July 22-23, 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: \$5607.00 **June** E-Offering: \$5324.82 Avg weekly deficit: \$500.00 We need \$5 more per week, per household, to meet our budget goals for 2023.

Attendance Saturday 16, communed 16; Sunday 72 communed 64

ALTAR FLOWERS - In thankfulness and praise from Kirk Golz

NEXT WEEKEND we celebrate The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost. The sermon is titled "You Are a Treasure or at Least a Good Fish," and the hymn of the day is "Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness" (LSB 636). The scripture lessons for worship are:

Introit Psalm 105:2–6; antiphon: v. 1 Tell of All His Wondrous Works

Old Testament Isaiah 44:6–8 Israel, the Lord's Chosen Epistle Romans 8:28–39 God's Everlasting Love

Gospel (sermon text) Matthew 13:44-52 Parables

USHER HELP SATURDAY NIGHTS We are in need of someone to help usher On Saturday afternoons on a fill-in basis. If you are interested, call Bert Dale at 630-484-3495 for more information.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN is "There is a Balm in Gilead" (LSB 749), an African-American spiritual. In the Old Testament, Gilead was a mountainous region east of the Jordan River known for its skillful physicians. In treating patients, they employed a balm made from tree resin, which was also used as a body ointment and perfume. The Balm of Gilead is also interpreted spiritually as medicine to heal Israel (Old Testament). In the New Testament, Jesus himself is our Balm of Gilead to forgive sins and relieve suffering.

WELCOME TO LATASHA GREENE, our new Trinity, Christian Nursery School, Director! She is busy setting up our preschool for opening this September 2023! Registration is being taken for all three and four year olds.

ALTAR FLOWERS – Altar flowers are needed beginning **August 27**th. Please clearly mark your envelope "Altar Flowers" with your donation of \$30.00.

A PLACE TO REST YOUR SOUL Chassy Datoli is holding a group for moms, "A Place to Rest Your Soul", a time for mothers (of children of all ages) to come together to connect about the joys and struggles of parenthood. The group meets every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month from 7-8PM in the Trinity Center. No children please. Questions can be directed to Chassy at 630-386-0326.

CLAMSHELL CONTAINERS – There is a box in the Narthex to collect clamshell containers from blueberries and strawberries which will be donated to Carol Stream Community Gardens to transport produce to the food pantry.

GOLF OUTING will be on <u>Sept. 23rd</u>. Please sign up for golf and/or dinner today! HELP: We need golfers, diners, volunteers to assist at the event, as well as sponsorships. This year we will be supporting (1) Adult Christian Care in Elmhurst, (2) Trinity Lutheran Preschool in Villa Park, & (3) various local needs in the community. Please take a copy of Pastor's letter in the Narthex to your favorite local business and ask for their support for this wonderful event. Direct any questions to Margaret.

TCNS REGISTRATION Please pass the word to all your friends and neighbors to register now! Call 630-833-1080, or contact the registrar at registrar tcns@gmail.com. More information on the TCNS Facebook page.

T-SHIRTS & POLOS FOR SALE: Get your Trinity gear in the Narthex! \$24 for t-shirts, \$30 for polos. Green and Gray colors available.

ADOPT-A-BILL: The focus for Adopt-A-Bill for the 3rd Quarter is Debt Reduction. LCEF increased the rate on our loan to 4.5% in July. The outstanding loan balance is \$141,136.68. We would like to reduce the principle on our loan. Your support for the second quarter 2023 raised \$830 for music maintenance.

HOMEBOUND

Lutheran Home: Elizabeth Stearns

Beacon Hill: John & Connie Graham, LaVera Levin, Lowell & Judy Pals

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: Vickie Dale (Bonnie Dale's sister), Grace Finke, Linda Gibboney (daughter of LaVera Levin), Bruce Kampert, Sue Kohs (cousin of Bonnie Dale), Phyllis McCurdy (Sister of Donna Heuser), Lisa Miller (daughter of Judy Sheridan), Rick Miller (son-in-law of Judy Sheridan), Laura Nettleton, (daughter of Alice Bezik), Paul Phillips (friend of the Stahlkes), Jenny Stulgo (niece of Margaret Cotterill), Liz Suriano, Norma Taylor (mom of Bonnie Dale). We pray for peace between Russia and Ukraine.

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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

Pastor Sifuentes and St. Matthew's Lutheran Church in the city

Miss Clair and Hard Court Hitters, a children's summer reading program in the 9th Precinct of Detroit at Charity Lutheran Church

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 Littleson (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.

ADAM BILADEAU, US Navy Sailor, is back to sea for the next 3 years. About every 3 months, he'll be out on the USS Maryland submarine and can only communicate via email. I'm sure he would love to hear from his home church! If you'd like to contact Adam with a positive message to help him while he's away at sea (text only), use this email: biladeas@maryland.navy.mil"

BIRTHDAYS 23-Ben Farmer **24-**Marilyn Bloechle **26**-Neal Rogers, Barb Woslki **27**-Sharon Mosetich, Theordore Peacock, Liz Suriano **28**-Jeremy Rodenbostel

ANNIVERSARIES: 26- Jim & Debbie Long

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF July 23rd:

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

Monday: 1:00-Al Anon Tuesday: 8:00 AA

Wednesday: 6:00-Big House 6:30-Growing in Prayer

Thursday: 7:00 Youth Movie Night

Friday:

Saturday: Worship 4:30 PM

THOSE WHO SERVE July 23rd:

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

Vocalists: 8:00 Heidi Alvarez **10:30** Jonathan Stahlke

Lay Assistants: 8:00 Darren Taylor

10:30 Carlo Airdo & 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 Denise Airdo

Altar Guild Marilyn Felz & Cindy Weber

THOSE WHO SERVE July 30th:

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

Vocalists: 8:00 Kate Ilcken

10:30 Christy Crandell **8:00** Darren Taylor

Lay Assistants: 8:00 Darren Taylor **10:30** John Dorn & Jackson Scofield

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 Bob & Diane Devermann

Altar Guild Marilyn Felz & Cindy Weber

THOSE WHO SERVE August 6th:

Acolytes:

Keyboard / Organ: 4:30pm – Kurt Linstead **8am & 10:30am** James Robinson Parran

Lay Assistants: 8:00 Donna Stubbs

10:30 Greg Billing & Carlo Airdo **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 10:30
Altar Guild Marilyn Bloechle & Olinda Sperry