

## August 1st, 2025 E-Newsletter

### Potluck & Concert

*Past Event: Wednesday, July 30th  
Potluck @ 6:45 p.m.; "Dad Bod" Concert @ 7 p.m.  
Outside by Peace Chapel*

We enjoyed a potluck and some fun music after worship this past Wednesday! Thank you to all who were able to attend and help with this event. We appreciate the partnership with Dakota West Arts Council for us to host Dad Bod out at our Peace Chapel last evening. We would be blessed to enjoy more beautiful evenings like this before the summer is over.



### Recent Announcements

#### Funerals

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

- Donene Gjellstad - her funeral was Monday, July 21st in Velva, ND
- Bob Scholl
- Betty Lenihan - her funeral will be Monday, August 4th @ 11 a.m. at Trinity.
- James Kalbfleisch, son of Grant & Lois Kalbfleisch.
- Jerri Young, sister of Lois Kalbfleisch.

Please keep their families in your prayers.

#### July Church-to-Go Bags

##### *Reminder*

Going away for the weekend? Pick up one of our Church-to-Go Bags. It includes a devotion, supplies for s'mores, and a fun activity! Bags can be found in the lobby/narthex or the church office. *Please*

*note the activity in this bag is different than the one in the June bag.*

## Handmade Large Jenga Game

A special thanks to Mike Horan for making our youth group this big Jenga set! We have already been enjoying the game. We appreciate your thoughtfulness!



## United Way Day of Caring

*Wednesday, August 13th*

United Way Day of Caring is Wednesday, August 13th. Trinity is participating again but you may not see our name listed because HDR Engineering Firm has taken the whole project on. They will be doing tree trimming and replacing the rocks and landscape fabric on the west side of the garage and in the tree beds in the Peace Chapel area.



This does **not** mean we do not need your help in some other areas. We would also like help cleaning the kitchen cupboards and wiping down the whole kitchen area. Plus, a couple people to put together some sandwich lunches during the morning for the volunteers.

Contact John and he will open up spots so you can register and be apart of this event. Registration online is helpful for our planning purposes, United Way's official count and planning, and getting an event t-shirt. Click her for the [Event Page](#).

## 20 Years of The Banquet

*Thursday, August 14th @ 5:30 p.m.  
The Dream Center*

The Banquet has been in existence for 20 years and the Dream Center would like to recognize this milestone with a meal on Thursday, August 14th @ 5:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. A sign-up sheet to volunteer is in the Narthex.



## Trinity Trivia

We will be sharing some Trinity-related or scripture-related random facts! A question will be posed here and the answer revealed in the next E-News. Work together with your friends and family to try and figure it out!



**Q. How many words are in the "shortest verse" in the Bible? (In English translations).**

1

2

3

## Results from Last E-News:

**Q. Approximately how many people can be seated in the pews of the sanctuary?**

**A. 750. (480 on the floor and 274 in the balcony).**

*Congrats to these people who answered correctly:*

*Susan, Linda, Terri, Cathy, Eric, Patricia, Sheila, Julie & 2 unidentified people!*

Check back next E-News for the answer and for a new question! You can submit any suggestions to Klarissa in the office. Thanks!

## Children & Youth

Gracia Johnson - Youth and Children Ministry Coordinator; [gjohnson@trinitybismarck.com](mailto:gjohnson@trinitybismarck.com), ext. 5

### Register for Church School

Join us for a fun year of growing in faith! Church School (Sunday School) begins with Rally Day on September 3rd & 7th. It is open to kids age 3 to grade 5. Children must be 3 by August 1st for to start. Choose from 2 sessions: Sundays 9:35—10:20 a.m. or Wednesdays 6:40—7:25 p.m. Register at [trinitybismarck.com](http://trinitybismarck.com). See Gracia with questions.

Register for Church School



### Register for Confirmation

Confirmation is for youth in grades 6-8 to deepen their understanding of our faith. Youth are confirmed the fall of their 9th grade year. *Only youth new to our confirmation program (including all 6th graders) need to register.* Register at [trinitybismarck.com](http://trinitybismarck.com). See Gracia with questions.

### Church School Volunteers

We are looking for caring individuals to help teach Church School this year! If you are interested in being involved in this great ministry as we share the love of God with our kids, please contact Gracia.

### Rally Day

Save the Date for our Fall Kick-Off! Wednesday, September 3rd & Sunday, September 7th. More info coming soon.

## 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.



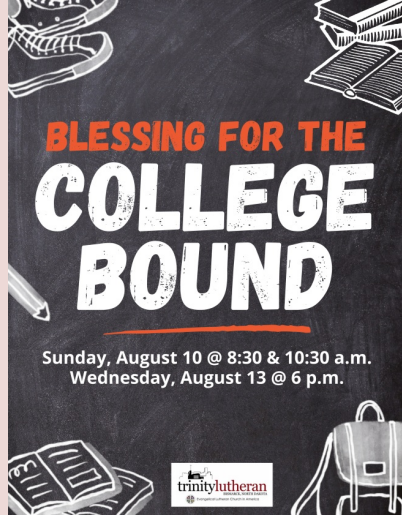
### Camperships

Because we believe in the value of Bible Camp, Trinity Lutheran Church will provide scholarships of half the cost of camp to anyone enrolled in Trinity Church School, Confirmation, or Youth Group attending an ELCA Bible Camp. See Gracia for more info.

### Camp of the Cross Summer Camps

Check out the options at Camp of the Cross near Garrison, ND has to offer this summer! There are great options for kids & youth of all ages! Scan the QR Code to go to the Camp of the Cross website.





## Blessing for the College Bound

Sunday, August 10th @ 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, August 13th @ 6 p.m.

During worship services

We are offering a special blessing to college kids as they begin their school year. We will offer this prayer and blessing during worship on Sunday, August 10th at both the 8:30 and 10:30 services and Wednesday, August 13th at the 6 p.m. service.

## Back to School Backpack Blessing

Wednesday, August 13th @ 6 p.m.

Sunday, August 17th @ 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

During worship services

Wednesday, August 13 & Sunday, August 17 during worship services, students of all ages, teachers, bus drivers, aids, professors, etc. are invited to join us for worship and a special blessing as they head back to school. We'll have a fun tag to add to your backpack as a gift.



## Worship & Music Notes

Dr. Jason Thoms - Director of Worship & Music;  
thoms@trinitybismarck.com, ext. 3

### Appreciation Picnic

I have now been at Trinity for a year as the Director of Worship and Music. It has been a great year of learning about how Trinity worships in the various services, and to meet and work with so many people who help make Worship and Music at Trinity happen. There are so many folks who volunteer their time, talents, and financial gifts to make our worship happen, and I wanted to thank you all!

We are blessed to have a team of leaders across our various services who dedicate countless hours to organize and plan our worship experience. Scott Houser wears so many hats including helping make our worship spaces beautiful and leading our fearless choir at the 8:30 am service. Brenda Hove and Marlene Seaworth who collaborate to lead the 10:30 am service but also put in a lot of time on Wednesday evenings. Jim Lewis who makes sure we sound and look good online and in the sanctuary. Also, we are thankful to have Amanda Samuelson play organ, piano, and keyboard for us across our services. It is not a small task to plan worship to bring the arts together with the scriptures and liturgical year, but this team works hard to make our worship relevant and beautiful.

Last summer, one of the projects that I asked everyone to participate in was telling us your favorite hymns/ songs for worship. We collected nearly 60 recommendations from the congregation. This year, we have kept your recommendations nearby when planning worship and have gotten a significant number into our services. We have kept track, and we have sung just over 40 of your favorites in worship services this year! Many of them we have been able to include in worship this summer including so many great old time gospel and spiritual songs.

Worship is an important part of our Christian life, and your input and assistance make a



### Worship and Music Appreciation Picnic

Tuesday, August 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm

We are inviting all folks who have volunteered and worked in worship services as a musician, worship assistant, usher, tech team, and more!

The food and drinks will be provided by Trinity, you don't need to bring anything!



difference. Worship is our time to gather together as the people of God to honor, thank, and praise Him for steadfast love. When we take communion together and share our talents, tithes and offerings we are creating a community of love and hope in Bismarck. I am thankful for everyone who helps build this great community together!

As a way to thank those leaders and volunteers who have helped in worship over the past year, we are inviting you to attend a special thank you picnic on Tuesday, August 5th @ 6 p.m. here at Trinity. You do not need to bring anything. Just come, enjoy and celebrate the work we have done together.

Jason Thoms  
Director of Worship and Music

## Your Gifts

*Brent Winkelman - Financial Director; [winkelman@trinitybismarck.com](mailto:winkelman@trinitybismarck.com), ext. 7*

<u>June 2025</u>	<u>Month Actual</u>	<u>Year-To-Date Actual</u>
<b>INCOME</b>		
Contributions	\$58,518.00	\$412,220.00
Other Income	\$4,796.00	\$57,640.00
Transfer	<u>\$300.00</u>	<u>-\$1,634.00</u>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$63,614.00</b>	<b>\$468,226.00</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Income less expenses	\$62,443.00	\$421,338.00
	\$1,171.00	\$46,888

**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.

At [www.trinitybismarck.com](http://www.trinitybismarck.com), you can give electronically to the general fund, Capital Campaign and others. If you have questions or need assistance, please contact our Financial Director, Brent Winkelman at [winkelman@trinitybismarck.com](mailto:winkelman@trinitybismarck.com). Thank you again for your continued financial support.

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## Congregational Relationships

### Ministry Opportunities

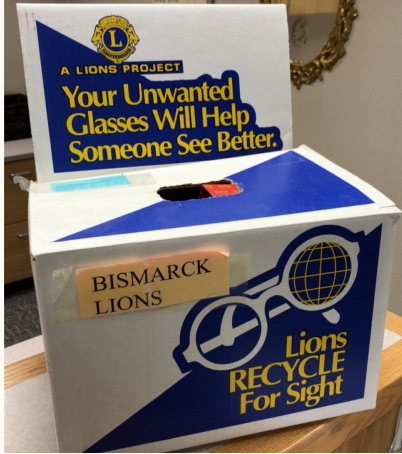
Ministry Opportunities at Trinity are available digitally. Please sign up to serve as Scripture Readers, Ushers, Greeters, Communion Servers and Tech online. **Sunday Readers should signup by the Thursday before by 10 a.m.** (Holiday weeks may vary). Click below to sign up.

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.

Sign Up

Ministry Opportunity Form

## Collection Items



### Bismarck Lions Glasses

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



### RMHC Pull Tabs

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

## 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:** Dick, Wendy, Amy, Dennis, Rod, Jim, Hal, Melissa, Donna, Cathy & Marsha.

## Pastoral Acts

### Baptisms

### Funerals

Evangeline Murschel  
Donene Gjellstad

### Weddings

## Gifts & Memorials

**In memory of Beverly Blumhagen** given by Scott Houser (Loaves & Fishes Fund).

**In memory of Terry Kristensen** given by Scott Houser, Jerry Dockter (Memorial Fund).

**In memory of Wilbur Lippert** given by Robert & Terry Dukes, Scott Houser (Memorial Fund).

## Upcoming Events

*Click on the images to enlarge.*



### Block Party & Corn Feed

Sunday, August 10th @ 10:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.

### Reminder

Join us for our Annual Block Party & Corn Feed!

We begin with outdoor worship @ 10:30AM  
Free activities and food after worship!

- \* Grilled corn
- \* Activities & games
- \* Inflatable Bounce House
- \* Cornhole tournament

All are welcome! We will move indoors if there is inclement weather. Click here for [Facebook Event](#).

## Re-Entry Meal & Support

1st Thursday of the month @ 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.  
Fellowship Hall

We hold a re-entry meal with time for fellowship and support for people who are in re-entry and their families once a month.

We meet on the first Thursday of every month. We will continue to partner with Ministry on the Margins for this project. If you would like to help with this project, contact Pastor Martha.



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Free Meal

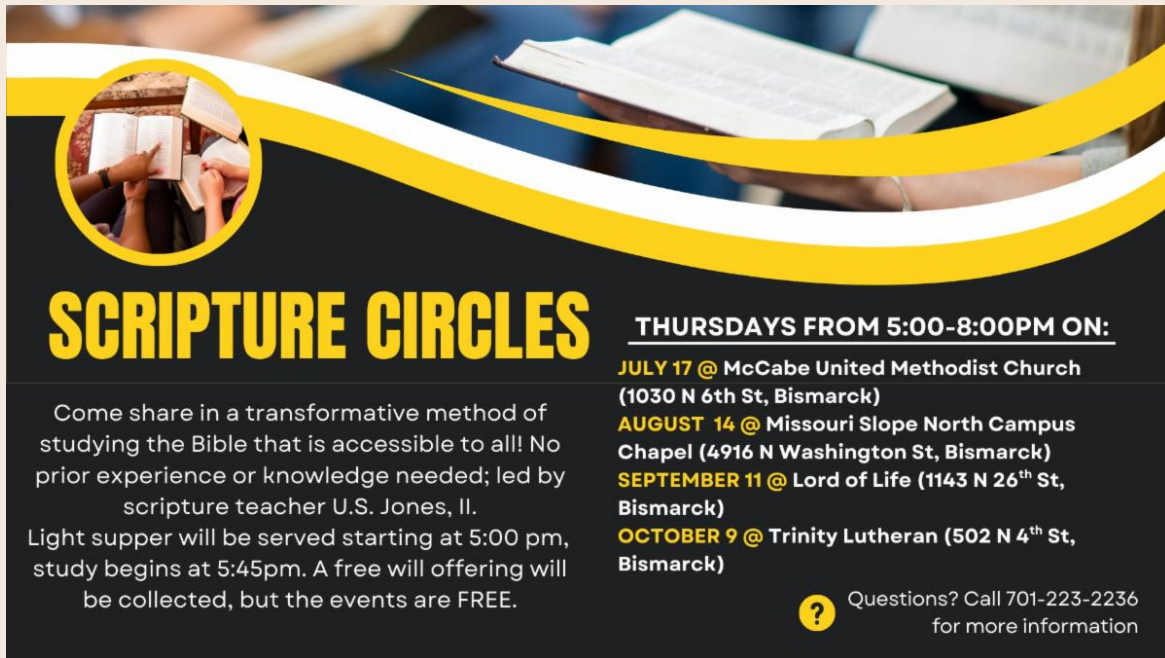
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## RE-ENTRY MEAL AND SUPPORT

1st Thursday of the month  
@ 6:30 - 8 p.m.

Families are welcome to join  
(18 yrs old and older)

All Are Welcome



## SCRIPTURE CIRCLES

Come share in a transformative method of studying the Bible that is accessible to all! No prior experience or knowledge needed; led by scripture teacher U.S. Jones, II.

Light supper will be served starting at 5:00 pm, study begins at 5:45pm. A free will offering will be collected, but the events are FREE.

**THURSDAYS FROM 5:00-8:00PM ON:**

- JULY 17 @ McCabe United Methodist Church (1030 N 6th St, Bismarck)**
- AUGUST 14 @ Missouri Slope North Campus Chapel (4916 N Washington St, Bismarck)**
- SEPTEMBER 11 @ Lord of Life (1143 N 26<sup>th</sup> St, Bismarck)**
- OCTOBER 9 @ Trinity Lutheran (502 N 4<sup>th</sup> St, Bismarck)**

? Questions? Call 701-223-2236 for more information

## Lend a Hand Ministry

Next Meeting: Thursday, August 14th @ 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.  
Break Room

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](mailto:brintnell@trinitybismarck.com) if interested.



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## Lend a Hand Ministry



## Bible Journaling

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.



## Grief Support Group

1st Saturday of the month  
@ 10 a.m.  
in Conference Room

Contact Pastor Martha with questions  
at [HarriSon@trinitybismark.com](mailto:HarriSon@trinitybismarck.com)




## MEN'S GROUP

3rd Saturday of the month  
@ 8 a.m.  
in Fellowship Hall

- Faith
- Fellowship
- Breakfast
- All are Welcome



Contact Pastor Mark with questions at [Narum@trinitybismark.com](mailto:Narum@trinitybismarck.com)



## Church Musicians WANTED

We are always looking for instrumentalists & vocalists to help lead worship!

**Interested?**  
Contact the church office to get involved.




## THEOLOGY & COFFEE

Pastor Martha is starting a new study/discussion group that will discuss and debate various topics of faith and current topics important in our world today.

 FRIDAYS | 10:00 AM

In the Conference Room

**ALL ARE WELCOME**



## Partners in Ministry



### Missouri Slope

Check out available job openings here:

[www.missourislope.com/careers](http://www.missourislope.com/careers)

Check out their digital newsletter here:

<https://missourislope.com/hilltopper/>



### Ministry on the Margins

Ministry on the Margins is always looking for volunteers for their food pantry.

For information and to sign up visit:

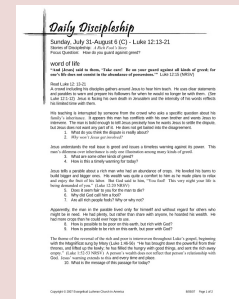
[www.ministryonthemargins.org](http://www.ministryonthemargins.org)



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### ELCA Daily Discipleship

Click on the image to open the Daily Discipleship shared on the ELCA's [website](http://www.elca.org).



## Worship Schedule

### Sundays

8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship

10:30 a.m. Blended Worship

### Wednesdays

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](#)

## Radio Broadcast

Sunday 8:30 a.m. Radio Broadcast on 1270 Super Talk or the [Listen Live](#) link on their [website](#). You can also click below:

[Listen Live](#)

## 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.



**Head of Staff, Pastor Mark Narum**  
**Pastor Martha HarriSon**

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