

GOOD MORNING

Trinity Lutheran Church—Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
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Welcome to Trinity

Jesus not only exhorts us to feed the hungry, but demonstrates in today's Gospel reading the simple truth that unless and until one has the basic needs of life fulfilled, there is no possibility for proper functioning in any arena of life. His call to each of us is to respond to the hungry, in order to fill not only stomachs but hearts, with the love and care of the gospel truths which bring nourishment and wholeness in life and service.

A Celebration of Ministry

For 17 years, Shirley Sands has gifted Trinity with her musical leadership and now has announced her retirement. On Sunday, October 21, following the 8:15 A.M. and 9:45 A.M. worship services, you are invited after worship to a reception in her honor in the Trinity Room. Come and thank Shirley in person, sing her a song of gratitude (in words or notes), and help the congregation give her a sending off as dynamic as her leadership!



Spaghetti Supper

Noah's Ark Preschool will host their Annual Fall Spaghetti Supper on Tuesday, October 23, from 4:00 P.M.–7:00 P.M. Come feast on a great spaghetti supper, meet new and old friends, enjoy children's activities, and participate in our annual Silent Auction. In advance, individual tickets are \$5.00 for ages 2–12 years and \$8.00 for age 13 and older. Advance tickets are available in the office during the week and in the lobby on Sundays, October 14 and 21. Tickets will also be sold on Wednesday, October 17, after worship. At the door, adult ticket prices will increase to \$10.00. Join us to enjoy the community of Noah's Ark!



Job Opening

Trinity seeks a qualified part-time teacher for Early Childhood Enrichment classes. We are seeking a teacher, or teachers, for Music and Movement (Mondays 9:00 A.M.–11:30 A.M.), Creative Arts (Mondays 12:30 P.M.–2:30 P.M.), Come and Play (Wednesdays 9:15 A.M.–11:15 A.M.), and Friday Friends (beginning in January on Fridays, 9:00 A.M.–11:15 A.M.). Early Childhood Enrichment teachers share the love of God with young children and their families through an exciting faith-based curriculum. To apply, please submit cover letter and resume to Marlee Knickerbocker, ECE Coordinator, at marlee@trinity-ec.org

Home Communion Visitors

Trinity's Home Communion Visitors will be commissioned this morning at the 8:15 A.M. and 9:45 A.M. worship services. These visitors take Holy Communion to members and friends of Trinity who cannot attend our worship services. They connect people with our community when they visit and share communion together.

As many of you know, Pat Garber had surgery in September and is in the process of recovery and rehab. We need more volunteers to take communion and visit with our home bound and assisted living members. Even visiting one person once a month will help us out. Are you known to be compassionate and kind, empathetic or caring? You may have the perfect gifts for joining this ministry. Please attend the forum this morning in the Fireside Room at 9:15 A.M. or 10:40 A.M. to learn more about Home Visitation Ministries from Pastor Natalie.

Women's Giving Circle Annual Meeting

All Trinity members are invited to join the Women's Giving Circle as they meet today in the Trinity Room at 11:00 A.M. Even if you are not yet a voting member, come to find out more about this exciting organization as they review and vote on this year's set of grant recommendations. Board members for 2019 will also be elected. Read more about the Women's Giving Circle on the Endowment tab of Trinity's webpage trinity-ec.org

Quilt Blessing

Today we are joining together to bless more than 230 quilts, personal care kits, sewing kits, and school kits that have been completed by a small group of ladies from Trinity. These quilts have been or will be distributed locally and overseas. The quilters can always use your help whether it be in providing funds so that Lutheran World Relief can transport these items to disaster areas in the U.S. and abroad, items used in the kits, flat sheets for the back of quilts, or your help on work days to assemble all of the above. The Quilters meet on the second and fourth Tuesdays from 9:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M. in the lobby. They will also be available to answer any questions in the lobby near their display today.

Trinity Movie Matinee

Lights, camera, action! It's time for a movie matinee! All third–eighth graders are invited to join Sara Reed and Ashley Olson today for a fun afternoon today from 2:00 P.M.–5:00 P.M. in the Trinity Room. We will be featuring *A Dog's Purpose*. The movie is rated PG (for thematic elements and some peril). Comfy clothes and pajamas are highly recommended. Feel free to bring sleeping bags, blankets, and pillows! Popcorn will be provided. No RSVP needed; just show up! Contact Sara Reed or Ashley Olson at 715.832.6601 with any questions.

God's Work. Our Hands.

"God's Work. Our Hands." is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America—one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor. We will engage 150–200 Trinity members on Saturday and Sunday, October 13 and 14, in service projects. We will start our day with a combined worship service at 11:15 A.M. in the Trinity Worship Center. Participants will then be able to pick up a sack lunch before heading to their chosen service site. The day will close with ice cream and prayer at St. John's Lutheran Church at 2:00 P.M.

Beacon House

Trinity will fulfill a variety of tasks at the Beacon House from November 4–8. We have spots available for evening and breakfast hosts, providing dinner, and overnight hosts. If you are available for a volunteer shift, you are invited to sign up at the designated sheet at Clipboard Central. Roman & Diane Fritz, Trinity members, will contact you with additional details. Thank you!

New Study Coming Up

Join Pastor Brahm for a four week Galatians Bible Study starting Tuesday, October 16, at 6:00 P.M. in room 208. There will be a \$6 workbook to purchase. Sign up at Clipboard Central.

Good God Books

Next up in our ongoing series of Good God Books is *"Loving Jesus"* by Dr. Mark Allan Powell. Join Pastor Natalie on Tuesday, October 23, at 6:00 P.M. in the Fireside Room to discuss Powell's thoughts on the essence of spirituality. Many used copies are available on Amazon.

Grants Available

The Trinity Endowment Trust Fund is a channel by which you may leave a legacy by dedicating an estate bequest or making memorial gifts right now. The Board invests with Thrivent Financial, and proceeds are available for grants that further the mission of our church. November 1 is the next grant application deadline. Find the form and read more about the Endowment Trust Fund at trinity-ec.org

Noah's Ark Preschool

Noah's Ark Preschool has openings in their fall classes. We have openings in both the morning and afternoon M/W/F classes. The 9:00 A.M.–11:30 A.M. M/W/F class enrolls children who are four by September 1. The 12:45 P.M.–3:15 P.M. M/W/F class enrolls children who are four by January 1, 2019. For more information or to register, contact Marlee Knickerbocker at 715.832.6601 ext. 205 or at marlee@trinity-ec.org

The Friendship Group

The Friendship Group will meet on October 10, 2018 in the Fireside Room at 10:00 A.M. Our meeting will be a discussion with clergy and staff on the future of the birthday bag ministry. Lunch will be on our own after the meeting at a place to be determined.

High School Bible Study

Are you in 9–12 grade? Come join Aja St. Germaine and Sara Reed on Sunday nights for a time of fellowship and Bible study. We will wrestle with tough questions about who God is using a book called "Can I Ask That?" Join us for our kickoff event tonight from 7:00 P.M.–8:00 P.M. in the lobby. We will have pizza and games! You do not need to RSVP! Just show up if you are able! If you have questions, feel free to contact Sara Reed at sarar@trinity-ec.org or 715.832.6601 ext 218.

Youth Mission Trip

Make a difference June 22–June 29, 2019 through a work service trip, enjoying God's creation in Appalachia with your friends and church family. We will work with Appalachian Service Project, an organization that has been around for 50 years assisting the residents of Appalachia with home repairs. This mission trip is for youth who have completed 8th–12th grade. The cost is approximately \$550–\$600. Fundraisers will be available to reduce cost to individual youth. Financial assistance is also available. A deposit of \$125 is due to Trinity by October 15, 2018 to secure your spot. For more information, contact Pastor Brahm at brahm@trinity-ec.org or 715.832.6601 ext 213.

Lutheran World Relief—Load-A-Truck

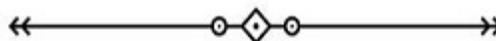
Trucks will be ready to be loaded on Saturday, October 13, right here in Trinity's main parking lot. The first shift is from 8:00 A.M.–9:30 A.M. and the second shift is from 9:30 A.M.–11:00 A.M. Various churches from around the region, including Trinity, will bring their donations to be transported to Minnesota, and then shipped around the world. Lutheran World Relief works to improve the lives of millions of smallholder farmers and people experiencing poverty in Africa, Latin America, Asia, and the Middle East both in times of emergencies and for the long term. A sign-up to assist with loading sheet is available at the Tool Bench.

Luther Park Recharge Club 78 and Club 9 Retreat

The Luther Park Recharge is scheduled for the weekend of October 19–20. This retreat is 24 hours of camp to recharge faith through faith discussion, music, friends, and activities. This year's theme is Firm Foundation. The registration cost is \$80 and includes programming from 7:00 P.M. Friday until 7:00 P.M. Saturday, meals, lodging, and a Recharge t-shirt. Sign-up at the Toolbench. Register online at www.lutherpark.org or call 715.859.2215. Scholarships are available to offset the cost of registration if needed. Contact Ashley at 715.832.6601 ext 209 with any questions.

Experiential Opportunity

Volunteer at Noah's Ark Spaghetti Supper and support Trinity's Preschool Ministry on Tuesday, October 23. Help serve a meal, bus tables, or engage with children as you assist with games and activities. Contact Mrs. Knickerbocker at 715.832.6601 for more details or sign-up at the Tool Bench.



Dear Friends,

I am deeply touched by your many expressions of caring. I feel supported and uplifted by your prayers. Though, I have cleared cognitively back to normal (for me), I have a ways to go physically. I've made great progress already. It is hard not to become impatient at times. I trust God is with me on this healing journey. You help in part with God's presence. Hope to be back soon with you.

*Pat Garber
PT Rehab in Osseo*