



# TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## NEWSLETTER

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### OBSERVATIONS FROM THE PASTOR *Pastor Gueldner*

**W**ho is the greatest? It won't be long before our television screens will be inundated with political ads. Candidates will be seeking our votes and encouraging us to vote for them because they are the best. I hope you are ready, for this fall we will enter the height of the United States political drama.

The disciples of Jesus struggled in their own culture to define greatness. So, they asked the question: **"Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" (Matthew 18:1).** Seems a fair question to ask. The answer Jesus gives is not what they expected nor what you would expect.

Children were a blessing from God to the Jews, that is true. How often are they mentioned in the Bible? Not very often. When Samuel went out to Jesse looking to anoint a new king from his sons what happened? Jesse paraded his sons past Samuel based on their physical characteristics. Samuel was baffled for God said: **"The Lord has not chosen these" (1 Samuel 16:10).**

Now, God was looking for a different kind of man. Samuel inquired of Jesse: **"Are all of your sons here? Their remains yet the youngest, but behold he is keeping the sheep" (1 Samuel 16:11).** No one thought David was important in their eyes. He was just an untested child.

How often do we look at our children and grandchildren as being the next church leaders? Often times, the disciples and others of the church crowded around Jesus to hear His every word and blocked the children from access to Him. Jesus therefore answered the question of who is the greatest by picking up a child who in their culture was considered the least.

Jesus states: **"Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like little children you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever humbles himself like this little child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven" (Matthew 18:3-4).**

Why are we to be like little children? They have a wonder and amazement of God's world and His creation. They take the simplest of things and can enjoy it. Children humbly trust, add to that trusting in Jesus, our Lord connects with them and all who believe on His name. **"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God" (Luke 18:16).**

Those who have traveled around the United States and around the world can witness the sparkle in the eyes of children. Jesus loves the little children and so should we. For, they don't have all the hang-ups in life that we as adults do.

How can you become reenergized for Jesus? Go spend time with a child. I have the opportunity as pastor of walking through our school occasionally. Every time I come back to my office, I have been uplifted. What can you share with the next generation? How might you build up our future church leaders in training? *Pastor Gueldner*

Let the little children come to me ... it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs.

Mark 10:14, NRSV



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**SERVING TRINITY & FLS**

- Rev. Peter Gueldner,  
Intentional Interim Pastor
- Rev. Hal Rex Longshore,  
Visitation Pastor
- Rev. Gatluk, Reat,  
Sudanese Evang. Lutheran  
Mission Church
- Bill Kirkpatrick,  
Finance Manager
- Nancy Simonson,  
Family Ministry
- Jennifer Kingland,  
Office Manager
- Bill & Mary Jewison,  
Custodians
- Chrysteena Saehler,  
FLS Administrator/Principal
- Jessica Lewis,  
FLS Administrative  
Secretary

**GIFT PLANNING EVENT - SUNDAY, MAY 19 @ 9:15AM**

**Kurt Fuhr - Gift Planning Counselor, LCMS Foundation**

*Are you interested in hearing about how to provide gifts for both your family and ministry in your estate plans?*

*Are you interested in making a gift to ministry but don't know how to get such a process accomplished?*

*Are you interested in finding the best assets to give and the best methods to give them?*

**P**lease join us on May 19 at 9:15 a.m. at Trinity to hear about gift planning as part of your overall estate plans. Kurt has over 25 years of experience serving the church, local congregations, and congregation members with the LCEF (Lutheran Church Extension Fund), and now currently serving as a Gift Planning Counselor in Minnesota with the LCMS Foundation.

Kurt works to inform and help guide people interested in estate and gift planning. This is a confidential, donor-driven process that provides for both families and ministries in God-pleasing ways for after the Lord calls you home. This private and professional service is provided to you through the LCMS Foundation, a ministry partner serving the church since 1958.



**Please sign up by scanning the QR code with your cell phone camera.** The code will bring you directly to a registration page for this scheduled gift planning event, OR you may sign up at the Information Center.

We look forward to seeing you there! God's peace!



**52 Week Bible Reading Plan**

	<b>Epistles</b>	<b>The Law</b>	<b>History</b>	<b>Psalms</b>	<b>Poetry</b>	<b>Prophecy</b>	<b>Gospels</b>
<i>Week</i>	<i>(Sunday)</i>	<i>(Monday)</i>	<i>(Tuesday)</i>	<i>(Wednesday)</i>	<i>(Thursday)</i>	<i>(Friday)</i>	<i>(Saturday)</i>
18	<b>April 28</b> II Cor. 4-5	<b>April 29</b> Exodus 17-20	<b>April 30</b> II Sam. 5-9	<b>May 1</b> Psalms 51-53	<b>May 2</b> Job 35-36	<b>May 3</b> Jer. 27-31	<b>May 4</b> Mark 15-16
19	<b>5</b> II Cor. 6-8	<b>6</b> Exodus 21-24	<b>7</b> II Sam. 10-14	<b>8</b> Psalms 54-56	<b>9</b> Job 37-38	<b>10</b> Jer. 32-36	<b>11</b> Luke 1-2
20	<b>12</b> II Cor. 9-10	<b>13</b> Exodus 25-28	<b>14</b> II Sam. 15-19	<b>15</b> Psalms 57-59	<b>16</b> Job 39-40	<b>17</b> Jer. 37-41	<b>18</b> Luke 3-4
21	<b>19</b> II Cor. 11-13	<b>20</b> Exodus 29-32	<b>21</b> II Sam. 20-24	<b>22</b> Psalms 60-62	<b>23</b> Job 41-42	<b>24</b> Jer. 42-46	<b>25</b> Luke 5-6
22	<b>26</b> Galatians 1-3	<b>27</b> Exodus 33-36	<b>28</b> I Kings 1-4	<b>29</b> Psalms 63-65	<b>30</b> Proverbs 1	<b>31</b> Jer. 47-52	<b>June 1</b> Luke 7-8

## SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

**M**ay 19 is the last day of Sunday School for the school year. On that Sunday, we will have games for students and their parents.



This semester, our offering money was gathered to purchase an alpaca and a piglet through World Vision. The alpaca costs \$360, and we are close to reaching our goal!

**T**rinity will have Vacation Bible School on August 4-8 from 6-8 p.m. for children ages 3 through those entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Volunteers are needed to make this happen. If you are interested in helping, please contact Nancy Simonson.

## FAITH LEGACY



**2**<sup>nd</sup> graders and their parents had their First Bible Faith Legacy class on April 28.

Children were given their own Bible to mark with the favorite passages of their parents and grandparents.

A blessing event will take place sometime in May.



Youth of all ages will help lead worship on Mother's Day, May 12 at the 10:30 a.m. service.

They will have a skit, lead the singing and liturgy, read scripture and help conduct the service.

Come and celebrate our Lord with the youth!

## GRANDPARENT CLASSES

**O**n Monday, April 8, grandparents met to view and discuss a video featuring Kirk Cameron and his newly published Christian children book series, *Brave Books*.

These books deal with recent topics such as transgender issues, the American constitution, honesty, etc. Nancy has ordered a few of these books for interested people to check out. Contact Nancy if you wish to look at these books.

A Grandparenting class will take place on Monday, May 20, at 7 p.m. We will view a session by Josh Mulvihill entitled 3 Reasons Why Every Child Needs a Biblical Worldview.

You can watch the free Zoom meetings held every Monday year round at the Legacy Coalition website: [legacycoalition.org](http://legacycoalition.org). Past videos are archived at this same website.

Topics for May's online Grand Mondays are:

### MAY 6, 2024

Todd and Beth Guckenberger, Back2Back Ministries – This is the organization the Weeg family participated with on their mission trip to Cancun.

### MAY 13, 2024

*Moving Mountains in Midlife - The Best is Yet to Be*  
Bruce Peppin, Author, President of Finishing Life Well

# VBS 2024



Take kids deep into an amazing undersea adventure where they'll experience the ever-flowing, never-ending love of God. At Scuba VBS, kids will be immersed in the Word and discover what living water is really all about!

**August 4-8**

**6-8 pm**

Light evening meal served at 5:30 in the gym.

Registration will open May 1 for our VBS!  
You can register through our website  
[www.trinityfaribault.org](http://www.trinityfaribault.org) or at  
<https://vbspro.events/p/715e28> or sign the forms found  
on the information center or use this QR code:



# a fun Flower Frog

A flower frog sits atop a vase to help arrange flowers and hold stems in place. This personalized frog will become a favorite!

**What you need:**

- Air-dry clay
- Roller
- Vase (or jar)
- Plastic knife
- Straw
- Acrylic paint and brushes



**What you do:**

1. Roll out a portion of clay to about ½-inch thickness.
2. Cut out a circle that's slightly larger than the vase opening. (This will allow the finished frog to sit securely on top.)
3. To make holes for stems, use a straw to punch out circle shapes. If you make more than one frog, try arranging the holes in different patterns.
4. Let dry completely. Then personalize your work with acrylic paint.
5. When dry, place the frog atop the vase. Arrange flowers and greenery to make a Mother's Day bouquet.



## UNFADING BEAUTY

Peter says beauty shouldn't come from outward adornment. How does a godly woman adorn herself on the inside?

*Directions: From each list, write the word that doesn't belong. Then insert the circled letters in order below to complete 1 Peter 3:4, NIV.*

flower, stem, bee, leaf	— ○ —
pink, red, yellow, blue	— — ○ —
mother, sister, brother, aunt	— — — ○ — — —
purple, dress, skirt, blouse	— — — — ○ ○ — —
necklace, ring, bracelet, braid	— — — — ○ — —
diamond, emerald, heart, ruby	— — — — ○ — — —
orange, cherry, potato, kiwi	— — — — ○ — — —
my, our, she, your	— — — — ○ — — —
faith, family, love, hope	— — — — ○ — — —
sunny, rainy, snowy, temperature	— — — — — ○ — — — — —
cookie, cake, pie, sandwich	— — — — — ○ — — — — —
silver, white, gold, bronze	— — — — — ○ — — — — —

“Rather, it should be that of your inner self, the unfading beauty of a g \_\_\_\_\_ and qu \_\_\_\_\_ p \_\_\_\_\_, which is of great worth in God’s sight.” 1 Peter 3:4, NIV

Answers: bee, pink, brother, purple, braid, heart, potato, kiwi, family, she, temperature, sandwich, pie, quiet, gentle, white, white, gentle, quiet, spirit



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**Theme 2023-2024:**  
**“CONNECTED”**  
 John 15:1-5



Greetings from FLS,

Happy May! May means that yet another school year is wrapping up. This is always a bittersweet moment for me. I love to see how much the kids have grown throughout the year, but I am sad to watch our 8th graders graduate and move on to high school. Our students not only grow in their academics and social interactions, but they grown in their faith lives as well.

Our school theme this past year was “Connected,” which came from John 15:1-5. All year students and staff have been finding ways to not only connect to each other, but to the community that supports and surrounds FLS. Our chapel family projects did this exact thing this year. We changed up how they were done so that teachers could spend more individualized time with each group and students were able to also spend more individualized time with their groups. Different groups did different outreach projects. Some made friendship bracelets to go to other LCMS schools, some made seed packets to give to both Peace and Trinity members as a way to thank them for helping them grow, and some made postcards for the homebound members. We loved getting to connect with so many people this past year.

May is also a fun-filled month for FLS. We begin the month with our Spring Sing on Thursday, May 2 at 6:00 PM in the gym. We will have our annual outdoor chapel on the green space at Peace Lutheran Church on Wednesday, May 22 at 10:30 AM, followed by a cookout. Then the last Wednesday of the school year, we will have Fun in the Sun. Lastly, we end with Kindergarten and 8th grade graduation on Thursday, May 30. Kindergarten graduation will be held at Trinity in the afternoon followed by 8th grade graduation that evening.

Like each and every year, your support of Faribault Lutheran School is much appreciated. The mission of FLS is to “Empower and equip all students for Christian Discipleship and Academic Success in serving others for Christ and His church.” This mission would not be possible without the continued support from our association churches.

God’s Blessings,

Chrysteena Saehler  
 FLS Administrator

*May 2 - FLS Spring Sing , 6pm (Trinity gym)*  
*May 22 - Outdoor Chapel, 10:30am (Peace)*  
*May 29 - Fun in the Sun (Peace)*  
*May 30 - Kindergarten Graduation (Trinity)*  
*8th Grade Graduation (Trinity)*  
*May 31 - Last Day of School*  
*Noon Dismissal*  
 Have a blessed summer!



## CONFIRMED IN CHRIST

**T**hanksgiving to God for the seven young people being Confirmed in Christ this year and publicly professing their faith in the saving grace of our Lord Jesus.

A special Confirmation Service will be held on Sunday, May 5 at 10:30 a.m.

Please attend the service and show your support for our 2024 Confirmands!

**Please remember our confirmands in your prayers.**

✝ **Isabelle Lynn Bauer**

“We love because he first loved us.” (*1 John 4:19*)

✝ **Jillian Elizabeth Buffington**

<sup>32</sup>In spite of all this, they still sinned; despite his wonders, they did not believe.

<sup>33</sup>So he made their days vanish like a breath, and their years in terror.

<sup>34</sup>When he killed them, they sought him; they repented and sought God earnestly.

<sup>35</sup>They remembered that God was their rock, the Most High God their redeemer.

<sup>36</sup>But they flattered him with their mouths; they lied to him with their tongues.

<sup>37</sup>Their heart was not steadfast toward him; they were not faithful to his covenant.

<sup>38</sup>Yet he, being compassionate, atoned for their iniquity and did not destroy them; he restrained his anger often and did not stir up all his wrath.”

(*Psalms 78:32-38*)

✝ **Gabriel Kevin Giacomini**

“For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.” (*Psalms 100:5*)

✝ **Samuel Galen Johnson**

“And he said to them, ‘Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.’” (*Matthew 4:19*)

✝ **Coleman Joseph Lane Lewis**

“Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.” (*1 Peter 5:7*)

✝ **Noah Christopher Negaard**

“Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you.” (*Deuteronomy 31:6*)




✝ **Andrew Gary Peterson**

“Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.” (*Joshua 1:9*)

## CHRISTIAN SYMBOL

**R**OBE—A robe, specifically one that’s new and white, symbolizes the righteousness we receive through Jesus’ death and resurrection. Isaiah 61:10 speaks of “the garments of salvation” and “the robe of righteousness.” In Revelation 6:11, faithful martyrs each receive a white robe. People who are being baptized or confirmed often wear white robes as a sign of purity.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
				<b>1</b> 8:30 FLS Chapel 9:00 Quilting <b>2:30 New Perspective -c</b> <b>4:00 Pleasant View Estates -c</b> 6:00 Connection 6:30 Handbells 7:00 Choir	<b>2</b> 10:00 Prayer Group (Marilyn Steele's) 3:00 Risers set-up (Sanctuary) <b>6:00 FLS Spring Sing (Gym)</b>  <u>National Day of Prayer</u>	<b>3</b> <b>6:30-5:00 Big 9 Music Festival</b> 8:00 Men's Bible Study (Conf. Rm)  <u>FLS - No School</u>	<b>4</b> 10:00 Confirmation Photos <b>5:30 Worship - Baptism</b>
<b>5</b> 8:00 Worship 9:15 Sunday School 9:15 Parent Bible Study <b>10:30 Connection -c (Confirmation)</b> 	<b>6</b> 8:00 Pie-makers <b>3:30 Sunday Worship on TV</b>	<b>7</b> 8:30 Staff Mtg. 9:00 Bible Study 2-2:50 FLS (FH) 2-2:45 Violin lessons (MR) <b>3:30 Sunday Worship on TV</b> 4:15 Community Cathedral Café <b>6:30 LLB Mtg.</b>	<b>8</b> 8:30 FLS Chapel 9:00 Quilting <b>1:00 Mill City -c</b> <b>4:00 Emeralds -c</b> 6:00 Choir Picnic  <u>Church Office Closed</u>	<b>9</b> 10:00 Prayer Group (Marilyn Steele's) 2:00 Human Care 5:30-7:30 AHG (MR, Gym, N, FH)  <u>Ascension Day</u>	<b>10</b> 8:00 Men's Bible Study 11:40-3:30 FLS (Church Kitchen)	<b>11</b> <b>5:30 Worship -c Baptism</b>	
<b>12</b> 8:00 Worship -c 9:15 Adult Bible Study 9:15 Sunday School 9:15 Parent Bible Study (Nursery) 9:20 Youth Bible Study <b>10:30 Connection (Special Youth Service)</b> 	<b>13</b> 8:00 Pie-makers <b>3:30 Sunday Worship on TV</b> 6:30 AHG Leaders' Meeting 6:30 Keeping In Touch (Music Rm) 7:00 Trumps' Bible Study (off site)	<b>14</b> 8:30 Bible Study 2-2:50 FLS (FH) 2-2:45 Violin lessons (MR) <b>3:30 Sunday Worship on TV</b> 4:15 Community Cathedral Café	<b>15</b> 8:30 FLS Chapel 9:00 Quilting <b>10:00 Milestone -c</b> <b>3:30 Faribault Senior Living -c</b>  <u>Church Office Closed</u>	<b>16</b> 10:00 Prayer Group (Marilyn Steele's) 1:00 Women In Mission 6:30 FLS Brd. (Peace)	<b>17</b> 8:00 Men's Bible Study  <u>FLS Spring Carnival</u>	<b>18</b> 9-1:00 Sanctuary Reserved 1-4:00 Piano Recital (Sanc. & FH) <b>5:30 Worship</b>	
Maddens Conference, Brainerd 							
<b>19</b> 8:00 Worship 9:15 LCMS Foundation Presentation 9:15 Sunday School 9:15 Parent Bible Study (Nursery) 9:20 Youth Bible Study <b>10:30 Connection -c</b> 1:45 AHG Rehearsal 3:00 AHG Spring Ceremony Awards (Sanctuary & Gym)  <u>Last day of Sunday Sch. Pentecost</u>	<b>20</b> 8:00 Pie-makers <b>3:30 Sunday Worship on TV</b> <b>7:00 Grand Monday Night (Music Rm)</b>	<b>21</b> 8:30 Staff Mtg. 9:00 Bible Study 2-2:50 FLS (FH) 2-2:45 Violin lessons (MR) <b>3:30 Sunday Worship on TV</b> 4:15 Community Cathedral Café <b>6:30 Elders' Mtg.</b>	<b>22</b> 9:00 Quilting 10:30 FLS Outdoor Chapel (Peace) 6:00 Connection  <u>Church Office Closed</u>	<b>23</b> 10:00 Prayer Group (Marilyn Steele's)	<b>24</b> 8:00 Men's Bible Study 11:40-3:30 FLS (Church Kitchen)  <u>Newsletter Deadline</u>	<b>25</b> <b>5:30 Worship -c</b>	
<b>26</b> 8:00 Worship -c 9:15 Adult Bible Study <b>10:30 Connection</b> 	<b>27</b> <b>3:30 Sunday Worship on TV</b>  <u>FLS - No School</u>  <u>Church Office Closed</u> 	<b>28</b> 8:30 Staff Mtg. 9:00 Bible Study 2-2:50 FLS (FH) 2-2:45 Violin lessons (MR) <b>3:30 Sunday Worship on TV</b> 4:15 Community Cathedral Café 4-5:00 Ballet Recital Practice (Gym) 6:30 Property Brd	<b>29</b> 9:00 Quilting 6:00 Connection  <u>FLS Fun in the Sun</u>	<b>30</b> 10:00 Prayer Group (Marilyn Steele's) 1:00 Kindergarten Graduation (Sanc. & Fellowship Hall) <b>6:00 8th Grade Graduation (Trinity)</b>	<b>31</b> 8:00 Men's Bible Study 10:30 Closing Chapel <b>11-5:00 Blood Drive (FH)</b> 12:00 FLS Dismissal 2-7:00 Ballet Practice & Recital (Gym) 5:30 Wedding Rehearsal (Sanc.)  <u>Last Day of School</u>		



## LAY LEADERSHIP BOARD MINUTES - APRIL 2024

Trinity Lutheran Church  
Lay Leadership Board Minutes  
6:30 PM, Tuesday April 9, 2024

Attendance: Pastor Gueldner, Jeff Blume, Barb Beatty, Jim Boldt, Deb Malmanger, Penny Reichert, and Brian Fuchs.  
Absent: Mitch Miller. Guest: Chrysteena Saehler.

Opening prayer led by Pastor Gueldner.

Faribault Lutheran School Report:

Registration for 2024-25 school year is at 132. The 5<sup>th</sup> graders completed their quilts with help from the quilt makers. The annual FLS Gala will be Friday, April 12 at the Faribault Country Club. The event is sold out with about 150 attending. The K-2 play will be on Thursday, April 18 at 6:00. The Southwestern Spelling Bee will be in Winona on Saturday, April 13. The Lego Club is meeting every other Thursday for grades 3 thru 5.

FOC report:

March income was about the same as the month of Easter last year. Our expenses have jumped as expected due mostly to benefit payments. The general balance is good so far. The giving is about the same as last year and the attendance is a little better.

Sudanese Ministry/Rev Reat:

Weekly attendance seems to be steady, yet no financial support from his congregations.

Pastor report:

1. The LLB, along with Pastor Gueldner and church staff, will be meeting at Peace with the consultant on Saturday, April 13 followed by a joint forum with Peace congregation on Sunday.
2. Pastor Longshore has been working with a young couple on adult confirmation.
3. Pastor Gueldner has been working with another couple on Sunday after the 10:30 service and a couple interested in our school and Trinity membership.
4. Pastor Gueldner and Pastor Lane will be exchanging services and pulpits on Sunday May 5 to allow Pastor Lane to perform confirmation at Trinity.
5. Stewardship sermons will be held off till fall. Looking for a stewardship committee.
6. Trinity holds the charter for The American Heritage Girls. They need approval to continue with Becca Meintsma as Charter Rep. They need a spiritual leader to work with young girls as well. Deb motioned to have Becca continue as the Charter Rep. Jim seconded. Motion carried.

Property/Business Manager:

We need to check with Mitch about the status of the ceiling fans in the sanctuary being replaced.

Merger Discussion Update:

The consultant said that the number of surveys were good. The responses were 127 from Trinity and 71 from Peace.

Calendar items:

Next meeting May 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30  
Merger workshop April 13<sup>th</sup>, 8:30-1:00 at Peace  
Congregational forum April 14<sup>th</sup>, noon to 1:30 at Trinity

Meeting adjourned by Jeff.

Closing prayer by Jim Boldt.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barb Beatty-LLB secretary

## MARCH PASTORS' REPORT

Each month a Pastoral Report is prepared in the Church Office. Classes, meetings, appointments, worship services, visitations and communions are tracked and reported by each pastor. In each month's newsletter we will be including the most recent form on file (March 2024).

	Home Visits	Hospital or Jail	Office Visits	Pro-spect Calls	Shut Ins/ Others Com-muned Privately	Shut Ins/ Others Visited- No Communion	NH Worship Attended	NH Worship Com-muned	Worship Services	Classes Taught	Mtgs. Attend
Interim Pastor	0	2	~	0	4	0	Sermon at 4 nursing home services with Lay Leaders		26	7	14
Vacancy/Guest Pastors	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	7	0
Lay Members	0	0	0	0	10	1	47	35	6	3	~

Baptisms: Colton Burkhart (\*Parents becoming members)

Weddings: 0      Adult-Confirmed: 0

Released/Removed: Jenna Schuette

Transfers Out: 0

Transfer In: 0

Profession of Faith/Affirmation of Baptism: 0

Deaths/Funerals: Arlene Rolf, Elwood Lips

**Official Acts:**



**Rev. Gatluk Reat March Report:**

*Sudanese Evangelical Lutheran  
Mission Church*

**Worship Attendance**

Unknown Attendance at this time  
Pastor Reat on Mission Trip to Ethiopia

Worship Services conducted in  
Nuer & English in person and online.

**Notes:** Pastor Lane – 2 Confirmation Classes & Individual Exams;

Rev. Longshore – 4 Adult Confirmation Classes;

Curt Becher & Jim Boldt – 6 nursing home services; Curt Becher 3 Confirmation Classes;

Rev. Gueldner – 15 weekend services, 5 special Lent & Holy Week services, 2 funeral services, 4 nursing home sermons;  
4 – Adult Bible Classes, 3 – New Member Classes; ~ numerous office visits



**S**pecial Greetings to Trinity members in Care Facilities or Shut Ins with May birthdays. We ask that you remember our fellow members in your prayers and help brighten their day with a card or visit.

5/12 **Lavern Schultz**  
7282 230th St. E  
Faribault, MN 55021

5/19 **Diane Bauernfeind**  
935 Spring Rd. Apt. 113  
Faribault, MN 55021

5/28 **Lorraine Roemhildt**  
*(Lorraine's 90th birthday!)*  
1416 Mitchell Dr.  
Faribault, MN 55021

**W**e thank God for all of our church family. You are invited to remember the birthdays of our Octogenarian and Nonagenarian congregation members. Say a kind word, offer a prayer or send a card!

- John Wroblewski (5/2 - John is turning 80 this year!), Helen Velzke (5/3), Richard Hausmann (5/6), Herbert Schroeder (5/7), Darlene Ross (5/8), Wayne Nelson (5/12), Willis "Bud" Paschke (5/16), Robert Flom (5/17) (Special Note: Louise Flom has the same birthday as Robert - 5/17!) Gary Schaaupveld (5/17), Sharon Spitzack (5/29 - Sharon is turning 80 this year!), Orrin Doyen (5/29 - Orrin is turning 80 this year!)

**SPECIAL MOTHER’S DAY DOOR OFFERING**



**T**rinity’s Human Care Team will again hold the annual door offering to support women and children in our community on Mother’s Day weekend, May 11 & 12.

The door offering will support *Ruth’s House of Hope*, the non-profit shelter and transitional housing facility for women and children here in Faribault and the *Hope Center*, also in Faribault, which offers direct support to victims of violence in Rice County, collaborative support to other organizations that serve victims, and educational support to the entire community.

We invite you to donate to these local non-profit organizations to help them continue their important work. You may place your offering in the boxes placed on the ushers’ carts by the sanctuary doors or bring it to the office. Please make out your checks to Trinity Lutheran Church and write *Ruth’s House/ Hope Center* on the memo line. Funds donated will be equally divided between the two organizations. Additional information about each non-profit may be found at:

<https://ruthshousemn.org/> and <https://hopecentermn.org/>



Every **2 seconds** someone in the U.S. needs blood. **Give now.**

**Blood Drive**

**Trinity Lutheran Church  
Faribault  
Fellowship Hall**

**Friday, May 31, 2024  
11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.**

To schedule your appointment:

Call **1-800-RED CROSS**  
(1-800-733-2767)



or visit [RedCrossBlood.org](https://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter: **TrinityFaribault**

**BACCALAUREATE SERVICE**



**C**ONGREGATIONAL BACCALAUREATE SERVICE in honor of Trinity High School graduates will be held on Sunday, June 2 at 8:00 a.m. Quilts made by Trinity quilt-makers will be given to the graduates during the service.

If you or your child is graduating this spring, please contact the Church Office, 331-6579, by May 16.

## Radio Club Report

# May 2024

**W**ow! I can't believe it is already May! Where does the time go?  
So, what went on in the world of the Radio Club in 2023?

First off, we celebrated the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first broadcast on KDHL AM920! We have been so blessed over this three-quarters of a century. The Radio Club has had so many dedicated personnel who have volunteered throughout the year and given their time and talents to make our ministry a success. This continues to this day. Along with the volunteers, we have been so blessed by our listeners and their families for the many memorials and gifts we continue to receive to fund our mission.

In the last year, we have accomplished the following:

- Streamed and broadcast 59 Sunday 8:00 am services
- Streamed 53 Sunday 10:30 am services
- Streamed and broadcast 10 Lent and Easter services (going back to 2023)
- Streamed and broadcast 5 Advent and Christmas services
- Streamed 2 funerals
- Streamed 2 special services (Installation and Radio Club Anniversary)
- Streamed 5 Bible study sessions
- Recorded the Christmas Dinner Theater
- Had viewers from Belize and Australia
- Had viewers from 24 states in the United States
- Replaced the ceiling in the Radio Room
- Repainted the Radio Room
- Purchased new computer equipment
- Installed new internet equipment (Starlink – satellite)
- Installed new chairs.
- Installed new lights.
- Installed new radio broadcast equipment.
- Held the Radio Rumble fundraiser.
- Increased our members and viewers on all social media platforms.
- Bought a new wireless microphone system to be used at functions in the building.
- Bought new wireless microphones for the sanctuary (pastors and handheld)
- Added closed captioning to our live stream videos.



So, what are we looking to accomplish in 2024? Several things. First, we want to get another computer system like the one we have now, so we have redundancy. Working with the church, we want to improve the video system in the sanctuary and bring the sound board operation as well as the video slide operation up to the radio room to allow for better coordination and ease of use.

It's a lot of work to keep this ministry up and running, as it is for many of the ministries in the church. If we continue to be remembered with gifts and memorials, as well as prayers, we will continue to grow our ministry.

Our heartfelt thanks to all who have helped the Radio Club over the years. We want to continue the tradition for the next 75 years! And with your help and God's guidance, we will be able to do just that.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the Radio Club or what we do, please feel free to contact Todd Voge.



## MEMORIALS

*Each gift has been recorded in the Trinity Lutheran Church Memorial Book located in the Church Office. We invite you to stop by the office and note the special donations given in love and remembrance. All gifts to Trinity Radio Club are recorded, then acknowledged by the Radio Club during their Sunday broadcasts.*

### **IN MEMORY OF ELWOOD LIPS:**

#### **Faribault Lutheran School**

\$30. by Virgil & Jane Luehrs

#### **Trinity FLS Scholarship Fund**

\$25. by Norman & Shirley Rost

#### **Human Care**

\$50. by Robert & Ellen Blume

\$20. by Duane & Diane Schlobohm

#### **Trinity Undesignated Memorials**

\$25. by Karen Bartz

\$100. by Curt & Michelle Becher

\$20. by Denny & Pat Blackmer

\$100. by Linda & Craig Bollenbach

\$100. by Vicki & James Brocksmith

\$20. by Marlene & Kenneth Campbell

\$30. by Gary & Marcia Lips

\$25. by J.T. & S. D. Lofgren

\$25. by Carolyn Maple

\$20. by Janice Mulford

\$5. by Carol & Robert Prokopec

\$25. by Richard Prokopec

\$20. by Tom & LeeAnn Silver

\$25. by Elizabeth Van Zuilen

\$15. by Helen Velzke

\$25. by Faye Vork

\$25. by Ronald & Marsha Woessner

\$100. by Daniel & Deborah Zimmerman

\$100. by Russell Zimmerman

\$1,200. by Family & Friends

### **IN MEMORY OF ARLENE ROLF:**

#### **Faribault Lutheran School**

\$25. by Allien Ahlman

\$50. by John & Joanne Cross

\$20. by Debra & Peter DeGrood

\$20. by Silvan Durben

\$50. by Lee Engquist

\$20. by Curtis & LeAnn Fuchs

\$20. by Noel & Marilyn Handberg

\$25. by Kevin & Sheila Kreger

\$30. by Virgil & Jane Luehrs

\$20. by Gretchen Marble

\$20. by Arvid & Pat Mensing

\$50. by Gary & Barbara Mrosko

\$20. by Willis & Beverly Paschke

\$50. by Mark & Susan Prieve

\$100. by David & Lisa Rolf

\$100. by Richard Rolf

\$25. by James & Sylvia Streufert

\$100. by Larry and Brad Twedt

\$20. by Helen Velzke

\$25. by Barbara & Mike Young

\$10. by Mark Young

\$390. by Family & Friends

#### **Human Care**

\$20. by Duane & Diane Schlobohm

## CAMP OMEGA

**D**eep Clean in the Camp Kitchen - Three-Four people for 4-6 hours of volunteer time would really help Mary out. Mary is not 49 years old any longer and can't get to all the nooks and crannies. This needs to be done by May 19. If you can help out, please contact Russ Schwichtenberg.



Camp Omega

### **Work Weekend: May 24-26, 2024**

This is a great opportunity for family bonding at Camp Omega - and wiping a few things down for summer sessions. There are organized projects for all different age levels. Many hands make light work. Please contact Russ to volunteer.

# TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH



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Weekly Service Schedule - Saturday, 5:30pm  
Sunday, 8:00am and 10:30am  
Radio Broadcast: KDHL (AM 920)- Sunday, 8:00am  
Consolidated Communications TV channel 10  
& Charter/Spectrum channel 181,  
Monday &/or Tuesday, 3:30pm

## WE'RE ON THE WEB!

[WWW.TRINITYFARIBAULT.ORG](http://WWW.TRINITYFARIBAULT.ORG)  
8:00 & 10:30am services live streamed

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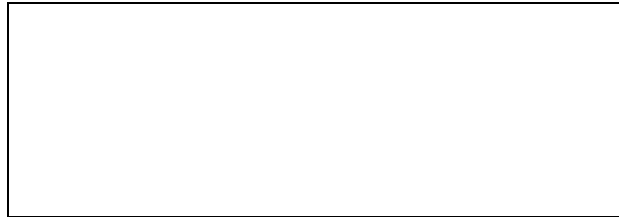
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# 2024



## Lisa Hanson Fundraiser

**Sunday, May 19,  
12:00-5:00 p.m.**

**Owatonna VFW**

(135 Oakdale St, Owatonna, MN 55060)

*"Her Fight Is Our Fight"*

**Meal, Silent Auction,  
Bake Sale and more**

***Free will donation***

**R**ecently, Lisa Hanson was diagnosed with stage IV non-small cell lung cancer. During this last month, she has undergone treatment, including radiation and chemotherapy. Lisa has made positive impacts throughout the community. She has worked at Peace Lutheran Preschool in Faribault, MN, for 20+ years and was also a daycare provider. She is the most

caring and selfless person, and now it is our turn to care for her during this cancer journey.

If you have items that you want to donate, contact Norene Hanson or drop your items off at Owatonna Motor Company.