Trinity Today

OUR CHURCH EXISTS TO **WELCOME** ALL PEOPLE INTO RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS CHRIST **EQUIP** PEOPLE WITH A VITAL, LIVING FAITH **SEND** US INTO THE WORLD TO SERVE IN JESUS' NAME

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November 2018

You are invited to a special day of Celebration and Thanksgiving ~Sunday, November 4th~



Join us in giving thanks for Pastor Steve and 33 years of ministry and service at Trinity! Let us wish him well as he begins retirement!

10:00 AM Worship will feature Pastor Steve preaching, as well as the celebration of Holy Communion. We will enjoy music by the Wednesday Worship Band, the Celebration Choir, the Wednesday & Sunday Church School, and a Trinity Strings Trio. Music will begin at 9:45 AM, so come early!

A Congregational Meal will follow the worship service in the Fellowship Hall. The Woodhouse will be catering a meal of chicken and meatballs. There will be chicken nuggets and tater tots for the younger set! Cake will be provided, but all are invited to bring additional dessert to share.

Join us on this special day to honor and give thanks for Pastor Steve!



Thanksgiving Eve Worship

Wednesday, November 21st, 6:30 PM

This year Thanksgiving Eve worship will be in the Community Center. Enjoy the warmth and beauty of these surroundings, experience soaring acoustics as hymns of thanksgiving swell to the rafters, and feel the fellowship of those around you while sharing a slice of pie and a warm cup of coffee or cider after worship! You are invited to bring a pie to share. Bring your pie to the Community Center kitchen before worship begins. See you there!

Musical Moments

Deacon Joanne Swonger—swonger@trinitybismarck.com Director of Music and Worship

89th Handel's Messiah at Trinity Sunday, December 2, 7:30 PM

Support this beautiful community tradition that has been hosted at Trinity for 89 years!

~Sing at rehearsals, Sundays from 4-6 PM.

~Sign up to bring 2-3 dozen cookies on the Worship & Music Kiosk in the lobby.

~*Sign up to serve the reception* at one of the two shifts - 7:30-10 PM or 8:30-10:00 PM.

~Give an offering gift to help sponsor the tradition. Donors are listed in the program.

~**Come to the performance!** Celebrate the Wonderful Counselor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace!

Children & Youth

Gracia Johnson—gjohnson@trinitybismarck.com Youth, Family Life, and Christian Education Coordinator



Chicago Mission Trip 2019

For youth currently in grades 8-12. We'll leave the evening of Saturday, July 20 on the Amtrak train out of Minot and return the morning of Sunday, July 28. While in Chicago we'll hook up with DOOR, an organization that will plan our service projects and some service learning events for us. We'll also do a some sight-seeing! See Gracia or the youth board in the lobby for more info. Register with a \$100 deposit by November 21.

Senior High Youth Group

For youth in 9th through 12th grade. We meet Wednesdays in the lower youth room at 8:00 pm. Come as you are for a time to relax and grow together in faith!

Lunch at First

All youth in grades 9-12 are invited to a free lunch every Thursday at First Lutheran (across from BHS) starting October 4. The meal is provided by various churches in town during the lunch periods. Youth from all schools are welcome!

Welcome changes everything

Thank you for all the wonderful responses we received for our lobby display in September and October. You shared some wonderful thoughts on how we can make our neighbor feel welcome among us! Here are some of the ideas you shared:



Always treat others the way you expect to be treated by them.



Say hello and welcome



Tell someone they are a beautiful person

Speak about the impact of Christian faith on my life in everyday conversation



Go and visit; Listen to the problems and cares of others



Say thank you



Bible Journaling *Take a moment for your faith.*

* Bible & Creative Journaling * * Use your words & creativity to express your faith* * All artistic levels welcome *

Mon., Nov. 12 – Good Shepherd @ 7:00 pm Mon., Nov. 26 – Trinity Lutheran @ 7:00 pm

Contact: Gracia Johnson at GJohnson@TrinityBismarck.com Nicole Fehr at Nicole@goodshepherdbismarck.com

The Banquet

Karla Eisenbeisz-karlabice@yahoo.com

Banquet Director

Get involved!

Did you know that roughly 1 in 5 children in Bismarck/Mandan struggle with hunger?

On the other end of the spectrum are seniors on fixed incomes. Hunger is a big problem. It's a problem we see a solution for. You can be part of the solution. - Sponsor a meal!

The Banquet would not be possible without the support of volunteers and our generous sponsors. Meal menus include protein, starch, vegetable, fruit, bread, dessert and milk. We provide a well-balanced and nutritious meal at a great price. We ask our sponsors to allow their volunteers to prepare and serve the food as well as supply volunteers for other meal functions. If the sponsor is unable to supply the full amount of volunteers we will call our "Angel List" volunteers who are ready to serve as needed.

Meal Costs:

Tuesday, Saturday or Sunday - average cost \$625 - provides up to 250 meals!

Thursday - average cost \$1,250 - provides up to 500 meals!

Contact Banquet Marketing Director Marion Kiefer for sponsorship information - 391-0376

The Banquet is a non-profit 501@(3) organization. We do not receive any money from federal, state, city, or county governments or the United Way. Cash and material donations are relied upon to pay for milk, coffee, supplies and equipment; and staffing. All donations are tax deductible. If you would care to donate, please make checks payable to The Banquet and send them to: The Banquet 502 N 4th St. Bismarck, ND 58501.

Feeding of the 5,000 Peanut Butter drive ...

We're very excited about all the jars of Peanut Butter that are appearing for our Peanut Butter Drive! The collection point is the small altar in the lobby near the Sanctuary doors. Together we will spread God's love in our community like peanut butter on bread!

Stephen Ministry



May I suggest...

What can you do for your family member, friend, or acquaintance who is going through a rough time? Perhaps the first thing you think of is to be there for the person. You can listen, give com-

fort, listen some more, and try to understand why an event or series of events has turned the person's life upside down. You may even want to give advice – if you can think of any advice that would help.

Do you ever wish you could do more? Sometimes, the best gift you can give a hurting person is to suggest he or she consider a different kind of help than you can provide. Sometimes this "different help" might be a professional, such as a counselor. At other times, the help might be someone who knows how to listen, but whose listening isn't influenced by already knowing the ins and outs of the hurting person's life the way you do. Think of the times you have confided in a stranger on a plane (or have been the listener as your seat-mate confides in you).

You might ask the hurting person, "Have you ever considered requesting a Stephen Minister?" If the person is interested, but reluctant to take the first step, you might offer to make the first contact with a Stephen Leader, who will then contact the hurting person. (Remember – always get the person's permission before referring him or her to Stephen Ministry.)

If you need more information about Stephen Ministry before suggesting it as an option to someone, talk to one of the Stephen Leaders (Karen Botine, Margaret Fiechtner.)

New church directories

The new directories have arrived.. If you had your picture taken, you may pick up a directory in the church office.



Your gifts

Julie Schaffner – schaffner@trinitybismarck.com Financial Director

	Month	Year-to-date
September 2018	Actual	Actual
Income	\$ 65,449.07	\$535,294.72
Expenses	\$ 68,239.31	\$572,870.51
Income less expenses	<u>\$ (2,790.24</u>)	<u>\$ (37,575.79</u>)

Electronic Giving - Trinity's offers the option of Electronic Contributions as a simple way to contribute. This would allow you the freedom from worry or concern whether you are out of town, on vacation or wondering how to budget your contributions. Please stop by the office to fill out the form.

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CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED

Autumn Marketplace

The season of gift giving is almost upon us! Find meaningful gifts with impact at Autumn Marketplace, to be held before and after worship on Wednesday, November 14th and Sunday, November 18th. There will be a Book Fair to shop for Christian books which help kids and adults grow and thrive in faith and life. All books are sold at a discounted rate – up to 40% off! Ixcán Creations will be returning to Trinity with their beautiful jewelry, scarves, and gift items. 100% of a purchase goes directly to the artisan who created it. Ixcán Creations is an economic development that empowers and supports women from the Ixcán jungle of northwest Guatemala. Save the date and shop at Trinity's Autumn Marketplace!

Quilts and School Kits

The Quilters sent 225 quilts to Lutheran World Relief. Thank you for all your hard work!

Thank you to all who donated items for the School Kits. We were able to fill 74 kits for Lutheran World Relief. Thank you to the Confirmation Small Group for assembling and boxing up the kits, and Dale Fleck for transporting them to Midwest Motor Express.

Beer and Hymns—Nov. 5, 7-9 PM

Join us the first Monday of November for a night of hymn singing, beverages, and fun! These events take place at the Harvest Brazilian Grill in Mandan, (308 W Main St). All persons 21 and over are welcome!

Just a reminder from Pastor Steve...

When I retire, I will need to step away from Trinity for a while. This is good for Trinity and for me as we move forward. It gives both of us time and space to chart a new course for the future. So you will not see me in worship, and I will not be available for baptisms, weddings, hospital visits, funerals, etc. Those needs will be well covered by our church — just contact the church office. Be open and welcoming to new leadership and you will be blessed.

Rummage Sale

Thank you to everyone who contributed items for our sale, and thank you to those who worked and helped to make our sale a big success! Proceeds go to the youth. Non-profit org U.S. BISMARCK, ND POSTAGE PAID PERMIT NO. 419

Trust Fund Spotlight

Who Knew???

When the Trust Fund was established by Trinity in 1987, hopes were high that having this fund would encourage Trinity's members to invest in future

faith-building opportunities that no one could see at the time the gift was given. Early disbursements of income were to radio broadcasts (from the restricted Jasman gift) and the first scholarship in 1992. In the past 30 years income from the Trust Fund and the Endowment Fund (established in 2014) have grown to where the Trust Fund Committee can consider support for projects and activities totaling several thousand dollars per year.

One of the newest projects this year is to provide internship stipends to encourage high school musicians to sing in the annual *Messiah* performance. This is an important event in Bismarck-Mandan, but many of the faithful singers are growing older and may not have many "singing years" left. We hope encouraging young singers to become part of this 89-year tradition will build the next generation of singers who return year after year for this beautiful and meaningful start to the Christmas season.

What projects or activities will be introduced in the future? We don't know, but with income from the Trust Fund and Endowment Fund, Trinity will be in a position to provide support that will help us WELCOME, EQUIP, and SEND. If you have questions about making a gift to Trinity through either the Trust Fund or Endowment Fund, talk to a Trust Fund Committee member: Richard Bjornson, Karen Botine, Richard Hansen, Dwight Offerman, or Susan Weiand.



Pastoral ministries

Baptisms: Riche Jo Dauer; Lillianna Sue Hegel; Haley Mae Fredrickson; Isla Evelyn Gannarelli

Wedding: Paul Clayburgh and McKenzie Chrest

Funeral: Brad Benson