



HELLO TRINITY FRIENDS!
News for the week of August 16, 2026

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

- Mallory Wampler

BAPTISM We rejoice and celebrate the Baptism of Andrew Hawley, son of Mark & Christyne (Hilken) Hawley, on August 15. Please keep Andrew and his family in your prayers for God's continued blessing of faith.

God's own child, I gladly say it: I am baptized into Christ!
LSB 594:1



AUGUST 3 TOWN HALL VIDEO A video explanation of the Aug. 3 Town Hall meeting is available on our YouTube page ([click here](#) to view it). In this video, Pastor Grenz explains the consolidation and changes to be made to many of our ministries here at Trinity. Paper copies of his presentation are also available in the back of the church. Please take some time to watch the video and learn about these updates to our ministry here at Trinity.

TOWN HALL MEETINGS: AUGUST 17 & 24 Pastor Grenz has scheduled two more Town Hall meetings in August, and you're encouraged to attend. On Monday, August 17, at 6:30pm in the church, we'll discuss the desired outcomes for our school that have been developed. The following Monday, August 24 (also at 6:30pm in the church), the revamped desired outcomes for our church will be the focus. Hope to see you there! If you have questions, please speak with Pastor Grenz (or call the office).

SPIRITUALLY VIBRANT HOMES We all long for homes where we can thrive and flourish. What does it take to have a spiritually vibrant household? Contemplate what the Bible says about households and consider what a new Barna research project has revealed by pulling back the curtains on everyday households of faith. In the end you might just be surprised by how God wants to work in and through your household. And you'll have practical steps for nurturing a vibrant household of faith, no matter what stage of life you are in. Join us each weekend as we journey through the book *The Spiritually Vibrant Home* starting September 5/6.

A NOTE FROM THE SAFETY TEAM Beginning on 9/5 and 9/6, the H, F and B doors will be locked at the start of each service. This change helps us provide a welcoming and secure environment for everyone attending. If you arrive after the H, F or B doors have been locked, we'd be happy to welcome you through the main sanctuary doors on Scott Street. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation. We look forward to worshipping with you!

DIVING DEEP Did you catch Pastor Grenz's Theology in Three videos this week? If not, you should have – [click here](#) and [here](#) to view them. These videos discuss why we are looking to DIVE DEEP into God's Word again this fall. We saw some great response to that call last year, but it dwindled a little as the year went on. Bible study is THE major factor of a church's health, and of our own faith lives as well. There are many reasons to be in God's Word in a Bible study, not the least of which is we need it. It is not a nice thing, but a necessity. So let's DIVE DEEP into God's Word together. Join a Bible study this September. – *Pastor Grenz*

KFUO PODCAST FEAT. PASTORS DUERR & GRENZ *Thy Strong Word*, a podcast of KFUE (official broadcast voice of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod), will feature two of Trinity's pastors this week. On Monday, August 17, Pastor Duerr joins Rev. Phil Booe to discuss Nahum 1:1-15 (The Lord is Good: A Stronghold in the Day of Trouble). On Thursday, August 20, Pastor Grenz will speak on Zephaniah 1:1-18 (The Great Day of the Lord: Wrath and Warning). Listen live (12:00pm) or on-demand at kfuo.org/thystrongword.

YOUTH GROUP PIZZA PARTY All 6th-12th graders are invited to attend a goodbye summer/back-to-school pizza party on Sunday, August 30, from 6:00-8:00pm in the youth room. Questions? Text Mendy Grenz (734-309-6093).

MINISTRY PLAN VOTERS' MEETING Save the date! The unveiling of the Ministry Plan will be at a voters' meeting on Monday, September 14, at 6:30pm in the sanctuary. All the data, surveys, town hall meetings, and prayers will come together in the Ministry Plan to be presented at that meeting. Its desired outcomes, next steps and ministry planning are a key part of Trinity's future ministry in Monroe. Circle the date, star it with permanent marker, set a reminder in your phone: in other words, **MAKE SURE TO BE THERE!** We all need to be a part of this process, and your involvement is crucial! Come and be a part of the future of God's work here at 3rd and Scott in Monroe. – *Pastor Grenz*

CONFIRMATION MEETING Parents of students in grades 6 through 12: We are excited to start confirmation again this fall. Children who are 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 2nd at 5:45 PM in the chapel. Pastor Duerr will explain what confirmation is, why we do it, and how you can be involved. We look forward to seeing you there. – *Pastor Duerr*

ALTAR FLOWERS This weekend's flowers are given by **Bonnie Pillarelli in loving memory of her husband, Nick, on what would have been their 30th wedding anniversary.** 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 posted on the wall near the rear of the sanctuary. If you sign up on the flower board, please include your phone number and email address. Flowers may be taken home after the 10:45a service on Sunday.



THIS WEEK @ TRINITY

(Please contact the church office for more information)

Sunday, 8/16: Worship @ 8:15a – HC (*usher team B-4*)
Bible Study @ 9:30a in the gym
Young Adult Study @ 9:30a in youth room
Worship @ 10:45a (*usher team C-2*)
Trinity Family Meal @ 6p

Monday, 8/17: Regular office hours resume (7:30-4:30, M-F)
Bible Study @ 1p in the chapel
Town Hall Mtg. @ 6:30p in the church

Tuesday, 8/18: School Registration @ 10a and 5p

Wednesday, 8/19: Agape @ 11:30a in Graceful Grounds

Saturday, 8/22: Bible Study @ 9a in Graceful Grounds
Bible Study @ 5p in Graceful Grounds
Worship @ 6p (*usher team A-2*)

8/8 & 8/9 attendance: 6:00p – 79 8:15a – 68 10:45a – 84

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES

Sunday – “Song of Songs” -
9:30am in the gym
Young Adult Bible Study –
9:30am in the youth room

Monday – “Proverbs” - 1pm in chapel

Wednesday – Agape women’s study -
11:30am
Pastor Grenz’s Men’s Study
“Together: Why We Need the
Local Church” – 7:30pm in
Graceful Grounds

Saturday – Fuhlbrigge Bible Study –
9am in Graceful Grounds
“Song of Songs”-
5pm in the chapel

Weekend Service Times

Saturday evenings at 6:00 p.m. and Sunday mornings at 8:15 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.
Homebound? Ill? Watch our 8:15 a.m. service live on Facebook on Sunday mornings.

Office Contact Information

Main Office: (734) 242-2308 & 241-1160 / info@trinitylutheranmonroe.org / 323 Scott Street / Monroe, MI 48161
Summer Office Hours: Mon-Thu, 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

In need of pastoral care? Pastor Grenz may be reached at (734) 309-6092.

Websites – www.tlcmmonroe.org (church) & www.tlsmonroe.org (school)

Facebook – Trinity Lutheran Church Monroe & Trinity Lutheran School Monroe