



HELLO TRINITY FRIENDS!
News for the week of August 27, 2023

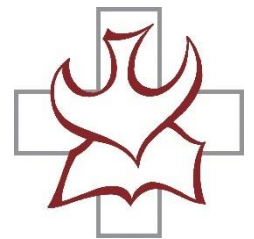
PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

- **Dianna Seaman** (sister of a staff member), recovering from surgery
- **Ford** (three-year-old family friend of Debbie Manor), undergoing heart surgery
- **Bob Nietubicz**, upon the death of his son, Robert
- **Rebecca** (friend of Trinity), recovering from stomach surgery

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY This Sunday, we continue with week 2 of our 4-week study “Nurturing Your Faith: Forgiveness”, developed by Lutheran Hour Ministries. Come join us at 9:30am in Graceful Grounds. In October we will be starting a Stewardship study on Sunday mornings.

TRINITY TOWN HALL A summer Town Hall video update, designed to provide the latest ministry updates and answer member questions, is coming soon! Please look for more information in next week’s newsletter.

CONFIRMATION Parents of students in grades 6 through 12: We are excited to start confirmation again this fall. Children who are a part of households of faith and discuss their faith regularly remain followers of Jesus into their adulthood. Confirmation is one of the ways we at Trinity Lutheran help you as parents prepare your children for a lifetime of following Jesus. Therefore, we’d like to invite all parents who are interested in coming to an informational meeting on September 13th, 2023, at 6:00 PM in Graceful Grounds. Pastor Duerr will explain what confirmation is, why we do it, and how you can be involved. We look forward to seeing you there. In Christ, Pastor Mark Duerr



PLEASE WELCOME CARMEN KIERSEY A new finance manager has been hired! We encourage you to keep Carmen Kiersey in your prayers during this transition. Carmen’s first day at Trinity is Tuesday, September 5. We give thanks to God for His provision is filling this role – we’ve been greatly blessed by Cathy Toburen’s willingness to serve in an interim capacity, and we look forward to adding Carmen to our staff!

GRIEFSHARE SUPPORT GROUP *“The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit.” Psalm 34:18* In partnership with Gabby’s Ladder Grief Center of Monroe, Trinity is pleased to offer a grief and loss support group this fall. Beginning September 14, join us Thursday evenings at 5:30p in the chapel. Questions? Please contact the office (734-242-2308).

BACK TO SCHOOL 2023 Trinity’s first day of school is Tuesday, August 29. Please keep our students, staff, and families in prayer! This year’s theme is “Connected in Christ”, based on John 15:5 – *“I am the vine, you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.”*

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE Would you help “top the tubs” for our Trinity Lutheran students and teachers? Two blue tubs (just inside Door H, and in the Narthex) are ready to receive donated school supplies. Wish list items include red pens, black pens, Sharpie markers (black, red, blue, and green; chisel tip and fine point), dry erase supplies (chisel tip markers, erasers, and cleaner), graph paper, card stock paper (white and multi-colored), brass paper fasteners, Band-Aids, manilla envelopes (6x9 and 10x13), tape (scotch, double-sided, ¾” invisible, packing, and masking), Post-It notes (all sizes), white out, paper clips (large and small), Swingline stapler, staples (standard size), batteries (AAA, AA and C), popsicle craft sticks (2.5” and 4.5”), stamp pads (any color), alphabet wooden stamps, sponges, and laminating sleeves (any size).



PARKING LOT RENOVATION Our parking lot is nearly finished! Unless contractors are actively working, please feel free to use the lot as needed (and enter via Door F throughout the week).

SPARKLE WOMEN'S RETREAT Ladies, you won't want to miss this! Trinity is excited to host its first ever Women's Retreat on Saturday, October 7th, 2023. This one-day event is the perfect opportunity to come together with other women to be encouraged, inspired and fed both spiritually and physically. The day's activities include a message from our guest speaker (author and empowerment coach Kisha Jones), ice-breaker games, a presentation from local charity Children with Hair Loss, delicious meals (breakfast, lunch and dessert included!), and plenty of time for fellowship and relaxation. Our theme is based on Zechariah 9:16: *"The Lord their God will save his people on that day as a shepherd saves his flock. They will sparkle in his land like jewels in a crown."* Whether you're looking to deepen your faith, connect with other women, or simply take a break from the hustle and bustle of everyday life, this retreat is for you! Invite a friend and purchase your tickets today! Space is limited, so don't wait to register. We can't wait to see you there SPARKLING! Please [click here](#) or visit tlcmonroe.org for tickets.

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY Brenda Lewis, Trinity member and Volunteer Coordinator with the Monroe Center for Healthy Aging, shares the following opportunity: "Daily I receive phone calls from an older adult in our community requesting a ride to a doctor's appointment. We need volunteer drivers to accommodate those requests. We also have a nutrition program where we have a team of cooks making great meals seven days a week. For this program to operate, we depend on many volunteers to serve the meals during the morning, afternoon, and evening shifts. If you find that you would like to volunteer with us, give me a call. I would love to sit with you in person to discuss our programs in detail. (734-241-0404 ext. 104)."

ALTAR FLOWERS If you would like to provide altar flowers in honor/memory of someone, [contact Shelly Vorrath](#) at (734) 621-3548 or email: 1wyldkingdom@comcast.net. The sign-up board is hung on the back wall in the sanctuary. If you sign up on the flower board, please include your phone number and email address.

THIS WEEK @ TRINITY

(Please contact the church office for more information)

Sunday, 8/27: Worship @ 8:30a (usher team A-3)
 Bible Study @ 9:30a in Graceful Grounds
 Worship @ 10:30a – HC (usher team D-1)
 Trinity Family Meal @ 6p in the gym

Tuesday, 8/29: *First Day of School (K-8)*

Wednesday, 8/30: Agape @ 9a & 11:30a in Graceful Grounds

Friday, 9/1: *No School*

Saturday, 9/2: Worship @ 6p (usher team B-3)

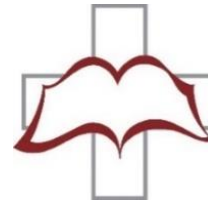
8/19 & 8/20 attendance: 6:00p–103 8:30a–84 10:30a–90

THIS WEEK IN THE WORD

Readings for this weekend's services include Isaiah 51:1-6, 6-8, Romans 11:33-12:8, & Matthew 16:13-20

Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God.

Romans 12:2



How to Watch / Worship / Join Us!

Weekend Worship –

- In Trinity Sanctuary - Times: Sat. 6 p.m. and Sun. 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.
- Facebook LIVE - Sundays at 10:30 a.m. (or later on our Web site)
- Recorded services can be watched on cable TV – Xfinity 21 or Spectrum 187 / Wed. 5 p.m. and Thur. 9 a.m.

Many Bible Studies Online <https://www.tlcmonroe.org/online-bible-studies>

Blessings from all of us at Trinity!

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