

Trinity Weekly Tidings For September 24, 2017

"God's Love – Our Hearts – God's Work – Our Hands"

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Welcome Guests! We are so happy to see you today! If you are traveling through the area, we wish you Godspeed on your journey. If you live nearby, we hope you will return and worship with us again. If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to make Trinity Lutheran that home. Please sign the guest register located at the entrance into the Sanctuary and/or fill out the yellow card in the pew rack located in front of you, so that we can know who you are. Although you have come as a visitor, we hope that we leave worship as friends!

Loose Change – Thank you for your generosity last week for our Loose Change offering. We collected **\$151.61** for Sparta Area Hunger Walk! Great job Trinity!

Hunger Walk – Join us **October 1 at 1:00 pm** for an opportunity to participate with members of Trinity and other church families in the Sparta Area to raise money for fighting hunger in our local area and overseas. Please pick up a registration form at the information tables in the foyer.

Logo Contest - The Trinity Lutheran Church Women (TLCW) are in need of your help. We need a logo to represent us in advertising our craft fair, on correspondence, etc. Get your creative juices flowing and submit a design. Please incorporate the initials TLCW in the design. One gifted person will receive a \$25 gift card of their choice! All entries must be received by **SEPTEMBER 29**. Please submit them to either pcnrth@yahoo.com or morton49@charter.net.

Looking For Crafters - If anyone is interested in getting together to make craft items for the Fall Festival, please contact Linda Winterton at 269-7214.

"Soap Time" Second Installment –We are making progress, as of September 20 we have collected **366** bars of soap. That is up from the 146 bars on September 14th, great job! In the coming weeks as the ducks and geese migrate south we hope to see "The Great Soap Migration" where soap migrates from Dollar Tree, Walmart, Walgreens and Family Dollar to Trinity Lutheran church before it begins its final journey to those who need it. Don't miss the 3rd and final installment of "Soap Time" on Sunday, October 1. *Mr. Clean*

My Neighbor is Muslim- *Recent statistic studies show that there are 3.3 million Muslims in the United States, and 1.6 billion Muslims in the world, second only to the number of Christians in the world. And yet, what do we truly know about the Islamic faith?*

Join us for a study called, *"My Neighbor is Muslim: A Small Group Study Exploring the Muslim Faith."* This study was produced by Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota. It was written primarily by Todd Green, professor of religion, at Luther College in Decorah, Iowa. Topics include: "What are the Five Pillars of Islam?", "What does the Qur'an Say about Jesus?", "What does the Qur'an Say about Jews and Christians?", "What is the Islamic Understanding of Charity?", "What does Islam teach about Violence?", "What is Islamic Finance?", "What is an Islamic State?"

This study is an unbiased, objective view of Islam that will help us grow in our understanding of the Muslim faith, while at the same time, help us grow in our understanding of our own Christian faith.

We will meet on **Sunday Evenings at 6:30 in the Shalom Room**. Study materials will be provided.

Those for whom we are praying ...

*for Kenneth Smith, Lois Harr, Deb O'Rouke, Karla May, Joanie Olson,
Dalton Mattke, and Michelle Clark.*

Flowers today were given in Memory of Gary Hopkins from Larry and Julee Hopkins.

Altar flowers were picked up by Cora Aschwander.

Youth & Family Announcements for the week of September 24, 2017

God is good all the time, and all the time, God is good

You are BeYOUtiful because you are fearfully and wonderfully made.

Please talk to Michelle face-to-face; by phone at 269-5081; call or text at 343-0324; or by e-mail at: thehyattfive@gmail.com for additional information.

JAM & Faith Formation do not meet this coming Wednesday, September 27th. Enjoy the night off, but take the time to serve someone as God calls YOU!

SAVE THE DATES!! Sugar Creek Fall Retreats

6 - 8th Grade Retreat, October 6 - 8

7:00 p.m. Friday – 1:00 p.m. Sunday

Do you miss camp? If you've been missing camp and can't wait to come back, these retreats are for you! Come hang out at camp with your favorite camp friends and staff for 3 days of games, hiking, Bible study, worships, campfires, and all your other favorite camp activities. In March you will get a taste of the summer theme and in October you will study topics related to confirmation. Retreats start at 7:00 PM Friday and end at 1 p.m. on Sunday.

Cost : \$85 (includes 5 meals – Trinity will offer \$40 scholarships)

3 – 5th Grade Retreat, October 28 - 29

1 p.m. Saturday – 1 p.m. Sunday

Come join us here at Sugar Creek for a time of fun and faith exploration. Enjoy time away with your favorite camp friends and Sugar Creek counselors playing games, singing songs, worshipping together, and studying the Bible. The April retreat is a taste of the summer to come and the October retreat is filled with fun, fall activities! Retreats start at 1:00 PM on Saturday and end at 1 p.m. on Sunday.

Cost : \$40 (includes 3 meals – Trinity will offer \$20 scholarships)

Talk to Michelle if you would like to go to the retreat!

D365 Devotional Reminder (check out d365.org for a daily devotion)