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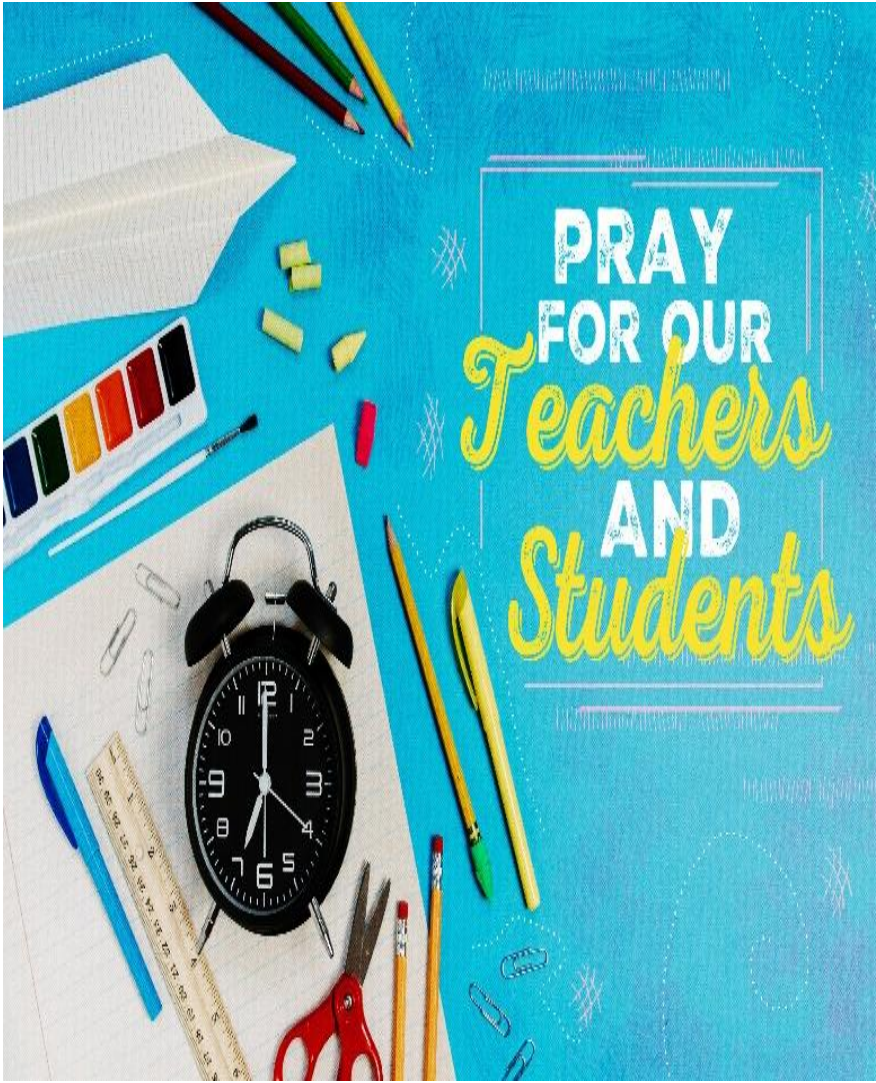
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VOICE OF TRINITY

Proclaiming Jesus Christ to the World



September

From Our Pastor

One of my favorite (if not original) sayings that I use on the golf course is that “A one putt covers a multitude of sins.” Believe me, I can in Luther’s words, “sin boldly” when it comes to hitting that little white ball from tee to green!

There are two places in the letters of scripture where we hear about what covers a multitude of sins. One is in the letter of 1Peter where we hear that love covers a multitude of sins:

“Above all, maintain constant love for one another, for love covers a multitude of sins.” (1 Peter 4:8)

The other is in the very last verse of the letter of James where it says:

“...you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner’s soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.” (James 5:20) I certainly have been known to have wandered off into the woods and the weeds on a golf course and have needed saving!

During the month of September, my Sunday morning messages will be emphasizing themes from the letter of James (a book of which Martin Luther was not too keen). These themes I have named as being: “Doers of the Word”, “Dead Faith”, “Taming the Tongue”, “Wisdom from Above”, and “Prayer of the Faithful.” They are all about living in and with the grace of God leading us and in keeping us in the “fairway” of life and out of the “weeds” of sin. So, come as we study and hear God’s word of grace this September from the letter of James, and may a multitude of sins be covered by the love of God and our love for one another.

In Christ’s 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 September 8th from 4:30-6:00pm. Dates of the remaining 2-3 classes will be determined at this first class. The class is open to anyone who is interested in finding out more about the Lutheran church denomination possibly joining as members of Trinity. Please speak to Pastor Robert if you are interested in the class.

Thrivent

We are partnering with the Exchange Club of Jacksonville and are co-hosting a shoe drive!

Please gather your gently worn used shoes or new shoes and drop them off at the church. This is a great time to clean out our closets of those shoes that either don’t fit right, or it has been years since you last wore them. We are accepting donations of men’s, women’s and children’s shoes from September 1st – October 31st 2024.

We kindly ask that the shoes are tied together if they have shoelaces. These shoes then will be shipped globally to 24 countries to be given a second chance of life. It’s a WIN Win!

Interested in joining Trinity?

Pastor Robert is looking to receive new members into the fellowship of Trinity this fall. New members are received either by letter of transfer from their previous congregation of membership or by the affirmation of baptism. If you may be interested in joining Trinity as a member, please speak to Pastor Robert.

LIFESOUTH
Community Blood Centers

Our next **Blood Drive** is September 15. Please consider sharing this life giving gift!

September

2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Combined Service 10:00am	2 Quilters 9:00am	3	4	5 Food Pantry 4-6pm	6 Food Pantry 10am-12pm	7
8 reSource 9:00am SSchool 10:05am Trad Svc 11:00am Lutheranism 101 4:30pm	9 Quilters 9:00am	10 CEW 3-5pm Writer's Group 5:30pm	11	12 CEW 3-5pm Food Pantry 4-6pm	13 Food Pantry 10am-12pm	14
15 reSource 9:00am SSchool 10:05am Trad Svc 11:00am	16 Quilters 9:00am	17 CEW 3-5pm Council Meeting 6:30pm	18	19 CEW 3-5pm Food Pantry 4-6pm	20 Food Pantry 10am-12pm	21
22 reSource 9:00am SSchool 10:05am Trad Svc 11:00am	23 Quilters 9:00am	24 CEW 3-5pm Writer's Group 5:30pm	25 AARP Driving Class 9:00am	26 AARP Driving Class 9:00am Lunch Bunch 11:30am CEW 3-5pm Food Pantry 4-6pm	27 NFAN Luncheon 11:00 Food Pantry 10am-12pm	28 Pet Blessing 1am-2pm Contra Dance 6-11pm
29 reSource 9:00am SSchool 10:05am Trad Svc 11:00am	30 Quilters 9:00am					

Office help is needed in the month of September. Lise will be having surgery, and we need people to cover the office while she is out. Office hours are 8am-2:30 pm Monday – Thursday and 8-12 on Friday. Lise is expected to be out from September 4 – 20. A signup sheet is in the Hall of Memories – or you can call the office.

September Worship and Sunday School Schedule

On Sunday, September 8th plans are to resume our regular Sunday morning schedule and to resume Trinity's educational programs (see below for the start dates) in between the worship services:
 9:00am – reSource Contemporary Worship Service
 10:10am – Children's Sunday School (9/8);
 Discipleship Training (9/15);
 Adult Takeaway (9/15)
 11:00am – Traditional Worship Service
 (Please be advised that this schedule may be subject to change due to special events and staff personal issues.)

Children's Sunday School Rally Day

will be on **Sunday, September 8th** in the Children's Worship Center located in back of the Sanctuary. This will be the beginning of the Fall Children's Sunday School program. Children ages 4 years old through 5th grade are invited.

Please speak to Berni Tomaszewski if you have a child in the age range that would be attending or if you may be interested in volunteering to help instruct. Berni's number is 904-699-7638.

Discipleship Training is instruction in the Christian faith and the Lutheran Church for middle school students grades sixth and up. This instruction is for young people in preparation for the public Affirmation of Baptism (Confirmation) and becoming a full voting member at Trinity. However, all middle school students are invited to attend. Pam Piersall instructs the Discipleship Training class which meets upstairs in the Children's area. Classes begin on **Sunday, September 15th**.

Adult Takeaway is an open session that studies and discusses the Sunday's scripture readings. It is lay led and coordinated by Pastor Janis. It meets in the Cecil Poole Room located down the back hallway behind the Kitchen. Anyone is invited to join in the discussion. Sessions will begin on **Sunday, September 15th**.

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

Ushers/Greeters and Worship Assistants

are needed for the Traditional worship service. Pastor Robert is recruiting and scheduling individuals and families to serve in these positions.

Training in the responsibilities is given by Pastor Robert or other team members.

A Coordinator for the Usher/Greeter and Worship Assistants is needed to ensure coverage is available each Sunday. If this is a way you may be interested in serving, please speak to Pastor Robert.

Trinity Lunch Bunch

September's Destination:

Cross Creek BBQ Steak
 850 Lane Ave S
 Jacksonville, FL 32205
 904-783-9579

September 26, 2024 – 11:30am

*Remember to sign up in the Hall of Memories.

*Call Kim with any changes:

904-635-9104

A Blessing of the Animals

A "Blessing of the Animals" will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church outside in the Memorial Garden of Saturday, September 28th beginning at 10:00am.

There will be an opening service of blessing followed by individual animal blessings until 2:00pm. All animals are welcome! (and their humans!)

Choir News

Choir practice resumes on September 4th at 10:30 am.



The Daily Devotional - Word in Season

for July through September are available in the Narthex.

School Supplies Donation Thanks...

Thanks to all who donated school supplies for Fishweir Elementary School and the Exchange Club Family Center backpack drive. The Exchange Club Family Center backpack drive was sponsored through the First Coast Group Thrivent Financial. Many thanks to Judy Hassler for coordinating these school supply drives at Trinity and for delivering the supplies to Fishweir.

Thank you to Judy, Berni Tomaszewski and Karen Hiers for their help in providing Trinity's portion of the food and in preparation of boxed lunches at Riverside Avenue Christian Church on Friday, August 9th that were delivered to Fishweir, West Riverside, and Central Riverside schools as part of the Children's Enrichment Workshops (CEW) teacher/staff appreciation luncheon. The schools are always appreciative of these donations at the beginning of each school year.

Trinity also made use of Thrivent Action Team funds to support the Fishweir School supply drive and the CEW school appreciation luncheon.

Please keep our community schools, students and families in prayer as this new school year is now under way.

Dear Trinity family,

Thank you for all the support we received in order to attend the ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans. A special thank you to everyone that worked at the Trinity Yard Sale. We had an amazing time meeting new friends, experiencing the city, and deepening our faith through the daily activities and nightly worship.

Christopher Redman, Elias Tudela and Pam Piersall

Children's Enrichment Workshops (CEW)

after-school programs of Yoga and Boys' Basketball is scheduled resume on:

Tuesday, September 10th (Yoga for 3rd – 5th grades); and

Thursday, September 12th (Boys' Basketball for 4th & 5th grades)

Students from Fishweir, West Riverside and Central Riverside Elementary schools participate in the CEW program. CEW is open to children of the congregation in the age range.

Help in providing snacks and being present at the church for Berni Tomaszewski, Pastor Robert and Mark Baker is welcomed. Please speak to one of them to learn more about CEW and to volunteer.

The Love Offering

for September will go to support Trinity's Food Pantry.

Treasurer's Report July 2024

1/1/2024 to 7/31/2024

Receipts

Actual	\$154,195
Budgeted	\$152,210
Actual-Budget	\$1,985

Expenses

Actual	\$155,490
Budgeted	\$163,286
Actual-Budget	(\$7,796)

Year-To-Date

Total Income	\$154,195
Total Expense	\$155,490
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$1,295

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Trinity Food Pantry Highlights

Here's a recap of activity for August 2024 through August 23rd:

Date	Patrons	Family Members	# of Zip Codes
Aug. 1 st – 2 nd	221	740	23
Aug. 8 th - 9 th	211	688	21
Aug. 16 th -17 th	218	756	20
Aug. 22 nd -23 rd	231	810	22
Total	881	2,994	23

Given we will be distributing food on August 29th-August 30th, we will provide food to approximately 1,100 families during the month.

36 Different Volunteers Served at the Community Food Party during August.

Current Schedule for September 2024:

Sept. 5th - 4PM-6PM Sept. 6th - 10AM-12PM
 Sept. 12th - 4PM-6PM Sept. 13th – 10AM-12PM
 Sept. 19th - 4PM-6PM Sept. 20th – 10AM-12PM
 Sept. 26th - 4PM-6PM Sept. 27th – 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.

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

Note: For the month of September, Council will meet on Tuesday, September 17th at 6:30 pm.