

TRINITY TODAY

*Nurturing a Living Faith
with Open Hearts
and Serving Hands*

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Note from the Pastor

*Pastor Mark Narum - Head of Staff,
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Hunger is real. Hunger affects people in our community. This fall, in partnership with the United Way, Trinity youth and adults packed 17-hundred bags of food and delivered them to schools throughout Bismarck/Mandan. Each bag represents a student that school staff were concerned might not have food over the weekend. Each week a different entity partners with United Way to deliver 17-hundred food bags to the schools. Hunger is real.

As followers of Jesus, we are called to feed the hungry. In the Gospel of Luke, Jesus begins the sermon on the plains with these words:

20 Then [Jesus] looked up at his disciples and said:

*"Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.*

*21 "Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled. (Luke 5:20-21)*

We are given the opportunity to fill those who are hungry. This month we are gathering food for Ministry on the Margin's food pantry. Over a thousand people used the pantry in September, a quarter of them were first time visitors. When asked what does the pantry need most, Sister Kathleen Atkinson replied, "...we are in need of basics – soup, vegetables, peanut butter, jelly, tomato sauce."

If you would rather give money, that is great. Put a check in the offering plate or drop it off at the office, written out to Trinity Lutheran, in the memo line write "Ministry on the Margins Food."

You can also feed the hungry by being an advocate. Write to federal and state leaders letting them know of your concerns for the hungry. May you live your faith with your hands and your voices.

God Bless,
Pastor Mark



Recent Announcements

All Saints Worship Services

In our prayers, we remember these saints who have passed into the company of those giving continuous praise to God:

<i>Luke Walther</i>	<i>Wayne Hervey</i>	<i>Michael Johnson</i>	<i>Alan Trauger</i>
<i>Don Zacher</i>	<i>Berniece Kessler</i>	<i>Mary Schumaker</i>	<i>Erwin Lang</i>
<i>Patricia Karlgaard</i>	<i>Chane Hegel</i>	<i>Bev Blumhagen</i>	<i>George Hertel</i>
<i>Terry Kristensen</i>	<i>Wilbur Lippert</i>	<i>Jewel Hervey</i>	<i>Cathy Hanson</i>
<i>Izaak Kroh</i>	<i>Vangie Murschel</i>	<i>Donene Gjellstad</i>	<i>Betty Lenihan</i>
<i>James Kalbfleisch</i>	<i>Jerri Young</i>	<i>Norman Ostboe</i>	<i>Iona Hegel</i>
<i>Nancy Dockter</i>	<i>David Blackstead</i>	<i>Alvin Houser</i>	<i>Sylvia Leupp</i>
<i>David Thune</i>	<i>Bob Scholl</i>		

Trinity Trivia

Each E-News, we are 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!



What is the most we have made in donations at our Rummage Sale?

\$5,876

\$6,683

\$7,018

Results from Last E-News:

Q. Which was the first restaurant to serve at The Banquet?

A. Olive Garden

This question came thanks to finding a special edition of The Banquet mailer from Summer of 2018.

No one answered this question correctly... in fact, every option was guessed besides the correct answer. Klarissa feels pretty proud that she was able to stump you this round!

OLIVE GARDEN

1st Restaurant to Serve At the Banquet!



On the evening of Tuesday, May 15th, Olive Garden staff prepared and served a meal of fresh salad, pasta/sauce, those great breadsticks and dessert! Banquet attendees as well as Olive Garden staff had a great evening together.

If your group would like to share a great volunteer experience contact Marketing Director Marion Kiefer at 701-391-0376 for more information.

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, ext. 5

LYO Event

*Past Event: October 16th - 18th
Dickinson, ND*

You are WANTED by God! That's what the youth learned at the Western ND Synod LYO Gathering. (LYO = Lutheran Youth Organization. There was a high school overnight followed by a middle school overnight at the Astoria Hotel in Dickinson.

This years theme was WANTED and the theme verse was Isaiah 43:1; "But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are mine."

Trinity member Taylor Seibel is a member of the LYO Board that planned and led the event along with Gracia who serves as an adult advisor on the board.

Ryan played piano & Taylor sang a duet for the high school talent show. The high school group also participated in a service project at the Amen Food Pantry. It was a great weekend of fun and growing in faith!



Confirmation Sunday

Past Event: Sunday, October 26th

Congrats & Blessings to our Confirmands who took the next step in their faith journey by affirming their Baptism at worship.



FRONT ROW (L-R): Journie Zastoupil, Kamryn Schwark, Cailin Olson;
MIDDLE: Isabella Hager, Londyn Seil, Rawling Borseth, Ethan Ziegler, Elijah Butz, Carter Getzlaff;
BACK: Pastor Mark Narum, Mason Hager, Beau Meckle, Caleb Rodgers, Fletcher Ronning, Conrad Gjellstad, Pastor Martha HarriSon

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.

North Carolina Servant Trek High School Summer Trip

We're headed to Western North Carolina with Camp Metigoshe!
July 12 - 18, 2026 for youth currently in grades 8 - 12

- We'll fly to North Carolina where we'll stay at Lutherock Camp and Conference Center near Boone, NC in the Blue Ridge Mountains.
- Our week will be filled with classic camp fun and three meaningful days of serving alongside the local community in rebuilding efforts following Hurricane Helene.
- The week will wrap up with a high-adventure outing - like whitewater rafting or caving.

To Register we'll need a \$100 deposit and the registration form.
The registration deadline is November 30 (sooner if you can!)

- We will be fundraising as a group to pay for most of the trip.
- The out of pocket commitment will be \$500 - \$700.
- If cost is an issue, please let us know. We don't want that to keep anyone from participating.

Questions? Contact Pastor Martha or Gracia.



Check out information about our High School Summer Trip we have planned for July 12-18! It's a great way to experience camp. Click below to register. Contact Gracia for more information.

Register High School Trip



All middle school girls are invited to join in four fun afternoons in November digging deeper into our faith through scripture, friendship, creating, and crafting. This is a joint ministry of Trinity and Good Shepherd. Please register below & bring the \$20 payment to the first session.

Register Girls Ministry

Worship & Music Notes

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

Dakota Pro Musica Concert

Past Event: Sunday, October 26th
Sanctuary

On Sunday, October 26, Dakota Pro Musica is presented a unique concert "Unchi Makxa, our Sacred Place", a concert exploring our relationship with Nature and Creation. The concert featured the professional choir of Dakota Pro Musica along with Lakota musicians and arts leaders. It was nice to see so many people at our concerts and hear the words of support and thanks for all of the amazing performers we had on the stage. Building Community through professional choral concerts.





Your Gifts

Brent Winkelman - Financial Director; winkelman@trinitybismarck.com, ext. 7

<u>September 2025</u>	<u>Month Actual</u>	<u>Year-To-Date Actual</u>
INCOME		
Contributions	\$56,555.00	\$581,080.00
Other Income	\$9,538.00	\$78,450.00
Transfer	\$300.00	-\$734.00
Total Income	\$66,393.00	\$658,796.00
EXPENSES	\$62,836.00	\$631,434.00
Income less expenses	\$3,557.00	\$27,362

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, 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. Thank you again for your continued financial support.

Donate

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 sign up by the Thursday before by 10 a.m.** (Holiday weeks may vary). Click below to sign up.

Sign Up

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, Amy, Rod, Melissa, Lester, Jim, Russ, Sandy, Carsen, Cortney, Ruth, Lynn, Ken, Barb & Chris.

Pastoral Acts

Baptisms

Funerals

Nancy Dockter
David Blackstead
Alvin Houser
Sylvia Leupp
David Thune

Weddings

Gifts & Memorials

In memory of Iona Hegel given by Kirsten & Tim McIntyre (Memorial Fund).

In memory of Betty Lenihan given by Kirsten & Tim McIntyre (Memorial Fund).

In memory of David Blackstead given by Kirsten & Tim McIntyre, Dorothy Litchfield, (Memorial Fund); Renae & Mike Baltzer (Trust Fund); Karen & Arlyn Ohlhauser, Harley & Margaret Swenson, Jenell & Brett Loftesnes, Sam & Marcia Haro, Mark Haro (Structural Maintenance Fund).

In memory of Alvin Houser given by Steve & Paula Schilling (Messiah Fund); Jan Sparrow (Music Fund).

In memory of David Thune given by Jane & Rick Clayburgh (Trust Unrestricted).

Upcoming Events

Click on the images to enlarge.





**Free
Meal**



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**

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.

Trinity's Rummage Sale

Friday, November 7 @ 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Saturday, November 8 @ 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Community Center

Reminder

Our rummage sale is coming up and the funds raised will go toward our children & youth ministry. Please consider helping when you are able! ALL ARE WELCOME!

- Help unpack items/set-up through Thursday, November 6. Just stop on by and unpack a box or 10!
- Help bag items people are purchasing during the sale Friday, November 7 (8-5) & Saturday, November 8 (10-2). Please let Gracia know if you can help.
- Help pack up the leftovers starting at 2 p.m. on Saturday, November 8. Please let Gracia know if you can help or just come on by & help.

Click here to check out the [Facebook Event](#).

Friday, November 7
@ 8 am - 5 pm &
Saturday, November 8
@ 10 am - 2 pm

Semi-Annual TRINITY'S RUMMAGE SALE
In the Community Center

Funds raised will support Trinity's Youth Ministry.

Drop Off Items:	Not Accepting:
Thursday, October 30 -	Electronics, TVs
Friday, October 31	Opened Makeup
&	Sanitizer
Monday, November 3 -	Exercise Equipment
Tuesday, November 4	Food
during office hours	Car Seats
(8am-12pm & 1pm-5pm)	Medical Devices
	Textbooks

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You are invited to join the choir for the

95th Annual Bismarck-Mandan Community Messiah

Dr. Jason Thoms, Conductor



You can bring your own score, or borrow one of ours!
Registration is November 2 at 3:30 pm

Rehearsals are Sundays from 4:00-6:00 pm
November 2, 9, 16, and 23

Dress Rehearsal
Saturday, November 29 from 7:00 to 9:30 pm

Performance
Sunday, November 30 at 7:00 pm

more for information email dr.jason.thoms@gmail.com
or call 479-445-3795

95th Annual "Messiah" Performance

Sunday, November 30th @ 7 p.m.
Sanctuary

Reminder

Trinity Lutheran Church will host the 95th Annual Bismarck-Mandan Community Messiah performance on Sunday, November 30th @ 7 p.m. This year we will have a number of local area singers as our soloists including soprano, Lexi Birnbaum and bass, Andrew Baumann.

Rehearsals for Messiah will begin on Sunday, November 2nd from @ 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. and will continue each Sunday of November at the same time. This year we will be performing all of the Christmas portion and the Hallelujah Chorus! We invite all the singers in our community to join us this November for rehearsals and everyone else to attend the performance on November 30th! Click on the image to enlarge. Click here to check out the [Facebook Event](#).

Lend a Hand Ministry

Next Meeting: Thursday, November 13th @ 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 if interested.



Lend a Hand Ministry



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.



Partners in Ministry



ELCA Daily Discipleship

Click on the image to open the Daily Discipleship shared on

Missouri Slope

Check out available job openings here:

www.missourislope.com/careers

Check out their digital newsletter here:

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

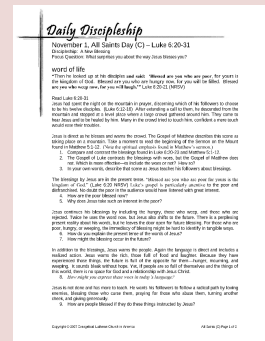
Ministry on the Margins

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

For information and to sign up visit:

www.ministryonthemargins.org

the ELCA's [website](#).



Worship Schedule

Sundays

8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship

10:30 a.m. Blended Worship

Wednesdays

*Dinner served before worship @ 5:15 p.m.

6 p.m. Contemporary Worship

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.



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