

# Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

## *May Monthly Announcement Sheet*

### **OFFICE HOURS AND INFORMATION**

The church office is open Monday-Thursday from 9-3 PM.

**Sunday School** for youth and adults:  
8:45AM

**Sunday Services:** 10AM

**Bell choir practice:** after service on Sundays as scheduled

**Bible study:** Tuesdays at 10:30 AM

**Choir practice:** Wednesdays at 7:00 PM

On May 19, Pentecost Sunday, Trinity will celebrate Elliott Jay's confirmation with a reception in the Social Hall before the service. Please be sure to bring your favorite breakfast or brunch snack to share as we rejoice with Elliott and his family as he completes this important step in his faith journey.

**PLEASE NOTE: ON THIS SUNDAY, MAY 19, THE RECEPTION WILL BE AT 10:00, FOLLOWED BY OUR REGULAR SERVICE AT 11:00! BE SURE TO NOTE THIS IMPORTANT TIME DIFFERENCE!!**

### **RED FOOD BOX UPDATE**

Please don't forget to bring in items for our Little Red Food Box! We're looking for items that are nutritious and taste well but that are also easily accessible. Examples would be the envelopes of variously-flavored tuna and chicken items, six packs of fruit (applesauce works best and does not draw "critters"), crackers or chips, peanut butter cups, potted meat cans, Vienna sausage cans, etc. Nothing wrong with an occasional sweet "treat," either! Also, water bottles are welcome, and various kinds of nutritious drinks, as long as they're well-packaged and don't leak. Be creative! What would *you* like to munch on your way down the street or home from work?!

Please do NOT bring large cans, items that must be heated or otherwise prepared, or cans that require a can opener. Those items are welcome in the Thrive food basket!

Thank you for helping to brighten the lives of our siblings in Christ!

### **RECONCILING IN CHRIST**

There are comment/question boxes in the Narthex, lobby, and Sacristy hallway. We like hearing from you! All are welcome to join; you do not have to be part of the core group.

### **BIBLE STUDY**

Bible study will meet Tuesdays at 10:30 AM in our parlor or on Zoom.

### **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. Or beside the sacristy kitchen. 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 go either in the yard sale or taken to LINK who will accept them.

Thrive is no longer accepting donations of shoes at their new location until further notice. You may donate wearable shoes to the 2025 youth yard sale. Just leave them in the green room downstairs.

### **FRESH FOOD DONATIONS**

For all our gardeners out there. If you have an overabundance of fresh produce from your gardens and you want to donate it to Thrive, please drop off the produce in the cooler located in the narthex. We will run the produce up to Thrive for you, along with the produce we are growing here at Trinity.

## TAKE A NIGHT OFF WITH FRIENDS

Join us for a relaxing night of fellowship at Tradition Brewing on Thursday, May 30 at 6:30-8:00. It will be a chance to catch up, share time together, and relax as we head into summer. Bring games, snacks, whatever you would like. Drop by for a few minutes, stay the whole time, simply come to spend time with your church family.

## A NOTE FROM FINANCE COMMITTEE

A Reminder from the Finance Committee  
Thanks to all who have supported the church budget we approved for this year! Every offering, big or small, is needed and valued and matters! As summer approaches and families begin to travel for vacations or family reunions, etc., it's easy to forget that the church does not go "on vacation"! Bills still have to be paid, Pastor Tina is still here working hard, the life of the church goes on -- but it goes on especially well when we all remember to send in our offerings even if we can't bring them here in person! Remember that our gifts of "treasure" are almost as important as our gifts of time and talent! Thanks so much for your continued faithfulness.

## YOUTH CORNER

Help send our kids to New Orleans AND celebrate our new TLC logo!!!

These are the shirts our youth will be wearing at Sunday morning worship in New Orleans. Share your love for them and TLC with a shirt of your own! Cost: \$20/shirt.

## Vacation Bible School: Hometown Nazareth Where Jesus Was a Kid

Last summer's revival of Hilton Vacation Bible School was a great success. Before it ended, many participants were already looking forward to this year's session. This summer, the Hilton area churches will again be hosting VBS --**HOMETOWN NAZARETH WHERE JESUS WAS A KID.** The VBS Steering Committee is hard at work planning for an exciting four-night program

July 29-August 1 (Monday through Thursday) at 5-8 p.m.

This is a marvelous outreach opportunity to bring the Good News to families in our churches and community and to cultivate a lifetime faith for the participants. There will be numerous volunteer opportunities for kitchen staff to help prepare and serve simple dinners, shepherds to lead the groups to their activities, as well as leaders and helpers in crafts, recreation, and music.

Please consider your talents and how you can contribute to a successful VBS. When we have a volunteer roster, we'll know the number of students we can accept. We're hoping to accept more kids this year!

## THANK YOU

To the faithful members of the Counting Committee, who work each week to ensure that our offerings are accounted for correctly and that our gifts are given as intended - thank you! To our IT manager and Facilities director, who helps in so many ways beyond the call of technology and property oversight - thank you! To our Head Custodian for all his diligent work - thank you! To our new Assistant Administrator, who worked *long* hours producing bulletins for our Holy Week and Easter services and for additional services, who learned quickly to "swim in the deep end of the administrative pool" - thank you! For former and substitute administrators, who were "on call" to help if needed - thank you! To our teachers, ushers, organist, and choir member- all who contribute to our church family life- thank you! This note of appreciation now includes almost everyone in our congregation! How wonderful that so many members of the Trinity family are working hard to ensure that Trinity remains a faithful and active and loving house of God! Thank you to all members of the Trinity faith community!

"He is not here! He is risen! Alleluia!"

## MUSIC

### Upcoming Concert

On May 5 at 3pm, our sanctuary will be filled with the sound of joyous bell-ringing, as the Virginia Handbell Consort presents their spring concert "Metamorphosis."