

Trinity Weekly Tidings For June 18, 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!



The righteous man walks in his integrity; **His children are blessed after him.**

PROVERBS 20:7



Root beer Float Sunday - Join us **today** in the Fellowship Hall after service for a Root Beer Float to celebrate Dairy Month!

Scholarship Opportunity - Trinity Lutheran Mission Endowment Committee is accepting applications for scholarships. Eligible students must have successfully completed one or more years at any accredited college or technical school and be enrolled for the following year. The deadline for applications will be **July 31, 2017**. Application forms are available in the church office and at the information table in the foyer.

Loose Change NEXT Sunday, June 25 - Boys & Girls Club of Sparta inspires and enables all young people to realize their full potential as productive, responsible and caring citizens. Club members are in grades three through twelve. For over 20 years the Boys & Girls Club of Sparta has been the "Positive Place for Kids". Your loose change offering today extends Trinity's family ministry to children and families throughout our community.

Living in God's Steadfast Love Wednesday Evening Worship at 6pm in the Courtyard - This summer, join us Wednesday evening for a very simple, informal worship, gathered around God's word, gathered together in song and prayer, gathered together as the body of Christ!

Worship "Take-Out" Kits for the Summer! -Yay! It's almost summer! Summer is a fantastic time of the year, for traveling, enjoying family, resting, having fun, and living in the beauty of God's creation. It is also a great time to worship!!

Starting today, we will be providing **Worship "Take-Out Kits"** for you to use at home, or when you are busy traveling this summer. Included in the kit are:

- Suggestions for how to create a worshipful location
- an outline of a worship service to use with children, your spouse, yourself, and/or friends!
- Scripture readings
- Suggested songs to sing together

You may pick up your 'kit' at the display in the narthex. Also, the kits will be available on-line on Trinity Lutheran's facebook page, or, if you would like to receive a kit via email, please contact Pastor Mark at pastorkvale@gmail.com Hey! It's summer! Go have fun! Go worship and offer your praise to God!

Two Great Opportunities to Learn about Luther! - This year, 2017, marks the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. This anniversary is not only a time for reflection on the rich history of this church (the Lutheran Church), but also a chance to look forward to what lies ahead for all of us. It's an exciting time to be Lutheran! We will be showing two films: **Rick Steves' Luther and the Reformation** and the movie, **Luther**. Rick Steves' film will be shown on **June 25**, in the sanctuary, following our worship at 9 am. And then, on **July 9 and July 16**, we will watch the film, **Luther**, following worship in the sanctuary.

Office Help Needed – We are looking for a volunteer or two that would be willing to answer phones in the office when Lori is out of the office o **June 22, June 30 and July 3**. Please call the church office if you are interested in helping out.

Second Harvest Mobile Food Pantry Delivery will be Monday, June 19th at 1800 block of Milwaukee Ave. For anyone still wishing to volunteer or if you are looking for more information please call the St. Patrick's rectory at 269-2655. Many thanks for your dedication to ending hunger in our community!

Those for whom we are praying... for Dalton Mattke, Shirley Hobson, Joyce Swiggum, Alma Beranek, Michelle Clark, Linda Hemmersbach and Pauline Haug. Altar flowers were picked up by Jim and Barb Moorhead. Altar flowers are in honor of Gary and Betty Peterson's 47th wedding anniversary. Happy Anniversary!

Youth & Family Announcements for the week of June 18, 2017

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

You are BEAUTIFUL because you are fearfully and wonderfully made. You are enough! You are loved!

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.

Happy Father's Day to all of our awesome guys that are part of our Trinity family! We thank God for all of you, & we are so blessed to have you in our lives!

SAVE THE DATES!! Sunday, June 25; Sunday, July 23; & Sunday, August 27 Our JAM families would like to invite the congregation to join us on the above Sundays after worship (around 10:00ish - ?) for a potluck, fellowship, & games in the park. On Sunday, June 25th we'll gather in the Fellowship Hall for breakfast pizza. Please bring a dish to pass to go along with that. From there, we'll have inside or outside games. Join the fun with our church family!

DATE CHANGE!! Save the date for Friday, June 30!! It's going to be Family Day at Mt. Olympus Water & Theme Park in Wisconsin Dells! Tickets are only \$10, & the price will include lunch. There will be more details to come, but please sign up with Michelle by Friday, June 23 with how many tickets you need. Join us for a fun day with our church family!

**Save the dates for Family Camp – All are Welcome!
Sunday, August 6; Sunday, August 13; & Sunday, August 20th
5:00 – 7:30 p.m. (meal included)**

Please send an e-mail to Michelle Jaeger at: marty_m1@hotmail.com with the number in your family that will be attending by Sunday, July 23rd. The theme is "Passport to Peru." Lots of fun things are being planned, so don't miss out on this faith building opportunity for all! We will come together with a big celebration on Sunday, August 27th, following our 9:00 worship.

Sugar Creek Bible Camp, here we come!

So far, 30 of our incredible young people have signed up to go to Sugar Creek. Space is still available, so join them by signing up today! Registration forms can be found outside of the Youth Room. You can also check it out on the web: www.SugarCreekBibleCamp.org. Trinity Weeks are June 18 - 23 & July 9 – 14. Grab a friend, & get registered NOW for the week that works best for you! Every young person will get a \$250 scholarship from Trinity through fundraising, donations, & Thrivent Choice. Please pray for our kids as they venture to Sugar Creek throughout the summer!

Explorers (entering grades 1 – 5), Tuesday, July 11

Come for an exciting one-day adventure at Sugar Creek. Explore camp with games, nature time, crafts, swimming, a pony ride, Bible study, singing, & more! The day runs from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Bring some spending money if you would like to shop in our camp store. The cost is only \$10 per camper with lunch & snacks included. Adults are free! Drivers will be needed to help transport our kiddos for the day! Please let Michelle know ASAP if you can help drive!☺

FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes) Camp/grades 6 – 12

35 of our awesome young people will be heading to FCA Camp from **Monday, June 26 – Thursday, June 29**, on the beautiful Luther campus in Decorah, IA. Please pray for them for a safe bus ride to & from camp. We are so excited that our kids get to have camp experiences like Sugar Creek & FCA Camp! Whether it's for a day, half week, or full week, we are thankful for these places to watch their faith grow. Thank you to our congregation for always believing in & supporting our young people. Most of all, we thank you for your heartfelt prayers.

www.d365.org – Sign up for this FREE daily devotional! It's how I start my day with God!

The grace of God means something like: Here is your life. You might never have been, but you are because the party wouldn't have been complete without you. Here is the world. Beautiful and terrible things will happen. Don't be afraid. I am with you...

Read Genesis 18:9-14

I love Sarah's laughter. It proves that even the most faithful—a Matriarch of Israel—can have momentary lapses of faith. How could a woman so far past her child-bearing prime possibly give birth? Only through the grace of God.

I like to think of Sarah's laughter as a moment of grace itself. It would be easier to get angry and resent the statement. But she laughed and stayed positive. She reached out and accepted God's grace handed to her through the words of this visitor.

We are all prone to momentary lapses of faith. But will we respond with positivity or negativity? Will we reach out and accept the grace offered or will we slap it out of God's hand in unbelief, in anger, or in resentment? God of grace, thank you for laughter. Thank you for grace in spite of my doubts and fears. Remind me to stay positive even when I want to doubt. Amen.

Take pride in God's grace. Accept God's grace. Have faith in God's grace. Thank God for grace.