

Good Morning

Trinity Lutheran Church—Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
Reconciling in Christ Congregation of the ELCA
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Welcome

Jesus shares some "famous last words" with his disciples in the upper room; the command to love one another. As one would expect, this is not a light-hearted, "flip" use of the word love. Rather, it is grounded in and based upon the most extraordinary love example in all of history. "As I have loved you....," Jesus tells them. Hmm. This morning, we will take a look at what this might mean for us in and through our daily lives and relationships.



Food, Fun, & Games

Festivities are being held in the backyard and back parking lot from 10:30 A.M.–12:00 P.M. Our picnic lunch will include hamburgers and hot dogs, soft drinks, chips, and cookies. There is no cost, but you are encouraged to leave a free will offering. Stick around, if you can, until 12:30 P.M. when clean up begins.



Summer is Here!

Office hours are changing just like the season. Beginning May 28, the office will be open from 8:00 A.M.–4:00 P.M. Monday through Friday. School year hours of operation will resume in September.

Unearthing the Holocaust

Join us for the final session on the theology of the Holocaust on Wednesday, May 22, at 6:00 P.M. in the worship center of Trinity.

Social Seniors

Social Seniors is an opportunity for people to go out to eat together. Our next gathering is Tuesday, June 11, 5:00 P.M. at Cowboy Jack's, 1432 Front Porch Place, Altoona. Please sign-up at Clipboard Central, contact Pastor Natalie at natalie@trinity-ec.org or call the Trinity Office at 715.832.6601. Meet you there!

Feed My People's Groundbreaking

Feed My People Food Bank, 2610 Alpine Road, Eau Claire will break ground for its building expansion on Thursday, May 23, at 1:00 P.M. We are invited to attend and can expect to hear remarks from Feed My People representatives, help fill a time capsule, and enjoy tours and light refreshments. Visit www.fmpfoodbank.org or call 715.835.9415 to learn more about the Feeding Healthy Futures expansion project and how you can help support it.

Living Hope

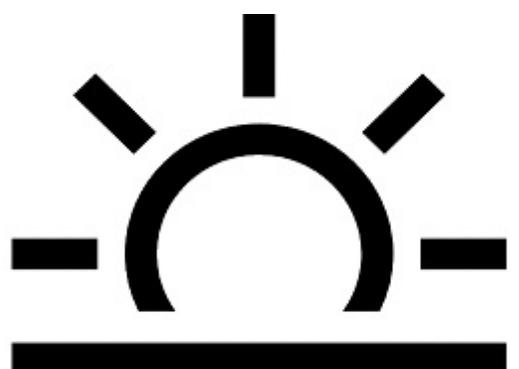
Pastor Kurt Jacobson has published a follow-up to "Welcoming Grace: Words of Love for All." His new book is entitled "Living Hope: Powerful Messages of Faith." This collection of sermons and more is available at a discounted rate in the church office. Included in "Living Hope" are Pastor Kurt's Caring Bridge posts since he was diagnosed with stage 4 ALK positive Lung Cancer a year ago. The cost is \$12 and all profits will provide research funds for ALK positive Lung Cancer research. Make checks payable to Kurt Jacobson. A Kindle edition is available on Amazon.

Summer Story Time

Join Library Committee members in the church library on Sunday mornings: June 9, 16, 23, and 30 and July 7 & 14 at 10:30 A.M. Library members will be on hand to read story books. Children will receive prizes and have an opportunity to check out books.

Summer Giving

Summer is here! We know that these warmer months take many of you far and wide on weekends. While you might be away, Trinity's mission and ministry continue. If you are not already doing so, we invite you to consider online giving. Go to trinity-ec.org and click the blue "GIVE NOW" button. Select "open the gift form," choose "create profile" on the right, and follow the directions. If you have questions or need assistance, contact Amber Moltzau at 715.832.6601 ext 203. Thank you for supporting Trinity's ongoing mission this summer and this year!



When You Are Hospitalized

The pastoral care team makes frequent visits to local hospitals, and usually the hospitals are able to tell us if Trinity members are present. But the system doesn't always work flawlessly. You can be assured a visit from our team if you or a family member contacts the church office (phone or email) in advance or if you ask a chaplain to call Trinity upon a hospitalization.

Women's Retreat

The ELCA Women's Chippewa Valley Conference is having a spiritual, fun, exciting retreat to which women of all ages are invited. Save the dates of August 14 and 15 at Luther Park Bible Camp. Speaker and blogger, Laura Sandretti, from Milwaukee, will present. Check out her website to learn more about this amazing speaker. <http://www.laurasandretti.com/>

Early registration is \$60 by July 31. After that date, the cost is \$65. Registration forms are on the women's bulletin board. If you have any questions, please contact Jacki Johnson at 715.864.1489 or Phyllis Grohn at 715.836.7055.

Senior Americans Day

Senior Americans day will be held on Tuesday, June 4 at UW-Eau Claire offering a variety of topics/classes to attend. It will be a great day of learning and socializing. Local, best-selling author, Michael Perry, is the keynote speaker this year. For more information or to sign up go to uwec.lysenior1 or call 715.836.3636.

Children's Ministries

VBS "Promises in God's Word"

Vacation Bible School is scheduled for July 22–26 from 8:45 A.M.–12:00 P.M. Join us for a week of learning about God's promises! The cost is a suggested \$25 donation per child. VBS is for children who are three through those completing sixth grade. The Kickoff Event is Sunday, July 21, at the 9:45 A.M. worship service. Registration is open.

Summer Fun!

Before we know it, summer will be here! It's time to mark your calendar for Summer Day Camps! Visit our website for more information. Register NOW at <http://www.trinity-ec.org/register.phtml>

- Camp Come and Play: June 17–20 and/or July 8–11
- Camp Cooking and Booking: July 8–11
- Backyard Bonanza: Wednesday's, June 12–July 10
- Luther Park Day Camp: June 17–20

Early Childhood Enrichment Classes this Fall

Registration for both Music and Movement and Come and Play is open. Call 715.832.6601 to speak to Marlee Knickerbocker to register. Complete information on all classes is available online at www.trinity-ec.org

- Music and Movement will meet on Mondays from 9:00 A.M.–9:45 A.M.
- Come and Play will meet on Wednesdays and/or Fridays from 9:15 A.M.–11:15 A.M. Registration for this class is currently full: If there is enough interest, another session may be added.

Registration is also open for the following class:

- Creative Arts will meet on Mondays from 10:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M.

Youth Ministries

Luther Park Summer Camp

Spots are filling up fast, so get registered today! Youth Ministry Coordinator Ashley Olson will be at Luther Park June 23–28. Visit www.lutherpark.org to learn more about Luther Park Summer Camps and to register.

Serving in Christ's Love

Needed: Books for Children

We believe that putting books in the hands of children not only encourages a love of learning, but increases self-confidence. As the students leave for summer vacation, we want to provide each one with a new book to take home and keep. Please consider donating new books for this project. Look for the display in the lobby where you will find book lists. Thank you for your continued support.

Save the Date! God's Work. Our Hands

On Sunday, September 29, Trinity will again participate in God's Work Our Hands with other Eau Claire ELCA congregations to send our hands out into the community for service. More information will be available in August. Meanwhile, we are in the planning stages and could use more help! The "Project" committee is seeking a volunteer or two to help organize the community projects. Trinity needs a t-shirt volunteer to organize the correct sizes of t-shirts for all of our participants. And, finally, if you'd like to submit any service projects for consideration, we'd love to hear from you! To get involved, please reach out to Lucinda Kemmet at lucindakemmet@me.com.

Soles for Special Souls

Our Soles for Special Souls ministry has held to its mission of providing new back-to-school shoes and winter boots for children in need within our community. Vouchers for shoes are distributed in late July to parents who visit our pantry and whose children are in need of shoes. The vouchers are then used to purchase new school shoes for children in grades 4K through high school. Please join us in gathering our financial gifts this June to bring smiles to many children as they know again the joy and comfort of having a new pair of shoes or boots this year.

Mobile Phones for Better Health

Hope Phones lets individuals, organizations, and companies give their old cell phones a new life on the frontlines of global health. If we can recycle just 1% of disposed phones each year, we can outfit one million health workers, improving the lives of 50 million people. Leave your old phones in the blue and white box by the preschool exit. Thank you for doing a good thing by donating an old cell phone.