# Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

# September Monthly Announcement Sheet

SCHOOL AND CHURCH OFFICES
CLOSED for the
LABOR DAY HOLLIDAY ON
SEPTEMBER 4

### RALLY DAY SUNDAY

Time to come together for Sunday School classes. We are having our special kick off for the fall on Sunday, September 10. Worship begins at 10:00. How sweet it is to take part in Sunday School. We are celebrating this by enjoying an ice cream social immediately after worship, downstairs in the social hall.

# SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES BEGIN SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

So, here's the lineup for classes:

Kindergarten through 5th graders will be figuring out some clues to God's teachings in the Bible, using our church building as a guide. We hope to have a lot of fun and make some important connections to our faith. To begin our adventures, please meet Kathy Stevens and Carol Bessom in the Sunday School room at the far end of the downstairs hallway at 8:45, and be prepared to periodically scout around the building. The mysteries of these classes begins with your enthusiasm and participation.

**6th Graders through high school youth** will be meeting in the youth room

The Adult Sunday School Class is better known as the Trinity's Sunday Discussion Group which meets during the 8:45 to 9:30 a.m. Sunday School hour during the school year (September through May) and is open to all older youth and adults. Starting in January of 2023, we have been reading and discussing online Meditations from Richard Rohr's Center for Action and Contemplation on the theme of The Prophetic Path. Our plan is to continue this study when we reconvene in September. Those on the class email list receive the meditations in a weekly group email.

We welcome anyone to drop by any Sunday (beginning September 17), to join our rousing discussions - - and anyone who would like more information about the group should contact Patricia McClelland or the church office.

#### **RECONCILING IN CHRIST**

RIC continues to meet monthly, using the RIC Toolkit provided on the Reconciling in Christ website. Meetings are open to anyone interested. Ministry Moments continue monthly as well. If you have any questions or comments, feel free to speak to one of the core team members, or submit your thoughts to the RIC@trinitynn.com email, use the online form (can be anonymous), or drop your comment in one of the boxes placed around the church. Your comments can be anonymous if you wish.

# BOOKS & BREWS – BOOK CLUB RETURNS!! BUT IN A DIFFERENT FORMAT!

This iteration of book club is going to be designed for flexibility, fellowship, and fun. Our format is going to be very group

driven. At each session, we will discuss our book for the month, but also identify where and when we will meet based on the preference of the person choosing our book for that month. Each month a different member will choose a book for the group and they get to decide where and when we meet. This is why we're calling it books and brews, you can opt for a brewery, a coffee shop, a winery, wherever you want to gather for your month. We want to make it as flexible as possible so everyone can enjoy the time together.

Our first meeting will be Monday, September 18 @ 6:30pm. We will gather at Tradition Brewing in City Center to discuss Anxious People by Fredrik Backman. This is a book about connections, community, and how the slightest encounter can impact the lives of those around us.

## **CANNED GOODS FOR THRIVE**

When you go to the grocery store, please remember our neighbors being helped by Thrive. All canned goods, as well as personal care items, can be left in the basket in the narthex. These items will be given to those in our community who are in need. The food will be delivered to Thrive. Please do not leave clothing and other items for the homeless. THRIVE will not take them. They would need to be taken to LINK, who will accept them.

### **RED FOOD BOX**

Keep the food and water coming, PLEASE! Thanks for all the items many of you have alreadydonated thus far.

#### CARDS FOR HOMEBOUND

We are still sending the cards for homebound members effort. If you find cards in the Narthex, please feel free to sign them and share a happy message. We will mail them to our members who can't be with us in person.

## YOUTH CORNER

#### WELCOME BACK YOUTH GROUP!

We have a full youth group year ahead starting with our **Parent Meeting and Pizza Party** at the Rummel household on **Sunday, September 10 at 1:00 pm**. Parents and youth are invited to come over for pizza and bring a dish to share. We will spend our time together going over youth group paperwork and our calendar of events for the year. All youth in Grades 5-12 are welcome to participate in youth group activities.

All National Youth Gathering Participants and their Parent will then stay for a National Youth Gathering meeting. We MUST have a firm commitment for all youth who want to attend this event by September 10. All youth currently in the 8th – 12<sup>th</sup> grade are eligible to attend the National Youth Gathering to be held in New Orleans, LA, July 14 – 21, 2024. We are looking forward to a great year!

#### CHOIR AND BELLS ARE BACK!

It's that time of year again! Choir rehearsals will resume on Wednesday, September 6, at 7:00pm, and our first Sunday singing in worship will be September 10. Anyone who loves to sing is welcome to join us! We also have a number of festival services as well as the upcoming hymn festival this fall, so if you're unsure if you can commit to being in the choir full-time, these can be a great opportunity for a short-term commitment.

## TRINITY RINGERS

Trinity Ringers will resume rehearsals after worship in October. All are welcome to join, and we'll begin the year with a review of the basics, so if you're new to ringing bells you'll be able to catch up quickly!

### ROBERT HOBBY HYMN FESTIVAL

It's almost time for one of the big events of our anniversary celebration! On **Friday**, **September 29 at 7:00pm**, we will be welcoming internationally renowned composer, organist, and worship leader Robert Hobby, as he leads a hymn festival in our sanctuary.

Robert Hobby is currently the Director of Music at Trinity English Lutheran Church in Fort Wayne, Indiana. As a composer, he has over 150 compositions in print through numerous publishers, including two pieces composed for the papal visit of Pope Francis to New York in 2015. Some of his hymns can be found in both *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* and *All Creation Sings*. He continues to keep an active schedule as a performer and clinician across the United States.

Please make plans to join us for what promises to be a very special night of music as we celebrate 125 years of Trinity!





Left: Forty-two floral arrangements were made from the flowers that our church donated (thank you Dail Family) to The Simple Sunflower.
Thanks Tricia Wessler for the photo.

## **USHER SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER 2023**

Date	Service	Usher 1	Usher 2	Usher 3	Usher 4	Camera
3-Sep	Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost	Anne	Gerry	N/A	N/A	Cliff
10-Sep	Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost	Dave R	John	N/A	N/A	Garrett
17-Sep	Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost	David H	Judy	N/A	N/A	Doug
24-Sep	Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost	John	Karoline	N/A	N/A	Cliff
1-Oct	Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost	Gerry	Dave R	N/A	N/A	Kelly
8-Oct	Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost	David H	Judy	N/A	N/A	Garrett
15-Oct	Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost	John	Gerry	N/A	N/A	Cliff
22-Oct	Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost	Karoline	Dave R	N/A	N/A	Doug
29-Oct	Reformation Sunday	David H	Judy	Cliff	Anne	Kelly

# September 2023 Crucifer/ Acolyte Schedule

DATE	SERVICE	CRUCIFER	ACOLYTES	(CA) Communion Assistant (TB) Torchbearer (BB) Bible Bearer (KI) Kite (CC) Clergy Cross (TH) Thurifer
September 3	10:00	Carl Carpenter	Samantha Harry	
			Luke Harry	
September 10	10:00	Shawn Murphy	Carter Recupero	
			Emma Recupero	
September 17	10:00	Drew Rummell	Elliott Jay	
			Elena Stevens	
September 24	10:00	Karina Stevens	Drew Rummel	
			Samantha Harry	

# Youth Schedule 2023-2024

**September 10 1 PM** Pizza and Parent Meeting at Rummel House

\*\*\* Mandatory for all NYG Youth

**September 15** Register NYG (Kelly's responsibility)

October 8 Howl O Scream Busch Gardens – After Church through Evening

October 15 Worship in the Park

October 20-21 Lock In

**November 12** Homebound Gifts and Board Games

**November 17-19** Lost and Found (7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders – Eagle Eyrie)

**December 10** Decorating and Caroling

**January 7** Bowling (after church)

**February 2-4** Winter Celebration (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders – Eagle Eyrie)

**February 11** Soup-er Bowl Party (Watch the Super Bowl / Canned Food Drive)

March 2-3 Seventh Day 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders

March 10 Service Day \*\*Youth Pick the Cause\*\*

March 24 Stuff Eggs and Make Baskets for Homebound members

March 31 Easter Egg Hunt (Easter Sunday)

April 12-13 Lock In

May 5 Ropes Course (VA Beach Aquarium)

May 19 Confirmation Sunday

**TBD** Youth Assembly

July 7-11 Launch (Graduated High School Seniors)

July 14-21 National Youth Gathering Trip

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Dates are subject to change based off of Advisors' schedules and weather events!\*\*\*