Thinking Out Loud With Pastor Josh

“Rejoice in the LORD always, again I say rejoice!” - Philippians 4.8

We Christians do like our numbers. 70 times 7 is how often we are expected by Christ to forgive one another. 7 is the number of days in a week and the 7th day is, traditionally, Sunday. Also called the Sabbath, the day we give over to God. 40 days is the length of Lent and 40 is the number of years the Israelites wandered in the wilderness, AND 40 is the number of days that it rained to bring the floods that Noah navigated.

And because we like numbers, the Easter season is 50 days long. Why, you ask (I’m convincing myself you care at all)? A big reason is because it’s longer than Lent. Who doesn’t love a good Lent and yet, Easter is the relief we are invited to feel as we pass through the wilderness into Christ’s life.

For the one or two people still reading this, all it has to mean for us is that the “50 Days of Joy” of Easter is meant to be an extended season in our faith life. During these 50 days we are reminded every day to be joyful. Because God has come and released us from the bindings of death. Also, because this promise of life is not some far off good that we have to wait for, we give thanks that we are alive in Christ right now. Jesus died because we’re human, and Jesus was resurrected so we can live today. For that we can rejoice.

Our Easter season at Trinity will be filled with ways to remember this abundant joy. Of course there is the day of Easter, which can last an entire week. The following Sunday, April 28, we are going to reach out with joy with a prayer walk through our neighborhood. Let’s head out and share our joy with our neighbors.

Only two weeks into the season, we will be hosting a free organ recital on Sunday, May 5, in the afternoon. This free concert is for anyone who wants to come. Come fill yourself with new, beautiful (joyful) music.

Throughout the Easter season we’re collecting supplies for expectant mothers in our community who may need a little help because new life is a joyous occasion. Sunday, May 12, we’ll celebrate the women in our lives with special music during worship. May 19 we’ll give thanks for our awesome Sunday School teachers and volunteers. May 26 we’ll be blessing and celebrating any high school or college graduate who would like God’s name spoken over them. June 2 we’ll commission and give thanks for our junior high youth as we affirm their baptisms and declare them full members of Trinity. June 9 we’re heading back out into our community to share our love through acts of service and compassion for our neighbors.

Be joyful, friends, because Christ is here! I hope you can find ways to celebrate Christ’s love for you and if you want, find yourself involved in the many ways we are rejoicing at Trinity.

Trust in God’s Grace, Pr Josh Ehrler
COUNCIL BOOK STUDY
Living Lutheran: Renewing Your Congregation
Rev. Dr. Dave Daubert

At our April meeting, Council continued reading and studying Dave Daubert’s book on renewing congregations. After reading Acts 1.1-5 & Acts 2.14-24, we discussed Mt. Morris. Since our mission focus is on our community, this was a familiar topic for us. Our focus was around discerning what is “pleasing” about Mt Morris versus what makes God “sad” (quoted words are Dave Daubert’s). As easy as it might be for us to recognize all that we can love about our town, it is important to be looking with a clear eye toward those corners of our community that get overlooked or outright ignored by social or village services. Equally so, it is healthy for us to remember that not everyone may feel connected to God or their neighbor and that somewhere in that separation the church can stand. Where do you see the good and the not great in our community? How can you imagine the church responding to what you see? If you would like to study along with Council, talk to Pr Josh.

WORSHIP AT TRINITY
50 Days of Joy

Easter does not end on Easter Morning, it lasts for 50 days. During worship we will sing songs full of hope and excitement and every weekend we’ll offer new opportunities to give thanks for individuals, teams, volunteers, and students. After worship we will be walking the streets of Mt Morris, meeting our neighbors, praying for our community, and offering our hands and hearts to those around us in need. We get 50 days to rejoice for the life we have been given through Christ, who leads us in light and sends us from our worship space with hope.

THREE QUESTIONS
Have you asked? Have you been asked?

At our Annual Gathering in January, Pr Josh rolled out a ministry idea for the entire congregation called Three Questions. Simply put, as we’re out and about in our community, ask folks these Three Questions:

1) What do you like about our community?
2) What is the one thing you would like to see changed?
3) What would you be willing to do to make that happen?

They don't take very long & when asked in person on a one on one basis, it gives folks an opportunity to speak honestly and provide meaningful feedback. During our Spring "50 Days of Joy" we're going to encourage each other to ask these questions of our neighbors. Any feedback you receive can be handed over to a Council member.

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM
June 2, 9:30 am

Come and celebrate with our three baptism candidates as they complete their learning and are affirmed in their faith. Alexys Davis, Kendra Ehrler, and Laura Wright will stand before the congregation and confess their faith in Christ and we will have the privilege to stand with them. After worship we will offer a reception in their honor. We hope you can be here for worship and share your support for these three newest members of our congregation.

DEEP DIGS ADULT LEARNING
BROWN BAG BANTERING
Resumes May 7th.
Tuesdays from 12:00 - 1:00 pm

Buck, Amanda, Pastor, Kathy & Char (not pictured) are enjoying a lively banter.
RESPONDING TO GOD: SHARING OUR GIFTS

REFLECT – PRAY – GIVE

“Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.” 2 Corinthians 9.7

One of the greatest gifts that a congregation can offer is a sense of community. We are wired to be among other humans, even if we are naturally quiet. And with that want for community comes a need to feel like what we are doing has meaning.

Trinity invites our friends into a variety of purposeful ministries this summer. We are committed to keeping our property and grounds busy with activities so that our young friends out of school have a safe space to learn, grow and play. Would you like to help us provide this for our community? Added bonus: no one works alone at Trinity, we regularly function in teams, even if we prefer individual tasks. This means the potential to meet new people and maybe form lasting relationships over short term projects. Please REFLECT on how you might be able to contribute, PRAY for clarity on where you’re needed, and GIVE a little time. We promise it will be worth it.

Where will we need youth and adult volunteers?

**Summer Lunch Program** – we love having people available during the week over lunch to help clean tables, prep, serve, and clean up after our free lunches every week over the noon hour

**Community Vacation Bible School** – from teaching a session to prepping snacks to decorating the space to tear down and a variety of tasks between, this is a huge ministry of Mt Morris shared by several congregations and we love receiving new youth and adult volunteers

**Raised Bed Garden(ers)** – we have two raised beds full of produce and unfortunately, we have weeds, which means we could use a couple plant savvy people willing to check on our veggies regularly, pull those weeds, and sprinkle some water; these gardens and their harvest are used throughout the summer to teach our young friends the art and love of growing food

**Summer Lunch Readers** – one aspect of Summer Lunch that sometimes goes unnoticed is that we provide books for kids to read or to be read to them. All ages love to hear a good story and we love having a few adults or youth available to help pick out a book for a client and simply read it for them; we promise you will love it even more than your young friends

**Kitchen Support** – we have a few activities that involve work in the kitchen in various ways and if you prefer a behind-the-scenes task, this may be what you’re hoping to find; we have to prep food, keep the kitchen clean (we hold a food license that comes with rules), and have it organized for the next activity

**Property Maintenance** – we have an awesome property team and staff and with all that we have going on, we never turn down help; we’ll need the grounds regularly maintained, picnic tables moved all over the place, landscaping to care for, and countless little projects that only take a couple hours that make our space safe and inviting for our neighbors

What else? More than we can fit here. Never hesitate to call the church office if you’re feeling like you want to connect with others and feel successful. We love our neighbors.
TRINITY’S ANNUAL SPRING CONCERT

IS SUNDAY, MAY 5th

Come celebrate our Howell Pipe Organ's 45th Birthday. On Sunday, May 5th at 3:00 pm Mr. Ross Jallo will be performing an organ concert. Mr. Jallo serves as organist at St. Mark Lutheran Church in Davenport, Iowa. A graduate of Augustana College, Rock Island, he is working on his doctorate in organ at the University of Iowa. We look forward to an exciting concert of new and familiar music. Refreshments and birthday cake will be served following the concert.

Our organ was built in Dixon, Illinois by the H.A. Howell Pipe Organ Company and completed in 1974. It was specifically designed both physically and tonally for this worship space. The organ contains more than 1600 pipes from Wisconsin, Ohio, Germany and Holland. The pipes are made of wood, an alloy of tin and lead, and zinc. The pipes that are visible are part of the Great and Pedal divisions of the organ. The pipes of the Swell division are behind shutters on the North side of the chancel. The Swell shutters allow the sound to get louder or softer. The motor that controlled the Swell shutters was recently replaced after 45 years of service.

From the dedicatory program: History highlights leading to this organ.

Reed organs and pianos were a part of the early history of Trinity's musical instruments. It was not until October of 1920 that the congregation authorized the purchase of a pipe organ at the same time that they approved rebuilding the Church. In May of 1920 a contact was let to the Max Schuelke Organ Company of Milwaukee, Wisconsin for a pipe organ at the cost of $3,800 "exclusive of wind ducts, electrical connections and necessary carpenter work."

On April 23, 1922, the Schuelke Organ was dedicated. The organ recital was played by Mrs. S. F. Snyder of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, as a part of the Diamond Jubilee Celebration. The organ built in 1922 was moved and changed somewhat when installed in our present sanctuary in 1952.

In 1967...action was taken to authorize the hiring of an organ consultant to inspect the organ and give a written report on his finding and recommendations. His two page report confirmed the need of a new organ....A special Fund Appeal for the organ was launched on January 30th, 1972 to raise $30,000 for this project. Committee members were: Robert Urish, Mrs. Ben Colvin, Charles Diehl, Ernest Hachmeister, John Sundvall, Don Horst, Mrs. Emerson Borneman and Mrs. Richard Short with O.A. Hanke as consultant. After a successful pledging that eventually resulted in $40,452 in cash, pledges and memorials--the project was launched. The contract was signed on April 27, 1972.

THANK YOU FOR SHARING YOUR MUSIC

A big thank you goes to Alexys Davis, Laura Wright Kendra Ehrler, Abigail Fletcher, Emily Marshall & Carolyn Dilbeck for leading our Holden Evening Prayer Services in Lent this year.

Thanks also to Jan Christ and Joan Sundvall for their duet on Saturday night, and to Kendra Ehrler for playing her trombone in worship.

MOTHER'S DAY CHOIR FORMING

On Mother's Day, May 12th, women and youth are invited to sing in a special treble choir.

We will sing an arrangement of "Beautiful Savior." Contact Karen Larson or any member of the Chancel choir if you would like a copy of the music.

We will rehearse on May 12th at 9:00 am downstairs in the fellowship hall.

If you would like to sing "Beautiful Savior" at the Saturday night service, rehearsal will begin at 5:00 pm in the music office.
SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

This spring, our lessons were based off of different heroes of the Bible. We learned how these heroes relate to the word of God and what we can learn from them. We talked about virtues these heroes have and how we can be heroes in the world today.

Weekly Focus:
- May 5: VBS Roar! Preview
- May 12: Mother’s Day
- May 19: Last Day of Sunday School. Sunday School will resume with Rally Day in August!

VBS ROAR!

Monday, July 15
Through
Friday, July 19
9:00 am - 12:00 pm

REGISTER NOW!

Register online at:

vbspro.events/p/mtmorrisvbs

Or at Church of the Brethren, Disciples United Methodist or Trinity Lutheran, all in Mt. Morris!

This epic African Adventure engages the whole herd! Kids explore God’s goodness & celebrates a ferocious faith that powers them through!

DO YOU HAVE A "QUICK SHADE TENT(s)"?

MAY SG2W BORROW IT/THEM?

Strong Girls 2 Women Camp is in need of

Four (4) “Quick Shade Tents “ to use the Week of June 17 –20, 2019

Please contact Adrienne Stafford or let the office know as soon as possible! Thank you!

HURRY! REGISTER NOW, FOR SG2W 2019!

This exciting camp is for all girls going into 4th thru 6th grades! This is open to ALL school districts!

Mon -Thurs June 17-20, 8:00 to 11:30 am.

Focus of this camp is on: self-esteem, new friendships, exploring new ideas, developing fresh skills, and empowering girls to Dream BIG!

Forms were distributed at Oregon school, are in Bell tower hallway and on Trinity’s website!

www.trinitymmil.net

Registration is limited and on first-come-first serve basis!

Register Now!

YC URBAN

IMMERSION TRIP

May 3-5, Chicago

Though winter blew our plans a little off course, our YC crew rescheduled our annual Chicago trip for the weekend of May 3-5. This year we’re doing things a little differently. We’re going to visit the Chicago History Museum on the Near North Side, then head over to the Cabrini-Green neighborhood to visit with folks from Holy Family Lutheran Church (ELCA). Our hosts will give us a history of the Cabrini-Green area and we’ll learn how the neighborhood has shifted for good and bad since most of the housing projects were destroyed in the early 2000’s. Then it is back to the Hyde Park neighborhood, where we are staying, for deep dish pizza, some reflection, and down time with games. If they will have us, we hope to worship at Holy Family Lutheran Church on Sunday, find a great local place for lunch and head home. Please pray for our journey, that we listen deeply to our hosts and learn much about how God is active in a variety of neighborhoods.

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Do any online shopping with Amazon? Now you can get your goods AND support Trinity Lutheran Church. The site functions the same as you are used to with a minor change. You need to enter Amazon through their Smile pathway. You will know you’re going the right way because Amazon will note below the search bar the organization you are supporting.

Type: Amazon.com/Smile

Search for “Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church” in Mt Morris, IL
TIME TO THINK ABOUT
SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM
EVERY Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

June 4 - July 31, 2019

Please prayerfully consider volunteering time to this very important ministry at Trinity! This is our 7th year!

ANNUAL TRAINING DATES BELOW!

Tues. May 21, 12:30 - 3:00 pm Freeport YMCA
Wed. May 22, 5:30 - 8:00 pm Rochelle United Methodist Church
Tues. May 28, 3:30 - 6:00 pm Lincoln Elementary School, Rochelle

Training is FREE. The more people we have trained, the more flexible we can be! Each person who completes training helps us as a feeding site! The training is straightforward and they want you to succeed! Carpooling is available! Please contact church office to register!

Daily Serving: 11:15 - 12:45 (children served from 11:30 - 12:30)
You don’t have to volunteer every day.
Choose the days and dates that work for You!
A minimum of four teens/adults each day assures a good experience for each of the children.

NEW THIS SUMMER!
Oregon Living & Rehabilitation Center would love to bring a bus load of their residents to enjoy our youth before or after Summer Lunch Program hour.
We will sing songs and make a craft together!
Ideas? We are open to your thoughts and creativity!
Join us for a fun time! We plan to get together at least once in June and July. Possibly More!

6th ANNUAL
LET FREEDOM SING
CHOIR IS
RECRUITING SINGERS
& SUPPORTERS

School-age youth are invited to sing patriotic songs with the Kable Concert Band on July 3rd. Rehearsals are held on Wednesday nights in June.
Each year the participating children receive a Let Freedom Sing T-shirt which was designed by Lisa Suttman.
There is no charge for the children to participate in this community event, so sponsors are needed to provide funding for the shirts is needed. If you would be willing to help defray the cost of these shirts, or for more information contact Karen Larson (email: KarenSLarson@gmail.com).

Feeding our Hungry Neighbors in Northern Illinois.
LIFELINE FOOD PANTRY NEWS
LIFELINE is located in Conover Square (old piano factory) at 203 N 3rd St, Suite 6, Oregon, IL
Hours are:
Tues 9:30—Noon (food & clothing)
Thurs 1:00—4:00 pm (clothing only)
Fri 1:30—4:30 pm (food & clothing)
Sat 10:30—1:30 pm. (clothing only)
Reminder: Tues. May 7: Change of Time! We will receive food from 1:30 - 4:00 pm.
Saturday, May 11th will be the Postal Food Drive. More information will be in the newspaper.
For the month of March, we served 251 clients with food. Our needs are: kidney beans, pancake mix, syrup, hamburger helper and pork & beans.
We thank everyone for their generous donations. We appreciate your help.
Questions? Call 815-564-8234.

LOAVES & FISH FOOD PANTRY
SERVING MT. MORRIS & LEAF RIVER
The Pantry is located on the lower level of The Church of the Brethren:
409 W Brayton Rd, Mt. Morris.
Hours: 1st & 3rd Thurs of each month: 4:30 – 7 pm
2nd & 4th Mon of each month: 2:00 – 4:30 pm

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES
Assist with check in: Give pantry guests reminder cards, assist with check-in (no computer skills needed)
Shoppers: Assist Pantry Guests as they “shop” for their food.
Times: 1st & 3rd Thursdays from 4:15—7:00 pm
2nd & 4th Mondays from 1:45—4:30 pm
Carry-Outs: Load groceries onto carts, carry-out to guests’ cars
Times: Same as Shoppers times
Help unload food deliveries/re-stock shelves:
Times: 1st Tuesday of month at 10:30 am
3rd Friday of month at 10:30 am
Gardening: Assist with the pantry’s portion of the community garden: planting, weeding, harvesting.
Times: Variable

T.W.E.L.C.A. NEWS
TWELCA’s Mission statement: to mobilize women to act boldly on their faith in Jesus Christ.
Dorcas group meets the 4th Tuesday of each month at 9:00 am at the church, except for Aug & Dec when they have joint events with the Naomi Group.
Naomi group meets the 4th Monday at 1:00 pm April through November at the church except for Aug and Dec, when they have joint events with Dorcas group.
Both groups invite all women to join them!

WELCA CENTRAL CONFERENCE SPRING BRUNCH
Thursday, May 16, 9:00 All Women Invited!
You do not need to belong to a group to attend!
Faith Lutheran Church 14206 E Flagg Rd, Rochelle
Program by Carolyn Brown from The Kitchen Table.

SEE WHAT’S NEW FOR OUR CHURCH LIBRARY!
Have you wondered if our library has a certain book, but haven’t made it down to find out? Are you looking for a series of books related to a specific topic? Steve Opalka has transferred Trinity Library’s card catalog to html files.
You may view the listing two ways.
1) We have printed several copies and put them in an envelope on the bulletin board in the bell tower entry. Feel free to pick one up to browse, and you can return it to the file when you are finished. If you need assistance with the library, please don’t hesitate to contact the office.
2) You may view these files by visiting Trinity’s website at: trinitymmil.net
Thank you Steve, for your contribution to this ministry and thanks to our librarian, Arlene Sangmeister, who updates the physical card catalog and keeps the library well cared for.
A summary of the April 8, 2019 meeting:

- Pastor led devotions from *Living Lutheran*, Chapter 3: “God has a Dream”
- Motion to amend Agenda, by adding guest speaker, was passed. Tim Urness, from ELCA Foundation was the guest speaker. Mr. Urness spoke on how he assists congregations create and implement Gift Instrument Policies. He also explained how the process to create an Endowment Fund through the ELCA Foundation works. His expertise is free for congregations of the ELCA. Further use of his “skills” will be looked into by the Council.
- Pastor Josh focused the Pastor’s Report around “12 Month Stewardship.” Pastor asked for suggestions while laying out his 12 month plan.
- Property committee explained plans to meet with Superior Fire & LR Communications together, to set up and test the fire alarm system. Discussed removing dying crab apple trees and damaged shrubs; fixing pole light by bell tower; flower & garden planting once weather permits and putting lettering on lighted sign once decision made for wording.
- Outreach/Social Ministry/Stewardship committee Reported Melody Dula attended Community Out Reach meeting on March 28. Community Committee will meet again on April 18th.
- Pastor asked Council to consider nominations for Synod Assembly. Kendra Ehrler is willing to attend with the voting members as a youth member.
- Adjournment with prayer.

**NOISY OFFERING FOR MAY - Rescue Release Restore**

The purpose of our Noisy Offering is to teach the joy of giving to God. For the next two months we will be remembering and supporting Rescue Release Restore, an organization designed to help children recognize their potential through God. Born out of Shekinah Chapel, our sister church in Chicago, RRR offers camps for boys and girls in which campers leave the city for a week and explore nature while creating, singing, and being affirmed as wonderful children of God. Our collection becomes part of their scholarship fund that gets kids who may not be able to afford camp an opportunity to participate. Thank you for your gifts.

Results of the Collection for Community VBS thru Apr 21st = $74.96

Thank you for your generosity.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

**MARCH 2019**

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**ELECTRONIC GIVING**

Many of us have found it much easier to make online transactions than cash or checks. Trinity offers that option for regular giving as well. The church office has the form needed to get started.

TRINITY’S FUNDS DISPERSED FOR THE QUARTER ENDING MARCH 31, 2019

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**THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS RECEIVED QUARTER ENDING MARCH 31, 2019**

Thank you to the following individuals who designated Thrivent Choice Dollars to Trinity during the quarter ending March 31st:

- Marcia Mongan
- Bruce Obendorf
- Robin Obendorf
- Louise Suttman
Altar Guild
All month: Joan Sundvall

Acolytes
4/5 Kendra Ehrler
11/12 Laura Wright
18/19 Alexys Davis
25/26 Caleb Ehrler

Ushers/ Greeters
All month: Sat: Kevin Nelson
5 Doug Raney
11/12 Al Ulferts
18/19 Doug Raney & Al Ulferts
25/26

Song Leaders & Cantors
5 Linda Borneman
12 Mary Jo Dilbeck
19 Lily Welp
26 Steve Pearson

Assisting Ministers:
4 Arika Black 5 Avery Sellers
11 Arika Black 12 Ashton Persinger
18 Arika Black 19 Ashton Persinger
25 Arika Black 26

Blood Pressure Checks
26 Robin Keene & Crete LeFevre

Lector Schedule*
5 Kendra Ehrler
12 Kendra Ehrler
19 Kendra Ehrler
26 Kendra Ehrler

*Scripture Readings
4/5 Acts 9.1-6
   Rev 5.11-14
      John 21.1-9

11/12 Acts 9.36-43
   Rev 7.9-17
      John 10.22-30

18/19 Acts 11.1-18
   Rev 21.1-6
      John 13.31-35

25/26 Acts 16.9-15
   Rev. 21.10, 22-22.5
      John 14.23-29

Coffee Hour Hosts
5
12
19
26

Altar Flowers
Calendar & Information for providing flowers is on bulletin board in Narthex (back of worship space). Questions? Ask Karen Larson, any Altar Guild member or contact office.
4/5 Karen Larson
11/12
18/19
25/26

Home Communion
(Normally 1st Sunday of Month)
Dave & Cindy Link
Sandra Stengel

OFFICE HOURS:
Mon. — Thurs.
8:30 am — 12:00 pm
1:00 pm — 4:00 pm
Friday: 8:00 am — 12:00 pm
Please note: Staff Meeting
Apr 10: office closed from 12pm - 2 pm

TRINITY’S SERVANTS FOR MAY 2019

Laura lights candles during a Mid-Week Lenten Service.

TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
308 East Brayton Road
Mt. Morris, IL 61054
815-734-6354

Email: trinitymmoffice@gmail.com
Website: www.trinitymmil.net
Follow us on Facebook—
facebook.com/tlemm
Instagram: trinitymtmorris

Believing in Christ,
we are called to grow,
and are sent to serve.

Ministers: All Members of Trinity
Pastor: Josh Ehrler
Office 815-734-6354, Ext 1001
Email: prjoshehrler@gmail.com

Christian Education Director
Melissa Nicholson
815-440-0279
Email: melissa8305@gmail.com

Office Manager: Nancy Nelson
Office 815-734-6354, Ext 1002
Email: trinitymmoffice@gmail.com

Sexton: Floyd Drumheller
815-734-6354

Parish Musician: Karen Larson
815-734-6358
Email: karenslarson@gmail.com

Chime Choir Director: Matt Guschl
217-417-5952
Email: matt.guschl@gmail.com

Financial Secretary:
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815-938-2650
815-541-0320
Email: lsuttman@aeroinec.net

Assist. Financial Secretary:
Linda Duffy
815-440-9503
Email: duffy211@comcast.net

Laura lights candles during a Mid-Week Lenten Service.
WEEKLY WORSHIP SCHEDULE (*DETAILS INSIDE)

SATURDAY: evening worship service at 5:30 pm
SUNDAY: 9:30 am Worship Service
         Fellowship Time following Worship
SUNDAY SCHOOL: 10:30 - 11:30 am.
We welcome 4 yrs. old (potty trained) thru 6th gr.
Last Day of Sunday School is May 19*

We also have a Youth Group (6th grade through high school) that meets on a monthly basis

WEEKLY MUSIC REHEARSALS May *

Wednesday: Chime Choir 6:00 - 7:00 pm
Wednesday: Chancel Choir 6:45 - 7:00 pm Men Reh.
            7:00 pm Full Chancel Choir Rehearsal
            7:30 pm Women’s Rehearsal

UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE (* DETAILS INSIDE)

- Sun May 5  3pm Annual Spring Concert, here*
- Tue May 7 12 -1 pm Brown Bag Bantering Resumes*
- Sat. May 11, 5 pm or Sun. May 12, 9 am Annual
  Mother’s Day Treble Choir*
- Sun May 12, 11 am Prayer Walk*
- Sun May 19 Last Day of Sunday School*
- Sun May 26 Blessing of Graduates*
- Sun Jun 2, 9:30 am Affirmation of Baptism during
  Worship Service (note date change)
- Tue Jun 4  11:30 am - 12:30 pm Summer Lunch
  Program Begins and Continues every Tues, Wed. & Thurs thru 7/31
  (No service Thurs. July 4th)
- Sun Jun 9, 10:30 am “Be the Church Sunday”