TRINITY

Nurturing a Living Faith with Open Hearts and Serving Hands

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Stewardship

Faith in Jesus leads to Generosity

"Because of God's Great Mercy" is the title of our stewardship emphasis this year. The scriptural basis of this focus on our stewardship of all that God has entrusted into our care is I Peter 2:9, "But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness and into his marvelous light."



We begin by proclaiming all that God has done for us, hence the title "Because of God's Great Mercy." God has made us God's own people. We will also consider how generous giving is an important part of every Christian's life, and how our combined generosity can make even greater things possible through our congregation.

We will think together about how our giving to is an important part of our Christian faith, and how Trinity uses our offerings to do God's work within the congregation's walls, in our community, and around the world.

"Because of God's Great Mercy" will ask you to do two things. First, you will be asked to increase your giving by at least ½ of 1% of your household income. Second, you will be asked to consider using an automatic funds transfer program that we already have in place for your giving.

"Because of God's Great Mercy" will use mail, e-mail, and time in worship to share information with you. Please make a special effort to watch for material during this important time in our congregation's life.

Recent Announcements

Funerals

We extend our congregation's sympathy to the families of:

- Doris Anne Holt- her burial was at Sunset Memorial on Thursday, September 26th. While Doris most recently lived in California, she was the daughter of long time Trinity members, David and Luella Holt.
- Joyce Baldwin her funeral will be on Thursday, October 3rd @ 10:30 a.m. at Trinity.

Please keep their families in your prayers.

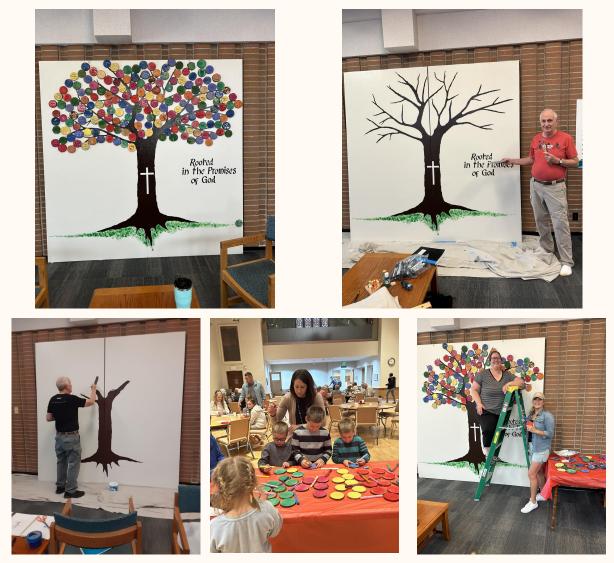
Finance Position Filled

We are happy to welcome our new Financial Director, Chelsa Kinsella. She is in the process of training. We will publish her schedule soon.

Rally Day Tree Project

Rooted in God's Promises

Check out our tree!!!! Our project started on Rally Day with our theme "Rooted In God's Promises." The little wooden circles we painted on Rally Day and the last couple of weeks made it up on the tree! A special thanks to Steve Schilling for painting the trunk and branches and for Linn Zander who helped hot glue all the leaves on! We have a few leaves left, so if you haven't made one yet, stop by the table in the narthex this week.



Lutheran World Relief Quilts

Submitted by: Cathy Nelson



Quilt Blessing

This month, Trinity's Quilting Circle will be packing up approximately 250 quilts to be shipped to Lutheran World Relief on October 17th. These quilts, along with an assortment of additionally displayed quilts, will be blessed on Sunday, October 13th and on Wednesday, October 16th. We will be selling our displayed quilts on both of those days to enable us to continue our ministry. Due to the rising supply costs, the cost will be \$60 each.

Besides donating to Lutheran World Relief, we offer quilts to several organizations in our community throughout the year. If anyone in the congregation knows of a special fundraiser or organization in need, please contact the Church office or any of the quilters. We feel it is also important to reach out within our own community also. We also want to thank all who donate sewn tops, fabric and bed sheets. We appreciate your generous gifts.

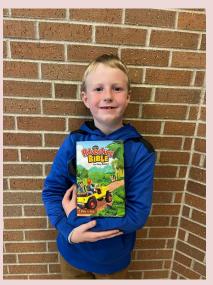
Children & Youth

Gracia Johnson - Youth and Children Ministry Coordinator; gjohnson@trinitybismarck.com, ext. 5

3rd grade Bibles

Our 3rd graders received their Bibles recently at worship! We pray these Bibles are a blessing to them as they grow and learn.





Youth Happenings

We have many fun youth opportunities throughout the year! Information is also available on our website. Click on images to enlarge. Questions? See Gracia.





Soul Sisterhood Middle School Girls Ministry

First meeting: Sunday, September 22nd @ 1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Trinity

All middle school girls are invited to join us once a month for a fun afternoon of digging deeper into our faith through scripture, friendship, creating, and crafting.

Our next meeting is Sunday, October 13th @ 1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. here at Trinity. Please use North doors. There is a one-time fee of \$10 for the year to help cover some supply costs.

This is a joint ministry with Good Shepherd Lutheran. See Gracia with questions. Click on the image to enlarge.



Funeral Lunch Servers Appreciation Luncheon

Past Event: Thursday, September 26th Fellowship Hall

We held an Appreciation Luncheon for our Funeral Lunch Servers. It's not often that we are able to gather a large group of them together because they usually volunteer in small groups. We are so thankful for their willingness to serve in this important ministry.



Staff members were able to 'flip the tables'

with a nice meal served to this group who often serve others. If you would like to join this ministry, please contact Klarissa in the office.

Congregational Relationships

Ministry Opportunities

Ministry Opportunities at Trinity are available digitally. Please sign up to serve as Scripture Readers, Ushers, Greeters, Communion Servers and Tech online. **Sunday Readers should signup by the Thursday before by 10 a.m.** (Holiday weeks may vary). Click below to sign up. If you haven't served before or are not sure what type of opportunities are there for you, please fill out the "Ministry Opportunity Form." Click below and you will be contacted about serving.



Ministry Opportunity Form



Your Gifts

Chelsa Kinsella - Financial Director; kinsella@trinitybismarck.com, ext. 7

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. Giving forms are available in the office, at the Welcome Center 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 GIVE PLUS area on the left allows you to give a recurring or one-time donation using a credit card. If you have questions or need assistance with electronic giving, please feel free to call Chelsa @ 223-3560. Thank you for your continued financial support.

Donate

Collection Items



Bismarck Lions Glasses

Drop off prescription glasses at the office. We will contact Bismarck Lions to come and collect them.

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 contact the office or let one of the pastors know.

Please pray for: James Kalbfleisch, Morgan Christianson, Terry, Dick, Wendy & Jan.

Upcoming Events





RMHC Pull Tabs

Pull tabs can be dropped off at the office or placed in these houses to be delivered to Ronald McDonald House.

Pastoral Acts

Baptisms Bruin Jean Schneider

Funerals

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Weddings

Gifts & Memorials

In memory of Ellen Jackson given by Sue & Cal Colling (Memorial Fund).



Re-Entry Meal & Support

First meal is October 3rd @ 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. Fellowship Hall

Over the summer, we revamped our Stay Out of Jail Supper Club. We now will be holding a re-entry meal with time for fellowship and support for people who are in re-entry and their families once a month.

We will meet on the first Thursday of every month. We will continue to partner with Ministry on the Margins on this project. Our first meal is October 3rd @ 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. If you would like to help with this project, contact Pastor Martha.

Pre-Baptism Class

Sunday, October 6th @ 9:40 a.m. or Wednesday, October 9th @ 6:40 p.m. Conference Room

We will be holding 2 classes in the Conference Room for parents to prepare to have their child baptized. If you are currently expecting or recently had a child, please join us for this informational session. See Pastor Martha with questions. Click on the image to enlarge.



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Keeping Love in the Circle Around Me Concert

Sunday, October 6th @ 3 p.m. Trinity

Dakota Pro Musica presents a concert of music on prayer, grief, hope, and love on the theme of mental health and wellbeing. The concert was commissioned by the Mental Health and Substance Abuse Task Force of Trinity Lutheran Church in Bismarck, ND in partnership with ELCA congregations in Minot and Turtle Lake.

Repertoire for the concert includes famous music by Palestrina, Purcell, Mendelssohn, Faure and Britten.

There is also a number of recent compositions and arrangements of popular music including True Colors made famous by Cyndi Lauper.

Special guest ensemble AVORA, a professional acappella ensemble from Bismarck, will be joining Dakota Pro Musica for the concert. Click here to check out the **Facebook event**.

Founders' Day Celebration Volunteers

Thursday, October 10th Dream Center



We are looking for 20 volunteers to take part in a

Founders' Day Celebration at The Dream Center on Thursday, October 10th since Trinity was the Founder of The Banquet. We need 2 volunteers at the Dream Center @ 1 p.m. to help prepare the meal and 18 volunteers to be there @ 4:30 p.m. to help serve the meal. Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex. Thank you for your consideration!

Trinity's Semi-Annual Rummage Sale

Friday, October 11th @ 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. & Saturday, October 12th @ 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Community Center

All are invited to help with our Spring Rummage Sale! Funds raised will go to our youth ministry.

- We start accepting donations Thursday, Oct. 3rd.
- Help unpack items/set-up Thursday, Oct. 3rd Thursday, Oct. 10th. Just stop on by and unpack a box or 10!
- Help bag items people purchase during the sale Friday, Oct. 11th (8a-5p) & Saturday, Oct. 12th (10a-2p). Please let Gracia know if you can help.
- Help pack up the leftovers starting @ 2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 12th. Please let Gracia know if you can help or just come on by & help.

Click here to check out the <u>Facebook Event</u>. Click on the image to enlarge.





Blood Drive

Friday, October 18th, 2024 @ 2 p.m. - 5 p.m. Community Center

Save the date! Trinity is hosting a blood drive on Friday, October 18th. There are slots for 21 people willing to roll up their sleeves and bless those in medical need of life saving blood.

A registration sheet to sign up is available in the Narthex or click the button below to sign up online. There is a critical need for blood in our area! Click on the image to enlarge.



New Member Conversation

Saturday, October 12th @ 9:30 a.m. Meet by the office

Are you interested in learning more about Trinity Lutheran and what it means to be a member? Pastor Mark will host a conversation in the Conference Room on Saturday, October 12th @ 9:30 a.m.

Join us to learn:

- more about Trinity Lutheran
- the mission God is calling us to
- how you can be a part of this ministry

Click on the image to enlarge.



Fall Clean-Up

Saturday, October 26th, 2024 @ 9 a.m. Meet at North Door

Please join us for our annual Fall Clean-Up. Coffee & snacks will be provided.

Please bring any:

- Gloves
- Rakes
- Pruning Sheers
- Buckets

If there is bad weather, we will reschedule. Click on the image to enlarge. Contact John with questions.

Lend a Hand Ministry

Next Meeting: Thursday, October 10th @ 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Fellowship Hall

Lend a Hand Ministry enjoys some coffee and fellowship before breaking out into small groups to help with projects that care for the building. No special skills are required. All are welcome!

They meet the 2nd Thursday of each month @ 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Please contact our Facility Manager, John Brintnell, at brintnell@trinitybismarck.com if interested.





BIBLE JOURNALING IS A WAY TO COMBINE YOUR LOVE OF SCRIPTURE WITH YOUR CREATIVE TALENTS.

ALL ARE WELCOME: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 3rd Tuesday of the Month 5:30 - 7:00

Bible Journaling

3rd Tuesday of the month @ 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Join us for Bible Journaling – where scripture & creative expression meet. We meet at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church on the 3rd Tuesday of the month @ 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. All ages are welcome! Come & check it out! See Gracia with questions.



God's work. Our hands.



ELCA Daily Discipleship

Click on the image below to open the Daily Discipleship PDF. These are written by John and Robin McCullough-Bade and shared on the ELCA's website.

Daily Discipleship
Sunday, October 2-8 (B) – Mark 10:2-16 Living in Christ: Lave Focus Question: What does God intend for marriage?
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Worship Schedule

Sundays 8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship 10:30 a.m. Blended Worship

Wednesdays *Dinner is served @ 5:15 p.m. before worship. 6 p.m. Contemporary Worship

We are happy to partner with Grace Lutheran in Driscoll.

Bulletins are posted on our website under Bulletins or click below:

Bulletins

Video Worship Links

Videos are posted on our Facebook Page and on our YouTube Page.

- Congregational updates posted as necessary.
- Trinity To Go posted weekly by a pastor.
- Livestream available for worship services.

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