



# May 13 & 14, 2023 Weekly Bulletin

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## ✠ This Week at Trinity ✠

### Saturday, May 13:

9:30 AM Food Pantry & Postal Service Food Drive  
5:00 PM Worship Service

### Sunday, May 14: MOTHER'S DAY

9:00 AM Worship Service  
10:30 AM Ed Hour and Sunday School  
8th Grade Leaves for Their Chicago Class Trip



### Monday, May 15:

Rev. Billings' Sabbath  
8th Grade Chicago Trip  
9:00 AM Sewing  
6:00 PM Prayer Time  
6:30 PM Women's Bible Study

### Tuesday, May 16:

8th Grade Returns From Chicago Trip  
6:30 AM Ladies Bible Study  
9:15 AM Menasha Track & Field Day  
5:30 PM Ladies Aid Dinner in Small Fellowship Hall

### Wednesday, May 17:

8:45 AM Chapel  
5:00 PM Confirmation Classes  
7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, May 18: ASCENSION DAY

6:00 AM Men's Bible Study  
7:00 PM Ascension Service at Trinity

### Friday, May 19:

PS3-2nd Grade Field Trip  
3rd-8th Grade Bloomfield Track Meet

### Saturday, May 20: ARMED FORCES DAY

5:00 PM Worship Service

### Sunday, May 21:

9:00 AM Worship Service  
10:30 AM Ed Hour and Sunday School  
1:00-3:00 PM Piano Recital

## ✠ We Pray For...✠

**The Sick:** Rick Ascher, Kathy Baehman, Jan Bathke, Mark and Jean Becker, Karlton Borchardt, Shannon Braun, Michael Burns, David Cotter, Jean Damon, Matt Daniels, Ed Diesch, Jeff Dionne, Tom Drum, Dennis & Judith Durkey, Carol Evensen, George Engele, Frank Erdmann, Shirley Fleischer, Bruce Gast, Michael Hastings, Blaine Henkel, Colyn Hopfensperger, Mary Howden, Darius Jones, Gary Kaye, Peter Keller, Brenda Kempf, Carla Kobs, Sam Koch, Dottie Kraus, Karen Lambert, Jackie Lenox, Bob Lephart, Michelle Mahoney, Betsy Meverden, Donna Mies, Mlodik Family, Dianne Olsen, Lisa Olson, Lynn Olson, Jerry Peotter, Julia Peterson, Norb Pomeranke, Joan Reinke, Kathy Rigotti, LeRoy Schaefer, Dan Schael, Ray Schroeder, Sam & Amy Schroeder, Jordan Schroeter, JoAnn Smoody, Scott Steene-poorte, Liz Swaney, Bud & Joyce Tschirgi, Joyce Virchow, Emil Vozka, Carla Watson, Merle Weber, Kurt Wendler, Laverne Werth, Dorothy Wirth and Terry Wray.

**Celebrating Birthdays:** Leah Milske, Richard Tucker, Ethan Pasholk, Oliver Siegel, LuAnn Bradley, Mae Joerndt, Rachel Thomas, Tom Drum, Elaine Weing, Camden Becher, Judith Marco, Lee Weing and Parker Wray.

**Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries:** Martin and Karen Schramper, Jerry and Janet Rosin, Mitchell and Sarah Mlodik.

## Gluten-Free Hosts Available

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



## News, Events, Requests, Etc.

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"Like" Us on Facebook

### Altar Flowers

The flowers have been given in celebration of Lucille Bricco's 92nd birthday from Kim, Bob, Sherry, Todd & Kristi.

A bouquet has been donated to celebrate Betsy Meverden's birthday.

### This Weekend's Banner "Alive In Christ"

## Mark Your Calendar! Ladies Aid Hors d' oeuvre, Salad & Dessert Dinner

All ladies and young ladies are invited to join us for an evening of good food, relaxation and fellowship on **Tuesday, May 16, 5:30 p.m.** in the **Small Fellowship Hall** at our hors d' oeuvre, salad and dessert dinner. There will be a sign up on the spinner in the narthex. If you'd like to bring a dish to share, you can indicate that on the signup sheet. Hope to see you there! You don't need to be a member of Ladies Aid to come. All are welcome!

## Oktoberfest Volunteers Needed!

The Board of Outreach and Social Ministry is in need of volunteers to help at the Appleton Oktoberfest on Saturday, September 30th.

The monies Trinity raises goes back into the church and school. We need people involved to make this a success again this year. Any questions, contact Ailene Moderson at (920)-450-2753 [modes@yahoo.com](mailto:modes@yahoo.com)

## Trinity Gallery Choir

A combined choir is singing for Ascension, May 18th. If you'd like to join us, contact Connie Henkel @ 920-257-6590. You don't need to be a choir member to sing along.

## 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>.

## ✠ Stewardship Lesson ✠

**John 14:15** – "If you love me, you will keep my commandments." Jesus is clear: our obedience to His Word comes from our love for Him. But where does that love come from? Jesus tells us that as well: "Her sins, which are many, are forgiven — for she loved much" (Luke 7:47). Christ shows us His love and gives us the forgiveness of our sins, which causes love to well up in us and thereby keep the commandments of Jesus. For after all, the summary of the Law is "love."

## Trinity Camping Weekend

Reminder, the annual Trinity campout is the third weekend in August, which is Aug 18-20. More information will be provided next month. Roger & Merry Voigt



## 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.

## Special Event, May 18-22

Our own Ethan Nielsen is Assistant Stage Director for the Valley Troubadours Players presentation of "Fiddler on the Roof"! See posters on the bulletin board and spinner for dates and times.

## Geraniums for Pentecost—\$5.00 Each

It's time to order the geraniums to beautify Trinity's altar and outside after Pentecost. This year you can also purchase geraniums for your personal use. Pick up for personal orders will be May 27th between 11 am and 12 pm at Door 2. The order forms are in the narthex.

Please sign-up on the spinner in the narthex if you would like to help plant, and care for, the geraniums.

## ✠ Serving Our Lord This Weekend ✠

### Saturday, 5:00 PM, May 13:

Elder on Duty: *Robert Allen*  
Usher Team: *Tom Harrmann*  
Communion Assistant: *Dan Siebert*  
Altar Guild: *Phil & Mary Conradt & Jean Zeinert*  
Greeter: *JoAnn Schultz*  
Acolyte: *Melani Gast*

### Sunday, 9:00 AM, May 14:

Elder on Duty: *Brian Ratzburg*  
Usher Team: *Jim Wittmann*  
Communion Assistant: *Paul Collingwood*  
Altar Guild: *Gail Burrows*  
Flower Delivery: *Gail Burrows*  
Greeter: *Connie Henkel*  
Acolyte: *Levi Kroes*

### Thursday, 7:00 PM, May 18: ASCENSION

Elder on Duty: *Tim Reuning*  
Usher Team: *Dave Acker & Steve Reinke*  
Altar Guild: *Jean Zeinert*

## ✠ Serving Our Lord Next Weekend ✠

### Saturday, 5:00 PM, May 20:

Elder on Duty: *Bob Allen*  
Usher Team: *Roger Voigt*  
Communion Assistant: *Vance Pues*  
Altar Guild: *Phil & Mary Conradt*  
Greeter: *Betty Allen*  
Acolyte: *Mirella Taschner*

### Sunday, 9:00 AM, May 21:

Elder on Duty: *Brian Ratzburg*  
Usher Team: *Lee Weinig*  
Communion Assistant: *Blaine Henkel*  
Altar Guild: *Gail Burrows*  
Flower Delivery: *Gail Burrows*  
Greeter: *Liz Kamprath*  
Acolyte: *Emma Schmidt*

### Wednesday, 6:30 PM, May 24:

Elder on Duty: *Tim Reuning*  
Usher Team: *Steve Reinke*  
Altar Guild: *Jean Zeinert*

### Join Us for Bible Study at Trinity Lutheran Church

- 10:30 AM **Sunday:** "The Letter to the Romans" with Pastors Alliet & Billings-LFH  
10:30 AM **Sunday:** Adult Information Class with Pastor GeRue - Conference Room  
10:30 AM **Sunday:** *The Book of Isaiah*, Contact: Blaine Henkel  
5:30 PM **Monday:** Adult Information Class with Rev. GeRue - Pastor's Office  
6:30 PM **Monday:** Women's Bible Study, "Chosen: A Study of Esther" by Donna (Pyle) Snow - Conference Room. Contact: Connie Henkel  
6:30 AM **Tuesday:** Ladies Bible Study, "12 Ordinary Men: How the Master Shaped His Disciples for Greatness, And What He Wants to Do with You" Contact: Dottie Kraus  
6:00 AM **Thursday:** Men's Bible Study, *Paul's Letter to the Corinthians* Large Conference Room Contact: Steve Reinke

For more information, please get in touch with the contact person listed above, or the church office.

## Food Pantry

This month, our Pantry needs are Chicken Noodle Soup, Jello, Pudding, Canned Fruit, Laundry Detergent and Tomato Soup. If someone you know would benefit from the Food Pantry, please call or text Steve Reinke at (920) 540-5090.

Thank you for all that you do to support our Food Pantry!

## Prayer Chain

Barbara Kester is head of the Prayer Chain. If you desire prayers for yourself or someone else, please call Barbara at (920) 722-3228.

## § 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.

Jimmy John's Scrip is no longer stocked.

# Trinity Lutheran School

## HELP FOR LIFE

### John 14:15–21

*“And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, even the Spirit of truth”* (JOHN 14:16–17A).

Jesus was a Rabbi (Teacher) for His disciples. Near the end of His earthly life, Jesus was still teaching as described last week, Jesus was teaching His disciples in a room in Jerusalem, only hours before He goes to the Garden of Gethsemane to be betrayed, to the court rooms to be tried and sentenced to death, and then to the cross to die for the sins of the world.

Jesus had also been the Helper for His disciples. Jesus helped them when they thought they were going to die on the stormy sea. Jesus helped them when they were hungry. Jesus helped them when they grieved the death of their friend Lazarus. Jesus helped them with their questions.

Most importantly, through His teaching and miracles, Jesus helped them see and believe that He was the Savior that had been promised. In the hours and weeks ahead, Jesus would help them see that by His death the sacrifice was complete and that by His resurrection He had conquered death and the grave.

Jesus shared with His disciples that His mission on earth was about to be completed and that He would be leaving them. If Jesus was no longer with them, who would be their helper?

Jesus promised that He would send the Holy Spirit as “another Helper” (**John 4:16**). The Spirit would continue to help them see and believe in the sacrifice of Jesus. The Spirit would help them to remember and believe in Jesus’ resurrection from the dead. The Spirit would help the disciples to continue to faithfully follow Jesus.

While we thank God for all the helpers He gives us, we, too, are thankful for the Spirit Helper. The Spirit helps us remember our Baptism and God’s promises through our Baptism. The Spirit helps us remember the truth of

God’s Word. The Spirit helps us remember the importance of learning and living God’s Word. The Spirit helps us invite others to see Jesus, the Helper for all disciples.

*Dear Jesus, thank You for the helpers in our lives — parents, teachers, community leaders, health workers and many others. Thank You for sending the Holy Spirit as our salvation Helper. Through the Spirit we count the blessings of Baptism. Thank You for the Word which helps us live as Your disciples. Use us to help others. Amen.*

## HAPPENINGS AT TRINITY SCHOOL

MAY 14-27

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| Sun. May 14—Tue. May 16 | 7th-8th Chicago Trip   |
| Tue. May 16             | 9:15 am Menasha Track and Field Day  |
| Wed. May 17             | 8:45 am Chapel   |
| Fri. May 19             | PS3-2nd Trestle Bridge Field Trip<br>West Bloomfield Track Meet<br>3rd – 8th Grades          |
| Sun. May 21             | Piano Recital  |
| Wed. May 24             | 8:45 am Chapel   |
| Thur. May 25            | 5th-6th Grade Milwaukee Trip   |
| Fri. May 26             | End 4th Quarter<br>Last Day- Noon Dismiss<br>9:00 am – Closing Service<br>Followed by Awards |
| Sat. May 27             | 10am School Graduation Ceremony  |

## Red Geraniums for Pentecost-\$5.00 Each

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Plants: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$5.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor/Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Celebration of: \_\_\_\_\_

This year you can purchase geraniums for personal use. Number of plants: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$5.00 = \_\_\_\_\_. These can be picked up on Saturday, May 27<sup>th</sup> between the hours of 11 and 12 at Trinity, Door 2.

Return this form with payment no later than Monday, May 22, 2023.



**PLANTING HELPERS/GARDENERS ARE NEEDED AFTER PENTECOST TO CARE FOR THE PLANTED GERANIUMS. SIGN-UP SHEET WILL BE ON THE SPINNER IN THE NARTHEX.**

# HANDBELLS!!

*Get excited about raising \$\$\$ for  
2 octaves of Malmark Handbells!!*

They're not cheap! ... But they're REALLLY good!! ♪ ♪ (about \$9,500)

Still Raising \$\$ ... ~~Add-\$-to-Our-Bell-Fund!~~ ... !

**See the Info in the Narthex!! ... \$\$\$**

(Buy a **BELL** (or two or three...), a **TABLE** (or more),  
the set of **GLOVES**, the **FOAMS**, the **FOLDERS**, the  
**MALLETS**, one (or more) of the **TABLE COVERS** ... )

We'll be doing more fundraisers, including ... maybe  
a recital/concert or two (*still thinking/planning*).  
... and ... How 'bout a Sale or three? ☺

And if you'd like to donate some \$\$\$, please feel free!!

**We already have about 1/2 the \$\$\$! Thank you!! ♥**

*Don't forget to think about  
signing up to RING HANDBELLS!*

(Sign-up sheet on the wall in the Narthex - Name/Phone)

No experience necessary ... Just smiles ... (and counting)

Any questions: Call Rose 608.213.2644

**GO HandBBBells... ..and GoGOD!!**