September 2026

Trinity Lutheran Church

Villa Park, IL

Always Growing in Christ

6th Annual Jim Van Ewyk Memorial Golf Outing

September 19, 2026
Sugar Creek Golf Course, Villa Park, IL
First Tee Time: 1:00 PM
Dinner Begins: 5:00 PM

WE NEED GOLFERS! If you or someone you know wants to golf or attend the dinner, please sign up now!

More information please contact Bob Rundgren at rundgy@gmail.com. We hope to see you there!

Rally Day & Ice Cream Social

Join us immediately following service on Sunday, September 13th for our Educational Rally Day and Ice Cream Social! Come meet our teachers and group leaders while the kids dive into a fun, creative craft. You can explore all of our upcoming study and small group opportunities while indulging in a once-a-year treat: ice cream for breakfast! We hope to see you there!"

Trinity Hours

Sept 13 – **Rally Day**
Worship 9:30 AM Christian Ed 8:30 am
Vote to Place Call 10:30 am
Ice Cream Social follows

Sept 20 – **Normal Schedule Returns**
Worship 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM Christian Ed 9:15 am

Youth News Summer 2026

Confirmation Retreat

July 21 at River of Life in Channahon

5 Trinity Confirmation students joined with 5 youth from River of Life to study the Sacraments with Pastor Scofield. They also enjoyed bowling and a campfire dinner.

Thanks to the Trinity congregation for the donation of items for the group to assemble 15 care packages for moms who visit the Swaddling Clothes ministry at River of Life. Other donations include:

- Washcloths from the Flying Hooks & Needles knitters
- Hand-drawn cards made by Chloe Grubisich
- Pictures colored by the Seguin group of adults with different-abilities
- Hand & Body Wash plus key chains made by kids at The Projects
- Devotion Books purchased with funds from a Thrivent Action Card

We're thankful for Maggie Myers and Christopher Franz who took the day off to help out.

July 22 at Trinity

The Trinity youth continued their studies on the Sacraments with Pastor Scofield. Thanks to Keith Golz who taught the youth about the Trinity bees. And to Maggie Myers and Jessica Grubisich for their helping hands during the day.

The group held a community event, a give-away of 24 potted flowers and over 100 cookies & muffins made by Marilyn Felz. Bethesda, a Lutheran Church Charities comfort dog was present. The event was extremely well received by the community.

Hackers in Lombard provided the flowers at a discount, along with complimentary butterfly decorations, and delivered the flowers to Trinity. The salesperson, Julie's grandmother attended Trinity until 1986. A Trinity gift bag was given as a thank-you.

Thanks to Lutheran Church Charities for sending Bethesda and her trainer, Sheila. Sheila was a long-time member of Trinity, had Marilyn Felz as a S.S. teacher, was confirmed by Pastor Ritt, and married by Pastor Sanders. She offered to return any time, even to greet people on a Sunday morning.

Camp Restore in Detroit August 2-7

Jake Bruschuk, Caleb Ilcken, and Jessica Mora along with adults Jonathan Stahlke, Jesse Mora, and Judy Bruschuk, spent 6 days at Camp Restore learning about the challenges and revitalization of Detroit neighborhoods as they worked side by side with the people who live there.

2 days were spent clearing blight for a community member's yard and some businesses. The other 2 work days were dedicated to assisting at the Spark Literacy Program run by Camp Restore. The group helped with sports, crafts, STEM, and reading stations. They also attended a community dinner hosted by Camp Restore.

Upcoming:

Wednesdays, September 9, 16, 23 @ 4:30 – 6:00: Joyful Noise, the youth music group will meet with Mary to prepare for a performance on LWML Sunday.

September 30 @ 4:00: First Confirmation Class with Pastor Scofield. There will be 12 students this year.

Call Committee Update

On Sunday, September 13th, immediately following the church service, we will be presenting a Pastoral candidate. He and his wife are originally from the Chicago area, and is a strong candidate who is interested in Trinity. Stay for the presentation and vote, then enjoy the ice cream social afterwards.

Music Notes

"An Early Christmas" Trinity Center, Sundays Sept. 6 and 13, at 8:30 am
Come learn the back story of two beloved Christmas carols: "Go Tell It On the Mountain" and "Away in a Manger."

"Caroling" in September
If you like to sing favorite (non-Christmas) hymns, join us on three Thursdays in September (10th, 17th, 24th). We meet in the Trinity Center at 7 pm to warm up and then drive to a member's house to sing for (and with) them.
If you have any questions, contact Mary Stahlke at 708-552-1271.

Dorcas Meeting

Tuesday, September 8th 6:30 PM Trinity Center

Ladies of Trinity, please join us Tuesday, September8th at 6:30 pm for a Salad Supper.

Women's Bible Study

2nd & 4th Mondays Trinity Center

We will continue our discussion of the book "The Resolution for Women"

There will be a kick-off get together at Panera Bread, Elmhurst on Monday Sept 21st at 7 pm.

Mission Spotlight

The Rev. Andrew and Megan Fedder serve the Lord through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod as career missionaries based in Prague, Czech Republic. Locally, Andrew reaches out to the large expat community in Prague and the Czech Republic. Andrew and Megan love inviting people into their home to feed them, give them community and tell them about Jesus. Regionally, Andrew also creates online and youth catechetical materials for translation and use across Eurasia.

Andrew was born in Kennewick, Wash. He earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Hawaii — West Oahu and received his Master of Divinity degree from Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne. Before becoming a career missionary, he served as pastor of First Lutheran Church in El Cajon, Calif., and was a substitute and summer teacher for pre-K through eighth grade. Most recently, he served as a missionary in Romania and the Balkans before relocating to Prague.

Megan grew up in Roberts, Mont. She earned a bachelor's degree from Concordia University, Portland, Ore., and served for over 10 years as a Lutheran school teacher. Andrew and Megan have five children — Wesley, Beatrix, Charlie, Rosalind and John-Paul — who join them on the mission field.

Prayers

Please pray for the Fedder family as they serve the Lord in the Czech Republic and throughout the Eurasia region, and as they acclimate to life in Prague. Ask the Lord to grant Andrew safety as he travels, and pray that both expats and Czechs would be reached through this work.

Ronald McDonald Charities

The new school year is beginning and the charity drive with our students is starting. Please donate your aluminum can tabs to support the families of the Ronald McDonald Charities. Every tab counts towards helping another family. Look for the red can under the mailboxes.

Worship Services

Saturdays 4:30 pm

Sundays 9:30 am Sept 6th and 13th

Sundays 8 am and 10:30 am Sept 20th and 27th

Save the Date

Anniversary Dinner - Saturday November 14thl