



Trinity Messenger

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom He is pleased!" (Luke 2:14)



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From the Pastors and Principal



Vision Through Faith Dedication of the Trinity Lutheran Ministry Center

"Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see" (Hebrews 11:1).

Dear Brothers and Sisters of our Lord Jesus Christ,



Vision Through Faith

On Sunday August 26th at 9:30 am we will officially dedicate the Trinity Lutheran Ministry Center for use by our congregation and school. What a great day in the history of Trinity! Since the Lord has taught us in His holy Word that all things are holy when sanctified by the Word of God and prayer, it is fitting that we bless and sanctify the Trinity Lutheran Ministry Center

(TLMC) that it may be a place where all may grow in the knowledge and wisdom of the only true and saving God.

The upper floor of the TLMC will be used by the 4k and 5k classes of Trinity Lutheran School beginning on the first day of school, September 4th. In addition, the Board of Christian Day School will be conducting a feasibility study that will be looking at starting an Early Childhood Program (Pre-school and Daycare) for the 2008-2009 school year, which, if feasible, will also be located on the upper floor of the TLMC. As of the dedication date, the lower level of the TLMC will be used for the Sunday morning High School Youth Bible Study, the Wednesday morning Adult Bible Study, the Thursday morning Women's Bible Study, the Friday morning Men's Bible Study, Stephen Ministry, Rangerettes, Cub Scouts, the Youth Group, and Church Council meetings.



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Divine Services:

Sunday at 8:00 & 10:45 am
Monday at 6:00 pm
Family Education Hour 9:30 am

Bible Classes
(throughout the week)

Trinity Lutheran School
4-K thru 8th grade

From the Pastors, Principal, cont'



After the dedication of the TLMC, the faculty and staff of Trinity will be on hand for an Open House. Refreshments will be served! Our faculty and staff will be placed for the 2007-2008 school year at both the 8 am and 10:45 am services the same day and our two new teachers, Chelsea Durk and Anne Wickboldt, will also be installed as teachers at Trinity. As a way of welcoming Ms. Durk and Ms. Wickboldt to Trinity, a Pantry Shower is being planned and items will be received at the TLMC. You are invited to bring a grocery item and, if you choose, to attach a recipe making use of that item. If you would prefer to give a cash gift for "move in" expenses, you may send your check, payable to "Trinity Lutheran Church," to the church office marked "Durk/Wickboldt Welcome."



Chelsea Durk



Anne Wickboldt

We hope you will join us on this historic day at Trinity as the doors of the Trinity Lutheran Ministry Center are officially opened in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

In Christ,

Rev. Timothy J. Mech
Senior Pastor

Rev. John M. Berg
Associate Pastor

Mr. Greg Becker
Principal



Important School Dates:

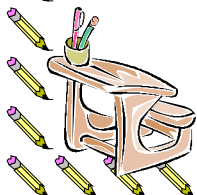
August 20th – Teachers Return

August 28th – New Family Welcome

September 4th – First Day of School

8:15 am – Back to School Welcome in the Fellowship Hall

9:00 am – Opening Chapel Service



Kelsie Constable Benefit at



Miesfeld's on August 25

On Saturday August 25th there will be a benefit Brat Fry for Kelsie Constable at Miesfeld's Triangle Market, Inc. (4811 Venture Drive). Kelsie Constable has been in our prayers at Trinity since she was diagnosed with Acute Lymphocytic Leukemia, or ALL, just over a year ago. Kelsie's brother and sister, Jasheua and Alexa, attended Trinity Lutheran School this past year. Acute Lymphocytic Leukemia is the most common form of leukemia in children and almost 90% survive. However, infant ALL is extremely rare and only 50% of babies survive.

Kelsie's parents, Paul and Katrina write, "In the beginning we were not given much hope when talking to the doctors after they looked at her blood cell counts. Kelsie surprised them, though, when she responded quickly to the chemotherapy treatments and the leukemic blasts in her blood began to disappear. In the Pediatric ICU, Kelsie continually amazed everyone with her fighting spirit. A smooth 48 weeks of treatment would have ended on May 31st. Right now we are looking at September 14th as her last treatment. Upon completion of her protocol, Kelsie will continue to be monitored monthly at first and then eventually only twice a year. Five years is how long it will take for the doctors to declare that she is in complete remission.



Throughout Kelsie's treatment, we have chosen to focus on the positive and not the negative. There have been so many hard things that we have had to face, but God's Word has been our source of strength. One passage of scripture that has become so real to us is Philippians 4:6-8: 'Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable – if anything is excellent or praiseworthy – think about such things.'

As you can imagine, the treatments for Kelsie have been costly and not all has been covered by their insurance. Let's show our support for Kelsie and the Constable family by attending this Brat Fry at Miesfeld's Triangle Market on Saturday August 25th. The brat fry will begin at 10 am and end at 4 pm.
















Kelsie Constable Benefit at



Miesfeld's on August 25





10 am - 4 pm
















Music Notes



Mixed Choir begins its 145th consecutive choir season on Thursday, September 6 at 7:30 p.m. Please note the change in time from previous years. If you have heard a good singer sitting in the pew behind you on Sunday morning, please let Brian Heinlein know so he can invite them to join the choir. You may remain anonymous if you choose to do so.

This year the Handbell Choir will meet on Thursday nights starting September 6 at 6:30 p.m. If you have heard a not-so-good singer sitting in the pew behind you on Sunday morning, but you think they may have good hand-eye coordination, please let Brian Heinlein know so he can invite them to join handbells. You may remain anonymous if you choose to do so.

The children of Trinity Lutheran School will be assigned the following choir designations for the upcoming school year:

Cherub Choir – Grades 1 & 2

Joy Choir – Grades 3, 4, & 5

Trinity Singers – Grades 6, 7 & 8.

Previous Quiz Question: This hymn was reportedly written in about fifteen minutes by a thirty-one-year-old pastor and schoolteacher. He wanted to write a

marching song for his schoolchildren in Horbury. On the festival day of Whitmonday (the day after Pentecost), his youngsters were to walk to a neighboring town to join other children for the celebration. Later, he apologized for the hymn, saying, "It was written in great haste, and I am afraid that some of the rhymes are faulty." What hymn is this? The answer is "Onward, Christian Soldiers" LSB 662.

New Quiz Question: This hymn is an example of a troped Kyrie. The original Latin text "Kyrie Eleison, Christe Eleison, Kyrie Eleison" (which means Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy) has textual and melodic additions between the original liturgical chant. Troping was a common practice from about the 9th to the 13th centuries. Tropes were ultimately banished by the Council of Trent, but a few have survived and are present in our hymnal today. What hymn is this? The answer will be in next month's newsletter.



Trinity History



Much of the story of Trinity is contained in the minutes of the Voters' meetings of our congregation. The contents of these minutes are very interesting and offer an opportunity to learn of the colorful past of our beloved Trinity Church.



July 13, 1960 - Christmas Eve Midnight service to be dropped and three Christmas Day services to be held: English at 7:30 and 10:15 am and German at 8:45 am.

Effective September 1, communion schedule to be as follows:

- 1st Sunday - 7:30 am English
- 2nd Sunday - 8:45 am German
- 3rd Sunday - 10:45 am English
- 4th Sunday - 10:45 am English
- 5th Sunday - open

President of the congregation to appoint a Long Range Planning Committee to make suggestions for improvements of the church property.

Candidate Thomas Kraus, Trinity graduate and member, will be ordained in our church on Sunday, August 14th at 4:00 pm.

September 7, 1960 - Effective January 1, 1961 there will be one collection for each service with either envelope or cash contributions.

A special Jubilee service for Rev. Karl Schulz's 40th anniversary of ordination to be held Sunday, November 6th at 3 pm. and a banquet at 6 pm.

Our organ to be dedicated on Sunday, October 2nd in the 10:15 am service.

Giving Plus 2007



THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE RECENTLY GIVEN TO THRIVENT'S GIVINGPLUS PROGRAM!

\$14,930 in matching funds from Thrivent Financial was received in June and July of 2007.

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| Greg Boehlke | Shannon Buck | Del Carriveau |
| Kym Davis | Brenda Dillman | Mike Dillman |
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| Russ Sholten | Sue Slimmer | Carol Spelshaus |
| Joyce Stauss | Cathy Timm | |



Confirmation Secret Prayer Pal



We are beginning a Confirmation Secret Prayer Pal Program this September for the 2007-2008 Confirmands. This program is designed to provide spiritual and emotional support for our 8th grade Confirmands. This will be done through prayer, notes, and other small reminders. They will be aware that they are being thought of by a member of the congregation as they learn what it means to be a member of the body of Christ and the Lutheran Church. We are looking for a sponsor (s) for each of the 8th graders.



Your prayer pal (Confirmand) should be contacted at lest once a month. This may be done through a card, note or small gift.

This program begins at the end of September and goes through May. If you have any questions, please contact Stephanie Jablonski (467-1540).

News & Notes



NEEDS FOR CHRISTIAN CARE



Everyday you see people who are hurting: those who have lost a job, lost a loved one, gone through a divorce, or are battling a terminal illness. Stephen Caregivers are God's representatives who bring his love to those who are hurting. God is waiting to make a difference in their lives through you! If you want to find out more about how you can be involved in this one-to-one confidential caregiving ministry, contact Roger Buck, Dennis or Marlene Fors, or Lois Heronemus today. A new training class for Stephen Caregivers is starting in September. Consider this ministry opportunity!

Stephen Ministry Peer Support meets August 6 and September 10 and 24. The new class for caregiver training will begin September 10 as well. All these meetings will be in the Ministry Center.

Shannon Buck returns to Viet Nam: Shannon Buck left the US to return to Viet Nam on July 30. She will participate in an English as a Second Language (ESL) training class in Hanoi in August before resuming her teaching schedule in September. Please keep Shannon in your prayers. She will return to the US in May, 2008.

Saturday Senior Service: The first Saturday Service for Seniors will be held on September 22 at 10 am at Trinity. There will be a time for fellowship and torts after the service. Call Roger Buck at church (458-8246) to arrange for transportation.

LC-MS Board Elections: Two Trinity men were elected to serve on synodical boards for the next six years. Attorney K. Allan Voss was re-elected to serve on the LC-MS Board for District and Congregational Services and Roger Buck was elected for the first time to serve on the LC-MS Board for Mission Services.

Library



The dog days of summer are here! Get a book from our library and read about creation while soaking in the last rays of the summer sun. Check out the bulletin board in the church lounge for suggestions.

Do your kids like dinosaurs? The children's section has lots of books about T. Rex, allosaurus, stegosaurus and the terrifying velociraptor.

Don't forget to check your beach bags for overdue books!



Thank You



“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow.”

Dear members of Trinity,

It has been a privilege and honor for me, over the past three years, to serve as your congregational president. What a blessing to see God's family gathered together on a weekly basis to hear His Word and to worship Him in His house. What a blessing to visit personally with many of you and see, whether life-long or new members, how Christ's love unites us here at Trinity. What a blessing to be surrounded by many of you, who have unselfishly devoted your time and talent to the work of the Lord by serving on the church council, boards, call committees and volunteering in all areas of the church. Your dedication and the manner in which you carry out your responsibilities is certainly God-pleasing. Thank you to all!

I have often wondered what Pastor Otto Einfeldt (Trinity's first ordained pastor) and the 16 original charter members would have thought, on May 26, 1853, at the organization of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church and School, if they could have seen then, their beloved Trinity, as it is today, 154 years later. Perhaps some of their first responses would be, “What, no German service; everyone is sitting together on both sides of the aisle and women have shorter dresses and are not wearing hats and gloves.” Upon closer inspection, however, they would be amazed to see a church with a God-fearing staff of twenty-eight; two dedicated pastors who carry on the tradition of preaching God's Word in its truth and purity; an outreach director, a principal, teachers and a school where young lives are being transformed daily, a music director, secretaries; all the choirs and instrumentalists, many organizations, Stephen Ministry Caregivers, ushers, an altar guild, a Trinity Ministry Center, plus hundreds of member volunteers and a budget of over a million dollars. Wow!

“Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.”

In 1869, when Trinity Church had been destroyed by fire and the cornerstone for our present church was laid, I'm sure the members of this small congregation said, as they stood on the corner of Wisconsin Avenue and looked up at the cross atop the steeple, “I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord.” (Ps. 122:1). Today, we look up and add, “This is our holy and beautiful house, where our fathers praised Thee.” (Is. 64:11). What men and women

of faith! What beautiful examples for us! We rejoice in the rich heritage God has given us. From the pulpit of this church the glorious Gospel, that brings the light of Christ's love and forgiveness to the darkest corners of our lives, has been proclaimed. For all these years, this precious Word has gone out to the workplaces and marketplaces in Sheboygan, the surrounding areas and well beyond the shores of Lake Michigan and has not returned void.

“Give thanks to the God of heaven, for His steadfast love endures forever”. Ps. 136:1

As members of Trinity Lutheran Church, at this time and in this place, we move forward, with thankful hearts, sharing the Hope that is within us and preparing the church for future generations. Pastor Mech encourages us, “May we always be men and women of God, who stand firm in the Word, trusting His promises and being equipped to bring acts of kindness to a fallen world;” as we “call upon the Name of the Lord and serve Him shoulder to shoulder” (Zephaniah 3:9).

May our Risen Savior, enfold, uphold, protect and guide each of us as, together, we walk the road to heaven.

Larry Thompson

To God be the Glory!

Senior Breakfast



SENIOR BREAKFAST is Monday August 20th, 8:30 am at Fountain Park Family Restaurant. This month's program will be presented by our youth who attended Servant Events this summer in Red Lake and Cloquet.

SENIOR CRUISE: Trinity Seniors is offering an outing on the Shoreline Cruise boat docked at South Pier in the Sheboygan River. The 1½ (approximate) cruise will leave at 8:30 am on Tuesday, August 14th. The cost is \$15 per person, which includes a variety of breakfast baked goods and beverages. Reservations are due by Friday noon, August 12th. Please make checks payable to “Trinity Lutheran Church” marked “boat trip” and drop off at the church office. For more information, contact Bill Jens (457-4697).



Official Acts



2007-2008 Trinity Faculty & Staff

Rev. Timothy J. Mech, Senior Pastor
Rev. John M. Berg, Associate Pastor
Greg Becker, Principal, Teacher Grade 5
Roger Buck, Director of Human Care & Outreach
Brian Heinlein, Director of Music, Technology
Ken Howard, Teacher Grade Eight
Melissa Hauch, Teacher Grade Seven
Terry Stenklyft, Teacher Grade Six/A.D.
Chelsea Durk, Teacher Grade Five
Anne Wickboldt, Teacher Grade Four
Karen Howard, Teacher Grade Three
Carla Becker, Teacher Grade Two
Ruth Hering, Teacher Grade One
Lisa Menzer, Teacher Grade One
Jeanette Foster, Teacher Kindergarten
Kathy Kirst, Teacher 4K, Resource Teacher
Christel Miske, German Teacher
Marilyn LeClair, Education Assistant
Chris Melcher, Church Office Manager
Colleen Rindt, School Secretary
Billy Free, Part-time Custodian
Sue Leibham, Hot Lunch Coordinator
Mary Niesing, Before & After School Care

2007-2008 Trinity Church Council

Jeff Kelm, President
Joe Hoem, Vice President
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Jon Dolson, Stewardship
Laura Herrmann, Youth
Barb Dodge, At Large
Andy Rindt, At Large

TRANSFER IN:

Vicki Wojtowicz Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Sheboygan
Delbert & Linda Haas Pilgrim Lutheran Church, West Bend WI
Charles & Mary Hess Pilgrim Lutheran Church, Wauwatosa WI
Joe & Kristi Hasenstein St. Paul Lutheran, Sheboygan WI

PROFESSION OF FAITH:

Marianna Hartmann
Craig Ruegg

ADULT CONFIRMATION:

Randy Nitsch
Colleen Laetsch
A. J. Sabrowsky

TRANSFER OUT:

Tiffany Leonhard
Max & Ben St. John Lutheran Church, Plymouth WI

RELEASE:

Nicole Resch St. Paul Lutheran Church (ELCA) Manitowoc, WI

BAPTISMS:

Jack Michael Hasenstein, son of Joe & Kristi (Weirzbach) Hasenstein
Kaycie Jade Mervyn, daughter of Nicholas & Dawn (Dobilas) Mervyn
Roman Casey-Jonathon Schulz, son of Casey & Melissa (Bartoszewicz) Schultz

FUNERALS:

Sharry Quasius died on May 25 and a funeral was held May 30, 2007
Sophia Dekanich died June 21 and a funeral was held June 25, 2007
Deloris Scharrer died June 23 and a funeral was held June 26, 2007
La Verne Taubenheim died July 14 and a funeral was held July 18, 2007

YTD (June 30, 2007) RECEIPTS: \$595,392
YTD (June 30, 2007) EXPENDITURES: \$616,754
Deficit (June 30, 2007): \$21,362

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
is also a member of:

**THE SHEBOYGAN AREA LUTHERAN
HIGH SCHOOL
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Lutheran High School
3323 University Dr.
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MISSION STATEMENT:

The mission of Trinity Lutheran Church is to glorify God and share Jesus' love through Word and Sacrament to strengthen believers and to reach unbelievers.

This newsletter is also available online at:
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August 2007



Return Service Requested

6th Annual Trinity Lutheran Church and School Golf Outing



Town and Country Golf Course
September 15, 2007

Shot-gun Start @ 8:00 am
Playing Format:
Four-player shotgun start scramble

Sign-up Deadline:
Friday, September 7th, 2007

Come enjoy fun and fellowship
while benefiting
Trinity Lutheran Church & School



Watch upcoming bulletins and the newsletter for
signup information!

Trinity Lutheran Ministry Center Dedication

Sunday, August 26, 2007
9:30 am



Vision Through Faith

Installation and Welcome of Chelsea Durk & Anne Wickboldt

Sunday August 26
8 am & 10:45 am

WELCOME 

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