

# Trinity's Weekly Connection

## Today at Trinity: Sunday, September 1, 2019

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**Traditional Worship Services, 8 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.**

**Rejoice Worship Service, 9:15 a.m.**

Lectio Divina, noon (in The Upper Room)

Lutheran World Relief Quilting, noon

## Worship Notes

**Welcome!** We're pleased you joined us in worship today. First-time visitors, long-time members – all are welcome!

**Are You Visiting Today?** Help us welcome you by introducing yourself to one of our pastors. Please also consider filling out a Trinity "Let's Connect" card that you can place in the offering plate or hand to an usher or pastor.

**Communion:** All are welcome to participate in Holy communion at Trinity Lutheran Church. Cups on the inner ring of the trays are filled with white grape juice; cups on the outer rings are filled with red wine. Gluten-free wafers are available in the narthex, and at the Welcome Center in The Courtyard. Those who wish to receive by the common cup are invited to receive the sacrament from the assisting minister offering the chalice on the right side of the congregation's seating.

**Nametags Help Us Connect:** Please fill out a nametag today. It is good to be together in worship!

### Baptisms:

- Today at 9:15 a.m. we welcome Zoey Cheyenne Zupin into the Body of Christ by the waters of Holy Baptism. Zoey's parents are Nanje and Michael Zupin. Her sponsors are Michael, Charmayne and Elizabeth Mulligan.
- Today at 10:45 a.m. we welcome Caitlyn Callie Harrison into the Body of Christ by the waters of Holy Baptism. Caitlyn's parents are Cyndi and Nick Harrison, and she is little sister to Lyman and Henry. Her sponsors are Tiffany Chase and Jesse Edwards.

**Eternal Light:** The Eternal Light reminds us of God's presence among us. The Eternal Light for today was given by Brian and Gail Mazurek in loving memory of Richard Sironen.

## Sunday School Announcements



**Sunday School begins September 8, from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. weekly during the school year.**

Children ages 3 years through grade 5 are invited to attend Sunday School.

Please register at: [vbspro.events/p/trinitykids2019](https://vbspro.events/p/trinitykids2019). This is an important step, as we are automating our check-in process.

### Preschool Blessing September 8, 9:15 a.m. worship service

All preschoolers are welcomed to Sunday School with a special blessing in worship on September 8. Newcomers will be gifted a storybook Bible, and parents are invited to experience Sunday school at 9:30 a.m. with their children.

## This Week's Calendar Highlights

### Monday, September 2

*Labor Day—Office Closed*

### Tuesday, September 3

Executive Committee Meeting, 7:15 a.m.

SOLO Together Luncheon, 11:30 a.m.

Health Advisory Cabinet, 6:30 p.m.

### Thursday, September 5

Art Class, 5 p.m.

Resound Bell Choir, 6 p.m.

Trinity Choir, 7:30 p.m.

### Friday, September 6

AI-Anon Speaker Meeting, 7 p.m.

### Sunday, September 8

**Traditional Worship Services, 8 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.**

**Rejoice Worship Service, 9:15 a.m.**

Preschool Blessing, 9:15 a.m.

Sunday School Rally, 9:30 a.m.

Lutheran World Relief Quilting, noon

Lectio Divina, noon (in The Upper Room)

Alleluia Bells, 12:15 p.m.

Stephen Ministry Peer Support, 12:30 p.m.

Confirmation Class, 3 p.m.

High School Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.

## Members in Our Prayers

We pray for Trinity members Deb Bambini, Kelli Basher, George and Julia Bauer, Fran Bolthuis, Amy Bonjour, Kristin Bradley, Dixie Brinks, Kate Christenson, Elisabeth Crist, Jack Danielson, Samantha DeBoer, Beth Engstrom, Carol Eriksen, Mike Franz, Mary Frick, Phyllis Gehl, Diane Gohlke, Mark Hahn, Joan Hansen, Bob Heine, Jean Hollebeck, Callan Hughes, Hulda Johnson, Sandy Kishman, Joni Korb, Susan Kwast, Larson family, Marilyn Leese, Joan Lohr, Bob & Cathy Luders, Carolyn McCready, Marilyn Mellema, Jim Miller and Family, Roger Perham, Randy Preston, John Racek, Jacqueline Riegling, Thiago Saliba, Chas Schaner, Chris Schomberg, Schuen Family, Ilene Seadal, Karen Selle, Jim Searfoss, Michael Smith, Joyce Snyder, Lauren Sytsma, Shirley Tedford, Jeremiah (JD) Thamban, Ronnie VanderVen, Rollie Varner, Allison Vigna, John Walls, Kathy Wilcox, Peyton Wollen, Kathy Young, Susan Youngren and Kathryn Zielinski.

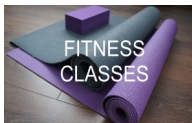
We also lift up in prayer this morning the pastor and people of St. John Lutheran Church in Grayling, partners with us in mission and ministry in the North/West Lower Michigan Synod, ELCA.

## Lessons for Next Sunday, September 8

Deuteronomy 30:15-20  
Philemon 1-21

Psalms 1  
Luke 14:25-33

## Fall Fitness Program starts in September



Trinity Member Kristina Kuhlmann is offering her time and talents to establish this fitness program here at Trinity called "Body & Spirit." Weekday classes start on September 9 and Saturday classes start on September 21. See page 16 of the September *Messenger* for full details and schedule. Please contact Kristina at 616.719.6961, or Kristin Bradley at 616.949.2510 x119, with any questions.

## "God's work. Our hands." Sunday Saturday

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Our special day of service this year will take place on the morning of Saturday, September 14 as we join hundreds of other volunteers for the 16th Annual Mayor's Grand River Cleanup in downtown Grand Rapids. Details can be found in the September issue of *The Messenger*. To sign up to participate as a member of "Team Trinity" and work at the same site together, use the SignUp Genius link found in Friday eBlasts by September 11. You will receive additional information about the event and carpooling from Trinity.

## "Paris to Pittsburgh" film showing at Trinity in September



Trinity's Earth Keepers invite you to view this special film about some of the effects of climate change and the inspiring ways Americans are responding. This National Geographic film features countless people already choosing sustainable energy options in the face of challenges posed by climate change. The film will be shown on Wednesday, September 18 at 10:30 a.m.

and on Sunday, September 22 at 6:30 p.m. with brief discussions to follow facilitated by representatives from Michigan Interfaith Power and Light.

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scheduling option is available Monday noon through midnight on Friday. If you have questions, speak to Director of Congregational Life Angela Davis.

## "Life Begins at 60" Dinner at Ganders



The Over-60 crowd will be dining together on Friday, September 27, at 6 p.m. at GANDERS restaurant, inside the Double Tree by Hilton, located at the northwest corner of 28th and Patterson. The Ganders chefs take pride in their locally sourced ingredients grown here in the heart of

Michigan, and work with local vendors to create a variety of thoughtful entrées for you to enjoy and savor. **Due to restaurant accommodations, reservations will be limited to the first 30 people.** To make your reservation, contact hosts Bob and Louise Pfau at 616.954.7062 or Pastor Karen.

## Help a Child Learn to Read!



Consider becoming a tutor with a program that pairs adults with children in grades Kindergarten through Grade 2 at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Leadership Academy. The tutoring program at this GRPS School has been under the direction of First United Methodist Church for 27 years! Training is provided to orient volunteers to school policies, reading strategies and the tutoring center supplies. For more information, contact Director of Discipleship, Sylvia Stouten at 616.949.2510 x121 or [sylvia.stouten@tlcgr.org](mailto:sylvia.stouten@tlcgr.org).

## Worship Participants

### Pastoral Staff

Rev. Robert Linstrom, Senior Pastor  
Rev. Dan Schewe, Associate Pastor  
Rev. Karen Niemeyer, Assisting Pastor

### Music Staff

Larry Biser, Director of Music & Organist  
Sid Hoeksema, Director of Trinity Choir  
Kim Owens, Rejoice Music Coordinator

### Traditional Services

#### **Cantor:**

10:45 a.m.: Diane Triplett Biser

**Bread Baker:** Elaine Furmaga

#### **Sacristans**

8 a.m.: Dave & Kathy Young

10:45 a.m.: Helen & Steve Johnson

#### **Communion Assistants**

8 a.m.: Dave & Sue Wait

10:45 a.m.: Jo Murphy, Doug Haneline

#### **Lectors**

8 a.m.: Gloria Von der Heide

10:45 a.m.: Dolly Lowe

#### **Greeters**

8 a.m.: Bill & Meri Leidel

10:45 a.m.: Esther Sellman, Kate Bredwell

#### **Ushers**

8 a.m.: Dave Wait, John Potter

10:45 a.m.: Scott Stoll, Dale Elliott, Brian Meuser, Brad Kessel, Tim Lundgren

### Rejoice Service at 9:15 a.m.

**Band:** Beyond Belief

**Sound Board Operator:** Brooks Alder

**ProPresenter Operator:** Greg Lang

**Bread Baker:** Elaine Furmaga

#### **Sacristans**

Lisa & Matt Mead, Jim Kubicek

#### **Communion Assistants**

Mari Franz, Mike Danielski

#### **Lector**

Neil Sendler

#### **Greeters**

Neil Sendler, Carrie Wygmans

#### **Ushers**

Neil Sendler

### For the Record:

Thank you for supporting Trinity's ministry. The total offering for Sunday, August 25, was \$14,662. Sunday worship attendance was 221.

YTD through 08/25/2019 Budgeted	\$ 638,231
YTD through 08/25/2019 Actual	\$ 619,066
YTD Variance	\$ (19,165)
YTD % Variance	-3.0%