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VOICE OF TRINITY

Proclaiming Jesus Christ to the World



For the
BREAD OF GOD

IS HE WHO COMES DOWN FROM

HEAVEN

and gives Life to the world.

JOHN 6:33, ESV



From Our Pastor

“Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.” (John 6:35)

I speak this first verse to everyone to whom I take Holy Communion. August is “bread month” as our gospel readings for the month are from the sixth chapter of John’s Gospel. The sixth chapter begins with the feeding of the five thousand and the scripture passages we will hear each of the Sundays in August will focus on the feeding’s aftermath. Jesus begins by paralleling himself with God’s feeding the Hebrew people with manna, who were in the wilderness following the Exodus from bondage in Egypt. From there, Jesus goes one step further and expounds his teaching and claim. He now offers himself as the “Bread of Life” and as the “Living Bread from Heaven” by projecting what was to come in the instituting of Holy Communion at the Last Supper. In faith we share in the eating of bread, the body Jesus Christ, and in the drinking from the cup of salvation believing in the one who came down from heaven is the giver of life now and everlasting.

I never learned how to bake bread, but I love the smell and taste of freshly bake bread. Who doesn’t! But while the bread and food we eat sustains our physical needs, it is the Spirit that gives to us life through the love and compassion of the risen Christ. Whether it is in our feeding ministry of the Trinity Food Pantry, in our fellowship lunches at church or in the breaking and sharing of bread at Communion, we are to pay attention and are to be renewed in life through the life-giving body of Jesus Christ.

In Christ service,

Pastor Robert

Lutheranism 101 Class

Would you like to learn more about the Lutheran Church? Pastor Robert will be offering a Lutheranism 101 class starting on Sunday afternoon August 25th from 4:30-6:00pm. Future dates of the classes in September will be determined at this first class. The class will run for three to four sessions. The class is open to anyone who is interested in finding out more about the Lutheran church denomination and who come from other church backgrounds and may interested in joining as members of Trinity. Please speak to Pastor Robert if you are interested in the class.

Thank you from DESC...

We wanted to express our heartfelt gratitude for your generous donation of a van full of bags of clothing, accessories, books, and suitcases received June 11, 2024 to DESC (Downtown Ecumenical Services Council). We are so thankful for your support.

Beth Wilson
Director of Programs

Thank you from Hubbard House...

Thank you so much for your generous gift of \$220.00, received on 6/10/2024. I am grateful that you’ve chosen to support us and our mission to provide safety, empowerment, and social change for survivors of domestic violence and their families.

Kristi Brandon
Chief Development & Administration Officer

August

2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4 Combined Service 10:00am	5 Quilters 9:00am Pastor Robert Vacation	6 Pastor Robert Vacation	7 Pastor Robert Vacation	8 Food Pantry 4-6pm Pastor Robert Vacation	9 Food Pantry 10am-2pm Pastor Robert Vacation	10 Pastor Robert Vacation
11 Combined Service 10:00am Pastor Robert Vacation	12 Quilters 9:00am Lise vacation	13 Council Meeting 6:30pm Writer's Group 5:30pm Lise vacation	14 Lise vacation	15 Food Pantry 4-6pm Lise vacation	16 Food Pantry 10am-12pm Lise vacation	17
18 Combined Service 10:00am	19 Quilters 9:00am Lise vacation	20 AARP Driving Class 9:00am Lise vacation	21 AARP Driving Class 9:00am Lise vacation	22 Lunch Bunch 11:30 Food Pantry 4-6pm Lise vacation	23 Food Pantry 10am-12pm Lise vacation	24 Contra Dance 6-11pm
25 Combined Service 10:00am	26 Quilters 9:00am	27 Writer's Group 5:30pm	28	29 Food Pantry 4-6pm	30 Food Pantry 10am-12pm NFAN Luncheon 11:30am	31 Square Dancers 1:30-5:00pm



Choir News

There will be no choir practice in July and August. Practice will resume in September.

Its Vacation Time Again...

Pastor Robert will be on vacation from Monday, August 5 through Sunday, August 11.

Lise York will be on vacation from Sunday, August 11 through Sunday August 25.

Trinity Lunch Bunch

August's Destination:

Puerto Plata Restaurant
2045 Bay view Rd.
Jacksonville, FL 32210
904-388-5888

August 22, 2024 – 11:30am

*Remember to sign up in the Hall of Memories.

*Call Kim with any changes:
904-635-9104

Thank you to **Judy Hassler** for continued work in the Memorial Garden. Judy added a pebble base around the new bench and pergola in the Garden. More landscaping is to come.

Ushers/Greeters and Worship Assistants needed:

As Byron and Mary Bollingberg are preparing to move to North Dakota, we will be in need of participants in the Traditional (11:00am) service format to serve as Ushers/Greeters and/or as a Worship Assistant. Pastor Robert and the Worship Team will be recruiting participants to serve one Sunday a month (or periodically). Interested participants are asked to remain after the worship service (10:00am) on **Sunday, August 4th** for instruction to serving in these positions. If you are interested in serving in the positions and are not able to be at worship on August 4th, please speak directly to Pastor Robert. We will also be looking for someone to be a coordinator for the ushers/greeters and the worship assistants.

Summer Worship and Events

Continuing our Summer schedule in August and thru Sunday, September 1st (Labor Day Weekend), Trinity will have just one worship service each Sunday at 10:00am. The format of the worship services will alternate between the Traditional service and the reSource Contemporary service. Here is the tentative schedule planned so far:

August

August 4th – Traditional format

August 11th – reSource format – Guest preacher, Rev. Mike Blaker

August 18th – Traditional format

August 25th – reSource format

September

September 1st – reSource format – Labor Day Weekend

Address Changes:
William and Donna Keels
 6227 Lake Drive
 Starke, FL 32091-9736

Byron and Mary Bollingberg
 303 1st Street N.
 Fessenden, North Dakota 58438-7216

Many thanks to **Karen Hiers, Berni Tomaszewski, Fanny and Gary Hautau** who stepped up to weed and spruce up the Memorial Garden in advance of the memorial service for Sarah Donahue.

Also thank you to **Juan Guzman** and his helpers who cleaned out the fountain in the Memorial Garden and cut back vines and bushes along the fence line of the Park and McDuff parking lot across from the church.

Summer Cookout Thanks

Our summer cookout picnic on Sunday, July 28th was loads of fun! We began with worship that highlighted the children’s Vacation Bible School of “Putting on the Full Armor of God” and the ELCA Youth Gathering, “Created to Be.” Following the service, we shared in a cookout and picnic in the Hall of Memories where grilled hot dogs and hamburgers were provided along with sides and desserts provided by the congregants. The children had games to play and enjoyed slipping and sliding outside on a water slide. Many thanks to everyone who brought a dish to share, to the women of the church who helped set-up, clean-up and in the kitchen. Thanks go to Bill Hiers and Kyle Billy for doing the grilling, to Scott Piersall for setting up tables, to Byron Bollingberg, and to Juan Guzman, Steve Tomaszewski, Dan Kruck, and Steve Montuori for their work in setting up and taking down the water slide. It was a fun day for everyone!

Putting on the Armor of God

Trinity’s one-day **Vacation Bible School** for children ages 4 years to 5th grade was a hit. Led by **Rebecca Kruck and Berni Tomaszewski**, the children learned about “**Putting on the Armor of God**” against the forces of the evil one. They also made castles, catapults and dragons and played games. Thank you to **Karen Brown, Fanny and Gary Hautau, Madeline Kuebler and Annabell Strasser** for their help in serving. Many thanks to **Clifton Strasser** for providing pizza from his Five Starr Pizza store.

School Supplies Needed

This summer Trinity is again collecting school supplies for Fishweir Elementary School as a partner school through the Children’s Enrichment Workshops of Riverside-Avondale (CEW) association. Supplies will be collected through Wednesday, August 7. They may be brought to the church on Sunday, or any time the church office is open. Here is a list of needed supplies:

Highlighters	Sharpies
Colored Markers	Colored Pencils
No. 2 Pencils	Blue or Black Pens
Post-it Notes	Pink erasers (2pack)
Glue Sticks	Hand sanitizer
Disinfectant wipes	Tissues
Pencil pouches	Scissors
White-out	Composition Books
Wide-ruled Loose-leaf notebook paper	3-pronged Folders with pockets
Handheld pencil sharpeners	Scotch Tape

The Love Offering

for August will go to support the Children's Enrichment Workshop (CEW).

**Treasurer's Report
May 2024**

1/1/2024 to 6/30/2024

Receipts

Actual	\$137,368
Budgeted	\$130,681
Actual-Budget	\$6,690

Expenses

Actual	\$136,654
Budgeted	\$143,679
Actual-Budget	(\$7,025)

Year-To-Date

Total Income	\$137,368
Total Expense	\$136,654
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$714

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Trinity Food Pantry Highlights

Here's a recap of activity for July 2024:

Date	Patrons	Family Members	# of Zip Codes
July 5 th	137	454	22
July 11 th - 12 th	228	717	23
July 18 th -19 th	234	842	24
July 25 th - 26 th	260	871	25
Total	890	2,884	30

39 Different Volunteers Served at the Community Food Panty during July.

Current Schedule for August 2024:

Aug. 1 st - 4PM-6PM	Aug. 2 nd - 10AM-12PM
Aug. 8 th - 4PM-6PM	Aug. 9 th - 10AM-12PM
Aug. 15 th - 4PM-6PM	Aug. 16 th - 10AM-12PM
Aug. 22 nd - 4PM-6PM	Aug. 23 rd - 10AM-12PM
Aug. 29 th - 4PM-6PM	Aug. 30 th - 10AM-12PM

Thank you to all of the Trinity Members that have Volunteered time and voluntarily donated food and money to the food pantry. Special thanks this month to Lise Dabney, Distribution Manager at Community Health Outreach (CHO); CHO team continues to share excess meat and other food.

The Daily Devotional - Word in Season

for July through September are available in the Narthex.

CHURCH STAFF:

Pastor:	Reverend Robert Kinley
Office Administrator:	Lise York
Organist/Choir Director:	Kim Bloomer
Director of reSource Ministry:	Dean Winter
Hostess:	Rae Ettmyer
Custodian:	Scott Piersall

CONGREGATIONAL OFFICERS:

President:	Rusty White
Vice President:	Karen Kuebler
Secretary:	Judy Hassler
Treasurer:	

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Pam Piersall	Judy Hassler	Bekah Alenduff
Geri Buchanan	Rusty White	Sandra Bryant
Gene Harvey	Karen Kuebler	Kyle Lind