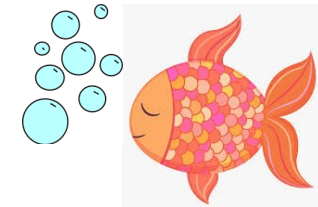


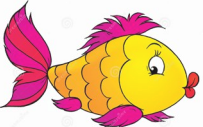

August 2022

Elder: Mike Bockelman

Altar Guild: Jamie Moothart & Mandie Allen

Stewardship: Sharilyn Buryanek



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 9:30 am Social Club 7 pm Bible Study	4	5	6 6 pm Worship*
7 See Every Sunday 11:30 am Hamburger Stand mtg Usher Team: Bill Buryanek Acolyte: Jett Camera: Derek Allen A/V: Jon Burt Accompanist: Tracy DeBruin	8	9	10 Pastor in Fort Dodge at District meeting	11	12	13 6 pm Worship
Church office closed—August 7-12. Pastor and family gone August 7-12						
14 See Every Sunday 8:30 am Elders Meeting Usher Team: Dave Aldrich Acolyte: Bailey Camera: Derek Allen A/V: Larry Bauder Accompanist: Peggy Christensen	15 7 pm LWML	16	17 7 pm Bible Study	18	19	20 6 pm Worship*
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28 See Every Sunday 11:30 am Catechism Parents Mtg 2 pm Hillcrest Worship Srvc Usher Team: JP Breugem Acolyte: Justin Camera: Derek Allen A/V: Grace Allen Accompanist: Tracy DeBruin	29	30	31 7 pm Bible Study	EVERY SUNDAY: 9:15 am Bible Class 10:30 am Worship Communion on 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays. Website: www.trinityhawarden.com		

A Recipe from Pastor Lowe, because his zucchini is coming in with a vengeance!

Baked Zucchini with Tomatoes and Gouda Cheese

2 medium zucchini (about 8 inches long)

2 large Roma tomatoes thinly sliced

(16 slices total)

4 Tbls melted butter

1/4 tsp garlic salt

1/4 tsp onion powder

1/4 tsp dry Italian seasoning

black pepper to taste

1 1/2 cups shredded gouda cheese

1/4 cup panko breadcrumbs

2 Tbls grated Parmesan cheese

2 Tbls fresh chopped basil (optional)



Instructions: Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Line baking sheet with parchment or spray with cooking spray. Place the tomato slices on a paper towel and sprinkle lightly with salt. Gently press another paper towel on top and allow to sit while you prepare the rest. Slice the zucchini in half. Remove seeds, creating a “boat effect”. Cut a small slice from the peel on the bottom side of the zucchini to give it a solid base and keep it upright while baking. Mix the butter and garlic salt, onion powder, dry Italian seasoning and the black pepper to your taste. Brush the zucchini tops with the seasoned butter. Reserve the remaining butter mixture for the crumb topping. Sprinkle with 1/2 the gouda. Arrange 4 slices of tomato on each. Sprinkle with remaining gouda cheese. Toss the panko crumbs and Parmesan cheese with the remaining butter and sprinkle over the top. Bake for 30 minutes or until fork tender. Garnish with fresh basil if desired. Makes 4 servings.

Stewardship Corner

God wants and deserves to be glorified. However, it is in our nature to resist giving God glory. Each and every day Satan is working to encourage us to put ourselves first. Satan works on our selfish ambition, pride, arrogance, or other character flaws to get in the way of serving and glorifying God with our hearts, minds, and strength. Rather than give God glory, our thoughts are more like “What’s in it for me?” Me, mine, and myself are words used again and again as we focus on ourselves. Only with the help of the Holy Spirit can we change from being self-centered people to being God-centered.

News from the Pews

This section of our newsletter is called “News from the Pews”. We want to include your family news like births, adoptions, baptisms, engagements, marriages, milestone birthdays, deaths, milestone anniversaries, cards of thanks, events, celebrations, card showers, open houses, new address, getting home from the hospital, etc. And anything you want to share with your church family.



For the first 14 of my 20 years in the ministry, Trinity was our home. We always have fond memories of our time there and much love for you, the saints. Thank you for thinking of me on my 20th ordination anniversary, and for the cards, gifts, and words of encouragement. ~ Pastor Bunge

Lester Janssen celebrated 99 years of life on July 17! Happiest Birthday Wishes for you, Lester! God’s Blessings!



Adam and Hannah McVay welcomed Rudy Michael McVay into their family on July 26. He weighed 7 lbs . 4 oz. and is also welcomed home by big brother Crew, and big sister Vale.



Pastor Lowe was recently elected to serve on the Board of Directors for Iowa West District as chair of the mission committee. He will be attending District meetings in Fort Dodge four times per year.



Serving in August 2022

Usher Teams:

Aug 7: Bill Buryanek, Brice Buryanek, Jon Burt, Roger Johnson
Aug 14: Dave Aldrich, Stan Hendricks, Dave Zierke
Aug 21: Denny Peters, Justin DeBruin, Mike Bockelman
Aug 28: JP Breugem, Larry Bauder, Jerry Ruhland

Acolyte:

Aug 7: Jett
Aug 14: Bailey
Aug 21: Tristen
Aug 28: Justin

Organists:

Aug 7: Tracy DeBruin
Aug 14: Peggy Christensen
Aug 21: Sharon Wakeman
Aug 28: Tracy DeBruin

A/V operators:

Aug 7: Jon Burt
Aug 14: Larry Bauder
Aug 21: Tom Murren
Aug 28: Grace Allen

August Elder: Mike Bockelman
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BIBLE TRIVIA

1. Who wrote the Acts of the Apostles?
2. Which book comes last in the New Testament?
3. What does the word gospel mean?
4. Who was the king of Judea at the time of Jesus' birth?
5. Which gospel records the fewest of the miracles performed by Jesus?
6. In what water was Jesus baptized?
7. What miracle did Jesus perform at the marriage in Cana?
8. Who was the tax collector that climbed up a tree so he could see Jesus?
9. Which two Old Testament characters appeared with Jesus at the transfiguration?



Answers:

1. Luke
2. Revelation
3. Good news
4. Herod the Great
5. Matthew
6. River Jordan
7. Turning water into wine
8. Zacchaeus
9. Elijah and Moses

August at Trinity

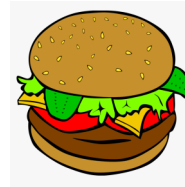


Social Club

Trinity Social Club meets the first Wednesday morning of each month at 9:30 -11 am.
We meet for fellowship and a short devotion.
Our next meeting is Wednesday, August 3. See you there!

Vacation & District Meeting

Pastor Lowe and family will be on vacation from August 7-9, then in Fort Dodge at an Iowa West District meeting for August 10-11. Please call Pastor Boothby for any emergencies during that time.



Labor Day Hamburger Stand Meeting

A meeting to organize the Labor Day Hamburger Stand will take place after worship on Sunday, August 7.

Catechism Meeting for Parents

There will be a meeting for all parents of catechism students (grades 5 –8) on Sunday, August 28 after worship at 11:30 am.



Wednesday night Bible Study

The Book of Exodus- Exodus is full of memorable images and drama popularized by movies like the Ten Commandments, but Exodus is even more! It's a great time to join us at 7 pm every Wednesday.

Sunday morning Bible Study

1 Corinthians — If you think things are wild today, Corinth was just as bad. It was the Las Vegas of ancient world. If you've been thinking about starting, now is a great time! We meet every Sunday morning at 9:15 am.

In Giving we Receive

“Main Street Living” and “This Is the Life” programming information for August 2022:

August 7

This is the Life – “No Laughing Matter” – A woman must learn to deal with her past in order to help someone else in her present.
Worship Service – Rev. Robert Mayes of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Beemer, NE and Zion St. John Lutheran Church in Wisner, NE, delivers the message “Happiness Is for the Birds” based on Luke 12:22-34

August 14

This is the Life – “My Husband, My Sorrow” – A man and woman must deal with whether they should consummate an adulterous affair.
Worship Service – Rev. Ray Ohlendorf of Trinity Lutheran Church in Marcus, IA, delivers the message “The Powerful Word of God” based on Matthew 6:24-34

August 21

This is the Life – “The Cup” – The dilemma a trucker must face when a good friend dies trying to protect him.
Worship Service – Rev. Don Meyer of Zion Lutheran Church in Paullina, IA, delivers the message “Salvation’s Narrow Door” based on Luke 13:22-30.

August 28

This is the Life – “Stranger at the Door” – Having given up a baby for adoption 22 years before, a man shows up on her steps saying he is looking for his mother.
Worship Service – Rev. Joshua Keinath, Candidate from Iowa District West, delivers the message “Worshipper Beware” based on Hebrews 13:1-17.

Additional information is available on the web site:
www.mainstreetliving.com.



God is the greatest giver, and, because we were made in His image, we were created to give. God uses giving to help direct our hearts to Him and away from the love of the world. Faithful and generous giving is evidence that God is first in our lives. In giving, we break the grip that this world has on us.

We don’t give to be blessed, but God’s Word clearly tells us that through our faithful generosity God will bless us. Several verses in Scripture promise us God’s abundance when we honor Him through our giving. (Proverbs 3:10; Malachi 3:10; Luke 6:38). We are certain of His spiritual blessings and possibly material blessings.

In the miracle of the Feeding of the Five Thousand, which is found in all four Gospels, we find a truism that God blesses those who give. Jesus had attracted a large crowd to whom He was preaching. When it was time for dinner, Jesus’ disciples wanted to send the people away to find their own food. Andrew, one of the disciples, told Jesus that a boy had given them five barley loaves and two fish. If the disciples had chosen to keep the boy’s lunch for themselves, it could possibly have been enough food for Jesus and His twelve disciples. Realizing that Jesus intended to use the lunch to feed the crowd of people, the disciples became anxious about their situation, overlooking what Jesus could do with this meager amount of food.

Jesus had another idea: He had the people sit down in groups. He gave thanks for the bread and fish. After the blessing, the disciples began to distribute the food. As the disciples gave each person a portion of the bread and pieces of the fish, the food never ran out. In his book *Thank, Praise, Serve, and Obey*, William Chancellor Weedon shares the following:

Stop and ask yourself what would have happened if the disciples had held onto their little lunch, had kept it for themselves in fear, terrified that there would be no more if they gave it away and then they would go hungry? How much would each have had at the close of that day? A handful? That’s it. But Jesus began to open their eyes that day to see a new truth in God’s economy. By giving away to others, they ended up richer themselves! They ended up with a basket of bread each, far more than that fistful they had started out with. Hands clutching in fear were transformed into hands opened wide to give away.

May God grant us giving hearts so that He can multiply our gifts to help others and to extend His kingdom.

From Pastor's Desk: Reflecting on the state of the world is often depressing. In some ways, I think Lutherans are drawn to depressing things because we are crossed focused. Being focused on Jesus' death for our salvation, may naturally lead us to see the world as in terms of "bearing your cross," "suffering for the faith," and thinking of it in terms of "I'm but a stranger here, heaven is my home." While these things are true, there's always more to this story. Jesus is risen! Even in August! Death is defeated and life wins. You go to enough funerals and watch enough news and it seems like "bearing your cross" is probably more realistic. That's the challenge we face as Lutherans, we don't like change! Haha.

Recently, our Iowa District West convention Dr. Dale Meyer, former president of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis said, "It's a good time to be in the Church!" Hmm... Many of you may look back to days when the church was full, Sunday School was to the brim with kids, times when we share a common moral outlook. Looking back often leads us back to "bearing your cross" as we face reality today. God focuses our attention forward. While the cross is our theology- the way we understand God's salvation work for us, so is the resurrection, so is Christ's ascension. Jesus isn't hanging on the cross anymore, He is risen, ascended, and reigning at the Father's right hand. His right hand is His "getr' done hand." It is His doing hand. We can agree with Dr. Meyer's statement, "It's a good time to be in the Church," because the crucified, risen, ascended Lord Jesus is reigning over us in glory.

This means that Jesus is working through the Holy Spirit to create and sustain faith in us and spreading the Gospel throughout the world. While we may look around and see empty pews, that doesn't change the work the Lord is doing. Paul says right now we look through a mirror dimly, but then face to face (1 Cor. 13:12). While we may not see or know exactly what the Lord is doing in our congregation, we know that He is creating and sustaining faith in us, He is with us (Matthew 28:20) and leading us forward to the end when we will see Him face to face.

"It's a good time to be in the Church!" It is! Now, is the time the Lord has given us, and now we carry on the work Jesus is doing among us. But I want us to ask an important question, "How does this attitude that it's a great time to be in the Church impact your attitude? And what opportunities is the Lord giving us to share this attitude with our neighbors and community?"

Happy August Birthdays!

- 2 Mary Klaus
- 7 Rich Kratochvil
- 8 Terra Spangler
- 11 Shannon Baas, Gary Salberg
- 12 Cathy Peck
- 14 Emrie Van Ballegooyen
- 15 Karlinda Benda
- 17 Luci Topete
- 18 Dee Hendricks
- 19 Hudson Noble, Jeff Schurman
- 20 Michalle Hedden
- 21 David Weinmann
- 22 Bill Boyer, Kristi Kingma
- 23 Duane Aldrich
- 24 Dakota Allen
- 25 Dee Peterson
- 28 Brian Bultman, Joshua Curiel
- 30 Mike Finch, Carl Harry, Tamara Steen
- 31 Jessica Coffelt, Bud Hass



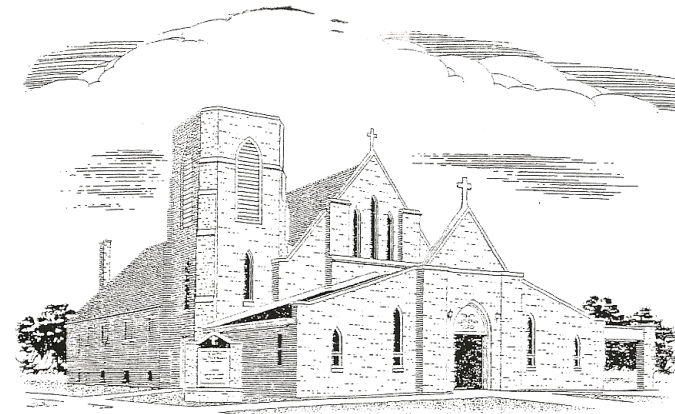
Happy August Anniversaries!

- 6 Todd & Amber Van Wyhe (11 yrs)
- 7 Mike & Sonya Kruid (12 yrs)
- 10 Jeff & Stephanie Petersen (31 yrs)
- 18 Pete & Kristi Kingma (21 yrs)
- 18 Rodney & Jan Matz (59 yrs)
- 20 Brett & Samantha Anderson (11 yrs)
- 20 Larry & Joann Bauder (53 yrs)
- 20 John & Lynn Eilts (39 yrs)
- 20 David & Erika Weinmann (6 yrs)
- 23 Justin & Tracy De Bruin (3 yrs)
- 23 Calvin & Anna Pulfrey (19 yrs)
- 30 Bill & Karlinda Benda (31 yrs)
- 30 Jeff & Shelly Schurman (14 yrs)



**Read the Bible in one year by reading the following passages
this month...**

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| 1. Habakkuk 3:2-19 | 2 Chronicles 1-3 |
| 2. Psalm 57 | 2 Chronicles 4-6 |
| 3. Psalm 58 | 2 Chronicles 7-9 |
| 4. Psalm 59 | 2 Chronicles 10-12 |
| 5. Psalm 60 | 2 Chronicles 13-15 |
| 6. Psalm 61 | 2 Chronicles 16-18 |
| 7. Psalm 62 | 2 Chronicles 19-21 |
| 8. Psalm 63 | 2 Chronicles 22-24 |
| 9. Psalm 64 | 2 Chronicles 25-27 |
| 10. Psalm 65 | 2 Chronicles 28-30 |
| 11. Psalm 66 | 2 Chronicles 31-33 |
| 12. Psalm 67 | 2 Chronicles 34-36 |
| 13. Psalm 68 | Ezra 1-5 |
| 14. Psalm 69 | Ezra 6-10 |
| 15. Psalm 70 | Nehemiah 1-3 |
| 16. Psalm 71 | Nehemiah 4-6 |
| 17. Psalm 72 | Nehemiah 7-9 |
| 18. Psalm 73 | Nehemiah 10-13 |
| 19. Psalm 74 | Esther 1-3 |
| 20. Psalm 75 | Esther 4-6 |
| 21. Psalm 76 | Esther 7-10 |
| 22. Psalm 77 | Job 1-3 |
| 23. Psalm 78 | Job 4-6 |
| 24. Psalm 79 | Job 7-9 |
| 25. Psalm 80 | Job 10-12 |
| 26. Psalm 81 | Job 13-15 |
| 27. Psalm 82 | Job 16-18 |
| 28. Psalm 83 | Job 19-21 |
| 29. Psalm 84 | Job 22-24 |
| 30. Psalm 85 | Job 25-27 |
| 31. Habakkuk 3:2-19 | Job 28-30 |



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