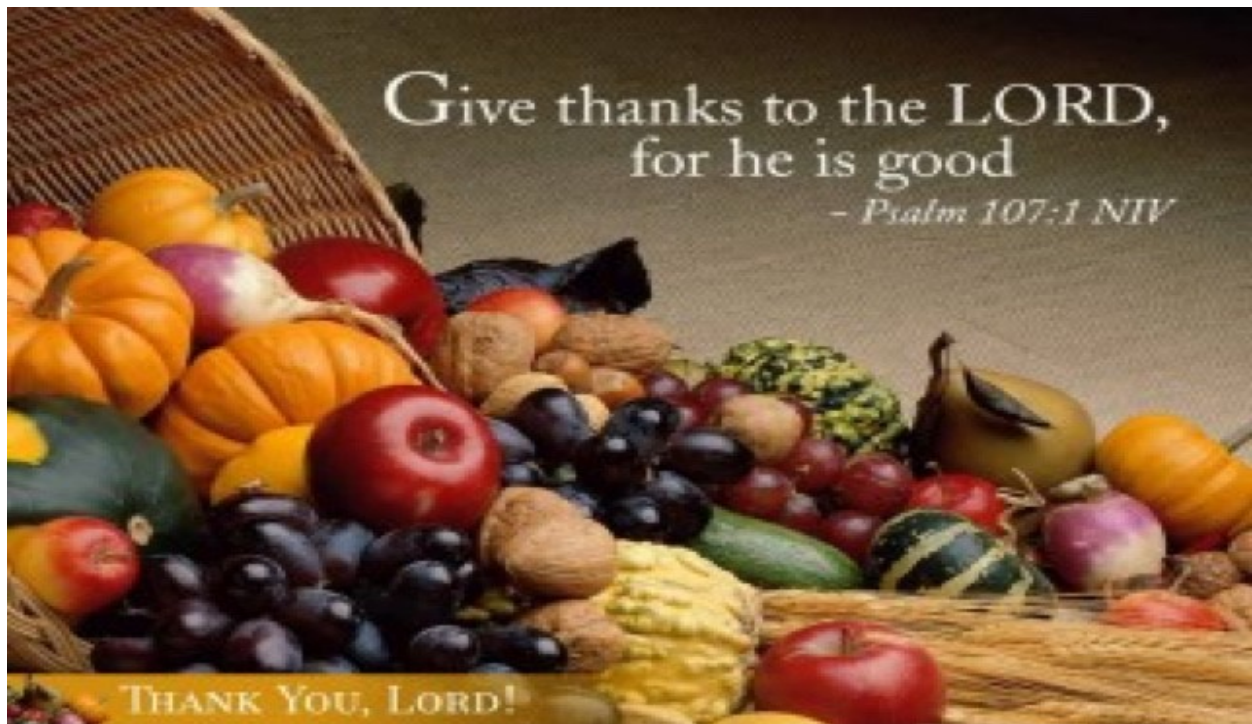
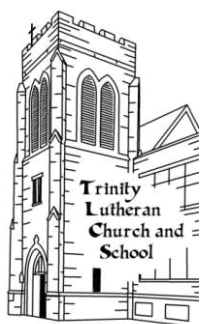


Trinity Lutheran Church & School
300 Broad Street
Menasha, WI 54952



November 2022 Newsletter





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Church Phone: (920) 722-2662 / **School Phone:** (920) 725-1715

Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Website: www.trinitymenasha.com

Worship Services (In-Person and Online):

Saturday – 5:00 pm; Sunday – 9:00 am; Wednesday – 6:30 pm

Education Hour: Sunday - 10:30 am

Services will continue to be available for live streaming on Trinity's Facebook page, and for later viewing on YouTube. Check the church website for more details.

Important Dates:

- November 1: **ALL SAINTS Day**
6:30 PM Board Meetings
- November 2: 3:30-10 PM Texas Roadhouse Dine-Out
- November 5: 9:00 AM Food Pantry
- November 8: 9:00 AM-12:00 PM Circuit Pastors Mtg
- November 8: 6:30 PM Board of Directors Meeting
- November 19: 9:00 AM Food Pantry
- November 23: School Noon Dismissal
- November 24: Thanksgiving Day, No School, Offices Closed
- November 25: No School, Church & School Offices Closed
- November 29: Seder Meal Meeting
- November 30: 10:30 AM Advent 1 Mid-Week Worship
5:30 PM Advent 1 Meal & Fellowship
6:30 PM Advent 1 Mid-Week Worship

Donate A Keyboard

Our school is in need of a keyboard. If you have one you would like to donate, please contact Nancy Lephart at (920) 277-4388. Thank you.

Gluten-Free Hosts Available

If you prefer a gluten-free host for communion, please talk with one of the pastors before the service.

First Year Catechumens

Our first-year catechism students will be meeting in the Small Fellowship Hall weekly.

Holy Communion at Trinity



Communion is again being served at the Altar rail. You have the choice of Common Cup or Individual Cup.

Our Mission Statement:

Trinity Lutheran Church and School, Menasha, is a fellowship of Lutheran Christians being empowered by the Holy Spirit through the Word of God and His Sacraments to encourage, refresh, and strengthen both adults and children in the redemptive work of Jesus Christ, while sharing His love with those who do not yet know their Lord and Savior.



Senior Pastor:

✠ Rev. Steven S. Billings

Assoc. Pastor/Principal:

✠ Rev. Keith E. GeRue

Director of Music:

Mr. Tim Reuning

Organist:

Mrs. Nancy Lephart

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 All Saints Day 6:30 AM Ladies Bible Study 4 PM VB Party & Parents Game 6:30 PM Board Mtgs	2 7:30 AM Leadership Mtg 8:45 AM K4-2 nd Grand in Oshkosh 3:30-10 PM Texas Road-house Dine-Out 6:30 PM Worship	3 6:00 AM Men's BS 1:30-2:30 PM Chapel & Family Card Making 6:30 PM Gallery Choir Rehearsal	4 2:45 PM Electives	5 9 AM Food Pantry 5 PM Worship
6 9 AM Worship In-Person & Online 10:30 AM Educ. Hour/Sunday School	7 Rev. Billings' Sabbath 9 AM Sewing 6 PM Prayer Time 6:30 PM Women's Bible Study	8 9-12 PM Circuit Pastors Mt. Divine Savior, FDL 6:30 AM Ladies Bible Study 6:30 PM Bd of Dir. Mtg	9 8:45 AM Chapel 5 PM Catechism 6:30 PM Worship	10 6 AM Men's Bible Study 6:30 PM Gallery Choir Rehearsal	11 2:45 PM Electives	12 5 PM Worship
13 9 AM Worship In-Person & Online School Sings and Chimes 10:30 AM Educ. Hour/Sunday School	14 Food Drive Rev. Billings' Sabbath 9 AM Sewing 6 PM Prayer Time 6:30 PM Women's Bible Study	15 Food Drive 6:30 AM Ladies Bible Study	16 Food Drive 8:45 AM Chapel 10:30 AM Leadership Mtg. 5 PM Catechism 6:30 PM Worship	17 Food Drive 6 AM Men's Bible Study 2:45 PM Electives 6:30 PM Gallery Choir Rehearsal	18	19 9 AM Food Pantry 5 PM Worship
20 9 AM Worship In-Person & On-line 10:30 AM Educ. Hour/Sunday School	21 Rev. Billings' Sabbath 9 AM Sewing 6 PM Prayer Time 6:30 PM Women's Bible Study	22 6:30 AM Ladies Bible Study	23 Noon Dismissal 8:45 AM Thanksgiving Chapel 6:30 PM Thanksgiving Eve Service	24 Thanksgiving NO SCHOOL CHURCH & SCHOOL OFFICE CLOSED	25 NO SCHOOL CHURCH & SCHOOL OFFICE CLOSED	26 5 PM Worship
27 Advent 1 9 AM Worship In-Person & Online 10:30 AM Educ. Hour/Sunday School	28 Rev. Billings' Sabbath 9 AM Sewing 6 PM Prayer Time 6:30 PM Women's Bible Study	29 6:30 AM Ladies Bible Study 6:30 PM Seder Meal Mtg, Narthex Conference Rm	30 Advent 1 7:30 AM Leadership Mtg 10:30 AM Advent Service 5 PM Catechism 5:00 PM Advent Meal 6:30 PM Advent Service		Week 1 of Advent "Hope"	

Wedding Anniversaries – November 2022

11/11 MIES, Donna & Robert*
 11/12 KOBBS, Justin & Rachel
 11/13 BAEHMAN, Duane & Kathryn
 11/13 KAYE, Gary & Teresa*
 11/16 MAYNARD, Jerry & Ellie
 11/18 FLATER, Robert & Karon
 11/25 EDWARDS, David & Karen
 11/29 SCHAEFER, LeRoy & Mercedes*

"For this reason, a man shall leave his father and his mother, and be joined to his wife; and they shall become one flesh." Genesis 2:24



Birthdays – November

11/02 HASS, Mason
 11/03 LENTZ, Nicolette
 11/04 CORRENTE, Dominic
 11/04 SPROUSE, Richard
 11/05 DAHMS, Nathan
 11/05 VITEK, Rudy
 11/06 SCHRAMPFER, Alexander
 11/07 MAHONEY, Julian
 11/08 BATES, Abbie
 11/08 CORRENTE, Courtney
 11/08 DURKEY, Judith
 11/08 MAYNARD, Jerry
 11/09 BILLINGS, Rev. Steven
 11/09 DIESCH, Jacqueline
 11/10 PETERSON, Chantay
 11/11 KOHLER, Linda
 11/12 EMERY, Nathan
 11/13 BOUCHARD, Vivian
 11/13 RATZBURG, Brian
 11/14 BARTELME, Linda
 11/14 VOSTER, Beverly



11/14 WOODS, Katarina
 11/15 WOODS, Collin
 11/17 MODERSON, Ailene
 11/17 SCHAEFER, Hailey
 11/18 BROWN, Mackenzie
 11/18 MIES, Jamie
 11/19 REUNING, Tim
 11/19 TUYLS, Caleb
 11/20 GUTZMANN, Carolyn
 11/21 HEID, Janine
 11/22 NIELSEN, Rebekah
 11/22 TUYLS, Lauryn
 11/23 WEINIG, Adina
 11/24 CLEVELAND, Jackson
 11/24 KAMPRATH, Timothy
 11/25 MANTEUFEL, Lyanna
 11/27 LAWRENCE, Samuel
 11/28 BURSACK, Michael
 11/28 KOHLER, Donna
 11/29 SCHMIDT, April
 11/29 SOMMERFELD, Caden
 11/29 VANDEN HEUVEL, Jacinda
 11/30 STOLZMAN, Thomas



✝ Trinity Membership Update ✝

New Members/Transfers In:

Released/Transfers Out:

Baptisms:

Weddings:

Members Who Have Passed: Betty Reichel

²⁵For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last He will stand upon the earth. ²⁶And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God. Job 19:25-26



Serving Our Lord with Gladness – November 2022

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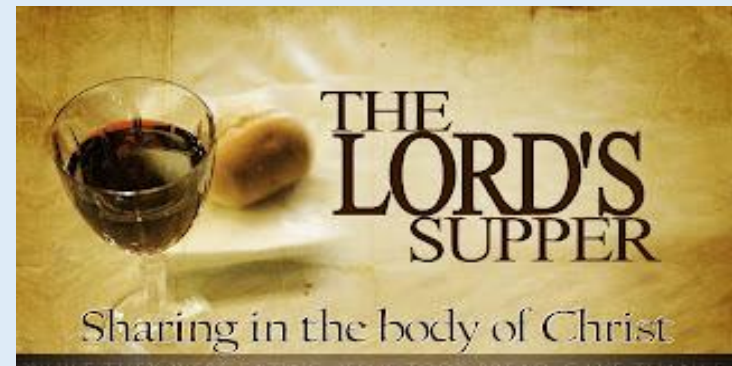
Worship Date/Time	Acolyte	Elder on Duty	Communion Assistant	Usher Captain	Greeter	Altar Guild
Nov 2: 6:30 pm Nov 5: 5:00 pm Nov 6: 9:00 am Nov 9: 6:30 am		Dave Collingwood Tom Harrmann Craig Thomas Alan Manteufel	Dave Collingwood Bruce Buksyk Blaine Henkel Alan Manteufel	Dave Acker Tom Harrmann Lee Weinig Steve Reinke	Betty Allen Liz Kamprath	Jean Zeinert Phil & Mary Conradt Gail Burrows Jean Zeinert
Nov 12: 5:00 pm Nov 13: 9:00 am Nov 16: 6:30 pm		Tom Harrmann Craig Thomas Bart Nielsen	Lee Colby Ron Kraus Bart Nielsen	Jerry Maynard Steve Sexmith Dave Acker	Barb Kester Jane Nielsen	Phil & Mary Conradt Gail Burrows Jean Zeinert
Nov 19: 5:00 pm Nov 20: 9:00 am Nov 23: 6:30 pm		Tom Harrmann Craig Thomas Brian Ratzburg	Ian Thomas Robert Flater Brian Ratzburg	Lee Colby Dave Collingwood	Dan & Peggy Dahms Rosemary Collingwood	Phil & Mary Conradt Gail Burrows Jean Zeinert
Nov 26: 5:00 pm Nov 27: 9:00 am Nov 30: 10:30 am Nov 30: 6:30 pm		Tom Harrmann Craig Thomas Roger Voigt Roger Voigt	Dan Siebert Steve Sexmith Roger Voigt Roger Voigt	Roger Voigt Jim Wittmann	JoAnn Schultz Connie Henkel	Phil & Mary Conradt Gail Burrows Kari Lindner Jean Zeinert

Altar Guild Help Needed

Trinity is in dire need of volunteers to serve on our Altar Guild team.
Tasks are:

- Wednesdays: Set-up and clean up the altar
- Saturdays: Set-up and reset the altar
- Sundays: Clean up communion and deliver flowers to a designated member of Trinity

Setting the Lord's Table is truly an honor and blessing. Please contact Kari Lindner at (928) 279-7192 to become a member of our team.



November Stewardship Message:

For Us and With Us

This month the Board of Stewardship is presenting a message in conjunction with our Ladies Aid and the 80th anniversary of the LWML, Lutheran Women's Missionary League. Here at Trinity our Ladies Aid and LWML are one of the same. The Ladies Aid portion focusses more on our congregation and community and the LWML's focus is missions all over the world.



This group of women have recognized their God given gifts and use them to enrich the lives of others as well as their own. This is done by preparing and serving funeral meals, making quilts for local shelters, making calls and visits to members of the congregation that are ill or shut-in, or hosting bake sales to be able to support projects locally and internationally. While the list of what Ladies Aid/LWML accomplishes is impressive they would not be able to do all these things without the support of you, the members of Trinity. What a great way many of you use your time, talent, and resources to support these projects. Whether it's making goodies for the bake sales or helping make apple pies all day or agreeing to do a Thrivent application to obtain funds to complete projects or loading and transporting the 35 boxes to the World Relief drop-off site, it's all stewardship.

The Lutheran World Relief is an excellent example of this support. This year the sewing group completed 50 quilts, the "filler" used in these quilts was purchased with a Thrivent grant, which someone applied for. Another World Relief project is the school and health kits; this year the ladies assembled one hundred school kits and one hundred and twenty-five health kits. You, the members of Trinity, responded to the list of needs which we published and within just a few short weeks all the items were donated. The response was overwhelming. To complete 100 school kits, 500 spiral notebooks are needed. One day hundreds of notebooks, all we needed, just appeared on a cart in the small fellowship hall with no means by which to identify the donor. Even though we would like to say, "thank you", your generosity is between you and God.

Giving is a joy and a blessing! In our LWML pledge we consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands, our voice to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love, our silver, and our gold to extend His Kingdom, our will to do His will and every power of our life to the great task of bringing the lost and erring into eternal fellowship with Him. That's what it's all about folks; there is nothing more important in this world.

Thank you, and God's Blessings!

Trinity's Ladies Aid/LWML

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH - FINANCIAL REPORT SEPTEMBER 2022

	<u>BEGINNING BALANCE</u>	<u>DEPOSITS/INCOME</u>	<u>WITHDRAWALS/ EXPENSES</u>	<u>ENDING BALANCE</u>
Nicolet General Fund	\$26,055.61	\$68,705.07	(\$77,052.83)	\$17,707.85
Nicolet Restricted Funds	\$159,258.70	\$15,496.52	(\$38,349.20)	\$136,406.02
LCMS Endowment Fund	\$113,476.13	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$113,476.13
LCEF Steward Fund	\$804.28	\$7,595.80	(\$7,414.10)	\$985.98
Nicolet Money Market	\$220,507.68	\$62,987.87	(\$12,000.00)	\$271,495.55
Charles Schwab Acct	\$46,122.07	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$46,122.07
Nicolet Memorial Fund	\$7,126.54	\$201.53	(\$870.91)	\$6,457.16
Nicolet Office Acct	\$2,420.67	\$0.11	(\$200.00)	\$2,220.78
Nicolet Debts Repaid	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Nicolet Think Tank	\$3,183.77	\$0.65	\$0.00	\$3,184.42
Nicolet Scrip	\$18,150.60	\$22,012.80	(\$33,344.12)	\$6,819.28
TOTAL	\$597,106.05	\$177,000.35	(\$169,231.16)	\$604,875.24

LCEF Mortgage (BOTR)	\$955,248.23	(4,528.45)	\$950,719.78
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\$ SCRIP News \$

SCRIP is sold in the Church & School Office Mon.-Fri. from 8:00AM-3:45 PM, and in the narthex before and after worship services. How to order Scrip? Call the office Mon.- Fri., or email your order to: ChurchAdmin@trinitymenasha.com.

LIMITED TIME SCRIP DEALS! -Kwik Trip & Tom's Drive In – 10% rebate! Fleet Farm—8% rebate!

NEW IN STOCK SCRIP! Both located on Appleton Road in Menasha! – We now have Michiels of Menasha Restaurant in stock at a 15% Rebate! Next week, we will be stocking Caribou Coffee at a 6% Rebate, just in time for the opening of their Menasha location.

Texas Roadhouse Dine Out: is set for November 2nd from 3:30— 10:00 PM. Get your voucher to present to your waitress/host from the church bulletin, or stop by the office to pick one up. Plan to purchase your Scrip for this event!



Catechetical Comments

A Series

THE APOSTLES' CREED

This month we continue our look at The Apostles' Creed and consider the following questions: *In what ways does the triune God make Himself known?*

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The *Small Catechism* continues its answer to this question by saying:

B. Through conscience (natural knowledge of God).

It then offers the following Scripture passage in support of this answer:

Rom. 2:15 – They show that the work of the law is written on their hearts, while their conscience also bears witness, and their conflicting thoughts accuse or even excuse them.

Even Walt Disney recognized the validity of the human conscience. Perhaps you remember the song from the classic film *Pinocchio*: “Give a Little Whistle” in which Jiminy Cricket encourages his wooden charge: “Always let your conscience be your guide.” He never says, though (and the movie never discusses it), where that conscience comes from. But we know. Paul says so in the passage from Romans 2: “The work of the law is written on their hearts.”

We have a conscience because God gave us one. People have an innate understanding of what's right and wrong. Why is it illegal to commit murder? Why is it against the law to steal? Because we know *by nature* that these things are wrong.

Of course, in these perverted days, that

natural, innate knowledge is being rejected by our culture as a whole. Right and wrong are being turned on their head, as Scripture has foretold (see Matthew 24 and 2 Timothy 3). This is a great tragedy. It's hard enough to do what is right when we acknowledge what is right. But it becomes nigh unto impossible if we don't even recognize what is right!

But it has not always been so in our society. There was a time when the existence of a conscience – and respect for that conscience – was part of the mainstream culture. People who ignored their conscience were referred to as *sociopaths*, those who display a lack of a conscience and then do despicable things. The notion that there are certain behaviors that are just *wrong* is universal. Every society on the planet has strictures against what they consider to be “wrong.” Child molesters who are sent to prison don't last long, for even hardened murderers know that it's wrong to harm a child. Cannibalistic societies have rules for who you can eat and who you can't.

These universal concepts are an indication of the existence of God. Even avowed atheists cannot escape this natural knowledge. They may bury it, they may silence it by stubborn denial, but deep down, they can't deny that there is a God who loves them.

We need to speak this truth to the world. We need to call unbelievers to acknowledge the testimony of their own hearts and pray for them, that God may unstop their ears and open their eyes to the truth right in front of them. ✠

Humbly in His service,
Rev. Steven S. Billings
Senior Pastor

From the School November 2022



EVENTS AROUND THE SCHOOL:

- Nov. 1 ALL SAINTS Day
1:00 pm 3rd – 4th Water Safety Class
4:00 pm Volleyball Party and Parent Game
- Nov. 2 8:45 am Chapel
3:00 – 8:00 pm Texas Roadhouse
- Nov. 3 2:30 pm Chapel Family Card Making
- Nov. 4 2:45 – 3:15 pm Electives
- Nov. 8 1:00 pm 3rd – 4th Water Safety Class
3:45 pm Basketball Practice
- Nov. 9 8:45 am Chapel
- Nov. 10 2:15 PM Practice Veterans Day Assembly
3:45 pm Basketball Practice
- Nov. 11 Veterans Day
10:30 AM Assembly & Lunch
2:45 – 3:15 pm Electives
- Nov. 13 9:00 am School Sings
- Nov. 14 Food Drive
5pm Parent Dinner and School Update
- Nov. 15 Food Drive
3:45 pm Basketball Practice
- Nov. 16 Food Drive
8:45 am Chapel
- Nov. 17 Food Drive
12:30 PM Beatles PAC 5th – 8th Grades
2:45 – 3:15 pm Electives
3:45 pm Basketball Practice
- Nov. 18 Food Drive
Popcorn Friday
- Nov. 21 Food Drive
- Nov. 22 Thanksgiving Lunch
2pm Food Drive count
3:45 pm Basketball Practice
- Nov. 23 Noon Dismissal
8:45 am Chapel
- Nov. 24 NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Day
- Nov. 25 NO SCHOOL
- Nov. 28 9:30 am All is Calm PAC 5th-8th Grades
- Nov. 29 12:30-2:15 PM Fox Trek – 5th-6th
4:30 pm Basketball Practice
- Nov. 30 10:30 am Advent Service



Texas Roadhouse Dining Out

Mark your calendars! Our Texas Roadhouse Dining Out Night is Wednesday November 2nd from 3:30-10:00pm. The 7-8th grade students will also be selling baked goods at this event, so please come out to support the school and the 7-8th grade Chicago trip.

You will need a voucher to present to your server when placing your order. Those will be sent home with students the day of the event. We will also scan and send a copy via Fast Direct. If you have any questions, please reach out to the school office.



Salute to the Veterans

**Let Trinity Lutheran School
thank you properly**

Let Trinity Lutheran School thank you properly VETERAN'S APRECIATION Friday, November 11th, is Veteran's Day. We will acknowledge what God has done through veterans for us in our 10:30 am assembly. Join us for a presentation in honor of our Military Veterans performed by the students of Trinity School

Trinity Lutheran School

300 Broad Street

Menasha, WI 54952

10:30am on November 11

Following the presentation, enjoy a free lunch to thank you for your service to our country.

Please call Trinity's office to RSVP for lunch by:

November 7, (920) 725-1715.



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Trinity Ladies Aid/Lutheran Women's Missionary League



October 3, 2021: Observed LWML Sunday at Trinity; theme was 'Our Heart in His Hands.' Jean Zeinert constructed our beautiful banner.

October 2, 2021: Fifty two quilts plus 100 personal care kits and 100 school kits were taken to First English Lutheran Church, Appleton and from there was transported to the Lutheran World Relief Intake area and then distributed all over the universe.

October 19, 2021: Meeting with service project led by Carol Evensen of making and addressing Thanksgiving cards for Trinity shut ins and Trinity staff.

October 25, 2021: Six members of Trinity attended the Zone 11 Fall Rally at Divine Savior Lutheran Church in Fond du Lac. Speaker was Julaine Appling, President of WI. Family Council 'Love for God, Love for Family, Love for Country. Dynamic message!

November 13, 2021: Ladies Aid/LWML Bake Sale with pie orders continuing throughout November. Proceeds were \$2396.

November 16, 2021: Christmas Party with dinner at Mark's East Side; invited guests were Pastor and Liz Billings, Pastor and Val GeRue, and Pastor and Joan Alliet. Sally Bolen coordinated the event.

December 8, 11, 12 & 15, 2021: Trinity's Christmas Cookie and Candy Sale; proceeds were \$1016. The goodies were offered during the Trinity School children's programs.

January 18, 2022: Meeting with main goal of distribution of finances. \$2200 was given to Trinity Ladies Aid/LWML by a Trinity couple to be used for gifting to the following: \$500 to Amanda Groshek, \$500 to Fort Wayne Seminary Student Matthew Kinne Family, \$500 to Steele's Mission College, Kenya (Reverend Walter and Robyn Steele), \$300 to Bible Translator in Sierra Leone West Africa Amy Formella, \$300 to Burning Bush Ministry (Jews for Jesus/Reverend Kevin Parvis) for a total of \$1400. Other designations of monies were \$300 for Trinity alter flowers, \$600 for floor wax and cleaning supplies for use at Trinity, \$800 to homeroom teachers (\$100 for each teacher plus art teacher to be used in the classrooms), \$300 for faucet replacement in boys' lower level bathroom. This totals \$4100. \$1400 was designated for replacement of furniture and area rug in Trinity's narthex. We again thank the Trinity couple for their very generous donation; we are very blessed.

February 15, 2022: Meeting with Bible study "Merciful Care" led by Barbara Kester.

March 15, 2022: Meeting with cookie frosting demonstration by Shellie Van Ark. Fun event!

April 19, 2022: Meeting with plans for Chair Yoga cancelled due to illness of instructor.

April 25, 2022: Two members of Trinity attended the Zone 11 Spring Rally @ Hope Fond du Lac. The theme was "The Road Signs through the Detours of Life."



**2021 LWML Sunday—
"Our Hearts in HIS Hands"**



**Pie Day in preparation for
Ladies Aid/LWML Bake Sale.**



Decorating cookies with Shellie Van Ark.

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May 17, 2022: Hors d'oeuvre, Salad, and Dessert dinner enjoyed by members and several guests. We shared wonderful fellowship and memories with each other.

June 18, 2022: Six Trinity members attended the 39th Biennial Convention of the South WI. District of the LWML at St. Paul's in Grafton. Elaine Weinig and Jane Stier served as our Trinity delegates. Keynote speaker was David Fiala, past Youth Director at Trinity. Several Trinity members served as ushers and runners at the convention.

June 21, 2022: Meeting with project of making fused glass crosses for our shut ins and elderly; twenty seven members and guests attended and 34 beautiful crosses were made. Mr. Glenn Erdmann led us in making the crosses; Barbara Kester coordinated the event. Ten LA/LWML members visited twenty four shut ins and elderly to present the crosses.

July 19, 2022: Outing to LaClare Creamery & Goat Farm in Malone WI. Seventeen members and guests attended the road trip and enjoyable event. Mary Howden was our coordinator.

August 9, 2022: Four members of Trinity served a wonderful lunch to 17 Habitat for Humanity volunteers at a Neenah construction site. This was done as a service project in honor of LWML's 80th anniversary. We served well over 80 items to celebrate and reach out to the community.

August 16, 2022: Meeting with assembling of 125 personal care and 100 school kits for Lutheran World Relief. Fifty homemade tied quilts were completed by our Monday sewing group for World Relief. Other donations of 221 homemade quilts went to Pillars Homeless Shelter along 243 pillowcases, 116 sheets, blankets, rugs, pillows and towels. Bedding was also donated to the Community Clothes Closet. We are so very blessed to be a blessing to others!

September 15, 2022: Meeting with hors d'oeuvre, salad and dessert buffet followed by meeting to organize and plan for our 2022/2023 year ahead. Officers continuing are Jane Stier 920-284-2937 (treasurer), Carol Evensen 920-725-5576 (secretary), Barbara Kester 920-722-3228 (vice president), and Dottie Kraus 920-991-2705 (president). We invite you to contact any of us at any time with questions.



Service Project—Making Glass



The finished crosses!



Habitat For Humanity—Served Lunch to the volunteers in honor of LWML's 80th Anniversary

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Trinity Ladies Aid/LWML meets the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Small Fellowship Hall unless otherwise stated for a meeting or event.

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Trinity Ladies Aid/LWML meets the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Small Fellowship Hall unless otherwise stated for a meeting or event. We attempt to have a speaker, an activity, or project at each meeting but also feel it is very important to take time for fellowship and supporting each other. Any female member of Trinity plus guests are always very welcome to attend any meeting or event.

The sewing ladies meet every Monday at 9 a.m. and again anyone is welcomed. You need not have sewing experience nor do you need to stay for a set amount of time. For questions, call Elaine Weinig @ 920-470-9090.

We enjoy making visits and calls to our shut ins and elderly and welcome a call with a request to visit. Mary Howden is our Sunshine Coordinator and sends out many cards to many members during the year.

Elaine Weinig is our funeral meal coordinator; we continue to make all the food that is served and pray that is a service we can continue to offer to our families here at Trinity. We do need salads and desserts and individuals to set up, clean up and serve the day of the funeral.

Each month our group collects Mites, which go to satisfy the South WI. District grants that we have chosen and 25% goes to National towards that goal of \$2,150,000. The SWD goal is 180,000 for this biennium. Anyone can give towards mites and there is information on the table in the narthex as to what exactly these mites go for. Our Lord has truly blessed the work of Mites and when we work for Him, nothing is impossible. Praise Him! You may pick up a Mite Box and save your coins or bills with us as part of this wonderful Mite ministry. Our Trinity group has collected Mites over \$700 this past year.

Our November event will be our Christmas party at George's Steak House in Appleton. A signup will be posted on the spinner in the narthex. The date is November 15 and the time is 5:30 p.m. Ladies of the congregation, you are welcome to join

The ladies of our Trinity Group are very thankful for the tremendous support we receive from our Pastors and our Trinity Family. We would never be able to accomplish what we do without that support and love from you.

**Your generosity will never be taken for granted!
Again THANK YOU!!**



**Lutheran World Relief Project—
Blessing the 221 Handmade Quilts by
Ladies Aid/LWML Sewing Group**



**Time for Fellowship and Fun!—
Malone Creamery and Goat Farm**

Tuesday, November 15, 2022
5:30 PM, George's Steak House
Sign up on the spinner in the narthex.



Trinity Bake Sale—October & November

Pie/Cake Order Form

During the months of October and November the Ladies Aid/LWML will have their pie & cake sale. We will take orders for several kinds of pies.

Pies that can be ordered:



- APPLE \$15: Please specify regular crust or crumb crust.
Regular Crust: _____ Crumb Crust: _____
- CHERRY \$15: _____ cherry pie(s)
- KEY LIME with graham cracker crust \$12: _____ key lime pie(s)
- PECAN \$15: _____ pecan pie(s)
- PUMPKIN \$12: _____ pumpkin pie(s)
- BLUEBERRY \$15 _____ blueberry pie(s)
- LEMON MERINGUE \$15 _____ lemon meringue pie(s)
- CUSTARD OR COCONUT CUSTARD \$12 _____ plain custard pie(s)
_____ coconut custard pie(s)
- COCONUT CREAM WITH MERINGUE \$15 _____ coconut cream pie(s)
- BANANA CREAM WITH MERINGUE \$15 _____ banana cream pie(s)
- NEW YORK CHEESE CAKE \$15 _____ cheese cake(s)
- ANGELFOOD CAKE FROM SCRATCH \$12 _____ angelfood cake(s)

PLEASE EMAIL ALL ORDERS TO DOTTIE KRAUS at: rkraus001@gmail.com
or call (920) 991-2705 and leave a message if no answer. WE WILL
DO OUR BEST, AND THANK YOU!



HANDBELLS!!

*Get excited about raising \$\$\$ for
2 octaves of Malmark Handbells!!*

They're not cheap! ...

But they're REALLLY good!!



(about \$9,300)

Our first Fundraiser is ...

Buy-A-Bell! ... starts NOW!

See the Info in the Narthex!! ... \$\$\$

(Buy a **BELL** (or two or three...), a **TABLE** (or more), the
set of **GLOVES**, the **FOAMS**, the **FOLDERS**,
the **MALLETS**, one (or more) of the **TABLE COVERS** ...)

We'll also do more fundraisers, including a recital/
concert or two (not yet determined).

... and ... How 'bout a Sale or three? ☺

And if you'd like to donate some \$\$\$, please feel free!!

We already have some donations!! Thank you!! ♥

*Don't forget to think about
signing up to RING HANDBELLS!*

(Sign-up sheet on the wall in the Narthex - Name/Phone)

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Any questions: Call Rose 608.213.2644

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- ___ \$200 each 6' Table (3)
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- ___ \$500 Set of Foams (6)
- ___ [4' deep x 3' long]
- ___ \$100 each Table Covers (3)

[Fabric for US to SEW!!! OURSELVES]

Write a check, put it into your Trinity envelope and mark it "Handbell Fund"! If you'd like a specific bell or other purchased with your donation, place a note in your envelope and we'll label that Bell/Table/etc. ... **SOLD!!**
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Announcing ... 

 **A premier ORGAN RECITAL ... HERE ...**

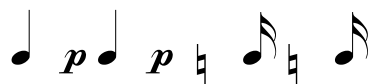
at Trinity Lutheran Church & School!!

on 11 November at 7:00pm  *p*  

featuring **BRUCE BENGTON**

*A reception and light refreshments will follow the
one-hour recital, which will include hymns.*

A Freewill Offering will be taken at the recital
with all proceeds going to
the purchase of Handbells. 😊



**Don't miss this spectacular event! If you have questions,
call the church office (722-2662) or Rose (608-213-
2644)**



September Was Amazing!



OTHER EVENTS AND FUTURE PLANS

- Leaders of the Francophone Union (French-speaking churches in Africa) gathered for an important meeting at Matongo.
- The International Lutheran Council met at our college for a day. It was good to coordinate mission efforts with them.
- Walter will be working on curriculum development for a school of theology in Tanzania. More on that to follow in the coming months.



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My Students at Lutheran Theological Seminary, Tshwane (Pretoria), South Africa

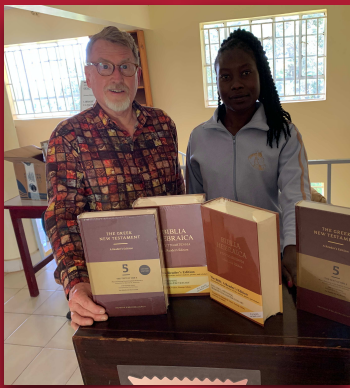
Sometimes, the work of a missionary is just like that of other ministers. We teach, we preach, we administer the sacraments. But other times, it is utterly different. September 2022 was such a month.

During the first two weeks of September, Robyn and I were in South Africa. I taught a course of the General Epistles (James through Jude), with special attention to 1 Peter. The photos on this page are about that experience. The students were hungry for solid Bible teaching. I preached twice in chapel and also spent time discussing pastoral work with many of the students.

Returning to Matongo, Kenya, I immediately began teaching five courses: Romans; Biblical Greek; Research Methods; Gospels; and the Lutheran Confessions.

It was also the time of the year, here in Kenya, for graduation. It was a joy to see so many of my students receive their diplomas and certificates. Their excitement about beginning a life of service to the Lord, his people, and the world is what makes all of the work we do here such a joy. Because of your support, this work goes on.





NECESSARY TOOL FOR BIBLE STUDY:

The generous support of so many of you has enabled me to provide copies of the Greek New Testament and the Hebrew Old Testament. We also want to ensure that the Chemnitz Library is properly stocked. So, these copies of the books have been entered into the library collection. Once again, none of this is possible without your continued support.

Preaching the Word, in Season and out of Season.



Greeting the congregation at the conclusion of the service.

Later in the month, I was the guest preacher for a Spiritual Camp, at Rukongo Parish, close to Lake Victoria. It was attended by many pastors, hundreds of Lutheran Christians, and four choirs—one of which came all the way from Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.

What is a Spiritual Camp? It is an extended weekend of teaching, worship, and meetings, in which congregations within a geographic area get together to build each other up in the faith.

The Divine Service, at which I preached began at 9:30 am and did not finish until 2:30 in the afternoon! The singing of hymns, the chorale offerings by the choirs, as well as the Word and Holy Sacrament were true food for the soul. After the service, we were treated to fish, chicken, beef, greens, and ugali. It was a feast!

Remember, you can help us continue to teach future church workers here in Africa by your prayers and financial support at:

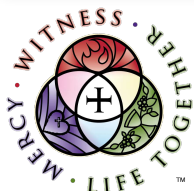
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Or at the **world-famous Mission Central**

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Mapleton IA 51034



There are many opportunities to serve as short-term or GEO missionaries. Check out the current list and download an application at lcms.org/service. Click on "Service Opportunities."

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Back again with another delayed newsletter, but I won't bore you again with more apologies. In my last newsletter I told you I would be focusing on one aspect of work and life at a time to share with you. There is too much to talk about, so instead of trying to give a little bit on each area, I'm dedicating a newsletter to each to give you better information. This newsletter will be focused on the Themne Bible Translation Project.

While my main work is still with the Mende team, I have been asked to assist with the Themne translation team. From previous communications, you may remember my Lutheran Bible Translators colleagues, Josh and Ruthie Wagner. They and their four children became like family to me as they taught me how to live in Sierra Leone, introduced me to the translation and literacy world here, and mentored me. Josh was primarily working in Scripture engagement – working with church leaders to discover ways to effectively engage people with the Scripture being translated, always thinking of new ways to use technology for people to hear God's Word. Ruthie was the translation advisor for the Themne Bible Translation Project, the same role as I am in for the Mende project. Seeing her work with our colleagues at the Bible Society of Sierra Leone, I saw her love, mentorship, intelligence, and creativity make a positive impact on the work. In early 2020 they had to leave for medical reasons, and later in the same year they realized they wouldn't be able to return. Ruthie is now assisting translation work in Tanzania remotely, and Josh is working locally in Minnesota. Please pray that they will thrive in this season and for continued healing.



Time with the Wagners in Minnesota

That is when I first began to work with the Themne translation team, though I was home during Covid, so it was a soft beginning. The Themne translation team consists of four part-time translators and one full-time.

They are a part of different denominations and they come from backgrounds of teaching, linguistics, pastoring, journalism, and more. When the project first started, the translation was taken from the Good News Bible, which is a more dynamic translation. It was later decided that the Revised Standard Version, a more literal English translation, was the preferred base for the translation project, so the current translators have been revising the previous Themne text to reflect the more literal base text. The translators have completed the individual revision work for the Old Testament and will likely finish team checking and community review late next year or early 2024. Like with the Mende project, it will take time for the final stage of consultant checking to be completed, since all the translation consultants work with many different projects at once. But the translators won't just be sitting around waiting for the consultant, since they will have the New Testament work to begin. Let us thank God for the Themne team and for pray for continued perseverance and wisdom in the work.



Since I started working with the Themne team the same time I started my Masters program, I have not had the time to language learn; also the project is based four hours from my residence in Bo, so I am not able to be a part of the team in the same way as with the Mende team. I am grateful for the opportunity to observe the dynamics of another translation team and to see the similarities and differences in the challenges and strengths they have. At this point in time, I am mostly helping the team with challenges presented by the translation software, and I travel to Makeni where the office is located for those weeks dedicated to consultant checking and community review. In the coming months I will be working with them to check the parallelism of Psalms, so that the words are not just accurate, but the poetic lines and verses connect. Pray for wisdom and clarity for me that I may assist the team in helpful ways and learn from them.



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Themne review of 1 and 2 Chronicles.



Themne translation team.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Thank God for the work that the Wagners did in Sierra Leone and their influence in my life. Pray that they will continue to adjust and thrive in this new season of their lives.
- Thank God for the Themne team and pray for continued perseverance and wisdom in the work.
- Pray for wisdom and clarity for me that I may assist the team in helpful ways and learn from them.

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