

Trinity Weekly Tidings For September 17, 2023

"God's Love - Our Hearts - God's Work - Our Hands"

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Welcome Guests! We are so happy to see you today! If you are traveling through the area, we wish you Godspeed on your journey. If you live nearby, we hope you will return and worship with us again. If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to make Trinity Lutheran that home. Please sign the guest register located at the entrance into the Sanctuary so that we can know who you are. Although you have come as a visitor, we hope that we leave worship as friends!

A BIG THANK YOU to all who helped lead worship today!



This Week
at Trinity...

09/17	9:00 am	Worship with communion
09/24	9:00 am	Worship



It is not too late to register your child(ren) for Sunday School. Registration forms are available in the church office. Also, we are still looking for teachers. If you can help, please contact:
Christin Gasner—ministry@tlcsparta.org
Dawn Jacobson—dawnjacobson11@gmail.com
Sunday School starts at 10:00 am each Sunday.



WE NEED SERVERS. The sign up sheet will be in the narthex where coffee is being served. Please pick a date that works with your schedule and sign up to serve. The coffee is provided, all you have to do is make the coffee, provide a treat of your choice, and clean up after coffee hour. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact either the church office at 608-269-5081 or Sarah Tripp at 608-269-0000.

Thank you to Bill & Mary Herrman for serving today.

9/18	12-5 pm	Blood Drive
	6:30 pm	Mary Circle—SR
9/19	12-5 pm	Blood Drive
	5-6 pm	NA Meeting—HR
		Tidings articles due for the October Edition
9/20	10:00 am	Food Pantry
	6:00 pm	Bell Choir—SR
	7:00 pm	Faith Formation—FH
	7:00 pm	Alleluia Choir—Sanctuary
9/21	8:30 am	Quilting—FH
	5:00 pm	Ladles of Love Meal—FH
	5-6 pm	NA Meeting—HR
9/22		Tidings Team to assemble October Tidings
9/23	5-6 pm	NA Meeting—HR
9/24	9:00 am	Worship
	10:00 am	Sunday School
	10:00 am	4G—Youth Room

LOOSE CHANGE OFFERING TODAY

Loose change offering today will benefit the Trinity Lutheran Church **Quilters**. Please donate as you are able.
Thank you!





Dear Prayer Partners,

Please take some time to pray to God over these concerns expressed by your sisters & brothers of Trinity:

Please pray for Connie Moore who is in hospice in Kansas. Connie is first cousin to Karen Edwards.

Please pray for Carl & Jo Brueggeman (parents of Krista Perkins) who are both in the hospital.

Also pray for the family of Mike Dutton. Mike passed away on Tuesday, September 12th.

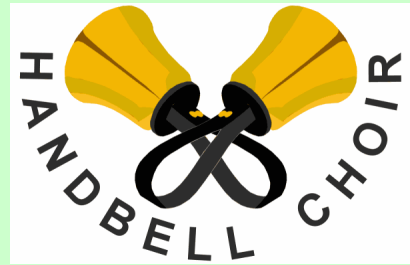
“For the word of the LORD holds true, and we can trust everything he does.” (Psalm 33:4)



FREE—Tables & Metal Chairs

We have 6 tables and 37 metal chairs free for the taking. First come first serve. They are located outside by the lower garage. Help yourself!

If you have any questions or concerns, stop in the church office and talk to Myrt.



Bell Choir is underway practicing
Please consider using your talents in the Bell Choir. If you can count and know your left hand from your right hand you too can play Handbells. We practice on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 to 7:00 pm in the Shalom Room, and play on the second Sunday of the month. You don't need to be at every practice or every time we play. Come have fun with us. See you on Wednesday evenings.



Trinity will be hosting a blood drive
Monday, September 18th and
Tuesday, September 19th
from 12-5 pm

To schedule an appointment, please call Versiti at 877-232-4376 or you can also sign up online at versiti.org/wi

DON'T MISS
THE DEADLINE!

OCTOBER TIDINGS

Do you have anything that you would like included in our October newsletter? If so, the deadline to submit your article/information to Myrt is
Tuesday, September 19th, by noon.

Thank you!



There are still a few slots left if you haven't already attended a cottage meeting. A cottage meeting is a nice informal meeting of individuals or couples, the hosts, and Pastor Josh. The hosts provide coffee and a dessert. This informal setting gives Pastor Josh a chance to visit and get to know church members.

The sign-up sheet is located in the church narthex. The cottage meetings that remain are scheduled on the following dates:

Saturday, September 23rd at 7PM with hosts:
Kelly Funk and Cynthia Lockington
1750 River Road
Sparta

Sunday, Oct 1st at 3PM with hosts:
Steve and Judy Burnett
550 Dewitt Street
Sparta

Saturday, Oct 21st at 2PM with hosts:
Blaine and Stacy Markuson
618 N. Chester Street
Sparta

Monday, Oct 30th at 6:30PM with hosts:
Scott and Connie Jerome
708 Goodman Street
Sparta

Sunday, November 12th at 3PM with hosts:
Larry and Nila Larson
1919 Julie Avenue
Sparta

**PLEASE SIGN UP ON A DATE THAT
WORKS WITH YOUR SCHEDULE**

Sugar Creek Bible Camp Horse Project



Sugar Creek is once again doing the Horse Project for \$20.00 per square.
Your donation helps as follows:

Faith & Life Skills:

Your gift empowers kids at Sugar Creek! For many, horses are a big part of this. Riding on trails, caring for animals, grooming, or simply petting a horse while hiking by—youth build empathy, kindness, courage, discipline & joy...strengths that come home to church. Only \$20 (one block on the horse) gives more kids fun, safe adventures at your camp. It means horse rides and ALL your Bible camp programs are part of your faith in action.

Thank you for giving this rare chance to grow faith & life skills in ways that last a lifetime. Your generosity keeps Bible camp open to all. From our 4-legged teammates, thanks for being a real "NEIGH-bor!" to the horses...and to your kids they love.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFT!

If you would like to donate to this awesome project, the sign up sheet is on the bulletin board directly across from the church office. Please write on the memo portion of your check "Sugar Creek Horse Project." Thank you!



STEWARDSHIP QUESTIONNAIRE

Below is a questionnaire from the Stewardship Committee that they are asking you to fill out and return. There are also copies of this questionnaire in the pews for your ease in filling it out. You can fill it out today and drop it in the offering plate as it passes, or take it with you, think about it, and return it to the church office. The Stewardship Committee would like to thank you in advance for taking the time to fill this out.



Let's Dream

If Trinity had no money worries and all available resources, what ministries or programs would you recommend we begin, restart or strengthen and why?

Ministry/Program

Why?

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

Youth & Family Announcements for the week of September 17, 2023

God is good all the time!

All the time God is good!

You are “fearfully and wonderfully made.” You are a beloved & precious child of God.

You matter! You belong! You are loved!

God created you on purpose for a purpose!

Please talk to Michelle face-to-face; by phone at

269-5081; call/text at 343-0324;

email at: thehyattfive@gmail.com

for additional information

Faith Formation (grades 7-9) September/October Schedule

Wednesday, 9/20	7:00—8:15 p.m.	Sunday, 10/15	Worship at 9:00 a.m. 4G @ 10:00 a.m.
Sunday, 9/24	Worship @ 9:00 a.m. 4G @ 10:00 a.m.	Wednesday, 10/18	7:00—8:15 p.m.
Wednesday, 9/27	7:00—8:15 p.m.	Sunday, 10/22	Worship at 9:00 a.m. 4G @ 10:00 a.m.
Sunday, 10/1	Worship @ 9:00 a.m. 4G @ 10:00 a.m.	Wednesday, 10/25	NO CLASS
Wednesday, 10/4	7:00—8:15 p.m.	Saturday, 10/28	Trunk or Treat, 2:00—5:00 p.m. MS/HS Lock-in, 6:00 p.m.
Sunday, 10/8	Worship @ 9:00 a.m. 4G @ 10:00 a.m. Tailgate lunch/silent auction fundraiser @ 11:00 a.m.	Sunday, 10/29	Worship @ 9:00 a.m. NO 4G
Wednesday, 10/11	7:00—8:15 p.m.		



SAVE THE DATE! Saturday, October 28
Trinity Trunk or Treat

2:00 – 5:00 p.m.

ALL ARE WELCOME to join us for our Trunk or Treat on Saturday, October 28, from 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. There will be sign up sheets for a variety of ways on how you can get involved (decorating your trunk, donating candy, helping with a station, etc.) in this spooktacular event! Following trunk or treat, we are planning a FUN lock-in for our young people grades 6- 12. Stay tuned for more details to come!



We are also in the early stages of offering AAW (All Are Welcome) meals on Wednesday evenings. Our hope is to create teams within our Trinity family that would willing to host a meal. We would then try to get into some type of cycle with the meals (taco boats, pizza, BBQ, hot dogs/Mac & cheese, soup), & then keep them going on a rotating basis. An informational meeting is being planned, & that date will be coming out soon.



Please join us and
help support our
youth

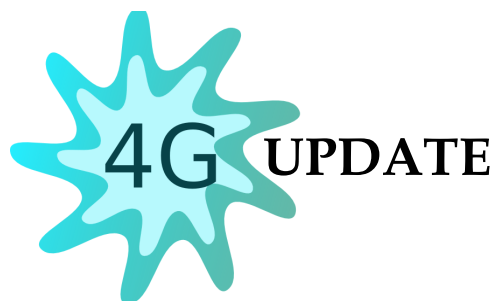


SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, October 8!!

Our 2024 Youth Gathering will kick off their **FUN**draising with a Tailgate Lunch & Silent Auction of themed baskets following 9:00 a.m. worship. There may be a few surprises, too! Please join us to show your support for our incredible young people making the journey to New Orleans next summer with 30,000 of God's beloved & precious children for this heart for Jesus, faith-filled, life changing, once-in-a-lifetime experience!



Volunteers Needed! We are hoping to bring back JAM (grades Pre-K – 5) sometime this fall & incorporate an All Are Welcome meal in conjunction with that. Our time together would be 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. We would start with a meal together, & then have the kids break off for Bible time, outside fun, & worship. Please talk to Michelle if you would like to be a part of this planning team as we get jammin for Jesus!



ALL young people in grades 7 - 12 are invited to come be a part of 4G (God, Girls, & Guys are GR8T) on Sunday mornings. Join us for worship at 9:00 a.m., & stick around for 4G in the Youth Room from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. Join us for breakfast pizza, Bible time, & intent, face-to-face time. Be bold, & invite a friend! Please reach out to Michelle if you have any questions. Can't wait to see your smiling faces on Sundays after worship.
God is good, & you are loved beyond measure!