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THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH OF WATERTOWN, MINNESOTA



Evangelical Lutheran  
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AUGUST 2021

## A PRAYER OF *Good Courage*



### Summer of Prayer

There's a prayer that we pray here at Trinity that's called the Prayer of Good Courage:

"O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love

supporting us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

I love this prayer because it reminds us that life is ever-changing, ever-moving, and ever-flowing. While that thought might be a little unsettling to folks who aren't so excited about "change" (like me), this prayer reminds us that God is with us through all the changes of life, leading us, loving us, and supporting us.

The Summer of Prayer will soon be over, and will give way to the next season – the Season of Change. This fall will not look like any other fall we have ever experienced. The Year of the Covid is giving way to the Year of Experimenting, the Year of Exploring, and the Year of Excitement. Does that all sound like too much? Don't be nervous – God's hand is leading us and God's love is supporting us. So hang on for the ride!

~ God's Peace, Pastor Engholm

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**at 9:00 am**  
**In-Person & Online**

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# What's Happening AT TRINITY LUTHERAN?



## Sundays at 9:00 am In-person & Online

Worship will be held INDOORS on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month. Worship will be held OUTDOORS, on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month (weather permitting).

## Looking ahead to Fall...

As we continue to move through the summer, we are excited for the start of the Fall Program Year! Our kick-off will be Sunday, September 12, with the start of a new schedule for Sunday School and Worship!

**Trinity Lutheran Church Fall Schedule for 2021**  
9:00 am Worship  
9:45 am Sunday School and Fellowship  
10:30 am Worship

*(This schedule is our plan for now. As with everything this year, we will continue to evaluate what is working and what isn't and make adjustments to best fit the needs of our congregation. Thank you for your support.)*



Thursday, August 19 | 10:00 am

Join the Trinity's OWLS (Older, Wiser Lutherans) Fellowship Group for a "Bring Your Own" day! Bring your own snack, beverage and a board/card game to play together with the group. All "older" and/or "wiser" Lutherans are invited!

**A Note for Golden Agers:** There will not be a Golden Agers Summer Picnic this year, but we are hopeful to be able to gather again for our Advent meal this winter. Stay tuned!



## Jacob's Journal

Greetings Trinity Family,

I am not sure what to talk about this month, I have been so focused on getting ready to welcome baby and getting through the semester. Both will happen in August! You may see less of me in August as I take a little time away when we welcome our little one to our family. I am also working on the launch our Youth Ministry Season in September. If you would like to be a part of our planning team and have gifts to add to this ministry we would love to hear from you! Just drop us a line!

~ Jacob Ulland, Intern

## A Note from Joyce Harding Minister of Music



### Zephaniah 3:17

***<sup>17</sup> The LORD your God is with you,  
the Mighty Warrior who saves.  
He will take great delight in you;  
in his love he will no longer rebuke you,  
but will rejoice over you with singing."***

It has been such a joy to hear singing in the church again! The first time our Covid Crooners sang I felt a sense of joy and peace. It was wonderful! And now with the addition of worship leader singers and musicians, that wonderfulness has multiplied. Our congregation has been blessed with talented singers and musicians and it will soon be time to gather our choirs, bands, and ensembles. I will be reaching out to past musicians, but am also looking for new musicians and singers. If I haven't found you yet, please reach out to me!



## Join Us for Vacation Bible School!

**August 15 - 18, 2021**

**5:30 - 7:30 pm**

Kids ages 3 years old – 4th Grade are invited to Trinity for four fun-filled days of Vacation Bible School! Each evening will include a Bible story, singing, prayer, games, snacks, explorations, friendships, and more! Invite your friends!

**Register at [www.trin.org/vbs](http://www.trin.org/vbs)**



**Sunday School  
begins September 12, 2021  
9:45 - 10:30 am**

We are excited to be in-person for Sunday School this year! After the pandemic, we know that we're not simply going back to the way things were — we're moving forward through the exciting doors God is opening for us! TLC is a hybrid church, and Sunday School will be as well! We hope your child will be able to join most Sundays from 9:45-10:30 am. But we know life happens: vacations, colds, other commitments! We'll be sure to post the video message of the week online, so you can stay caught up even on weeks you are not able to attend in-person.

**Sunday School registration is open!  
Visit [www.trin.org/sundayschool](http://www.trin.org/sundayschool) to register.**



**SCHOOL  
SUPPLY  
Drive**

## Royals Room Summer Drive for School Supplies

The summer is passing by quickly and fall will be here before we know it! We want to help all our students be prepared for the start of school this year, which means we will be having a special School Supplies Drive for the Royals Room at the Watertown-Mayer Elementary School during the month of August. We'll be collecting these items:

- **Basic School Supplies (Pens, Pencils, Paper, Crayons, Markers, Etc.)**
- **Healthy Snacks (Granola Bars, Fruit Cups, Pretzels, Etc.)**
- **Cash Donations**

Donations can be left in the Donation Station bin at the main parking lot entrance. Cash gifts can be sent to the church office. Thanks for your support!



# Congregational NEWS

## PASTORAL ACTS

### FUNERALS

**JoAnn Cassidy**

February 23, 1927 ~ July 22, 2021

Memorial Service on

July 28, 2021

## MEMORIALS

*In memory of*

**Ardelle Harpestad**

Missionary Support ~ \$70

### Have You Remembered Trinity in Your Will?

Some people are able to continue to give to Trinity in death, as well as in life. Giving through your will helps to continue the 160-year tradition of ministry and mission at Trinity, continuing the legacy of your witness. With the advice of your attorney or tax adviser, the following language may be added to your will, trust, or codicil: "I bequeath X% of my estate to Trinity Lutheran Church, 513 Madison Street SE, Watertown, MN 55388."

Thank you for considering a lasting gift to Trinity Lutheran!

## COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

July 20, 2021

### FINANCIAL REPORT

About \$37,916.67 is needed each month to meet the approved budget of \$455,000.

#### General Fund summary June 2021

##### Beginning balance 6/1/2021:

**\$ 17,045.82**

General Fund income: \$ 42,607.59

General Fund expenses: \$ 34,475.89

Net balance (June): \$ 8,131.70

##### General Fund balance as of

**6/30/2021: \$ 25,177.52**

**Year-to date general fund EXPENSES exceed INCOME by \$11,506.78.**

##### Building Fund expenses:

Loan interest payment: \$ 992.68

Loan principal payment: \$ 1,344.32

Add'l principal payment: \$16,163.00

##### Mortgage loan balance:

**\$ 295,960.90**

##### Cash Summary

Bremer: \$ 73,049.63

(includes \$2,746.20 for June federal withholding and \$11,955.78 in hail damage receipts)

Citizen's Building Fund: \$148,447.76

M/S/C Nancy Stello / Jodi Boylan / carried

### INTERN PASTOR'S REPORT

- Jacob introduced his classmate from Luther, Sarah, who provided an overview of ministry and community outreach at the church she is an intern at in downtown Minneapolis.

- Jacob outlined the schedule for Trinity Youth Ministry for the upcoming school year of 2021-2022.
- Discussion occurred on what direction, guidance, or focus the church council can provide to support Trinity Youth Ministry.

### OLD BUSINESS

- **COVID Crusaders** are continuing post-COVID and plan to change the group's name.
- **COVID Response Team** is meeting less and do not expect any new information now that mask mandate is lifted.
- **Internship Committee** reported having two meetings since there will not be a meeting next month due to Jacob's baby and leave of absence. The meetings this past month covered two topics: Stewardship and Teaching in the congregation.

### NEW BUSINESS

- **Affirmation votes passed for Property Committee to** 1.) complete contract signature for steeple repairs, and 2.) take over the decision making for the steeple project and the other capital improvement concerns of leaky roof under bell tower.

M/S/C Jodi Boylan, Nancy Stello, carried

- **Council Members:** We are seeking to add a council member in August; please advise of any candidates.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> <b>Worship</b> 9 am (Onsite & Online) 9:45 am Coffee Hour	<b>2</b> <b>Book Club</b> 6:30 pm <b>AA Meeting</b> 8:00 pm  <b>Happy Birthday</b> Kaia Hembroff	<b>3</b> <b>Quilters</b> 9:00 am  <b>Happy Birthday</b> Diane Hayes Julie McCoy Bernadette Sandquist	<b>4</b> <b>AA Meeting</b> 7:30 pm  <b>Happy Birthday</b> Mary Berhow Steve Boylan Elyn Phearman	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>  <b>Happy Birthday</b> Karen Rowan Jeana Salzsiedler
<b>8</b> <b>Worship</b> 9 am (Onsite & Online) 9:45 am Coffee Hour  <b>Happy Birthday</b> Jody Christensen Emma Flannery Justin Kind Shawn Klein Tim Thompson	<b>9</b> <b>AA Meeting</b> 8:00 pm  <b>Happy Birthday</b> Nicole Danielson Tierney Nichols	<b>10</b> <b>Quilters</b> 9:00 am  <b>Happy Birthday</b> Gary Alvig Nathan Behrens	<b>11</b> <b>AA Meeting</b> 7:30 pm  <b>Happy Birthday</b> Allison Lague	<b>12</b> <b>Finance Committee</b> 6:30 pm  <b>Happy Birthday</b> Tim Geyen Kyle Horsman George Huber Christopher Sanko	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>  <b>Happy Birthday</b> Samantha Danielson Emma Hallermann Anna Phearman
<b>15</b> <b>Worship</b> 9 am (Onsite & Online) 9:45 am Coffee Hour  <b>Happy Birthday</b> Chad Matuska	<b>16</b> <b>AA Meeting</b> 8:00 pm  <b>Happy Birthday</b> Jackson Dalbey Samantha Dalluge Eleanor Mewaldt	<b>17</b> <b>Quilters</b> 9:00 am <b>Church Council Mtg</b> 6:30 pm	<b>18</b> <b>AA Meeting</b> 7:30 pm  <b>Happy Birthday</b> Angi Delaney Robert Lohmann Karson Tufte	<b>19</b> <b>OWLS</b> 10:00 am  <b>Happy Birthday</b> Lukas Gilbert Lindsay Guetzkow Marvin Nelson	<b>20</b>  <b>Happy Birthday</b> Nathan Baluski James Morrow	<b>21</b>  <b>Happy Birthday</b> Wesley Gruette Sara Hallermann
<b>22</b> <b>Worship</b> 9 am (Onsite & Online) 9:45 am Coffee Hour  <b>Happy Birthday</b> Kiersten Koets	<b>23</b> <b>AA Meeting</b> 8:00 pm  <b>Happy Birthday</b> Finley Erickson Jackson Lague Lorna Lambrecht	<b>24</b> <b>Quilters</b> 9:00 am  <b>Happy Birthday</b> Kristie Nelson Brittany Olson Kendall Prigge	<b>25</b> <b>AA Meeting</b> 7:30 pm  <b>Happy Birthday</b> Chris Behrens Kelly Hirsch	<b>26</b> <b>Heavenly Housekeepers</b> 9:00 am  <b>Happy Birthday</b> Brent Graff Benjamin Leaf Rick Mann	<b>27</b>  <b>Happy Birthday</b> Jack Hallermann Piper Thompson	<b>28</b>  <b>Happy Birthday</b> Mark Bender Jimmy Gilles Cory Mitteness
<b>29</b> <b>Worship</b> 9 am (Onsite & Online) 9:45 am Coffee Hour  <b>Happy Birthday</b> Kylie Jerde Todd Johnson Brian Roy	<b>30</b> <b>AA Meeting</b> 8:00 pm  <b>Happy Birthday</b> Stella Dinkins	<b>31</b> <b>Quilters</b> 9:00 am  <b>Happy Birthday</b> Ethan Danielson Carter Erickson				



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## ➡➡➡ Last Month in Pictures



We are grateful that some of our Trinity groups, like the Apostles, Quilters, Priscilla Circle and our Summer Song Leaders, are beginning to regroup this summer. We're excited to be back together again!

