



## May 11 & 12, 2024 Weekly Bulletin

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### ✠ This Week at Trinity ✠

#### Saturday, May 11:

7th–8th DC Trip  
9:30 AM Food Pantry  
12:30 PM Postal Service Food Drive—Help Needed  
Sorting Cans of Food  
5:00 PM Divine Service

#### Sunday, May 12:

7th–8th DC Trip (Returns)  
9:00 AM Divine Service  
10:30 AM Ed Hour/Sunday School

#### Monday, May 13:

Pastor Billings' Sabbath  
Ladies Sewing  
6:00 PM At Home Prayer Time  
6:30 PM Women's Bible Study

#### Tuesday, May 14:

6:30 AM Ladies Bible Study  
5:00 PM Adult Information Class  
6:30 PM Board of Directors Meeting

#### Wednesday, May 15:

9:00 AM Chapel  
5:00 PM Catechism Classes

#### Thursday, May 16:

6:00 AM Men's Bible Study

#### Friday, May 17:

#### Saturday, May 18: The Day of Pentecost

10:00 AM Confirmation Rehearsal & Photographs  
5:00 PM Divine Service

#### Sunday, May 19: The Day of Pentecost &

#### The Rite of Confirmation

9:00 AM Divine Service  
10:30 AM Ed Hour/Sunday School  
2:00 PM Recital in the Sanctuary

### ✠ We Pray For...✠

**The Sick:** Eileen Acker, Dave Bartelme, Linda Bartelme, Linda Bayer, Mark & Jean Becker, Ken Brusda, Michael Burns, Bruce Christoffersen, Matt Daniels, Nancy Davidson, Jeff Dionne, Tom Drum, Dennis & Judith Durkey, Frank Erdmann, Logan Feutz, Sara Flater, Shirley Fleischer, Lorna Forbes, Michael Hastings, Lorena Hintz, Valerie Hintz, Colyn Hopfensperger, Mary Howden, Brenda Kempf, Carla Kobs, Vera Krause, Karen Lambert, Genevieve Larsen, Bob Lephart, Sam Maltby, Deb Manteufel, Nancy McMillan, Michelle Mahoney, Phyllis Moran, Dianne Olsen, Brian Oplet, Norb Pomeranke, George Raleigh, Joan Reinke, Dan Schael, Ray Schroeder, JoAnn Smoody, Scott Steenpoorte, Liz Swaney, Jean Toeppler, Karen Toeppler, Elaine Trimberger, Bud & Joyce Tschirgi, Joyce Virchow, Merry Voigt, Carla Watson, Merle Webber, Jodi Wendler, Kurt Wendler, LaVerne Werth and Dorothy Wirth.

**Celebrating Birthdays:** Tom Drum, Tom Harrmann, Mae Joerndt, Brian Mahoney, Betsy Meverden, Leah Milske, Ethan Pasholk, Oliver Siegel, Rachel Thomas, Richard Tucker, Elaine Weinig, Devin Wieck and Kelsey Wieck.

**Celebrating Anniversaries:** Joshua & Hannah Fuchs, Vance & Michelle Pues, and Martin & Karen Schramper.

#### 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.

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## News, Events, Requests, Etc.

Visit us at: [www.trinitymenasha.com](http://www.trinitymenasha.com) or  
"Like" Us on Facebook.

### Altar Flowers

The flowers this weekend are donated by Barbara Kester in loving memory of her mother, Emma Becker, for Mothers Day.

### This Weekend's Banners

"Come Follow Me" & "Crown of Glory"

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## Handbell Matching Donation Fundraiser

We are raising \$\$ to purchase 2 octaves of handbells. A donor has offered to match up to \$5,000 in donations. Let's all join together to reach our final goal. This project will last until June 2, 2024. Donation envelopes are in the narthex. If you have questions, contact Rose at (608) 213-2644.

## LAST CALL—Narthex Closet Being Cleaned Out

You will find a "Keep" and a "Discard" bin by the closet. Place your items in either bin. **Items not claimed will be discarded.** Any questions, contact Elaine Weinig (920) 470-9090.

### Gluten-Free Hosts Available

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

## OctoberFest Coordinator Needed

Trinity has participated in Appleton Octoberfest for our annual fundraiser for years. I am ready to pass the baton and looking for someone new to head this up and coordinate. I am willing to work with a new leader to take on this wonderful fundraiser and fellowship event! Please reach out to me for information and guidance. If no interest, this fundraiser will unfortunately come to an end.

Thank you, Ailene Moderson, e-mail [mmodes@yahoo.com](mailto:mmodes@yahoo.com); cell (920) 450-2753

## ✠ Stewardship ✠

### EASTER 7

**1 Peter 4:10** – *"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace."* The grace, the gifts, the blessings – they are all from God. We are to use them as stewards, not as owners. That means we should seek to use them in the way the Owner wants them used. So, we listen to His Word, pray for His wisdom and receive His grace.

## Mark Your Calendar—Brat Fry/Bake Sale

Our next brat fry/bake sale is scheduled for the weekend of June 8 at the Maynard Home in Sherwood; more information will be coming soon. Watch for sign ups on how you can help! The Brat Fry Team

## Aid for a Needy Family

A family in Kaukauna, known to one of our elders, recently lost their home and all their belongings in a house fire. If you feel led to assist them, they need everything, but are asking for clothing, blankets, food, etc. They even lost their family dog. Clothing sizes are as follows: 1 adult male (Large or XL); 1 adult female (XL or 2XL); 2 boys, ages 6 and 11. Donations can be dropped off in the Small Fellowship Hall (table below the window). For more information, or to make a donation of any of the above mentioned items, please see Michael Bekx, Elder of Trinity.

## 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.

## ✠ Serving Our Lord This Weekend ✠

### Saturday, 5:00 PM, May 11:

Elder on Duty: *Robert Allen*  
Usher Team: *Roger Voigt*  
Communion Assistant: *Vance Pues*  
Greeter: *JoAnn Schultz*  
Altar Guild: *Jackie Bouchard*  
Acolyte: *Payton Lenth*

### Sunday, 9:00 AM, May 12:

Elder on Duty: *Michael Bekx*  
Usher Team: *Steve Sexmith*  
Communion Assistant: *Lee Weinig*  
Altar Guild: *Gail Burrows*  
Flower Delivery: *Gail Burrows*  
Greeter: *Jane Nielsen*  
Acolyte: *Robbie Kohler*

## Ladies Aid/LWML May Meeting

The ladies of Trinity and guests are invited to a salad, hors d'oeuvre and dessert supper on Tuesday, May 21 at 5:30 PM. See the insert for more information on our activities.

## Food Pantry

This month our Pantry is in need of Canned Green Beans and Canned Peas, Hamburger Helper, Jam, Jelly, Salad Dressing, and Dish Soap. 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!

## **\$ SCRIP News \$**

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

**Kwik Trip @ 10%, Food Only @ 20% For a Limited Time Only**

## 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>.

## ✠ Serving Our Lord Next Weekend ✠

### Saturday, 5:00 PM, May 18:

Elder on Duty: *Robert Allen*  
Usher Team: *Tom Harrmann*  
Communion Assistant: *Bruce Buksyk*  
Altar Guild: *Phil & Mary Conradt*  
Greeter: *Betty Allen*  
Acolyte: *Emma Schmidt*

### Sunday, 9:00 AM, May 19:

Elder on Duty: *Michael Bekx*  
Usher Team: *Lee Weinig*  
Communion Assistant: *Blaine Henkel*  
Altar Guild: *Gail Burrows*  
Flower Delivery: *Gail Burrows*  
Greeter: *Liz Kamprath*  
Acolyte: *Simon Kroes*



## 2024 Church Photo Directory: Schedule Your Photo Session

Trinity will be publishing a photo directory this year. Recently an email was sent out with a link for scheduling your photo session. Please check your email spam/junk folders. If we aren't one of your "contacts" the email may have gone to your spam/junk folder. Making us (ChurchAdmin@trinitymenasha.com) one of your contacts should avoid our emails being dropped in the spam/junk folders.

You will not be pressured to buy anything and your session should not run longer than 10-15 minutes.

If you don't have email, you can just show up at a time that works for you and the photographer will fit you in.

### **The schedule for photos to be taken is:**

- Saturday, June 1: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
- Sunday, June 2: 10:30 AM to 4:00 PM
- Monday, June 3: 1:00 PM to 8:00 PM
- Tuesday, June 4: 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM
- Tuesday, June 4: 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM  
(Tuesday, June 4, 5:00-8:00 PM is for Board Members (group shots), Staff and Pastors only)

## TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL

### Connected in Prayer

*John 17:9-17*

We don't communicate with God through the latest technology or any other human means. We communicate with God in prayer.

John 17 is an important chapter on prayer. This chapter is often called the "High Priestly Prayer." In the Old Testament, one of the tasks of the temple priests was to lead the worshipers in prayer. Jesus is the perfect Priest who leads His people in prayer.

In the Upper Room, only hours before Jesus is arrested, tried, condemned to die and ultimately nailed to the cross, Jesus leads His disciples in prayer. Jesus prays for them, that they would be one with Him and with one another.

Jesus becomes the answer to His prayer. The temple priests also offered up sacrifices for the people. Jesus, the perfect Priest, offers Himself as the sacrifice for the sins of all people.

After Jesus prays for His disciples, Jesus prays for us. Jesus prays that through His sacrifice, we too can be one and with Him forever. How amazing that for two thousand years before we were born, Jesus was already praying for us!

The prayer connection that Jesus had with His Father is also the connection that we have. We are blessed to be able to pray and to know that the victorious and risen Jesus hears us and answers us.

It is a blessing for someone to say to us, "I am praying for you." Their comment means that they value their connection to us and want us to be connected to the love and care of Jesus. One of our most important activities in our school life together is to pray for one another.

## PRAYER

*"If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you" (John 15:7).*

Jesus, thank You for Your example of prayer. We ask that You would continue to teach us to pray and lead us to trust in Your answers to our prayers. Amen.

### Adult Information Class

Class meets every Tuesday from 5:00—6:00 PM in Pastor's Office. Please see Pastor GeRue if you have any questions!

### SCHOOL SCHEDULE

May 13	No 7th-8th Grade Classes 9:00 am School Devotions
May 14	3rd—5th Menasha Track Meet K4 Building For Kids Field Trip
May 15	K5-1st Mulberry Field Trip 9:00 am Chapel
May 16	9:00 am School Devotions
May 17	West Bloomfield Track Meet PS3-2nd Trestle Walk
May 21	2nd—3rd NEW Zoo Field Trip 4th—6th High Cliff / Heckrodt
May 23	6:00 pm Graduation
May 24	Last Day of School 9:00 am Closing Chapel / Awards 12:00 noon Dismissal

### Faculty Update for 2024-2025

Board of Christian Education has offered a contract to teach K4 to Courtney Corrente. They have also offered a contract to Dawn Schroeder to teach 7th—8th Grades. Emily Ehlert will move to the 1st—2nd Grades. All other positions will remain the same. Please pray for Dawn and Courtney as they deliberate as to the Lord's will for them and Trinity.

Ladies of Trinity and guests, you are most welcome to join us for our salad, hors d' oeuvre and dessert supper on Tuesday, May 21 at 5:30 p.m. in the small fellowship hall. It is an evening of good food, good Christian fellowship, and fun as we plan to play white elephant bingo.

It is our mission to serve our Lord, our congregation and our community while promoting and supporting relationships among women. As we strive to do this, we above all, pray we will affirm our relationships with our triune God and enable each other to use our God-given gifts in ministry to the people of this world, here at home and in the most distant parts of our world.

Our meal is potluck; guests, please be our guests and you need not bring a dish to pass unless you want to. The sign up for the potluck can be found on the spinner in the narthex. We invite everyone to look through your dresser drawers, jewelry boxes, cabinets etc. for items you no longer use. Bring them for a bingo prize as someone else may love and cherish that item. See you there!

# White Elephant Bingo!

Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at 5:30 PM • Small Fellowship Hall

