

## **HELLO TRINITY FRIENDS!**

News for the week of August 18, 2024

#### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

- Karen Brown, hospitalized this week
- Priscilla Nensewitz (mother of Deb Sieb), recovering from surgery
- Sarah (relative of a staff member), whose unborn child is suffering a congenital diaphragmatic hernia
- Margo Zieske, hospitalized last week
- Tom Weisbecker (brother of Darlene Weisbecker), hospitalized in Monroe
- John Morris (cousin of Bonnie Pillarelli) upon the death of his wife, Charlotte
- The family of Vincent Graczyk (son of the late Tom Graczyk), who died August 9
- The family of Luther Bengelsdorf, called to eternal life August 12

**BAPTISMS** This weekend, we rejoice and celebrate the Baptisms of Reed West and Blakely West, children of Michael & Alyssa West, and Sylvie Essex, daughter of Jesse & Chelsey (Bess) Essex. Please keep Reed, Blakely, and Sylvie and their families in your prayers for God's continued blessing of faith.



The gifts flow from the font Where He calls us His own; New life He gives that makes Us His and His alone. LSB 602:2

**FUNERAL LUNCHEON TEAM UPDATE** Kelly Greer-Haynes has stepped in as leader of our funeral luncheon team – we give thanks to God for Kelly's willingness to serve, and for the faithful work of each member of the team (and all who've helped in the interim)! If you'd like to support this ministry, we ask you to consider a financial gift. Meals are offered to families at no cost (free will donations accepted), and the funeral luncheon fund is currently depleted. Your prayers for our team and the grieving families they serve are greatly appreciated.

**WinGS SEPTEMBER MEETING** Monthly WinGS (Women in God's Service) gatherings resume Tuesday, Sept. 10, at 12:30p in Graceful Grounds. Join us for a potluck luncheon and fellowship! All ladies of the congregation are welcome. Pastor Duerr will offer a presentation about the symbols on his new stoles, and items will be gathered in support of Trinity's "God's Littlest Blessings" ministry. Suggested donations include pacifiers and holders, devotions for parents, hardcover baby books, baby Bibles, diapers (size 2), wipes, baby soap and shampoo, crosses to hang in nurseries, small stuffed animals, clothing, and/or gift cards.

**BLOOD DRIVE UPDATE** Many thanks to all who stopped by to donate blood on August 6<sup>th</sup> – 34 units were gathered! Trinity's next blood drive is scheduled for Monday, December 23.

**ENDOWMENT FUND ANNIVERSARY** Happy 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary to the Trinity Lutheran Endowment Fund! On Aug. 12, 1984, voters approved the establishment of a fund, supported by donations and memorials, with annual investment income used to benefit Trinity ministries and missions, capital projects, and church workers' on-going education and training. To date, the Fund has awarded \$501,000. This photo shows one of those ministries supported: the Alaska VBS (Vacation Bible School) team. The original Endowment Fund committee included Earl Freimark, David Hehl, Bonnie Fleure, Sherman Amolsch and Ed Shoemaker. Hal Eighmey was the longest serving member and chairman. Current committee members are



Brian Merkle (chairman), Catherine Eighmey, Ada Finley, Deborah Saul and Bryan McIntyre.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT MINISTRY – FAITH, FAMILY, AND FUN!** This fall, we look forward to offering a new opportunity to gather in community and fellowship around the Word of God. All are encouraged to join us for Faith, Family, and Fun each Wednesday evening **beginning September 11.** A meal will be served at 5:00p; studies for children and adults begin at 5:45 (more details to come). To help our wonderful volunteers estimate how much food to prepare, we ask all interested households to complete a brief survey (<u>click here</u>, scan the QR code at right, or contact the office at 734-242-2308). Hope to see you on the 11<sup>th</sup>!



**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY CARNIVAL** Mark your calendar – Trinity's Children's Ministry program will host a carnival on Sunday, September 8, from 12-2p in the parking lot. Entry is free, and all are welcome! Volunteers are needed – please email <a href="mailto:kidsmin@trinitylutheranmonroe.org">kidsmin@trinitylutheranmonroe.org</a> or call the call the office (734-242-2308) if you're able to help. We also ask families to consider donating a themed basket to be raffled off at the carnival. Baskets may be assembled according to an (appropriate) theme of your choice, and any time spent shopping and assembling may be counted toward school service hour requirements. Please submit baskets to the office by the end of the day on Tuesday, September 3. For more information, contact Children's Ministry Lead Stacey Wigman at the email address provided above. We hope you'll join us on the 8<sup>th</sup> for an afternoon of fun!

**ALTAR FLOWERS** This weekend's flowers are given in memory of Bonnie & Nick Pillarelli's 17<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary and in celebration of the Baptisms of Reed and Blakely West. If you would like to provide altar flowers in honor/memory of someone, contact Shelly Vorrath at (734) 621-3548 or email: 1wyldkingdom@comcast.net. The sign-up board is posted on the wall near the rear of the sanctuary. If you sign up on the flower board, please include your phone number and email address.



### THIS WEEK @ TRINITY

(Please contact the church office for more information)

Sunday, 8/18: Worship @ 8:30a – HC (usher team B-4)

Bible Study @ 9:30am in Graceful Grounds

Worship @ 10:30a (usher team C-2)

Trinity Family Meal @ 6p

Wednesday, 8/21: Agape @ 9a & 11:30a in Graceful Grounds

Saturday, 8/24: Bible Study @ 9a in Graceful Grounds

Worship @ 6p (usher team B-1)

8/10 & 8/11 attendance: 6:00p - 88 8:30a - 69 10:30a - 81

### THIS WEEK IN THE WORD

Readings for this weekend's services include Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18, Ephesians 5:6-21 & John 6:51-69

Simon Peter answered him,
"Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life."

John 6:68



# How to Watch / Worship / Join Us! Weekend Worship -

- In Trinity Sanctuary Times: Sat. 6 p.m. and Sun. 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
  - Facebook LIVE Sundays at 8:30 a.m. (or later on our website)

#### Blessings from all of us at Trinity!

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