as we celebrate Reformation Day during our worship services on Saturday and Sunday, October 29th & 30th. That same Sunday will also be Confirmation Sunday at Trinity. During the 10:30 worship service, several of our young people who have completed confirmation instruction will stand before God's altar and the congregation to confess their faith in Jesus.

It will be a day to celebrate. We will celebrate God working through His servant Martin Luther to call the church back to the teachings of Holy Scripture. We will celebrate with the confirmands as they confirm their faith given in the waters of Holy Baptism. It will be a day to encourage the confirmands – and one another – to continue to stand firm on the truth of God's Word in a culture that doesn't.

In Christ,
Pastor Keinath



Knowing Christ and Making Him Known

School NEWS



Richard Thomas
Principal of Trinity
Lutheran School

WHAT IS SPECIAL ABOUT TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL?

Greetings to the fall season. This is another question that I get asked a lot by new families. So, I made a list: we do home visits, family cookouts, music program, hand bells program, servant events, Trinity Tee-Off, Fall Festival, awesome volunteers, great parents, teachers that love your children, family hunting day, celebrate Christmas, celebrate Easter, student led chapels, Science Fair, concerts, awards assemblies, musicals, chapel partners, and the list can keep going on... Now, let's get to what matters: Trinity is special because of Jesus Christ. We can enjoy all of those activities because we have a Lord that gives us eternal life with Him. Each day, we are given the opportunities to be His light to the Billings' community. Wow, that is SPECIAL!

Youth NEWS

All are invited to join us for our October events!



**Trunk
or
Treat**

**October 26;
5:30-7:30 PM**

Dinner @ 5:30 @ TYM Square

Bring a side or dessert to share, and
Join us for some Icky, Sticky, Hairy, Scary Bible Stories

**Hosted by
Trinity Youth Ministry**

The poster has a dark purple background with various candy and lollipop illustrations. A small TYM logo is visible at the top.



**Join us for some
Football in October!!**

**Senior-West Tailgate -
Friday October 7, 5 PM**

AND Join us for Flag Football:

Flicker - Saturday October 15; 12-2 PM
Flame - Saturday October 15; 2:30-4:30 PM
Chili Bowl - Sunday October 16; 3:00 PM

For more information or to RSVP for the
Chili Bowl,
Contact Cameron Heiliger
(406) 647-8212, or
cameronheiliger@trinitybillings.org

The poster features a large orange football at the bottom and a TYM logo on the left side.

Give Thanks!

“Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good;
His love endures forever.”

PSALM 107:1

Help the youth provide Thanksgiving blessings! Trinity's youth groups will be assembling and distributing Thanksgiving food baskets to families in need this Thanksgiving holiday.

PLEASE CONSIDER PARTNERING WITH US IN THREE WAYS:

- **Donate staple items for baskets and the church food pantry October 8 - November 18.**

Please bring in any of the following items to be dropped off in the narthex or fellowship hall.

- boxed stuffing, boxed dinners
- canned gravy, gravy packets, soup packets
- juice
- soup, broth, sweetened condensed milk, dry milk
- flour, sugar, baking soda, baking powder
- cooking oil/spray, rice, pasta, potatoes
- canned cranberries, vegetables, sweet potatoes, pumpkin pie filling, marshmallows
- other items for our food pantry (any extra food items will be used for our food pantry and grocery ministry through Love INC)



- **Provide monetary donations for the purchase of perishable items (turkeys, cool whip, pie crusts, etc.) or commit to bringing a turkey.**

Monetary donations can be placed in a marked envelope and either dropped in the offering plate or delivered to Cameron Heiliger's mailbox near the church office. If you are interested in helping provide a turkey, please contact Mr. Heiliger to coordinate drop off at church the weekend of November 19-20!

- **Provide names, addresses, and phone numbers of families in need in our congregation, school, and community.**

If you know of an individual or family who would benefit from receiving a Thanksgiving basket this year or if you have any other questions, please contact Cameron Heiliger or the church office.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
ACOLYTES: Saturday: Max Hatzell Sun., 8:00: Olivia Hunt Sun., 10:30: Amy Schmidt						
ALTAR DUTY: Shared Duty						
ELDERS: Saturday: Brent Carstens Sun 8:00: David Jinguji Sun 10:30: Paul Kober						
2 <i>Psalm 88</i> MITE BOX SUNDAY 8 & 10:30am Worship 9:30am Sunday School & Adult Bible Class Confirmation Retreat	3 <i>John 13</i> 11am-1pm Youth Lunch at TYM Square with CLDI 7 pm Adult Class	4 <i>Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4</i> 6am Men's Bible Study 9am Quilting 6:30pm Properties Mtg. 7pm Bible Study led by Rev. Zigel	5 <i>2 Timothy 1:1-14</i> 1pm Kitchen Guild 2:15pm Chapel at TLS 6:30pm School Board Mtg. 6:30pm FIRE Youth Group 6:30-8pm 2nd Year Confirmation	6 <i>Luke 17:1-10</i> 10:30am Bible Study 6:30pm Choir Rehearsal	7 <i>John 14</i> 5pm Senior vs. West Tailgate Party TLS Band Plays	8 <i>Proverbs 10</i> 5pm Worship
9 <i>Psalm 89</i> 8 & 10:30am Worship w/Communion 9:30am Sunday School & Adult Bible Class	10 <i>John 15</i> 11am-1pm Youth Lunch at TYM Square with CLDI 5:30pm Stewardship Mtg 6:30pm Fellowship Mtg. 7pm Adult Class	11 <i>Ruth 1:1-19a</i> 6am Men's Bible Study 9am Quilting 6:30pm Cradle Roll Mtg. 6pm Council Meeting 7pm Bible Study led by Rev. Zigel	12 <i>2 Timothy 2:1-13</i> 8:30am Chapel at TLS 6:30pm FIRE Youth Group 6:30-8pm 2nd Year Confirmation	13 <i>Luke 17:11-19</i> 10:30am Bible Study 6:30pm Choir Rehearsal	14 <i>John 16</i> 5 – 8pm Fall Festival Fun Night At TLS	15 <i>Proverbs 11</i> 5pm Worship w/Communion 2-4pm Flicker @ TLS 2:30-4:30 Flame @ TLS
16 <i>Psalm 90</i> 8 & 10:30am Worship 9:30am Sunday School, Toddler SS & Adult Bible Class 3pm Chili Bowl at TLS	17 <i>John 17</i> 11am-1pm Youth Lunch at TYM Square with CLDI 7pm LWML Meeting 7pm Adult Class	18 <i>Genesis 32:22-30</i> 6am Men's Bible Study 9am Quilting 7pm Bible Study led by Rev. Zigel	19 <i>2 Timothy 3:14-4:5</i> 8:30am Chapel at TLS 1pm Wrinkled Righteous Game Day 6:30pm FIRE Youth Group Noon dismissal at TLS!	20 <i>Luke 18:1-8</i> 10:30am Bible Study <div>No School at TLS – Teachers at Conferences</div>	21 <i>John 18</i>	22 <i>Proverbs 12</i> 5pm Worship
23 <i>Psalm 91</i> 8 & 10:30am Worship w/Communion 9:30am Sunday School & Adult Bible Class – Led by Missionaries Mark & Megan Manthey	24 <i>John 19</i> 11am-1pm Youth Lunch at TYM Square with CLDI 7pm Adult Class No School at TLS – Family Hunting Day	25 <i>Genesis 4:1-15</i> 6am Men's Bible Study 9am Rock of Ages at Home at Teccas' Quilting 9am Elders Mtg 7pm Bible Study led by Rev. Zigel	26 <i>2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18</i> 8:30am Chapel at TLS 6:30-8pm 2nd Year Confirmation 5:30-7:30pm Dinner and Trunk or Treat at TYM Square	27 <i>Luke 18:9-17</i> 10:30am Bible Study 6:30pm Choir Rehearsal	28 <i>John 20</i>	29 <i>Proverbs 13</i> 5pm Worship
30 <i>Psalm 92</i> 8 & 10:30am Worship Confirmation Sunday 9:30am Sunday School & Adult Bible Class	31 <i>John 21</i> 11am-1pm Youth Lunch at TYM Square with CLDI 7pm Adult Class	Church: 245-3984 School: 656-1021 Website: www.trinitybillings.org Trinity Worship Services on Community 7 8am Sundays & 5pm Tuesdays				

Financial REPORT

August 2022 Finances		
Income		421,335
Expenses		194,133
Net Margin		227,202
2022-2023 Finances		
	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Target</i>
Offerings	142,032	143,419
Total Income	569,898	400,774
Total Expenses	389,444	397,441
Net Margin	171,454	3,333



Lutheran
Women
in Mission

LWML NEWS

Meeting on October 17 | 7:00 pm

Opening Devotion: Cradle Roll Guild

Program: Cradle Roll Guild

Meeting Hostesses: Cradle Roll Guild

Church Service Greeters for October: Cradle Roll Guild

LWML is Trinity's Ministry of the Month in October! Throughout the month we will highlight all of the various guilds and activities of the LWML. In addition, they will be sponsoring "Honey Sundays" during the last two week-ends of October. Plan to pick up some delicious honey and help support the Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch, which is a recognized service organization of the LCMS.



TRINITY TEE-OFF!

Thank you to all of the golfers and sponsors who participated in the 14th annual Trinity Tee-Off on Sunday, September 18. Because of your involvement, \$15,000 was raised to support Trinity School and Trinity's Outreach Missions. We thank God for your generosity and for a wonderful day of golf, fellowship, and fun!

Special Events

**SATURDAY & SUNDAY,
OCTOBER 1 & 2**

Confirmation Retreat – Muddy Cluster

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

LWML Sunday

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7, 5PM

Senior vs. West Tailgate Party

TLS Band plays at the game!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15

Flicker: Noon-2pm @ TLS

Flame: 2:30-4:30pm @ TLS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 3PM

Chili Bowl @ Trinity School

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23, 9:30AM

Bible Study led by Missionaries

Mark & Megan Manthey

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 5:30-7:30PM

Dinner & *Trunk or Treat* at TYM Square

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30

Reformation

Confirmation @ 10:30am Service



News



Friday, October 14, from 5-8pm
Trinity Lutheran School
2802 Belvedere Drive

Carnival Games – Silent Auctions – Great Food – Class Projects – Much more!

Admission is only \$5 and includes dinner!
On sale at the school office or can be purchased at the event!



A night for our kids...

...fun for the whole family!



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