



May 27 & 28, 2023 Weekly Bulletin

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✠ This Week at Trinity ✠

Saturday, May 27:

- 9:30 AM Food Pantry
- 10:00 AM Graduation
School Sings/Chimes
- 1:00 PM Confirmation Rehearsal
- 2:00 PM Confirmation Pictures
- 5:00 PM Worship Service

Sunday, May 28: PENTECOST

RITE OF CONFIRMATION

- 9:00 AM Worship Service
- 10:30 AM Ed Hour

Monday, May 29: MEMORIAL DAY CHURCH & SCHOOL OFFICES CLOSED

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

Tuesday, May 30: TEACHER INSERVICE

- 6:30 AM Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday, May 31: TEACHER INSERVICE

- 6:30 PM Worship

Thursday, June 1 TEACHER INSERVICE

- 6:00 AM Men's Bible Study
- 6:40 PM T-Rats Game & Picnic

Friday, June 2: TEACHER INSERVICE

Saturday, June 3: 5:00 PM Worship Service

Sunday, June 4 9:00 AM Worship Service 10:30 AM Ed Hour

✠ We Pray For...✠

The Sick: Rick Ascher, Kathy Baehman, Jan Bathke, Mark and Jean Becker, Karlton Borchardt, Shannon Braun, Michael Burns, David Cotter, Matt Daniels, Nancy Davidson, 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 Steenepoorte, Liz Swaney, Bud & Joyce Tschirgi, Joyce Virchow, Emil Vozka, Carla Watson, Merle Webber, Kurt Wendler, Laverne Werth, Dorothy Wirth and Terry Wray.

Celebrating Birthdays: Evelyn Dutter, Joan Reinke, Kieran Burke, Sam Kollman, Debra Bursack, Colyn Hopfensperger, Jennifer Upchurch, Alexander Borgen, Jeri Pack, and Nicole Ross

Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries: Ronald and Beverly Voster

**School Office is by Appointment Only, through the summer.
Church Office is closed Monday, May 29, 2023, in observance of Memorial Day.**

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.

Visit us at: www.trinitymenasha.com or
"Like" Us on Facebook

Altar Flowers

The flowers have been given in memory of
Laura Van Ark's birthday, by Laura's Family.

This Weekend's Banners

"I Do So Intend"

Portals of Prayer

Portals of Prayer, a devotional book, is available in the narthex, or stop by the and for a copy to pick up your free Portals of Prayer, courtesy of the Board of Elders.

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.

Celebrate Rev. Marvin Ahlborn's 50th Anniversary in Service to the Lord

Date: June 11, 2023

Time: 9:00 am worship service
11:00 am Reception- Fellowship Hall

Place: Trinity Lutheran Church
370 Bowen St, Oshkosh, WI 54901

Please RSVP to church@trinityoshkosh.org
or call (920) 235-7440 by June 2, 2023.

Cards are also being collected and may be mailed to: Rev. Ahlborn - 50th Anniversary, c/o Trinity Lutheran Church, 370 Bowen St, Oshkosh, WI 54901.

You may share photos or memories, bring a special baked treat, or a talent for the special event. Please contact the church office by May 31, 2023, to arrange.

✠ Stewardship Lesson ✠

Pentecost/Rite of Confirmation

Acts 2:1 - "When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place." Pentecost is the Old Testament harvest festival, taking place around the time when the wheat and oats are ready to be brought in. Of course, this was an image and foreshadowing of the great harvest of humankind that God means to carry out through the preaching of His Word. God gives the seed, and God brings about the harvest. From first to last, in things temporal and things eternal, we stand only by His grace.

Congratulations to Trinity's Confirmands



Melani Gast - Jeremiah 29:11

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.

Dylan Kobs - Matthew 28:19-20

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

Levi Kroes - Colossians 3:16-17

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Cecelia Street - Psalm 23:1-4

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

✠ Serving Our Lord This Weekend ✠

Saturday, 5:00 PM, May 27:

Elder on Duty: *Bob Allen*
Usher Team: *Jerry Maynard*
Communion Assistant: *Vance Pues*
Altar Guild: *Phil & Mary Conradt*
Greeter: *Betty Allen*
Acolyte: *Cecelia Street*

Sunday, 9:00 AM, May 28:

Elder on Duty: *Brian Ratzburg*
Usher Team: *Steve Sexmith*
Communion Assistant: *Dave Collingwood*
Altar Guild: *Craig & Jill Thomas*
Flower Delivery: *Craig & Jill Thomas*
Greeter: *Jane Nielsen*
Acolyte: *Sydney Gast*

Wednesday, 6:30 PM, May 31:

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

✠ Serving Our Lord Next Weekend ✠

Saturday, 5:00 PM, June 3:

Elder on Duty: *Bob Allen*
Usher Team: *Lee Colby*
Communion Assistant: *Bruce Buksyk*
Altar Guild: *Paula Reickert*
Greeter: *Dan & Peggy Dahms*
Acolyte: *Sydney Gast*

Sunday, 9:00 AM, June 4:

Elder on Duty: *Brian Ratzburg*
Usher Team: *Dave Collingwood*
Communion Assistant: *Blaine Henkel*
Altar Guild: *Jackie Kislewski*
Flower Delivery: *Jackie Kislewski*
Greeter: *Rosemary Collingwood*
Acolyte: *Simon Kroes*

Wednesday, 6:30 PM, June 7:

Elder on Duty: *Tom Harrmann*
Usher Team: *Steve Reinke*
Altar Guild: *Volunteer Needed*

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: Ketchup, Kleenex, Toilet Paper, Canned Fruit, and Laundry Detergent. 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 through the summer, Mon.-Fri. from 8:00AM-3:00 PM, and in the narthex before and after worship services.

Jimmy John's Scrip is no longer stocked.

Trinity Lutheran School

SPIRIT OF LIFE

Acts 2:1-21

“And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams” (ACTS 2:17).

Complete this sentence “I can’t wait for...” If Jesus’ disciples had an “I can’t wait for ...” list, it may have included “the Holy Spirit.”

The disciples couldn’t wait for the coming of the Holy Spirit. The Old Testament prophet Joel had shared God’s promise of the Spirit hundreds of years before Jesus was born (2:28). Jesus had promised that when He physically left the disciples, He would send the Holy Spirit (John 14:1–17, 25–26). Shortly before Jesus’ ascension, He promised again, “But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you” (Acts 1:8).

God always keeps His promises. Pentecost is the celebration that God kept and keeps His promise of the Holy Spirit. Today’s Bible reading (Acts, Chapter 2) tells the story of the Spirit’s coming with a rushing wind, tongues of fire and unfamiliar languages.

The Holy Spirit used Disciple Peter to share the Pentecost sermon. Peter’s message was, “I can’t wait to tell you about Jesus.” Peter told about the unfair treatment of Jesus and the cruel condemnation to crucifixion. Peter shared that Jesus had died even for those who had crucified Him. Peter preached that Jesus rose again to bring new life to all who believe in Him. The disciples were blessed to see and receive everything that they had waited for since they began to follow Jesus. The Holy Spirit brought all of God’s gifts to them.

We don’t have to wait for God to keep His promise of the Holy Spirit. The Spirit who came to the disciples came to us in our Baptism. The Spirit didn’t appear to us with wind and fire. The Spirit came to us in the water of Baptism. The Holy Spirit comes to us in God’s Word and gives us faith in the death and resurrection of Jesus.

Because the Holy Spirit has come to us and because He continues to bring God’s Word to us to keep us in faith, we can trust in all of God’s promises. We can say, “I can’t wait to be with Jesus in glory.”

With the power of the Holy Spirit, we, too, are Jesus’ disciples and witnesses. Complete this statement: “I can’t wait to tell (names) ... about Jesus.”

Dear Jesus, we are thankful that You keep all Your promises. Thank You for sending the promised Spirit to the disciples in Jerusalem. Thank You for sending the Holy Spirit to us in our Baptism. Continue to send the Spirit to us so that we might make disciples who know of Your saving work and follow You for life. Amen.

Graduation 2023



This year we have three students graduating from 8th Grade:

Preston Davies

Levi Kroes

Dane Pues

Graduation Service is set for 10:00 AM, Saturday May 27th. We encourage you to attend the service if possible to show support for the students and wish them well in the next chapter of their lives.

The Geraniums, which decorate our Church, have been given by:

Pastor Steven & Elisabeth Billings

In Memory of Stewart & Joyce Billings

Brenda Kempf

In Memory of Roger Kempf

Dave & Karen Edwards

In Memory of Our Parents

Ron & Dottie Kraus

In Thanksgiving for many Blessings

Jackie Bouchard

In Honor of Merlin & Evelyn Schmidt

Irene Schwerbel

In Memory of Ken & Both Our Parents

Kathy & Chris Rigotti

In Memory of Ila & Bill Boyson & Sandra Meyer

Blaine & Connie Henkel

In Celebration of Trinity Choir

Ken & Liz Kamprath

In Memory of Parents Clarence & Viola Nolte and Victor

JoAnn Schultz

In Memory of Clayton Schultz & Ken & Mariah Waldburger (Grandparents)

In Celebration of Sylvia Schultz

Larry & Barb Schewe

In Celebration of God's Many Blessings

Tom & Barbara Kester

In Memory of Our Infant Baby Boy, Ray, Emma, Bruce & Bob Becker

Charlotte Elliott

In Memory of Parents and Husband

Pastor Jim & Val Dehne

In Celebration of God's Glory

Mike & Debbie Bursack

In Memory of our parents James Bursack, Rogene Hentz, Ralph and Dorothy Koffarnus

Tim & Janine Jandrey

In Celebration of 90th Birthday of Sally Mueller, In Memory of Lawrence & Audrey Jandrey

Dave & Deb Bartelme

In Memory of Ruth Bartelme

Todd & Dawn Henrickson

In Memory of Laurel Wirth,

In Celebration of Dottie Kraus' health & recovery, our Trinity Family & All our Blessings

Jane Stier

In Memory of Leland & Florence Schneidewend

Bruce & Lana Gast

In Honor & Memory of Loved Ones

Jerry & Diane Peotter

In Honor & Memory of Parents, and Friend, Judy Krause

Brian & Linda Ratzburg

In Celebration of God's Faithfulness



Trinity Camping Weekend 2023

Trinity Camping weekend is set for the traditional 3rd weekend in August, August 18-20 & will be held at Wild West Campground & Corral.

Located on 90+ acres within 15 miles from downtown Waupaca, WI, and Hartmann Creek State Park, you will find 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. As of May 20th, most of the sites between #3 to #19 are available (but don't wait too long, as these 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.

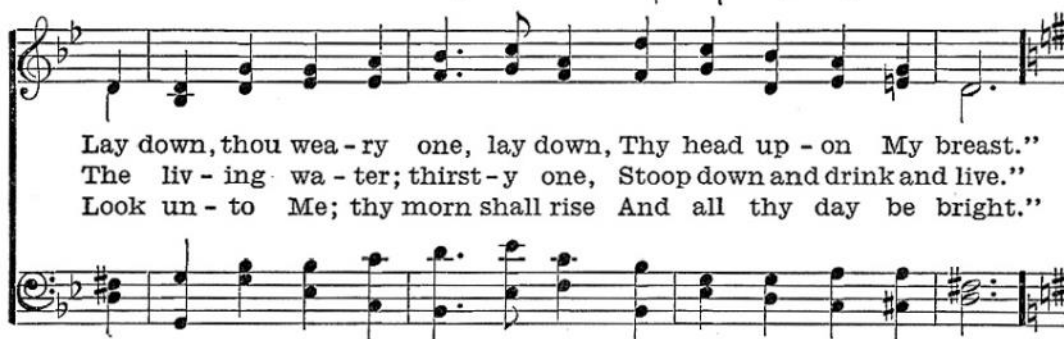
Questions or ideas for other campgrounds to consider for 2024?



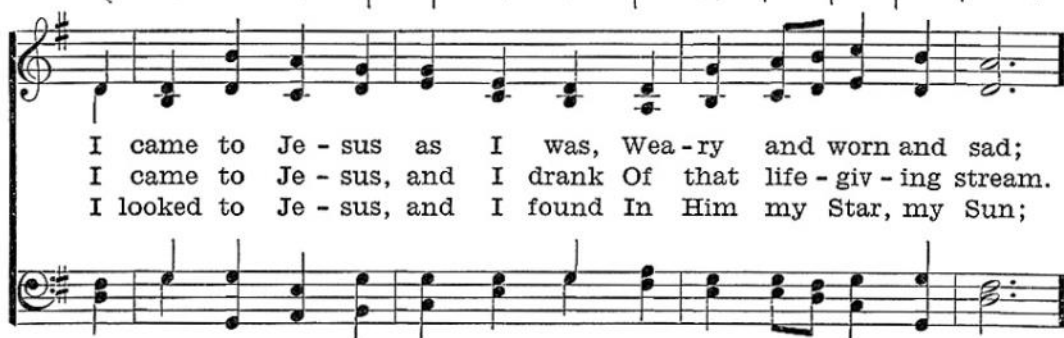
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(920) 725-9908, or
rogerwvoigt@gmail.com.



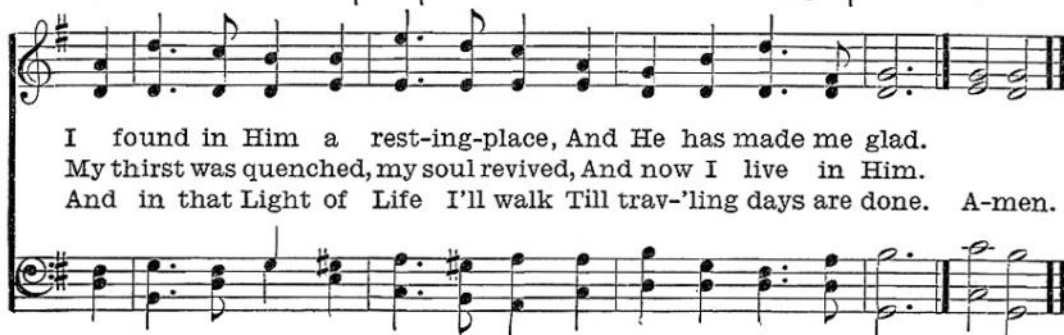
1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un-to Me and rest;
 2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give
 3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's Light.



Lay down, thou wea - ry one, lay down, Thy head up - on My breast."
 The liv - ing wa - ter; thirst - y one, Stoop down and drink and live."
 Look un - to Me; thy morn shall rise And all thy day be bright."



I came to Je - sus as I was, Wea - ry and worn and sad;
 I came to Je - sus, and I drank Of that life - giv - ing stream.
 I looked to Je - sus, and I found In Him my Star, my Sun;



I found in Him a rest - ing - place, And He has made me glad.
 My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, And now I live in Him.
 And in that Light of Life I'll walk Till trav - 'ling days are done. A - men.

Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery

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- 1 Come, be-hold the won-drous mys-t'ry, in the dawn-ing of the King,
- 2 Come, be-hold the won-drous mys-t'ry, he the per-fect Son of Man;
- 3 Come, be-hold the won-drous mys-t'ry, Christ the Lord up-on the tree;
- 4 Come, be-hold the won-drous mys-t'ry, slain by death the God of life;



he the theme of heav-en's prais-es, robed in frail hu-man-i-ty.
in his liv-ing, in his suf-f'ring nev-er trace nor stain of sin.
in the stead of ru-ined sin-ners hangs the Lamb in vic-to-ry.
but no grave could e'er re-strain him; praise the Lord; he is a-live!



In our long-ing, in our dark-ness, now the light of life has come.
See the true and bet-ter Ad-am, come to save the hell-bound man.
See the price of our re-demp-tion, see the Fa-ther's plan un-fold,
What a fore-taste of de-liv-'rance; how un-wa-ver-ing our hope.



Look to Christ, who con-de-scend-ed, took on flesh to ran-som us.
Christ the great and sure ful-fill-ment of the law; in him we stand.
bring-ing man-y sons to glo-ry, grace un-measured, love un-told.
Christ in pow-er res-ur-rect-ed as will we be when he comes.

Trinity Brat Fry and Bake Sale!

June 10, 2023 • 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Ellie and Jerry Maynard's

Volunteers Needed:

- Grillers
- Food Stand Workers
- Bakers

Donations Needed:

- Bakery
- Items for the brat fry

Sign up for grillers and food stand workers is on the spinner in the narthex.

Bakery donations can be brought to Trinity and placed in the Small Fellowship Hall between 8 am and 3 pm, on Friday, June 9, or bring them directly to the brat fry site on Friday evening or Saturday.

We were not able to do the usual April brat fry in conjunction with the Irish Road Rummage Sales this year so we want to do our best to make this one a success.



The proceeds of this sale will be primarily for fixing the potholes in the parking lots and then blacktopping.

Please pray for good weather and Christian fellowship and witness as well as for the safety of all involved. Questions, call Paula and Brian Reichert @ 920-460-1225 or Ron and Dottie Kraus @ 920-991-2705.