

April 29-30, 2023
TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
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WELCOME TO TRINITY! We are very happy that you are here to worship with us today. Trinity Lutheran Church and Nursery School believes that we are called to be "ALWAYS GROWING IN CHRIST" and we want to do everything possible to help you grow. We pray that the Gospel you hear today will take root in your life and do just that, grow.

The Lord's Table: We believe that the Lord's Supper, Holy Communion, is the real body and blood of Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. If you believe likewise, please join us at the altar when it is time to celebrate this holy meal. Even if you do not believe as we do, we still welcome all adults and children to come forward at Holy Communion to receive a blessing from Pastor. Just decline the wafer at Holy Communion and Pastor will give you a blessing. Please note, the center ring of the tray of individual cups is non-alcoholic wine.

FROM PASTOR Many worshippers like to take a few minutes to pray before worship, but sometimes Trinity can be a very loud place. Please keep your visiting to a minimum in the sanctuary or the chapel and save it for fellowship time after worship. In an effort to remind us of this, the ushers will be closing the doors of the sanctuary/chapel 5 minutes prior to worship and reminding people in the narthex to keep their voices low so that those who wish to pray are uninterrupted. On the inside front cover of the hymnal are some excellent prayers if you would like a starter.

Budget Offerings

Rec'd last week: \$7030.00 **March** E-Offering: \$4329.20 Avg weekly deficit: \$500.00
We need \$5 more per week, per household, to meet our budget goals for 2023.

Attendance Saturday 13, communed 13; Sunday 96 communed 84

ALTAR FLOWERS – In honor of Ella Anne Thompson on her baptism
In honor of Darren Taylor on his birthday from Erin Taylor

BAPTISM BLESSINGS Blessings on the baptism of Ella Anne Thompson, daughter of Matthew & Lisa Thompson. Her sponsors are Andrew Thompson & Jenny Murray.

NEXT WEEKEND we celebrate The Fifth Sunday of Easter. The sermon is titled "Road Trip to Heaven," with the hymn of the day "You Are the Way; through You Alone" (LSB 526). The scripture lessons for worship are:

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| First Reading | Acts 6:1-9; 7:2a, 51-60 | <i>The Stoning of Stephen</i> |
| Epistle | 1 Peter 2:2-10A | <i>Living Stone and a Holy People</i> |
| Gospel (sermon text) | John 14:1-14 | <i>I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life</i> |

ENTRANCE HYMN is "Christ, the Word of God Incarnate" (LSB 540) by Stephen Mueller (b. 1964). The fourth stanza is especially appropriate for this weekend: "Christ, our good and faithful shepherd, watching all Your lambs and sheep; Christ, the gate that guards the sheepfold, never-failing vigil keep. When we stray, Good Shepherd, seek us, find us, lift us, bear us home; Lamb of God, our shepherd, keep us; let us hear Your voice alone."

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS– Please check your mailboxes for your quarterly contribution statements.

DORCAS GUILD IS ALL "ABUZZ" again as Keith Golz will be joining us on Tuesday, May 2, at 7:00pm in the Trinity Center to share his experience as a beekeeper. Everyone is invited!

SAVE THE DATE: This year's golf outing will be **August 5th**. We need sponsors! Please grab a copy of Pastor's letter & the sign up sheets in the Narthex. Also, if your company matches donations, consider making a donation & asking them to match. Golf Outing & dinner is \$55. Dinner only is \$15. Direct any questions to Margaret. Thanks!

SPONSOR-A-BILL: This quarter's bill to sponsor is Music Maintenance (approx. \$200/mo). These funds will cover the costs associated with piano & organ tuning. As you can, please consider sponsoring one of these bills above & beyond your normal giving. Sponsor-a-Bill contributions help keep our budget on track & reduce the need for end-of-year pleas to meet the budget.

WE ARE SEEKING A NEW DIRECTOR FOR THE BOARD OF HUMAN CARE. If you enjoy helping others please consider joining our board. We meet once a month to share our thoughts on keeping in touch with the Homebound, acknowledging birthdays, reaching out to those in need, and so much more. If interested, please contact Donna Heuser @ heuser.donna@gmail.com or 630-913-6631.

TO STAY ON TRACK FOR 2023, we will need each household to donate \$5 more than their usual budgeted giving.

LUTHERAN SPECIAL EDUCATION MINISTRIES is looking for a part-time resource room teacher at Zion Concord Lutheran School in Bensenville IL. Applicants must hold a current Illinois Teaching License and have a special education certification/endorsement. Interested applicants looking for more information or wishing to submit a resume are asked to contact Richard Schumacher at (734) 748-5253 or email him at rschumacher@luthsped.org.

HOMEBOUND

Lutheran Home: Elizabeth Stearns

Beacon Hill: LaVera Levin

Lexington Elmhurst: Eileen Reese

The Bickford, Aurora: Grace Finke

Aperion, W. Chicago: Deborah Bychowski

Brighton Gardens, Whtn: Bill Rothenburger

AT HOME: Pastor & Carol Drews, Ron & Betty Edwards, Georgianna Ryl, Edith Schneider, Marcy Seils, Keith & Carol Speers Strength and patience for all the caregivers.

IN NEED OF HEALING: Art Biladeau, Karen Baker, Greg Bukowski, Lee Ann & Steve Castillo (cousins of Carol Edwards), Bob Dean (friend of Karen Baker) Linda Gibboney (daughter of LaVera Levin), Mark Grimh (nephew of the Bennins), Cheryl Ilcken, Mike McIntyre (cousin of Danya), Sue Kohs (cousin of Bert & Bonnie Dale), Lisa Miller (daughter of Judy Sheridan), Rick Miller (son-in-law of Judy Sheridan), Tracy Schumpp (niece of Donna Williams), Victoria Vansickle (daughter of Greg & Sue Bukowski). We pray for peace between Russia and Ukraine.

BLESSINGS ON THE BIRTH of Lily Rae Stahlke, born April 21st to Sarah Stahlke & Zack Leija.

FOR THE CHURCH:

Seminarian: Jackson Scofield Bishops: Matthew Harrison and Jamison Hardy

Missionaries to the Dominican Republic—Rev. Dr. Jonathon and Deaconess Cheryl Naumann

Jay and Julie Dass, Lutheran Confessional Church of Pakistan

Morren Chelsi Lempas (Youth sponsored child from Indonesia) Asian Indian Ministry

SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES: Commander in Chief – President Joseph Biden

Adam Biladeau, Matt Boudro, Peter Halpin (son of Dan & Rhonda Halpin), Will Hinckley (grandson of Ed Gustovich), Cameron Littleton (Traci Dale Maher's brother-in-law),

Matt & Mary Macella (grandchildren of Arlene Johnson), David & Alexander Nordman (grandsons of Ron Nordman), Josh Preisel (grandson of Alice Bezik),

Ella Sperry (granddaughter of Cliff & Olinda Sperry), Paul Stahlke, Quentin Stubbs.

BIRTHDAYS 30- Kate Ilcken

MAY 1- Judy Sheridan **2-** Chandler Barry, Charles Ophardt **3-** Darren Taylor

4- Wade Golz, Al Hotwagner, Joann Ophardt **5-** Brianna Stubbs, Celina Wiegel

6- Kathleen Evensen, Giana Johnson, Martin Tyree

ANNIVERSARIES: 30- Jillian & Del Richardson

MAY 3- Keith & Deborah Williford

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF April 30th:

Sunday: **Worship 8:00 AM** (FaceBook Live) & **10:30 AM**

Monday: 1:00-Al Anon 7:00 Mens Bible Study

Tuesday: 6:00 Bible Study 7:00 Dorcas 8:00 AA

Wednesday: 10:00 Bible Study 6:00-Big House 6:30-Growing in Prayer
7:00 BCE Mtg

Thursday: 7:00-The Others

Friday:

Saturday: **Worship 4:30 PM** 11:00 Stegemeir Memorial

THOSE WHO SERVE April 30th:

Keyboard / Organ: **4:30pm** – Kurt Linstead **8am & 10:30am** Mary Stahlke

Vocalist: **8:00** Jim Bruschuk **10:30** Jonathan Stahlke

Lay Assistants: **8:00** Henry Meier **10:30** Greg Billing & Carlo Airdo

Acolytes: **8:00** Hank Pavlovsky **10:30** Caleb Ilcken / Garret May

Ushers: **4:30** Bert Dale

8:00 Jon Alvarez, Steve Boudro, Joe Peacock

10:30 Ron Boettger, Bob Rundgren, & Chris Gore

Greeters: **8:00** Olinda Sperry **10:30** Nancy Rex

Altar Guild Olinda Sperry, Donna Williams, Judy Buehre

THOSE WHO SERVE May 7th:

Keyboard / Organ: **4:30pm** – Kurt Linstead **8am & 10:30am** Mary Stahlke

Vocalist: **8:00** Jim Bruschuk **10:30** Christy Crandell

Lay Assistants: **8:00** Darren Taylor & Donna Stubbs

10:30 Rich Kumnick & Kate Ilcken

Acolytes: **8:00** Aliyah Brockie **10:30** Caroline Marchewka/LoreLai May

Ushers: **4:30** Rich Kumnick

8:00 Bert Dale, Derek Bruschuk, Josh & Erin Bruschuk, Neal Rogers

10:30- Dave Heuser, Harley DeJong, Keith Wojtas

Greeters: **8:00** Bonnie Dale **10:30** Donna Heuser

Altar Guild Carol Boettger & Jenny Swensen

THOSE WHO SERVE May 14th:

Keyboard / Organ: 4:30pm – Kurt Linstead 8am & 10:30am Mary Stahlke
Ensemble: 10:30 Sunday School
Vocalists: 10:30 Brianna Billing, Christy Crandell, Caleb Ilcken, Kate Ilcken
Instrumentalist: 10:30 Caleb Ilcken, trumpet
Lay Assistants: 8:00 Henry Meier 10:30 John Dorn
Acolytes: 8:00 Jacob Bruschuk & Cruz Collins 10:30 David Sullivan
Ushers: 4:30 Craig Musa
8:00 Scott Golz, Dante Apuzzo, Dino Apuzzo, Neal Rodenbostel
10:30- Gary Buehre, Rich Kumnick, Barbara Wolski
Greeters: 8:00 Celeste Golz 10:30 Carol Edwards
Altar Guild Carol Boettger & Jenny Swensen

THOSE WHO SERVE May 18th The Ascension of Our Lord – 7:00 PM

Organ: Mary Stahlke
Ushers: Dave Heuser, Harley DeJong, Keith Wojtas
Acolytes: Jacob Bruschuk & Cruz Collins
Altar Guild Carol Boettger & Jenny Swensen

THOSE WHO SERVE May 21st :

Keyboard / Organ: 4:30pm – Kurt Linstead 8am & 10:30am Mary Stahlke
Vocalist: 10:30 Jonathan Stahlke
Lay Assistants: 8:00 Henry Meier 10:30 Jodie Esposito & Gloria Marchewka
Acolytes: 8:00 Hank Pavlovsky 10:30 Caleb Ilcken / Garret May
Ushers: 4:30 Bert Dale
8:00 Jon Alvarez, Steve Boudro, Joe Peacock
10:30 Ron Boettger, Bob Rundgren, & Chris Gore
Greeters: 8:00 Cliff & Olinda Sperry 10:30 Marilyn Bloechle