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NEWSLETTER

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PASTOR'S CORNER...

s I write to you today, I ponder the events of 2024. If someone had told me that in June we would have had a flood in Faribault, I wouldn't have believed them. It is typical to have such a flood in the spring, but not as common this time of the year. Many people in Faribault and the surrounding communities were truly caught off guard.

We find ourselves in three distinct moments of time. We live life remembering the past, living today in the present circumstances, and as human beings, we live for the future.

Those who shared in this year's Faribault Lutheran School Gala enjoyed a grand time at the golf course. We celebrated the event with great food and some light-hearted entertainment, all for the purpose of supporting our Christian schools in Faribault. This year's gala event is in the past, but a token gift of appreciation was handed to you. I hope you enjoyed that gift as you shared in the seeds sown that evening for the future of FLS.

Many of our friends and family are suffering today under the burden of this year's flood. Many look backwards in time remembering floods in bygone years as an example to the one today. Those who are currently facing the aftermath of the current flooding are living day by day with a new reality. Some have lost everything, while others look out over the waters and see a decrease in their incomes. It can be a hard time to live in the present, if you are the one overwhelmed and surrounded by the floodwaters in your neighborhood.

The year that hurricane Katrina devastated New Orleans, hope was being offered. Out of the devastation, Camp Restore was started by members of the LCMS. As is often the case, many good things happen by accident. Camp Restore New Orleans was formed in 2006 in response to Hurricane Katrina and the levee failures that followed. No one imagined where our work would lead us.

A year later, I found myself with two vanloads of high school teenagers on a mission trip to New Orleans. Yes, we saw the devastation of the flood waters. We witnessed the power of the hurricane winds on the homes. We saw vacant properties devoid of a house structure with only the cement stairs intact.

While those people were living in the past and present realities of their lives, we brought hope and compassion. We, in essence, were saying we have come from the north to bear your burden in the south.

An added blessing for us and them was when we took a prayer walk around the ninth ward neighborhood. Those who were receptive, we prayed for immediately, and as we walked past by a vacant dwelling, we prayed for that family too, for many became refugees in our own land, fleeing the hurricane.

What can you do today for those around you? What help can you offer for those who have lost everything? For as God has given us hope for a future glory to come in Christ Jesus, we too need to share hope with a people living in the present but who need to know that the present suffering is only a preparation for the eternity that God has planned for those who believe and are saved by Jesus. The flood of 2024 will soon be in the record books. But what we do for others for Christ will also be recorded.

"For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us" (Romans 8:18). "In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven" (Matthew 5:16).

BLOOD DRIVE /

I look to the present reality of the next days and months, but like you, I look to the hope of a future life in Christ with no end.

Pastor Gueldner

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PASTOR BOEHME'S 50TH

Anniversary in ministry

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- Nancy Simonson,
 Family Ministry
- Jennifer Kingland,
 Office Manager
- Bill & Mary Jewison,
 Custodians
- Chrysteena Saehler,
 FLS Administrator/Principal
- Jessica Lewis,
 FLS Administrative
 Secretary



Trinity Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall

Friday, August 2, 2024 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

To schedule your appointment call, 1-800-RED CROSS (733-2767)

or visit <u>www.RedCrossBlood.org</u> and enter: TrinityFaribault.

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52 Week Bible Reading Plan

	Epistles	The Law	History	Psalms	Poetry	Prophecy	Gospels
Week	(Sunday)	(Monday)	(Tuesday)	(Wednesday)	(Thursday)	(Friday)	(Saturday)
27	<u>June 30</u>	<u>July 1</u>	<u>July 2</u>	<u>July 3</u>	<u>July 4</u>	J<u>uly 5</u>	<u>July 6</u>
	Phil. 3-4	Leviticus 10-12	2 Kings 1-5	Psalms 78-80	Prov. 8-9	Ezek. 19-24	Luke 17-18
28	<mark>7</mark>	8	9	10	11	12	1 <u>3</u>
	Col. 1-2	Leviticus 13-15	2 Kings 6-10	Psalms 81-83	Proverbs 10	Ezek. 25-30	Luke 19-20
29	14	15	16	17	18	19	<mark>20</mark>
	Col. 3-4	Leviticus 16-18	2 Kings 11-15	Psalms 84-86	Proverbs 11-12	Ezek. 31-36	Luke 21-22
30	21	22	23	24	25	<mark>26</mark>	<mark>27</mark>
	1 Thes. 1-3	Leviticus 19-21	2 Kings 16-20	Psalms 87-89	Proverbs 13	Ezekiel 37-42	Luke 23-24
31	28 1 Thes. 4-5	29 Leviticus 22-24	30 2 Kings 21-25	31 Psalms 90-92	August 1 Proverbs 14-15	August 2 Ezekiel 43-48	August 3 John 1-2



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! Register below!

August 4-8, 6-8 p.m. Ages 3 through entering grade 6 A light supper is offered at 5:30 p.m. in the gym.

Register your child online at https://vbspro.events/p/715e28 or through the link on our web page (www.trinityfaribault.org) or fill out a form located on the information center at church or use this QR code:

Parents, grandparents and friends are invited to join us at our Scuba closing each night at 7:45 p.m.



For more information or questions, contact Nancy Simonson.

Volunteers are needed and donations are welcome.

A donation board will be available in early July.

PARTICIPATION IN THE 8:00 & 10:30 SERVICE IS WELCOMED.

If anyone would like to read scripture, take the offering plates, greet or assist at the worship carts, you are most welcome to serve our Lord in this manner. Contact Jennie in the office. Thanks to all who are willing to step up and help out.



RICE COUNTY FAIR TRINITY BOOTH

Sign up to help out at the fair! July 17-21, 2024



Each year Trinity has a booth at the Rice County Fair, where we hand out free New Testament Bibles in English and in Spanish, Christian pamphlets on relevant issues, Christian-themed trinkets for the kids, and more!

Please help share the love of Christ in our community by signing up for one two-our slot at the Trinity Fair Booth.

The sign up sheet is at the information center or call Jennie in the church office.

This is a great way to reach out to people in our community!

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#### **GRANDPARENTING**



randparenting video sessions via Zoom are continuing during the summer. We are not meeting as a group during the summer, but here are the upcoming Zoom meetings offered.

See <u>legacycoalition.com</u> to register for the live meetings or check out the past recorded sessions.

#### JULY 1, 2024

\* No webinar due to the holiday

#### JULY 8, 2024

Understanding Anger - Help for You, Your Grandkids, and Your Whole Family Dr. Jim Cecy, Pastor, Author

#### **IULY 15, 2024**

Addiction Stops Here - Hope, Prayer and God's Power in the Hands of Praying Grandparents Dave Conway, Director Teen Challenge San Diego



Why do stars appear to twinkle? Try this experiment to find out!

#### What you need:

- Aluminum foil
- Large glass bowl



#### What you do:

- Crumple the foil into a ball.
   Carefully unfold it and lay it flat on the ground.
- 2. Fill the bowl with water and place it on the foil.
- Turn off the lights and make the room as dark as possible. Shine the flashlight about 1 foot from the water's undisturbed surface. Light will reflect onto the foil.
- 4. Then tap your finger on the water's surface. As the water moves, what happens to the light on the foil?
- This flickering simulates scintillation, which happens when starlight enters Earth's atmosphere. As light passes through layers of gas and water, it refracts and appears to twinkle.

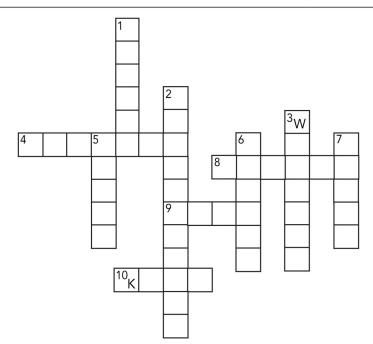




## THE WONDER OF STARS

The heavens display evidence of God's great power. What else does the Bible say about the sky?

Directions: Use the clues and Bible references (all NIV) to complete the crossword.



#### **DOWN**

- 1. The sun, moon and stars do this to God. (Psalm 148:3)
- 2. God made these as numerous as the stars. (Genesis 26:4)
- 3. Don't do this to the stars and sky. (Deuteronomy 4:19)
- 5. What do the heavens declare? (Psalm 19:1)
- 6. The moon and the stars do this at night. (Psalm 136:9)
- 7. When we're pure, we do this like the stars. (Philippians 2:15)

#### **ACROSS**

- 4. The heavens are the work of these. (Psalm 8:3)
- 8. On what day did God create the stars? (Genesis 1:14-19)
- 9. God calls each star by this. (Isaiah 40:26)
- 10. A star announced the arrival of him. (Matthew 2:2)

Answers: DOWN: 1. praise, 2. descendants, 3. worship, 5. glory, 6. govern, 7. shine; ACROSS: 4. fingers, 8. fourth, 9. name, 10. king

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eachers worked hard all throughout the year and it did not stop even after the students packed up and left for the summer. During their work time, teachers began preparing for next year. They are constantly finding ways to help improve their classrooms for the students to make sure they are able to see each student grow and flourish at FLS.

We are happy that we are keeping most of our current staff at FLS. All classroom teachers will be staying. We are also happy to be able to keep both of our paraprofessionals to help not only in the classroom but school-wide as well. Our kitchen will remain staffed with a head cook and an assistant cook.

We are looking forward to welcoming new staff on board as we are looking to fill a few positions at FLS. Please see the positions and details listed below.

#### **Morning School Care:**

- Hours: 6:30 AM 8:15 AM / Monday-Friday
- Pay: \$16/hour
- Responsibilities: Supervise students who are brought to school early. Help set up for breakfast and help supervise students as they are eating breakfast. Make sure the morning care room is cleaned prior to leaving.
- Student Load: 2-5 students each morning, this can fluctuate depending on the day.

# Staffing

#### **After School Care:**

- Hours: 2:50 PM 5:30 PM / Monday Friday
- Pay: \$16/hour
- Responsibilities: Supervise students after school. Help to ensure they finish their homework.
   Able to handle student conflicts that may arise. Provide snacks to students and clean the room each night so it is ready for morning care the following day.
- Student Load: 15-20 students each day, this can fluctuate depending on the day.

#### **Administrative Assistant:**

- Hours: 7:30 AM 4:30 PM / Monday-Friday
- Pay: \$18-\$19/hour
- Responsibilities: Please contact Chrysteena Saehler for a full job description.
- Benefits: Full-time health benefits are included with this position.

While the students are away this summer, we are still busy at work in the building. We will have our school cleaning day on Saturday, July 20 from 9AM-12PM. This is a way for families to also earn some of their required volunteer hours for the upcoming school year. However, we can use help from the entire FLS community! There will be projects that range from wiping down hallway walls, to scrubbing the bathroom tile, to painting walls throughout the building, and even the opportunity to complete laying tile in the basement. Look out for a sign-up sheet to come out soon.

Mrs. Saehler is also bringing back Picnic in the Park this summer. Every other Wednesday, join her at Central Park for lunch. She will be there from 12-12:30. Bring your lunch and enjoy fellowship with one another.

Thank you for your continued support. It is greatly appreciated. Please continue to pray for the teachers and families over the summer.

In His Name, Chrysteena Saehler FLS Administrator

| Sun                                                                                 | Mon                                                                                             | Tue                                                                                                                                             | Wed                                                                                                     | Thu                                                                                    | Fri                                         | Sat                                                                                |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| <b>'24</b>                                                                          | 1<br>8:00 Pie-makers<br>3:30 Sunday<br>Worship on TV                                            | 2<br>8:30 Staff Mtg.<br>3:30 Sunday Wor-<br>ship on TV<br>4:15 Community<br>Cathedral Café<br>6:30 Women's Bible<br>Study                       | 3<br>2:30 New<br>Perspective -c<br>4:00 Pleasant View<br>Estates -c                                     | 4 10:00 Prayer Group (Marilyn Steele's)  Happy  Church Office Closed                   | 5<br>8:00 Men's Bible<br>Study              | 6<br>5:30 Worship<br>6:30 Summer<br>Get-Together<br>(Peace Hill)                   |  |  |  |
| 7 7:40 Summer Choir 8:00 Worship 9:15 Adult Bible Study 10:30 Special Connection -c | 8 8:00 Pie-makers 3:30 Sunday Worship on TV 7:00 Trumps' Bible Study (off site)                 | 9 8:30 Staff Mtg. 3:30 Sunday Worship on TV 4:15 Community Cathedral Café 6:30 LLB Mtg. (Conf. Rm)                                              | 10 8-12:00 4-H<br>1:00 Mill City -c<br>4:00 Emeralds -c<br>6:00 Connection<br>(Schafer's)<br>6-8:00 4-H | 11 10:00 Prayer Group (Marilyn Steele's) 2:00 Human Care 6:30 FLS Brd. (Trinity)       | 12<br>8:00 Men's Bible<br>Study             | 13<br>5:30 Worship -c                                                              |  |  |  |
| 14 8:00 Worship -c 9:15 Adult Bible Study 10:30 Connection                          | 8:00 Pie-makers 3:30 Sunday Worship on TV 5:30-7:30 Consolidation Mtg. (Trinity)                | 16 8:30 Staff Mtg. 3:30 Sunday Worship on TV 4:15 Community Cathedral Café 6:30 Elders' Mtg. 6:30 Women's Bible Study                           | 17 10:00 Milestone -c 3:30 Faribault Senior Living -c 6:00 Connection                                   | 18 10:00 Prayer Group (Marilyn Steele's) 1:00 Women In Mission  Rice County Fair (July | 8:00 Men's Bible Study  Newsletter Deadline | 9-1:00 Bridal<br>Shower (FH)<br>9-12:00 FLS School<br>Cleaning Day<br>5:30 Worship |  |  |  |
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| 28 8:00 Worship -c 9:15 Adult Bible Study 10:30 Connection                          | 29<br>8:00 Pie-makers<br>3:30 Sunday<br>Worship on TV                                           | 30<br>8:30 Staff Mtg.<br>3:30 Sunday Wor-<br>ship on TV<br>4:15 Community<br>Cathedral Café<br>6:30 Property Brd<br>6:30 Women's Bible<br>Study | 31  CLUSED  OFFICE                                                                                      | Ju                                                                                     |                                             |                                                                                    |  |  |  |

#### LAY LEADERSHIP BOARD MINUTES - JUNE 2024

Trinity Lutheran Church Lay Leadership Board Minutes 6:30 PM, Tuesday, June 11, 2024

Attendance: Pastor Gueldner, Jeff Blume, Barb Beatty, Jim Boldt, Deb Malmanger, Penny Reichert, Mitch Miller

Opening prayer led by Pastor Gueldner.

#### Faribault Lutheran School Report:

Registration for 2024-25 school year is at 129. Picnic in the park will be held again every other Wednesday at Central Park from 12-12:30 with Principal Saehler. There will be a float with Peace Preschool and FLS in the Heritage Day parade. FLS has openings for Music teacher, Administrative Assistant, before and after school care. Summer office hours will be Mon-Fri from 9am to 2pm. An estimate from Cedar Lake Electric to upgrade classroom wiring was presented. Jim motioned, Mitch seconded to approve the work. Motion carried. A donor will cover the expenses.

#### FOC report:

May contributions were the lowest of the year. Expenses for June are expected to be abnormally high.

#### Sudanese Ministry/Rev Reat:

Pastor Reat had a normal month of attendance at his services.

#### Pastor report:

There will be a stewardship seminar in the cities if someone would be able to attend.

There were 3 Baptisms, 7 confirmed, and 3 released.

#### Property/Business Manager

One member came forward as interested part time. Mitch will get more info from him.

#### Consolidation Discussion Update:

The committee is working on forming 6 sub committees at their next meeting. That information will be posted in the bulletin on Sunday.

#### Pastor Boehme-50 years in ministry:

We received a letter from Trinity in Northfield. There will be a special service and dinner for Pastor Boehme on August 11<sup>th</sup>. He spent 3 years here at Trinity and also helps out whenever needed. They will be doing a card shower for him that day and ask that our members send him cards of thanks. The cards will be presented to him at the dinner. The LLB board will be sending a card and gift as well.

#### Gym Update:

The discussion held over from last month was that Trinity should be getting more involved with the project. Jeff, Mitch, and Jim will be meeting with the FLS executive board.

#### Calendar items:

Next meeting July 9th at 6:30

Meeting adjourned by Jeff.

Closing prayer by Jim

Respectfully submitted, Barb Beatty-LLB secretary

#### MAY 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 (May 2024).

|                          | Home<br>Visits | Hospital<br>or Jail | Office<br>Visits | Pro-<br>spect<br>Calls | Shut Ins/<br>Others<br>Com-<br>muned<br>Privately | Shut Ins/<br>Others<br>Visited- No<br>Communion | NH<br>Worship<br>Attended                             | NH<br>Worship<br>Com-<br>muned | Worship<br>Services | Classes<br>Taught | Mtgs.<br>Attend |
|--------------------------|----------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Interim Pastor           | 0              | 2(H)                | 7                | 0                      | 2                                                 | 0                                               | Sermon at 4 nursing home<br>services with Lay Leaders |                                | 15                  | 4                 | 19              |
| Vacancy/Guest<br>Pastors | 0              | 0                   | 0                | 0                      | 3                                                 | 0                                               | 0                                                     | 0                              | 0                   | 1                 | 0               |
| Lay Members              | 0              | 0                   | 0                | 0                      | 12                                                | 0                                               | 43                                                    | 34                             | 6                   | 0                 | ~               |

Baptisms: Olivia Hullett\*, Daytona Jerrow, Raegan Edmond

<u>Confirmed</u>: Isabelle Bauer, Jillian Buffington\*\* (new mbr), Gabriel Giacomini, Samuel Johnson, Coleman Lewis, Noah Negaard, Andrew Peterson

Released/Removed: Marlys Stuhrk, Mark Holtzworth, Amber Brown (Samuel Brown)

<u>Transfers Out</u>: 0 <u>Weddings</u>: 0

Transfer In: 0

<u>Profession of Faith/Affirmation of Baptism</u>: 0

Deaths/Funerals: 0

Notes: Pastor Lyons – Barb Young funeral service; Lay Leaders helped with 6 nursing home services





#### Rev. Gatluk Reat May Report:

Sudanese Evangelical Lutheran Mission Church

#### **Worship Attendance**

Week 1 - 28, Week 3 - 46, Week 4 - 38

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



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

#### 7/1 Rachel Benson

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We 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!

Marlyss Gunderson (7/8) (500 3rd Ave. NW, Apt. 114, Faribault), Dirk Scherfenberg (7/21), Wayne Dalluge (7/31)

"I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me." (Galatians 2:20)

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#### REV. DR. ARMAND J. BOEHME - 50 YEARS IN MINISTRY

n August 11, 2024, you are invited to join Trinity Lutheran Church, Northfield, in giving thanks to God for the fifty years of ministry by Rev. Dr. Armand J. Boehme. At the nine o'clock service, Rev. Nabil Nour, Fourth Vice-President of the Synod, will be the guest preacher. Following the service, Trinity, Northfield, will host a dinner in Rev. Boehme's honor. If you will be attending the dinner, please RSVP by calling the Trinity, Northfield, Church Office, 507-645-4438, or by letting Jennie know in the Trinity, Faribault, Church Office, 507-331-6579.

Rev. Boehme served at our church (Trinity, Faribault) during his fifty years, and we are invited to join with Trinity, Northfield, in providing a "Card Shower" for him. If you wish to do so, please send him a card or a letter congratulating him on this milestone. If you wish to share some memory of his ministry, please do so as well.

Please send your cards and letters to Trinity Lutheran Church, 803 Winona St., Northfield, MN 55057, attn.: Rev. Brent Klein. All the cards and letters will be presented to Rev. Boehme at the meal on August 11.



