

FROM THE PRESIDING BISHOP



IN HER AUGUST 12, 2016 REPORT TO THE 2016 EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA (ELCA) CHURCHWIDE ASSEMBLY, ELCA PRESIDING BISHOP ELIZABETH A. EATON REFLECTED ON THE ELCA'S WORK OVER THE PAST THREE YEARS AND LIFTED UP FUTURE PRIORITIES FOR THE CHURCH.

Eaton said much of her focus the past three years has been on the “how and why we do this work,” reminding the assembly of her four emphases for this church: We are church. We are Lutheran. We are church together. We are church for the sake of the world.

“I think it’s important when we organize our work together that we understand that we are church first,” Eaton said. “And we need to be clear that our lives are formed by word and sacrament, that we gather as the beloved children of God around the means of grace, that our lives are in Christ.”

Emphasizing the Lutheran identity and the distinctive Lutheran voice, Eaton said she hoped the church is beginning to understand that “God is calling us to be a diverse, inclusive, multicultural church.” “What does that look like? What does Lutheran look like?” asked Eaton.

“We have to be very, very careful that we don’t define ourselves by culture or by cuisine. There are more Lutherans of color throughout the world and throughout the Lutheran federation than there are European descent Lutherans,” said Eaton.

In an effort to focus on theology as that which defines and unifies all Lutherans, Eaton told the assembly she is calling this church to read the small catechism together from now until October 2017.

Focusing on being church together, Eaton said it is important members understand that church goes beyond the four walls of their congregations to include synods and the whole of the ELCA. “But it’s not just the ELCA. We are part of The Lutheran World Federation

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Rally Day

Sunday, September 11
10:15 AM
Volunteers Needed

60th Anniversary of the Ordination of The Rev. Dr.

Paul Bauermeister
Sunday, September 18
9:00 AM

The Gathering

Sunday, September 18

Flu Shot Clinic

Sunday, October 2
8:00 AM - Noon
Trinity Gym

Feed My Starving Children

Friday, October 21
7:15 - 9:30 PM
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
Volunteers Needed

Oktoberfest

Sunday, October 30
Noon - 5:00 PM
Volunteers Needed

Trinitell Monthly Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for submitting articles for the October Trinitell is September 15. Email articles or information to news@trinitychesterfield.org or mail to Trinity.

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where we are church together, with churches from all across the world. And we're not just Lutheran," said Eaton referring to the ELCA's six full communion partners.

"We just can't somehow ignore that we live in an interreligious culture right now and that we need to work together, particularly at this time in this country when there's so much fear of the other, particularly of people of other religious traditions," she said.

Eaton lifted up the AMMPARO strategy as "a wonderful example of what we can do better together than we can do apart." AMMPARO – the ELCA's strategy to Accompany Migrant Minors with Protection, Advocacy, Representation and Opportunities – was passed by this assembly Aug. 10. As a church for the sake of the world, Eaton said, "Some of the most important words that are spoken in a liturgy are: Go in peace, serve the Lord. So we're sent out each worship time to be engaged in the world, understanding that we're nurtured by the sacraments and the word but that we are called to serve this world and not to see people as problems to be solved."

In her report, Eaton also reflected on the upcoming 15th anniversary of the terror attacks on Sept. 11, 2001, sharing the story of an ELCA chaplain in New York who anointed with oil the sign of the cross on firefighters as they entered the World Trade Center. "In baptism, we have all been marked with the cross of Christ and are all called not to run away but to run to those dark and deadly places, bringing the light and life of Christ," she said.

In addressing the work ahead for this church, Eaton emphasized the importance of working together across the church on issues such as immigration reform and racial injustice. "We are working with our partners, Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services, to settle immigrants, especially the Syrian immigrants as they come over here and ... welcome them so they become a part of our fabric of our country ... but we have to keep our focus. These are children of God. They're human beings," she said.

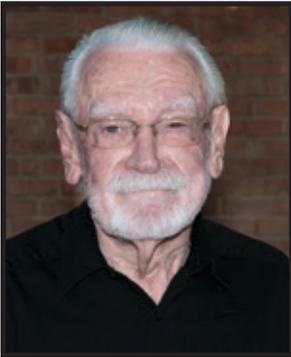
Speaking to the issue of white privilege, Eaton told the assembly, "We didn't create it. We inherited it. But now that we know that it exists, and our eyes are open, we are complicit if we don't do something to change laws and attitudes so that there is a level playing field in this country and so there is liberty and justice for all."

"But we can't do it alone or in isolation," she added. "We deeply need all of our brothers and sisters of color, for us to understand what life is like in this country, and then we need to commit ourselves to do something about it. So please, would you go back to your congregations – and this is a tough one – and right now if this is being live streamed and you can quote this and tweet this out: Pastors, when you start to get pushback from your congregations, just blame it on me."

"But we can't do everything all the time everywhere," said Eaton, emphasizing "Called Forward Together in Christ," an initiative that asks members to join a conversation about the future priorities of the ELCA. Eaton urged those at the assembly to have conversations around this initiative in their congregations. In closing Eaton told the assembly, "We have work to do. God will give us energy and the courage and the will to do it. Let's go, church."

The assembly – the highest legislative authority of the ELCA – is meeting at the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center in New Orleans. Meeting under the theme "Freed and Renewed in Christ: 500 Years of God's Grace in Action," the assembly's business will include preparations for observing the 500th anniversary of the Reformation in 2017.

60TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ORDINATION OF THE REV. DR. PAUL BAUERMEISTER



Paul was Ordained on September 16, 1956 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Indianapolis. In 1956, Paul began his ministry with the Lutheran Foundation of Indianapolis where he served as a Hospital Chaplin in two TB hospitals, the County General Hospital and the County Home for the Aged. These were all public hospitals. He served there until 1958. He had served his yearlong seminary internship there before being Called.

He received a Call from the Lutheran Mission Association in St. Louis. There he served as Pastor of Good Shepherd Chapel, an inner city mission, from 1958 until 1963 and as the Chaplin at Homer G. Phillips Hospital, a segregated city hospital for African Americans from 1958 until 1961.

In 1963, after seven years of rather intense work and needing a change, he received a Mental Health Fellowship from the Wheat Ridge Foundation and moved his young family to Minneapolis to attend the University of Minnesota to study Clinical Psychology. The Foundation was aware of research that demonstrated that ministers were functioning as gate keepers to Psychiatrists, and that ministers knew little about Psychiatry. The Foundation decided they would train six younger ministers to be Clinical Psychologists who could then train other ministers in Mental Health issues, thus improving their gate keeping, and in general their Pastoral Care. It was a tough, challenging program, but in 1968 Paul received his Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology and moved back to St. Louis. He was the first of the four who graduated.

Paul became the Consultant in Pastoral Care and spoke to every Pastoral group that would listen to him. He also visited with many individual Pastors. Some were interested in learning more, and he formed them into a group at County Hospital, learning Psychiatric Diagnosis and Treatment. He also asked each Pastoral Circuit to choose a representative from their group to come to a 9 month long weekly class of three hours to become the Pastoral Care Expert for their Circuit. Paul also started a private practice, seeing many Pastors and their families for counseling. Other private clients came to him for counseling; many were referred by Pastors.

In 1970 the Pastor supervising the big LCMS mission in the highlands of Papua New Guinea invited him to go there because the physician at the hospital there told him that too many missionaries were coming to him because of stress related issues. Paul and his wife went there twice for a total of three plus months. He considered his time in New Guinea as an excellent use of his training and skills. In 1974 Paul's obligation to the Wheat Ridge Foundation came to an end.

Paul had been teaching classes at Concordia Seminary as guest faculty and was Called to Seminex in 1975 to teach Pastoral Care. He taught in St. Louis until 1983 and in Chicago at LSTC until 1988. In consultation with the Bishop, Paul designed and tested a plan for every Pastor to have a Pastor for him/herself and his/her family. The pilot group really liked the idea, but couldn't sell it to the church.

In 1995 Paul retired and became his wife's roadie. She was representing the ELCA Foundation in Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas and Oklahoma. They drove mile after mile. It was FUN!

JOIN US ON SEPTEMBER 18 AT 9 AM TO CELEBRATE PAUL!

ADULT FORUM

SEPTEMBER ADULT FORUM

September 4: church unique: wrap up! Join us as we wrap up our summer's work by filling out the Mission Site Profile which will be used to call a new pastor. **Everyone is encouraged to participate – your voice is important!**

September 11, 18: The Constitution, Religious Freedom and Politics

Speaker: Leigh Hunt Greenhaw, Adjunct Professor and Senior Lecturer in Law, Washington University Law School, active member of the Missouri Bar, a speaker on First Amendment issues at domestic and international conferences and has written on law and religion, equal rights and other constitutional issues.

The First Amendment to the Constitution provides a number of freedoms. Among them is freedom of religion, the focus of Professor Greenhaw's talk for the next two weeks. She will also discuss state and federal legislation that affects our religious freedom. She will provide examples of how such First Amendment and state and federal legislation is being applied in contemporary situations in our society. Examples include: Supreme Court decisions regarding the Affordable Care Act, Hobby Lobby and others that have political relevance.

During the second week, if time permits, she will also offer us an opportunity that she gives to her class for foreign lawyers. We will examine and argue the case of a regulation that prevents a Muslim Middle School student from wearing the hijab (headscarf), considering both the Constitutional provisions and the state and federal freedom legislation that applies to the case and determines the outcome.

September 25 Monasticism - Men Who Chose to Become Monks and Still Do

Speaker: Dr. Steve Rowan, Professor of History, University of Missouri, St. Louis. Author of a number of books in the field of medieval history and the history of 16th Century law. Creator of an online course at UMSL on The History of the Church.

Steve will report on how it all began, and describe the various leaders who developed Monastic Orders and the rules for a way of life that involved celibacy, a strict prayer regimen, service and sometimes isolation and silence. Many of these Orders born in the 4th and 5th century have survived over the turbulent centuries that followed and are visible in today's world, often serving as Parish Priests and teachers in seminaries, colleges and universities.

CELEBRATION OF THE REV. DR. PAUL BAUERMEISTER!

Celebration of the 60th Anniversary of Ordination

Please join us on September 18 at the 9 am service as we celebrate the 60th anniversary of the ordination of The Rev. Dr. Paul Bauermeister. If you would like to write a note of appreciation or congratulations and bring or send it to the office, we will present them all to Paul at the service. Thank you!

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY

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**JOIN US ON SEPTEMBER 11 FOR
A CONGREGATIONAL PICNIC!
10:15 AM TO 11:00 AM
IN THE GYM**

EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT RALLY DAY AND THE CONGREGATIONAL PICNIC

***Congregational Picnic – The “Trinity Grillers” will fire up the hot dogs, and we are asking the congregation to bring their tastiest sides and yummiest desserts!**

- If your last name begins with A-R: Please bring a side dish, such as pasta salad, green salad, baked beans, etc.
- If your last name begins with S-Z: Please bring a dessert.

***Join us for some late summer congregational fellowship (all ages) and activities in the gym for the kids.**

***Don't forget to check out the “Growing in God's Love” mural in the upstairs hallway, painted by Katie Steinmeyer! All ages are encouraged to leave their handprint on the tree, as we are all God's children!**

***Rally Day Service Project – We will be collecting school supplies and Walmart gift cards for Lantern Hill to help support our ongoing mission effort for the Lantern Hill kids and their education.**

***During worship service we will have the B.A.G. Ministry distribution for those entering Preschool Sunday School (3yrs old), 1st Graders and 3rd Graders . . . if someone doesn't have the correct bible or is new and in a grade not mentioned, please see me.**

***Please contact Amy Jones ibamywinter@gmail.com to fulfill your Baptismal Promise to help Trinity's children “Grow in God's Love” and become a part of the Sunday School program!**

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY

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SUNDAY SCHOOL KICK OFF IS SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 11TH AT 10:15AM

Rally Day will be a morning of family fun; crafts, games and fellowship!

Again this year Sunday School will be a rotation model curriculum - the kids will learn the same Bible lesson three weeks in a row via a variety of interactive and hands on learning experiences. The program will offer: Arts and Crafts, Bible Lesson/Games and Drama.

This year's Sunday School theme is "Grow in God's Love" which ties in with the Preschool's "Watch Us Grow" outdoor classroom program. Check out the growing tree in the upstairs hallway (painted by Katie Steinmeyer) and see all the Trinity kids Growing in God's Love through the Sunday School!

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL MINISTRY COULD NOT BE WHAT IT IS WITHOUT YOU!

We are still in need of a few more "YOU" . . .

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TRINITY PRESCHOOL

Carol Bentley
cbentley@trinitychesterfield.org

TRINITY PRESCHOOL 59 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE

This fall Trinity Preschool enters its 59th year of providing an outreach program to the community through our Christian preschool. At our school, children are able to participate in developmentally appropriate activities where they experience and hear daily of Jesus' love for them. Trinity members can proudly invite neighbors and friends to consider enrolling their child in our preschool.

We have a talented and caring staff who love children and serving God through the preschool. The lead teachers are Lisa Atkins, Christie Cole, Karen Del Rio, Kim Dolson, Stacey Drake, Katie Findley, Vicki Jaycox, and Jessica Schellman. Assistant and Lunch Bunch teachers are Leslie Balk, Elaine Buckley, Teresa Conley, Anne Durfee, Jane Howren, Michelle Klein, Aimee Lin, Bree Phillips, Jennifer Sykes, and Dolly Streeter. We are also excited to have Mr. Steve Crock back as our music teacher. It is going to be a wonderful year! We thank God for the preschool staff and their dedicated service.

I am proud to announce that enrollment for the 2016-17 school year is at 155 children. Our highest enrollment ever! We have just a few spots remaining, and we are also accepting names for our waiting list for those classes that are currently full. Please refer your neighbors and friends to our quality Christian preschool. For more information, call the preschool office at 636.227.5720.

Carol Bentley, Preschool Director

COME PLAY WITH US

Come share your talents with the children at Trinity Preschool. If you have a talent that you are willing to share, such as playing a musical instrument, storytelling, gardening, cooking, etc. . . we would love to have you! Just give Carol a call at 636.227.5720.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE PRESCHOOL FALL FESTIVAL

The Trinity Preschool Fall Festival will take place on Thursday, October 13th from 5:00-7:00 PM. We especially need volunteers to help serve food. Thinking ahead, we could also use help at our Spring Social on Thursday, April 20th from 5:00-7:00 PM. We would love to have your help, and it is always lots of fun! Please contact Carol Bentley at 636.227.5720 if you can help. Thank you!

WALKING TOGETHER

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Walking
Together
Mentoring Program

On August 24th, the Walking Together Mentoring Ministry hosted an event at Trinity, celebrating our first full round of the mentoring experience. Pastor Mann opened the event with a blessing and then presented the challenge of the Gospel – that we are called to step beyond our comfort zone to reach out to our brothers and sisters in need.

The Celebration was attended by a small but lively group representing the following faith communities: Temple Israel, Zion Lutheran, Good Shepherd Lutheran, Transfiguration Lutheran, Believers' Temple, St. Joseph – Manchester, Sacred Heart – Valley Park, and of course, Trinity Lutheran – Chesterfield. A panel discussion facilitated by Dave Luethy provided our mentors a forum to share how they were called to live out that Gospel challenge in their interactions with their mentee families and with each other. The Q/A portion of the evening gave the attendees an opportunity to ask questions about the nuts and bolts of the ministry. New mentors are joining our team, and mentor training will be scheduled in the coming weeks!



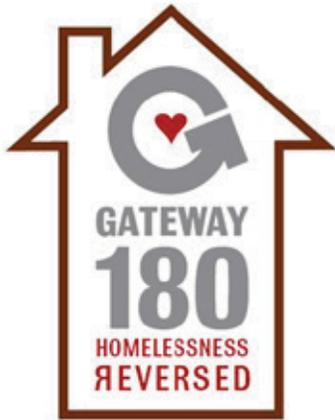
With these wonderful new contacts, Walking Together continues to expand its ministry to include new faith communities through St. Louis City and St. Louis County. With the St. Louis community having experienced so much turmoil and strife in recent times, how refreshing it was to see people of faith, regardless of geographic, cultural or other differences, coming together to LIVE the Gospel!

A big 'THANK YOU' to the Walking Together mentors, the Leadership Team, Renato and Bette Cataldo, and all the Trinity Staff who helped plan, arrange, set up and clean up.

On a personal note, I am leaving the Walking Together team to take a position with a not-for-profit in St. Charles County, the area where I worked over the last 5 years. I am deeply grateful for having had the opportunity to work within this church community and to have met so many wonderful people: staff and clergy, volunteers, our mentee families, and agency representatives. As I go, my prayer for you is that you will continue to live the Gospel, both in your work with the hurting world outside these walls, as well as in your relationships within the Trinity community.

God Bless. Mary Fehner

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GATEWAY ACTION TEAM NEWS

Be the Hands and Feet of Christ

The Gateway Action Team continues to support Gateway180's mission and clients. A dedicated team of volunteers prepares 150 Brown Bag Lunches the 2nd Monday of each month and delivers them to Gateway180 for distribution to those in need in their community.

On the 3rd Saturday evening each month, we focus on food, fellowship and fun. Dinner is prepared and served to Gateway180's clients. After dinner, we provide activities for adults and children. For the adults, this often means a spirited round of Bingo with prizes for the winners and a bus pass for all.

For the children, this means outdoor playtime (weather permitting) or crafts and indoor games. Throughout the evening, volunteers are blessed to be able to interact with Gateway's clients, learning of their challenges, how they are working to overcome them, offering support and simply enjoying spending time with them.

August's Saturday night activities were highlighted by a handpainting party to make Katie Steinmeyer's inspirational vision come to life. Read more about Katie's service project on page 9.

The Gateway Action Team would like to organize additional support for Gateway's clients by providing childcare from 9:00-11:00 on the 1st Saturday of each month. During this time, Gateway holds Empowerment Workshops for their clients. These workshops are an important part of their clients' journeys to become independently housed. Available childcare during this time allows the workshop attendees to more fully participate in the workshops. We can't do this without your help. If you are interested, please contact a Gateway Action Team member.

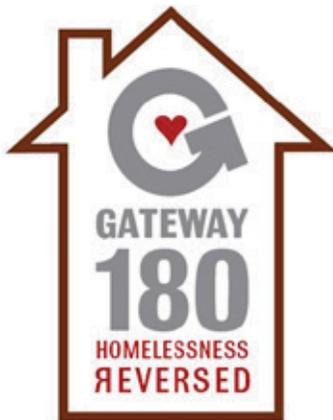
The Gateway Action Team works with Gateway staff to identify additional ways Trinity can support Gateway's mission. We would also like to hear from you . . . do you have an idea or skill you would like to use to support Gateway and their clients? Let us know, and we will help facilitate making it happen.

The Gateway Action Team is continually grateful for the support we receive from our Trinity family. The need is great, and additional support is always welcome.

Members of the Gateway Action Team are Kathy Gaal, Ken Hardebeck, Linda Lemke, Barb and Jon Trettel and Dick Wegner. Contact any member for additional information on missional opportunities or if you would like to join the team.

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OUR PAINTING PARTY AT GATEWAY 180 WAS A HUGE SUCCESS!



On August 20th, Trinity volunteers helped the residents at Gateway put their handprints on trees to create leaves. These **Trees of Hope** will continue to grow over the months and years as new residents arrive at Gateway and add their handprints. Thank you to Katie Steinmeyer for painting the trees and organizing the painting party! Please contact the church office or Kathy Gaal at kgaal@sbcglobal.net or 314.540.2690 if you want to volunteer with this important ministry.



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TRINITY BOOK GROUP

Monday, September 26 at 11:30 AM

The Water is Wide by Pat Conroy

Yamacraw Island, separated from the mainland of South Carolina by a wide tidal river, was accessible only by boat. For the handful of families that lived there, America was a world away. For years these families lived proudly from the sea until waste from industry destroyed the oyster beds essential to their very existence. Already poor, they knew they faced an uncertain future unless they learned a new life. But they needed someone to teach them. "The Water Is Wide" is Pat Conroy's extraordinary memoir based on his experience as the only teacher in a two-room schoolhouse, working with children the world had pretty much forgotten. It was a year that changed his life, and one that introduced a group of poor black children to a world they did not know existed.

Bring your lunch and join our lively discussion.

Reading ahead:

October 24

**Waking Up White:
and Finding Myself in the Story of Race**
by Debbie Irving

Questions? Call Karen at 314.275.9905.



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DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THRIVENT GIFT CARDS

Each Thrivent member who has a policy has access to two \$250 Thrivent Action Team cards. When a charitable activity is approved, volunteers can use the cards to purchase supplies for a wide range of events. The cards are Thrivent's way of keeping it's fraternal status - by giving all profits away to "do good."

So far, Trinity members who own Thrivent insurance have donated 23 \$250 cards to cover costs that would have come out of Trinity's budget. Four more Trinity members have already applied for cards to be used during September.

Trinity has at least 15 more eligible activities this year that could be covered by these \$250 Thrivent Action Team cards.

If you are a member of Thrivent and would like to learn how to get your cards, please contact Corlyn Salisbury at 636.225.1457 or rwscms@sbcglobal.net. With just a few more members' cards, we could offset Trinity's deficit by \$10,000. Thank you!

THE LUTHERAN PRAYER BREAKFAST

October 12, 2016

Join 400+ area Lutherans to hear the Rev. Walt Wangerin, Jr., at the Lutheran Prayer Breakfast on October 12, 2016. Tickets are \$25 and can be reserved at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2016-lutheran-prayer-breakfast-tickets-26849401282> or by calling Angie at 314.262.8217. Sponsored by 13 area Lutheran organizations, the breakfast is being held at the Orlando Events & Conference Center in Maryland Heights.

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MEALS DO MATTER

Our freezer is full!

Do you know a friend, a family member, a co-worker, a neighbor, a classmate or a stranger who needs some extra love? Please share one of our meals with them and live out:

“You Matter to God. You Matter to Us.”

We have coolers available in the Atrium near our freezers to help when delivering meals on hot days. We have also found that some recipients like to place a cooler outside their house in the shade for meals to be delivered so that they can rest uninterrupted. **Coolers are available near our freezers for delivering meals in hot weather.**



FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN

Friday, October 21

7:15 - 9:30pm

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Feed My Starving Children is a Christian non-profit organization committed to feeding God's children hungry in body and spirit. The approach is simple: children and adults hand-pack meals specifically formulated for malnourished children, and we ship these meals to our distribution partners. Trinity has 20 spots reserved for October 21. Ages 2 to 102 years can come help pack meals. Please contact the office or Amy Jones at ibamywinter@gmail.com if you'd like to help.

JENNIFER SPOHR IS PLAYING IN THE SHEPLEY CONCERT SERIES



Hannah Frey and Jennifer Spohr will be performing a concert as part of The Shepley Concert Series at Christ Church Cathedral (1210 Locust St, St. Louis, MO 63103) on October 2, 2016 at 2 PM.

They will be playing Sonata No. 3 for Piano & Violin, Op. 108 (Brahms) as well as other selections. For more information, visit The Shepley Concert Series website at: <http://www.christchurchconcerts.org>.

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TRINITY OKTOBERFEST

Sunday, October 30

Noon - 5:00 PM

Trinity is hosting an Oktoberfest Celebration on October 30th – Reformation Sunday. The aim is to invite our neighbors in the community to Trinity, highlight our denomination's German roots, and kick-off a year-long commemoration of the Reformation's 500th anniversary. This should be a great opportunity for fun and fellowship and to help our Bridge the Gap efforts, while introducing others to Trinity.

We need everyone's help!

One of the keys to our success will be tapping as many of the skills and talents of Trinity's members that we can. We need volunteers to help coordinate everything from getting out the word, taking tickets, grilling brats, and twisting pretzels, etc. . . . Please contact Todd Maloy at tmaloy.cfa@gmail.com, Richard Leimgruber at richard.m.leimgruber@monsanto.com, or any member of the Congregation Council to volunteer. Thank you!

I got my
FLU SHOT
Have you?

Flu Shot Clinic
October 2
8AM to Noon in the Gym

MediNurse will be conducting the clinic
Insurances accepted: Medicare & Coventry
Shots will only be given to children 9 and older

ARE YOU A GIFTED WRITER?

We are looking for 1-2 people who would be willing to interview people for the monthly Trinitell. In future issues of the Trinitell, we hope to feature human-interest articles about some of our members. If you would be willing to interview and write a short article a few times a year, please contact the church office. Thank you!

PROJECT BREAD DOUGHNATION

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers pick up bread every Friday night from Panera and deliver it the next morning to one of five charities. Please sign up in the Atrium, or contact Morris Larson at mlarson@trinitychesterfield.org for more information.

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TRINITY DINNER GROUPS Sign Up Now for Autumn Dinner Groups

The revival of Trinity Dinner Groups this summer was a huge hit, so we will celebrate that success by forming Autumn Dinner Groups.

Contact the church office or sign up online or in person with Kathy Oughton at kathy.oughton@gmail.com or Becky Luethy at reluethy@gmail.com.

MOST WANTED LIST

We all want Trinity to be a welcoming place for us to worship and serve the Lord. In order to be a more welcoming place, we need more help taking care of God's house here at Trinity. We have developed a "Most Wanted List" which is a way for donations or volunteer help to be directed toward repairs and/or items needed within the church:

- Help with recycling materials (boxes, glass, etc.)
- Paint gym and other areas inside of the building (Love to paint? We have X2 volunteers so far – more are needed please for a painting team!)
- Scrape and paint eaves around the building
- Contribute to replacement of all older tables
- Volunteer assistance for snow removal from sidewalks in winter (We have 1 volunteer so far!)
- Contribute to replacement of worn carpeting
- Volunteer assistance to help set up chairs & tables for large meetings
- More volunteers to help with handyman repairs of all sorts
- Volunteers who enjoy gardening (We have 1 volunteer so far!)

If you are interested in donating either your time or treasure to any of these projects, please contact Morris Larson at mlarson@trinitychesterfield.org or call the office at 636.227.5432. Thank you!

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CURRENT SMALL GROUPS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>7 PM Stephen Ministry Meeting</p> <p>Location varies 1x per month</p> <p>Betty Forde 636.256.7780 bforde9696@sbcglobal.net</p>	<p>8:30 AM Gateway Brown Bag Group</p> <p>Gym Kitchen 2nd Monday of the Month</p> <p>Kathy Gaal 314.540.2690 kgaal@sbcglobal.net</p>	<p>10:00 AM Bible Study led by Pastor Mann</p> <p>Room 123 Weekly</p> <p>Pastor John Mann 636.227.5432</p>	<p>6:30 AM Men's Bible Study</p> <p>Room 123 Weekly</p> <p>Gene Kerr 636.265.2776 GKerr@aol.com</p>	<p>7:00 AM Men's Bible Study</p> <p>Room 123 Weekly Oct. to May</p> <p>Larry Lemke 314.307.4363 lalemke@sbcglobal.net</p>	<p>9:00 AM MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers)</p> <p>2x per month Dates Vary</p> <p>Kim Boschert 314.570.7008 kimboschert@yahoo.com</p>	<p>2:00 PM TOWS (The Ones Who Serve)</p> <p>Gym/Kitchen 2nd Saturday of the Month</p> <p>Denise Jadali 314.749.4500 dmjadali@SSDM.org</p>
	<p>11:30 AM Book Group</p> <p>Room 123 4th Monday of the Month</p> <p>Karen Johnson 314.275.9905 mrsDRJx5@gmail.com</p>		<p>9:30 AM Women's Small Group</p> <p>Room 123 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the Month</p> <p>Kim Stewart 636.391.8807 JGalenS@aol.com</p>	<p>1:00 PM Christ Care Group</p> <p>Room 123 1st & 3rd Thursday of the Month</p> <p>Lynn Sapp 314.540.2634 jksapp@charter.net</p>		<p>3:00 PM Gateway 180</p> <p>Meal & Activity 3rd Saturday of the Month</p> <p>Ken Hardebeck @ 636.391.7130 lhardebeck@aol.com</p>
	<p>1:00 PM. Christ Care Group</p> <p>Upper Room 1st and 3rd Monday of the Month</p> <p>Ruth Rangel 636-532-5949 MoopsnDoops@aol.com</p>		<p>7:00 PM Parish Choir</p> <p>Room 261 Weekly Sept. to May</p> <p>Jennifer Spohr 314.307.0161 jennifer@spohrpiano.com</p>	<p>6:45 PM Discipleship Group</p> <p>Room 123 every other Week</p> <p>Chris Krejci 314.605.4109 cnkrejci@aol.com</p>		
	<p>7:00 PM Itch to Stitch</p> <p>Upper Room 2nd and 4th Monday of the Month</p> <p>Sandi Thorp 314.322.6009 skipsandi@sbcglobal.net</p>		<p>If you are interested in joining a small group, please call or email the contact person listed above or Sandi Thorp at 314.322.6009 or skipsandi@sbcglobal.net</p>			

HEALTH NOTES

Norma Anderson, RN, PhD - Parish Nurse

MORE ABOUT THE ZIKA VIRUS

I recently began collecting information about the Zika virus for this month's column. Some of you may already be aware that I subscribe to a large number of monthly health newsletters. This morning the U.S. announced that at least 14 cases of Zika virus have been diagnosed here in our country - cases that were not connected with travel in South America. They have currently warned people in south Florida to take precautions against mosquitoes because they may be infected with the virus; this is especially important for pregnant women.

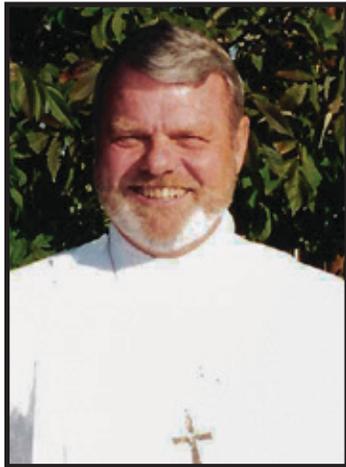
One of my newsletters is the Harvard Women's Health Watch. A recent lead article is about this Zika situation and I'd like to share it with you all. "You're no doubt aware that a mosquito bite can transmit the Zika virus and that pregnant women infected with the virus may have babies with microcephaly - incomplete brain development. Although Zika is getting the most attention this summer, mosquitoes and ticks carrying the pathogens responsible for other conditions, including West Nile fever, Lyme disease, encephalitis, and Rocky Mountain spotted fever, are still at large in areas of the U. S. While scientists work to develop vaccines against these illnesses, the best protection is still prevention. According to Dr. Mary E. Wilson of the Harvard School of Public Health, one thing everyone can do is to reduce their risk of exposure. Getting the best protection depends on the type of bug you're protecting yourself against.

“Mosquito protection. Here are some time-tested ways to avoid mosquito bites. First, protect your skin. The same insect repellents we've relied on to keep away the Culex mosquitoes (which carry the West Nile virus) are also effective against Aedes (the mosquito genus that transmits Zika virus). When you're comparing products, look for those containing DEET, picaridin, IR3535, oil of lemon eucalyptus, or para-menthane-3,8-diol (the active ingredient of eucalyptus oil). Those containing 20% DEET are a good choice for long-lasting protection. Before you go outside, apply sunscreen to your exposed skin, allow about 15 minutes for it to be absorbed, then apply insect repellent. Products that offer combined protection against the sun's ultra-violet radiation and bug bites may seem more convenient to use, but they aren't as effective. Next, treat your clothing. You may also want to get a spray containing permethrin (a chemical that repels ticks and mosquitoes) for your clothing. One application remains effective even after several washings. Permethrin-treated clothing is also available through outdoor gear suppliers.

Insect-proof your property. Use air conditioning when possible. If you want to let the summer breeze in, make sure that all your doors and windows are screened. Standing water is a breeding ground for mosquitoes. Drain birdbaths, plant saucers, trash containers, and any other water collectors regularly.”

I discussed tick protection some time ago. Ticks are no longer confined to rural areas; they are moving into urban parks and yards. Avoid underbrush; spray skin and clothing with DEET repellants, and permethrin-treated clothing offers protection against ticks as well as mosquitoes. Survey your skin. Examine your skin thoroughly for ticks. Then examine your pet. Check your family dog with a thorough going-over to see if any ticks have hopped aboard. Veterinary insecticides that kill ticks, fleas, and their eggs are available as topical agents or in impregnated collars. Finally, go through your gear. Remember that ticks can hitchhike back from the woods in camping gear, blankets and clothing. It's a good idea to wash all fabrics in hot water. An hour in a hot clothes dryer should kill any ticks that survived the trip home with you. Have a safe and bug-free summer, free of mosquitoes and ticks that can cause disease.

IT TAKES A VILLAGE TO RUN THE CHURCH



FAREWELL AND GODSPEED FOR LARRY LEMKE

Since August 2015, Larry Lemke has been the Assistant to the Pastor here at Trinity. Recently the pastor at Zion Lutheran Church in Ferguson resigned and the church council called Larry to serve as their Interim Pastor for the next two years. Larry will begin his new ministry on September 1, 2016. Larry has a long history with Zion Lutheran Church. It is where all three of his children and his niece went to school and where he served in many ways when Pastor Sam Roth was the pastor. We wish him well and pray for him as he answers the Call as Interim Pastor at Zion Lutheran Church in Ferguson.

THANK YOU!

- **From Robin Brown, Congregational Support for the ELCA World Hunger Campaign:**
*Dear Trinity Lutheran Church,
Thank you for your recent gift of \$2,000 to support the mission and ministry of the ELCA.
Thank you for your generosity and commitment in working toward a world in which all are fed.*
- Katie Steinmeyer for painting our beautiful “Growing in God’s Love” tree in the upstairs hallway!
- Stan Sajban for painting benches out front!
- Roger Thomas for replacing more exit lights and burned out light bulbs around the building!
- Jon Trettel & Roger Thomas for hanging bulletin boards and coat racks for the new preschool classroom!
- Ken Hardebeck for helping set up planting boxes in the new preschool outdoor classroom!
- Ron Jones & Elaine Larson for helping with chair set-up and take-down for large monthly community meetings held at Trinity!
- Pat Irmischer and her small group for providing an Appreciation Lunch to the preschool teachers on their first day!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MOPS MEETINGS



MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) meets two Fridays a month here at Trinity. We are looking for a few volunteers to watch our Moppets from 9:30 to 11:30 AM on the following days:

- September 9 & 23
- October 14 & 28
- November 11 & 18
- December 9 & 16
- January 13 & 27
- February 10
- March 10 & 24
- April 7 & 28
- May 5 & 12

If you can help out, please contact the church office or Kim Boschert at kimboschert@yahoo.com.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS & UPDATES

PRAYERS FROM AUGUST 2016

Please pray for... Sean, Joyce & Brian Lappin, Loren Forrester, Arjun, Umesh, Aru & family, Ameenah & family, Florence Artaserse, Don, Marie Miller, Barb Brown, Cameron Jadali, Chris Krejci, Eleanor McNulty, Gary Lack, Jack Binz, Marie Miller, Theresa Rose, Alice Tourville, John Chlpka, Kyle, Precious, Rita LaSalle, Tom, Dorsey Schroeck, Mia Knowles, Nancy & family, Mark, all teachers & students, Stephen Ministers and their caregivers, everyone in need, world peace, health, happiness and prosperity, safe travels for all students going to college

Those who are hospitalized / having surgery... Betty Mild, Erv Mild

Those in need of healing... George, Clarence Seckel, Sharon Mertz, Maxie Miller, Jim Anderson, Lucille Niklason, Loretta, Mae Beth, Marj, Carla, Jeanette, Shickoh Jadali, Peyton Gregory, Buddy Cason, David & Maddy Roock, Julianna, Nadine McKisick, Jeanette, Lana, Linda, Mary, Ruthie

Those undergoing treatment... Earl Lindenberg, Drew Aufderheide, Steve Hild, Anne Doelger, Dennis Anstine, Marsha

Those in hospice care... Wallace Larsen (father of Cindy Anderson), Pearl Francis (mother of Bob Francis)

The family and friends of... Steven Courtney (close friend of Bruce & Phyllis Baker), Maya (2) & Abigail (4) Roock (friends of the Tietjen family), Jim Aufderheide, dear brother of Kay Calcagno and brother-in-law of Mike Calcagno, who passed away on August 7 in Minnesota, Phil Evett, beloved husband of Joanne Evett (friend of Jill Schroeck), Conrad & Diana Scranton on the death of Diana's beloved mother (family friends of Nancy Rourke & Tom Knowles), Mary Bussman, beloved mother of Trinity staff member Fred Bussman, who passed away on August 28

Those serving overseas... Nate K. (Kuwait & Iraq), Jeff Immer (Kuwait)

Thanksgiving and praise for the...

- That Marsha came through surgery safely!
- For the marriage of Blake Larson and Melissa Gibbs on August 15th (Morris & Elaine Larson's son)!
- For Betty Mild's successful surgery!
- For successful kidney transplant after 2 years on dialysis for Linda Jackson, friend of Pat Irmscher!
- Good CT results for Buddy Cason!

To make a prayer request...

- Call the church office-636.227.5432
- Email news@trinitychesterfield.org or bpecher@trinitychesterfield.org
- Enter prayer requests on our website: www.YouMattertoGod.org
- Prayers remain on the list for two weeks and may be renewed by request.

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UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS

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Linda Heyer 9/2
Julian Chollet 9/3
Bob Garthe 9/3
Taylor Madden 9/3
Baylee Lyerla 9/5
Maggie Lyerla 9/5
Sissy Lyerla 9/5
Owen Wolf 9/5
Clayton Fry 9/6
Gabriel DeLauter 9/7
Fred Meyland-Smith 9/7
Angela Bullock 9/8
Paul Ogier 9/8
Richard Salisbury 9/8
Owen Larsen 9/9
Margie Belleville 9/10
Owen Francis 9/10

Henry Kueker 9/10
Gabriel Bierschenk 9/12
Erv Mild 9/12
Otto Wirgau 9/14
Tamara Hinrichs 9/15
Karen Johnson 9/15
Claire Jones 9/17
Olivia Maupin 9/17
Sue Bahle 9/18
Dorothy Wilhite 9/18
Gerhild Williams 9/18
Caroline O'Neil 9/19
Jarrett Surtin 9/20
Zachary Menz 9/21
Jonathan Ellsworth 9/23
Lonna Ellsworth 9/23
John Hower 9/23
Erik Johnson 9/23

Ron Wiese 9/23
Delores Wirgau 9/23
Carl Kontak 9/24
Peter Larsen 9/24
Peggy Miller 9/24
Bruce Baker 9/25
Polly King 9/25
Kristen Masiel 9/25
Zachary Zambrano 9/25
Marie Gomez 9/27
James Wilhite 9/27
Sarah Hower 9/28
Eric Petersen 9/28
Erik Sall 9/29
Travis Bullock 9/30
Mary Eva Horton 9/30
Ethan Maloy 9/30

UPCOMING ANNIVERSARIES

Pete & Becky Tidswell 9/3/1995
Richard & Corlyn Salisbury 9/5/1982
Charlie & Betty Forde 9/6/1996
Ron & Eunice Wiese 9/10/1955
Jerry & Glenda Partlow 9/15/1966
John & Susan Hugery 9/16/1989
Steve & Monica Bierschenk 9/16/1989
Greg & Kaari Smith 9/19/2009

Alexander & Amy Zambrano 9/20/2003
David & Elisa Thelen 9/20/2003
Peter & Jennifer Larsen 9/20/2008
Christopher & Lori Roseman 9/21/1996
Greg & Amy Jones 9/25/1999
Paul & Sue Ogier 9/27/1980
Eric & Jill DeLauter 9/27/2003
Fred & Susan Meyland-Smith 9/28/1968

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