



TRINITY TIDINGS

OCTOBER, 2019

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

Thinking Out Loud With Pastor Josh

Ever wonder what pastors and rostered ministers talk about when they get together? I'm about to tell ya.

From Sept 16 to Sept 18, I attended the Professional Leaders' Conference (PLC), an annual event hosted by our Northern IL Synod Bishop Jeff Clements. We gathered at the Sinsinawa Mound Center, a convent for the Sinsinawa Dominican Sisters that hosts large group events such as PLC.

It's a beautiful location and I can say that as both a visiting pastor seeking retreat and a local. It happens to be five minutes from my parents' home. Fun fact: I learned how to play piano from a dear sister who was a resident of the Mound. Another fun fact: the hills around the aptly named Mound are excellent for biking.

Why does our synod require this annual gathering? For one, it gets us out of our parishes for a few days. Trust me when I say this, pastors and rostered leaders LOVE our congregations and service sites. It's usually one of the topics we talk about the most. Getting out of the area means we get to swap ideas and gain a few new ones. Though not a vacation since we have intentional learning, gathering times, and worship, it is a time for getting recharged.

Another reason is to learn. Part of our ordination vows we made with the whole church is that we rostered ministers would not stop growing in faith. This means continuing our educations long after seminary is complete. But doing that is tough, so Bishop creates this space of intentional learning so that, at the very least, we have one place to go in the year. By the way, nearly every synod of the ELCA does this and it is one way that our giving to the synod supports the work of the entire Lutheran church by fostering healthy ministers.

But you want to get down to it. What do we really talk about? Besides the sites we serve of course. Well, we talk about our kids if we have them. We talk about our partners if we have them. We ask our Bishop tough questions about job security and sustainability. We share our worries and our hopes for what being a Lutheran church (local and global) will look like in 5 years, 10 years, 50 years. Since this was a Churchwide Assembly year, we talked a bit about the decisions made there and what they mean for us here. We periodically argue about this or that hot church topic, but usually keep it to a light banter.

We pray. A lot. Lots and lots of prayers are given to God in those short three days. We share communion, because the meal is vital for our faith.

Sounds mostly like what we do here at Trinity. We show up as we are, care for each other, worship together, listen and learn from each other, once in a while disagree with each other, and continuously love each other. If for no other reason than because Christ loves us. Maybe hanging at Trinity could be like a retreat for us, a place to be recharged and renewed in our faith.

Trust in God's Grace, Pr Josh Ehrler

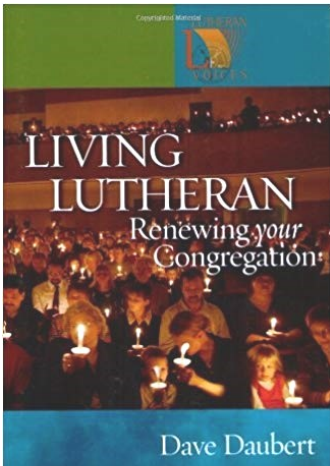
WHAT MINISTRIES MUST CONTINUE AT TRINITY?

The special finance budget committee continues to meet and needs your input. Please share your thoughts regarding ministries that Trinity must continue with this special committee. Share your thoughts by returning them to the church as a note, sending an email, or by talking with a committee member.

(Committee members are listed below.)

Thanks for sharing!

Pastor Ehrler	Sandra Stengel
Scott Diehl	Louise Stengel
Valerie Glotfelty	Louise Suttman
Joshua Keene	Rob Urish
Doug Raney	Jim Vickery
Joe Ricks	Vern Welp
Julie Robinson	Phil Wessels
Wayne Schelling	



COUNCIL BOOK STUDY

**Living Lutheran:
Renewing Your
Congregation**
Rev. Dr. Dave Daubert

Trinity's Council will reach the final chapter of our book this month. We'll discuss the purpose and use-

fulness of discerning our Core Values and as a group, continue to distill all the information we've gathered from the congregation to begin identifying the Core Values of Trinity. This book has been a thought provoking read for our leadership team, we hope it has been equally inspiring for you. Stay tuned to learn what our next book will be

RESPONDING TO GOD: SHARING OUR GIFTS



Core Values

If you have wandered into Trinity in the past few weeks, you have likely (hopefully) seen the sheets of paper on the walls asking "What Values Should Trinity Reflect?" This is a critical question that Trinity's Council leaders have been asking themselves and we felt it best to be asking as many people as possible the same.

What are Core Values? Plainly stated, Core Values are how a person, community, a family, and a church makes decisions. They are the sometimes spoken, collectively agreed upon ideals and hopes that guide people in a direction. Here's a basic example:

A family decides that one of their priorities (values) will be eating together for the evening meal as many nights as possible. In this decision is a core value of togetherness or solidarity or emotional support. Because of this decision rooted in this value, some nights the family might not eat until 8pm, other nights they might have to eat at 4:30pm. Since the value is that time together as a family around a shared meal, the family chooses to adjust their schedules-maybe even nightly-to make that happen.

Core Values are about who we are AND they are about where we want to be as a community of Christ. That means they need to be forward looking, and because we are a church rooted in our faith in Christ, they need to reflect how we are going to live out our faith in our community, our homes, our school district, and our Lutheran synod.

Trinity is a church that is Called to Grow and Sent to Serve. The question becomes, what can that look like and how will we follow Christ into this mission? Identifying our Core Values will give our leadership some insight and guidance for how to pursue this blessed work.

175TH ANNIVERSARY OF TRINITY

During the 2021 calendar year, Trinity Lutheran will be celebrating its 175th Anniversary.

The Church Council is seeking individuals who would be interested in serving as event coordinators. The committee could start meetings this fall. Ideas for events could be requested from the congregation.

Please notify the church office if interested in helping plan this year long celebration. 2



TRINITY'S FALL CONCERT

OCTOBER 13, 3:00 pm

Argentine Tango: Now and Then

Join us for a musical journey into Argentine Tango music. Discover the variety of styles that have perpetuated Tango as one of the most popular music in the world. This fascinating program is brought to us by Jacques Saint-Cyr, flute and Erik Olson, piano.

Jacques studied flute in Paris with Raymond Guiot and the baroque flute with Jean-Christoph Frish. Jacques is on the faculty at the Music Academy in Rockford, Rockford College and Rock Valley College. He performed and programmed many concerts for the Mendelssohn Performing Arts Center.

Erik Olson is a producer, composer and multi-instrumentalist from the Chicagoland area. A fourth generation pianist, he began studying with Linda Poquette while garnering a relationship with Lewis University. Most recently, his production work and original composition was featured on FOX 32 in Chicago.

There is no charge for the concert, but a free will offering will be taken. A reception will follow the program.

WORSHIP AT TRINITY

Our theme for October worship is simply "Faith Enough." Do we have enough faith to endure, to speak your name, and to trust God is near?

Faith Enough

Oct 5/6 – Increase Faith, Psalm 37.1-9, Luke 17.5-10

Oct 12/13 – Absolute Faith, Psalm 111,
Luke 17.11-19

Oct 19/20 – Faithful Response, Psalm 121,
Luke 18.1-8

Oct 26/27 – (Re)Forming Faith, Jeremiah 31.31-34;
Psalm 46; Romans 3.19-28;
John 8.31-36

Reformation Sunday is a Festival event, which means **wear your favorite red shirt, pants or shoes**, and we'll celebrate the day with a little extra flair.

2019 CANTATA: I HEAR THE PROPHET CALLIN'

Sunday, December 8, 3 pm



You are invited to sing in the 15th Annual Community Christmas Cantata.

If you have never sung in the Cantata, come and check it out! We will be introducing the music and getting acquainted on the date below.

If you have sung in the Cantata in past years we are looking forward to learning some fun music and telling the Christmas Story in an energetic and exciting way.

Weekly Tuesday practices for Vocalists begin
at Trinity on October 8th at 7 pm

Weekly Tuesday practices for Instrumentalists begin
at Trinity on November 5 at 7 pm

Conductor/Jennie Saltzgeber
Accompanist, Coordinator/Karen Larson
karenlarson@gmail.com (219-309-4405)
Instrumentalist Coordinator/Andy Eckhardt

Visit: www.mmchristmascantata.com

FAITH5 – “EVERY NIGHT IN EVERY HOME”



Share (highs and lows).
Read (a Bible verse or story).
Talk (about the Bible reading).
Pray (for each other). **Bless** (one another).

5 formative steps that may take 5 minutes or much longer before supper or getting into bed. Look for the book marks in the pews and take one home for your own use. Use the verse of the week found at the top of every Refrigerator Reminders as a way to open the Bible together.

Take 5 to Faith 5
as a family, with friends, on your own.

RECYCLING - HOW YOU CAN HELP The Mt. Morris & Oregon Indivisible Group is working with civic & non-profit organizations to recycle film plastic & earn Trex benches. Trex Company uses plastic to create products such as decking, porch rails, fences & lawn furniture. **Communities are invited to participate by donating 500 lbs of film plastic within 6 months in exchange for each bench.** We are seeking help from everyone! Clean & Dry Items Needed and Drop Off Locations are located on this month's Calendar and Sheets with this information are located on the bulletin boards in Nave & Belltower hallway. Thank you!



CHURCH COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

A summary of the September 12, 2019 meeting:

- Devotions were from Chapter 8 of book Living Lutheran.
- Discussion followed on Trinity's Core Values.
1st Reading: Acts 10.9-23
2nd Reading: Genesis 32.22-32
3rd Reading: Luke 4.14-19
- Pastor distributed Northern IL Synod's Initiative: Mission Statement; Vision: Core Values; Goals, Reaction to the document; questions/surprises/likes/dislikes.
- Each Council member wrote 5 core values for Trinity.
- Pastor Josh recorded statements on display sheets; posted in chapel.
- Further discussion in future meetings.
- Motion to adopt Sept. 9th Agenda was passed.
- Motion to approve August 12th minutes passed.
- Motion to approve Financial Report passed.
- Motions to approve building usage for Oct 13th Fall Concert & Dec 8th Annual Cantata and to waive fees were both passed.
- Finance Committee reported held meeting on Aug. 19th with ELCA representative on developing a gift-giving policy. Reported 3rd Budget meeting as held Sept. 5th and 4th meeting will be held Sept. 30th.
- Property committee has received 2 bids for installing solar panels. Before taking action, investing potential savings on gas & electric bills.
- Trinity's 175th Anniversary will be in 2021. Announcement in Tidings for committee members.
- Education Committee reported Rally Day went well & Sunday School is now meeting weekly.
- Meeting adjourned with prayer.

FINANCIAL REPORT AUGUST, 2019

Total Monthly Budget Income	\$ 13,193.14
Total Monthly Budget Expense	\$ 21,715.55
Year-to-date Budget Income	\$141,812.69
Year-to-date Budget Expense	\$154,310.63
Year-to-date Surplus (Deficit)	\$(12,497.94)

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.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED



The Church Council has two committees that need volunteers:
Nominating Committee and Audit Committee. A brief explanation of each follows:

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

The Nominating Committee will:

- Be voting members elected by the Congregation Council.
- Seek to obtain the names of candidates for every vacant Congregation Council position – presently 3 positions
- Solicit Council members, committee members, and the congregation for suggested names of candidates
- Seek qualified candidates who represent a cross section of the congregational demographics and who display gifts for particular areas of congregational ministry
- Make use of the newsletter, bulletins, temple talks, and the Trinity website to solicit names of candidates in the fall of the year
- Present slate of candidates to Council no later than January Council meeting

AUDIT COMMITTEE:

The Audit committee will:

- Be three (3) voting members elected by the Congregation Council.
- Will not be members of the Congregation Council nor members of the Finance Committee.
- Be responsible to conduct an examination and review of all congregational financial records, including all established funds, to assure that such records fairly represent the financial condition of the church.
- Submit the findings of the audit to the Church Council and these findings shall be documented in the Annual Report of the Congregation.

Both committees are short-term. If you are willing to serve on either or both committees, please contact either the church office, Pastor Erhler, or a Church Council member below:

Vern Welp—President Craig Suttman - Vice Pres.
Joshua Keene—Secretary Jim Vickery - Treasurer
Arika Black, Joe Dettloff, Tom Dula,
Holly Handschuh, Dave Link

STAFF APPRECIATION

On October 19 and 20 we honor the team who has faithfully served as Trinity's staff this past year. Please take a moment to thank them for their service, patience, commitment and dedication to the many duties of God's church and its people. We are blessed by their loving and faithful service.

Josh Ehrler, Pastor, prjoshehrler@gmail.com

Floyd Drumheller, Sexton, 815-734-6354

Linda Duffy, Assistant Financial Secretary, duffy211@comcast.net

Matt Guschl, Chime Choir Director, matt.guschl@gmail.com

Karen Larson, Parish Musician, karenlarson@gmail.com

Nancy Nelson, Office Manager, trinitymmoffice@gmail.com

Melissa Nicholson, Christian Education Director, melissa8305@gmail.com

Louise Suttman, Financial Secretary, lsuttman@aeroinc.net



On October 19 and 20 we honor Trinity's ordained clergy. We are blessed to have four ordained ministers as members.

Each has answered God's call to do God's work. Thank you for answering that call, for your sacrifice, commitment and gifts.

Please take a moment to "lift up" our pastors and their wives with prayer, email, shout-out, or note of thanks.

Trinity's full-time leader and pastor:

Rev. Josh and Amy Ehrler

Officially retired, but still serving as supply pastors:

Rev. Brant & Melanie Clements,

Rev. Frank and Carrie Lay,

Rev. Ron and Karen Larson.

NI SYNOD FALL GATHERINGS

At the 2019 Synod Assembly, Bishop Clements introduced the synod's new mission statement, vision statement, and core values. Now Bishop invites you to one of three gatherings around the synod this fall to join in a continuing conversation together about these important values. **Your input is vital** as we discern how we will best walk together and live out this mission and these values at the synod level and in your congregations. **Want to carpool? Let the office know!**

- Sunday, **October 6**, 2019, at St Mark Lutheran Church, 675 N. Mulford Road, **Rockford**, 2:00-3:30 p.m.
- Sunday, **November 3**, 2019, at St. John's Lutheran Church, 4501 – 7th Avenue, **Rock Island**, 2:00-3:30 p.m.
- Sunday, **November 17**, 2019, at New Life Lutheran Church, 24 N. Bolingbrook Drive, **Bolingbrook**, 2-3 pm. 5

WE NEED YOUR HELP FOR WORSHIP



We could really use your help and especially your camera phone. We have a super easy challenge for you. Read one (or all!) of these gospel readings from the Advent season and then run around taking pictures-any pictures-that you think reflect the reading(s). Really. Pictures of anything. Kids dancing, flowers blooming, combines combining. No limits from the office, we simply want to see your pictures.

Once you've taken as many as you want, send them via phone to telcmtmorris@gmail.com. Or post them to Trinity's Facebook page. Or DM the church through our FB page.

Deadline is November 3.

Advent Readings:

Matthew 24.36-44

Matthew 1.18-25

Matthew 3.1-12

Luke 2.1-20 (Christmas

Matthew 11.2-11

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THREE QUESTIONS:

- 1) **What do you like about your community?**
- 2) **What is something you would like to see changed about this community?**
- 3) **If we could work on this change together, how would you be willing to help?**

These are the **THREE QUESTIONS** we are invited to ask our neighbors. Half sheets are available in the office and around the building if you would like a semi-formal way of taking notes. Ask folks while you're standing in line at the grocery store, grabbing coffee or in your backyard.

THREE QUESTIONS is meant to be a safe, easy way for any of us to engage our community and gain some ideas on what people are thinking about in Mt Morris and beyond. Feel free to drop off your notes with the office and Council will compile all the information.

We can't wait to hear from our neighbors.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

Welcome to Sunday School at Trinity Lutheran Church! This semester we will be learning about some of the strangest stories in the Bible. Here is our schedule. Please let Melissa know if you have any questions by calling/texting 815-440-0279 or emailing melissa8305@gmail.com

Sunday School starts at 10:30 with snacks with adults in Coffee Hour & then meet on top floor at 10:45 am

- Oct 6 Chariot of Fire
- Oct 13 Bear Attack
- Oct 20 From the Fish's Mouth
- Oct 27 Be the Church Sunday
- Nov 3 Earthquake
- Nov 10 Live Forever
- Nov 17 Christmas Program Practice
- Nov 24 Christmas Program Practice
- Dec 1 Christmas Program Practice
- Dec 6 Christmas Program Practice
- Dec 14 6:30 pm Christmas Program Dress Rehearsal
- Dec 15 Christmas Program during 9:30 am Worship



Rally Day 2019

The rain didn't stop the cake-walk or the Johnson family from enjoying the food and fun!



MONTHLY YOUTH GATHERING FOR 6th GRADE thru HIGH SCHOOL Sunday, October 20, 5:00—7:00 pm

Meet in the fellowship hall for our
Halloween Outing &, Dinner.
Devotion: Ghosts in the Bible.

Bring friends, \$5 per person and be ready for fun!

We meet the 3rd Sunday of each month

JUNIOR HIGH (YC) MINISTRY

What Are They Up To This Month?

YC launched with a bang in late September with First Night, our family orientation night. We also started talking about the primary theme for 2019-2020, **Resilience**. How does faith in Christ guide and shape our walk in the world (especially when the world can be a tough place to walk)?

During October we are going to meet up with our partner churches of E4C (Everyone 4 Christ) at LOMC. This is always a fun night of activities and active learning. We will be visiting the Sauk Valley Islamic Center in Dixon, IL, and learning directly about the Islamic faith through experiencing a Friday prayer service. There is so much we can discover about our own faith in Christ whenever we have the privilege to ask questions and be genuinely curious about the faith expressions of other worship communities. We will also continue to dig into the Bible as we search for words and stories that reflect our theme, Resilience.

PAJAMA/CLOTHES PROJECT 2019

Everyone is invited to join the Outreach Committee and the Sunday School kids **on October 20th** during Coffee Hour to decorate ornaments for the Annual Pajama Project! They will be available to decorate on October 27th as well, as part of "Be the Church".

If you know a local family who could benefit, please obtain a form from the church Narthex (back of worship space) table at the South Entrance, stand in bell tower hallway, or from Trinity's website.

**Completed Forms are due to the church by
Thursday, October 31st!**

The Christmas tree will be set up during Be the Church Sunday and **members & friends are invited to do the shopping! Ornaments will be hung on the tree Starting November 2nd!**

If you would like to purchase pajamas, hoodie, or shirt, please see the Christmas Tree in the Narthex. On the reverse side of these ornaments there will be requests with item, gender, size, & favorite color(s).

If you have any questions, feel free to call or email the office. trinitymmooffice@gmail.com.

**Please wrap and bring them to the church by
Sunday, December 1,** and place under the tree.

Pajamas will be delivered Saturday, Dec 14.

We will have a sign-up sheet for anyone willing to help!

LIFELINE FOOD PANTRY NEWS

LIFELINE is located in Conover Square at
201 N 3rd St, Suite 6, Oregon, IL 61061

Hours: **Tues** 1:30 - 4:00 PM (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)

We wish to thank everyone that donated their time and donations to Lifeline, we really appreciate your support. Thank you! We also wish to Thank all who sort the clothing and those who restock our shelves and serve our clients. Thanks to All of our Volunteers.

For the month of August we served 276 clients with food.

Our needs are: kidney beans, pancake mix, syrup, hamburger helper, pork & beans and canned soup.

Questions? Call 815-564-8234



Quick, what was the last thing you bought through Amazon? Did you use Amazon Smile and name Trinity as the recipient? Don't feel bad if you didn't. Next time you make that rush order of do-dads, check to make sure you're on the Amazon Smile side (it will say those words somewhere in the upper banner). If not, follow the directions below. Every order you make will give a small percentage to Trinity Lutheran Church. You get what you need and your church receives a financial gift. A win-win.

Type: Amazon.com/Smile Search for "Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church" in Mt

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They make it easy for you to give back to your favorite cause, in your community, how you choose.

1. Begin by purchasing Prairie Farms milk in gallon or half gallon sizes.
2. Peel off the Prairie Farms cap sticker to reveal a unique, redeemable code.
3. Go to www.prairiefarms.com/ourcapsyourcause/
4. Click on Redeem Codes Now.
Choose Category: Faith Based & Religious
Choose Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church,
Mount Morris
5. Enter cap codes.
6. Click the donate button



LOAVES & FISH FOOD PANTRY

serves Mt. Morris & Leaf River.
It is located on the lower level of
The Church of the Brethren:
409 W Brayton Rd, Mt. Morris.

Hours: **1st & 3rd Thurs. of ea. month: 4:30 - 7pm**
2nd & 4th Monday of ea. month: 2 pm - 4:30 pm

For August, 123 households were served, for a total of 329 individuals.

We thank Marge Powers, who is retiring, for her years of service as Volunteer Coordinator, and welcome Lori Wolff as she assumes this position. Please call Lori at 608-774-9370 to volunteer at the Pantry.

MT. MORRIS LOAVES AND FISH FOOD PANTRY SEEKS DONATIONS FOR THANKSGIVING



A \$16 donation will allow the pantry to provide a local family the opportunity to enjoy a traditional holiday meal with their loved ones.

Please send your gift to:
Loaves and Fish Food Pantry
409 West Brayton Rd, ,
Mt. Morris, IL 61054

In order to allow time for ordering, **please send your gift by October 25th**

The meal boxes, made possible in partnership with Northern Illinois Food Bank, contain a 12-14 lb turkey, potatoes, stuffing, gravy, vegetables, fruit, dessert and beverage. This dinner will feed a family of eight.



COLDWEATHER IS COMING!

The Loaves and Fish Pantry of Mt. Morris Invites you to donate hats, mittens, gloves, scarves or socks to be given away to their clients during the Christmas season. The items may be purchased or hand made. Items for adults as well as children are appreciated!

Please place your donation in the boxes located in The bell tower hallway & back of worship space by **December 5th**. Thank you for your support!

NOISY OFFERING FOR OCTOBER

Community VBS

The purpose of our Noisy Offering is to teach the joy of giving to God. Often our Noisy Offering supports ministries far beyond our walls. For October, our thoughts return to this summer as we give thanks for Community VBS and the countless families who were encountered by Christ. We also look forward to 2020 when Trinity will again be a vibrant, faithful partner in our multi-congregational outreach event that spans an entire week. Your coins and gifts ensure that Community VBS is free to every family who signs up. Thank you for your generosity toward this vital ministry of our church.



Results of the Collection for Trinity Quilters
= \$144.15 through Sept 22, 2019

Thank you for your generosity.

BE THE CHURCH SUNDAY OCTOBER 27

TELC will conduct the semi-annual Be the Church Sunday. We will have several projects such as: raking yards, washing windows, cleaning a room, etc. Plus Route 64 Highway clean-up.

A large number of volunteers enables us to accomplish much, with minimum effort from each!

Willing to help work on a project? Please sign the **WORKERS** clipboard in the front pew of the church or notify the church office.

Need some work done? Please sign the **PROJECTS** clipboard or call the church office (734-6354) so a person or crew can be assigned.

Schedule for the day:

9:30 Worship
10:30 fellowship and treats in the nave
(**No Sunday School** children welcome to help)
10:45 prayer & work assignments announced.
1:00 wrap up task and return to church for lunch.

All ages are welcome!

TWELCA NEWS

T.W.E.L.C.A. = Trinity Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.



TWELCA's Mission statement: to **mobilize women to act boldly on their faith in Jesus Christ.**

Naomi Group meets the 4th Monday at 1 pm From April through November in the chapel/gathering space.

Dorcas Group meets the 4th Tuesday of each month at 9 am in the chapel/gathering space.

The groups hold joint events in August & December.

Both groups welcome all women to join them!

ANNUAL HALLOWEEN TREATS FOR NACHUSA

TWELCA will be delivering treats to the children of Nachusa.

They would appreciate your help!

Please have your donations to the church
by Sunday, October 27th.

The following items are suggestions:

Cheetos	Candy
Assorted Snacks	Microwave Popcorn
Pretzels	Popcorn, Popped
Potato Chips	Purchased Cookies
Purchased Brownies	Peanuts

REMEMBERING OUR BELOVED SAINTS

All Saints Weekend November 2 & 3

It is always our privilege as your church to honor your loved ones whom have died. During our worship services on Saturday & Sunday November 2 & 3, we will be reading the list of names whom Trinity has lost in the past year. You are invited to have the name of your beloved saint read during worship as well.



Please submit names to Trinity's office by Sunday October 27 to ensure their name is listed in our role.

Of course, we also offer time during the All Saints service for anyone to light a candle in memory of anyone they wish to remember.

TRINITY'S SERVANTS FOR OCTOBER 2019

Altar Guild

All Month Sunny Hughes
Carrie Lay

Acolytes

6 Noah Johnson
13 Cooper Johnson
20 RJ Keene
27 Caleb Ehrler

Ushers/ Greeters*

Sat: Kevin Nelson (all month)
Sun: Tom, Melody & Sofia Dula
Ashton & Alex Persinger
Please see note below+

Song Leaders & Cantors

6 Lily Welp
13 Steve Pearson
20 Linda Borneman
27 Mary Jo Dilbeck

Assisting Ministers:

6 Kendra Ehrler
13
20
27 Kendra Ehrler

Blood Pressure Checks

27 Robin Keene & Crete LeFevre

Lector Schedule*

All Month - Hollie Guist

*Scripture Readings

5/6 Psalm 37.1-9
Luke 17.5-10

12/13 Psalm 111
Luke 17.11-19

19/20 Psalm 121
Luke 18.1-8

26/27 Jeremiah 31.31-34
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John 8.31-36

Coffee Hour Hosts

Sign up sheet is posted on bulletin Board outside office. Or, call or email office. See far left column For phone & email information

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27 Be the Church

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.

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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



**+Ushers/Greeters Needed
for Nov. Dec, Jan.....**

**Please consider taking a
month, or half
of the month, etc.!**

**A sign-up sheet is posted on
bulletin board outside of-
fice, or contact the office.**

TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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815-734-6354

Email: trinitymmoffice@gmail.com

Website: www.trinitymmil.net

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**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: karenlarson@gmail.com

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

Financial Secretary:
Louise Suttman
815-938-2650
815-541-0320
Email: lsuttman@aeroinc.net

Assist. Financial Secretary:
Linda Duffy
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OCTOBER 2019

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**

Our **Youth Group** (6th grade through high school) meets the 3rd Sunday of each month!*

Y.C. (7th & 8th grades) meets weekly on Wed. at 6:30 pm. Except: 2nd Wed. is 5:30 at LOMC.
YC Does not meet the last Wed. of each month.

WEEKLY MUSIC REHEARSALS

Wednesdays 6-7 pm Chime Choir
7-8 pm Chancel Choir (Chancel
Choir will only meet October 9, 23, & 30.

UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE (* DETAILS INSIDE)

- Wed Oct 2, 12:00 pm Monthly Staff Meeting
- Wed. Oct 2, 1:30 pm Pinecrest Communion, followed by Communion at Terrace
- Sun. Oct 6, NI Synod Fall Gathering 2-3 pm.*
- Tues, Oct 8, 7-8 pm First weekly vocal rehearsal for 2019 Cantata, to be held Sun, Dec 8, 3 pm, here at Trinity*
- Fri., Oct 11, 11 am YC to visit Sauk Valley Islamic Center*
- Sat, Oct 12 Fall Fest at LOMC
- Sun, Oct 13, 3 pm Fall Concert:* Here at Trinity
- Sun, Oct 20, 5 - 7 pm Monthly Youth Gathering*
- Sun, Oct 27, 10:30 am. Be the Church Sunday*
- Sun, Oct 27 - Deadline for Treats for Nachusa*
- Sat & Sun, Nov 2 & 3, All Saints Remembrance*