

# Trinity Times

*Gather as God's People...  
Grow in Faith, Family & Service...  
Go into the World as Disciples for Christ...*

## MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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### Return to Three Worship Services

Traditional Lutheran Worship will take place, starting September 13th, at the 8 & 9:30 am worship services each Sunday. The 10:45 am worship service is a Contemporary Music service with a "Family Focus" which will incorporate different elements into the service for people of all ages.

### Rally Day! September 13th

What an exciting event! On this day, parents and students will be introduced to their new teachers and classrooms. A parent meeting will take place in the Gustafson Fellowship Hall at 9:30 a.m. to outline the year for parents and to answer any questions. Here's the Rally Day schedule:

- 8:00am Worship
- 9:00am Coffee Fellowship in the Gustafson Fellowship Hall
- 9:30am Sunday School Rally in the Gustafson Fellowship Hall
- 9:30am Worship and Matriculation of 7th Grade Confirmands and Installation of Confirmation Guides
- 10:45am Contemporary Worship and Installation of Sunday School Teachers

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### Trinity's Summer Has Been Financially "Lite"

The council has been keeping a very close eye on the situation. Historically, summer months have always been "down" months in regard to financial support. So, we look forward, with some optimism, to "catching up" and getting ourselves to where we should be. We look forward to seeing you in worship.

### Fellowship Suppers Resume

Our Fellowship Suppers will resume on September 9th at 5:00pm in the Gustafson Fellowship Hall. Enjoy a mid-week reunion with some of your Trinity Family along with a tasty meal! Fellowship suppers are not a fund-raiser, but an opportunity to gather with others during the week over a meal – our goal is to break even while providing good food to people. Cost for the Fellowship Supper is \$5/person, maximum of \$17/family.

- September 9 Sloppy Joes, Cold Veggies, Pickles, Salad, Drink, Dessert
- September 16 Pulled Pork Sandwiches, Potato Salad, Cold Veggies, Pickles, Salad, Drink, Dessert
- September 23 Pan Lasagna, Garlic Bread, Green Beans, Salad, Drink, Dessert
- September 30 Mexican Night: Tacos, Taco Salad, Mexican Rice, Refried Beans, Drink, Dessert

### Newsletter Deadline

Newsletter Deadline for the October newsletter is Tuesday, September 15th. Items must be turned in by the deadline. All items are preferred in an *electronic format* and can be emailed to [editor@trinitystpeter.org](mailto:editor@trinitystpeter.org).

# THE PASTOR'S CORNER

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## The Natwick Epistle

*"For our sake He made Him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God."  
2 Corinthians 5:20*

A woman had a waking dream. In her dream she died and stood at the gate of heaven, knocking and knocking at the door, asking for permission to enter.

Finally, someone answered. She gave this anonymous man her name, after which he disappeared. Some time passed until he returned: "I'm sorry, Ma'am, but your name does not appear in our records. We cannot find it written anywhere in the "Book of Life", no matter how hard we search."

In her dream, the woman wept great tears of grief. A mistake must have been made. It had to have been. She asked if the book contained the names of other relatives who had died. The man checked and, yes, their names were inscribed on its pages.

"Can't you do anything?" the woman asked. "I'm sure there's been some mistake here! Surely somebody must be able to do something about this situation!"

"You may talk to the Judge," the man told her. "He's the only one who can do anything about this situation. He's the one who decides whose names are to be placed into the Book of Life."

The woman was escorted into the Judge's Throne Room. Standing before the Judge's throne, the woman gave her name and explained her situation. For a moment, the Judge pondered what she had told him, and then the following questions were put to her.

"Have you led a perfect life? Have you been kind and gentle, always forgiving those around you? Have you always lived in accordance to the commandments?" asked the judge.

"Well, I've always tried as best I can... but, no, I haven't always done as I should. I have not led a perfect life," said the woman.

Question after question was put to her and each honestly given answer caused her to tremble. There seemed to be

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no hope for her.

Despair was beginning to take hold of her heart until, suddenly, the brightness about the Throne Room grew and grew until she could hardly see. A voice more beautiful than the music of heaven filled the room: "My Father, I know this woman. It is true that she was weak in many ways, but I choose to take her place before you."

Tears of joy flooded the woman's face. Grace abounds!

Luther called Jesus' taking our place "The Happy Exchange" – an action that Jesus willingly takes on our behalf. In Jesus, God chooses to take our place that we might stand as right and just before God. In the end, we have nothing to brag about, no works to lean on, nothing. In the end, we are beggars.

Happily for us, God chooses to attach himself to us in Jesus. He chooses to take our place, our sin, our brokenness to Himself; and he puts us in his place. This is an act of divine love, willingly done for us; and it is a happy exchange for us, for we are free of Sin, Death, and the Power of the Devil.

Thanks be to God!

Pastor Eric

## Please Let Us Know...

If you are hospitalized for any reason, please be sure to tell the hospital on your admission that you are a member of Trinity Lutheran Church. It isn't enough to tell them that you are Lutheran! It would also help if you or one of your family members would call the church office at 934-4786 to let us know that you have been hospitalized so that Pastor C or Pastor Eric can visit you. If you wish one of the Pastors to visit you in your home for conversation, prayer or Holy Communion, please call the church office at 934-4786 to arrange for a mutually agreeable time for the Pastor's visit.

## Invitation to Bible Study Circles

Currently at Trinity we have three Bible Study Circles. One group meets the first Friday of each month at 1:30 in members homes. Another meets the third Monday at 9:30 at the church and one meets the third Monday at 3:30 in members homes. All women are invited to join with us in our study and our fellowship.

The study, which will begin in September, is found in the "Lutheran Women Today" magazine. For subscription information please call Kay Mowbray at 934-3170.

The Bible Study for 2009-2010 is entitled "To God's Beloved: Paul's Letters to the Romans." This epistle is one of the foundations of Christian Theology. Martin Luther called it the most important piece in the New Testament. He even said it would be worth memorizing!

Paul's concern in this epistle is how life is to be lived "in Christ" and what that means in our relationships with others. Each month we will look at a different theme involved in relationships. The themes are encouragement, obedience, hope, change, trust, renewal, hospitality and wisdom. Some questions we will confront are:

As women of faith, how do we give and receive the gift of encouragement?

How do we embrace change as a gift from God?

How do we cultivate wisdom in a culture that needs it desperately, but is so easily distracted?

You are invited to join us as we discuss, learn, share and fellowship with one another. Watch the bulletin for monthly meeting announcements and come.

## Nominating Committee at Work

Our Women of the ELCA nominating committee consisting of Barb Berg (386-1967) and Jill Gatzke (934-6399) are now at work seeking nominations to fill the board positions for 2010. The term of office is for one year, with the option of serving a second year if you choose. If you would be interested in getting involved with Trinity Women as a board member, please call one of them. We ask that you please prayerfully consider the possibility of serving if you are contacted.

Trinity Women will meet on September 17th for the annual business meeting. The election of members for the coordinating board will take place as well as disbursement of funds to various worthy causes. Watch for more information to come.

## Church Basement Ladies

We had a great day in June attending the "Church Basement Ladies, a Second Helping."

While there we learned of a Christmas production coming up. It is entitled "Away in the Basement, A Church Basement Ladies Christmas." Plans are being made to arrange a bus trip on Saturday, November 28, for a breakfast buffet and an 11:30am performance. Mark that day on your calendar. Look for more information in the next newsletter.

# TRINITY WOMEN

## Mission Projects

Supplies for School Kits will continue to be collected in August and September. With back-to-school sales on, this is a great time to add a few items to your shopping list to help us fill kits for Lutheran World Relief.

Notebooks, wide or college-ruled  
Blunt scissors  
30-centimeter ruler (can have inches on one side)  
Pencil sharpener  
New, unsharpened #2 pencils  
Eraser, approximately 2.5 inches long  
Sheets of colored construction paper  
Box of 16 or 24 crayons  
Sturdy cloth bag, approximately 12" x 14"

Just drop the items in the plastic basket on the table in the narthex. Thank you for caring and contributing. A new mission project will begin this fall.

We continue to collect Campbell soup labels and cancelled stamps. Just put them in the box under the table by the Gustafson Room.

Mission quilting will begin again on September 14th. The fabric and materials you contribute are very much appreciated. They allow us to keep making the quilts. Many thanks!

## Tri-Conference Fall Retreat

All women of Trinity are invited to attend a one day retreat at Trinity Lutheran Church in Sleepy Eye on Saturday, September 19, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The theme of the retreat is "Walking with Jesus". Our speaker, Pearl Grev, has entitled her presentation, "Well Dressed Feet." We will receive her message, have Bible study, music, crafts, communion, morning coffee and noon lunch all for a \$10.00 registration fee! Registration is due Sept 5. You can find the forms on the women's bulletin board in the hall off the narthex.

We will plan to carpool from Trinity at 8:00 a.m. Come join us. It should be a great day!

## Coming Up

Sept. 1, 7:00pm	Coordinating Board Meeting
Sept. 4, 1:30pm	Martha Bible Study Circle
Sept. 14, 9:15am	Quilting, Noon Potluck
Sept. 17, 7:00pm	WELCA General Meeting
Sept. 19, 9:00am	Tri-Conference Retreat
Sept. 21, 9:30am	Rebecca Bible Study Circle
Sept. 21, 3:30pm	Hope Bible Study Circle

# YOUTH & FAMILY

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## Confirmation Junior Guides Needed

Calling all interested youth!! We are looking for CONFIRMED youth to serve as Junior Guides for this year's confirmation small groups. This is a great leadership opportunity and experience. If you're interested and would like more info or have questions see Erika Reckling.

## Faith 4 Life (5-6th grade)

The Faith 4 Life group will start up again as soon as we get all the details worked out. Watch for a post card coming with more details. This regular group meets the 1st & 3rd Sunday's of the month from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at Trinity. This youth group has one rule...Fun is a must! With games, a chance to learn something new & of course food of some kind (we get creative). Parents: we will need your help getting this group off the ground! Please call Lori Hanson or Erika Reckling if you're willing to help.

## Live the Life (7-9th grade)

The Trinity Youth Group for 7th-9th grades is being revamped. We are working out a new day/time to better accommodate busy family schedules. Stay tuned for more info!

## Senior High Youth Group: O2

Grab your friends and head to our WEEKLY senior high youth group which meets every Wednesday evening in the Youth Room at Trinity from 8-9:30pm starting September 9th. We understand that your schedules are busy and that sometimes you have tons of homework, but come when you can! BRING YOUR FRIENDS!! If you have any questions, please contact Erika and checkout our group on FACEBOOK!

## Parents of College Freshmen!

Please call the church office with your son/daughter's new college address. We would like to send them a care package as part of Trinity's Milestone Ministry Program. Questions? Please talk to Erika Reckling.

## 2009 Summer Recap

Summer of 2009 went by in a flash, here's a quick reminder of all that happened! Crocodile Dock Vacation Bible School and Confirmation Camp in June; Jesus.Justice.Jazz 2009 ELCA National Youth Gathering in New Orleans and Family Camp at Shores of St. Andrew (Green Lake Lutheran Ministries) in July; and the annual Boundary Water's Canoe Trip was a huge success! Whew! That was a lot of fun!

## Paintball

Saturday, September 19th, 12:00 – 6:00pm  
Cost: Approx. \$25 - Registration due by September 15th

Students in grades 7-12 are invited to join us as we head to Tommy Gun World. Don't miss this rowdy event. This is their HUGE all-play weekend, where you get in for just \$5 (plus, equipment and paintballs)! Registration is REQUIRED, so sign-up soon! Price includes: Field Fee – All Day access to all 7 fields; Rental Equipment (Marker, Mask, All day air); 500 paintballs. Additional Paint \$20 per 500. Questions, talk to Erika.

## See You at the Pole

This year's national See You at the Pole date is September 23rd at 7:00 a.m. This is an event where youth gather at the school flag pole before school to pray for school, government, family, and needs. The verse this year is 2 Kings 22:13a. This is a wonderful way to gather with Christians in your school of all ages. Meet at the High School flag pole at 7:00 a.m. Look for a flyer on the youth board for more information!

## Annual Fast Food Follies

This year's fast Food Follies Competition will take place September 27th, starting at 6:30 p.m. at Trinity. The cost is \$5 per person and come hungry for all types of fast food! Sign up in the narthex and grab a flyer. We are in need of careful ADULT drivers for this event, see Erika if you can help!

## Announcing: 2010 Mission Trip!

Next summer, Trinity is headed out on a very special INTERGENERATIONAL mission trip to Haiti in June 2010. This trip will be for ANY CONFIRMED MEMBER of Trinity...yes that means "adults" too! Space will be limited to 12 participants.

There will be an informational luncheon to learn more about this opportunity on RALLY DAY, September 9th at 11:30 in the Gustafson Fellowship Hall. We will have a lot more information about this trip, including costs and fundraising plans, at that time. Lunch will be provided. Please talk to Erika if you are interested in the trip but cannot attend the meeting.

## What's new for 2009-2010

- Friday Night Lights – Youth Outreach Events
- Youth Council will be taking on more leadership, w/ a special "YoCo Retreat"
- New Confirmation Curriculum (for the 9th graders)
- Peer Ministry Training
- Youth Groups will be scheduled a little different but all three: Faith4Life, Live the Life and Oxygen (O2) will be happening again this year.
- Trinity will have Gustavus work study students helping with our ministries
- Revamped Youth HandBell Choir
- New Milestone Ministry Event for 10th Graders: Hot Wheels
- New Year/New You Slumber Parties – Girl/Guy only events
- Better Communication: a weekly Y & F email and updated youth website
- Erika's getting married
- And much, much more!

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## Financial Update

As of August 17, 2009

Budget Income	\$286,504.00
Budget Expense	<u>\$299,623.00</u>
Difference	-\$13,119.00

## Confirmation Meeting Scheduled

A confirmation meeting for 7-9 graders AND their parents will take place at 6:30 pm on Wednesday, September 2, in the sanctuary. It is important that students and their parents be present to register for confirmation. Contact Pastor Eric or Erika Reckling at the church office (934-4786) if you have any questions.

## 5th Grade First Communion Class

Fifth Grade 1st Communion classes for these students and their parents will begin the first Sunday in October during the education hour and will continue each Sunday throughout the month of October. Please put these dates on your calendars. Fifth graders must be accompanied by their parents (or grandparents/guardians).

## Have You Taken a Look at Trinity's Website Recently?

(www.trinitystpeter.org) If you haven't checked it out in the last year, you should. Check the church's online calendar, follow links to other great sites, find information about our church and its ministry that you might be looking for.

## Ministry Fair, Sunday, September 27

This event will offer opportunities for Trinity members to meet, greet, visit, survey, and consider participating in some of the wonderful ministries that Trinity is involved with. Boards, committees, and auxiliaries of Trinity will share the many opportunities that are available to members and invite them to consider serving in meaningful ways in the life of our congregation. Displays will be set up in the church, written materials will be available, and individuals currently serving in various ministries at Trinity will share their work and the opportunities that are available to become more involved. Plan to participate in the "Fair" event!

## Fall Preview

### Wednesday, September 2nd

6:30pm Confirmation Registration for all 7-9 Graders and their parents

### Wednesday, September 9th

5:15pm Fellowship Suppers begin (\$5/person, maximum of \$17/family) Menu: Sloppy Joes, Cold Veggies, Pickles, Salad, Drink, Dessert

6:15pm Confirmation Class Begins

### Sunday, September 13th – Rally Day! – Sunday School Begins!

8:00am Worship

9:00am Coffee Fellowship in the Gustafson Fellowship Hall

9:30am Sunday School Rally in the Gustafson Fellowship Hall

9:30am Worship, including...

10:30am Coffee Fellowship in the Gustafson Fellowship Hall

10:45am Family Contemporary Worship Service, including...

- Installation of Sunday School Teachers
- Installation of Confirmation Guides

As we return to 3 services on Sunday morning, please note that the 10:45 a.m. service is our "Family Friendly Service" with a Praise Band at which we will be incorporating elements for people of all ages in worship.

### Sunday, September 20th – 7th Grade Matriculation/Bible Sunday

9:30am Service of Matriculation for incoming 7th Grade confirmation students

10:45am Sunday School students receive their Bibles (information to come in Sunday School)

7th Graders and Parents "Follow the Quest" in the Youth Room

## Sunday School Update

1. Rally Day will be on Sunday, September 13 from 9:30-10:30 a.m. Both parents and children can start in the Gustafson Room for music and treats. Later on the kids will meet their teachers and go to their classrooms while the parents stay for a meeting. We are looking forward to an exciting new year of Sunday school!

2. Registration for Sunday School will be for new students only and for those who have changes from last year's registration. If you registered last year and nothing has changed, you will find out your child's classroom on Rally Day.

3. We are looking for people interested in teaching Sunday school, helping with the Christmas program, leading music and being helpers. Look for the board in the narthex where you can sign your name by the grade you are interested in. Otherwise, call Lori Hanson at 931-2574 with questions.

4. There will be a teacher's meeting on Wednesday, September 9 at 6:30 p.m. At church, location TBD.

## Youth Group Volunteers Needed

Are you interested in helping with the 5th and 6th grade group called Faith 4 Life? They meet on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of every month from 6:30-7:30 p.m. It's a great way to get these kids excited about starting youth group at an early age. Call Lori Hanson at 931-2574 if you are interested in leading the group one or two Sundays. Lori will be the coordinator this year.

## Bus Trip to New Ulm

Trinity Women are hosting a bus trip to New Ulm on Tuesday, October 12th at 10:00am. Everyone is welcome! Mark your calendars now! Cost is \$25. Sign up in the church office. Questions: Marvel Prafke, 934-9078

### AGENDA:

10:30am Arrive New Ulm Chamber Office for coffee and treats

11:00am – 12:30pm Tour of the City

12:30pm – 1:30pm Lunch at the Kaiserhoff - soup and sandwich or salad- German or American

1:30pm Shopping

2:00pm – 3:00pm Schell's Brewery Tour

3:00pm – 4:00pm Henderson – coffee and cookies followed by a Fall Leaf stop for pictures

# TRINITY NEWS

## Thank You Notes

Trinity -

Thank you so much for the \$500 scholarship. It will be very useful next year in helping to pay for my education at the University of St. Thomas.

Sincerely,

Lindsay Bitter

Dear Trinity Lutheran Church Members,

Thank you very much for the Fern Martinson scholarship! I am very thankful for the gift you have given me, for it will help me greatly with my college payments. I am very excited to head off to Augustana College, where I plan to major in Biology. I can't wait to meet all the new people, learn new things, and experience college life for my own. Thank you very much again for the support in my college career, and I will keep you in my prayers.

Thank you again,

Alex Natwick

## CROP Walk to Raise Hunger Funds!

Many members of the Christian churches in St. Peter, Gustavus, and citizens of St. Peter will participate in a "walk" to raise funds to overcome hunger and poverty scheduled for Sunday afternoon, October 11th. The walk will begin at 3:30 p.m. CROP stands for Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty. Walkers obtain "pledges" of financial support but pledges are simply lump amounts and not committed on a per/mile schedule. The CROP walks are a project of Church World Service, an interdenominational relief and development agency of impeccable reputation.

The goal this year is to raise \$5,000! 12.5% of whatever amount is raised will go to support the efforts of "The Kitchen", the program begun at Trinity that provides a free meal to those in need each Monday evening.

Please watch for details including how to register for this event which is returning to the St. Peter Community after a hiatus of nearly a dozen years. This is a wonderful opportunity to put our faith into action in response to God's wondrous grace and many blessings showered upon us as individuals, congregations, and community.

## Mankato Children's Chorus

The Mankato Children's Chorus will begin registration for choirs for children in grades 1-12. Come, on that date to, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Mankato, Minnesota, 9:30 am to 12 pm. No appointment necessary. \$50.00 deposit required at registration. Rehearsals are held once a week, with two seasonal concerts and community events. Need more info, contact Jeff Adams at 507-345-6097 or mccsing@charter.net.

## St. Peter Girls Night Out

Girls Night Out will be Thursday, October 1, 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. Mark your calendars now as forty-one local businesses will again sponsor Girls Night Out to show everyone what the St. Peter Area has to offer ladies. Visit the business places for fun, food and prizes. No charge for the entire evening. Child care, with charges, will be provided at the Community Center. Watch for more details soon.

## Habitat 500 – Thank You!

I would like to thank Trinity and its members for all of your support of my biking in the 2009 Habitat 500 in July! Thank you to the Trinity council for approving \$500 in matching funds. Thank you to the members of Trinity who provided a donation, an encouraging word and/or prayers. With your help, I was able to raise a total of \$5,628.00, with \$5,065.20 going to the St. Peter Chapter of Habitat for Humanity and \$562.80 going to the 2009 Bike.Home. built in Rushford, MN. You have helped 2 families to have a decent, affordable house to call home! -- Julie Fedeler, Rider #27

## Lutheran Marriage Encounter

Is Your Marriage Due For a Tune-up? Is your timing off? Does your marriage lack spark? Attending a Marriage Encounter Weekend will make your marriage run like new. You'll spend two nights in a comfortable hotel and enjoy five delicious meals from Friday at 7:00 pm to Sunday at 5:00 pm. Four presenting couples, including a Lutheran clergy couple, give a series of presentations followed by questions the couples discuss in the privacy of their hotel room. There is no counseling and no group sharing. No one tries to change who you are. It's great for couples who already have a good marriage and want to enrich their relationship, but it also does wonders for those marriages that have lost their luster though years of child rearing and work obligations.

The next Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekends in Minnesota are October 16-18 in Duluth and November 20-22 in Brooklyn Center. Please register a month in advance. For more information, contact Dick & Judy Dehnel at 952-432-3105, Pete & Phyllis McMahon at 763-561-1575 or visit [www.godlovesmarriage.org](http://www.godlovesmarriage.org).

# OTHER NEWS

## VINE Home Thrift Store Now Open

We regularly accept donations of clean, gently used furnishings for every room in the house. We'd appreciate furniture, lamps, plants, pictures, mirrors, decorator items, home & kitchen accessories, full sets of dishes and flatware, good quality bedding and towels, hardcover books and bookshelves. We pre-screen and may accept electric appliances which are clean and less than five years old.

Call the store at 507-387-2699 to arrange for free local home pick up. Tax receipt available.

Donation drop-offs are accepted during regular business hours at 77 Star Street in Mankato (old Slumberland Clearance Center)

Mon. CLOSED; Tue.-Fri. 10am-7pm; Sat. 10am-5pm; Sun. Noon-5pm

All proceeds will support VINE's mission of "coordinating volunteers and services to assist people with long-term health needs or difficult life circumstances in Blue Earth and Nicollet Counties."

## Ambassadors in Mission

The next meeting for AIM will be held on Saturday, September 12th at Zion Lutheran in Arlington. The program will be led by Dr. Gerald Close, Glencoe, visitor to Myanmar. 9:30am coffee to noon meal. All are welcome to attend.

## Notice

If you would like a community announcement to appear here, please turn your items into the church office by September 15th. Items will be published on a space-available basis.

# IN HIS SERVICE

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## Ushers and Greeters

### September 6th

8:00am Harold Frey; Audrey Hanson; Lillias Harmer; Kay Mowbray  
9:30am Brent, Lori, Katie & Kelli Hanson

### September 13th

8:00am Harold Frey; Audrey Hanson; Nancy Hanson; Kay Mowbray  
9:30am Diane Nelson; Barb Nelson; Roger Nelson; Margie Cooney  
10:45am Scott & Deb Fichnter; Mavis Morcus

### September 20th

8:00am Tim & Tammy Poppen; Nancy Hanson; Audrey Hanson  
9:30am Don Slarks; Al & Linda Hewitt  
10:45am Patty Mensing; Mavis Morcus; Don & Joni Myers

### September 27th

8:00am Audrey Hanson; Nancy Hanson; Adrian & Pei-Lo Loh  
9:30am Bob & Sally Lambert; Don & Jan Glimsdal  
10:45am Mavis Morcus; Don & Joni Myers

## Lay Readers

### September 6th

8:00am Barbara Simpson  
9:30am Doug Minter

### September 13th

8:00am JoAnn Pedersen  
9:30am Carolyn Dobler

### September 20th

8:00am Curt Stolee  
9:30am Al Hewitt

### September 27th

8:00am Justin Simpson  
9:30am Kris Kelly

## Altar Care

September 6th Ann Malanad; Ingrid Gerlach  
September 20th Mary Volk; Leona Miller

## Video Camera

September 6th Chuck Christiansen  
September 13th Chuck Christiansen  
September 20th Steve Pettis  
September 27th Steve Pettis

## Fellowship Hosts

September 6th Charlotte Foss & Donna Wick  
September 13th John & Jill Gatzke  
September 20th VINE Belgian Waffle Feed  
September 27th Al & Linda Hewitt

## Council Assistants

### September

8:00am Sharon Litynski  
9:30am Scott Moore  
10:45am Mari Feder

## Vital Statistics

### **Baptisms**

Ashton Rhyse Guida  
Son of Robert & Alecia Guida  
Born: May 15, 2009  
Baptized: August 2, 2009

Jack Arthur Thompson  
Son of Jerret & Janet Thompson  
Born: June 2, 2009  
Baptized: August 16, 2009

### **Weddings**

Michael Biehn & Victoria Neumann  
August 8, 2009

Daniel Pearson & Kayleigh Smesmo  
August 15, 2009

Kathleen Delestre & Timothy Schultz  
August 15, 2009

### **Funerals**

Tyler Mark Heilman  
April 11, 1985 – July 20, 2009

Adeline Elizabeth (Hein) Kretschmer  
January 4, 1915 – August 11, 2009

# SERVICE LIST

All Trinity members share in food preparation and serving duties for funerals and other church events throughout the year. The membership has been divided into 13 groups with designated coordinators for each month. This allows one group to have a month off each year. Groups move up one month each year as well, so that you are not serving in the same month each year. This list is also used to secure ushers. When your assistance is needed, a coordinator will contact you.

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### Food Coordinators:

Jill Gatzke 934-6399  
Charlotte Foss 931-3167

### Usher/Greeter Coordinators:

Scott & Deb Fichtner 934-2257

### Name

Armstrong, John & Sarah  
Bartlett, Marvin & Shelly  
Buendorf, Daniel & Sandra  
Christensen, Tom  
Cooney, Margie  
Davis, Gary & LeAnn  
Delestre, Richard  
Emich, Chris & Shari  
Hanson, Audrey  
Hanson, Brent & Lori  
Hanson, Stu & Mary Ann  
Hauth, Dawn  
Hewitt, Al & Linda  
Johnson, Gary & Joan  
Just, Chris & Holly  
Kaduce, Larry & Megan  
Keller, Vivian  
Kruger, Jim & Nancy  
Leonard, Jeff & Natalie  
Lundgren, Angie  
Lundgren, Richard & Mildred  
Maland, Ann  
Mensing, Patty  
Morcus, Mavis  
Myers, Don & Joni  
Myhra, Richard & Julie  
Nelson, Diane  
Rathman, Scott & Heather  
Schieck, Jessica  
Seibert, Donald & Kyong  
Slarks, Don & Marilyn  
Volk, Steve & Mary  
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# SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

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## SEPTEMBER

<b>1st</b> All Day 5:30pm	Trinity Kitchen Closed for Cleaning Executive Committee Meeting	<b>14th</b> 5:30pm 8:00pm	"The Kitchen" AA (Closed)	<b>28th</b> 5:30pm 8:00pm	"The Kitchen" AA (Closed)
<b>2nd</b> All Day 7:00am 11:00am 6:30pm	Trinity Kitchen Closed for Cleaning Men's Bible Study Staff & Music Meetings 7-9th Gr. Confirmation Registration	<b>15th</b> October 8:00am	Newsletter Deadline MN Valley Conf. Pastor's Meeting	<b>30th</b> 7:00am 9:30am 11:00am 5:15pm 6:15pm 7:30pm 7:30pm 8:00pm	Men's Bible Study Morning Bible Study Staff & Music Meetings Fellowship Supper Confirmation Praise Bells Praise Band O2 Sr. High Youth Group
<b>3rd</b> All Day 5:00pm 8:00pm	Trinity Kitchen Closed for Cleaning Al-Anon AA (Open)	<b>16th</b> 7:00am 9:30am 11:00am 5:15pm 6:15pm 7:30pm 7:30pm 8:00pm	Men's Bible Study Morning Bible Study Staff & Music Meetings Fellowship Supper Confirmation Praise Bells Praise Band O2 Sr. High Youth Group		
<b>4th</b> All Day	Trinity Kitchen Closed for Cleaning	<b>17th</b> 5:00pm 8:00pm	Al-Anon AA (Open)		
<b>6th</b> 8:00am 9:00am 9:30am 7:00pm 7:00pm	Communion Worship Coffee Fellowship Communion Worship AA (Closed) "The Kitchen" Board Meeting	<b>20th</b> 8:00am 9:00am 9:30am 9:30am 10:30am 10:45am 7:00pm 7:00pm	Communion Worship Coffee Fellowship Communion Worship (7th Gr. Matriculation) Education Hour Bible 101 (7th Gr.) Communion Worship (Sunday School Bible Milestone) AA (Closed) "The Kitchen" Board Meeting		
<b>7th</b> 5:30pm 8:00pm	"The Kitchen" AA (Closed)	<b>21st</b> 5:30pm 8:00pm	"The Kitchen" AA (Closed)		
<b>8th</b> 9:30am 2:45pm 3:30pm 6:30pm 7:00pm	Communion at Parkview Communion at Grandview Communion at Benedictine Trinity Women Board Meeting Council Meeting	<b>23rd</b> 7:00am 8:00am 9:30am 11:00am 5:15pm 6:00pm 6:15pm 7:30pm 7:30pm 8:00pm	Men's Bible Study VINE Health Clinic Morning Bible Study Staff & Music Meetings Fellowship Supper Sunday School Teachers Meeting Confirmation Praise Bells Praise Band O2 Sr. High Youth Group		
<b>9th</b> 7:00am 11:00am 5:15pm 6:00pm 6:15pm 7:30pm 7:30pm	Men's Bible Study Staff & Music Meetings Fellowship Supper Sunday School Teachers Meeting Confirmation Praise Bells Praise Band	<b>24th</b> 5:00pm 8:00pm	Al-Anon AA (Open)		
<b>10th</b> 5:00pm 5:30pm 8:00pm	Al-Anon Truancy Circle AA (Open)	<b>27th</b> MINISTRY FAIR 8:00am 9:00am 9:30am 9:30am 10:45am 6:30pm 8:00pm	Worship Coffee Fellowship Worship Education Hour Worship Fast Food Follies AA (Closed)		
<b>11th</b> 1:30pm	Martha Circle				
<b>13th</b> RALLY DAY! 8:00am 9:00am 9:30am 9:30am 9:30am 9:30am 10:45am 11:30am Mission 7:00pm	Worship Coffee Fellowship Worship Education Hour Sunday School RALLY! Worship (Installation of Sunday School Teachers & Confirmation Guides) Information Luncheon on Haiti Trip AA (Closed)				

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