

Weekly Bulletin - Trinity Lutheran Church of Freistadt!

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TRINITY'S WEEKLY CHURCH BULLETIN

August 29th – September 4th, 2020

If you have information or news pertaining to Trinity's ministries, please submit those articles to office@trinityfreistadt.com or call the office at 262-242-2045. Deadline for all submissions is **12:00 Noon on Wednesdays**.

A Message from Pastor Chris

In the Third Chapter of Ecclesiastes, King Solomon records some words of wisdom on time. These words are quite well known, as the first eight verses were adopted by folk groups and singers, but became an international hit through The Byrds' 1965 adaptation titled, "Turn! Turn! Turn!" As for the latter, the words resonated with the younger American public as a plea for world peace, especially as the Vietnam War was ramping up.

While pop culture took these eight verses as a call for peace, Solomon's commentary (verses 9-15) on them seems to demonstrate something else. As I was reading through this section, a few key verses jumped out at me, the first being verse 9. Here, Solomon asks a question: "What does the worker gain from his toil?" And, to answer this question, he introduces a conflict in verses 10 and 11 in three important statements regarding time: "I have seen the burden God has laid on men. He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the hearts of men; yet they cannot fathom what God has done from beginning to end."

Solomon's first statement introduces a conflict which exists inside humanity, while the second and third statements identify the conflict: When it comes to our labor, the fruit of our labor is only temporal, yet God has put a desire for eternity in our hearts. In other words, we want to benefit from our labors, but not in a temporal way; we want those benefits to last a lifetime. For example, if I build a house, I have every intention of maintaining that house so my family can benefit from it for years to come. In doing so, it would make us happy and bring me great satisfaction. The house would be beautiful.

"[God] has made everything beautiful in its time" (verse 11). Now, I could do everything in my power to keep my house beautiful, but I can't guarantee that beauty. Maybe a storm comes in and damages the house beyond repair, maybe a fire burns it down, or maybe a

job loss forces me to sell it. The truth is, while we desire to maintain our fruit, the circumstances of this fallen world cannot guarantee that fruit, much less its beauty. Again, God has made everything beautiful in its time.

In our current situation (or time), we are experiencing a lot of changes. And these changes are probably affecting the very things we consider “beautiful,” things like our jobs, our community, our location, and maybe even our security. In response to this, along with his aforementioned conflict, Solomon addresses both our temporal state as well as our eternal. As for what is temporal, to paraphrase verse 13, he shares how God grants us temporal, worldly fruit through our labors. Yet, regarding matters of eternity, Solomon points us to the work of God which, “will endure forever; nothing can be added to it and nothing can be taken from it” (verse 14). This work is that which stands outside of time, a work that remains beautiful; this is the work of our salvation, won for us by our Savior, Jesus.

Beauty in this world is fleeting, but God’s salvation is a beauty that never fades. In the scope of our salvation then, maybe it’s okay to let the world be beautiful in its own time.

WEEKLY BULLETIN UPDATE

Trinity’s TUESDAY BULLETIN will go back to being called Trinity’s WEEKLY BULLETIN. What does that mean? Our goal is to email or print off and send important and exciting news and information to you by the end of each week on Fridays. All information, starting next week, can be found on our website under “Weekly Bulletin”.

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This Week at Trinity

Saturday August 29

Ruehle/Gierach Wedding

7:00-8:00 am Men’s Bible Study

Sunday August 30

8:30 am Sanctuary Service

All worshippers will be asked to wear masks. Paper masks will be available for those who do not bring their own. Read more about our sanctuary worship [here](#).

10:00 am Outdoor Service

Weather permitting. Read more about our outdoor service [here](#).

Tuesday September 1

7:30 am Men's Bible Study

6:30 pm PTL Meeting

News & Information

Trinity

TRINITY JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Kindergarten Teacher's Aid

Want to join an AWESOME team? Know someone looking for a few extra hours? Trinity is hiring a 5-day-per-week kindergarten classroom aid. The effective classroom aid supports the academic work of the teacher and helps to create a classroom culture of joy, inclusion, and engagement. For more details and information on how to apply, click [here](#).

Janitor

Our school building is buzzing again with kids and activities, and as a five-star school, we work very hard to maintain a clean, healthy and safe facility. With our enrollment on the rise, so is our increasing demand during the day to keep things squeaky clean. With new measures for sanitation and disinfecting, additional help is needed. This position entails light janitorial duties and assisting on special projects like set-up or special events. This is a part-time position, around 20 hours per week, with flexible hours during the school day. If you are interested, please contact the school office, or email the Director of Facilities and Grounds, Chris Kapitanski at ckapitanski@trinityfreistadt.com.

Food Service Assistant

This position would be approximately 2 hours per day to help serve lunch and clean up. This will also include taking lunch over to the Childcare House once that is up and running. We will provide training and health and food safety protocol. We are also looking for someone who would be willing to cross train if Donna or Doris needs to be out on any given day. We love to have fun while we work and help each other at all times! Contact Doris for further information at dprice@trinityfreistadt.com.

HVAC FUNDS RAISED

A special thank you to all of the congregation members and friends of Trinity who have stepped up and answered the call to fund our upgrade to the facility-wide control for our heating and air conditioning system. This month's Nehemiah Project was a raging success, and due to your generosity, and gifts that have been pledged and are on their way, we have been able to hit our overall goal of \$32,500 for the installation. Praise God for His people, and their response to a need.

AN OPPORTUNITY TO HELP THOSE IN NEED

From time to time, members of the Trinity family need a little financial help. In the last few weeks, the generosity of our members has helped pay a few bills for a member in a difficult financial situation and provided professional counseling for an individual working to overcome some past and present challenges. If you would like to contribute so that Trinity is in a position to help when these needs arise, you may mark your check "Needy Family Fund" and the donation will be set aside for members of our church and school family who are in a time of financial crisis. Thank you for these tangible expressions of God's love!

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES

Click on the Picture to find out more about our College Care Packages:

Sign up to receive a care package
See items needed for package

SEPTEMBER FOOD BARREL

Toilet Paper, Paper Toweling, Facial Tissues

Church

MUSIC DURING THIS TIME

As the fall season approaches, we would still like to be able to enhance our worship services with special music in a safe way. I welcome and encourage you to use the gifts that you have cultivated to help others worship God more fully.

First of all, I am looking for musicians. If you play an instrument (guitar, trumpet, violin, flute, clarinet, etc..) and would be interested in playing along on hymns or providing pre and post service music, I would love to hear from you. We can do things as simple or complex as you would feel comfortable with.

I am also looking for people who would be interested in doing solo or small group singing. I would require that you wear a mask while rehearsing and singing in church as well as maintain social distancing.

All music and practice links would be sent to you ahead of time for you to rehearse at

home. We could then meet for a shorter amount of time to put things together thus minimizing exposure.

If this is something that you are interested in, please contact Marlene Forshee during the day at 262-242-2045 or evenings at 920-698-2971. You can also reach her at mforshee@trinityfreistadt.com.

Thank you to all who prayed for me and sent cards during my recent surgery. They were all a great comfort. Debbie Bultman

RED LETTER CHALLENGE

Click on the picture for more information.

LWML NEWS

A big Thank You to Jan Ladendorf for her enthusiastic leadership for the past few years. Jan also served as zone president, and various positions at the district level.. We wish Jan and Gene God's blessings in their new home.

Don't forget to bring your mites to the big mite box in church September 6. Please check your mailbox for the new Quarterly.

School & Childcare

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR 3rd GRADE PARENTS REGARDING THE BIBLE PRESENTATION WORKSHOP

ROBERT'S DINE-OUT NIGHT

Join us for our first dine-out night of the year on Tuesday, September 8 at Robert's Frozen Custard in Germantown. Dine-in, carry-out or go through the drive-thru between 4:00-9:00 pm and a percentage of the sales that evening is donated to Trinity PTL. Save yourself a night of planning and cooking!!!

CONGRATULATIONS

Each year Trinity student artwork is displayed at the Ozaukee County Fair. Say Reh won the overall School Art Award for sixth grade from the fair this summer. Congratulations, Say Reh!

DONATION REQUESTS

Childcare is looking for a baby gate to utilize in their childcare house. Click the picture to view Childcare's Amazon Wishlist.

Childcare is looking for a long baby gate that can be utilized to keep the garage a safe place to play during the winter months. Click the picture to view Childcare's Amazon Wishlist.

Trinity's 3K/4K classroom is in need of a gate. Click the picture to view their Amazon Wishlist.

Childcare is in need of baby video monitors. Click the picture to view Childcare's Amazon Wishlist. We accept gently used, still in working condition donations.

Childcare wants to share the message of Jesus through song! We are looking for (4x) Bluetooth Speakers. Click on the picture to view Childcare's Amazon Wishlist. We accept gently used, still in working condition donations.

Childcare is in need of an evacuation crib for safety purposes. Click the picture to view Childcare's Amazon Wishlist.

Birthday and Anniversaries

September Birthdays and Anniversaries

A printed copy of this calendar is available for those members who do not have internet capability. Please stop by the office for your copy.

Ask | Seek | Knock

Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened. – Matthew 7:7-8

Please take a moment right now and pray for those listed below.

For Missionaries: David & Rachel Baker, Matthew & & Beth Ritzman serving in Papua New Guinea

Our military, serving our country: Sarah Geidel (Reserves), Rebecca Guild (serving in San Diego), Akan Udoeyop (serving in Germany), Madison Kessel Lyon (serving in Germany), Nicholas Zanow (Charleston, South Carolina), Kurt Degner (WI National Guard), Mark

Liedtke (Fort Lewis, Washington)

Continued Healing & Protection: Mark Jaeger, Marie Ernst (recovering from surgery),
Carson, Bev Bergmann, Laurel Dobberfuhr (recovering from a stroke)

Family of George Hackbarth (mourning his death and celebrating his presence with his
Savior in heaven)

Nephew of Deb & Jim Yahr (recovering from brain surgery)

In Celebration:

Rachel Gierach & Kevin Ruele (married on Saturday)

Do you know of others for whom we should be praying? Let us know by sending an email
to trinity@trinityfreistadt.com.

Office Hours | Monday – Friday | 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Guidelines for Visitors

- Following CDC recommendations, sanitize or wash hands upon entering and leaving the building.
 - Maintain a distance of 6 feet from others.
 - To protect our office staff, please refrain from congregating in the main office.
 - Limit non-essential movement in the building to only the areas necessary during your visit.
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- Between the times of 8:00 am and 4:00 pm, visitors must ring the doorbell by pressing the outside buzzer at the main office doors.
 - Office personnel will determine entry.
 - Visitors must report directly to the reception desk located in the main lobby.
 - All visitors and volunteers (non-delivery personnel) seeking access to the building will be screened and documented at the reception desk in the main lobby and will be **required to use PPE** (available at reception desk).
 - Screening procedures include the following:
 - Temporal scan (temperature must be less than 99.5 degrees fahrenheit)
 - Simple questionnaire (self-reporting)
 - Shortness of breath?
 - New or worsening cough?
 - Have you or anyone in your family been exposed to someone known to have COVID-19?
 - Office personnel will provide the visitor with a badge; **all visitors must sign in.**
 - Guests are invited to wait in the main lobby while the office personnel contacts the staff member expecting the visitor and/or escort visitor to the appropriate location.

- Visitors must **return to the main lobby/front office** after their visit to sign out and return their badge.

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