Trinity Weekly Tidings For October 10, 2021

"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!

Worship Opportunities Sunday

8:15 am in the Courtyard (Please bring a chair if you have one and a mask to wear while singing)

10:30 am Worship
Live-Streamed only
See Trinity's Facebook Group Page or on
Trinity's YouTube Channel
YouTube.com trinity lutheransparta

Sunday School Update

We are still looking for a 5th grade teacher to share weekends. Please prayfully consider helping out with this opportunity at Trinity. Also, it's never too late to enroll your children in Sunday School. click the link: https://rb.gy/5bmfrv. If you have any questions, please email Missy Erickson at melissa.jane.erickson@gmail.com.

Prayer Concerns:

Dear Prayer Partners,

Please pray for Joyce Morrell. Joyce had a stroke on Monday, October 4th and is currently at Gundersen Health System. Also pray for Connie Jerome, Joyce's daughter, during this difficult time. Please pray for healing and strength for Joyce. Also that Joyce and Connie will feel God's peace.

If you have any prayer concerns, please contact Pastor Mark at pastor.tlcsparta@gmail.com or Jonelle Intihar, our prayer group coordinator at jonelle@theintihars.com

First Communion Learning at Trinity Lutheran Church Updated!

Dear Families of Trinity Lutheran Church,

We have not had enough responses to begin a class for first communion this year. But that doesn't mean you don't have the opportunity to learn about communion and the awesomeness of God's love in Jesus!

If you desire for your children to learn about the Lord's Supper, please contact Pastor Mark to arrange for instruction!

First Communion will still take place at worship on October 31st!

To register, you may email: the office at Trinity (<u>office@tlcsparta.org</u>), Pastor Mark (pastor.tlcsparta.org), or call the office (608.269.5081). We will need you to provide: Your child's name; parent's name(s); best phone number; best email address.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me anytime!

In Christ, Pastor Mark Kvale

Afghan Donations Update

Donations are again being accepted.

As the weather cools, coats, hats, and gloves are needed. Please donate new or gently used, freshly laundered adult (women's sizes no larger than medium, men's sizes no larger than medium) and children's coats. Other needed items: Toddler clothes 2T-5T, Boys 12-14, 16-18, Clothing-long sleeve (no V neck) plain, subdued colors, Small toys like match box cars, no large toys, Blankets (quilts).

These may be dropped off at Trinity or delivered to the Sparta Armory. Shoes may also be dropped at church.

Team Rubicon is now partnering with the Salvation Army. We will have more information coming soon.

Monetary donations are always accepted either through Trinity or the national organizations listed below. Any funds designated through Trinity will be forwarded to Lutheran Social Services of WI & Upper MI for resettlement.

Check out the websites for more information.

www.lsswis.org/service/refugee-resstlement/refugee-resettlement Lutheran Social Services

www.lirs.org Lutheran Immigration and relief Services

resettlementsupport@teamrubiconusa.org Team Rubicon

www.redcross.org Red Cross

https://cclse.org Catholic Charities of the Diocese of La Crosse

We praise God for your generosity and continued support of our Afghan Allies

Returning to Trinity:

Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) new case rate shows a running 7-day total of 365.4 new cases per 100K residents in Monroe County on 10/8/21 (Red, Extreme Risk).

As the new case rate is over 350/100k, Trinity will further limit <u>indoor, in-person</u> group activities until the rate decreases. Outdoor activities will continue, but the wearing of masks is required.

The office will remain open normal hours. Short duration indoor meetings of 5 or fewer masked persons are permitted. Please limit these indoor meetings to $\frac{1}{2}$ hour or less.

Observe extra physical distancing indoors of 10 feet during this time of extreme risk.

Committee and Council meetings will be by Zoom.

Masks are required for outdoor gatherings

The kitchen is closed.

We will continue to use the current protocols of sanitizing common contact surfaces in line with CDC guidance.

Our Layered Covid-19 mitigation practices of "Wash your hands", and "Please stay home if you are feeling ill" and "Wear your mask out of care for others" remain in place. Please practice physical distancing of 10 feet at indoor and 6 feet for outdoor gatherings. You can review current covid documents at tlcsparta.wixsite.com/trinity.

Trinity will continue to monitor the Covid 19 risk status daily. Our risk (activity) status will be adjusted as needed in response to our continually changing situation.

We pray for all as we await the easing of the Covid-19 risk rate and the return to more normal times.

If you have questions, please contact: Jim Moorhead, 608-633-3658, Pastor Mark Kvale at 608-487-2030, or Les Stanley at 608-269-6232.

Les Stanley, President Jim Moorhead, Return Committee Chairperson

Sesquicentennial Celebration

Hey Trinity! Are you ready for a celebration? There will be one and the celebration will be in the year 2024 in recognition of the 150th anniversary of the organization of the Norwegian Evangelical Lutheran Church. The name of the church was changed by an 18-6 vote on February 5, 1940 to the current name, Trinity Lutheran Church.

The Church Council, at the September 14, meeting voted to organize a steering committee to begin planning for the Sesquicentennial Celebration.

The steering committee will brainstorm ideas about what should be included in the celebration and form committees to help carry out the ideas.

The council is seeking people interested in being on the steering committee and helping to lay the ground work for the celebration. After initial plans the steering committee will be seeking members to be on specific committees to complete the plans.

You do not need to be on the steering committee to offer suggestions about what could be included in the celebration.

If you are interested in being on the steering committee, please leave your name with Myrt in the office.

<u>DVD & Portable Players Available for Worship</u>—If you do not have internet and would like a DVD of the worship service, please contact the church office and talk to Myrt—269-5081. We will provide you with the DVD as well as a portable player to use.

An evening with Peder Eide-Contemporary Christian Music

Saturday, October 23, 2021 @ 7:00 pm
Royall Elementary School, Elroy WI
This is a free concert presented by members of Grace Lutheran
Donations for local food pantries would be appreciated
ALL ARE WELCOME!!
Watch Peder Eide on YouTube

Youth & Family Announcements for the week of October 10, 2021

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; e-mail at: thehyattfive@gmail.com for additional information.



Grades 9 - 12 at Sparta High are invited to FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes) every Friday morning at 7:20 in Mr. Buck Engel's room. Join us for breakfast & digging into God's Word. If you have any questions, please reach out to Nadia at 387-1435.

4-G this Sunday

4G (grades 7 - 12) will meet this Sunday morning, 10/10, in the courtyard. Join us for face-to-face, Bible time, breakfast pizza, & friends! We are going to meet outside and please bring a chair.



ALL youth retreats at Sugar Creek Bible Camp have been cancelled due to COVID concerns with the delta variant. If you have any questions, please reach out to Michelle.



Grades 8-12 are invited to be a part of our 2022 ELCA Youth Gathering. To guarantee a spot for you, please turn in your \$150.00 **non-refundable** deposit to Michelle by Friday, October 22. Please reach out to her with any questions.



SAVE THE DATE!! Our Youth Gathering team is hosting a Chicken Q & Bake Sale fundraiser on Sunday, October 31, from 11:00 until gone! We will be partnering once again with our Lions Club to offer their famous charcoal chicken. Dinners will be \$10 & will include beans, chips, & a roll. It will be held in the Lions Shelter at Memorial Park, & you can pick it up by drive through, walk up for a carryout, or enjoy your dinner right at the park. The Bake Sale will be held across the road in the shelter. ALL proceeds will go towards helping our young people get to the 2022 Minneapolis Youth Gathering next July. Spread the word to your family, neighbors, & friends. Please come out to show your support!



Faith in Action Volunteers of Monroe County is seeking an individual to serve as Director (Part Time).

"The mission of Faith in Action Volunteers is to help the elderly and disabled residents of Monroe County remain in their homes as long as safely possible."

The Part Time (25 hours per week w/ 50 hours personal leave per year) Director requires but is not limited to experience in the following skill sets:

- · Organization and Management
- · Written and Verbal Communications
- · Grant writing
- · Fundraising and Marketing
- · Knowledge of Office automation software
 - Microsoft Office Suite
 - QuickBooks

The Director will work in concert with the Board of Directors to meet the goals and operations of the organization.

Faith in Action of Monroe County will follow local and national COVID-19 precautions/guidelines <u>Applications</u> (to be submitted no later than October 18) <u>may be submitted on line using **indeed** at:</u>

Faith in Action Director Application

OR: A Cover Letter, Resume', with a minimum of 2 references may be directed by Email to Monroe County Faith in Action Volunteers at:

faithinaction0939@gmail.com