

October 15, 16 & 19, 2022 Weekly Bulletin

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Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 am to 3:00 pm Church Admin E-Mail: ChurchAdmin@trinitymenasha.com



ቲ This Week at Trinity ቲ

Saturday, October 15:

5:00 PM Worship Service In-Person & Online Children Sing and Chime

Sunday, October 16:

9:00 AM Worship Service In-Person & Online 10:30 AM Education Hour/Sunday School

Monday, October 17:

Fall Pastor Conference 10/17-19

Rev. Billings' Sabbath

9:00 AM Sewing

6:00 PM Prayer Time

6:30 PM Women's Bible Study

Tuesday, October 18:

6:30 AM Ladies Bible Study

4:30 PM Volleyball @ FV Christian, Neenah

Wednesday, October 19:

8:45 AM Chapel

5:00 PM Catechism

5:00 PM Usher Meeting

6:30 PM Worship Service

Thursday, October 20:

6:00 AM Men's Bible Study

SCHOOL PICTURE RETAKE

4:45 PM Volleyball Practice

5:00 PM Ladies Aid/LWML Meeting

6:30 PM Gallery Choir Rehearsal

Friday, October 21:

GRANDPARENTS DAY/NOON DISMISSAL

Saturday, October 22:

9:00 AM Food Pantry

5:00 PM Worship Service In-Person & Online

Sunday, October 23:

9:00 AM Worship Service In-Person & Online 10:30 AM Education Hour/Sunday School

♦ We Pray For...•

The Sick: Heather Andreshak, Rick Ascher, Shannon Braun, Michael Burns, David Cotter, Jean Damon, Matt Daniels, Cindy Diesch, Jeff Dionne, Dennis & Judith Durkey, Tim E., Frank Erdmann, Shirley Fleischer, Alma Garza, Lana Gast, Michael Hastings, Lorena Hintz, Mary Howden, Peter Keller, Brenda Kempf, Sam Koch, Judy Krause, Karen Lambert, Warren Lindner, Pr. Ronald Meier, Betsy Meverden, Donna Mies, George Milosavljeuvic, Mlodik Family, Dianne Olsen, Lisa Olson, Lynn Olson, Bill Otto, Norb Pomerenke, Sandy Rammer, Joan Reinke, Kathy Rigotti, LeRoy Schaefer, Dan Schael, Jan Schroeder, Ray Schroeder, Sam & Amy Schroeder, JoAnn Smoody, Scott Steenepoorte, Liz Swaney, Bud Tschirgi, Joyce Virchow, Carla Watson, Merle Webber, Kurt Wendler, Laverne Werth, Dorothy Wirth.

<u>Birthdays</u>: Iris Gast, Angela Hurst, Ruby Mehl, George Milosavljevic, Robert Allen, Ronald Voster, Avaleigh Bain, David Bartelme, Teresa Wray, Evan Emery, Linda Greetan, Sherry Bricco Tobin, Mary Conradt.

Anniversaries: Betsy & Donald Meverden, Rudy & Barbara Vitek, Brian & Linda Ratzburg, David & Eileen Acker, Carl & Karen Riske, Norman & Ruth Wright, Andrew & Heather Cleveland.

WE ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO USE THE HYMNAL TO HELP CUT OUR PAPER COSTS.

News, Events, Requests, Etc.

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Altar Flowers

The Altar Flowers are to the glory of God by the Ladies Aid.

This Weekend's Banners

"Be Ready In Season & Out of Season"
"People of God in the Word"

Holy Communion

We ask that those desiring to commune be members in good standing of Trinity or of a sister congregation of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. If you have questions regarding this, please speak with one of the Pastors.

Gluten-Free Hosts Available

If you prefer a gluten-free host for communion, please talk with one of the pastors before the service.

Missing Keyboard

An electric keyboard, in a zipper case, was borrowed from the church. If you are aware of who borrowed it, please contact Nancy Lephart at (920) 277-4388. Thank you so much.

Trinity Gallery Choir

Trinity's Gallery Choir is now meeting weekly, Thursday nights at 6:30 pm. If time is an issue contact Connie Henkel, 920 257 6590.

Trinity's Food Pantry

Trinity's Food Pantry serves those in need in the Fox Cities.

You can continue to provide for our Pantry distribution. Currently, the following non-perishables are needed: Stuffing, Gravy (Turkey/Chicken), Canned Yams, Canned Cranberry Sauce, Paper Products, Tomato Sauce & Paste. If you or someone you know would benefit from the Food Pantry, please call or text Steve Reinke at (920) 540-5090.

Adult Information Class

Are you interested in attending our next Adult Information Class? It is scheduled to begin late October. Please let Pastor GeRue know on your way out of Worship of your interest!

† Stewardship Lesson **†**

Genesis 32:26 - "And he said to him, 'Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well.' "
The great Lutheran musician J.S. Bach composed a beautiful motet using this verse. It is the cry of true faith, much the same as Peter's words: "Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life." True faith clings to the Lord no matter the struggle, no matter the "hard sayings" that the Lord speaks. True faith knows that God means to bless us always.

Bible Study Opportunities At Trinity Lutheran Church:

10:30 AM Sunday - "The Letter to the Romans." with Rev. Alliet & Rev. Billings - Large Fellowship Hall

10:30 AM Sunday - Young Adult Bible Study (7-8th Grades, High School & College Students) "Micah" with Rev. GeRue - Conference Room

10:30 AM Sunday—Book of Isaiah with Blaine Henkel

6:30 PM Monday – Women's Bible Study, "Joy: A Study of Philippians" by Deb Burma, Large Conference Room. Contact: Connie Henkel

6:30 AM Tuesday – Ladies Bible Study, <u>12 Ordinary Men: How the Master Shaped His Disciples for</u> Greatness, and What He Wants to Do with You with Dottie Kraus

6:00 AM Thursday – Men's Bible Study, <u>Book of Romans</u> with Steve Reinke, Large Conference Room For more information, please get in touch with the contact person listed above, or contact the church office.

Daily Devotions Direct Link!

There is a link on our website that will give you direct access to Pastor Billings' Daily Devotion videos: https://www.trinitymenasha.com/daily-devotions

Announcing!... At Last!!! ...

Bruce Bengtson, organist
Organ Recital at
Trinity Lutheran Church & School
300 Broad Street • Menasha
November 11, 2022 at 7:00 pm
Hymns included! Reception follows!
A Freewill Offering!
(Fundraising Event to help raise
\$\$ to purchase Handbells!!)

Don't miss this spectacular event! If you have questions, call the church office (920) 722-2662, or Rose (608) 213-2644.



Ushers and Confirmands Meeting

There will be an Usher and Confirmand meeting October 19th meeting at 5:00 PM in the Small Fellowship Hall, Food will be available. More changes are happening so please attend. Any questions call Elaine (920) 470-9090.

\$ SCRIP News \$

SCRIP is sold in the Church & School Office Mon.-Fri. from 8:00AM-3:45 PM, and in the narthex before and after worship services.

How to order Scrip? Call the office Mon. – Fri., or email your order to: ChurchAdmin@trinity menasha.com. They will put it together.

Kwik Trip Scrip & Tom's Drive In — 10 percent rebate!

Watch for details on our next dining out opportunity, set for November 2nd at Texas Roadhouse. Plan to purchase your Scrip for this event!

☆ Serving Our Lord This Weekend ☆

Saturday, October 15:

Elder on Duty: Alan Manteufel
Usher Team: Jerry Maynard
Communion Assistant: Lee Colby
Altar Guild: Jackie Bouchard
Greeter: Barb Kester
Acolyte: Mirella Taschner

Sunday, October 16:

Elder on Duty: Dave Collingwood
Usher Team: Steve Sexmith
Communion Assistant: Steve Sexmith
Altar Guild: Jackie Kislewski
Greeter: Jane Nielsen
Acolyte: Braelyn Boss

Wednesday, October 19:

Elder on Duty: Robert Allen
Usher Team: Dave Acker
Communion Assistant: Craig Thomas
Altar Guild: Carol Evensen

Saturday. October 22:

Elder on Duty:
Usher Team:
Communion Assistant:
Altar Guild:
Greeter:
Acolyte:
Alan Manteufel
Lee Colby
Dan Siebert
Jackie Bouchard
Dan & Peggy Dahms
Melani Gast

Sunday, October 23:

Elder on Duty: Dave Collingwood
Usher Team: Dave Collingwood
Communion Assistant: Paul Collingwood
Altar Guild: Kari Lindner

Greeter: Rosemary Collingwood

Acolyte: Dylan Kobs

Wednesday, October 26:

Elder on Duty: Craig Thomas
Usher Team: Steve Reinke
Communion Assistant: Craig Thomas
Altar Guild: Carol Evensen



Trinity Lutheran School

"Disciple Thomas"

Matthew 10:2–4; John 20:24–29

Do any of you have a nickname? People get nicknames for several reasons. "Bob" is a common shortened nickname for "Robert." "Joe" is often a nickname for "Joseph." Someone may be nicknamed "Speedy" because he is a fast runner.

Today we will learn about Disciple Thomas who had two nicknames. Thomas is called "the Twin" (John 20:24) most likely because he had a twin brother or sister. The disciples came from various human families. As we have shared, James and John were brothers as were Peter and Andrew. In the Bible, we find out that Peter had a mother-in-law which means that he had a wife. Jesus called common people from common circumstances and families to follow Him.

While this nickname is not in the Bible, Thomas has often been given the nickname, "Doubting Thomas." The women who visited Jesus' tomb on Easter morning saw that the stone was rolled away and heard the angel's announcement that Jesus was alive. Peter and John had also seen the empty tomb. The message was out that Jesus was alive.

To prove to His disciples that He had risen from the dead, Jesus came to 10 of the disciples on Easter evening. The disciples were still hiding because they were afraid that Jesus' enemies would also come to capture them. Thomas was not with the group at Jesus' first appearance. Thomas doubted the disciples' message of Jesus' resurrection. Thomas said he would only believe if he saw the risen Jesus himself.

Jesus did not disappoint Thomas. He came again to the disciples. This time the doubting Thomas was with the group. Jesus showed the wounds from the nails on His hands and the wound from the spear that had been pushed into His side. Thomas saw the risen Jesus and he confessed, "My Lord and my God!" (John 20:28).

There are times when we might be called, "Doubting Bob," "Doubting Sarah," Doubting ..." Even though we have heard the Good News of Jesus' death and resurrection, we may doubt whether God loves us or whether His promises are true for us. We take our doubts to the risen Jesus. We hear God's word to Thomas and to us. "Do not disbelieve, but believe." God's Word gives us the facts of Jesus' wounds on the cross and the facts of Jesus' resurrection for us. We are blessed to be among those whom Jesus described to Thomas, "Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed" (v. 29). In the promises of our Baptism, we never need to doubt that we are God's children, and He is real and His love is for us. We are His confident and believing disciples for life.

Dear Jesus, the scars from Your crucifixion and the reality of Your resurrection took away all doubt from Disciple Thomas. Thank You for Your Word which assures us that You truly are risen for us and are with us. Help us to believe and to confess You as Your disciples for life. Amen.

Grandparents Day Next Friday

Grandparents Day is coming next Friday; October 21st. We have some students who would love adoptive grandparents. If you are able to come that day please let Pastor GeRue or Mr. Dahms know.

Arrival can be between 8:00-8:15, coffee and refreshments will be provided. Following a short message from Pastor GeRue, students and grandparents will head up to the Church for our weekly Chapel service. At the conclusion of Chapel, they will break into groups for activity rotations which generally finish up between 11:30 and Noon. There is a noon dismissal for students for that day so they can enjoy a little longer weekend. If you have any questions, please reach out to Pastor GeRue.