

Trinity Tidings

September 1, 2022 News

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A Pastoral Reflection

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." I Peter 4:10

Where has the summer gone? As I am writing this, our school year is starting up this week for many. While we have enjoyed a summer at Trinity with worship and some fun fellowship after worship, we are now gearing up for the fall. Plans are falling into place for Christian education for all ages, as well as our annual stewardship campaign. Our featured verse for stewardship is I Peter 4:10, as printed at the beginning of this reflection. By the grace of God, we have so many faithful people sharing their gifts to serve others at Trinity as well as our community. God is constantly opening up new doors of opportunities for us to grow in our faith and serve others. One thing we are trying this year is a "Get Involved" ministry fair on September 11th. At this event, representatives of the various ministries we have at Trinity will be available to answer questions and invite people to use their gifts and join in with what God is doing here. Plus, there will be food! I am excited! It is my hope and prayer that we will continue

to build upon God's work and trust him to show us how we can be faithful caretakers of his grace. Every person here has a gift. Every person matters. When we use our individual God-given gifts for the common good, the sky is the limit for what God can do. Enjoy Labor Day weekend and we will see you in church!

God's Peace, Pastor Chuck

September 2022

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Sunday, September 4

- Worship 9 AM

Monday, September 5 - *Labor Day*

Tuesday, September 6

- Worship Committee - 6:30 PM

Wednesday, September 7

- WIC - 8 AM
- Staff Meeting 8 AM
- Support & Service 6:30 PM

Thursday, September 8

- Bible Study 9 AM
- Comfort Crafts 5:30 PM
- Carport Clutch 6:00 PM

Friday, September 9

Saturday, September 10

Sunday, September 11

- *God's Work, Our Hands Sunday*
- *Rally Sunday*
- Worship 9 AM (Nametag Sunday)
- Trinity's Get Involved Ministry Fair with Potluck 10 AM
- Stewardship 6 PM

Click [here](#) for the most current calendar.

Click [here](#) for the livestream of Sunday's worship service.

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SERVE OTHERS,

as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

I Peter 4:10

HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?

[Email](#) or [call](#) with your request.

Healing:

- Teachers, students, and school staff
- Carrie Doughty - illness
- Mary Snyder - recovering from surgery
- Dixie Hill - health concerns
- Rick Roesler - son-in-law of June Steinberg, recovering from an accident
- Jill Maus - sister-in-law of Denise Knudsen, cancer
- Adam Lehmann - health concerns
- Carole Ebert - cancer
- Larry Leatz - friend of Tom & Sue Luba, cancer
- Trista Jo Blank - health concerns
- Bonnie Wegner - cancer
- Tina Bartelt - cancer
- Cindy Wolford - cancer
- Kathy Feeney Rueckert - friend of Sue Luba, medical issues
- Helen Massey - health concerns
- Jackie Janke - health concerns
- Dawn Haag - cancer
- Ginger Massey - relative of Helen Massey
- Anna Roberts - cancer
- Sam Ives - health issues

Those in the military:

- Shane Borree
- SSGT Zachary Abel

Sunday, September 11, 2022

Following our Rally Sunday Worship Service Trinity -Get Involved- Ministry Fair With Potluck

Come and see how the Spirit is working here at Trinity. This is a great opportunity to contemplate how you, too, can bring your time, energy, ideas, and talents to what is going on behind the scenes at Trinity.

There will be a hot sandwich and beverage supplied at the potluck. Bring a dish to pass, if you like. But come and join your church family and celebrate how God's Work, Our Hands is being accomplished here at Trinity.

Praise be to God.

The Fellowship Hall is set up for Ministry Fair. Presentation tables have signs for different groups and ministries. Please check out where your group is located and setup your presentation sometime in the next week.



Do you like to sing?
Are you interested in joining
the Chancel Choir?

Choir will be starting up again in
September. If you have questions or
are interested in joining, please contact
Mike Simonson. [920-359-0304](tel:920-359-0304) or
mbsim58@gmail.com.

September's Joy of Giving is to Lutheran World Relief. Your monetary gift today will reach your neighbors with the very least who are living in some of the most remote and forsaken regions of the world.

Today, Lutheran World Relief operates in East and West Africa, Latin America, Asia and the Middle East, helping some of the world's poorest communities build the resilience they need to thrive.

We are grounded in profound thankfulness for God's gracious, self-giving love for all humankind, revealed in the redemptive acts of Jesus Christ. Gratitude marks the way we relate to one another and to all creation. Though our experiences vary, we view community as a gift. We give thanks for our wondrous diversity. We celebrate being alive. We abound with joy, hopefulness, hospitality, and deep appreciation for the gift of one another.

At Lutheran World Relief, we envision a future where all people, in every corner of the world can live full, dignified lives. We work with people based on need, regardless of race, religion or nationality and we do not evangelize.

Thank you for giving generously to save and change lives.



Lutheran World Relief
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT. LASTING PROMISE.

There is power in coffee.

Coffee does fuel us, but coffee hour also creates space for strengthening bonds of friendship and for visitors and strangers to be welcomed into the Trinity community. Fellowship and hospitality are ingrained in church culture. We seek a space for community, deeper connection and comfort with our siblings in Christ.

We need people to oversee this fellowship opportunity. It really runs itself if everyone just signs up to do a small part. Weekly we need a set up to make coffee, snacks brought in and set out, the area cleaned up at the end of the fellowship time.

Please contact Sue Krejcarek [920-680-2399](tel:920-680-2399) if you are interested in helping with this ministry.



SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!



AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE, AT CHURCH, AND ON
SEPTEMBER 11 DURING RALLY SUNDAY!

SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS SEPT. 18

Our August Grab and Go meal was successfully served up on a beautiful summer evening, perfect for a picnic! Our meal included a hot ham and cheese sandwich on a fresh bakery bun served with a veggie pasta salad. Each meal also included snacks, dessert and a drink. We handed out 135 meals and delivered 5 to the Mission of Hope House.

Once again, it was a night of great community sharing. Trinity volunteers greeted and distributed the meals as the people came through the car port. Pastor Chuck shared information of community resources and Trinity opportunities for Sunday School. We enjoyed the fellowship of being together and serving our community. Thank You to all who help make this meal possible. We always have a great time prepping our meals and preparing on the Tuesday eve prior to the event. If you are interested or would like to join us, please let us know.

We are Blessed to be a blessing as we serve others.

Allison and Peter Kurth
Meal Leads August 2022

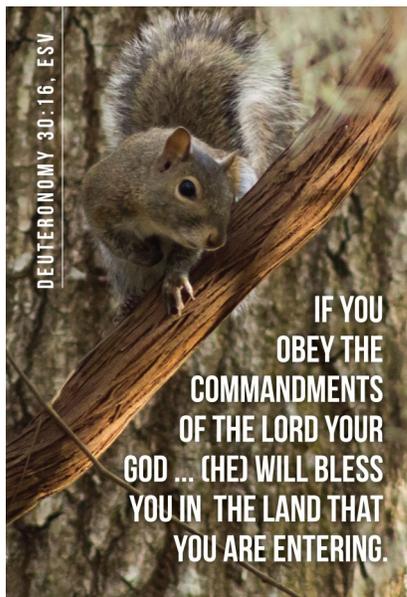




First Reading: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Moses speaks to the Israelites, who are about to enter the land promised to their ancestors. In this passage, he lays out the stark choice before them: choose life by loving and obeying the LORD; or choose death by following other gods.

¹⁵See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving



the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare

to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

Psalms: Psalm 1

¹Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

²Their delight is in the law of the LORD, and they meditate on God's teaching day and night.

³They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither;

everything they do shall prosper.

⁴It is not so with the wicked;

they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

⁶For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.

Second Reading: Philemon 1-21

While Paul was in prison, he was aided by Onesimus, a man who had run away from Philemon, a slaveowner and a Christian friend of Paul. Paul told Onesimus to return to Philemon and encouraged Philemon to receive Onesimus back as a Christian brother.

¹Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, ²to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house:

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

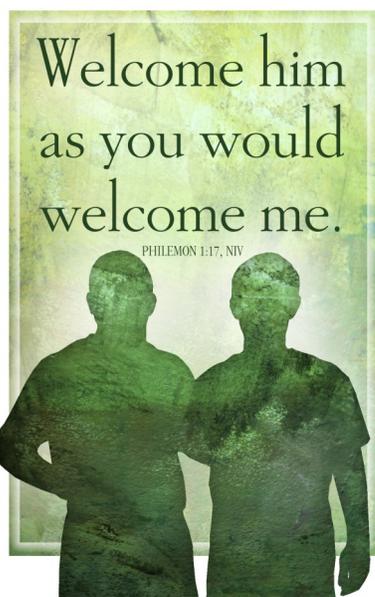
⁴When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God ⁵because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. ⁶I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. ⁷I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

HAPPY are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked... their leaves DO NOT WITHER.

Psalm 1: 3 NSRV



⁸For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, ⁹yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. ¹⁰I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. ¹¹Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. ¹²I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. ¹³I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; ¹⁴but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. ¹⁵Perhaps this is the reason he was



separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, ¹⁶no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

¹⁷So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. ¹⁸If he has wronged you in any

way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. ¹⁹I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. ²⁰Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. ²¹Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

Jesus speaks frankly about the costs of discipleship. Those who follow him should know from the outset that completing the course of discipleship will finally mean renouncing all other allegiances.

²⁵Now large crowds were traveling with [Jesus;] and he turned and said to them, ²⁶“Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot



be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridi-

cule him, ³⁰saying, ‘This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.’ ³¹Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.”



Serving at worship on Sunday

Ushers

Ron & Joy Flohr

Lector

Carol Cleveland

Communion Assistant

Carol Cleveland

Slides

Mark Moser

Altar Guild

Dawn Hess