



October 21 & 22, 2023 Weekly Bulletin

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✠ This Week at Trinity ✠

Saturday, October 21: BOOK FAIR

8:45 AM LWML Zone 11 Fall Rally-Good Shepherd,
Oshkosh

5:00 PM Worship Service

Sunday, October 22: BOOK FAIR

9:00 AM Worship Service

10:30 AM Ed Hour/Sunday School

Monday, October 23: BOOK FAIR

Pastor's Sabbath

Ladies Sewing Group

6:00PM At Home Prayer Time

6:30PM Women's Bible Study

Tuesday, October 24:

6:30 AM Ladies Bible Study

4:00-8:00 PM Tom's Drive In DINE OUT

Wednesday, October 25:

9:00 AM Chapel

5:00 PM Catechism Class-Parent & Confirmand

5:15 PM Usher Workshop

6:30 PM Worship Service

Thursday, October 26:

6:00 AM Men's Bible Study

6:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

Friday, October 27: Popcorn Friday/Picture Day

1:30 PM Group Piano

Saturday, October 28: REFORMATION

9:30 AM Food Pantry

5:00 PM Worship Service

Sunday, October 29: REFORMATION

Following Service—Pastor Appreciation Celebration

9:00 AM Worship Service

10:30 AM Ed Hour/Sunday School

✠ We Pray For...✠

The Sick: Eileen Acker, Rick Ascher, Kathy Baehman, Dave Bartelme, Mark and Jean Becker, Larry Bevers, Shannon Braun, Michael Burns, Bruce Christoffersen, Matt Daniels, Nancy Davidson, Jeff Dionne, Tom Drum, Dennis & Judith Durkey, George Engele, Frank Erdmann, Sara Flater, Michael Hastings, Colyn Hopfensperger, Mary Howden, Peter Keller, Brenda Kempf, Carla Kobs, Sam Koch, Karen Lambert, Jackie Lenox, Bob Lephart, Deb Manteufel, Nancy McMillan, Michelle Mahoney, Betsy Meverden, Donna Mies, Dianne Olsen, Betty Paul, Jerry Peotter, Norb Pomerence, Joan Reinke, Dan Schael, Marty Schrapfer, Ray Schroeder, Jordan Schroeter, Judy Smith, JoAnn Smoody, Scott Steenepoorte, Liz Swaney, Bud & Joyce Tschirgi, Joyce Virchow, Carla Watson, Merle Webber, Aspen Wandler, Kurt Wandler, Laverne Werth, Dorothy Wirth, Tim Wirth, and Sheryl Wray.

Celebrating Birthdays: Betty Allen, Sherry Bricco-Tobin, Mary Conradt, Phil Conradt, Evan Emery, Linda Greetan, Christine Kohler, Christopher Swick, Craig Thomas, Ian Thomas, Kurt Wandler, Chris Williams, Cindy Williams and Jim Wittmann.

Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries: Andrew & Heather Cleveland, Kevin & Jamie Mies and Norman & Ruth Wright.

Those Grieving: The Terry Wray Family

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.



News, Events, Requests, Etc.

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Altar Flowers

The flowers this weekend are given in celebration of Carl & Karen Riske's wedding anniversary.

This Weekend's Banners

"You Are My Witnesses" and "People of God"

✠ Stewardship ✠

The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

Matthew 22:21 - *"Then he said to them, 'Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's.'" So what is Jesus saying? Doesn't everything belong to God? Yes – and God has a place for everything. Some of what He gives us goes to Caesar. Some must come back to the work of His church. And some goes to support the families He has given us. All belongs to God, and He has work for us to do with what He has given us in the home, in the church and in society.*

\$\$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.

**Limited time—Kwik Trip Scrip at 10% Rebate!
Fleet Farm @8% Rebate!**

Gluten-Free Hosts Available

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

Oktoberfest Success!

Thank you to everyone involved with our Appleton 2023 Oktoberfest Trinity fundraiser booth. We had rave reviews on our walking tacos again this year.

We made a profit of \$2,000 to benefit Trinity. This was a success and we had fellowship fun in the process. We could not have done this without all the wonderful volunteers.

Stay tuned for next year, as again we will be reaching out for volunteers. We will be looking for involvement from not only from our congregation, but school children families and faculty as well. This is a great way not only for fundraising money, it also is an opportunity to obtain community service hours.

Your Board of Outreach & Social Ministry/Ailene Moderson

Food Pantry

This month our Pantry is in special need of Canned Fruit. We also need Jello, Ketchup, Kleenex, Jam, Jelly 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 apples for our pantry? If so contact Steve.

Thank you for all that you do to support our Food Pantry!

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>.

From Your Board of Stewardship

We hope that you are finding the "A God-Lived Life" emphasis and devotions meaningful for you and your family. You will be given the opportunity starting next weekend to express your appreciation to our Lord by making a commitment to His Mission Work here at Trinity for the coming two years. Watch for details...



- A Life of Being a Disciple
- A Life Lived for Others
- A Life of Hospitality
- A Life Lived Shrewdly

✠ Serving Our Lord This Weekend ✠

Saturday, 5:00 PM, October 21:

Elder on Duty: *Alan Manteufel*
Usher Team: *Lee Colby*
Communion Assistant: *Bruce Buksyk*
Altar Guild: *Jean Zeinert*
Greeter: *Peg & Dan Dahms*
Acolyte: *Donovan Rausch*

Sunday, 9:00 AM, October 22:

Elder on Duty: *Brian Ratzburg*
Usher Team: *Dave Collingwood*
Communion Assistant: *Josiah Nielsen*
Altar Guild: **Volunteer Needed**
Flower Delivery: **Volunteer Needed**
Greeter: *Rosemary Collingwood*
Acolyte: *Simon Kroes*

Wednesday, 6:30 PM, October 25:

Elder on Duty: *Robert Allen*
Usher Team: *Steve Reinke*
Altar Guild: *Carol Evensen*

✠ Serving Our Lord Next Weekend ✠

Saturday, 5:00 PM, October 28: Reformation

Elder on Duty: *Alan Manteufel*
Usher Team: *Roger Voigt*
Communion Assistant: *Lee Colby*
Altar Guild: *Jean Zeinert*
Greeter: *JoAnn Schultz*
Acolyte: *Mirella Taschner*

Sunday, 9:00 AM, October 29: Reformation

Elder on Duty: *Brian Ratzburg*
Usher Team: *Lee Weinig*
Communion Assistant: *Robert Flater*
Altar Guild: **Craig & Jill Thomas**
Flower Delivery: **Volunteer Needed**
Greeter: *Liz Kamprath*
Acolyte: *Sydney Gast*

Wednesday, 6:30 PM, November 1:

Elder on Duty: *Roger Voigt*
Usher Team: *Dave Acker*
Altar Guild: **Volunteer Needed**

Pastor Appreciation Sunday - October 29, 2023

Join us as we celebrate Pastor Billings' and Pastor GeRue's love and dedication to their calling here at Trinity. We are truly blessed to have them shepherding our congregation and our school children. The Pastor Appreciation celebration will be after service. We will have cupcakes and hot apple cider. There will also be cards for people to write their thank you to the pastors.

Thank you, Noelle Webber, Board of Outreach and Social Ministry



Join Us for Bible Study at Trinity Lutheran Church

- 10:30 AM **Sunday: "The Letter to the Romans"** with Pastors Alliet & Billings, Small Fellowship Hall
- 10:30 AM **Sunday: "What They Didn't Teach You in Sunday School"** Contact : Pastor GeRue - Conference Room
- 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"** Appleton Retirement Community, 200 W Packard, Appleton, Contact Dottie Kraus/All are welcome!
- 7:30 PM **Tuesday: The Study of Psalms**, Contact: Blaine Henkel via Zoom invitation
- 6:00 AM **Thursday: Men's Bible Study, Paul's Letter to the Corinthians** Contact 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

Who's Connected?

Matthew 22:15–22

“Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s, and to God the things that are God’s” (Matt. 22:21).

The U.S. Constitution has three branches of government. The executive branch (the president) is connected to the legislative branch (Congress), which is connected to the judicial branch (Supreme Court). These connections are important for keeping our country strong and free.

The government in Jesus’ time was much different. The Roman Empire, led by emperor Caesar Augustus, controlled everything. Many of the Jews did not like being under the control of this government. The Roman government was often not fair to the citizens in asking them to pay many taxes. Jesus is asked, “What should be our connection to this government?”

Jesus answered, “Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s” (**Matt. 22:21**). Unless the government demands that we disobey God (**Acts 5:29**), we should obey and respect the government’s laws.

Jesus also said that we are to render “to God the things that are God’s” (**Matt. 22:21**). The most important connection is God’s connection to us. God has provided all things for us. He has given us a “good government” and many other blessings (Luther’s Explanation to Fourth Petition). However, the greatest blessing we receive is not the freedom of our country and good government, but the salvation that God has given us. God has given us His Son so that we might be free from sin, death and the devil.

For the blessing of our salvation, we render to God our thanks and praise in worship. We render our obedience to His will, including respect for our government. When there are laws that do not honor God and are not true to His Word, as Christians we contact those who make the law and remind them of God’s plan for His people.

While we thank God for the freedoms that we have in our country, we pray for those in other places in the world where the government and rulers do not treat all people fairly.

God’s will is for us to live at peace in His world. God’s ultimate will is that we will have His peace in Jesus forever.

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 the freedom from sin that we have through You. Thank You for the freedoms in our country. We ask that we may be faithful and law-abiding citizens and seek Your will in all things. Amen.

✠ This Week at Trinity School ✠

BOOKFAIR WEEK

- Oct. 23 Last Day of Bookfair
- Oct. 24 9:00 am School Devotion
9:30 Hearing Test
1:00 pm Water Safety Neenah Y
4:00-8:00 pm Tom’s Drive In
- Oct. 25 9:00 am Chapel
- Oct 26 9:00 am School Devotion
4:30 pm Parent student Game Volleyball
- Oct. 27 9:00 am School Devotion
Picture Day
Volleyball Pictures
Popcorn Friday
End of 1st Quarter

Tom’s Drive In Dining Out

Join us at the Tom’s Drive In location in Menasha this coming Oct. 24th from 4-8 pm for our first dining out event of the school year. The address is 1151 Wittmann Park Ln, Menasha. We have plenty of \$10 Tom’s Scrip cards available.



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