



September 2 & 3, 2023 Weekly Bulletin

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✠ This Week at Trinity ✠

Saturday, September 2:

5:00 PM Worship Service

Sunday, September 3:

9:00 AM Worship Service

10:30 AM Ed Hour

Monday, September 4:

LABOR DAY-OFFICES CLOSED

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SCHOOL CLOSED, SCHOOL & CHURCH OFFICES CLOSED

6:00 PM Prayer Group

6:30 PM Women's Bible Study

Tuesday, September 5:

6:30 AM Ladies Bible Study

3:45 PM VB Practice

6:30 PM Board Meetings

Wednesday, September 6:

8:45 AM Chapel

5:00 PM Catechism Class

6:30 PM Worship Service

Thursday, September 7:

6:00 AM Men's Bible Study

4:30 PM Volleyball Game @ Trinity-Oshkosh

Friday, September 8:

Saturday, September 9:

9:30 AM Food Pantry

5:00 PM Worship Service

Sunday, September 10:

9:00 AM Worship Service

SCHOOL CHILDREN WILL SING & CHIME

NEW MEMBERS RECOGNIZED

FOLLOWING SERVICE—RALLY DAY LUNCHEON!

✠ We Pray For...✠

The Sick: Rick Ascher, Kathy Baehman, Dave Bartelme, Jan Bathke, Mark and Jean Becker, Larry Bevers, Shannon Braun, Michael Burns, Matt Daniels, Nancy Davidson, Ed Diesch, Jeff Dionne, Tom Drum, Dennis & Judith Durkey, George Engele, Frank Erdmann, Sara Flater, Shirley Fleischer, Bruce Gast, Michael Hastings, Colyn Hopfensperger, Mary Howden, Peter Keller, Brenda Kempf, Carla Kobs, Sam Koch, Karen Lambert, Jackie Lenox, Nancy McMillian, Bob Lephart, Nancy McMillan, Michelle Mahoney, Betsy Meverden, Donna Mies, Dianne Olsen, Lisa Olson, Jerry Peotter, Julia Peterson, Norb Pomerence, Joan Reinke, Dan Schael, Marty Schramper, Ray Schroeder, Jordan Schroeder, Jo-Ann Smoody, Scott Steenepoorte, Liz Swaney, Craig Thomas, Bud & Joyce Tschirgi, Joyce Virchow, Carla Watson, Merle Webber, Kurt Wendler, Laverne Werth, Dorothy Wirth, Sheryl Wrat and Terry Wray. The family of Jane Roth.

Celebrating Birthdays: Eileen Acker, Ethan Arft, Alexa Dahms, Merrybell Dutter, Catherine GeRue, Cora Robinson, Eric Voigt and Brittany Wendler.

Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries: Daniel & Peggy Dahms, Tammy & Michael* Hertziger, Tim & Jannine Jandrey, Thomas & Barbara Kester, and Eric &

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>.

Gluten-Free Hosts Available

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

September 4th, our school, and school & church offices will be closed for Labor Day.

News, Events, Requests, Etc.

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

Altar Flowers

The flowers this weekend are to the glory
of God by the Ladies Aid.

This Weekend's Banners

"Our Hearts in HIS Hands" &
"Connected in Christ"

✠ Stewardship Lesson ✠

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Matthew 16:26 - "*For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul?*" He who dies with the most toys ... is dead. But the one who trusts in the Lord, even though he dies, yet shall he live. We live out our trust in the Lord by faithfully fulfilling the roles God has given us to play in home, church and society as loving, generous people. Those who don't know the Lord are afraid to be generous because they think that what they give away is lost to them. But we who know the Lord know that the things of this world become true blessings when they are used for God's kingdom.

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.

**TRINITY'S ANNUAL KRAUT-
MAKING EVENT** Sunday, September 17, after church, at the Weinig house—856 State Street in Menasha.

Food Pantry

This month our Pantry needs are: Ketchup, Kleenex, Canned Fruit, Canned Peas, Cream of Chicken Soup and Dish Soap. If someone you know would benefit from the Food Pantry, please call or text Steve Reinke at (920) 540-5090.

Would you like to help pick fresh produce for our pantry? If so contact Steve.

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 8:00AM-3:45 PM, and in the narthex before and after worship services.

We now have Old Grog Scrip in stock with \$25 cards!

RALLY DAY POTLUCK LUNCHEON

Sunday, September 10th, after worship, there will be a Rally Day luncheon which will also recognize the new members of our Trinity Family.

We ask people whose last names begin with the letters: A-H bring desserts, I-R bring salads and/or fresh fruit/vegs and S-Z bring sandwiches/hors d'oeuvres. *We hope to see everyone there!*

GET YOUR SAUERKRAUT! ORDER FORMS are available in the narthex. Seven dollars/Ice Cream Pail or \$23/5 Gallon Pail. Order no later than September 10th.

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

✠ Serving Our Lord This Weekend ✠

Saturday, 5:00 PM, September 2:

Elder on Duty: *Bruce Gast*
Usher Team: *Roger Voigt*
Communion Assistant: *Dan Siebert*
Altar Guild: *Paula Reichert*
Greeter: *JoAnn Schultz*
Acolyte: *Melani Gast*

Sunday, 9:00 AM, September 3:

Elder on Duty: *Michael Bekx*
Usher Team: *Jim Wittmann*
Communion Assistant: *Lee Weinig*
Altar Guild: *Jackie Kislewski*
Flower Delivery: *Jackie Kislewski*
Greeter: *Connie Henkel*
Acolyte: *Levi Kroes*

Wednesday, 6:30 PM, September 6:

Elder on Duty: *Tom Harrmann*
Usher Team: *Dave Acker*
Altar Guild: *Carol Evensen*

✠ Serving Our Lord Next Weekend ✠

Saturday, 5:00 PM, September 9:

Elder on Duty: *Bruce Gast*
Usher Team: *Tom Harrmann*
Communion Assistant: *Vance Pues*
Altar Guild: *Paula Reichert*
Greeter: *Dan & Peggy Dahms*
Acolyte: *Payton Lenth*

Sunday, 9:00 AM, September 10:

Elder on Duty: *Michael Bekx*
Usher Team: *Lee Weinig*
Communion Assistant: *Paul Collingwood*
Altar Guild: *Jackie Kislewski*
Flower Delivery: *Jackie Kislewski*
Greeter: *Rosemary Collingwood*
Acolyte: *Volunteer Needed*

Wednesday, 6:30 PM, September 13:

Elder on Duty: *Alan Manteufel*
Usher Team: *Steve Reinke*
Altar Guild: *Carol Evensen*

Join Us for Bible Study at Trinity Lutheran Church

- 10:30 AM **Sunday: "The Letter to the Romans"**
with Pastors Alliet & Billings—SFH
- 10:30 AM **Sunday: "What They Didn't Teach You
in Sunday School"**
Contact: Pastor GeRue-Conference Rm
- 10:30 AM **Sunday: *The Book of Isaiah*,**
Contact: Blaine Henkel
(Recessed for the Summer)
- 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***
"PRAYER: We Speak to God"
ARC— 200 W Packard, Appleton
Contact Dottie Kraus/All are welcome!
- 6:00 AM **Thursday: *Men's Bible Study***
Paul's Letter to the Corinthians
Contact Steve Reinke, Large Conf. Rm

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

Trinity's Bazaar is 🧐 for Donations

Antiques, Collectibles, Vintage Items and Your Collection of Cards, Marbles, Beanie Babies, Stamps, etc.

New this year, the Book Nook is 🧐 for all sizes and categories of books:

- Hard or Soft Cover
- Coffee Table Books
- Cookbooks
- Children's Books
- DVD's, CD's or Cassette Tapes

Please No Magazines, Encyclopedias, Dictionaries, or Reader's Digest Books.

Heavenly Bargains is 🧐 for your homemade crafts: knitting, crocheting, or needlepoint and hobby items.

New, or gently used items in your home. Includes all seasonal décor, crafts, store bought items, household items, your "Thing-A-Ma-Jigs" and "Thing-A-Ma-Bobs." **Please, no clothing, shoes, personally worn items.**

For upcoming information about donation drop off times, dates & locations call Sally Bolen at (920) 422-2054.

TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL

It's All Connected
Matthew 16:21–28

“From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised” (Matt. 16:21).

Jesus gathers with His disciples near the end of His earthly ministry. God’s plan of salvation had been very clear from the beginning of time. Immediately after the Fall, God promised a Savior from sin. God shared “pieces” of promises with the patriarchs and through the Old Testament prophets. During His earthly ministry, Jesus continued to share the pieces of God’s plan: He was the Son of God who had come to save sinners. Today’s Bible reading makes Jesus’ mission very clear: “From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised” (Matt. 16:21).

Even though Jesus had shared and shown His disciples the pieces of the plan many times, they still couldn’t picture how all the promises and “pieces” would fit together. Peter, concerned about Jesus’ journey, says “This shall never happen to you” (Matt. 16:22). Peter ultimately saw Jesus go to the cross and die. Three days later, Peter went to the tomb and saw that it was empty. Peter then saw the resurrected Jesus and declared his love for Him.

God not only has shown us the pieces of our salvation; He has assembled the pieces and shown us the finished new creations. The Holy Spirit brings the pieces together for us so that we can believe that Jesus suffered and died for us and see the completion of Jesus’ salvation. In our Baptism, Jesus connects us to His death and resurrection, and brings us into the church with Him. We are

the pieces which, through Baptism, the Holy Spirit assembles to build the church. Sometimes, like Peter, we find it hard to believe that God could assemble us into His special display. It sometimes seems impossible to assemble the pieces that lay on the table. We give thanks that we can learn God’s Word in our classrooms and hear God’s Word in our chapel services and during Sunday worship. We can see that God has assembled a special creation for us and with us.

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, the most amazing collection ever assembled is the promises and pieces of our salvation. We ask You to hold us together in Your holy church. Use us to connect others to You. Amen.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

- Sept. 1 and 4 No School Labor Day
- Sept. 5 School Resumes (All Grades)
3:45 pm Volleyball Practice
- Sept. 6 8:45 am Chapel
- Sept. 7 3:45 pm Volleyball Practice
- Sept. 10 9:00 am Rally Day School Sings

