

Trinity Weekly Tidings For May 28, 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!

Office Closed – The church office will be closed on **Monday, May 29** in observance of Memorial Day. We will reopen on Tuesday, May 30 at 9:00 am. **Offering counters will count Tuesday, May 30.**

Worship and Decorating Team Volunteers – A brief meeting will be held on **Monday, June 5 at 10:00 am** in the Fellowship Hall to review our objectives and schedule for the year. Thank you for past contributions of time and talents and we look forward to any new volunteers who would like to help!

Living in God's Steadfast Love Wednesday Evening Worship -Beginning June 7at 6pm in the Courtyard
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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!

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.

Rick Steves is best known for his travel videos shown on PBS. Rick is also an active ELCA congregation member, who has done a marvelous job creating this film on the history of the Reformation. The movie, **Luther**, follows the life of Luther from the beginning of his vows to become a monk through the signing of the Augsburg Confession. The film contains a fantastic cast and has been very popular since it was released in 2003. Please join us for a great time of fun and learning. Who knows, there might even be popcorn!

Volunteers Needed for Synod Assembly - How would you like to spend time with a great group of people who share your Christian beliefs? We are in need of volunteers for our Synod Assembly, **June 9-11** which is being held in La Crosse this year. Volunteers play an important role in making the Assembly run smoothly, starting with registration on Friday evening and throughout the Saturday and Sunday sessions. To volunteer or to learn more contact Betty Sacia at (608) 526-3506 or via e-mail: brsacia@yahoo.com.

Next Sunday, June 4, is the festival of Pentecost -This festival derives its name from the Jewish festival of Pentecost, observed fifty days after Passover. On the fiftieth day of Easter we celebrate the Holy Spirit as the power of God among us that heals, forgives, inspires, and unites. In the reading from Acts, images of wind and fire describe the Spirit poured out on disciples of all nations. In John's gospel the risen Christ breathes the Spirit on his followers on Easter evening. In the one Spirit we are baptized into one body, and at the Lord's table the Spirit unites us for witness in the world. In celebration of this day, please **wear red** to worship, symbolizing the flames of fire resting on all of us, the Holy Spirit filling us with all the love of God in Jesus Christ!

Potluck – June 8th – Are you going to college in La Crosse, have student there or you are just looking for a ministry to partner with? You will not want to miss this opportunity! Thursday, June 8, we will have a potluck at 5:00 pm and Pastor Ben Morris of Common Grounds will be here to speak about this ministry. We hope you can join us. For questions please contact Kathleen Sumrall.

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.

Those for whom we are praying...

For Ed Peterson, Shirley Hobson, Joyce Swiggum, Eleanor Hansen, Alma Beranek, Michelle Clark, Bill Spori, Linda Hemmersbach and Pauline Haug. Altar flowers were picked up by Laurel Brandt

Youth & Family Announcements for the week of May 28, 2017

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

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

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 talk to Michelle if you would like to go!

Sugar Creek Bible Camp, here we come!

So far, **26** 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, & Explorer dates are Wednesday, June 21 & Wednesday, July 12, & details are found in the article below. 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. Woo hoo! We are SO grateful to our very generous congregation! Help us reach our goal of sending 50 amazing young people to camp!

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

So far, **30** 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. Space is still available just for YOU!! Check out the website at: www.fcacamps.org. Boys can choose from the following sports: basketball, baseball, cross country, football, soccer, or tennis. Girls can choose from the following sports: basketball, cross country, soccer, softball, swimming, tennis, or volleyball. To get registered, please fill out the camp brochure found outside of the Youth Room, & return it to Michelle with your \$100 deposit. Checks can be made payable to "FCA." All of you will receive a \$100 scholarship from NW WI FCA, & in addition, you will get a scholarship from Trinity for the remaining \$145 ☺." We have a bus confirmed, so help us fill it for our journey to camp!

As always, additional scholarships are available for ALL kids wanting to go to either camp! We want every young person to get to experience camp, & if you want to go to camp, please know that our amazing, supportive congregation WILL get you there!

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