

Good Morning

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Welcome to Trinity

This is the day that the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it! Today, as spring makes its Wisconsin appearance in fits and starts, we will wrestle with what resurrection means in every season of our lives. It is a good thing that on the Christian calendar, Easter is not just one day, but six weeks long! Death does not have the final say; new life can come from old. This is unexpected and hard to comprehend on the surface of things. Like the disciples, we can be in joy and disbelieving and wondering all at the same time at this resurrection news. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed...but where?

Adult Forum

Join Pat Garber, Director of Visitation Ministry, in the Fireside Room today after the 8:15 A.M. and 9:45 A.M. worship services. Pat will share about Trinity's Home Visitation Ministry.

Food Pantry Awareness Month

Hunger can affect people from all walks of life. Many Americans are one job loss or medical crisis away from food insecurity—but some people, including children and seniors, may be at greater risk of hunger than others. The Trinity Food Pantry is committed to assisting those with "food insecurity."

Trinity's Food Pantry served 8,120 families in 2017. The food costs for 2017 were \$62,072. Our pantry is a large operation, and your donations to the pantry make it possible for Trinity to sustain our pantry for the surrounding communities. Please consider making a donation to the pantry today! Make checks payable to Trinity with memo "Food Pantry."



Flamingo Patrol

They're pink; they're sneaky; and yes, they are coming to a neighborhood near you! You may purchase Flamingo Insurance April 8–22 in the Lobby before or after worship services. Flamingoes take flight on May 1. Money raised from the Flamingo fundraiser will go toward supporting the 26 students and 6 adults attending the ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston this July. A tithe will be given to Blast Off For Books: ELCA Houston Literacy Campaign.

Children's Musical "Rescue in the Night"



Sometimes laughter has a way of opening people to experience the presence of God. With this in mind, the combined children's choirs of Trinity offer their spring musical *Rescue in the Night* on Sunday, April 22, at 8:15 A.M. and 9:45 A.M. This musical offers a light-hearted, but faithful rendition of the Biblical story of Daniel's courage and obedience to God. Join God's Little Singers, Jesus And Me, Totally Joyous Christians, and Celebration Singers as they praise God in song and story during worship on April 22.

Blessing for Healing

Because we believe the Church has a primary role in advancing the healing of life and the fostering of wholeness as a gift of God in Christ, we believe healing is very important individually and corporately. Thus, we offer several times a year the "Blessing for Healing" in worship. On Sunday, April 29, all worship services will offer the blessing for healing. This is a special time to receive a healing prayer and anointing. Invite a friend to come to worship with you.

"Cut Out" Hunger

Everyone is on a budget, and coupons are a wonderful way to stretch a budget. The Trinity Food Pantry is now accepting donations of coupons. The more coupons you save means the more people that we can help. You may drop off your coupons in the church office or drop them in the box located on the table next to the food pantry door. Thank you!

Diaper Drive

Help stock Trinity's Food Pantry with diapers. During the month of April, please donate packages of diapers (any size) and wipes or make a monetary donation to help stock Trinity's pantry. Bring your unopened packages to the lobby and place them in the "Pack & Play" crib. Monetary donations should be made payable to Trinity Lutheran with memo "diapers" and put in the offering plate or turned into the church office. Thank you!

Spring Edition God's Work Our Hands

During *Gods Work Our Hands* last fall, we received many requests to help church members with their spring clean-up. Hence, the birth of *Gods Work Our Hands: Spring Edition!* Letters were mailed to 238 Trinity members, age 70+, on March 8. If you are a member and could use our help, contact Lucinda at lucinda@trinity-ec.org Volunteer sign-up is located at to participate in completing the work. The event will take place on April 22 from 12:00 P.M.–2:30 P.M. beginning with lunch at Trinity.

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End-of-the-Year Celebrations

- Club 78 and Group Guides will celebrate the year by going to the Trampoline Park at Action City on Wednesday, May 2, from 7:15 P.M.–8:30 P.M.
- Club 9 and Mentors will celebrate the year on Wednesday, April 25, from 7:15 P.M.–8:30 P.M. Stay tuned for more details.

Thank You Prayer Friends

Thank you to all those who volunteered to be a Prayer Friend for our 7th and 8th grade youth. Thank you for lifting them up in prayer throughout the school year. YOU made a DIFFERENCE in their lives!



GATHER together to learn from the Bible and one another, SERVE our community with our time and presence, and PLAY together through activities and fun. Summer Stretch gives youth who have completed 5th, 6th, 7th, or 8th grade a safe, healthy place to belong where they can contribute to the community and socialize with their peers. This year our 8th graders will take a more active role leading participants through service activities. The registration deadline is May 1. Registration information may be found at the Toolbench. Contact Ashley at ashley@trinity-ec.org for more information.

Women's Giving Circle

Save the date! The Women's Giving Circle will hold its annual Spring Meeting on Sunday, April 29, at 11:00 A.M. in the Trinity Room. This event will include refreshments and reports from several 2017 grant recipients who will share how they are using the funds provided by the Women's Giving Circle. Join us to learn more about this group and take this opportunity to join.

You. Your Gift. Forever. The Endowment Trust

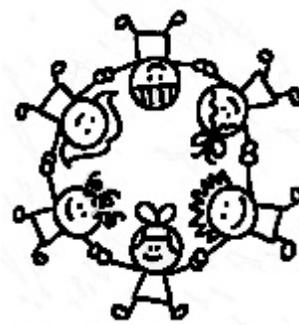
The Trinity Endowment Trust exists to receive your charitable legacy as well as provide for the development of people and groups desiring to advance ministries of the church or efforts that extend Trinity's mission of "Serving in Christ's Love and Sharing the Good News." The Endowment Trust Board reviews grants semi-annually, and the next deadline for submitting an application is May 1. Find the online application (print form available upon request in the church office) and information about grants at trinity-ec.org Endowment tab.

Children's Ministries

Summer Fun!

We still have openings! You can register by accessing our web page at www.trinity-ec.org and clicking on the REGISTRATION BUTTON on the right side of the page.

- Trinity's Sports Camp: June 11–13
- Tell the Good News: June 18–21
- Great Pretenders: Session 2—June 18–21
- Camp Come and Play: Session 2: July 9–11
- Cook and Book: June 25–28
- Camp Discovery: July 9–12
- Vacation Bible School: July 23–27



High School Counselors & Middle School Volunteers Needed

Trinity's Summer Day Camp Ministry is looking for high school counselors (completing grades 9–12) and middle school volunteers (completing grades 6, 7, or 8) to assist with Day Camps in June and July. For more information and to apply, visit our website at www.trinity-ec.org/children_staff.phtml. Applications must be received by April 26.

Staff Needs for VBS

Teachers and student helpers are needed for all grade levels. Please sign up on the poster in the lobby on Sunday mornings or at the Children's Ministries office during the week. Contact Sara Reed for specific information at 715.832.6601 ext. 218 or by email at sara@trinity-ec.org

Be a VBS Grandparent!

If you have a grandchild or great-grandchild who will attend Vacation Bible School this year at Trinity (July 23–27), this may be for you! But you need not have a grandchild in the program to take part. Trinity is looking for caring adults, age 50 and up, who are interested in taking on the role of elder at VBS. The time frame required is just over an hour/per day, or more if the grandparent desires. VBS grandparents will not be the main teacher in a

classroom, and no preparation is necessary for them!
Contact Pastor Natalie with any questions at
natalie@trinity-ec.org or 715.832.6601 ext 215. You
can sign-up at Clipboard Central.