

TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
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CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED

Trinity Tidings

August 2019

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WORSHIP SERVICE

Sundays, 10:30 AM liturgical service of Holy
Communion celebrated every Sunday

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ADULTS

Trinity Hall-725 SW Buchanan Street
9:15-10:15 AM

The mission of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church is to:

- *worship God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,*
- *serve those in need, and*
- *reach out to share the Good News of salvation through Jesus Christ!*

Together in Community
Living with Christ
Caring for Neighbors

AUGUST 2019

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

Every Sunday: 9:15 AM Adult Sunday School 10:30 am Worship & Holy Communion				1	2	3
				7 pm Men's AA		
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
10:15 Hymn Sing-a-long Blood Pressure Checks after Worship		9 am Quilters	6-7 PM TIDYING UP: CHURCH BASEMENT ROOMS			
	5 pm Women's AA		5:30 pm Women's AA	7 pm Men's AA		
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
W&M meeting during coffee hour		9 am Quilters	6-7 PM TIDYING UP: REORGANIZE NURSERY INTO CHILDREN'S ROOM 6:30-8 pm Historic Old Town NIA meeting		August 16-18, 2019 CSS WELCA Convention Wichita, KS	
	5 pm Women's AA	5:30 pm Council	5:30 pm Women's AA	7 pm Men's AA		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
August 16-18, 2019 CSS WELCA Convention Wichita, KS		9 am Quilters	10am Priscilla Circle Bible Study	September 2019 Trinity Tidings deadline		
	5 pm Women's AA		5:30 pm Women's AA	7 pm Men's AA		
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
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Trinity Tidings

From the Pastor's Desk — August 2019

This season we are looking into how to more deeply talk about our faith and how to engage our neighbors in that faith. I encourage you to read this word from Jay Pathak, one of the founders of the neighboring movement...

“Who is my Neighbor?”

Jesus assumed that his audience would be able to love those nearest to them, their literal neighbors, the people most like them, who shared the same heritage and geography. In telling the parable (of the Good Samaritan), Jesus was stretching their concept of neighbor to include even people from a group they didn't like.

Today as we read the parable, we go straight for loving the neighbor on

the other side of town. Thus we make a metaphor of neighbors- a metaphor that doesn't include the person who lives next door to us. If we don't take Jesus' command literally, then we turn the Great Commandment into nothing more than a metaphor. We have a metaphoric love for our metaphoric neighbors, and our communities are changed- but only metaphorically, of course. In other words, nothing changes. So instead of thinking of our neighbors metaphorically, we need to apply Jesus' teaching to our literal neighbors- real people with real names, phone numbers, and addresses.”

In this short passage, Pathak is talking about the limited way of neigh-



boring that many of our churches have embraced today. Outsourcing the personal connection with those in need to other organizations by just becoming donating societies, instead of churches. Instead, Pathak challenges us that neighboring involves an actual relationship with those around us. And all of us, no matter where we work or live, have people around us with whom we could form better relationships. Therefore, who are those people in your life? What would it be like to share your life and faith with them?

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Favorite Hymn Sing-Along

August 4

10:15 a.m.

Come & sing!

TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Worship Assistants									
Date	Greeter(s)	Usher(s)	Organist	Lector	Acolyte	Altar Guild	Coffee Hosts	Assisting Minister	Presiding Minister
August 4, 2019	Dorothy Strom	Dean McGinnis	Laurie Jackson	Janelle Meredith	Ted Murphy	Marilyn Heckman & Team 1	Walt & Helen Laughlin		Pr. Andrew Patty
August 11, 2019	Julie Reeves	Ted Murphy	Mitchell Bean	LaVell Winsor	Parker Jackson	Marilyn Heckman & Team 1	Andy & LaVell Winsor	Bob Horton	Pr. Andrew Patty
August 18, 2019	Diane Bottorff	David McGinnis	Laurie Jackson	Shelley Andrews	LaVell Winsor	Marilyn Heckman & Team 1	Junior & Liz Utech	Walt Laughlin	Pr. Andrew Patty
August 25, 2019	Marilyn Hypse	Bob Horton	Mitchell Bean	Diane Bottorff	Curt Lewis	Marilyn Heckman & Team 1	Bob & Janeen Horton	Ted Murphy	TBD



Dillons recently upgraded their system, and as a result our Non-Profit Organization (NPO) has a new account number — MV608. Please reference the new number when contacting Dillons for assistance. The previous number will continue to be associated with our organization, however, it will not be visible when enrolling.

Thanks to the 15 households that shopped at Dillons during January, February, & March 2019. By designating Trinity as the beneficiary of your Dillons Community Rewards, we earned \$64.59!



If you are a Thrivent member, have you designated Trinity to receive your Choice Dollars?



This link will take you directly to the AmazonSmile page that directs the donation generated by your AmazonSmile purchase to Trinity:

<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/48-0697751>

Blood Pressure Checks
August 4, 2019



Come to the kitchen after worship to have this important health check.

August Celebrations

- Birthdays**
- 2 Monica Spencer
 - 4 Janeen Horton
 - 6 Shelley Andrews
 - 6 Jimmy King
 - 11 Merle Adams
 - 11 Ella Bosch
 - 12 Glenda Visocsky
 - 12 Bryah Wakes
 - 15 Brian McGinnis
 - 17 Johnathon Brown
 - 20 Samantha Ginter
 - 23 Karen Kaiser
 - 27 Russell Johnson
 - 27 Loni Reece
 - 29 Heather Klamm
 - 29 Adrienne Hutchison
 - 31 Bryah Wakes

- Baptisms**
- 3 LaVell Winsor
 - 10 Marilyn Hypse
 - 13 Marilyn Heckman
 - 21 Glenda Visocsky
 - 26 Camdyn Ralph
 - 27 Carsyn Ralph
 - 29 Janeen Horton

- Wedding Anniversaries**
- 1 David & Cindy McGinnis
 - 2 Bob & Pam Kobbeman
 - 5 Rick & Janice Greenlee
 - 10 Bob & Janeen Horton
 - 15 Tom & Mary Heald

August Readings

August 4—8th Sunday of Pentecost

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23
Psalm 49:1-12
Colossians 3:1-11
Luke 12:13-21

August 11—9th Sunday of Pentecost

Genesis 15:1-6
Psalm 33:12-22
Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16
Luke 12:32-40

August 18—10th Sunday of Pentecost

Jeremiah 23:23-29
Psalm 82
Hebrews 11:29—12:2
Luke 12:49-56

August 25—11th Sunday of Pentecost

Isaiah 58:9b-14
Psalm 103:1-8
Hebrews 12:18-29
Luke 13:10-17

Thank you!!



Julie Reeves mentioned that it has now been two years that our current group of acolytes has been serving. We thank everyone for your service and always welcome new volunteers.

And thank you to the persons who have shopped to stock our food pantry. We have had quite a few folks — singles and families — who have visited the pantry over the last few months and they are always appreciative!



CHURCH COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS July 9, 2019

CONGREGATION COUNCIL

President

Diane Bottorff
271-7131

Vice President

Mary Heald
221-2790

Secretary

Laurie Jackson
224-9683

Treasurer

Bob Kobbeman
478-0381

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Bob Horton
640-5344
Curt Lewis
286-2728

Dean McGinnis
272-0255

Ted Murphy
817-0372

- ◆ Possible ways to celebrate the 150th anniversary August 14-16, 2020 were discussed. Pr. Andrew will seek input from those attending coffee hour during July.
- ◆ “Tidying Up” project in Trinity Hall and church basement will begin July 10 and continue through Aug. 14 on Wednesday evenings at 6pm. Everyone is invited to come and lend a hand. One of the goals of this project is to revamp the current nursery room into a children’s room for all ages. Council approved up to \$1,000 expenditure for nursery/mother’s room revamp.
- ◆ Pr. Andrew will work with the Personnel Committee to develop a job description for a part-time Christian Education Assistant. Job description will be ready for council to review and approve at August meeting.
- ◆ Memorial Committee is making contact with families connected with memorial accounts existing more than two years. Approval given to use funds (approx. \$400.) from Harold Hypse memorial to cover deficit from Seipp/Sheet concert.
- ◆ Property Committee moving forward with repair of frame around window on west side of church and will look into repair of broken concrete along curbing north side of Trinity Hall.
- ◆ Witness/outreach: No dates have been set for make-up of NIA block party cancelled in June due to weather and July community meal to be coordinated by Marcy Carlson.
- ◆ Discussion held about frequency of children’s sermons. Varying opinions among council members and no consensus reached.
- ◆ Pr. Andrew asked for council to conduct a six month review of his performance.



Installation of
the Rev. Susan Candea
as Bishop of the Central States Synod
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Sunday October 20, 2019

Atonement Lutheran Church
9948 Metcalf Ave
Overland Park, KS 66212

3:00 p.m. Gathering reception
5:00 p.m. Installation service

Rostered Leaders are invited to vest, the color of the day is red.



Central States Synod
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
God's work. Our hands.

WOMEN OF THE ELCA



CSS WELCA
Convention

August 16 -18
Holiday Inn,
Wichita KS

Theme:
"Wonderfully
Made"
Psalm 139:14

We've been enjoying the summer study on the book of Esther. Our study leader so thoughtfully shares the results of research and details which adds to the text.....(thanks Glenda!)

In Sessions One and Two the focus was on ways we use our voices in making important decisions for the good of society and how to discern when to speak and when to keep silent..

We learned how Mordecai urged Esther to use her voice "for such a time as this" which saved the Jewish people from destruction.

When we meet in August for the final session on this book we'll learn

how the story ends and applies to us. Join us in the Trinity Library August 21, 10:00.....WELCOME ALL!

At our meeting we decided to collect items for HEALTH KITS as requested by Doorstep for *Christmas in July* this year as our special project.

These items include new bath & hand towels & wash cloths, combs, bar soap, deodorant, toothpaste & brushes, shampoo and razors. You can bring the items to our circle meetings or simply drop them in the big red collection box in the church narthex.



HOLLIS BRICKWORKS: A KID FRIENDLY FAMILY FOCUSED SERVICE PROGRAM
August 7, 10am-12pm

Join us for our last BrickWorks of the summer. During our BrickWorks service hours, we sort donated LEGO bricks and break apart already assembled LEGO pieces. All attendees are welcome to bring sack lunches and explore the trails & hills of Hollis, play a game of GAGA ball or sand volleyball before or after the service event. Sign up today: <http://www.holliscenter.org/brick-works-1.html>



GOLFERS ASSEMBLE!

Blessings Abound Golf Benefit Monday, August 26, 2019 – 8 am tee time

Registration now open for the annual Blessings Abound Golf Benefit

4 person scramble

The Golf Club at Falcon Lakes, Basehor, Kansas

Register your team today: www.blessingsaboundgolf2019.eventbrite.com



NOW ACCEPTING ARTIST APPLICATIONS

10th Annual Hollis Winter Art Fair – Saturday, December 7, 2019

Visit <http://www.holliscenter.org/hollis-winter-art-fair.html> for complete information & application. Submit application by Oct 1 for consideration



STEWARDSHIP – THE EXCHANGE OF HOLY CURRENCY

Hollis Education Event | Saturday September 21, 2019 – The Hollis Lodge

Join us for a special Hollis Education Event to explore the exchange of holy currency in our congregations & the world.

This co-sponsored learning event, will explore the exchange of Holy Currencies, which is a holistic model for stewardship and congregational vitality, moving beyond “time, talent, and treasure” to create missional and sustainable ministries. This model with its processes, enables church leaders to understand, develop, and utilize five other kinds of currencies besides money that are essential for today’s ministry. These currencies are: Time & Place, Gracious Leadership, Relationship, Truth, and Wellness. Each of these currencies flow and recirculate to form a Cycle of Blessings which empower congregations to strengthen their internal relationships as well as reach out and connect with the diverse populations in their neighborhoods. Visit <http://www.holliscenter.org/education-events.html> for complete information & registration.