

# Trinity Weekly Tidings For August 28, 2016

*"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!

## New Bible Study – Simplify

Are you over-scheduled? Exhausted? Overwhelmed? Join us for the 4-week Simplify bible study, to be held **between services September 18 – October 9**, to discover how to stop living at a frantic pace and begin charting a new course toward satisfaction, purpose, and significance. This 4-week DVD study and discussion is based on bestselling author Bill Hybels' book "Simplify: Unclutter Your Soul." Sessions will focus on the topics of simplifying your schedule, work, finances, relationships, and soul.

All are welcome and no materials are needed to participate. Those who would like a copy of the accompanying book or participant's guide can purchase materials on Amazon.com for around \$10 each.

## Endowment Scholarships Awarded

Three members of our congregation have been awarded a scholarship from the Trinity Lutheran Mission Endowment Fund. Serena Nelson, a student at Winona State University received a \$500 scholarship, while Adam Frei, a post-graduate student at Viterbo University, and Tristan Zurfluh, a student at Luther College, each received a \$200 scholarship. Congratulations to these three fine students, and may God continue to guide and be with you during your academic career.

## Sunday, September 18

Calling all past and present bell ringers...we are having a special performance on **September 18** to honor Joan Cook. Please contact Becky Anderson to participate or if you have questions, 608-487-3556.

*Those for whom we are praying...*

*Sharon Engel, Zach Kelley, Ed Peterson, Stanley Kirkeeng, Eleanor Hansen, Joanne Dexter and Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services. Flowers today were given by Pastor Mark, Ann Kvale and boys in Memory of Helen Blanchard.*

## Root Beer Float Sunday

We know June dairy month is long gone, but we'd still like to celebrate. Join us for root beer floats after the 9:00 am service TODAY. Everyone is welcome!

## Loose Change Offering Today- Family Promise

Thank you to everyone who gave so generously to the Loose Change offering this past week. As a church we collected \$130.88 for Family Promise! Thank you for your continued support!

## S.O.S. Soap On Sunday

### **TRINITY MISSION PROJECT in SEPTEMBER**

We are asking members to bring bars of **new**, 4-5 oz. **wrapped soap every Sunday** to help families in need. Thank You for remembering others!

**Soap-4 to 5 oz. bars of any brand soap, in its original wrapping. \$Donations Cost to handle and ship a box of soap -\$13.00 for about 18#. Checks made out to Trinity/Write SOAP on memo line.**

## **LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF PROGRAM**

People in many parts of the world cannot buy soap because it is unavailable or too costly. Soap helps to maintain cleanliness to help reduce disease and infection.

**HISTORY:** In the 1950's Rev. Ove Nielsen, an LWR staffer saw a newspaper article from a Wisconsin town entitled, *"Lutherans in a Lather"* stating how they were collecting soap to send around the world. With the help of LWR Lutherans across America mobilized to gather and ship soap to places in need.

**DEMAND:** Soap used overseas includes schools, hospitals, clinics, households, and refugee camps. They NO LONGER accept USED or HOMEMADE soap as it is inappropriate for surgical scrub and other medical uses. **The health officials ask that all soap be new and wrapped.**

*Let us all continue to be "Lutherans in Lather" and reach out to others with the warm and willing hands of Christ...and with fresh bars of soap.*