



Congregational Update

July 24, 2020

Greetings in Christ's name!

There is alot happening at and through your church which we want you to know about.

It is possible we will have a Pastoral Intern by September 1st. This comes at the request of the Synod Office. The Internship would cover two academic years. It would involve a partnership with Grace Lutheran at Driscoll as well. As soon as we know for certain if this is a go, we will let you know.

We have welcomed on staff, Heather Baumann as Trinity's Congregational Relationship Coordinator. Central to this position is building a sense of community within our congregation including establishing a Small Group Ministry. Council Member Troy Zander is currently at work forming a Committee to be a liaison for this work.

Great News!!! Pastor Lee has agreed to continue to serve as Pastor here at Trinity for the next two years. I am so thankful for his faithfulness and wisdom. We are blessed by his gifts in preaching, worship leadership and his ability to make relationships. Thanks Pastor Lee.

We have celebrated Holy Communion with both Bread and Wine at both the Sunday 10:00AM and Wednesday 6:00PM services. I am thankful to the Safe Opening Task Force for helping us think our way through providing this important sacrament while at the same time working to keep people safe.

Gracia is hard at work planning for blessing services for our school kids, teachers, school staffs and administrators. These blessings will take place on Wednesday, August 19th and Sunday, August 23rd. Please keep all of these folks in prayer as well as parents. These days difficult decisions are being made and it has added lots of stress to people's lives. Remember – God through the gift of the Holy Spirit is with you.

Within the next couple of weeks you will get official notice of a special congregational meeting for the purpose of considering the installation of destratification fans in the sanctuary. Council has approved having the meeting. Meanwhile, the Property Committee is taking a closer look at the proposal and putting together cost figures. These fans have Ultra Violet lights within them which will help clean the air of bacteria and viruses. As soon as a date is set it will be widely publicized.

Trinity continues to serve beyond itself. Recently we have helped provide funds to keep a woman with a number of children in housing. We are providing food, daily for a number of homeless individuals. We have provided grocery cards to individuals who have few resources. Funds to accomplish all of this has come from the generosity of members. Thanks – your offering matters. It is making a difference in people's lives!

That's the news for now. God Bless.
Pastor Mark