

Nurturing a Living Faith with Open Hearts and Serving Hands

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Intern's Corner

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For his anger lasts only a moment, but his favor lasts a lifetime; weeping may stay for the night, but rejoicing comes in the morning. Psalm 30:5



Grace and peace to you in the risen Christ's name! Alleluia!

We are now into the heart of the Easter season – a 50 day celebration in the church year of Jesus Christ arisen for the sake of the world. And this season of celebration is situated in a time of year where we tend to see new life – spring! The idea behind spring is that the grass gets greener, flowers bloom, and animals on farms tend to give birth to their offspring. However, we are in North Dakota after all, and with spring always comes the risk of that green grass or pasture being covered in a layer of snow temporarily.

New life – that is what Easter is all about. Our psalmist from the verse above understands that. We as God's people have experienced the darkness of the cross, which was only temporary. Now we are experiencing the new light, the rejoicing that comes with the dawn of the risen Christ. Christ Jesus, who rose again so that the sting of sin and death would be replaced by love, grace and forgiveness. God has always and will always love you, so much that Jesus was given over, crucified and rose again for our sake – and to that we can truly say, "Alleluia!"

In Christ, Intern Colin

Upcoming Announcements

Work Day

Saturday, May 21st @ 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Your helping hands are needed on May 21st @ 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. We need help creating a new planting space on the eastern side of the property and wiping down the Fellowship Hall and surrounding hallways with TSP in preparation for painting; and cleaning the Church School. If you are able to help outside, any extra gloves, shovels, or rakes would be helpful. Even if you only have an hour to give - stop by, your help will be a blessing!

Senior Recognition

Sunday, May 22nd & Wednesday, 25th during worship services Sanctuary

We will be recognizing graduating High School seniors at worship services on Sunday, May 22nd & Wednesday, 25th. Please RSVP to Gracia if you are a senior or have a senior that wishes to be recognized.

Outdoor Worship

Wednesdays @ 6 p.m. & Sundays @ 10:30 a.m., beginning June 1st Peace Chapel

Nicer weather is coming and that means we will be hosting outdoor worship again starting Wednesday, June 1st. Wednesday worship @ 6 p.m. and Sunday worship @ 10:30 a.m. will be moving outdoors depending on the weather's cooperation. Sunday worship @ 8:30 a.m. will remain indoors. Chairs will be available if you don't want to bring your own.

Welcoming New Members

Past Event: Sunday, May 1st @ 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday, May 4th @ 6 p.m. Sanctuary



Michael & Brenda Hove



Christine Zeller



Jesse, Jenna, Jack & Lucy Larson



Dan Tarver



Dianne Herr



Trinity's Semi-Annual Rummage Sale

Past Event: Friday, April 29th @ 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. & Saturday, April 30th @ 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. Community Center

Thank you to all who helped with the Rummage Sale! Whether you donated, sorted, helped during the sale, shopped, or helped with clean-up - it all made a difference. This year we made a record-

breaking \$4,777!! Those funds will go towards updating the church school area.



Children & Youth

Gracia Johnson - Youth and Children Ministry Coordinator; gjohnson@trinitybismarck.com, ext. 6



Vacation Bible School

June 5th - 8th @ 5:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

Join us for VBS at Trinity! Kids age 4 to grade 5 are welcome! There is no fee for this fun week of games, snacks, crafts, and exploring our faith! Register here: <u>https://form.jotform.com/210895589764172</u>

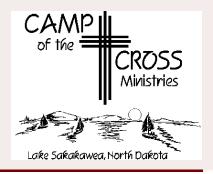
Volunteer for Vacation Bible School

All current 6th graders - adults are welcome to help us with VBS this year! We need station leaders, crew leaders, help with snacks, and someone to take some pictures. See Gracia if interested.

Trinity Camperships

Because we believe in the value of Christian Camping, Trinity Lutheran Church will provide scholarships of \$150 to anyone enrolled in Trinity ministries attending Bible Camp this summer. To receive your campership, contact Gracia.

Check out Camp of the Cross's summer camps at <u>www.campofthecross.com</u>.



Worship Notes

Pastor Mary Lou Aune - Director of Worship & Music; <u>aune@trinitybismarck.com</u>, ext. 3

Easter Services

Past Event: Sunday, April 17th @ 7, 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. Sanctuary

"Alleluia, He is Risen!" Alleluias were released back into the Sanctuary and were literally represented by a bouquet of balloons.

Even with the monumental blizzard that happened during Holy Week, we still had a wonderful turnout for Easter. The morning started with a beautiful candlelit service at the break of dawn. The celebration then continued for two more morning services where the music was especially joyous with the addition of a celebratory brass ensemble!

Not even mother nature was able to dampen our spirits! Another special surprise, if you were able to tune into or attend the 8:30 service, then you got to hear all about the Easter story from the impromptu words of one of Trinity's youth, Ryker. Check out Ryker's sermon video footage by clicking this link: <u>Ryker</u> <u>Sermon.mp4 - OneDrive (live.com)</u>





Congregational Relationships Heather Baumann - Congregation Relationship Coordinator; baumann@trinitybismarck.com, ext. 9



Coed Sand Volleyball

June 5th - August 14th

Trinity had a sand volleyball team last summer and would like to put one together again this year. The league plays on Sunday evenings from June 5th -August 14th. If you are 16 and older and are interested in playing, please contact Heather. Must register by Wednesday, May 25th.

Connect Groups

Every other Wednesday @ 2:30 p.m. Room 212

This is one of Trinity's Connect Groups, the "Upstairs Video Study," led by Larry Strand. They are studying a video series surrounding the Old to New Testament.

Strand, Contact Larry at listrand@bis.midco.net, if you would like more information!



There are many ministry opportunities for you here at Trinity. Please take a moment and see how you can help with ministry here. Please click the link below.

Sign Up

If you have never served before or are not sure what type of opportunities are there for you, please fill out the "Ministry Opportunity Form" after clicking below and you will be contacted about serving.

Ministry Opportunity Form

Service Ministry Spotlight

Church School Teachers & Confirmation Guides

Thank you to all Church School Teachers & Confirmation Guides for their time & caring. You are so appreciated! Thank you for a great year!!

Wednesday Church School Teachers

Bergen Ackerman, Regan Braun, McCartney Fix, Scott Houser, Lisa Kosel, Brynn Lang, Hannah McIntyre, April Meckle, Bob Meckle, Fran Morrell, Jayde Olson, Samantha Stordalen, Kristi Thune, Denise Wetzel.

Sunday Church School Teachers

Sarah Feist, Scott Houser, James McGrath, Samantha McGrath, Avery Mills, Rio Mills, Eric Peterson, Isaac Peterson, Mia Peterson, Susan Ronning, Kelly Spilman, Susan Wefald.

Confirmation Small Group Guides

Nicole Conoly, Cristie Dockter, Jodi Entzel, Patrick Entzel, Kris Fitzgerald, Kristy Gierke, Landa Gunderson, Christina Johnson, Matt Johnson, Michelle Johnson, Jessica Koble, Missy Kopp, Ron Kopp, Kristin Larson, Larry Larson, Kirsten McIntyre, Karla Merkel, Colin Neuharth, Colleen Peterson, Barbra Pfeifer, Kiki Schatz, Traci Seibel, Tara Wegge.

Loaves and Fishes

Filling Bags: Sunday, June 5th @ 9:30 a.m. Quilters' Room

Scripture calls us to feed the hungry. Our "Loaves and Fishes" ministry does just that! Each day we put out a dozen bags of food, with items that a transient person could eat without needing a place to cook. You can support this ministry either by donating money or by dropping off food items.

List of (No Prep.) items we put in the bags:

- individual peanut butter packs
- packs of crackers
- granola bars
- pouches of tuna, chicken or Spam
- sealed cups of Ravioli or other pasta
- spoons

*** We are not currently collecting any more bags. *** We get together once a month to pack bags. Thanks for your generosity as we follow Jesus' command to feed the hungry.

Collection Items



Dan's Receipts

Receipts can be placed in the Drop off prescription glasses at box in the Narthex or dropped off at the office. Proceeds will go towards Trinity's Children & collect them. Youth.



Lions Glasses

the office. We will contact Bismarck Lions to come and



RMHC Pull Tabs

Pull tabs can be dropped off at the office or placed in this house near the entryway. We will deliver them to the Ronald McDonald House.

Stephen Ministry

Submitted By: Karen Botine

I hear you. I really hear you...

You are talking with a friend or family member who is going through a tough time. During your discussion, the person shares feelings about the situation that make you uncomfortable. Perhaps you hear "I'll never be happy again", or "I hate and will never forgive", or "I can't believe God would let this happen to me." What do you do or say?

An instinctive response in such cases is to give advice or to try to change what the person feels ("Cheer up. Things will look better tomorrow.") It's easy to forget that the first step in providing comfort is to accept what your friend or family member is saying. You don't have to agree with the person's feelings; you just need to recognize that those feelings do exist for him or her right now. You



might say "It sounds as though you are in a very dark (or sad) place right now", or "You have some very strong feelings about what _____ did to you", or "Yes, I suspect all of us have times when we want to ask God WHY?"

When you accept the feelings your friend or family member has expressed (and you don't try to discourage or discount those feelings) you are identifying yourself as someone who is "safe" to talk to, someone who will not classify those feelings as right or wrong. For those of us who are "fixers," the greatest challenges in a caring relationship may be learning to listen, to accept what we hear, and not to judge or give advice. Can you give the gift of really hearing and accepting to someone you are caring for?

Your Gifts

Heather Baumann - Financial Director; finance@trinitybismarck.com, ext. 8

Electronic Giving - Trinity offers the option of Electronic Giving 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. Simply Giving forms are available in the office, at the Narthex desk or on Trinity's website. We have also updated and simplified our website, <u>www.trinitybismarck.com</u>, in aiding you to give towards Trinity's Capital Campaign. The <u>DONATE</u> button allows you to give a recurring or one-time donation using PayPal or credit card. If you have questions or need assistance with electronic giving, please feel free to call Heather. Thank you again for your continued financial support.

Donate



Vanco Mobile App

Another means of electronic giving is downloading Vanco's new Mobile App to your cell phone.

- Download Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement (in your Apple App Store or Google Play Store)
- Search Bismarck
- Select Trinity Lutheran Church
- Sign Up using your email address and create a password

You may choose to give using a credit card, debit card, or your bank account. If you have any questions, contact Heather.

Prayer List

Prayer is an essential part of our faith life. As part of the body of Christ we are called to pray for others who are sick, hurting or in need of healing. Names will be added only with the permission of the person being prayed for or an immediate family member.

If you would like your name added to this list, please let Klarissa or one of the pastors know.

Please pray for: Donna Burns, Brenda Morgan, Mike Baltzer, Fran Wick, Steve Leibel and Don Peterson.

Pastoral Acts

Baptisms

Briggs Anton Schneider Blair Marion Andrews Raeya Jo Gregory

Funerals

Coliene Jacobsen

Weddings

Maria Torres-Smith & Dustin Randall

Gifts & Memorials

In memory of Coliene Jacobsen given by Steve & Paula Schilling (Music & Choir Fund.)

Missouri Slope Update

Check out their available job openings here:

www.missourislope.com/careers

Check out their digital newsletter here: https://missourislope.com/hilltopper/



Beer & Hymns

Next Meeting: Monday, May 16th @ 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. Bismarck Amvets

Beer & Hymns group meets one Monday evening a month. The location recently moved from Trinity to the Bismarck Amvets at 2402 Railroad Ave. This is a 21+ event.

Click here to check them out on their Facebook Page!

Beer & Aymns





Bible Journaling

Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 21st @ 5:30 - 7 p.m. Good Shepherd Lutheran Church - Lynne Center

Bible journaling is a devotional practice of responding to the Biblical text in a creative way in the pages of your Bible (or a piece of paper) — with art, prayers, or notes.

This is a joint group with Good Shepherd Lutheran Church that meets once a month. We provide shared art supplies and helpful hints to get you started if you're new to the practice. Contact Gracia for more info.

*All ages are welcome & free childcare provided! Check out their <u>Facebook Page</u> here.



Just For Kix

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays during the school year Community Center

Just For Kix dance team has been renting space from Trinity Lutheran Church for 18 years. Just For Kix provides dance classes for youth PreK-12th grade. Bismarck North Director Michele Stockert's goals for her program are to build character and confidence in youth through teamwork and performances.

More info and registration available at https://www.justforkix.com/danceclasses/bismarck-north-nd/.

Alcoholics Anonymous Meetings

Tuesdays @ 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. Luther Hall Kitchen, Trinity Lutheran Church

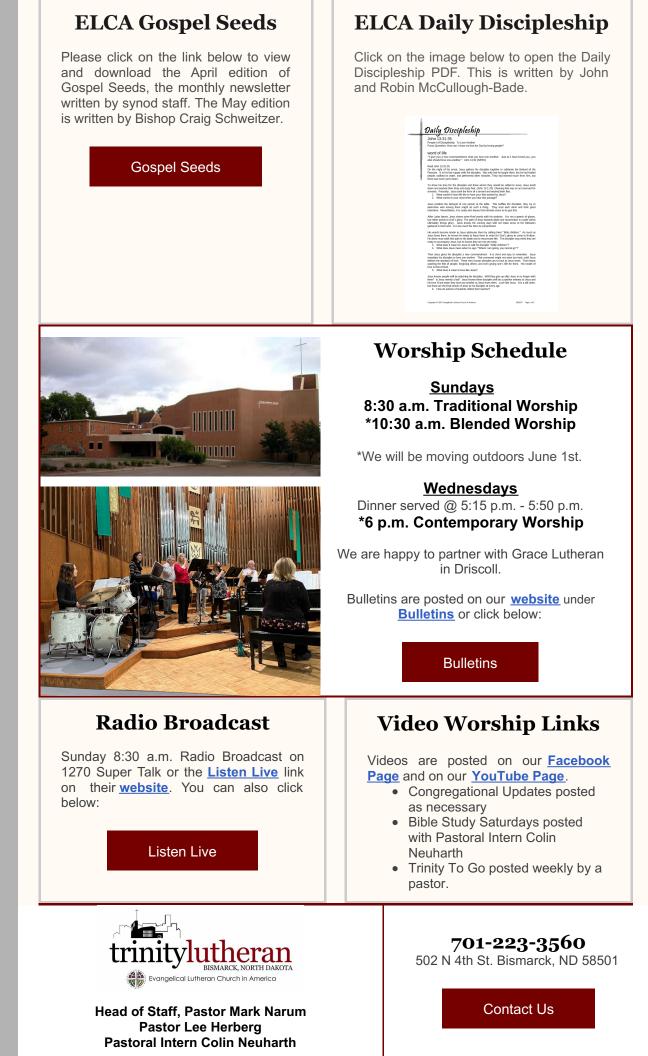
Saving You A Seat

This is a support group that meets weekly at Trinity. Please enter from the east door. Contact Jennifer @ 701-471-1999 for more information.





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