

# April 29 & 30, 2023 Weekly Bulletin

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## ✠ This Week at Trinity ✠

### Saturday, April 29:

- 7:00 AM End of Youth Lock In
- 9:30 AM Food Pantry
- 5:00 PM Worship Service/**Congregational Planning Meeting to Follow**

### Sunday, April 30:

- 9:00 AM Worship Service/**Congregational Planning Meeting to Follow**
- 10:30 AM **NO Bible Studies**  
**There will be Sunday School**

### Monday, May 1: TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

- Rev. Billings' Sabbath
- 9:00 AM Sewing
- 6:00 PM Prayer Time
- 6:30 PM Women's Bible Study

### Tuesday, May 2:

- 6:30 AM Ladies Bible Study
- 3:45 PM Running Club
- 6:30 PM Board Meetings

### Wednesday, May 3:

- 8:45 AM Chapel
- 5:00 PM Confirmation Classes
- 6:30 PM Worship Service
- 6:30 PM Oktoberfest Planning Meeting-Narthex Conference room

### Thursday, May 4:

- 6:00 AM Men's Bible Study
- 3:45 PM Running Club
- 6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

### Friday, May 5: NO SCHOOL—Student Fieldtrips

### Saturday, May 6:

- 8:00 AM Spring Clean Up Day—Meet in Narthex
- 5:00 PM Worship Service

### Sunday, May 7:

- 9:00 AM Worship Service
- 10:30 AM Ed Hour and Sunday School

## ✠ We Pray For... ✠

**The Sick:** Rick Ascher, Kathy Baehman, Jan Bathke, Mark and Jean Becker, 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, Michelle Mahoney, Betsy Meverden, Donna Mies, Mlodik Family, Dianne Olsen, Lisa Olson, Lynn Olson, Julia Peterson, Norb Pomerence, Joan Reinke, Kathy Rigotti, LeRoy Schaefer, Dan Schael, Ray Schroeder, Sam & Amy Schroeder, Jordan Schroeter, JoAnn Smoody, Scott Steenepoorte, Liz Swaney, Bud Tschirgi, Joyce Virchow, Emil Vozka, Carla Watson, Merle Webber, Kurt Wendler, Laverne Werth, Dorothy Wirth, Terry Wray.

**Those Grieving:** The Donald Gehrt Family and Barbara Richardson Family

**Celebrating Birthdays:** Marcus Biagini, Allison Corrente, Andrew Reichert, Bruce Buksyk, Michael Emery, Jozlynn Messenger, Bryce Sokel, Douglas Amond, Gary Kaye, Rachel Kobs and Brooklyn Sedlock.



## News, Events, Requests, Etc.

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"Like" Us on Facebook

### Altar Flowers

The flowers have been given in loving memory of Laurel Wirth by her husband, Tim Wirth.

### This Weekend's Banner "Rejoice"

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

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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. You need not belong to Ladies Aid/LWML to join us. We welcome you as it is our mission statement 'to serve our Lord, our congregation and our community while promoting and supporting relationships among women.' If you'd like to bring a dish to share, you can indicate that on the signup sheet. Hope to see you there!

## Oktoberfest Volunteers Needed!

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Dear Trinity,

The Board of Outreach and Social Ministry is in the initial process of starting our annual fundraiser for the Church and School. We have a booth at the Appleton Oktoberfest on Saturday, September 30th.

We are looking for participation from the congregation and school to help on a committee. The monies raised goes back into the church and school. We need people involved to make this a success again this year.

We will be having a kick-off meeting on May 3rd at Trinity at 6:30pm. At this meeting we will discuss what is all involved and how you can contribute to make this a success.

It is a fun event and hope to see you there! Thank you, Ailene Moderson (920)-450-2753 [modes@yahoo.com](mailto:modes@yahoo.com)

## Food Pantry Help Needed!

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Postal Carrier Food Drive is Saturday, May 13th. Your help is needed to sort, box, and put away the food items received for our Pantry. Plan on arriving at 12:30 PM, or whenever you can in the afternoon, and spend as much time as you are able. For more info, contact Lee Colby or Steve Reinke. Thank You!!

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!

### ✠ Stewardship Lesson ✠

**1 Peter 2:21** - "For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps." Our heavenly Father wants us to grow into the image of His Son and to follow in His steps. Jesus suffered for us not only to redeem us, but also to show us what love looks like and to leave us an example of self-giving, sacrificial generosity. "Let us ever walk with Jesus, follow His example pure."

## Holy Communion

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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.

## Daily Devotions Direct Link!

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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>.

## Trinity Gallery Choir

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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.

## ✠ Serving Our Lord This Weekend ✠

### Saturday, 5:00 PM, April 29:

Elder on Duty: *David Little*  
Usher Team: *Jerry Maynard*  
Communion Assistant: *Bruce Buksyk*  
Altar Guild: *Jackie Bouchard*  
Greeter: *Barb Kester*  
Acolyte: *Donovan Rausch*

### Sunday, 9:00 AM, April 30:

Elder on Duty: *Craig Thomas*  
Usher Team: *Steve Sexmith*  
Communion Assistant: *Bob Flater*  
Altar Guild: *Jean Zeinert*  
Flower Delivery: *Connie Henkel*  
Greeter: *Jane Nielsen*  
Acolyte: *Dylan Kobs*

### Wednesday, 6:30 PM, May 3:

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

## ✠ Serving Our Lord Next Weekend ✠

### Saturday, 5:00 PM, May 6:

Elder on Duty: *Robert Allen*  
Usher Team: *Lee Colby*  
Communion Assistant: *Ian Thomas*  
Altar Guild: *Phil & Mary Conradt*  
Greeter: *Dan & Peggy Dahms*  
Acolyte: *Donovan Rausch*

### Sunday, 9:00 AM, May 7:

Elder on Duty: *Brian Ratzburg*  
Usher Team: *Dave Collingwood*  
Communion Assistant: *Lee Weing*  
Altar Guild: *Gail Burrows*  
Flower Delivery: *Volunteer Needed*  
Greeter: *Rosemary Collingwood*  
Acolyte: *Maya Torres*

### Wednesday, 6:30 PM, May 10:

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

## Lutheran Schools Night

**Saturday, May 13 • 6:10 PM**

### ***Purchase of Tickets Extended to May 1***

Join us for a night of family fun as the Milwaukee Brewers take on the Kansas City Royals, 6:10 PM. Tickets: \$23-\$59. You can also purchase a parking pass in advance. Purchase your tickets online at <https://fevogm.com/event/Lutheranschools2> by May 1.



## **Gluten-Free Hosts Available**

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

## **\$ 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.

**Grocery Only Kwik Trip Scrip at 20%;**

**Regular Kwik Trip -10%**

**Jimmy John's Scrip is no longer stocked.**

### 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* with 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" with Dottie Kraus
- 6:00 AM **Thursday:** Men's Bible Study, *Paul's Letter to the Corinthians* with Steve Reinke - Large Conference Room.

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

## Trinity Lutheran School

### ABUNDANT LIFE

#### John 10:1—11

**“I came that they may have life and have it abundantly” (JOHN 10:10B).**

The cartoonist shows Dennis the Menace surrounded by many gifts that he has been privileged to open. The cartoon shares the question of Dennis: “Is that all there is?”

Have you ever not been satisfied? Perhaps you have gotten gifts for Christmas or for your birthday and you really didn’t get what you wanted or as much as you wanted. Perhaps the restaurant menu didn’t have food items that you liked.

We all confess the sin of selfishness. We praise the God who so generously gives us food, clothing, family and everything we need. (We remember the explanation to the First Article of the Apostles’ Creed and the explanation to the Fourth Petition of the Lord’s Prayer.) While we are thankful for all blessings, we especially give thanks for an abundant life in Jesus.

Today’s Bible reading is a favorite description of Jesus. Jesus described Himself as the “good shepherd” (v. 11). There were many shepherds in the area where Jesus lived and taught. Good shepherds took care of their sheep. They made sure they had plenty of grass to eat and water to drink. Good shepherds made sure the sheep were protected from wolves and other predators. Jesus, the Good Shepherd, makes sure His disciples have an abundant earthly life.

The abundance that Jesus has to give is greater than any earthly needs. Jesus said, “The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep” (John 10:11). Only by giving His life could the Good Shepherd provide abundant life. The Good Shepherd was also the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

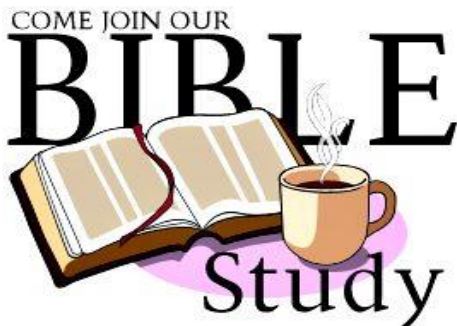
Because of the Shepherd’s sacrifice and because of the Shepherd’s resurrection, we, by faith, have an abundant life. We have our sins forgiven. We have the promise of eternal life with Jesus. No matter how abundant our life is in things and comforts, no matter how sparse our life is in things and comforts, we have an abundant life now and forever in Jesus, the Good Shepherd.

Having received an abundance of God’s grace, we are commissioned to share His abundant life with others. There is plenty of grace from the Shepherd to be shared!

*Jesus, we confess that often we think and live in the poverty of our selfishness rather than in the abundance of Your grace. Through our Baptism the promises of an abundance of spiritual blessings have been given to us. As Your disciples may we share the abundant life with others so all may share in Your eternal blessings. Amen.*

### HAPPENINGS AT TRINITY SCHOOL MAY 1-5

ALL WEEK	Teacher Appreciation
Tues. May 2	K5, 1st, & 2nd Atlas Science Center
	3:45pm Running Club
Wed. May 3	8:45 am Chapel
Thur. May 4	3:45pm Running Club
Fri. May 5	Trinity Oshkosh Track Meet
	4th-8th Grades
	Ps3-3 No School



Wednesday Evening Services have resumed.



## Peace Lutheran Church 2023 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Monday thru Friday June 5-9, 2023

9:00 A.M. - 11:45 A.M. Monday thru Thursday

9:00A.M. - 11:15A.M. FRIDAY . . . then on Friday,

all FAMILIES are INVITED at 11:15 A.M.

for a CLOSING PROGRAM and FREE lunch!

1228 S. Park Ave. - Neenah (725-0510)



Enrollment is open to ALL children potty trained 3 and older *and* their friends and neighbors.

Cost? NONE! VBS IS FREE!

Mission offering taken during V.B.S.

(All crafts, supplies and snacks are included!)

Contact: Church Office (920-725-0510) or Betsy Ehlert (920-750-0910)

\* \*If you have questions or concerns, or if you can help with our VBS.\*



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Return this registration form to the church office as soon as possible. Or scan the QR code at the top of the page.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Completed \_\_\_\_\_

Parents \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Student \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Food allergies or important medical information

Family Doctor \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Home Church \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Brought by \_\_\_\_\_ Any special requests \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about our VBS? \_\_\_\_\_

Peace Lutheran Church sometimes photographs and/or videotapes children at different church activities. These may be used for our church website, missions purposes and other church related functions. Your permission to do so will be understood as given unless you contact Peace Lutheran Church at 920-725-0510 to deny your consent. Thank you.

# Benefiting Trinity Lutheran School Menasha

Monday May 8<sup>th</sup> 2023  
4-8 PM

Remember to please mention Trinity  
Lutheran Menasha  
when placing your order  
PS3 - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade



1151 Whittmann Park Lane  
Menasha, WI 54952

# 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 ½ 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!!**