# Trinity Tidings

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Newport News, VA

**Summer 2020** 



### From the Pastor's Desk . . .



#### RILY

*RILY.* It's an acronym used by a couple of characters in a book I've read this summer and from the moment I read it, it's stuck with me. The story was centered around the lives of three women

who moved through West Point together and then went on to follow drastically different directions while maintaining their connection to one another. The acronym is used by one of the girls and her husband as they would write letters and emails back and forth to each other while they were on deployment. Every piece of correspondence that they shared always ended the same way RILY. Remember I love you. No matter where they were across the world, no matter how far apart they were, no matter how long it had been since they'd seen each other or heard each other's voices there was one thing that was vital, utterly paramount, remember I love you.

A couple of weeks ago, the gospel lesson was one of my favorite Bible texts, hands down, and as I read this little tiny detail of my book, the words of that lesson kept coming back into my head over and over. "And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." They're Jesus' closing words to the disciples at the end of Matthew. Jesus has just given them their marching orders for the future, laying out before them the Great Commission and calling them out into all the world to share the word and work of the gospel. It's a huge task. A daunting task. It's a task that you have to imagine gave some of them a little bit of heartburn and anxiety. He wants us to do what?! Where are we supposed to go?! How are we supposed to do this?! And of course, Jesus being Jesus, he knows this. He knows how this mission is going to feel for all of them and so rather than leave them with closing words of commission, he leaves them with closing words of promise. I know that what

### Repent and Release ...

I'm asking of you is huge, but remember this, wherever you go, I will go with you; wherever you are, I am right there beside you; there will never be a time in your life or in your ministry in which I am not with you. Essentially RILY. That's the final thing Jesus wants the disciples to hear, remember I am with you, remember I love you.

I don't know about you, but lately the world has felt heavy. We have been surrounded by so much unrest and uncertainty, so much pain and worry, so much anxiety and concern, and that has frankly made everything feel mildly exhausting. Even the simplest of things feel hard on some days, and thus the things that feel hard on a good day feel downright impossible sometimes. Yet, in the midst of it all, I think for all of us, there is that voice in that back of our heads that nudges and prods us forward...the world needs you, your siblings need you, maybe now is the time to do something, change something, speak up, speak out, help. Our world feels like it's at an inflection point of needing a new great commission, that we are being called out into a world that is in desperate need of change and hope and education and genuine commitment to the good of our neighbor. We know deep down that our call from Christ has always been to love our neighbor, all of our neighbors, and it seems as though we are finally, finally on the brink of actually taking those words seriously and listening to Jesus and going out and actually loving with a genuine, faithful, Christlike spirit.

Bearing that in mind, feeling that call tugging on our hearts, I think we need this reminder from Jesus more than ever. Because yes, the world feels daunting and hard and scary, and yet we also know that the world needs us, our work, our peace, our dedication to justice. If we're going to hold that and commit to being part of the next steps that this world is going to take, hopefully for the better, then we are going to need this reminder. Remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age. Remember I love you. As you go out into the world, possibly with trepidation and hope equally within your heart, remember these promises. There is nowhere that you go that Jesus does not go with you. There is nowhere that you go that Jesus doesn't love you. In all that we do, in all that we are, Jesus is with us, loving us something fierce. The world needs us, and to hold that need, we need to remember that we aren't walking into this world alone. There can be no doubt that the work ahead is hard. It was hard for the disciples too, and yet they went. They went with the assurance that Jesus was never going to leave them, not truly. They went with the assurance that Jesus loved them, in the midst of the work, in the midst of the hard, in the midst of the hope, in the midst of the exhaustion, in the midst of the progress. Nothing can ever take that away. No matter how heavy the world may be, that never changes. Jesus is with you. Jesus loves you. Always. Always.

So, beloved people of God...take that promise with you, and tuck those four little letters into your heart from Jesus to you...RILY.

Peace it Together,

Pastor Tina

### **Pastor's Announcements**

#### CoVid-19 Task Force: June 2020

At our May council meeting, church council appointed an ad-hoc committee to investigate and help us properly prepare for how we were going to respond as a congregation to our current health crisis. The purpose of this ad-hoc committee is to examine the recommendations of our Bishop, the recommendations of the state, and the unique circumstances of our own Trinity community, in order to come up with a proper plan for how we want to move through the next few phases of the coronavirus crisis. The committee consists of: Todd Recupero, Phil Shook, Patricia Wessler, Sue Moeslein, and Pastor Tina.

This committee convened over Zoom on Monday, June 8th to begin our conversations and discuss what our next steps are, if any. It is the recommendation of that committee in conjunction with the Bishop's office that we will not resume inperson worship until the state of Virginia enters into Phase 3, and even then, we will need to examine the state of things in the Hampton Roads area in order to begin steps towards re-opening.

We are grateful that we are able to worship together online in a format that does seem to be working for our community. We know it isn't ideal, but it is providing us a space to be together to worship and praise God as the body of Christ. We are thankful for everyone's continued patience as we move through this process, as our main goal is to provide a safe and healthy environment for us to be together to worship. If you have questions please feel free to reach out to Pastor Tina.

#### Walking Worship Wednesdays

On Thursday, June 18 (due to weather issues on June 17), we resumed our Walking Worship Wednesdays on the Noland Trail. The only changes are that we will not be having communion or singing along the walk, only a short worship. At 6:00 PM, we meet in the Museum Parking lot and head out for about a three mile round-trip walk. The dates that we will holding WWW are June 18, July 1, July 8, July 15 and July 29. Anyone is welcome to come. Call the church office if you have questions.

#### Annual Meeting Reports

Thanks to all committee chairs/members who submitted their reports for the Annual Congregation meeting. More on the meeting at a later date.

#### Dear Church Book Reading

Paperback versions of the Dear Church book, described on page 8 are available at Barnes & Noble for \$14.99.

### Youth News

#### Youth Assembly:

While Synod Assembly was cancelled, the Youth Assembly was not, and NINE of our very own youth were able to participate in this online experience with youth from across the state. A special shout out to our voting members - Carson Turnage, Mackenzie Anderson, Nathan Rummel, and Emma Recupero. Thanks so much for representing our congregation and youth group!

#### Kairos:

Changes, changes, changes... Kairos will be virtual this year! All rising 9th -12th graders are invited to participate July 20 -23 in this rethought out event. There will still be large and small group sessions held, but the entire event will be held on a web based platform. A minimal fee to cover the cost of materials and your Kairos T-shirt will be charged. Save the dates for now, and please keep your eyes open for more information that will be posted via our Facebook link.

#### Yard Sale and Fundraising for NYG:

The 2021 National Youth Gathering will be held in Minneapolis, Minnesota next summer, and per the planning team, the event is still on schedule to occur. Registration will actually begin in September!!! Due to the large number of youth that we are attempting to send to this event (14 or more!), we need to continue our fundraising in order to register for and book this trip. Due to the COVID 19 pandemic, we are attempting to find more creative ways to fundraise that involves more limited contact but doesn't require the youth to sell goods either. One such event will be the Flocking of the Flamingos in congregation members' yards which will begin in July. More information on that event is on page 12. Our annual yard sale will also be needed in order to raise the money that we need for this event. The advisors are actively working to set up this event in a safe way to allow for social distancing and minimal amounts of people in the sale at a time. If you would like your youth to participate in that event, please save the dates of July 18-26, with the sale dates of July 24th and 25th. If parents would like to run or host other fundraisers in order to raise money for this event please get in touch with Pastor Tina, Kelly, or Ashleigh as soon as possible.

#### VA Aquarium Adventure Course:

We have not forgotten about our outdoor high adventure ropes course trip at the VA Beach Aquarium that we had scheduled when the pandemic hit. The ropes course has reopened, but we are going to wait until the fall to tackle this event. We will post a new date once we have one.

#### Lutheran Youth Organization:

Congratulations to Nathan Rummel who was elected

to serve on the VA Synod's LYO Board. He will serve as the 10th grade representative to the Board! Way to go!!! *Kelly Rummel* 

#### Front Cover and Left:

Youth Virtual Lock-in: May 1, 2020. The very FIRST of it's kind and it became an instant hit with the youth, so much so that they wanted to do this EVERY TWO WEEKS.



### Play-doh Perfection

### photos by Kelly Rummel



YOUTH FUNDRAISER SALE DATES July 24th and July 25th 8:00 AM—3:00 PM SCHOOL GYM



# Happy Belated Birthdays to our Special Senior Saints



### April, May, June and July Birthdays

Bobbie Gribble	82	4/9
Charles Kessler	94	5/7
John Long	86	3/18
Jeanette Cantrell	95	5/23
Don Golden	85	6/4
Doris Moeser		6/2
Susan Hall	94	7/5
Alan Bobbe	95	7/11
Virginia Hamby		7/12
Harlan Hamby	82	7/20
Rudi Naurath	96	7/24
Nancy Schappert	80	7/24

### Easter Bags in lieu of an Easter Egg Hunt photos by Kelly Rummel



















### SURPRISE Easter Egg PARADE

### photos by Kelly Rummel



Members of Trinity shared their love with decorated cars, horns honking, signs with wishes, cards and gifts as they Easter paraded n front of Pastor Tina and Ben's home. They were pleasantly surprised.















### Stewardship Pie

I love pie. Simple as that. I bought my Mom and my grandma both pies for Mother's Day. I bought Ben and I a pie for Easter. The first thing I did this summer after we went strawberry picking was made a pie. I think you get it...pie is my thing.

Pie...is also kind of God's thing. I mean I can't say if God loves strawberry, peach, key lime, lemon meringue, but God loves the pie of our lives. God knows that each of us have a pie we're working with, and it gets divvied up in a million different ways, how we spend our time, what we give our attention to, and...how we spend our money. Our family budgets, or our family spending plans if you will, all get sliced up like a pie--mortgage, car payments, groceries, gas (though that might be down recently!!), activities--it looks different for all of us, except for maybe one thing...a slice we designate for stewardship. A slice of our budgetary pie that gets designated as our giving to the church for ministry and mission. Honestly, it doesn't matter how big or how small the slice is, as long as the slice is there. The big question is...when do we cut that slice? First or is the leftover slice that wallows in the pie plate once everything else has had its fill and you're a little tired of that particular pie?

Stewardship shouldn't be our leftovers; the thing we remember is in the back of the fridge when all the other food has been cleared out. Stewardship should be our first slice, the one that comes out a bit sloppy and messy sometimes, but feels good when it's on the plate, because we know it's going to lead somewhere amazing. It doesn't matter how you slice it, where you slice it, how big you slice it, what matters is that you make the slice. Sometimes it's hard, I mean you're staring at a beautiful pie and you've got to break into it, but we're called to do it, for the sake of mission, ministry, and the call of discipleship.

### **Open, But Hard Conversations**

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We all know the world we are currently living in. We know the struggles, the pain, frustration that siblings, the our particularly our siblings of color, have walked through for far too long. As a church, far too often we tend to acknowledge those things, pray for them a few times, and then move along as though things are fixed. It is time for the church to stop avoiding the conversation about race, diversity, and life in the 21st century church. We fully acknowledge we will never be able to do that perfectly but

avoiding it because it's hard or because it makes us uncomfortable is to ignore the call of Christ to care for our neighbors.

So, here is how we as a congregation are going to start. At the beginning of August, we are going to begin a discussion group (over Zoom for now), about the book *Dear Church* by Lenny Duncan. Lenny is an African-American, LGBTQ+, ordained ELCA pastor, and I'll be honest, his book is tough--it's an easy read but the topics are tough and there may be language that makes us a bit unsettled. Yet it is a beautiful jumping off point for conversation. He walks through what his journey has been like towards finding acceptance in the ELCA and following his call, especially in the whitest denomination in America.

There will be more information out about this in the coming weeks, but initially, if you are interested, please email Pastor Tina so we can get an idea of how many people we will have and we can make some decisions about how we want to proceed as a group. We'll say tentatively that we will have our first session on Thursday, August 6th at 6:30 PM to discuss the introduction and the first two chapters of *Dear Church*.



#### Dear Trinity Family,

Thank you for the lovely arrangement of flowers and your thoughts and prayers on the sudden death of my older brother Tom. Tom majored in horticulture at VA Tech and loved all things Hokie so I know he would appreciate the color and variety of blooms.

I hope everyone has a relaxing summer, and thank you again for your kindness.

#### Linda Madler

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You can never say thank you enough, truly, and that is even more true during this time as we continue to navigate the ins and outs of daily living with so many things in flux and changing around us sometimes by the minute. With that in mind, it is vital for us to once again say thank you to all of you for your continued love and support of your church during this time of closure. The outpouring of your patience, creativity, flexibility, and grace has been incredible over the last several months, and your continued dedication to the stewardship of your gifts has been nothing short of incredible.

Thank you for mailing in your checks, dropping them off, giving online, for finding all sorts of ways to continue to steward the gifts God has blessed you with. There is so much uncertainty right now, particularly financial uncertainty, and so the fact that all of you continue to give and support Trinity is something we cannot say thank you for enough.

With that, there is also another group of people to whom we need to extend a huge word of thanks1, and that is our counting committee, who have faithfully shown up week in and week out, navigating masks and distance and schedules, to steward the gifts they bring to the congregation. We are so grateful for their dedication and their presence to help keeping us moving with a sense of normalcy throughout the week.

There are many things that I will take away from this pandemic, but the top of the list will be the incredible heart of this congregation, the love of this family of God, who no matter what, stick together and love and support each other through it all. Thank you, for all you are and all that you do.

Peace, Pastor Tina

# **Community Service Badge**

Carl Carpenter is working on his Citizenship in the Community Badge. To do so, he is partnering with



THRIVE to do a food drive specifically for those that THRIVE is currently helping to get into temporary housing. Below is a list of what is being collected:

Chunky Soups, Cup of Noodles, Mac and Cheese Cups, Pinto Beans, Pop Tarts, Mashed Potato Cups, Mixed Nuts in individual bags, Vienna Sausage, Fruit Cups, and Tuna Packets

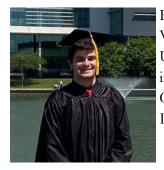
There are boxes in both the church lobby and inside the back parking lot door for drop off or you may coordinate drop off with Michelle Carpenter. The collection ends on July 1st.

# **CONGRATULATIONS Trinity Graduates!**

COVID19 may have put a screeching halt on a lot things, but it did not stop the graduations for some of our Trinity youth/young adults. Most were done virtually using some type of technology such as Zoom where you can allow everyone to see what was happening virtually.

Several of our Trinity members got to celebrate in these very different ways. Below is a synopsis of those students who graduated from College or High School and are going to college later this year.

#### **CHRISTOPHER MOLINA**



Recently graduated from Virginia Commonwealth University with a B.S. degree in Business, Baccalaureate Certificate in Product Information.

#### LAURA MADLER



Recently graduated from Menchville High School. She will be attending the Honors College at Virginia Commonwealth University. She plans to major in Forensic Science and has guaranteed acceptance to VCU Medical School.

#### **CARSON TURNAGE**



Recently graduated from Woodside High School and will be attending Radford University where he plans to major in Music Education.

#### **REAGAN BELOTE**



Graduated from Old Dominion University with a Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene. She will be working at Family and Cosmetic Dentistry and residing in Virginia Beach.

# A Note From the Finance Committee

The Finance Committee would like to thank the members of the Trinity family who, through these difficult times, have continued to faithfully support the church with their financial gifts. As most of you know, the church and school qualified for the Payroll Protection Program (the PPP) established by the government to help small businesses survive these challenging times. The PPP grant allowed us to continue to pay salaries and benefits with no interruption.

The PPP grant funds for payroll and benefits have been spent as directed by the guidelines. The small balance remaining may be used only for payment of utilities and leases. That means that the church will once again be dependent on the faithful giving of our members to pay our bills.

Please continue to "come to" church virtually and share your time, talent and treasure with your church. If you have had trouble accessing the Facebook services, please don't hesitate to contact Anne Obara in the church office. She will be happy to walk you through the process so that we can all be united together in faith even while we are separated physically!

### Worship & Music Report on Returning to In-Church Services

The Worship and Music committee gathered over Zoom on July 7th to discuss changes we would need to make because of COVID-19 if we returned to inperson worship. We also discussed the current online service.

We wanted to provide details of that discussion to give you a picture of what worship would look like. As of right now, we have no firm date for a return to in-person worship. We are taking under consideration the recent spikes in infections around the country and the comments we're receiving from members about their safety and comfort levels with returning to the sanctuary.

First and foremost, we would have to follow all guidelines as mandated by the state under current Phase 3 protocols, which include maintaining social distancing in the pews and throughout the building by measuring and blocking off pews and other areas at six-foot intervals. Any materials that we would use for the distribution of communion would have to be disposable. The sanctuary would have to be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected before and after each service, focusing on frequently touched surfaces. Anyone who is experiencing symptoms or has had exposure to COVID-19 in the prior 14 days would not be permitted in the building.

From there we would adhere to Synod and state best practice recommendations. These best practices would include:

- 1. One door for entering and one door for exiting.
- 2. Limited access to restrooms.
- 3. Limited movement throughout the building.
- 4. Masks must be worn.
- 5. Pew cushions, hymnals and Bibles would be removed.
- 6. The worship service will be shorter.
- 7. No choir or communal singing. Music would be instrumental only.
- 8. Communion would not be distributed around

the rail, but would be given individually with social distancing and sanitation measures in place.

- 9. No passing of the peace.
- 10. No passing offering plates.
- 11. Children remain in the pews for Children's Chat.
- 12. Bulletins would be placed in the pews rather than passed out by ushers.
- 13. We may need to have people RSVP for worship maintain social distancing. so we can There have been questions as to whether we would continue an online service once we return to worship in the sanctuary, and the short answer is yes. However, as the committee discussed this, we realized that whenever we return to the sanctuary, there will still be a need to hold two services, one online, one in person, because of the differences between them. The online service would retain hymnody and singing but would not include communion. Lastly, current technology for online worship would need adjustments to coordinate with in person worship.

In our discussions we also explored outdoor worship options, when the weather is cooler, or drive-by communion. We're seeking to be as creative as we can while keeping everyone safe and doing what is best for our community of faith. We welcome your suggestions.

We will continue to keep you updated as these conversations continue and as we move forward. As ever, we thank you for your continued patience and support of Trinity. We miss you, and we will get through this together.

Editor's Note: As mentioned in the Pastor's announcements on page 2, in addition to the Worship and Music Committee discussion, there is an ad-hoc committee that is meeting regularly to continue working out plans for a return to in-person or Church services.

Please continue to attend the live stream services on Facebook each Sunday and provide feedback to the Pastor or Church Office Administrator.

### Skín Cancer

"And if the priest see that, behold, the scab spreadeth in the skin, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean...." Leviticus 13:8

Editors note: This article written by Dr. Susan Mackle and Dr. Doug Nelson is reprinted from May 2002.

The instructions that God delivered to Moses and Aaron in Leviticus 13 pertain to the diagnosis of leprosy but would not have allowed the priests to pass the certification exam for dermatology in the 21st century. While the predominant skin disease of biblical times may have been leprosy, skin cancer has become the overwhelming problem of our modern era. That "skin is in" is indisputable. As Pastor Jeff pointed out in a recent sermon, Americans spend billions of dollars on cosmetic surgery and the worldwide market for cosmetics has created a multibillion dollar industry. While modern Americans wish to deny the aging process by improving the appearance of their skin, many individuals are largely responsible for prematurely aging their skin. Repeated and excessive sunlight exposure causes many of the changes ordinarily associated with aging. These include wrinkling, blotchy irregular pigmentation, a rough scaly appearance and texture of sun exposed skin, and most importantly, the development of skin lesions that can evolve into skin cancer. Some individuals inadvertently damage their skin through excessive environmental exposure in their occupations while others intentionally seek the cosmetic enhancement of a "great tan" and induce changes which they will later endeavor to correct. As stewards of our own healthy bodies, the prevention of skin disease should be important to us now.

The statistics on skin cancer are alarming. At least half of all new cancers diagnosed yearly in the United States are skin cancer. There will be more than one million new cases of skin cancer diagnosed this year in the United States. One out of every five Caucasian Americans will develop skin cancer at some time in his life and last year, an estimated 9,800 people died of skin cancer. The magnitude of the problem is enormous and since protection from ultraviolet light may prevent many skin cancers, the problem may be largely avoidable.

There are several different types of skin cancers and precancerous lesions of the skin. The development of actinic (solar) keratoses is extremely common. Small, rough, scaly areas develop exclusively on sun exposed skin and may evolve into skin cancer. They are first noted as a flesh colored or pink, scaly area which oftentimes is associated with a pin prick-like sensation when touched. They are common on the forehead, bald scalps, and the top of the ears. Left to grow untreated, as many as 5-10% may evolve into skin cancer.

Basal cell carcinoma accounts for approximately 80% of all skin cancers. While usually a disease of middle age or older, the youngest patient we have seen in our practice with basal cell carcinoma was a 16-year old lifeguard. It is not uncommon to see an individual in his thirties with one of these lesions. They typically arise on sun exposed areas of the face and upper body and can appear as a scaly rash or a small shiny bump which tends to bleed easily. A common presenting concern from the patient is that of a pimple that won't heal or that keeps coming back in the same area. When diagnosed and treated in its earliest stage, basal cell carcinoma is nearly 100% curable.

Malignant melanoma is the most deadly form of skin cancer accounting for nearly 10,000 deaths per year. Melanoma may suddenly appear on previously normal appearing skin but can also develop within a pre-existing mole. It is found most frequently on the upper back in both men and women and on the legs of women. However, melanoma can occur anywhere on the body including non-sunlightexposed areas such as the bottoms of the feet and in the groin. Melanoma can occasionally grow very slowly and just because a mole has been present for several years doesn't mean that it cannot be malignant. Conversely, some aggressive melanomas grow very rapidly and spread internally within a matter of weeks. Any mole or dark spot, which changes and grows, should be considered a potentially dangerous lesion.

The appearance of skin cancer can be subtly and may be confusing for the average person. Regular self examination of your skin is recommended so new or changing spots can be recognized and pointed out to your doctor. This is especially important if you are in a high-risk group. Past sunburns and use of tanning parlors puts you at the greatest risk factor for skin cancer. This is particularly true if the excessive exposure occurred during the first eighteen years of life. Fair skinned Caucasians are more likely to develop skin cancer that individuals with darker skin, and once you have been diagnosed with skin cancer such as basal cell carcinoma, you have a 40-50% chance of developing a second basal cell carcinoma during your life.

Fortunately, the early detection and treatment of skin cancer has made a substantial impact on the problem. The news media has publicized politicians and celebrities with skin cancer enhancing the public's awareness, and more and more people express genuine concern about the problem. This has resulted in increased use of sunscreens and protective clothing. When a skin cancer does develop, options for therapy have significantly improved over the past fifty years.

Because excess sunlight exposure is the primary cause of skin aging and the number one risk factor for the development of skin cancer, early and aggressive measures resulting in minimizing sun exposure should be implemented. Young children are particularly at risk since we know that even a single sunburn in childhood years increases future risk of skin cancer. Parents should protect their children from sunburn by using protective clothes, sunscreens and common sense. The development of sunscreen has been a major advance in protection from sunburn. Companies such as Hawaiian Tropic and Coppertone have completely changed their agenda from providing tanning oils to now promoting highly protective sunscreens. We recommend the use of broad-spectrum sunscreens that protect against both ultraviolet A and B wavelengths of light. The minimum sun protection factor (SPF) should be 15 or higher. Contrary to what on might read in the newspaper, there is good evidence that sunscreens of SPF 30 are better than those with lower protection factors. Now there are sunscreens that are waterproof, sweat proof, easy to apply in the form of sprays or gels, and products that are light enough to use on your face every day. Sunscreens should be applied prior to exposure and re-applied after extensive swimming or toweling. Don't forget that lips get sunburned and develop skin cancer, so use a high SPF lip balm as well. Finally, we like to remind our patients that wearing sunscreen is like wearing seatbelts. They are not excuses for reckless behavior. You should also wear protective clothing including a wide brim hat, protect your eyes with sunglasses that filter ultraviolet light and don't intentionally seek a tan any more than you would intentionally seek out a bridge abutment while driving on the interstate.

The fear of skin cancer does not have to ruin vacation plans or having fun outdoors. With common sense, self-awareness and a sense of stewardship for our bodies, a healthy compromise can be reached for continued "fun in the sun".



# Worship Services

Until we can safely congregate in the Church sanctuary, the Sunday worship services will continue as livestreams on Facebook. The current restrictions from the state would exclude too many members from being able to attend. You will need an account on Facebook to view the services. If you miss a service it can be viewed after the fact. Please continue to mail your offering in or set up automatic payments using your bank's bill pay feature. Here is the link to the Church's Facebook page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/TrinityNN/</u>

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### Worship Schedule

Sunday Worship Times: 8:15 AM and 10:45 AM Sunday School between Services: 9:30 AM Holy Communion is celebrated weekly A Nursery is Provided during worship

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