



TRINITY Lutheran Church

PARISH NOTICES
August 13, 2017

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► Today at Trinity

Sunday, August 13, 2017

- 9:00 AM HOLY COMMUNION – NAVE
- 10:15 AM FELLOWSHIP TIME
- 10:15 AM POPCORN PARADE MEETING – ROOM 105/107

► Opportunities This Week at Trinity

Tuesday, August 15, 2017

- 7:00 PM HOSPITALITY TEAM – ROOM 105/107
- 7:00 PM YOGA CLASS – FELLOWSHIP HALL

Wednesday, August 16, 2017

- 12:00 PM PARISH NOTICES DEADLINE

Saturday, August 19, 2017

- 8:00 PM BIBLE BREAKFAST CLUB –
SOUTH BEND CHOCOLATE CAFÉ
- 5:30 PM HOLY COMMUNION – CHAPEL

Sunday, August 20, 2017

- 10:00 AM ANNUAL WORSHIP & PICNIC AT FOREST PARK –
FOREST PARK ROTARY SHELTER
851 HARRISON BLVD, VALPARAISO



TLC Directory Changes/Additions

DARRIN, JANICE, JESS, & MATT LAWTON – Email change:
jdlawton9190@gmail.com

mark your calendar!

YOGA Tuesdays • 7:00 PM • FH
BOOK CLUB Sundays after worship • FH
TLC ANNUAL PICNIC Sunday, Aug. 20 • 10:00 AM
STOCKHOLDER'S DINNER Sunday, Aug. 27 • 6-7:30 PM

MISSION STATEMENT

Trinity Lutheran Church is
a Christian community

**Gathered by God,
Living in grace,
Called to love and serve.**

We do this through:

Worship – Meeting Christ in
Word and sacraments

Hospitality –
Welcoming all people into
worship and fellowship

Congregational Life –
Nurturing the community of
faith through faith formation,
spiritual growth, building
relationships, and caring for
one another

Faith in Action – Spreading
God's love through Word and
service in the community and
world

SCHOOL IS STARTING ...

For Stephen Ministers too



Valpo's schools will begin on August 14th. A month later, on September 11, a training class is scheduled to begin for Stephen Minister trainees. So, this is the last call for interested folks. Contact Ann Baas (219.476.5926), George Reichler (219.477.2080), or Terry Paarlberg (219.242.4035) **today** and bring them up to date on your level of interest and availability. The deadline to be included in the Stephen Ministry class is August 15. Thanks!



ANNUAL Worship and Picnic at Forest Park

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2017 • 10:00 AM

It is time for our annual worship and picnic in the Rotary Shelter at the top of the hill at Forest Park, 851 Harrison Boulevard, Valparaiso, August 20, 2017, with a worship service and Holy Communion beginning at 10:00 AM. There is adequate parking near the shelter and the youth will be available to help anyone needing assistance from the parking lot to the shelter itself. A restroom is located nearby.

Following the worship service, there will be a potluck lunch. Picnic tables will be provided, but you may want to bring your own lawn chairs. Also consider bringing sunglasses, sunscreen, sunhats or caps, and insect spray.

Fried chicken, beverages, plates, cups, and tableware will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. After our meal, those who are interested can play bingo, card games, board games, and a variety of other fun activities. We hope everyone can come and join in a wonderful day of worship and fellowship outdoors in God's beautiful creation!



You can find Trinity Lutheran Church on Facebook at:
tinyurl.com/tlcvalpo

THIS SUNDAY'S
ALTAR FLOWERS
ARE GIVEN TO THE
GLORY OF GOD
IN CELEBRATION
OF OUR
ANNIVERSARY

DENNIS & LINDA
BEACH



Bible Breakfast Club

**Saturday, August 19
8:00 AM**

So. Bend Chocolate Café

All women are welcome.
Call Barb at (219) 462-6887
for more information.

† Health Ministry

YOGA! — Yoga continues all summer at 7:00 PM on Tuesdays. Whether you are a beginner or an experience yoga participant, we welcome all to join in! Choose \$5 per class or \$20 for a 5-session punch card with no expiration date.

Medical Mission Trip to Guatemala

Sandy Belancin will be going to Guatemala in late October on a medical mission trip. She is in need of supplies and monetary donations. Below is the list of first aid supplies and medications needed for the clinic:

- Tylenol (child/adult - liquid)
- Ibuprofen (child/adult - liquid)
- Allergy medication (child/adult)
- cough & cold (child/adult)
- anti-fungal creams; diaper rash ointments; hemorrhoid creams
- muscle rub creams (ie. Bengay or Biofreeze)
- Vitamins (child/adult)
No gummies please
- infant liquid vitamins
- toothpaste/brushes
- soaps
- anti-diarrheal;
- stool softeners
- antacid/GI meds (Pepcid or Zantac)
- antibiotic/Neosporin cream
- anti-itch creams
- eye & ear drops;
- eye patches
- band aids; gauze/tape
- medicine cups
- ear thermometers
- lubricating gel

Prescription Medications:

- Prednisone or Solumedrol dose packs
- Mebendazole (anti-parasitic)
This is hard to get. If anyone has connections with an ID doctor, please beg for this!
- Acyclovir 200 mg (anti-viral)
- Diflucan 150 mg (oral anti-fungal)
- Macrobid 100 mg (anti-microbial for pregnancy)
- Metronidazole 500 mg (can be used in pregnancy, PID, vaginitis)
- Amoxicillin
- Keflex
- Levaquin
- Augmentin
- Pediatric Antibiotics:
Amoxicillin 250 mg or 400 mg/5 ml
Cephalexin 250 mg/5 ml

If you have any questions, contact Sandy Belancin at:
(219) 464-9122
oldblue7@comcast.net

“Monthly Memo”

Trinity has begun sending out emails called “Monthly Memo.” These emails will contain reminders and events happening at Trinity. If your Trinity team or group has any church related items you would like to include, please submit the copy electronically to the office three (3) business days prior to the end of the month. The "Monthly Memo" will be sent out prior to the first Sunday of the month and repeated prior to the third Sunday. Be sure to watch for emails from Trinity!



Trinity Picnic Egg Toss Revival

Some would agree that it is appropriate to have a “Revival” at a church picnic but maybe not this kind. Some of you might remember that Trinity used to play an egg-toss game at their annual picnic. We recently found the “trophy” used for that and decided to bring back the game at this year’s picnic. Anyone who participated or watched in previous years probably recalls that raw eggs were used, and that was part of the fun, but it was a bit messy. Due to a limited water source in our shelter area, this year we decided to play the game with hard boiled eggs. So, pick your partner and plan on enjoying our “Egg Toss Revival!”

Hospitality Team

Valparaiso Popcorn Parade

TLC will be participating in this year's Popcorn Festival Parade being held on September 9th in downtown Valparaiso. There will be a meeting this Sunday, August 13th after service. We are looking for creative ideas and for people who are willing to make those ideas a reality. If you are interested in helping with the float or participating in the parade or just curious what is going on, stop by Room 105.



Worship Team

Worship is one of Trinity's four "mission areas" discerned in the course of our Healthy Congregations work several years ago. As a new Minister of Music will soon be joining us, this seems a good time to get a Worship Team up and running. The Worship Team's job is to coordinate the worship life of Trinity, from planning music and decor to making sure linens are pressed, bread is on the table, and the correct hymns are printed in the worship folder. Those individual tasks are handled by subgroups, some long standing, others ad hoc.

The Team met for the first time on June 7. Current members are Paul Mache (Worship Leadership), Janet Wade (Music), Elene Amundsen (Altar), Valerie Steil (Decorating), Michael Beaver (Seasonal Themes and Planning), and Pastor Tim.

Worship is a lot of work. If you are interested in helping, either on the team or in one of the areas it handles or just have a question, there will be a signup in the lobby, or you may contact Pastor Tim at:

prtim@tlcvalpo.com

LGBT, life-gets-better-together

A peer support group for gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender men, women, teen (w/parent permission), and questioning community members takes place **Thursdays at 6:00 PM** at the **Dayspring Counseling Center, 1005 N. Campbell Street**. For more information, call: 364-2732 or email rochse@pcfcc.org.

BOOK CLUB

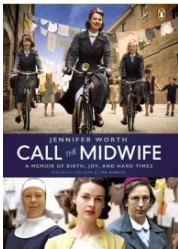
The next summer book club selection is:

CALL THE MIDWIFE

by Jennifer Worth

SUNDAY, AUG. 13 • 10:30 AM

FELLOWSHIP HALL



Do you have a question for the pastor???

Periodically, your Mutual Ministry Team will offer Trinity members an opportunity to ask Pastor Tim a question concerning theology, Trinity worship, Lutheran tradition, or other aspects of our faith. The Mutual Ministry team will select a question, and Pastor Tim will respond in the parish notices.

Submit a question to Betty in the church office in person or via email bsergent@tlcvalpo.com. Questions should focus on faith and worship at Trinity and are not meant as a vehicle for complaint, an alternative to Dear Abby, or a view into Pastor Tim's misguided fan support for the Detroit Red Wings.



Questions to the Pastor...

Periodically, Pastor Tim answers a question fielded from Trinity. His answers tend to be long because his reasons are complicated. (Or at least they seem so to him. They're probably easy and he makes them hard. But whatever.) He tries his best to keep it brief and simple.

Why do we post rainbow flags but not others?

The rainbow becomes a Judeo-Christian symbol through Genesis 9:12-17, the conclusion of the Flood story. God hangs his bow in the clouds as a reminder of the covenant “between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” The symbol is forever attached to Noah, who, in the Genesis account, is ancestor of everyone on Earth. The rabbis developed the idea of a Noachide, or descendant of Noah, as an ethical category. Briefly put, whether your neighbor was Hebrew was not as important as the fact that your neighbor was most definitely a fellow descendant of Noah. This is similar to how Saint Paul argued that before the Law was given at Sinai God had loved everyone through Abraham. The rainbow thus reminds us of

God’s promise not to destroy us, and how this promise has blessed us with the opportunity to welcome every fellow descendant of Noah and include them in God’s work.

It is in this spirit that we as Christians also use the rainbow flag to welcome LGBT persons. We welcome all, and that includes LGBT. While the rainbow has become an LGBT symbol (and lately has been expanded to include brown and black stripes), we use it as a Christian LGBT symbol. That is, our reasons for welcoming are theological. The LGBT are Noachides, like everyone else. All of us are under the same promise. Our world does not generally deal in promises, but rather deals in threats. Our world proclaims that there is not

enough to go around and someone must be left out. Frequently it is churches that take the lead on deciding who is out, and frequently churches pick the LGBT as outside of God’s love and grace. While we post the rainbow to welcome everyone we are acutely aware of the way churches exclude this particular community. As a Reconciling in Christ congregation, we fly the rainbow flag and post rainbow stickers as a reminder to our Christian sisters and brothers that the LGBT are part of God’s covenant, just as much as we fly the rainbow flag to proclaim to the LGBT that God’s love and grace are for them. In this respect, the rainbow flag represents total inclusion in our Christian welcoming while other symbols may not do so.

Saturday Service Fellowship Time - Aug. 12 2017

The Hospitality Team will be hosting fellowship time after the Saturday worship service with a few appetizers and beverages. This will provide a brief time to spend together along with Pastor Tim and some members of the Hospitality Team.

————— Everyone is welcome! —————



Christian Food Pantry - July Report

END OF JULY ALREADY!?: During the month, 273 families were served providing food for 654 individuals. Since school starts August 14, there are only 3 more days for Kid's Kits (113 kits were given out in July). We are well supplied for making kits to finish out for this summer. Thanks for those generous donations! One dad had forgotten to pick up the kit for his daughter. She was so disappointed that he made a special trip back for it. Guess that is a testimony to the kits being appreciated.

In September, laundry detergent will be offered as an 'extra' – kind of a "back to school" item. Often the schools request that each child bring in a box of tissues. That would be a good September donation along with a detergent (any size).

Juices of all flavors are always appreciated. It will be warm for a while yet so 'summer drinks' are well received. Fresh vegetables are being donated with some clients ready to learn new recipes for preparation. We have several volunteers that can readily help with fun ideas.

With a couple of congregations doing a 'special Sunday' a month and continuous faithful giving from others, the shelves are nicely 'filled' to begin the fall season. It was a 'no-worry serve' summer with lots of help with continuous donations that seemed to have started with the great postal drive in May. It won't take long for these supplies to be served and the usual items will need to be replenished. It should be easy to remember: If you use it, a client family will need it. Thanks to Strack and Van Til and another source which breads, buns, and sweets are generously donated. The sliced bread is greatly enjoyed. A special crew of extra volunteers pick up those items on a daily basis. Another 'crew' picks up items purchased at Aldi's each day the pantry is open. We couldn't have managed this 35-year old program without lots of VOLUNTEERS!!!! Let's all keep up the good work to help our 'neighbors' through tough times.

Food Pantry Items for the Month of

AUGUST

Canned Fruit & Pork 'n' Beans

Trinity members are asked to meet a Christian Food Pantry need by donating food items in high demand at the center. This August we will focus on **canned fruit** and **pork 'n' beans**. These staple items move rapidly, and a fresh supply will free up cash donations to purchase perishable items such as milk, cheese, and meat. Of course, donations of any kind, either cash or food items, are always appreciated.

Trinity is one of seven churches supporting The Christian Food Pantry housed at the Asbury Center of First Methodist Church across the street from our location. The pantry continues to supplement families by providing food staples to those who are in need right here in our community. Thank to members of Trinity who have continually supported the independently run food pantry in our neighborhood.

WANNA HELP THE Homeless Shelter Team???

A group of around thirty Trinity volunteers is staffing this year's Monday men's overnight shelter here at Trinity. The men come in beginning at 7:30 Monday evenings, many tired and hungry from a hard day's work having missed meal times at the New Creation Center in town. We try to provide a dinner for the guys before they turn in and something to go with coffee in the morning as they depart before seven o'clock.

The average cost per week to provide a meal is approximately \$60. The men's overnight program at Trinity is completely volunteer based. We do use the building, but no Trinity dollars are used for supplies, bedding, laundry, or food. The cost for a six month season runs from \$1,400 to \$1,800, depending upon how many men sleep here weekly, and currently our volunteers attempt to meet that need.

If you feel called to help by donating to the program or providing a meal, contact Mike at (219) 508-4422 or Larry at (219) 928-5070. Thank you for being part of a congregational family interested in reaching out to all people in need in our church, in our community, and in our world.

MEN'S SHELTER VOLUNTEERS

*Sign up for August,
September, and October
on the church website!*



Minister of Music Update

We are delighted to announce that Szu-Ping Chang Wong will be Trinity's next Minister of Music. Szu-Ping is a Valparaiso resident with experience serving Lutheran congregations. She will join the staff in mid-August.

Prayer Requests

For the Parish:

THOSE IN NEED:

Sandi Anderson
Brandon Brkljac
Richard Cornman
Eva Harbeck
Lauren Mache
Juanagene Nietert
Eden Preston
Richard Schultz
Vel Schultz
Lois Stanley
Rachel Swanson
Susan Swanson
Ruth Swelstad

AVALON SPRINGS:

Eva Jane Fryer

NAME:

Nikki (*daughter*)
Brady (*son-in-law*)
Anne Berit
Les (*father*)
Caron (*sister*)
Christine (*wife*)
Gary (*son*)
Sherry (*aunt*)
Robert (*uncle*)
Robert (*grandfather*)
Mildred (*grandmother*)
Teresa (*cousin*)
Ted (*cousin*)
Abby (*granddaughter*)
Dean (*father*)
Nikki (*niece*)
Carol
Karen
Bridgette (*aunt*)

FRIEND/RELATIVE OF:

Dan & Beth Garwood
Dan & Beth Garwood
Jonathan Young
Jennifer Hora & Craig Heisel
Lori Olson
Mark Forker
Annamae Wheeland
Reese & Madi Mayernik
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Christine Cawby
Christine Cawby
Lauren Mache
Cheryl Dieter
Rev. Jane Aicher
Carey Johnson Young
Richard & Vel Schultz
Richard & Vel Schultz
Richard & Vel Schultz
Valerie Webdell

For Friends & Family

NAME:

Lucas
Marsha
Linda (*sister*)
Garlan (*brother-in-law*)
Jim (*cousin*)
Daisy (*aunt*)
George
Audrey (*cousin*)
Mike (*father*)
Brian
Carrie (*niece*)
Randy
Janet (*sister*)
Bob (*brother*)
Tom
David & family
Arlene & family
Thomas (*grandson*)

FRIEND/RELATIVE OF:

Arlene & Will Gross
Larry & Ann Baas
Barbara Pearson
Barbara Pearson
Larry & Ann Baas
Richard & Vel Schultz
Richard & Vel Schultz
Richard & Vel Schultz
Matt & Karen Hernes
Richard & Vel Schultz
Richard & Vel Schultz
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Richard & Vel Schultz
Richard & Vel Schultz
Christine Cawby
Christine Cawby
George Reichler

Names will appear for approximately one month. If you wish a name "renewed," call (219) 462-9624 before noon on Wednesday for Sunday's parish notices.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Habitat for Humanity will be building a ramp for a member of our church. They need 4-5 people on Friday and 5-6 people on Saturday. The prefabrication portion will be done on Friday. If you are able to lend a hand, they are requesting volunteers (skilled or unskilled and 18 years or older) to help on Friday, August 18 from 1:00 - 5:00 PM and on Saturday, August 19 from 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM. Please contact Deaconess Barb with any questions or if you are able to help during any of these times at (219) 462-9624 ext. 4.

Worship Servers

SERVICE - 5:30 PM	SATURDAY, AUGUST 12	SATURDAY, AUGUST 19
Presiding Minister	Rev. Perry Beaver	The Rev. Dr. Timothy Leitzke
Assisting Minister	Dot Pakan	
SERVICE - 9:00 AM	SUNDAY, AUGUST 13	SUNDAY, AUGUST 20
Presiding Minister	Rev. Ronald Barnett	The Rev. Dr. Timothy Leitzke Szu-Ping Chang Wong
Minister of Music		
Musicians		
<i>Piano / Organ</i>	Stephanie Reeder	Paul Schreiner
<i>Guitar</i>	Paul Schreiner	Anna Cox
<i>Saxophone</i>	Anna Cox	Ethan Preston
Acolyte	Tom Muchesko	Paul Mache
Assisting Minister	Patricia Cummings	Cynthia Breitinger
Communion Assts.	Karen Muchesko George Reichler Judy Phillips	Barb Herzinger Nicole Lee
Greeters	Norm & Pat Hellmers	Larry & Ann Baas Mary Jo Nuland
Lector	Linda Beach	Kandyce Hannon
Ushers	Bob & Nancy Tittle	Matt, Karen, Chrystal, & Valerie Hernes
*offering only	Dennis & Linda Beach	Matt Hernes
Secure Offering	Dennis Beach	—
Bread Baker	Nancy Tittle	Elene Amundsen
Altar Guild	Judy & Roger Phillips	Chuck Anderson
Unlock Doors	Marty Swinehart	
Fellowship Time	Cynthia Breitinger Marty Swinehart	



From the Deaconess



RailCats Game -

If you are interested in attending a Gary RailCats game on August 25, see Deaconess Barb.

Stockholder's Dinner -

Sunday, August 27, 6:00-7:30 PM. Want to hear about the Mission Trip to Nashville? Want to see pictures and hear the youth talk about their experiences? Join us! We will have dinner together and then do a slide presentation and talk about the ministry that happened and the fun times we had. We couldn't do it without you! Allow us to show our appreciation!

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2017 SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

May 28 (Memorial Day weekend) through Sept. 3 (Labor Day weekend), we will have one Sunday service at 9:00 AM followed by fellowship time.

SUNDAYS 9:00 AM • SATURDAYS 5:30 PM

PLEASE NOTE:

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 20 • 10:00 AM
PICNIC & WORSHIP AT FOREST PARK**

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Key Financial Items And Attendance

1. Offerings for General Fund:

<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year-To-Date</u>
\$5,429	\$175,896

2. IN/KY Synod Benevolence:

<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year-To-Date</u>
\$543	\$17,589

3. Attendance:

<u>Last Week</u>
103

1. The offerings total for general fund excludes any designated or restricted gifts.
2. Trinity Lutheran Church is a "tithing" congregation. We send the Indiana/Kentucky Synod 10% of our general fund offerings each week.
3. Attendance at all services last week through last Sunday.

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Staff Office Schedule

Pastor Tim's office hours are Mondays 9:00 AM to noon, and Wednesdays & Thursdays noon to 2:00 PM. Outside office hours, please call (219) 462-9624, ext. 3.

Note: Pastor Tim will be on vacation July 31 - August 13.

Deaconess Barb's office hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM and Wednesdays 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM. Outside of office hours, call (219) 561-3887, ext. 4.

Notice of Hospitalization

Please notify the church office at (219) 462-9624 if you or a loved one is hospitalized or recovering at home and wishes a visit. Because of the HIPAA laws, that information is not shared by the hospital.

