

Trinity Tidings

October 27, 2022 News

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We need your help with a bake sale!

On Confirmation Sunday, October 30 the TWELCA group will be having a bake sale, with proceeds benefitting the youth group.

Our sale to benefit the youth will be on Sunday, October 30, before and after the service at 9:00 am. THANK YOU!



BAKE SALE!

Date: Sunday, Oct 30
Time: before/after Sunday Services
Place: Trinity Lutheran Church

Drop off goods before the services.

Thank you!



Please consider baking goods and signing up to help sell the baked goods on Sunday, October 30.

November 2022						
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Sunday, October 30 - Confirmation

- No Sunday School
- Bake Sale
- Adult Sunday School 8 AM
- Worship 9 AM

Monday, October 31

- Trunk or Treat 4:30 PM

Tuesday, November 1

Wednesday, November 2

- Staff/Volunteer Meeting 8 AM
- WIC 8 AM
- Confirmation Class 6:30 PM

Thursday, November 3

- Bible Study 9 AM
- Quilting 10 AM
- Comfort Crafts 5:30 PM
- Carport Clutch 6:00 PM
- Dartball at home

Friday, November 4

Saturday, November 5

- Baby shower
- Gender reveal

Sunday, November 6 - set your clocks back!

- Adult Sunday School 8 AM
- Worship 9 AM
- Sunday School 10 AM

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

Click [here](#) for the livestream of worship.

ALL SAINTS DAY
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6

If you have a loved one who passed away this past year and would like to honor them on All Saints Sunday, please **email** or **call** the church office with your name, the name of the one to be remembered and that one's relationship to you by Monday, October 31.

TRUNK OR TREAT

October 31; 4:30 - 5:30



HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?

Email or call with your request.

Healing:

- Family of Roger Ubben (uncle of Laura Thompson) as they mourn his passing
- Patti Natzke - recovering from surgery
- Woody Haag - recovering from surgery
- Carrie Doughty - illness
- Dixie Hill - health concerns
- 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
- 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

Mark your calendars on Sunday, November 13 at 10:05, as there will be a congregational meeting for the election of new Council members for the 2023 year. The nominating committee is still contacting people to serve, so please, if you are asked, give it prayerful consideration as to whether you can say yes to serving Trinity within this capacity.



Reminder

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL
THIS WEEKEND
OCTOBER 30

Trinity will host an ecumenical Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service followed by a Pie Social on Wednesday, November 23 at 6:30 PM.

We need a livestream operator, a slides presenter, and two ushers for the service. If you are available to help, please notify the church office. We also need bakers to contribute your creations for the pie social.



Make the Ride Happen



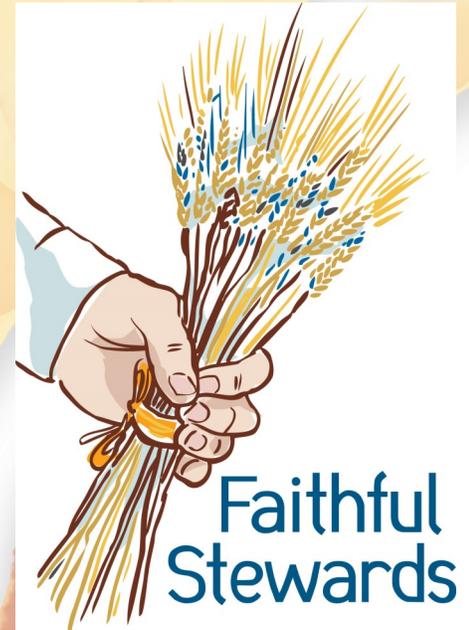
Trinity Supporting the Community

Trinity is helping out a community program called "Make the Ride Happen" by giving them access to an office space in our basement. Holly is the coordinator and will be using that space two days a week. "Make the Ride Happen" assists older adults and individuals with disabilities to remain active and involved in their community. It coordinates with other local transportation and volunteers to find rides that meet their needs. Council discussed and approved this use of Trinity space to support a vital program within our community.

From the Stewardship Committee

A letter from the Stewardship Committee with Intent Cards is being mailed this week. Please prayerfully consider how your monetary support to Trinity can show your intent to truly be **Stewards of God's Grace** in 2023. We will be receiving your Intent Cards during worship on November 6th or 13th. As always, this intent can be changed at any time.

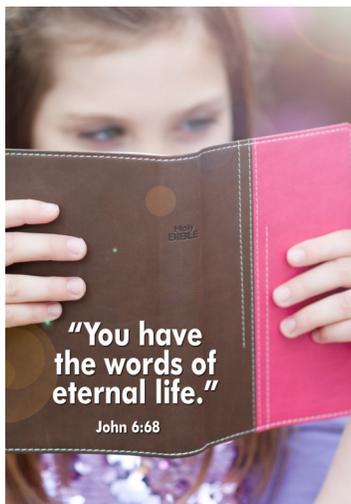
On Sunday, November 13th there will be a **Stewards of God's Grace** Celebration, with catered food, to show our gladness in your returning of the Intent Cards and your generous support, as well as for your time and talent and energy and prayers which have blessed Trinity this year and in 2023.



You have the power to unlock a \$50,000 grant for Crossways Camps! Starting October 1, the Synod Endowment Fund is matching all gifts, dollar-for-dollar, until they have matched \$50,000. We have already received over \$10,000 toward this goal! We are well on our way, but your gift could make a huge difference. Visit www.crosswayscamps.org/donate for details on all the ways you can give. Every gift makes a difference!.

Congratulations on receiving your Bibles!

Kaylee Hayes
Eva Immel
Khloe Kuechler
Kristen Kuechler
Cameron Laatsch





Thank you to everyone who stayed after worship to help with clean up!

Hello Fall!

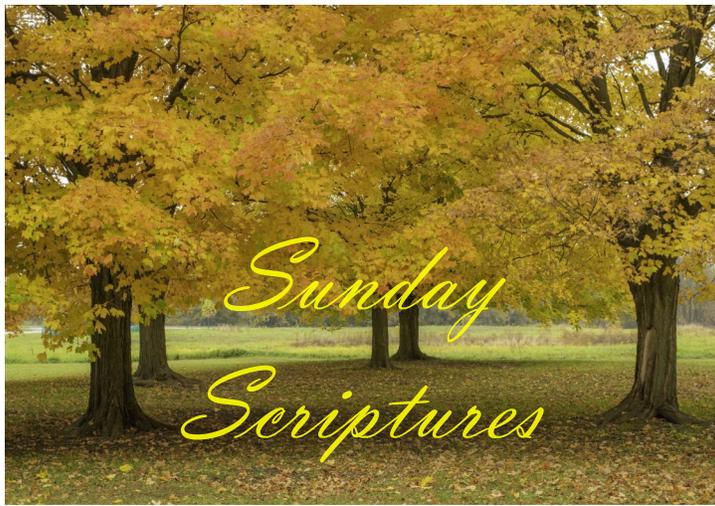


Many hands make light work!



**FREE
Grab & Go
Meal!**
For those in need
from
Trinity Lutheran Church





First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

The renewed covenant will not be breakable, but like the old covenant it will expect the people to live upright lives. To know the LORD means that one will defend the cause of the poor and needy (Jer. 22:16). The renewed covenant is possible only because the LORD will forgive iniquity and not remember sin. Our hope lies in a God who forgets.

³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Psalm: Psalm 46

¹God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.
²Therefore we will not fear, though the earth
be moved,
and though the mountains shake in the
depths of the sea;
³though its waters rage and foam,
and though the mountains tremble with its
tumult.
⁴There is a river whose streams make glad
the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.
⁵God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be

shaken;
God shall help it at the break of day.
⁶The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;
God speaks, and the earth melts away.
⁷The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
⁸Come now, regard the works of
the LORD,
what desolations God has brought
upon the earth;
⁹behold the one who makes war to
cease in all the world;
who breaks the bow, and shatters
the spear, and burns the shields
with fire.
¹⁰“Be still, then, and know that I am
God;
I will be exalted among the na-
tions; I will be exalted in the earth.”
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THE LORD
OF HOSTS
IS WITH US.
PSALM 46:7

Second Reading: Romans 3:19-28

Paul’s words stand at the heart of the preaching of Martin Luther and other Reformation leaders. No human beings make themselves right with God through works of the law. We are brought into a right relationship with God through the divine activity centered in Christ’s death. This act is a gift of grace that liberates us from sin and empowers our faith in Jesus Christ.

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God.
²⁰For “no human being will be justified in his sight” by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

²¹But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets,
²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction,
²³since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God;
²⁴they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Je-



sus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

Gospel: John 8:31-36

Jesus speaks of truth and freedom as spiritual realities known through his word. He reveals the truth that sets people free from sin.

³¹Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." ³³They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?"

³⁴Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin.

³⁵The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."



*"Then you will know
the truth,
and the truth
will set you free."*

John 8:32



Reformation Sunday

Two explorers were on a jungle safari when suddenly a ferocious lion jumped in front of them. "Keep calm" the first explorer whispered. "Remember what we read in that book on wild animals? If you stand perfectly still and look the lion in the eye, he will turn and run." "Sure," replied his companion. "You've read the book, and I've read the book. But has the lion read the book?"

We all face ferocious lions in our lives to some degree.

We sometimes get blindsided by challenges, or sometimes there are ongoing struggles.

We live in a world that thrives on fear.

Especially in these political times.

Both parties try to scare us into voting for their candidates by often spreading lies and misinformation.

I will be so glad when the attack ads are over. Everyone likes to point fingers at everyone else.

There is the story of how on one summer night during a severe thunderstorm a mother was tucking her small son into bed. She was about to turn the light off when he asked in a trembling voice, "Mommy, will you stay with me all night?" Smiling, the mother gave him a warm, reassuring hug and said tenderly, "I can't dear. I have to sleep in Daddy's room." A long silence followed. At last it was broken by a shaky voice saying, "The big sissy!" When we face our lions or our fears we often lash out at others rather than looking at ourselves.

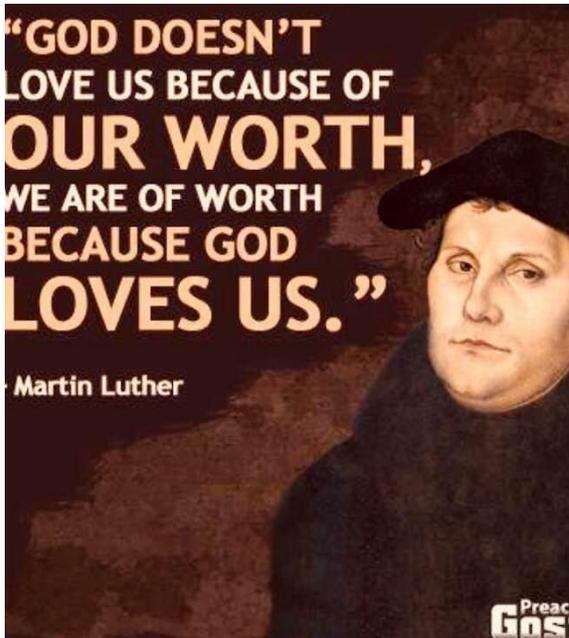
Jeremiah lived during a scary time.

He lived during time that the kingdom of Judah was facing a huge ferocious lion, the Babylonian Empire.

This empire was invading and threatening to

**"GOD DOESN'T
LOVE US BECAUSE OF
OUR WORTH,
WE ARE OF WORTH
BECAUSE GOD
LOVES US."**

Martin Luther



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take them into exile. Jeremiah was called as a young boy to be a prophet to warn the people to shape up or face devastation or exile.

Not an easy job. Who would want to tell people

what they do not want to hear? "Shape up or ship out!"

He tried to get out of it by saying he was just a boy, but God tells him, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy';

for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you.

Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD."

Jeremiah was scared, as any of us would be. But God assured him that he will always be with him.

Jeremiah did his job, it was not easy, but God was with him the whole time.

Finally in today's text God through Jeremiah gives the good news that although the people messed up and were taken into captivity, God would bring them back to their homes.

God says:

"I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more."

Why do we need to hear this? Especially our confirmands? What does Jeremiah have to do with us?

All of us may feel inadequate, as Jeremiah did, or have our challenges and fears.

But God promises to be with us no matter what we face.

God helps Jeremiah to complete his mission and promises to do the same for us.

God says we may know him personally. In Jesus, hundreds of years after Jeremiah, God came into our world, became one of us, so that we may know him better. He went to the cross and rose again so that we can always be in relationship with him. When we face our ferocious lions, whatever they may be, we can know that we are never alone.

We as a church are here for one another to help one another with our struggles, when we face our lions.

I cannot tell you how many times the church has been there for me when I needed support. Ex: Lutheran Campus Ministry. You confirmands are a part of our church and we want to walk with you on your faith journey.

As with Jeremiah, God can use you even when you are not sure of where your life is going.

God has a plan for each of you, and wants you to trust in him.

God knows us inside and out, and wants us to know him!

Trust in God. He loves you.

As with Jeremiah, He will help us face any lions.

Amen.

Serving at worship on Sunday

Ushers

Woody Haag, Mark Moser

Lector

Dawn Hess

Communion Assistant

Jayne Murphy

Slides

Ron Flohr

Livestream

Tom Vigil

Altar Guild

Joy Flohr

