

Trinity Lutheran Church

August, 2009

WELCOME + GROW + SERVE

Summer Worship Schedule:

9 a.m. Sunday — Worship at Trinity

7 p.m. Thursday —
Worship at Grace

6 p.m. Saturday — Worship

Summer Church Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Friday, 7 a.m. to noon

Phone: 734-9895

FAX: 734-1863

Check for more activities and time of events at Trinity on the calendar inside!

Please keep in your prayers:

Gayle Pingle Judy Van Dyke

Baptism

7/12 Carter Allen Brown

7/19 Payton Lillian Cornelius

Death

6/30/09 Marvin Jahnke

7/14/09 Victor Hellestad

"We WELCOME all people.

We GROW together in a living faith.

We are sent to SERVE with the love of Christ."

Faith, Life, and Bowling

Success in bowling is when all the pins go down with one roll of the ball. To score a "strike"...the bowler did at least sixty-four things right. And as the pins scatter, you share a few high fives...and then sit down until your next turn.

Life is a lot like bowling. Every now and then it all comes together just as it should be. In an instant. But...just like bowling that was simply one moment.

There are thousands of bowlers bowling millions of games, and yet very, very few people bowl ten strikes in a row, a perfect game. In life, if we are honest, nobody is perfect. Although we strive to throw strikes in life... sometimes we get 9 out of 10. Sometimes we throw gutter balls. And sometimes life presents us with a virtually impossible 7-10 split.

In bowling, the goal may be to reach a 300 score...but the real challenge is to keep the joy in it as you keep trying, accepting the fact that you probably will never get it perfect. In life, the purpose is to live faithfully each day, *no matter what the score*, for the challenge and joy of life is found in the living (*and forgiving*) of life.

Be encouraged with the words of St. Paul as recorded in the book of Philippians: "**Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for God's good pleasure.**" (Phil 2:12) Now, at first, this may sound pretty impossible. Like bowling a 300 game. How could I possibly "work out" my own salvation?

TRINITY COUNCIL MINUTES FROM JULY 21, 2009

In Attendance: Marilyn Schucknecht, Tom Scheuerman, David Otts, Pastor Kurt, Jean Haese, Terry Howe, Steve Krueger

Secretary's Report:

The minutes were amended to read that \$494.00 was made at the Brat Fry.

Treasurer's Report:

Trinity continues to track the same as last year.

Property Report:

Future road construction near Trinity may make getting to church difficult. Chuck Dorn will find out if Trinity's entrance will be blocked off and if so for how long.

Old Business:

1. Women's Christmas Brunch: Funds were approved for this. Thrivent is donating \$250.00 towards the speaker.

2. Custodial Services: Elmer is retiring on Oct 31, 2009. Mutual ministry has looked at several options and ideas. A proposal on how to fill Elmer's position will be brought to the August council meeting. Also, due to the added work brought on by weddings, there will be a moratorium on all future non-member weddings.

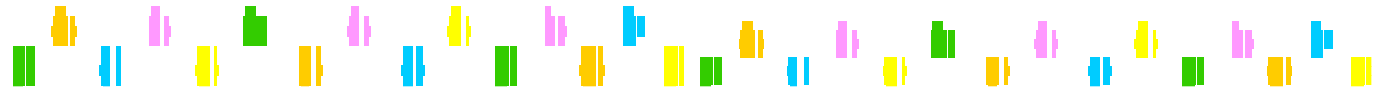
New Business:

1. Trinity's financial Situation: There was an in depth conversation on how best to handle it. Trinity will need to increase her income dramatically. Members are asked to please keep up with their pledges and also to consider special monetary gifts to help defer costs. Trinity continues to look at reducing expenses. A small task force of people is looking into partnering with other downtown churches (Grace and Zion). Foundation funds may need to be accessed again to keep Trinity running. If this should happen, another congregational meeting would be called.

2. The GTZ Group: Tom summarized a recent executive council meeting with the three churches (Grace, Trinity and Zion) held this past month. He feels there is a lot of enthusiasm about shared ministry for the downtown area. All three churches are somewhat similar, and although Trinity is ahead with the idea of partnering, all three are interested in exploring together the prospects of partnering. There may a need to bring "someone" in to help with the process. The goal is to have the "what" figured out by January and the "how" figured out by Easter of 2010.

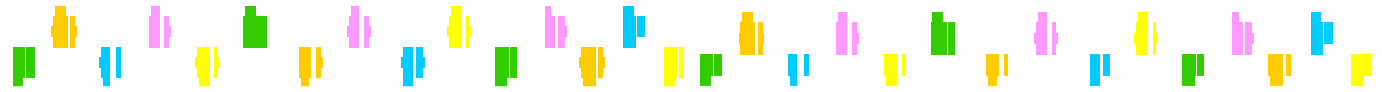
The meeting was adjourned after prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Jann Seidl Secretary



**2009 – 2010 Theme:
Walking with Jesus**

**Trinity Lutheran Church
*Sunday School
Registration***



(one per child)

September 13, 2009.....Rally Day

9:35 – 10:25

Name: _____ Age: _____

Street Address: _____

City/State/Zip _____

Home telephone: (____) _____

Cell telephone: _____

Home e-mail address: _____

Date of birth: _____

School grade entering: _____

In case of emergency, contact: _____

Mother: _____

Father: _____

Other: _____

Allergies or other medical conditions: _____

**VOLUNTEER WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST 2009
ONE SERVICE AT 9:00!**

If you cannot serve when scheduled, please find a substitute. Also notify the church office of this change, 734-9895.

Ushers**(captains in bold, underlined print)**

August 2, 16, 30 **Mike Dorow**, Pete Mohr, Sharon Radke, **Need Volunteer**
 August 9, 23, Sep 6 **Randy Schuelke**, Jean Haese, Erick & MaryJo Jensen

Readers

Aug 2 Dorice Feltheim
 Aug 9 Jerry Lokensgard
 Aug 16 Mary Poulson
 Aug 23 Mary Robertson
 Aug 30 Joyce Schoepel
 Sep 6 Karen Kapocius

Fellowship Hour

Aug 2 **Need Volunteer**
 Aug 9 Joyce Schoepel
 Aug 16 Lois Small
 Aug 23 Sharon Radke
 Aug 30 Dorice Feltheim
 Sep 6 Carolyn Jones

Communion Assistants

Aug 2 Linda Barth, Millie Mohr, Ron Williams
 Aug 9 Dorothy Deeg, Jerry Lokensgard
 Aug 16 Dorice Feltheim & Sharon Helms
 Aug 23 Brian & Lee Ann Still
 Aug 30 Lou & Joyce Schoepel
 Sep 6 **Need Volunteer** & Karen Kapocius

Altar Care

Aug 2 Kay Odegaard & Lois Small
 Aug 9 Dorothy Deeg
 Aug 16 Carolyn Jones
 Aug 23 Judy Natz
 Aug 30 Millie Mohr
 Sep 6 **Need Volunteer**

Acolytes

Aug 2 **Need Volunteer**
 Aug 9 **Need Volunteer**
 Aug 16 **Need Volunteer**
 Aug 23 **Need Volunteer**
 Aug 30 **Need Volunteer**
 Sep 6 **Need Volunteer**

Nursery

The Nursery is not staffed, but the room will be open for parents who wish to use it.

Pew Racks:

Aug 2 & 9 Maxine Zuelzke
 Aug 16 & 23 Melva Miller
 Aug 30 & Sep 6 Kay Schulze

Send acolyte reminder cards:

Lee Ann Still

Greeters**West Entrance**

Aug 2 Dorice Feltheim & Lila Pohlman
 Aug 9 Mike & Gail Romenesko
 Aug 16 Kathy Kuck & **Need Volunteer**
 Aug 23 Robert & Virginia Dorn
 Aug 30 Tom & Debbie Breen
 Sep 6 Tom & Nancy Scheuerman

East Entrance

Dorothy Warren
 Marita Wagner
Need Volunteer
 Lisa Dorn
 Iris Bockin
 Kay Kempainen

VOLUNTEER WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER 2009

If you cannot serve when scheduled, please find a substitute. Also notify the church office of this change. (734-9895)

Sept 6 Praise Team one service 9:00

Ushers: Randy Schuelke, Jean Haese, Erick & MaryJo Jensen; **Reader** Karen Kapocius;
Altar Care Need Volunteers; **Communion Assistants** Karen Kapocius & **Need Volunteers;**
Greeters Tom & Nancy Scheuerman & Kay Kemppainen; **Fellowship Hour:** Carolyn Jones

September 13, 20, 27

8:30 am Pipe Organ Service

Ushers (captains in bold, underlined print)
James Rasmussen, Jim Hemmen, Judy Natz, **Need Volunteer**

Readers

Sept 13 Ron Williams
 Sept 20 Erick Jensen
 Sept 27 Linda White

Acolytes

Altar Care

Sept 13 Lorna Dorn
 Sept 20 Liz Lokensgard
 Sept 27 Nita Williams

Communion Assistants

Sept 13 Ron Williams & Kathy Kuck
 Sept 20 Erick Jensen & Phil Johnson
 Sept 27 Linda White & Kay Odegaard

Greeters

West Entrance

Sept 13 Ron & Kay Schulze
 Sept 20 Fred & Ginny Russler
 Sept 27 Dean & Ann Einspahr

East Entrance

Lois Small
 Phil Johnson
 Judy Van Elzen

Fellowship Hour

Sept 13 Sandy LeMoine
 Sept 20 Ginny Russler
 Sept 27 Millie Mohr

10:30 am Praise Team Service

Ushers (captains in bold, underlined print)
Steve Krueger, Dena Krueger, Doug Marquardt,
 Rusty Wlthuhn

Readers

Sept 13 Jean Haese
 Sept 20 Nancy Scheuerman
 Sept 27 Mary Robertson

Acolytes

Altar Care

Sept 13 Dorothy Deeg
 Sept 20 Marita Wagner
 Sept 27 Karen Kapocius

Communion Assistants

Sept 13 Jean Haese & Dorothy Deeg
 Sept 20 Tom & Nancy Scheuerman
 Sept 27 Karen Kapocius & Larry Vaubel

Greeters

West Entrance

Sept 13 Dan & Glennis Schuelke
 Sept 20 Gen & Mitzi Britton
 Sept 27 Mike & Gail Romenesko

East Entrance

Chuck Pasch
 Shirley Jooss
 Mary Robertson

Prayerwriter Kay Odegaard

Send acolyte reminder cards LeeAnn Still

Pew racks (Please straighten racks once between the days that you are scheduled.)

Aug. 30 – Sept 6 Kay Schulze
 Sept 13 – 20 Terry Howe
 Sept 27 – Oct 4 Steve Schulze

Nursery

The Nursery is not staffed, but the room will be open for parents who wish to use it.

**Trinity Lutheran Church
Statement of Income and Expense—Through June 30, 2009**

Year-To-Date
Actual

Income Accounts

General Offerings	118,720
Other Income	39,235

Total Income	157,955
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Expense Accounts

Human Resources	113,225
Mission Outreach	3,710
Office Administration	6,668
Property & Maint.	48,918
Worship & Music	2,762
Children's Ministries	486
Adult Ministries	112
Youth Ministries	14,546
Membership	1,598
Evangelism	1,228
Social Ministry	100
Stewardship/Finance	461
Mutual Ministry	100

Total Exp.	193,913
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Net loss for the current year	(35,958)
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Our Equity Level (available cash) is **\$(69,096)**

**Actual cash balance is
\$28,939**

Summary of Activity for Debt Retirement through June 20, 2009

	Year-To-Date		Current
	Receipts	Expenses	Balance
Dedicated Account			
Mortgage Funding (Interest rate is 5.75%)	11,478	9,468	63,225
		Remaining Mort- gage Balance:	112,885

The Youth Page

Upcoming Events at a Glance

Sunday Worship - Sundays - 9:00am

Vacation Bible School - August 9-13

New Orleans News

Based on Philippians 2:1-8, the 2009 ELCA Youth Gathering will look and feel like a servant school. At the center of the Gathering program is a deepening of our awareness of God's call to servanthood, and a deepening of the basic Christian practices by which we live our baptismal calling to servanthood throughout life.

Thank you for supporting Wittney Dorn, Maggie Huiting, Kyle Kapocius, Ruthie Kovanen, Nicole Rasmussen, Morgan Still, Christopher Vaubel, Hunter Wagner, Dustin Wilson, and chaperones Ashley Rasmussen, Brian Still, Terry Wagner and Pastor Mary Beth as we served in the manner and mind of Christ in New Orleans in July!

"If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, ²make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. ⁴Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. ⁵"

Philippians 2:1-4

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Mark Your Calendars for VBS!

Sunday, August 9th - Thursday, August 13th

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Invite a friend!

See you there!



CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

Trinity's vision is to create a worship environment in the sanctuary that is engaging, creative, inclusive and welcoming to children.

Guiding Principles:

- Children are gifts and blessings from God who understand faith (don't look at children as helpless or worthless; use the gifts they bring to worship).
- Children can deepen their faith in the congregational community during worship (communion, sharing of the peace, intergenerational activities).
- Children learn by engaging in the social aspects of worship (developing cross generational relationships).
- Children learn and build leadership skills by actively engaging in the ritual and liturgical practices of worship (i.e. read lessons, greet, usher, write prayers, lead hymns/songs, learn call & response of liturgy).
- Children learn that church/Sunday school/worship/etc. are safe places for them to share, build relationships, express their faith and welcome other children.
- It takes a child to make a congregation.

Helpful Hints:

- Parents can sit in front pews for easy access and eye contact with children.
- The tables have coloring sheets, bulletins, puzzles...often directly related to the theme of the day.
- The Chapel area is close enough for easy exit route if necessary.

During the gospel and sermon the children are invited to go to the "prayer room" for a short lesson based on the same Bible readings of the Sunday.

**Trinity
Lutheran
Church**

AUGUST 2009

Sundays:
9:00 a.m. Worship

Mondays:
3:30 p.m.
Loaves & Fishes

Tuesdays:

Wednesdays:
7:30 p.m. AA

Thursdays:
Noon & 7:30 p.m. AA
**7 p.m. Worship at
Grace Lutheran**

Fridays:
10:00 a.m. Staff
meeting
7:00 p.m.
FVCCC Bible Study

Saturdays:
**6 p.m. Worship at
Zion Lutheran**

LAM
Monday: Jazz Group
6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 2 p.m. wedding
2	3	4	5 7 p.m. Worship & Cele- bration	6 6 p.m. Quilters	7 5 p.m. rehearsal	8 2 p.m. wedding
9	10	11 6:30 p.m. AA Treatment Steering Cmte.; 7 Exec. Cmte.	12	13	14 5:30 p.m. rehearsal	15 2 p.m. wedding
VBS →						
16	17 Tidings Dead- line	18 7 p.m. Council	19	20 6 p.m. Quilters	21 6 p.m. rehearsal	22 1:30 p.m. wedding
23	24	25	26	27 11:30 a.m. "Friends of Trinity"; 6:30 p.m. Prop Cmte.	28 4:30 p.m. rehearsal	29 2 p.m. wedding
30 11 a.m. GTZ picnic at Erb Park	31					

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LOAVES & FISHES

- August 3rd** Kay Odegaard
- August 10th** Tracy Wojnowski
- August 17th** **Need Volunteer**
- August 24th** Grace Lutheran
- August 31st** Prince of Peace Christ Care Group



Please call Lisa Christensen, 749-1795, if you can help. The number of people Loaves & Fishes serves has been steadily increasing. We would appreciate it if the volunteers would make enough dessert to serve 120. Thank you!

TRINITY'S BEST KEPT SECRET™



In May of 2006 Trinity announced an opportunity for members (and guests) who were interested in getting together for lunch and socializing with church friends. These are usually scheduled for the 4th Thursday of each month at 11:30 AM at the Red Ox Restaurant on South Oneida Street. The next one will be on August 27th. It is "Dutch Treat" and very informal. Why not give it a try?

GTZ Picnic

Come and bring your family

August 30 at 11:00 a.m.

Where: Erb Park, Appleton

What: Worship Service (Pavilion)

Potluck Lunch

Fellowship & Activities

and

A special appearance by The King's Jesters
(Clown Troupe)

Please bring lawn chairs

Dish to pass and serving utensil

A smile to share



Lutheran Social Services (LSS) invites all congregations to learn more about the new **Urban Threads Clothing Distribution Center** ministry at our **Open House** on Thursday, August 27, 2009 from 2:00 – 5:00 pm. **Urban Threads** offers new, name brand clothing to those in need through a partnership with CorpCare, a non-profit that receives clothing from Kohl's, Gap, Land's End and other stores and distributes them to organizations in Wisconsin. The Fox Valley location opened in May. Zion Lutheran has generously donated space for this ministry in their Parish House adjacent to the church. Light refreshments will be served.
What: Urban Threads Clothing Distribution Center Open House
When: Thursday, August 27, 2009, 2:00 – 5:00 pm
Where: Zion Lutheran Church, 912 N. Oneida St., Appleton, WI



DO YOU KNOW WHAT YOUR NUMBERS ARE?

Blood Pressure Screenings are held on the first and third Sunday.

**Both options available to all!
Double your fun and go to both**

Join us for Vacation Bible School!

Grace & Zion

Trinity



Discovery Canyon
August 2 – 6, 2009
6pm – 8pm
Ages 3 – Grade 5
Invite your friends!
Cost: \$5 per child
@ Zion Lutheran
912 N. Oneida St.
Appleton



Crocodile Dock
August 9–13, 2009
6pm–8pm
Ages 3–Grade 6
Invite your friends!
@Trinity Lutheran
209 S. Allen St.
Appleton

Volunteer Opportunity

Once again Trinity will have a booth at Lambeau Field. Anyone interested in helping contact Randy Schuelke at 920-915-4566. A signup will be posted on August 1. Thanks!

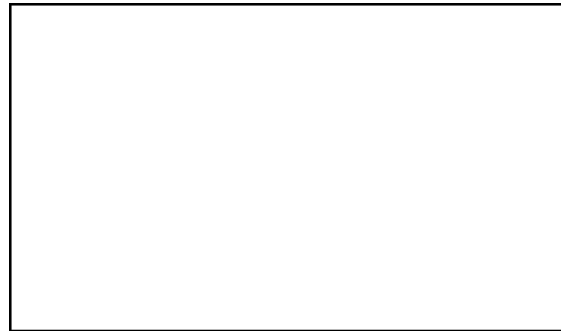
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WORD FOR THE WEEK

August 2: John 6:24-35

The Choices of Discipleship: *Life or Death?*

Consider ways to be a witness to Jesus as a choice between life and death.

August 9: John 6:35, 41-51

The Choices of Discipleship: *Filled or Hungry?*

Discover the essence of Christ as the bread of life, a choice which nourishes the spirit.

August 16: John 6:51-58

The Choices of Discipleship: *Connected or Disconnected?*

Explore possible outcomes of being connected and disconnected with Christ.

August 23: John 6:56-69

The Choices of Discipleship: *Focused or Uncertain?*

Peter asks the important question: "To whom shall we go?"

August 30: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Living in Christ: *Start from the Inside*

As we learn to live in Christ, our transformation begins from the inside.

Trinity's Congregational Council

David Otts, President	832-3968
Tom Scheuerman, VP	731-9847
Chuck Dorn, Fin. Secy.	734-0986
Jean Haese, Treasurer	722-4423
Jann Seidl, Secretary	731-0967

Jeff Dorow	788-7229
Terry Howe	739-6528
Steve Krueger	954-6964
Kathy Kuck	731-2548
Marilyn Schucknecht	731-4842

Feel free to contact any of these individuals with your thoughts, needs, or concerns for Trinity.

The deadline for articles for the September Tidings is Monday, August 17th. It would be greatly appreciated if you would submit articles on disk or via e-mail as a WORD attachment. It saves time from not having to type them. Thanks!