

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
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*TRINITY
TRUMPET*

September 2024

WHO'S READY FOR
SUNDAY SCHOOL?



Resumes Sunday, September 15

See you there!!!

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Monday - Friday
7:30am-3:30pm

Holy Trinity Staff:

Interim Pastor: Barbara Bartholomew
Choir Director: Robin Whitacre
Praise Team Leader: Jolene Moody
Secretary: Stacy Lake
Custodian: Julie MacKim

Mission Statement

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church exists to:
HEAL – Through Word and Sacrament,
TEACH – Through Word and Deed,
LOVE – Through being Sent to Serve,
In *CHRIST JESUS*

Please turn in your articles for the Trinity Trumpet by the third Sunday of every month.

E-mail
your articles to
htlc.canton@gmail.com

Sunday Morning Schedule

8:30 am – Sanctuary & Livestreamed
(link will be e-mailed)

**bulletins will be e-mailed & snail mailed to those that do not have email

10:00 am – Family Life Center

**Holy Communion at both services

10:00 am – Sunday School



To the staff and members of Holy Trinity,

A note of sincere thanks to everyone who reached out to our family recently in sympathy for the loss of my husband, Paul, my children's Dad, and my grandchildren's Papa. Whether it was phone calls, cards, coming to calling hours, or big hugs...it meant a lot. I love my church Thanks to you all.

*With sincere appreciation,
Sue Bracken, Kerri Leon and families*

The Food Box has been very busy this summer. Thank you to all who have graciously given monetary donations and food and personal care items.

Thank you to our members for donating to "God's Work Our Hands". We are still collecting items for the personal care kits. See you on Sunday, September 8 to assemble the kits followed by an ice cream social.

Sincerely, Social Ministry Committee



Larry will be the chef. We will discuss future breakfasts and how we will proceed. Please sign-up on the bulletin board. Hope to see you then!

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Please contact the church office at 330-492-0072 if we have missed your birthday, anniversary, or have the incorrect date.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS!!!

9/02 - Bev Girard
9/05 - Trudi VanOrman
9/06 - Robin Whitacre
9/07 - Sonja Hickman
Ed Messerly
9/12 - Tracey Daugherty
9/13 - Chris Sinkovich
Bob Rodgers
Jean Ann Long
9/14 - Connie Jingo
Liz Hoffman
9/16 - Austin Beck



9/19 - Jason Aikens
9/23 - Elise Jones
9/26 - Gina Elkins
Ann Godwin
9/29 - Oliver Halvorson
Connor Leckie-Ewing

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES!!!



9/02 - Mark & Janice Husted
Barry & Peg Mitchell
9/06 - Tim & Jeanette Cover
9/07 - Eric & Athena Glover
9/09 - Earl & Sonja Hickman
9/12 - Mark & Alice Himes
9/13 - Bill & Beth Binius
9/15 - Phil & Susan Thompson
9/16 - Denise & Larry Fudge
9/17 - Gary & Cheryl Sepanik
9/20 - Davis & Ashley Raff

9/22 - John & Sandy Knapski
9/24 - Bishop Abraham & Linda Allende
9/27 - Larry & Karen Robenstine
9/28 - Paul & Susan Feaser

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



"So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead." (James 2:17)

The unofficial beginning of fall starts with Labor Day, as we take a holiday from our work and labor. The writer of James reminds us that faith and the living out of our faith go hand in hand.

Whatever our vocation in life, be it accountant, teacher, mechanic, sales clerk, doctor, lawyer, mom, dad, grandpa, grandma, business manager, chef, server, etc. we are granted opportunities to live out our faith. All Christians are called to their work and the work of each is equally important.

Martin Luther pointed out that "the works of monks and priests, however holy and arduous they may be, do not differ one whit in the sight of God from the works of the rustic laborer in the field or the woman going about her household tasks."

The idea being that when we are all called by God to our vocation, then we all are doing God's work. The teacher, the dentist, the IT professional, or nurse are all different ways of serving God.

What does it mean to serve God? Luther notes that we serve God by serving our fellow human beings: "everyone must benefit and serve every other by means of his own work or office." Thus, the purpose of the work of every human being is the same: serving God by serving our fellow human beings in the way God has called us to do this.

Luther would see our very vocation as a gift from God and that our work should make us happy. "Should not the heart leap and overflow with joy when it can go to work and do what is commanded of it?" We should be content to serve God in whatever vocation we have. All that we do, we do in faith, out of our faith in and love for God who has called us and given us gifts to share. Truly, our hands do God's work in whatever vocation we have and God provides us daily with opportunities to serve others.

In the spirit of Luther and our understanding that our faith includes what we do for a living and how we live our faith daily, we invite you to join us on September 8th for "God's Work, Our Hands" Sunday. Following worship, we will gather in the Family Life Center to assemble personal care kits for Lutheran World Relief. These kits are given wherever there is a natural disaster, famine, war and refugee camps are set up for people

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who have lost their homes and everything they've had. These kits help to restore dignity and hygiene as well as providing immediate care and comfort. We can touch the hearts and spirits of the lost and hurting assuring them that they are remembered and cared about. The very act of serving another brings us great joy as God's faithful.

So joyfully join in doing God's work not only this day, but every day, no matter what it is you do for a living. Although, we know that our works will not earn salvation, our faith becomes vibrantly alive when we do the work of God by serving others.

And no matter what you do for a living, serve God through the serving of others - treating clients and customers with respect and goodness, doing whatever it is you do to the very best of your ability, being honest, acting with integrity, helping out a co-worker, honoring deadlines and policies, bringing joy to your workplace (which is all the world), and supervising fairly and justly. These are just a few ways we live out our faith in the world.

Joyfully serving God and you and the world, Pastor B

PS: Be sure to wear your God's Work, Our Hands T-shirts to church on September 8th.

STAMPING GROUP

We will meet on Monday, September 9 at 6:30pm at Holy Trinity. The cost is \$5.00.



CHECK OUT THE HUGE VARIETY OF AVAILABLE GIFT CARDS

\$10: Taco Bell, Panera Bread, Domino's, Dunkin', Target, Burger King, Dairy Queen, Arby's, Walmart, Pizza Hut, Bath & Body, Papa John's, Starbucks, McDonald's, Cracker Barrel, BW3, Applebee's, Red Lobster; **\$25:** Amazon, Texas Roadhouse, Bob Evans, Red Robin, Starbucks, TJ Maxx/Home Goods, Home Depot, Lowe's, Target, Chipotle, Meijer, Walmart, Joann, Walgreens, Sheetz, Big Lots, Menard's, Michael's, Giant Eagle, American Express, Visa; **\$50:** Visa



WEDNESDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

After a hopefully restful summer, our Men's Weekly Bible Study will resume September 11. We gather on Wednesday mornings from 9:00-10:00 at the church. We will be using a study guide based on writings in "Matthew" entitled "Matthew - Heaven On Earth". Who does not want a heaven on earth or for love to come first in a cruel and broken world? This is the core meaning of Jesus' most important words in the Gospel of Matthew, describing for us the importance of love, so that "the kingdom of heaven has come near" (Matthew 4:17). That means we do not have to wait to experience heaven until after we die. This study delves deeper into what it means for heaven to come to earth: studying Jesus' words, his way of life, and the manner in which he loved. Discover how we are the change agents Jesus is calling forth to make the Kingdom of heaven a reality on earth! Our Bible study moves at an easy, relaxed pace. All men are welcome. If you are free on Wednesday mornings, we would be honored to have you join us.

SATURDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Join us on Saturday, September 2 at 10:00 AM in the Library. We will continue our study where we'll join Max Lucado on an inspirational journey as we follow the footsteps of our Savior through the Holy Land. Hope you can join us!

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY (formerly Mary-Martha Circle)



We will meet on Wednesday, September 4 at 9:00am in the library. We will be studying "Growing in Wisdom and Faith" by Elizabeth George. This study will run through '24-'25 season and not only use a study guide but also our study Bibles. We look forward to seeing you!

GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS.

ONE SERVICE – September 8 at 9 am

We will have only one service on Sunday, September 8. Following worship, we'll gather in the Family Life Center to assemble and box personal care kits for Lutheran World Relief. Many hands make light work!

We will enjoy some fellowship and ice cream social afterwards. Please sign up if you plan to attend so we make sure we have plenty of ice cream. Don't forget to wear your t-shirts!!!



CROCHET/KNITTING GROUP

Would you be interested in getting together with fellow crochet/knitters and creating handmade masterpieces for various organizations? Well then.... look no further!



We will meet on Thursday, September 5 and Thursday, September 19 from 5:30-7:00pm in the Conference Room. We are currently making hats & scarves for winter for Refuge of Hope. If you already know how to knit or crochet that's fabulous! Our hope is that the experienced crafters could also share their knowledge with those that would like to learn.

CONFIRMATION MINISTRY

CALLING ALL 7th & 8th grades!



Please contact the church office at 330-492-0072 or htlc.canton@gmail.com if you are interested in Confirmation Classes.

Confirmation is a 2-year commitment to learn about God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit, The Bible and our Lutheran faith. Class would meet after 10am worship for about 45 minutes.



2024 Budget Update

	INCOME	EXPENSES	REMAINDER
JUNE	\$37,231.99	\$30,164.78	\$7,067.21
YEAR TO DATE	\$152,880.60	\$170,359.76	(\$17,479.16)
JULY	\$30,877.76	\$29,379.71	\$1,498.05
YEAR TO DATE	\$183,758.36	\$199,739.47	(\$15,981.11)

\$33,801 (monthly amount needed to meet 2024 expenses of \$405,630)
Thank you for your faithful support of our many ministries!

WHAT????? ANOTHER NEW MINISTRY



This is a new opportunity to study scripture and discuss faith in view of what is happening in the world today. **BIBLE & BREWS** will have its first meeting on Monday, September 9 at 7:00pm at New Berlin Brewing Company. We will discuss topics and format for discussion and then begin our study. Any questions, please contact Linda Allende at 419-496-1821 or linda.gotthardt@gmail.com.

TEEN YOUTH GROUP

6th-12th grades

Sunday, September 15 - 5:00pm

Let's hang out on Sunday, September 15 at 5:00pm at Holy Trinity.

Bring your blankets and pillows and let's watch a movie and eat some pizza. Hope you can all come!





**SEPTEMBER
FOCUS:
SCHOOL SUPPLIES
NEEDED**

HTLC is collecting school supplies for Warstler, Barr, and Middlebranch grade schools. Items needed are crayons, glue sticks, pencil boxes, scissors, folders, dry erase markers, baby wipes & spiral notebooks.

Please put donations in the collection box marked "school supplies" by the Welcome Center. Contact Susan Thompson at 330-526-6008 if you have any questions. Thank you!



**Sunday, September 15
10:00am**

All children Pre-K through 12th grade are invited to join us in the Education Wing at 10:00am for a Welcome Back Celebration.

Pre-School - Jeanette Cover
Elementary - Darlene Bailis
Teens - Sarah Kebert

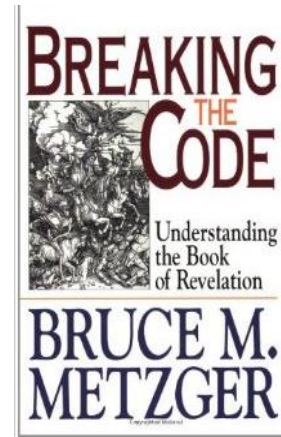
The Maranatha Class will also resume meeting at 10:00am in the Conference Room. This class is led by Don Carley.

The Mary/Joseph Class continues to meet in the library immediately following the 8:30 service. This class is led by David Ross.

FALL ADULT BIBLE STUDY

**Wednesdays at 6pm
Thursdays at 10am**

**SOMETHING NEW!
EVER WONDER WHAT REVELATION
IS ALL ABOUT?
IS IT JUST A SCARY BOOK?**



Pastor Barbara will be offering a fall bible study on the book of Revelation beginning Wednesday, September 11 at 6pm and Thursday, September 12 at 10am. This will be an 8-week study and it is chockfull of God's message to us. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the main hall.

Although as Lutherans we commune every Sunday, on this day, **Sunday, October 6**, denominations across the globe will be celebrating Holy Communion and our oneness and unity in Christ Jesus our Lord. Though our language, customs and bread may differ, we are all one in Christ.

We will be offering different breads for communion this Sunday instead of wafers to join ourselves with our brothers and sisters in faith throughout the world. Gluten-free wafers will still be available.



SASSY SCISSORS

We will meet on Monday, September 9 & Thursday, September 12 from 10am-2pm.
All are welcome!



WORSHIP IN SEPTEMBER

Sunday, Sept. 1

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9
Psalm 15
James 1:17-27
Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Sunday, Sept. 8

One Service - 9:00am
Isaiah 35:4-7a
Psalm 146
James 2:1-10, 14-17
Mark 7:24-37

Sunday, Sept. 15

Isaiah 50:4-9a
Psalm 116:1-9
James 3:1-12
Mark 8:27-38



Sunday, Sept. 22

Jeremiah 11:18-20
Psalm 54
James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a
Mark 9:30-37

Sunday, Sept. 29

Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29
Psalm 19:7-14
James 5:13-20
Mark 9:38-50

TOP TEN BENEFITS TO SINGING IN THE CHOIR

1. It beats going to the gym! Choir improves health releases feel good hormones.
2. Music exercises your brain.
3. Improves your breathing, posture and muscle tension. Less visits to the chiropractor.
4. Keeps your immune system healthy.
5. You meet new friends and expand your social circle.
6. You get to look out and check out everyone sitting in the pews.
7. The pastor won't see you if you "rest your eyes" during the sermon.
8. Good excuse to get out of the house on Wednesday evenings for practice.
9. You'll sound better when singing in the shower or your car.
10. What a wonderful and meaningful way to praise God!



Practice begins Wednesday, September 4 at 7:00 p.m.

TO PARENTS OF YOUNG CHILDREN...

Relax! God put the wiggle in children. Don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome in worship!

Sit toward the front. It's easier for little ones to see and hear what's happening in worship.

Participate. Sing the hymns and responses. Your children learn by following your lead. Everything is right there in the bulletin as well as the hymns.

Worship bags full of fun activities for kids are available in the narthex.

Need a little space? The Welcome Center space is available. Also, a cry room across from the sound room at the back of the church is available (where you can still see and hear the worship service) is also a space you can use.

The Children's Moment is a time in the worship service for kids. When it's over, they can stay with their families in worship. They are welcome to come forward during Holy Communion to receive a blessing.

TO EVERYONE ELSE...

Children are a gift! As a church family we welcome all ages. Please welcome the children in our midst – when they wiggle and when they make sounds – and offer a smile of encouragement to parents. Let's show our care and model God's love for our children and families. By these actions, we affirm our "We will!" of faithful support for each child and each child's parents in the covenant of baptism.



COUNCIL NOTES

July 9 and August 13, 2024

Just like at your own homes, the summer months are typically filled with many projects, repairs, and home improvements, so this seems like an appropriate time to fill you in on all that has been done to keep “the house of God” in order, safe and welcoming. MUCH has been addressed at the church over the past two months and we give thanks to Paul Feaser II and his Property Committee helpers for their hard work in addressing many issues.

Our alarm system has been outdated for more than 15 years, but thanks to a member bequeath, we have been able to replace it with a 21st century security/access system that will be much more efficient with added features and capabilities. The obsolete gate in the parking lot has been cut up and removed - no cost to the church. Several ceiling light bulbs have been replaced in the Sanctuary, and the water line into the church has been reduced in size, which will measurably reduce our monthly water bill.

During a very dynamic and successful Vacation Bible School (thanks to all who helped!), a trim piece at the base of the wrought iron stairs in the Sanctuary was broken but will be fixed and reattached. The outdoor electronic sign on 55th Street has a bad “cube” and will be fixed by Canton Sign.

The floors in the Family Life Center and kitchen were stripped and waxed (they look great!) and when the air conditioning unit failed in the FLC, it was quickly repaired. During the Garage Sale, the elevator failed and was fixed, along with replacing a bearing assembly housing for the boiler. Outside, several bushes have been trimmed, the Memorial Garden was weeded, and the sprinkler in that area was malfunctioning and replaced. (More news coming soon on an “Adopt A Plot” project where all members can join in the efforts to keep our property well-maintained and welcoming!)

School is now back in session, so just a reminder that our September Focus Giving is school supplies for Barr, Middlebranch, and Warstler schools. Urban Ark and the Food Box continue to be very busy, and your support continues to be very generous. We look forward to our “God’s Work. Our Hands.” project on Sunday, September 8 when we’ll have one service at 9AM and then adjourn to the Family Life Center to assemble the personal care kits – and enjoy ice cream and fellowship!

And finally, a big thank you to chairman Larry Robenstine and all members of the Call Committee who have worked so hard to complete and submit to the Synod our Ministry Site Profile (MSP) which will be posted on the Synod site very soon so that potential candidates can access it and respond accordingly. The Call Committee has reviewed the interview process with Pastor Mitch from the Synod, so they will be ready to go once candidates are received. In the meantime, please continue to express your gratitude to Interim Pastor Barbara Bartholomew who is a tremendous blessing to us and does so much to help us remain faithful and trusting in the process.

Thrivent Choice Dollars®

Grant funding from Thrivent Financial through its Thrivent Choice® program can help support organizations you care about. Don’t let designated Choice Dollars expire this year.

Eligible Thrivent Financial members are designated Choice Dollars that they can direct to enrolled charities. Help support your home congregation or favorite charity. Go to Thrivent.com/thriventchoice to learn more and find program terms and conditions. Or call 800-847-4836 and say “Thrivent Choice” after the prompt.



HOSPITALIZATIONS



Due to privacy laws, hospitals do not inform churches or pastors of admissions without the patient’s permission. Even with permission, the message is often not shared. If you or a loved one are hospitalized and wish to be visited or added to the prayer requests, please contact the church office at 330-492-0072.

Please remember these groups meet at Holy Trinity:

- AA – Every Friday at Noon downstairs
- NAMI (National Alliance of Mental Illness) – Support Group – every Tuesday from 6:30-8:30pm
- F2F (Family to Family) – Education Class sponsored by NAMI – 8-week course – class begins Tuesday, Oct. 15 – Dec. 3 from 6:00-8:30pm
- P2P (Peer to Peer) – Education Class sponsored by NAMI – 8-week course – class begins Thursday, Oct. 17–Dec. 12 from 6:00-8:00pm
- Basics - Education Class sponsored by NAMI – 6-week course – class begins Wednesday, Oct. 28 – Dec. 6 from 6:00-8:00pm

SEPTEMBER WORSHIP

S E R V E R S

Date	Service Time	Lector	Comm. Assistant	Sound/Live Stream/Slides
September 1	8:30 AM	Jan Whitacre	Mark Himes	Sound: Ken Groves Stream: Deanna Woolf
	10:00 AM	Cindy Aikens	Joanne Murray	Matt Halvorson
September 8 ONE SERVICE	9:00 AM	Larry Robenstine	Paul Feaser	Sound: Ken Groves Stream: Deanna Woolf
September 15	8:30 AM	Trudi VanOrman	Howard VanOrman	Sound: Ken Groves Stream: Deanna Woolf
	10:00 AM	Gretchen Leckie-Ewing	Linda Ramsell	Laurie Soliday
September 22	8:30 AM	Darlene Bailis	Tim Bailis	Sound: Ken Groves Stream: Deanna Woolf
	10:00 AM	Laurie Soliday	Joanne Murray	Chad Sinkovich
September 29	8:30 AM	Linda Allende	Mark Himes	Sound: Ken Groves Stream: Deanna Woolf
	10:00 AM	Kari Sparkman	Linda Ramsell	Matt Halvorson

SEPTEMBER 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>1</p> <p>8:30 W/CM 10:00 CPS/CM</p>	<p>2</p> <p>CHURCH CLOSED</p> 	<p>3</p> <p>11:00am-1:00pm Urban Ark</p> <p>6:30-8:30 p.m. Peer Conn. Group</p>	<p>4</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Choir Practice</p>	<p>5</p> <p>4:00-5:30 p.m. Urban Ark</p> <p>5:30-7:00p.m. Crochet/Knitting</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Noon AA Meeting</p>	<p>7</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Bible Study</p>
<p>8</p> <p>9:00 W/CM ONE SERVICE</p> <p>Followed by packing Care Kits & Ice Cream Social</p>	<p>9</p> <p>10:00am-2:00pm Sassy Scissors</p> <p>6:30pm Stamping Group</p> <p>7:00 pm Bible & Brews - New Berlin</p>	<p>10</p> <p>11:00am-1:00pm Urban Ark</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Council Meeting</p> <p>6:30-8:30 p.m. Peer Conn. Group</p>	<p>11</p> <p>9:00-10:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study</p> <p>6:00pm Revelation Study</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Choir Practice</p>	<p>12</p> <p>10:00am Revelation Study 10:00am-2:00pm Sassy Scissors 4:00-5:30 p.m. Urban Ark 7:00-8:00 p.m. Boy & Cub Scouts</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Noon AA Meeting</p>	<p>14</p> <p>8:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast</p>
<p>15</p> <p>8:30 W/CM 10:00 Sunday School 10:00 CPS/CM 5:00 Youth Group</p> <p>RALLY DAY</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p> <p>11:00am-1:00pm Urban Ark</p> <p>6:30-8:30 p.m. Peer Conn. Group</p>	<p>18</p> <p>9:00-10:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study</p> <p>6:00pm Revelation Study</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Choir Practice</p>	<p>19</p> <p>10:00am Revelation Study 4:00-5:30 p.m. Urban Ark 5:30-7:00p.m. Crochet/Knitting 7:00-8:00 p.m. Boy & Cub Scouts</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Noon AA Meeting</p>	<p>21</p>
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