HOLY TRINITY Evangelical Lutheran Church ECHOES NEWSLETTER

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Pastor

The Rev. Dr. Maurice Y. Lee

Staff

Mrs. Jacqueline Smith, *B. Mus. M. Mus.*, *Director of Music*Mrs. Deborah Mumford, *Office Administrator*

Worship Services

Saturday at 5 p.m. Sunday at 9 a.m. (also live-streamed) Sunday Church School at 10:30 a.m.

Holy Communion

Saturday evening, Sunday morning & Festival Days

Deadline for submission of material for the Echoes Newsletter is 9 a.m. the 15th of each month.

From the Pastor

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ:

A recent book describes the cultural setting of the churches that first received the document we call Revelation:

"Refusing to join in [Roman pagan] practices like sacrificial meals carried a steep social and economic price. As a Christian, you might find yourself alienated from your friends and family members. If you were a shopkeeper, you might lose your customers, your business associates, even your livelihood itself. Your community might brand you as being subversive, antisocial, and 'atheistic.' The pressure to relieve these stresses by accommodating to Rome's ways would have been monumental" (Dean Flemming, Foretaste of the Future: Reading Revelation in Light of God's Mission [InterVarsity Press, 2022], 29).

Lots of our fellow 21st-century Christians would dismiss, as overblown and paranoid, concerns about being "cancelled," excluded, and otherwise opposed in the modern West for holding the line on the gospel of Jesus as attested in the Bible ... and the morality and behavior consistent with that gospel. But however seriously the threat of persecution — "soft" or "hard" — for following Christ ought to be taken, and whatever might be the circumstances — friendly or antagonistic — in which our churches find themselves, *holding the line on the gospel, in words and deeds, is not optional.* That's what it means to be Christian.

The gospel is not a nice extra, like a spare tire, tacked onto a worldview and lifestyle that can usually do fine without it. The gospel is *a true description of reality*: of what's actually out there, of who actually cares, and of where everything is actually going.

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Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

Mission Statement

We proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ, making disciples and serving in His name.



Altar Flowers

The Altar Flowers have been presented to the Glory of God by the people of Holy Trinity. Altar Flowers must be ordered no later than the Tuesday afternoon preceding the Sunday they are presented. They may be ordered through the Church Office (215-659-2642). You may pay by placing \$20.00 in a small white pew envelope checked, "Altar Flowers." If you know it, indicate your envelope number.

From the Pastor

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The gospel is good news precisely because it reveals to us what's really the case, as opposed to both our flimsy daydreams and our skin-crawling nightmares: "In Christ all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross" (Colossians 1:19–20). (That, by the way, is also what the book of Revelation is finally about.)

Living in accordance with what's true, with what's actually there, is just common sense, like behaving in the awareness that heavy things fall and hot things burn — or it would be common sense, if it were not for human sin and the world's brokenness and the devil's deceptions. In Christ God gives forgiveness and transformation so that we can live by the truth: the truth about God and the truth about the universe. Hearing the Word and gathering at the Lord's table is doing that. Praying for the sick and serving those in need is doing that. Strengthening our families and supporting our neighborhoods is doing that. And if living by the truth cuts into our opportunities to be influencers, enablers, and beneficiaries of the culture — well, we're not looking for trouble; we're just "seeking the city that is to come" (Hebrews 13:14).

God has placed us in this community — the Holy Trinity community — to live by the truth together. I'm unspeakably grateful to be doing that with you.

Because Jesus is risen, Pastor Maurice



Colossians 1:20 †



Prayer cards are available in a basket on the Altar in the Chapel of the Good Shepherd. Fill out your prayer requests and members of the Healing Prayer Ministry will pray for your needs. If you leave your contact information a team member will contact you.



The Holy Trinity
Women's Prayer Group
resumes meeting
this month.

Wednesday, Sept.14th 7:00 PM

In the upper room of her carriage house.

Contact Rosemary @ arhinkle@comcast.net

"All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers." Acts 1:14

Prayer List

One of the beautiful aspects of Christian Fellowship is that we can share one another's concerns through prayer.

Please pray for the following individuals & their families: (we cannot add last names) Adam, Alicia, Allan, Allyson, Alonzo, Amanda, Anne, Antonette, Audrey, Barb, Becky, Bert, Beth, Bill, Bob, Brian, Bruce, Carol, Carly, Carter, Chris, Charles, Christopher, Cindy, Colleen, Dallas, Dan, Daniel, Dave, David, Deb, Deborah, Derek, Diane, Didi, Dina, Dolores, Donna, Dorothea, Dorothy, Dottie, Ed, Ekaterina, Elaine, Elena, Ellen, Eric, Erica, Festo, Gavin, Gene, Grace, Gregory, Hannah, Hans, Helen, Irina, Ivan, Jackie, Jamie, Jane, Jared, Jason, Jeff, Jen, Jennifer, Joe, John, Jon, Joyce, Jude, Judy, Julia, Kathy, Kellie, Kelly, Kevan, Kidambi, Konstantin, Laura, Levi, Linda, Lisa, Logan, Lois, Maggie, Marissa, Maryann, Maryjane, Mason, Matthew, Megan, Melody, Micah, Michail, Mike, Nancy, Neda, Nik, Nikki, Noreen, Pat, Patrick, Pete, Peter, Prisca, Rhonda, Richard, Rick, Roger, Roman, Ron, Roy, Ruth, Sage, Sam, Samantha, Sandra, Scott, Serafina, Sharon, Sherri, Soleil, Sondra, Stephen, Steve, Suzanne, Tatiana, Terry, Tammy, Tina, Todd, Trudy, Tyler, Valentina, Vicki, Willow.

Please pray for the following families: All of the families of Holy Trinity, especially we pray for the: Abera, Arnold, Breuer, Brown, Crawford, Custer, Davidson, Dewald, Diener, Engelke, Fisher, Flory, Ganther, Gregg, Haage, Hamilton, Kitchen, Kramer, Kriesich, Lacy, LaRocca, Lockhart, Lusignea, Maieron, Martin, McAleese, McGettigan, McGovern, McGowan, Minges, Muldowney, Mutashobya, Necker, O'Rourke, Panzo, Plum, Puhl, Rush, Schimpf, Schmidt, Shinn, Sickle, Sklencar, Staedtler, Steinhofer, Tavella, Walsh, Williams, Wilson, Wright.

Please pray for the following petitions:

That God would bless and protect all members of Holy Trinity, together with those they love and pray for.

That God would guide each of us to grow in grace & that He would please send workers into the Harvest.

For all who are chronically ill and/or shut-in.

For all who are fighting addiction to drugs and alcohol.

For the sick and the grieving.

For all congregations of the NALC.

For all travelers and for the dying.

For the military and their families.

For all Native Americans living on U.S. reservations.

For refugees and immigrants.

The unemployed, the underemployed & the uninsured,

especially those in our own families.

All Caregivers, rescue workers, doctors, nurses, firefighters, EMTs.

For all Christians who are being persecuted for the faith throughout the world. For victims of rains, wildfires, earthquakes, hurricanes; for favorable weather and an abundance of crops.

For all in financial difficulty that they may be totally restored.

For those suffering from racial injustice, bigotry, and oppression in our nation and in the world.

For the people of Ukraine.

For peace in the world and shootings to stop in our cities.

For a peaceful political atmosphere.

Congratulations & Welcome to God's World



Little Sabrina Jean Freer
Born August 2, 2022
7 lbs., 1 oz., 19 1/2"
Parents Brian & Julie Freer
Big Brother Julian
Grandparents Bruce & Maureen Freer



Little **Ryland Paul Brown**Born **July 13, 2022 10 lbs., 22 1/4"**Parents Cassidy & Jocelyn Brown
Aunts Claire & Audrey
Grandparents Scott & Suzanne Brown



Our Christian Sympathy to

Maryjane Singley and family on the death of Maryjane's daughter, Cindy Hambach, July 29, 2022 Beloved daughter, sister, wife and mother

Jane and Ken Tredinnick and family on the death of Jane's daughter,

Deborah Koutsiouroubas, August 6, 2022

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Beloved daughter, sister, wife and mother

Pastors Mike and Mandy and family on the death of Pastor Mike's mother,

Nancy Tavella, August 15, 2022

Beloved mother, mother-in-law and grandmother

Matthew 5:4
"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted."

Memorials received



Gus Haun Nancy Tavella



SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP IS NOW AVAILABLE LIVE ON YOUTUBE (THEHTLConline) OR OUR WEBSITE HOLYTRINITY.NET OR OUR FACEBOOK PAGE.
JOIN US AT 9 AM

Treasurer's Report

July 31, 2022 (For the Year 2022)

	Holy Trinity Ministries	Wider Church	
Year to date received for current income	\$ 174,417.10	\$ 35,680.90	
Carry over from 2021	\$ 0.00	\$ 43,897.44	
Expenses paid to date	\$ 191,997.71	\$ 31,514.90	
Surplus/(Deficit) 2022	(\$17,580.61)	\$ 48,063.44	

Luther Quotes:

"A Christian is a perfectly free Lord of all, subject to none.

A Christian is a perfectly dutiful servant of all, subject to all."

- "The Freedom of a Christian"

"If I rest, I rust."

"In domestic affairs I defer to Katie. Otherwise, I am led by the Holy Spirit."

"The Bible is alive, it speaks to me; it has feet, it runs after me; it has hands, it lays hold of me.

Support the Church

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Please consider a gift of appreciated securities to Holy Trinity as you do your tax planning for this year. Questions on how to do this contact alanhinkle@comcast.net.

Keep in your prayers the following individuals serving in the armed forces:

Christopher Biehl
Michael Boerner
Connor Gowton
Shaun Hall
Eric Henderson
C.J. Hess
Nathan Quinlan
Vikas Shah
Jonathan Skilton, MD
Jeremy Zar

Please remember your Church in your will.

Could This Way of Giving to Holy Trinity Be for YOU?

When you hear the words "Charitable Gift Fund," do you immediately think about wealthy people who have large sums of money at their disposal...large as in \$50,000, \$100,000, or more? What if I told you that a personal gift fund could be launched for as little as \$5,000? And, you can make contributions to various 501(c)3 charities, including the church, starting at \$50.

This Fall would be a good time to examine how much you give to your church and charitable organizations in the course of a year and consider the tremendous tax break a gift fund can provide for you. To explain:

Ordinarily, contributions of appreciated stock or mutual funds to a church or other nonprofit organization are a very tax-efficient way to contribute. You receive a deduction for the fair market value of the stock without paying capital gains tax. The receiving organization then sells the stock and also pays no capital gains tax, since it is a nonprofit.

However, a Charitable Gift Fund, also known as a Donor Advised Fund, simplifies this process. Contributions of appreciated stock and mutual funds, as well as other appreciated investments, are made to the gift fund. The fund then sells them and credits the proceeds to your account. You get the tax deduction without paying capital gains tax. You then recommend grants to the church and other charities from your fund. The fund sends a check (or an electronic fund transfer if the organization has set that up) directly to the church or charity.

For instance, let's say you have \$8,000 in your gift fund. You can set it up to send a specific amount to Holy Trinity each month. You can always send an extra gift as well, such as at Christmas and Easter or for a specific project. Currently, Holy Trinity is set up for electronic fund transfer from Fidelity, so if your fund is with Fidelity, the money is automatically placed in the church account on a regular basis. The church (Sue Tolton) receives an email indicating the amount, what it is for, and who it is from.

Give

This truly is a win-win situation, and several Holy Trinity members are currently giving through their gift fund. Most major investment firms offer a donor advised fund. If you are interested or would

just like more information, ask your financial advisor or call Alan Hinkle. With this program, you could increase your contribution to the church at no cost to you because of the tax savings. If you own appreciated stock or mutual funds, take a look.

Grant.



NOTES OF THANKS



Dear Members of Holy Trinity,

July 15th was the date for Holy Trinity's latest blood drive. Turn-out was great! A total of 29 productive units of blood were donated that will help 87 patients.

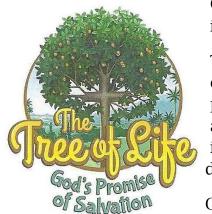
Below is the note from the American Red Cross:

Thank you so much for hosting a blood drive. You may not be aware but our inventory is critically low so each and every unit is priceless. Also, thank you for your wonderful hospitality. That was so kind of you and the staff so enjoyed it. Have a wonderful summer. God Bless!

We are blessed with a generous congregation!

The Blood Drive Team

VBS 2022



Holy Trinity's Vacation Bible School welcomed 30 children with our theme of *The Tree of Life: God's Promise of Salvation*. Our VBS Team included Rotation Leaders who shared worship, bible stories, games, crafts, snacks, and funny skits. Our Class Guides directed the children while our Area Helpers aided them in learning, playing, and creating in each area.

Thank you to our volunteers who decorated Fellowship Hall. Many of you helped in unseen ways such as praying for our program, purchasing and donating needed craft items, shopping for snacks and creating original art work for our Bible verse posters (on display in Fellowship Hall). Thank you to parents and grandparents who drove our teen helpers to VBS each day.

Our largest class was Pre-K/Kindergarten, so this is promising for next year's VBS! Thank you for your part in helping us to share the

Good News of Jesus with these little ones.

Holy Trinity as a church and some of our members support Young Life Montgomery County.

Dear Faithful Friends of YL Montco.

God is so good.

We do not go a moment in life that He did not know,

that He has not foreseen, that He hasn't had an intricate hand in. This has been such an incredible truth to remember as we have watched him work in Mighty ways in the lives of Montco kids in the past month.

As you know, we took a trip of 18 to YL Rockbridge in late June for Wyldlife middle school camp, and 53 more high school students back down to Rockbridge for our YL camp just a few weeks ago!

We are so proud of how our leaders jumped in and celebrated crazy intense days of non-stop action and profoundly clear presentations of the Gospel. Our Montco kids felt loved and supported by each other and their leaders as they whirlpooled under the fireworks, got obliterated in the mess wars, laughed hysterically at ridiculous program teams, and sang Justin Beiber and Amazing Grace with hundreds of their peers. They spent hours of their late nights sitting in circles in their cabins talking about the words of their camp speakers and what the message of Jesus means for their lives.

Now, as Jeff and I are in the middle of working 3 weeks here at YL Lake Champion on our annual Camp Assignment, we are reflecting on the camp trips our area took, along with watching camp unfold for many areas here at Lake Champion. We feel overwhelming gratitude at the way God has a hand in all of our lives, and so thankful that sometimes that hand brings kids to a Young Life camp to experience life to the full and reveal the truth of His love to hearts that are searching.

Thank you so much for being a part of this beautiful work.

Love and gratitude, Julia and Jeff Pearson and the family of YL Montco







Dear Parish Family,

We are grateful for the flowers, cards, and expressions of sympathy at the death of Mike's mother, Nancy. Again, the people of Holy Trinity Church have shown their Christian concern to our family. We also thank Pastor Maurice Lee for his leadership and his pastoral care. It is wonderful to be members of the Holy Trinity family. God is truly good!

In Christ,
Pastor Mike and Pastor Mandy.



Desert Promises

August 2022

Dear friend in Christ,

Though the summer heat (it's getting up to 95° tomorrow) may cause one to think otherwise, we don't live in a desert here in Minneapolis, and personally I'm glad we don't. I'm not sure how I'd handle *that* kind of heat, or, for that matter, that kind of desolation and barrenness. I realize, of course, that not all deserts are like that, but the desert I've had in my mind recently is the one through which Moses led the Israelites after they escaped from Egypt.

You see, last week I was privileged to be the speaker at the week-long camp that Trinity Lutheran Minnehaha Falls provides for Elementary age kids. It was a blast! The theme was PROMISES. Every evening I dressed up as Moses, complete with a wig and fake beard, and shared stories from "my" life wherein God showed and fulfilled his promises to "me" and to the Israelites. God did a host of amazing things to rescue them from Egypt. He showed himself to be all powerful and totally faithful to his promises. Nonetheless, they fretted and panicked along the way, wondering if and how God would take care of them. Of course, God *did* take care of them! When they wondered how they would survive, he miraculously gave them mana to eat and water to drink.

We may not live in a desert here in Minneapolis, and few of our workers live in an ecosystem that might be described as a desert. We do, however, serve in places that could be described as spiritual deserts, countries and people groups where there is little to none of the thirst-quenching Gospel, little to none of the Word that gives life.

We count on the promises of God, the *desert* promises of God! He gives water where it is dry beyond belief. He gives food where hunger has held on way too long. He gives life where death is all around. God's promises are certain and his provision is sure!

I want to thank you for participating in God's promises and being part of God's provision for the workers and work of the World Mission Prayer League. We are encouraged in every way by your partnership! Thank you!

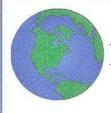
We pray that you, too, will know the sureness of God's love, care, and promises, even if you, like the Israelites, might pass through a desert or two. Keep trusting him and his desert promises!

God bless and keep you, dear friend!

Your fellow worker in Jesus,

Paul Gossman, Executive Director





Pray for Missions News from Pastor Didi and Serafina Panzo:

Dear fellows in Christ Mission,

First our apology for over two months already passed without having information related to the DRC Mission works. The cause of the lack of information and delay is due to my wife Serafina sickness as many of you know that she had a stroke since April 2nd and now she is in treatment here in the States after being evacuated urgently.

Serafina is being followed by diverse medical doctors with different specialties. Mainly most of the medical appointments are done but still with Physiotherapist and Occupational therapist to continue to strengthen the left leg and left arm. We hope that by the end of October she can be dismissed and allow us to return fully to the field. Thank you very much for your prayers, financial support and your notes of encouragement. May the name of our Lord Jesus be praised.

While we are on sick leave status in the States, we are also taking the opportunities to teach at distance to the Theological School in Tshela, give advice and counseling to CELCCO women in convention in the town of Nsioni and many more through Zoom. We are also visiting some of our church partners in different States and also spending time with our children and grandchildren.

Work on the ground in DRC

1. Theological School

The first promotion of the theological school will be defending their thesis between November and December and after all the graduation date will be set up. Please pray for this group that they may be covered by the power of the Holy Spirit and rely on him for any needs they may face. Also continue to pray for the plan we are developing in extending the campus with more facilities as the school begins to grow.

2. Women empowerment

The women of the church are very active in their work of development and evangelization and for now they are having a gathering at a provincial level that will host at least 300 women. The main theme of this gathering is "THE BLESSING OF GOD" The gathering will happen from August 9, 2022.

Serafina was scheduled as a principal speaker, because of her sickness situation, someone else will cover it. Pray that the Spirit of God be present in this gathering and each participant must be blessed through what they may learn from this convention. Pray for protection and unity.

3. Evangelism

CELCCO is making substantial growth in the area of evangelism. Many places in the rural areas never heard the Word of God or at least having a place of worship. Today more than 3 zones are operatives to evangelism, and one of them is the village of Sanzi where 12 believers including the chief of the village, engaged in effort of soliciting a leadership of the church to bring revival in their village and teach the Word of God. Now they are worshiping over 100 people in the open air. Pray that God may provide for them to finish the roofing and be able to worship in the covered space before the rain season. Pray that the entire village may come to salvation. Pray also for the young evangelist with name TIFIO that the Spirit of the Lord guide him and strengthen him to continue to be firm in the Gospel.

4. Orphans and women in abuse

In spite of having a significant number of orphans and women in abuse situations, 2 deacons and 1 deaconess were trained on how to continue to help this vulnerable group. Even Though we are absent from the field, the Bible study and group meetings are still going on. Pray for provision and restoration of these brothers and sisters in that way they focus more on the Lord than in a human being.

5. Generally

- Pray for Serafina's total healing.
- Pray for the renewal of our strength.
- Pray for provision as we consider to return in the last week of October.
- Pray also for God's divine protection.

Again, thank you for your prayers and giving. We love you all in the mighty name of our Lord and Savior Jesus the Christ

Didi & Serafina



DID YOU KNOW?

At The



Each Family receives:

Large Can Chicken 2 small cans Tuna

Pasta sauce

Spaghetti

Other pasta (rigatoni, penne,

egg noodles) Peanut Butter

Jelly

2 Canned Veggies (potatoes, peas,

green beans)

2 Boxes Macaroni and cheese

2 Cans Soup Can Fruit

Tea bag

Rice

Snack bags (popcorn, granola bars,

crackers, and cookies)

Loaf of Bread

Dozen eggs

Bananas

Choice of:

(Pancake mix with syrup, Cereal,

Old fashion Cook or Instant Oatmeal)

Each Family can choose 2 of the following items:

Dish Soap 28 oz

Cooking oil 48 oz

Ketchup

Mustard

Mayonnaise

Barbeque Sause

Salad dressing

Coffee

Fruit Juice

Laundry Soap 38 oz

Each Family can have: depending on availability

Bibles

Diapers (sizes NB - 6)

Baby wipes

Women's sanitary products

Adult diapers

Children's books / coloring books

Small toys

Fresh Vegetables

Other food items (SPAM, canned

salmon, beans)

WE HAVE SERVED IN JULY: 49 FAMILIES

215 PEOPLE IN TOTAL

IN AUGUST: 64 FAMILIES

278 PEOPLE IN TOTAL

Keep *Bread of Heaven* in mind when you go shopping. We are dependent upon your generosity

with donated items and monetary donations.

Can You Help De-Tag, Unpackage?

During the last two weeks in September (**September 19-29**), we will have all our Operation Christmas Child shoebox supplies set up in the far corner room in Fellowship Hall.

Many items will need to have tags and packaging removed. These are all scissor projects. You will not have to peal price stickers. We will also need to count the items in each category to make sure we have the right amounts. Paper and pens will be there for you to indicate counts.

Please consider stopping in when you have a free hour or so to give. There will be notes indicating what needs to be done for each item. If you are a young person in need of service learning hours, there will be a sheet to sign in and out.

Questions: Rosemary Hinkle 215-704-3701.

With Appreciation

Your OCC Shoebox Team



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A NEW WAY TO CELEBRATE REFORMATION SUNDAY



Suggestions & Reminders

- No toothpaste, candy, liquids or creams permitted.
- Always a need for boxes for 10 14 year old boys.
- Always a need for boxes for 2 4 year old boys & girls.
- A combination of needed & fun items makes a well-packed box.
- Our church packing party is Saturday, October 1 at 9 a.m.
- Holy Trinity serves as a receiving church for shoeboxes Monday, November 14 through Monday, November 22

The HT 500 Is On!



Pastor Maurice has challenged us to fill 500 shoeboxes a as 500 is such a significant number for Lutherans. Please continue to take boxes to fill yourselves and consider asking family, friends, and neighbors to join in this wonderful Gospel opportunity to bring the love of Jesus in a tangible way.

It can be easy for us who live in the land of plenty to miss the impact of school and hygiene supplies as well as toys given to children who truly have nothing. Some cannot even go to school because their parents cannot afford to buy school supplies, and the schools cannot provide them.

RALLY DAY/ SUNDAY SCHOOL YEAR KICK-OFF

DATE: Sunday, September 11, 2022

TIME: IMMEDIATELY AFTER WORSHIP (10:30 AM)

EXPANDED COFFEE HOUR FOOD & DRINKS

LEARN ABOUT ALL OUR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES AT HOLY TRINITY FROM PRE-K TO ADULT.

SUNDAY SCHOOL YEAR 2022 - 2023 BEGINS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2022 When: Saturday September 24, 2022 at 9:00 AM

Where: Fellowship Hall

Topic: Walking the Way of St. James

or The Passion of Allan Shikhvarg on the Road to Santiago

(aka Every Road has its Thorns!)

Speaker: Allan Shikhvarg



Don't miss Allan's presentation about his fascinating journey on The Way (Santiago de Compostela).



Coram Deo

Monday, September 12 7:30 PM

A new season of Coram Deo will begin on Monday, September 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sts. Peter and Andrew Study.

We will discuss Jane Austen's novel *Persuasion*.

Austen's last completed novel,

it is noteworthy considering the maturity of the main character.

Please join us for a lively discussion and input on future literary selections.

We will continue to meet on the second Monday of the month.

The Atlantic Mission Region
of the
north American Lutheran church
Presents the 4th annual

Theological Conference

Thursday, September 15, 2022

at

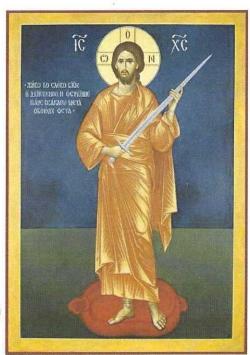
Mt. Union Lutheran Church 5000 Middl eburg Rd. Taneytown, MD 21787

Stand Fast and Be of Good Courage. The Lord will Fight for You

With Keynote Speaker
The Rev. Dr. Paul R. Hinlicky
Lutheran Theologian and Author

Registration & fellowship at 8:30 AM Conference is from 9 AM-3 PM

\$25 Registration fee (I unch and book signing are incl uded)



Registration deadline is September 6

Please see www.atlantic-nalc.org for more information.

In SS Peter & Andrew Study starting Sunday, Sept. 18th

It's odd that, although the social and cultural conflicts of our time — from abortion to race to technology — arise from drastically different views of what human beings are and thus how they are to be treated, there seems to be almost no interest in clarifying these fundamental matters.



A Christian contribution to contemporary debates must be based on a Biblical-theological understanding of human nature: intended, given, and renewed by God through Christ in the Spirit.

To approach — we'll only be able to approach! — such an understanding will be our goal.

Sundays after worship in the SS. Peter and Andrew study with Pastor Maurice, including an essential human requirement: food and drink.



Stepping into the future with Pastor Maurice we pray to bring God's hope & healing.

We are embarking on a new adventure bringing *Stephen Ministry* to Holy Trinity!

Is God calling **YOU** to be a part of this exciting opportunity to serve Him through caring for others?

People often ask, "What exactly is a Stephen Minister?" One way to put it is that Stephen Ministers are the *After People*.

Stephen Ministers are there:

- ... after the phone call you hoped you'd never get.
- ... after the funeral, when everyone has left and the emotions you've held at bay come crashing in on you.
- ... after the doctor says, "I'm sorry, but there's nothing more we can do."
- ... after the relationship falls apart and the bottom falls out of your life.
- ... after the nursing home director shakes your hand saying, "Welcome to your new home."
- ... after the last child honks the horn, waves, and drives away and the house seems empty.
- ... after the gavel comes down, the handcuffs go on, and your loved one is led away.
- ... after the baby arrives, demanding more of you than you ever dreamed possible.
- ... after you find a pink slip with your final paycheck.
- ... after your family and friends have heard your story one too many times, but you still need to talk it out.

Are you one of the *After People*? Want to find out? Come and see what becoming a **Stephen Minister** entails...

Saturday, September 10 at 9:00 AM

Join us for a continental breakfast & presentation on **Stephen Ministry** with time for a Q & A.

We will be joined by a Stephen Minister who has been serving at her congregation for over 10 years.



Sarnelli House End of Summer Update:

The Sarnelli House Clothing Room continues to be in need of warm weather clothing – Shorts, shirts, tees, sneakers, sandals and such.

The urgent need for <u>NEW SOCKS AND UNDERWEAR</u> is constant. Smaller sizes are most in demand – particularly in men's underwear.



Thank you for your continued consideration and support of this most vital ministry.





YOUTH GROUP

First Sunday of the month

October 1st 5 - 7 PM

Meet in the Kitchen...



Women's Prayer Group Resumes

"Any concern too small to be turned into prayer is too small to be made into a burden." Corrie Ten Boom

SEPTEMBER: We will meet at Rosemary Hinkle's upper room in her carriage house on **Wednesday**, **September 14**, **beginning at 7:00 PM**. Future dates TBA.

The prayer group welcomes women at any time they wish to participate. Know that all discussions and prayers are held in strict group confidence. If you have not participated previously or if you have in the past, please prayerfully consider joining your sisters in Christ this fall.

Kick-off Men's Devotional Picnic on Sept 10th



We are holding this event in conjunction with the Men's Lutheran group from Princeton (who many of you met last summer). Below are the details:

Date and Time:

Sat, Sept 10th starting at 3 PM

Location:

Schied Residence 2075 Keith Road Abington, PA



PLEASE RSVP no later than Sept 4th so we can plan accordingly.

We will have burgers, dogs, specialty foods (from Riekers) and all sorts of beverages. As always, even though the men are sponsoring the event, these picnics are open to everyone. Hope to see you there!

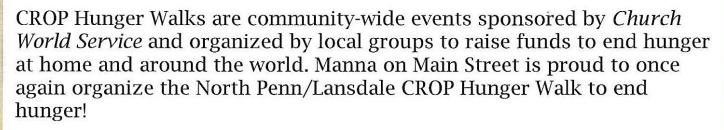
Tom 215-820-2178

NORTH PENN CROP WALK

The annual CROP Walk for world hunger will take place again in Lansdale on October 9 at 1:00 p.m.

I plan on walking for the 45th consecutive year and would love to have some Holy Trinity folk walk with me or sponsor me.

It's a 5 mile walk through the pleasant streets of Lansdale Borough.



The 5-mile walk will begin and end at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1000 W. Main St., Lansdale. Registration and donation information can be found here: https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2022/event/lansdalepa.

Registering online via the link above is simple and easy, but if anyone doesn't feel comfortable going that route, they can pay by check or money order (no cash, please), payable to CWS/CROP, adding in the memo: North Penn/Lansdale CROP Hunger Walk. Checks can be given to me or can be mailed to Manna on Main Street or to Church World Service:

Manna on Main Street 606 E. Main St. Lansdale, PA 19446 Church World Service PO Box 968 Elkhart, IN 46515

CROP HUNGER WALK

The North Penn/Lansdale CROP Hunger Walk returns 25 percent of the funds it raises to Manna on Main Street, a Lansdale-based food pantry, soup kitchen, workforce development and emergency financial assistance provider. Last year Manna provided over 89,000 meals and 898,000 pounds of groceries to local individuals and families. We would greatly appreciate your support and participation in the CROP Hunger Walk to make a difference in the lives of our neighbors in need locally and around the world.

Kindly register by Saturday, October 1, 2022. --- Larry Guenzel

Lutheran Church Women's Circle Bible Study



"She is clothed with strength and dignity and laughs without fear of the future."

Proverbs 31:25

LCW Circles meet again in September to kick off another year of bible study and fellowship.

We continue with our study book, *Pearls from Proverbs.*There is a place for you in any of our circles.

Check out the days and times and join with your sisters-in-Christ to study God's Word.

Eve meets the second Thursday of each month, 7:30 PM

Hannah meets the third Sunday of each month, 10:30 AM

Miriam meets the second Monday of each month, 12:30 PM

Ruth meets the second Sunday of each month, following Sunday School, 11:30 AM

September's topic: Pearls from Proverbs: The Pearl of Humility

"When pride cometh, then cometh shame; but with the lowly is wisdom." (Proverbs 11:2 ESV)

Humility is one of the most difficult virtues to describe -- and, for many of us, one of the most elusive to attain. One aspect of humility is to understand who God is; another is to understand who we are. Humility is a frequent theme in scripture. We need to understand it in order to add this pearl to the wardrobe of our lives.

If you are an active member of one of our circles, then we look forward to welcoming you back. If you are not yet attending a circle, please contact Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Women President Sue Tolton @ 215.659.7054 or suetolton@comcast.net OR contact church secretary Deb Mumford @ 215.659.2642 to explore what might work best for you.

Eve Circle - Thursday, September 8 at 7:30 PM in Study. Leader: Sue Tolton (215) 659-7054 **suetolton@comcast.net**

Miriam Circle - Monday, September 12 at 12:30 PM in Study & on Zoom Leader: Sandy Schmidt (215) 657-5065 sandyschmidt19001@yahoo.com

Hannah Circle - Sunday, September 18 at 10:30 AM in HTLC Café

Leader: Deb Mumford (215) 659-2642 **Debssam@msn.com**

Ruth Circle - Sunday, September 18 at 11:30 AM at the home of Rosemary Hinkle.

Leader: Katie Beyer (215) 572-6864 kbeyer0403@gmail.com



It's an easy way to shop and a great way to help...

Holy Trinity LCW have Giant Food Stores Gift Cards for purchase. If you are interested in obtaining Giant Gift Cards, contact Joy Alderfer, she will complete your orders.
Cash purchases are always welcome. All checks for gift cards should be made payable to "Holy Trinity Giant". HTLCW receives a 5% cash back award for each card sold which goes to our scholarship fund. Thank you for your support.

Housewarming Sunday! Sunday September 18th

Since both Life Turning Point of Philadelphia and Cradle of Hope in Montgomery County are going into new homes this year,

The LCW Fall Collection

will be providing household items for them.

Cradle of Hope would like: twin comforters & new pillows.





Life Turning Point would like:
Bath Towels, Washcloths, Dish towels
Dishcloths & pot holders.

The marked Blue Basket will be in the side room of Fellowship Hall.



Atlantic Mission Region 2022 Annual Convocation

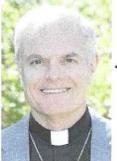


Trust in the LORD in Anxious Times

Friday, October 21 (registration begins at 10:30 AM; lunch at 11:30 AM; Convocation opens at 12:30 PM)

Saturday, October 22

Annapolis Evangelical Lutheran Church 38 W. Central Ave. Edgewater, MD 20137



The Rev. Dr. Bill White Assistant to the Bishop for the Eastern Area

The Rev. Dan Schaefer Rebecca Johnson.

> St. John LC, Birdsboro, PA and Christian Counselors



Officer Dan Schaefer, Jr. Author of the Church Emergency Handbook



Our fourth annual AMR Women's Conference and an informal Bible Study on Friday morning PLUS Stuff the Truck for Disaster Response!

Registration materials are available. Please see www.atlantic-nalc.org or ask your pastor.



Disaster Response

KIT PACKING LIST

UPDATED JUNE 2022

Bibles

- o new or used (highlighted & underlined text is acceptable)
- o child or teen, and Bible stories
- o Spanish, or any language
- o large print
- o prayer books

We encourage you to write messages of hope in the front pages of donated Bibles

Flood Bucket

- o 1 five-gallon bucket with lid
- o 1 jug bleach (1/2 gal. or smaller)
- o 2 large trash bags
- o 1 roll paper towels
- o Comet or scouring cleanser
- o Pine Sol or liquid cleaner
- o scrub brush
- o gloves, 1 pair each, size L preferred
 - rubber (reusable, i.e. Platex, dishwashing type)
 - leather
 - cotton

Health Care Kit

(Pack in 2-gallon Ziplock or tote bag)

- o 1 bath towel
- o 1 wash cloth (optional)
- o 1 shampoo (2 if travel size)
- o 1 bar of soap (2 if travel size)
- o 1 toothbrush
- o 1 pack of floss (optional)
- o 1 toothpaste (2 if travel size)
- o 1 comb
- o 1 deodorant
- o 1 nail clippers (optional)

Quilts and Blankets

- o any size including baby
- o any fabric including religious, patriotic/military theme, seasonal

School Kit - Elementary

- o 1 backpack or duffle bag
- o 4 notebooks
- o 4 pocket folders
- o 1 blunt scissors
- o 1 ruler
- o 1 pencil sharpener
- o 4 pencils
- o 2 pens
- o 1 eraser
- o 1 box of crayons, colored pencils or markers

School Kit - High School

- o 1 backpack or duffle bag
- o 4 notebooks
- o 4 pocket folders
- o 4 pencils, 1 pencil sharpener & 1 eraser -or- 4 mechanical pencils
- o 4 pens

Miscellaneous (pack like items together)

- o masks (bundle/pack each type separately)
 - painting
 - sanding
 - N95
- o disposable diapers, baby or adult in assorted sizes
- o feminine hygiene items
- o any school supply can be donated in bulk quantities.
- o mops, brooms & dustpans
- o leaf and garden rakes, flat bottom shovels, spades etc.

Gift Cards*

- o Home Depot
- o Lowes
- o Walmart
- *Write the date purchased on all cards

HOW TO PACK YOUR DISASTER KITS:

- Please send <u>COMPLETE</u> kits as outlined here. Incomplete kits that we receive must be completed before they can be distributed.
- Pack them, in STURDY, WELL-TAPED boxes (not too large).
- Label contents and quantity in <u>LARGE BLOCK LETTERS</u> and place labels on at least one end and one side of the box so the contents will be visible regardless of how box is stacked.
- Include the name and address of your group or congregation on each box with a label that says:
 "A GIFT FROM [name & address of your church or group]"

Financial donations designated for **NALC Disaster Response** should be made payable* and mailed to:

North American Lutheran Church PO BOX 860565 Minneapolis, MN 55486-0565

*Indicate "NALC Disaster Response" on the memo line of your check

For more information, please email Mary Bates, disasterresponse@thenalc.org or visit thenalc.org/nalc-disaster-response/

"Serve one another humbly in love"

GALATIANS 5:13b



September Worship Assistants Schedule



September 4		
Usher 3	Lector- Sat Karen McGovern Sun Deb Mumford	Communion Allan Shikhvarg Assistants Sherry Breslin
Acolyte Michael Mutashobya	Cantor Tom Schied	Stream Deb Mumford Team
Crucifer Charlie Tolton		
September 11		
Usher 4	Lector - Sat Karen McGovern Sun Nancy Necker	Communion Otis Bricker Assistants Rob Ischinger
Acolyte Jim Necker	Cantor	Stream Frank Ganther Team
Crucifer Matthew Gregg		
September 18		
Usher 5	Lector-Sat Linda Cassady Sun Allan Shikhvarg	Communion Jim & Nancy Assistants Necker
Acolyte Steph Templeton	Cantor	Stream Rob Ischinger Team
Crucifer Charlie Tolton		
September 25		
Usher 1	Lector-Sat Linda Cassady Sun Kile Smith	Communion Suzanne Brown Assistants Linda Frezza
Acolyte Charlie Tolton	Cantor	Stream Hannah Mumford Team
Crucifer Sherri Gregg		

If you cannot serve please contact someone on the list for that particular service team and find a replacement. If you cannot find a replacement simply contact the office (215) 659-2642 or email Deb at secretary@holytrinity.net





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
"We may IGNOI of GOD. The v	world is crowd		E the presence	1 10:00 BOH Food Pantry	2	3 5:00 Holy Communion
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4 PENTECOST 13 9:00 Holy Communion	5 OFFICE CLOSED	6	7	8 10:00 BOH Food Pantry	9	10 9:00 AM Stephen Ministry
6:00 AA	HAPPY LABOR DAY		7:30 Council	6:30 Bell Choir 7:30 Eve Circle in Study 8:00 Chancel Choir	7:30 AA	3 PM Men's Devotional Picnic 5:00 Holy Communion 7:00 AA
11 PENTECOST 14 9:00 Holy Communion	12 12:30 Miriam Circle	13	14	15 10:00 BOH Food Pantry	16	17
RALLY DAY * Patriot Day 6:00 AA			7:00 Women's Prayer Group	9:00 a.m 3:00 p.m. Atlantic Mission Region THEOLOGICAL CONFERENCE 6:30 Bell Choir	7:30 AA	5:00 Holy Communion 7:00 AA
18 PENTECOST 15	7:30 Coram Deo 19	20	21	8:00 Chancel Choir 22 10:00 BOH	23	24
9:00 Holy Communion LCW Housewarming Sunday 10:30 Sunday School Pre-K thru Adult 10:30 Hannah Circle 11:30 Ruth Circle 6:00 AA				First Day of Autumn 6:30 Bell Choir 8:00 Chancel Choir	7:30 AA	9:00 Walking the Way of St. James Presentation 5:00 Holy Communion 7:00 AA
25 PENTECOST 16 9:00 Holy Communion 10:30 Sunday School Pre-K thru Adult	26	27	28	29 10:00 BOH Food Pantry	30	"I have set the LORD always before me. Because He is at my right hand, I will not be shaken." Psalm 16:8
6:00 AA		7:30 Stewardship	7:30 Worship & Music meeting	6:30 Bell Choir 8:00 Chancel Choir	7:30 AA	

Special Dates:

Labor Day, September 5, 2022

Patriot Day, September 11, 2022

National Grandparents Day, September 11, 2022

First Day of Autumn, September 22, 2022