

Calendar of Upcoming Events

- Sun May 12 Worship with Holy Communion at 8:30 & 11:00
Choir 9:25
Sunday School Classes 9:45
Infant/Toddler small group 10
- Wed May 15 Men's Bible Study 7am
SWELL mtg. 11
- Thu May 16 Meeting of the Men 5-6:30
- Sat May 18 Church Work Day 10-4
- Sun May 19 Worship with Holy Communion at 8:30 & 11:00
Choir 9:25
Last Day of Sunday School Classes 9:45
Plant Exchange
Family Ministry 12:30-2
Sons of Norway 2-5

Trinity Youth Fundraiser

Come one, come all

and order your new
Trinity t-shirts and
sweatshirts!!



They are available in four vibrant and beautiful colors. The youth will be taking orders May 12th, 19th, and 26th.

Delivery will be in June.

Don't miss out! Get yours today!!

Trinity T-shirt Orders

Fundraiser for the Youth Group



Order Form

T-shirts cost \$20 for adult sizes and \$15 for youth sizes

Hoodie sweatshirts cost \$35 for adult sizes and \$25 for youth sizes

T-SHIRTS--Adult Sizes	Small	Medium	Large	XL	XXL	3-XL	4-XL	5-XL	Total Number	Total Cost
Heather Navy							No 4XL or 5XL for color	this		
Antique Sapphire							No 4XL or 5XL for color	this		
Irish Green							No 4XL or 5XL for color	this		
Antique Cherry Red							No 4XL or 5XL for color	this		
									Total Number	Total Cost

T-SHIRTS--Youth Sizes	X-Small	Small	Medium	Large	XL					Total Number	Total Cost
Heather Navy											
Heather Royal											
Irish Green											
Red											
									Total Number	Total Cost	

HOODIES--Adult Sizes	Small	Medium	Large	XL	XXL	3-XL	4-XL	5-XL	Total Number	Total Cost
Antique Sapphire										
Irish Green										
Antique Cherry Red										
									Total Number	Total Cost

HOODIES--Youth Sizes	X-Small	Small	Medium	Large	XL					Total Number	Total Cost
Royal Blue											
Irish Green											
Red											
									Total Number	Total Cost	

GRAND TOTAL NUMBERS

GRAND TOTAL COST

NAME:

PHONE NUMBER OR EMAIL:

*You may pay now or pay at pick-up time. Shirts should be available for pick-up by the end of June.

PAID--Yes/No

Worship and Faith Formation

Scripture and Sandwiches Join Vicar Megan online each Thursday from 12-12:30 for a short bible study and conversation about scripture over lunch. Click the link below or use the meeting ID and passcode to join in from wherever you are! Meeting ID: 821 5743 3849 Passcode: Lunchtime

Men's Bible Study - We will meet on Wed May 1, 15 and 29, June 12 and 26. We will be serving a light breakfast each time. We meet @ 7:00 AM, and try to finish around 8:00 AM. All are welcome. "No experience necessary". We're just a group of men trying to apply what we read in Scripture to our present lives and to hopefully become a light for others.

Back to the Hymnals starting this week! To be better stewards of creation and the many gifts that we've been given, beginning in May, we will stop printing the hymns in the bulletin and will go back to using the red ELW Hymnals that are in every pew. If you need the hymns printed out for you for any reason, we will have a few large print copies available each week. Also, if you borrowed a hymnal from the sanctuary at any point during the pandemic, please return that to the church. Thank you!



Children's Sunday School wraps up May 19 with our annual end of the year party. Parents and friends are invited to join us for songs, games, and treats in the courtyard at 9:45. We will also celebrate the 5th grade students who are moving on to Confirmation Class next year!

Trinity Lutheran Church – Kalamazoo

August 7, 14, 21 6:00-8pm

2 Timothy 4:7-8



Exercise Your Faith

OLYMPICS

Join us for a family-style VBS with
dinner, games, crafts & songs

Fellowship and Events

Youth Ministry: Game On!!

Schools OUT so the games are ON!! Join us after the second service on **Sunday, June 9th** from noon-3pm for some not-so-healthy gaming with your church friends. Bring your video game consoles, games, VR games, Switch games, phones, and any other gaming systems. We'll eat some pizza and veg out and play non-stop games until our eyes start bleeding. Or at least until 3pm. Sign up by Friday, June 7th if you can join us.

Plant Swap Sunday May 19 after both services! Join us to swap advice, seeds, and plants with other plant enthusiasts! Bring a pest-free, healthy indoor houseplant or outdoor garden plant or two (or more!) for trade; they can be potted, cuttings, or bare root--as long as you're prepared to part with them! You do not have to be a plant expert to participate; plant swaps are a fantastic way to learn more about plants both inside and out!

Meeting of the Men - Meeting of the men is an "informal, come as you are, when you can" kind of get together with no agenda, just good conversation and a great opportunity to get to know one other guys who call Trinity home! We typically meet on the Third Thursday of each month and this month is no different, so look for us at the Old Dog Tavern on Thursday May 16 from 5-6:30.

Family Ministry: God Loves Flowers and So Do WE!!

Sunday, May 19th 12:30pm-2pm

This month we are doing a little service project with flowers. After we enjoy some lunch in the Fellowship Hall, we'll grab a flower pot and start painting. Then we'll plant a lovely flower in the pot. Finally, it will be your job to deliver your beautiful flower pot and flower to someone special—like your mom or dad, grandma or grandpa, a neighbor, or a favorite friend. If you are able to attend, please sign up on our Facebook page or through email by Friday, May 17th.

Women's Retreat! Please save the date: Saturday, August 10, 2024, from 9 AM – 4 PM. Trinity is hosting a women's retreat with facilitator Kara Haug. Kara is highly skilled at leading healthy and loving conversations on womanhood and our relationships with ourselves, others, and God. Her goal is to help us change the narrative of negative stories we believe about ourselves and reframe them into God's positive, loving vision for us. If you'd like to learn more about Kara Haug, please visit her website: www.reframingourstories.com

Men's Retreat- Sign up and Save the Date! This fall we'll be heading north again for the Men's Retreat at Camp Arcadia on the beautiful shores of Lake Michigan! The retreat runs from Sept 27-29 with options for coming up early to take advantage of fall in northern Michigan! This is always a great opportunity to get away to relax and connect with other guys from Trinity and beyond! Trinity will be covering your deposit, so cost of registration is just \$163 with options to pay a little more if you'd like a private bath (\$35) or an extra night (\$62). To register, or for more information, go to <https://camp-arcadia.com/rkd-mens-retreat/> .

Be sure to register for the "Arcadia Men's Retreat with Chad Bird". If you have any questions, contact Pr. Jake or the Camp Arcadia office staff.

Sign up for Fellowship Time and Altar Flowers! Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall and help share God's love for our community! Individuals, families, and groups are encouraged to provide flowers or host fellowship time for the coming months. This is a great way to celebrate birthdays, anniversaries, or other special events. *(And if you enjoy baking, we're always happy for help to stock our freezer for Sundays that might not have a fellowship host!)* *Altar flowers are \$ 20 per bouquet and should be ordered one week in advance. **Call or email the church office or sign up in the Fellowship Hall if you wish to put altar flowers on for a Sunday.**

Service Ministries

Personal Care Item Donations Needed As part of our care for our neighbors in need, the Christ Clothes closet is expanding its offerings to include personal care items. Items needed are dish soap, bar soap, body wash, shampoo, conditioner, toothbrushes, toothpaste, laundry detergent (both single and multi-load containers), feminine care products, deodorant and other like items. Donations can be brought to the church weekdays during office hours or Sunday mornings.

SCRIP Gift Card Table - we would like to remind Trinity members and friends to think of purchasing a few cards to have on hand for teacher gifts, Mother's Day and Father's Day, or graduations not that far off, and Amazon works for almost everyone! We encourage you to stop by and look over our retailer list so you can be part of those helping us help others!

Volunteer Opportunities

Helping Hands Needed at Quilters!! No sewing required, please come and help with this project if you are looking for a place to volunteer and some conversation and coffee. The next meeting will be May 23 at 9am. For information, contact Teri at tkoretsky44@yahoo.com or at 269-567-4238.

The Welcome Team would Welcome New Members! We have Welcome Team members assist at each of our services at Trinity! Do you like to say "Hello!"? We would love to have you join us. Contact Julie Peterson at jtpeterson55@comcast.net to join and let her know which service you attend.

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITY – TIME AND TALENT

The Stewardship and Finance and the Facilities committees are looking for several volunteers to perform a small number of indoor repair, maintenance, housekeeping and, weather permitting, general outdoor clean-up projects to our church and its grounds. This event is scheduled for Saturday, May 18 from 10:00 to 4:00. The projects to be completed this day include replacing light bulbs in the sanctuary, removing pews and floor adjustments to the choir loft, installing window air conditioners in various rooms, setting up the benches in our beautiful courtyard, and moving the planters to the parking lot. All required tools and equipment will be provided. If you have any questions please contact Shaun Wright (269-364-5486, swright@heskzoo.com) or Steven Morris (269.569.4226, sleddog76@hotmail.com). And remember, "Many hands make light work." Nehemiah 3.

Please remember that articles for the Newsletters are due by the 16th of each month; articles for the Sunday bulletins are due one week in advance, by end of day Sunday.

Please use the QR Code to see more detailed Announcements and the upcoming weekly calendar!



VISITING THEOLOGIAN AT TRINITY!



**Amy
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Allen, Ph.D.**

*Associate Professor of
New Testament and
Director of Master of
Divinity program at
Christian Theological
Seminary*



**Tim
McNinch,
Ph.D.**

*Assistant Professor of
Hebrew Bible at
Christian Theological
Seminary and co-host of
"First Reading", a popular
preaching podcast*

Sunday June 2
8:30, 11:00am

Worship

*Amy will preach and share a
Children's message with youth*

Wednesday June 12
7-8am

Men's Bible Study

*"Political Theology?" How can we read
political scriptures in our political
season?*

Sunday June 2
9:45-10:45am

Christmas in June

*A special intergenerational
Sunday School class based on
Luke chapter 2*

Wednesday June 12
7-8:30pm
At Latitude 42 Brewing
Co. - Oshstemo

Theology on Tap

*"The Bible is a Perfectly Poured
Guinness" Scribal layers and stages in the
Bible and why they matter to regular
Bible readers like us.*

Monday June 3
1-3 pm

Reading the Bible with and for Children

*For teachers, parents,
grandparents, and anyone who
works with kids!*

Thursday June 13
12-12:30pm
Zoom Meeting ID
821 5743 3849
Passcode: Lunchtme

Scripture and Sandwiches

*"Dining in the Dark" Explore the
meaning of the darkness at Jesus'
Crucifixion*

Tuesday June 4
5-7pm

Family Theology on Tap!

*Ice Cream bar, Root Beer floats,
and Pizza over the topic, "Whose
Kingdom is it Anyway? Jesus and
the Little Children"*

Thursday June 13
1:30-3pm

Women's Bible Study

*"Casual Conversation about feminist
interpretation of the Hebrew Bible...
(with a man who's doing his best to
understand 😊)"*

Wednesday June 5
7-8am

Men's Bible Study

*"Generations of Fisherfolk: James
John and Zebedee"*

Friday June 14
7-9pm

Bible Dig-In - Session I

*An in-depth and highly interactive
exploration into the book of Ruth*

Wednesday June 5
10-12am

Women's Bible Study

*"Generations of Service: Mary and
Martha at the Feet of Jesus"*

Saturday June 15
10am-noon

Bible Dig-In - Session II

Ruth 2-3 - LUNCH PROVIDED

Thursday June 6
10-12am

Zoom Meeting ID
821 5743 3849
Passcode: Lunchtme

Scripture and Sandwiches

*"Children in the Bible and it's
Contexts*

Saturday June 15
12:30-2:30pm

Bible Dig-In Session III

Ruth 4 and Wrap up

Thursday June 6
7-8:30pm

At Shakespeares Pub

Theology on Tap!

*"Whose Kingdom is it Anyway?
Jesus, Little Children and the
Poor"*

Sunday June 16
9:45-10:45

"The Bible for Grown-ups

*How to get the most out of the
Bible as adult readers*

All events are at Trinity unless otherwise listed.

Be sure to take advantage of these tremendous opportunities to learn and grow together