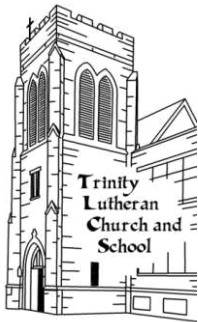


Trinity Lutheran Church & School  
300 Broad Street  
Menasha, WI 54952



# August 2024 Newsletter



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Menasha, WI 54952

**Church Phone:** (920) 722-2662 / **School Phone:** (920) 725-1715

**Church Office Hours:** Monday-Friday, 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

**Worship Services:**

Saturday – 5:00 pm; Sunday – 9:00 am; Wednesday – 6:30 pm

**Education Hour:** Sunday - 10:30 am

**Trinity's website:** [www.trinitymenasha.com](http://www.trinitymenasha.com)

Weekend Service will continue to be available for viewing on Trinity's Facebook page, and for later viewing on YouTube. Check the church website for more details.

**Important Dates:**  
August 4: New Member Welcome  
August 6: Board Meetings  
August 10 & 24: Food Pantry  
August 11: Church Picnic  
August 13: Bd of Directors  
August 16-18: Trinity Camping Weekend  
August 20: Ladies Aid  
August 26: School Begins Grades 5-8  
August 28: School Begins PS3-4th

August 28, 5:00PM  
Confirmation Orientation  
Meet in the Small Fellowship Hall.  
  
If your child is entering the 6<sup>th</sup> grade it is time to begin Catechism classes. Please call the Church Office soon to enroll.  
920-722-2662

**TRINITY FAMILY CHURCH PICNIC**

Join us for worship and fellowship at Trinity's Church Picnic on Sunday, August 11 at Smith Park in Menasha. Fellowship hour starts at 9 AM until time of service 10:00 AM

Potluck suggestions: Last name beginning with  
A-H Salad  
I-R Main Dish  
S-Z Dessert



We can use help setting up/moving tables and cleaning up afterwards.

**Our Mission Statement:**

*Trinity Lutheran Church and School, Menasha, is a fellowship of Lutheran Christians being empowered by the Holy Spirit through the Word of God and His Sacraments to encourage, refresh, and strengthen both adults and children in the redemptive work of Jesus Christ, while sharing His love with those who do not yet know their Lord and Savior.*

**Senior Pastor:**  
✝ Rev. Steven S. Billings

**Choir Director:**  
Connie Henkel

**Assoc. Pastor/Principal:**  
✝ Rev. Keith E. GeRue

**Organist:**  
Mrs. Nancy Lephart



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 Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM  
 Email: ChurchAdmin@trinitymenasha.com

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 6 AM Men's Bible Study	2	3 5 PM Worship
4 9:00 AM Worship 10:30 AM Ed Hour	5 Rev Billings' Sabbath 9 AM Sewing 5 PM Adult Information Class 6 PM Prayer Time 6:30 PM Women's Bible Study	6 6:30 AM Ladies Bible Study  6:30 PM Board Mtgs	7 6:30 PM Worship	8 6 AM Men's Bible Study 6:30 PM EG Session SFH	9 6:30 PM Hymn Sing	10 9:30 AM Food Pantry 5 PM Worship
11 <b>Church Picnic Smith Park Pav. 9 AM Fellowship 10 AM Service 301 Park St, Men.</b>	12 Rev Billings' Sabbath 9 AM Sewing 5 PM Adult Information Class 6 PM Prayer Time 6:30 PM Women's Bible Study	13 6:30 AM Ladies Bible Study 6:30 PM Board of Directors Mtg	14 6:30 PM Worship	15 Teacher In-service 6 AM Men's Bible Study	16 Teacher In-service <b>Trinity Camping Weekend @ Wild West Campground &amp; Corral</b>	17 5PM Worship <b>Trinity Camping Weekend @ Wild West Camp-ground &amp; Corral NOON Potluck Luncheon</b>
18 9:00 AM Worship 10:30 AM Ed Hour <b>Trinity Camping Weekend @ Wild West Campground &amp; Corral</b>	19 Teacher In-service Rev Billings' Sabbath 9 AM Sewing 5 PM Adult Information Class 6 PM Prayer Time 6:30 PM Women's Bible Study	20 Teacher In-service School Registration 6:30 AM Ladies Bible Study 6:30 PM Ladies Aid/LWML Mtg	21 Teacher In-service School Registration 6:30 PM Worship	22 Teacher In-service 6 AM Men's Bible Study School Registration 6:30 PM EG Session SFH	23 Teacher In-service	24 9:30 AM Food Pantry 5 PM Worship
25 9:00 AM Worship 10:30 AM Ed Hour	<b>26 School Begins</b> Rev Billings' Sabbath <b>5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Classes Resume</b> 9 AM Sewing 6 PM Prayer Time 6:30 PM Women's Bible Study	27 3:45 PM Volleyball Practice 6:30 AM Ladies Bible Study	<b>28 School Begins PS3-4<sup>th</sup> Grades Resume</b> 6:30 PM Worship  Confirmation Orientation	29 6 AM Men's Bible Study	30 NO SCHOOL 	31 5 PM Worship

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES – AUGUST 2024

08/04 GAST, Kevin & Lynn Ann  
 08/04 MAHONEY, Brian & Michelle  
 08/06 DIESCH, William & Cindy  
 08/10 KROES, Nick & Lilli  
 08/11 ALLEN Robert & Betty  
 08/11 TISCHER, Patty & Eric  
 08/13 WITTMANN, Jim & Debra



08/17 WALDBURGER, Mark & Jolene  
 08/22 BORGEN, Brad & Gina  
 08/22 KISLEWSKI, Howard & Jacqueline  
 08/22 MANTEUFEL, Caleb & Lauryn  
 08/23 EMERY, Daniel & Heather  
 08/23 TUYLS, Caleb & Lauryn  
 08/25 WENDLER, Brian & Cheryl  
 08/30 RIGOTTI, Kathleen & Chris\*

## BIRTHDAYS – AUGUST 2024

08/02 BATES, Kendall  
 08/03 VOIGT, Merry  
 08/04 LINDNER, Danielle  
 08/05 BARTELME, Daniel  
 08/06 HANSON, Justine  
 08/06 SCHMIDT, Aaron  
 08/06 SEXMITH, Barbara  
 08/06 WATSON, Bill  
 08/08 KROES, Simon  
 08/10 BURROWS, Gail  
 08/11 GRAPER, Charlotte  
 08/12 BEKX, Michael  
 08/12 GRIEPENTROG, DuWayne  
 08/12 KOSHUTA, Madeline  
 08/13 BOUCHARD, Evalise  
 08/13 EDWARDS, Karen  
 08/13 FLATER, Robert  
 08/14 GEHRT, Mason

08/14 HUBNER, Mason  
 08/15 EDWARDS, David  
 08/15 GAST, Kevin  
 08/15 GUILLEY, Sandy  
 08/15 HANBY, Sheila  
 08/15 SCHRAMPFER, Mitchell  
 08/16 BROWN, Amanda  
 08/16 VOIGT, William  
 08/17 COLBY, Juliet  
 08/17 JANDREY, Janine  
 08/18 PEOTTER, Jerry  
 08/19 DUTTER, Cora  
 08/19 FLENZ, Sloane  
 08/21 BECKER, Mark  
 08/21 LUKASAVAGE, Diane  
 08/22 GAST, Bruce  
 08/22 MAYNARD, Logan

08/22 NIELSEN, Jane  
 08/22 SCHULTZ, JoAnn  
 08/23 ERDMANN, Franklin  
 08/25 GAST, Brian  
 08/26 KOHLER, Robbie  
 08/26 MICHALSKI-TOBEY, Charley  
 08/26 TUYLS, Shiloh  
 08/27 HANBY, Cody  
 08/28 HENKEL, Connie  
 08/29 MLODIK, Samuel  
 08/30 BAEHMAN, Kathryn  
 08/30 EMERY, Daniel  
 08/30 KISLEWSKI, Howard  
 08/30 WHITTMANN, Desiree  
 08/31 BATES, Dewey  
 08/31 GERUE, Elizabeth  
 08/31 WIRTH, Timothy



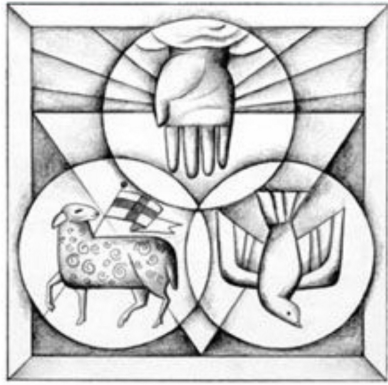
### ✠ *Trinity Membership Update* ✠

**New Members/Transfers In:** Megan Anderson,  
**Released/Transfers Out:** Andrew Cleveland, Jeri Pack

**Baptisms:**  
**Weddings:**

**Members Who Have Passed:**

*<sup>25</sup>For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last He will stand upon the earth. <sup>26</sup>And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God. Job 19:25-26*



# Catechetical Comments

A Series

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

This month we continue our consideration of the First Article of the Apostles' Creed, with special focus on question 96.

*96. Why is the First Person of the Trinity called "the Father"?*

B. He is also the Father of all people because He created them. Strictly speaking, there is only one human race, because all human beings are equally the children of Adam and Eve and are equally redeemed by Christ.

In the *Small Catechism*, Martin Luther continues his explanation of the First Article of the Creed by asking the question:

*Why is the First Person of the Trinity called "the Father"?*

He then continues his answer with Part B:

*B. He is also the Father of all people because He created them. Strictly speaking, there is only one human race, because all human beings are equally the children of Adam and Eve and are equally redeemed by Christ.*

Then are listed for us the following Scripture passages in support of this answer:

**Malachi 2:10** – Have we not all one Father? Has not one God created us?

**Acts 17:26** – He made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth.

**1 Corinthians 15:22** – As in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.

**Ephesians 3:14-15** – For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.

And, finally, we are directed to the Parable of the Prodigal Son from Luke 15:11-32.

Quite apart, then, from our special relationship with God through faith in His Son, Jesus Christ, that special relationship by way of being redeemed by His death and resurrection from eternal death and everlasting condemnation, we share with all humanity a common ancestry by virtue of being created by God and gifted with His image. Malachi says it plainly enough, "Have we not all one Father? Has not one God created us?" (Mal. 2:10).

Now, this common ancestry is a sword with two edges. Yes, we have God as our Father, but we also share a common corruption, inherited from Adam, the progenitor of human life. As Paul points out in 1 Cor. 15:22: "As in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive."

Here we see the blessing and the curse in reverse order, which clearly shows our need for the special relationship of faith. Without "Part A," as Luther lists it – God as our Father through faith in His Son, having Him as Father by virtue of our creation would be of no benefit; without Christ and His atoning sacrifice, our only connection to God would be one of obligation, an obligation we could never fulfill.

So, while Part B is true, it is only bad news without Part A. We need the special relationship of grace by faith, for without it we are only doomed.

This is most certainly true. ✠

Humbly in His service,  
Rev. Steven S. Billings  
Senior Pastor

# TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL NEWS - AUGUST 2024



Dear School Families and Friends of Trinity Lutheran School,

Welcome back! We welcome back all returning students and add a special welcome to our new students and families. We praise God for each of these students and ask His blessing on them as they go through the school year. Trinity Lutheran School begins the 2024-2025 school year with 5th through 8th Grades, starting classes on August 26. PS3-4th Grade starts August 28. Registration will be on August 20 from 12:00 noon - 7:00 pm and August 21 from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm or by appointment.

This year's school theme is "Endure." "Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.." (Hebrews 12:1-3 ESV).

Our staff for the year is as follows: Mrs. Caitlin Vanden Bloomer, 3-year old PS; Miss Courtney Corrente, 4 year old Prekindergarten; Mrs. Heather Andreshak, 5-year-old Kindergarten; Miss Emily Ehlert, Grades 1 - 2; Mrs. Valerie GeRue, Grades 3 - 4; Miss Elizabeth Bahrns, Grades 5 - 6; Ms. Dawn Schroeder, Grades 7 - 8; Miss Desiree Wittmann, Before and After Care and Teacher Aid; Mrs. Nicole Schimmelpfenning, Teacher Aid; Kristine Tuyls, Teacher Aid; Mrs. Lilli Kroes, Teacher Aid; Mrs. Anne Dahms, School Cook and Teacher Aid; Juliet Colby, Art; Mr. Nathan Dahms, School Administrative Assistant; Rev. Keith GeRue, Principal.

We will publish a newsletter (Tiger Tracks) every other Friday. This letter will be sent out on Fast Direct. We have the monthly lunch calendar already uploaded. Please keep it handy so you can refer to it throughout the month. We hope this will help you. Check out our Trinity website at [www.trinitymenasha.com](http://www.trinitymenasha.com). The teachers are working to add more to their classroom information.

**SCRIP PROGRAM** —you may purchase scrip cards after service on Wednesday, Saturday, or Sunday. It may also be purchased at the school or church office during regular business hours.

**ONE MONTH FREE TUITION** - You can receive a referral discount of one month's tuition for each child you refer that enrolls in our school and pays their first month's tuition.

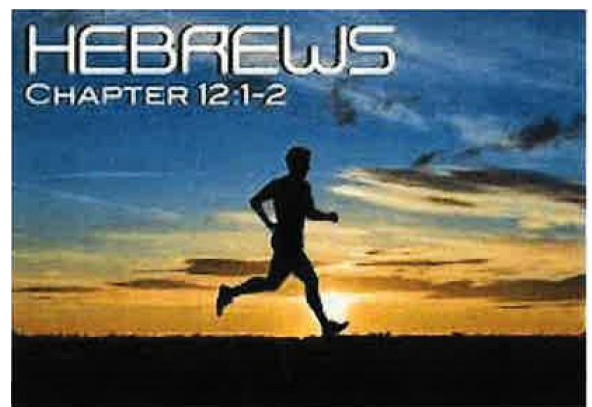
**FREE AND REDUCED HOT LUNCH** forms can be picked up on Registration Day.

**TUITION PAYMENTS** — You may make tuition payments by automated deduction from your checking or savings account. Please bring along a voided check to registration begin the process.

Please call or email me with any questions at [kgerue@trinitymenasha.com](mailto:kgerue@trinitymenasha.com) or (920)886-1077.

## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

August 11,	9:00 am	Fellowship Smith Park Pavilion in Menasha
	10:00 am	Worship followed by Church Picnic
August 15-23,		Teacher In Service
August 18,	9:00 am	Worship with Teacher Dedication
August 20-21,		Registration
August 19,	10:00 am	Volleyball Practice
August 20,	10:00 am	Volleyball Practice
August 22,	10:00 am	Volleyball Practice
August 26,	8: 15 am	5th-8th Grade Classes Resume
August 26,	3:45 pm	Volleyball Practice
August 28,	8:15 am	3yr old-8th Grade Classes
August 28,	3:45 pm	Volleyball Practice



God's Richest Blessings in Christ, as we begin a new school year. "Endure"  
Rev Keith E. GeRue Associate Pastor and Principal

## Serving Our Lord with Gladness – August 2024

Senior Pastor: Rev. Steven S. Billings  
Associate Pastor/Principal: Rev. Keith E. GeRue

Worship Date/Time	Acolyte	Elder on Duty	Communion Assistant	Usher Captain	Greeter	Altar Guild	Flower Delivery
Aug 3: 5:00 PM	Maya Torres	Robert Allen	Lee Colby	Roger Voigt		Jean Zeinert	
Aug 4: 9:00 AM Aug 7: 6:30 PM Aug 10 5:00 PM	Sydney Gast  Axle Hurst	Craig Thomas David Little Robert Allen	Steve Sexmith  Ian Thomas	Steve Sexmith Acker/Reinke	JoAnn Schultz Jane Nielsen	Craig & Jill Thomas Evensen/ Zeinert Jean Zeinert	Craig & Jill Thomas
Aug 11: 9:00 AM Aug 14: 6:30 PM Aug 17: 5:00 PM	Robbie Kohler  Payton Lenth	Craig Thomas Micheal Bekx Robert Allen	Ron Kraus  Dan Siebert	Tom Harrmann Lee Weinig Acker/Reinke	Betty Allen Liz Kamprath	Craig & Jill Thomas Evensen/ Zeinert Jean Zeinert	Craig & Jill Thomas
Aug 18: 9:00 AM Aug 21: 6:30 PM Aug 24: 5:00 PM	Simon Kroes  Emma Schmidt	Craig Thomas David Little Robert Allen	Scott Gutzman  Vance Pues	Jerry Maynard Jim Wittman Acker/Reinke	Barbara Kester Connie Henkel	Craig & Jill Thomas Evensen / Zeinert Jean Zeinert	Craig & Jill Thomas
Aug 25: 9:00 AM Aug 28: 6:30 PM Aug 31: 5:00 PM	Richie Sprouse  Mirella Taschner	Craig Thomas Roger Voigt Bruce Buksyk	Robert Flater  Bruce Buksyk	Lee Colby Dave Collingwood Acker/Reinke	Dan & Peggy Dahms Rosemary Collingwood	Craig & Jill Thomas Evensen / Zeinert Jean Zeinert	Craig & Jill Thomas

### Altar Guild Help Needed



Trinity is in dire need of volunteers to serve on our Altar Guild team.

Tasks are:

- Saturdays: Set-up and reset the altar
- Sundays: Clean up communion and deliver flowers to a designated member of Trinity.

Setting the Lord's Table is truly an honor and blessing. Please contact Mary Conradt or Jean Zeinert at (920) 722-2662 to become a member of our team.

### German Dinner

German Dinner is scheduled for November 10<sup>th</sup> thanks to the planning committee of:  
Deb & Alan Manteufel, Brian & Paula Reichert and Ron & Dottie Kraus

### SAVE THE DATES

#### \*ALTAR GUILD MEETING

September 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM  
in the Sanctuary.

#### \*Pastors' Appeal

October 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM  
in the Sanctuary.



## Trinity Camping Weekend 2024

Trinity Camping weekend is set for August 16-18, 2024, at the Wild West Campground & Corral in Waupaca. It is located on 90+ acres within 15 miles from downtown Waupaca, and Hartmann Creek State Park. There is a variety of recreational activities to enjoy. They are located on Hwy 54, 8 miles west of Waupaca (5 miles west of Hartmann Creek State Park). Check them out at

<http://www.wildwestcampground.com>. Reservations are taken online. Go to their website and place your reservation today. Or you can call them direct at 715-824-5112 (but don't wait too long, as sites will fill-up).



Not able to camp with us? Then join us for the day on Saturday for fellowship and a lunchtime potluck meal. The campground does not charge a fee for guests to visit. Questions? or ideas for other campgrounds to consider for 2025? Contact Roger or Merry Voigt, at (920) 725-9908 or [rogerwvoigt@gmail.com](mailto:rogerwvoigt@gmail.com).

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SAUERKRAUT ORDERS WILL AGAIN BE TAKEN THIS YEAR.

Watch for more information and a flyer for ordering on the spinner in the Narthex.





# IT'S COMING BACK! FALL GERMAN DINNER



Many of our Trinity Family will remember the Fall German Dinner that happened annually for many years but has not been happening for the last several. It is a wonderful menu and a perfect time for our congregation to work together to serve our Lord, our community and enjoy fellowship with each other. The date will be Sunday, November 10th for the noon meal (Packer bye weekend). It does take many hands and we hope that those of you who are able will join us to make this the beginning of an annual event once again. Most everything will be homemade! We ask for your support and prayers!

Committee: Deb and Alan Manteufel (920) 428-4286,  
Paula and Brian Reichert (920) 460-1225, Ron and  
Dottie Kraus (920) 991-2705



## CHURCH PICNIC

Sunday, August 11, 2024

Smith Park Pavilion

Fellowship hour: 9:00AM

Worship Service: 10:00AM

Potluck luncheon to follow the service. We ask members to bring a dish to share for the luncheon.

**A-H SALADS**

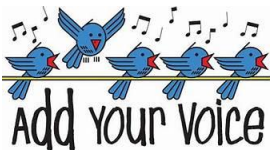
**I-R MAIN DISHES**

**S-Z DESSERTS**

These are only suggestions; you are welcome to bring your own favorite dish to pass.

The picnic is sponsored by the board of Outreach and Social Ministry. If you have any questions please email Ailene Moderson at [mmodes@yahoo.com](mailto:mmodes@yahoo.com), or Noelle Webber at [nmwebberw@peoplepc.com](mailto:nmwebberw@peoplepc.com).

We hope to see you all there! God's Blessings



## **Sing a New Song**

You do it in the car. You do it in the shower.

You do it at gatherings and to your favorite people.

**YOU SING!** Consider adding your voice to Trinity's worship by being a part of our choir/ensemble.

Rehearsals are currently Thursday evenings at 6pm. Our first rehearsal will be September 5.

Contact Connie Henkel @

920-725-0694 or

sonshine\_54952@yahoo.com for more information.

**Love to Sing?** 🎵

Join us on **9 August** (Friday night) 🎵

🎵 at 7pm to experience  
**Trinity Monthly Friday Hymn-Sing!**  
Pastor B will begin with a brief devotion  
Followed by Call-Outs from YOU!

🎵🎵 What's **YOUR** favorite hymn??

🎵 *we'll keep picking people to call out their favorite hymns, and sing 2+ stanzas ... for an hour!*

Oh ... Reception follows in the Narthex!! 🎵

*Any questions, call or see*  
Bart, 920-734-8843 or Rose, 608-213-2644

## **World Relief Drive is Underway!**

Our Monday morning Trinity quilters have been busy utilizing their God given talents and are well on their way to their goal of 50 Beautiful quilts; what a blessing!

We have begun our annual World Relief Drive now with plans to assemble the personal care and school kits on Tuesday, August 20th at 6:30 p.m. in the Large Fellowship Hall. Guests are welcome to come help us for the evening; we so appreciated those of you that came last August.

We set our goal this year to complete 125 personal care kits and 125 school kits.

**Each School kits contain:** A drawstring cloth backpack, 4 spiral notebooks of wide or college ruled paper, a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other, a small handheld pencil sharpener, a blunt ended scissors, 5 black or blue ballpoint pens, 5 unsharpened pencils, a 2 1/2" eraser and one box of crayons (16 or 24 count)

**Each personal care contains:** A lightweight cotton or cotton blend bath size towel, 2 bath size bars of soap, a STURDY combs, a metal nail clipper, and one toothbrush.

A very heartfelt 'thank you to our Trinity Family' for the generosity in serving our Lord and our neighbors through the Lutheran World Relief Drive. With your generosity and a Thrivent card we were able to procure all the items to complete the kits. We would like to make you aware that due to the great support from the congregation over the past 3 years we have been able to increase the number of completed kits from 100 each personal and school kits to 125 each.

If you did not have a chance to contribute but still would like to help this great mission, World Relief is always very grateful for any financial contribution. Just make the check to 'Lutheran World Relief' or put cash in an envelope marked 'Ladies Aid/LWML for World Relief' and we will make sure your donation is sent to Lutheran World Relief to be used for shipping the quilts and kits. Once again may God bless you for partnering with us as we joyfully care for our neighbors in need.

Trinity's Ladies Aid/LWML



"Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the Lord and He will reward them for what they have done." Proverbs 19:17