

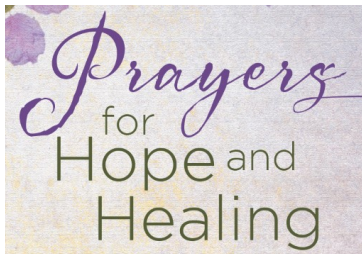
The Trinity Trumpet

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**OUTDOOR
WORSHIP**

Worship in the Trinity parking lot continues until further notice. Bring your chair and join us Sunday mornings at 10:30 am. (We will move inside the building in the event of inclement weather.)



- Sharon Wirrig—Health
- Patty Sackett—Health
- Jr Koos—Health
- Jody Burns—Cancer
- Mindy Brandon—Awaiting kidney transplant
- Kerry Young—Coma & for wife, Julia
- Holly McEldowney—Cancer
- Sarah Wolfe—In Hospice, kidney failure
- Kenny Hesler—General health
- Greg Perry—Heart problems
- Ev Kaiser—Heart problems
- Amanda Spahr—Brain issues
- Reese Addington—10 year old with auto-immune disease
- John Young—Cancer
- Mary Philpot—Cancer
- Aiden Snyder—Leukemia returned
- Ray Chester
- Zane Rhodehamel—Leukemia
- Kelly VanDeGrift—Cancer
- Bobby Jagielski—Cancer
- Auzzy Monroe—Diagnostic tests
- Janice Rosenberger—Stroke
- Tommy Scarlis—Brain tumor
- Dawn Oswalt—Cancer
- Stephen Angles—Tourettes
- Dave Sroufe—Back surgery
- Jaimie Campbell

Prayer Concerns— Current and ongoing

- Mary Ann Shellhaus—recovering from a stroke
- Pat Ferguson—Spinal surgery
- Lowell Unger
- Jeanne Cassel—Alzheimers
- Susie Weisenbarger—Cancer
- Pat Netzley—Asthma, cold
- Ruth Baker—Mental health
- Jim Neitzelt—Heart issues
- Nancy Longo—Heart surgery
- Sierra Stryker—Sight /head trauma
- Sandra Williams—Eyes
- Sandy Booher
- Bob Tiborn
- Cindy Lou—Knee surgery
- Eric Snyder—Return of brain cancer
- Jerry Higgins—Cancer
- Janet Gilliland—Cancer
- Quana Tate—Complications from a stroke
- Jennifer Payne—Stroke & paralysis
- Irma Arling—Small stroke
- Gary Hill—Lung cancer beaten
- Jerome Axton—Leg amputation

World Concerns:

- All families suffering with addiction
- Victims of the coronavirus
- Any suffering from traumatic brain injury
- Relief from locusts in East Africa
- President, House, & Senate & other leaders
- Freezing children in Syria
- Bring people together in justice, decency, & dignity

Our sympathy

**to the family of
Lois Baughman**



for the good or improving health of
the following people recently on our
Prayer List:

Aubree Myers, Bill Mahaffey, Bob & Rochelle Sadowski, Bob Harter, Brian Henderson, Connie Rowland, David Green, David Netzley, Jack Rademachir, Jacob Riffle, Jason, Joe Spahr, Joseph Shumaker, JR Alltop, Julie Erk, Kenny Johnson, Kevin Henninger, Marilyn Fenstermaker, Mark Baker, Marvin Brumbaugh, Maxine Didier, Michelle Lawrence, Mrs. Henninger, Ronda Hanes, Tony Matamoras

*Prayer requests may be
emailed at anytime to
trinityprayers@woh.rr.com
and upon receipt your request
will be shared so that many
will be praying immediately.*

DEADLINE FOR THE SEPTEMBER ISSUE OF THE TRINITY TRUMPET IS AUGUST 18th.

President's Perspective 2020

Love and Forgiveness

On the 12th and 19th of July, Pastor included two areas very near and dear to my heart, love and forgiveness. We all know that our country needs to reach out in love to others to help solve our problems. The kind of love we need is Agape love, love without conditions. Many of us have dear pets that we love and maybe that is because they offer agape love so freely. Love without conditions. Total and complete. With that love we have an easier time with forgiveness. At an ELCAW meeting many years ago we heard that true forgiveness really means leaving that transgression back at the point in time when it was committed. We don't bring it up again when we have truly forgiven. It isn't easy to let go of things that hurt us, but we must if we truly forgive.

Thanks to our Church Council for coming to our meeting so that we could conduct official business. It was a good meeting. And thanks to many of you who do so much to keep Trinity going. Thanks to Teresa Neitzelt and Kathy Kathman for jumping into action to help with Lexie last Sunday. Dean Thompson provided the system that we used until the FM transmitter arrived and he and Eldon Erdmann set that up weekly. Eldon and Dean also do many things that maintain our building and grounds along with the Trustees. Chris Cassell arrives early every week to help set up the service area and does much more. PJ Musser records our live service and was recently helped by Lexie Angles. Marge Warner is working to create Bible School Bags for the youth. Roxanne Groff has been faithful to provide music for our services. Our quilt ladies and mask makers are still working from home. (Masks are still available at the Church.)

May peace, grace, love, and forgiveness be your guide.
And, boldly believe in God's love, because He is in control.

Bev Erdmann

July Council Meeting Summary

- ◇ We had a quorum of 10 members present. Thank you.
- ◇ Pastor's devotions included Holy Communion to demonstrate his proposed plan to safely offer communion
- ◇ In place of Bible School, we will be offering Bible School Bags to be distributed at the July 26 service
- ◇ Confirmation students still have 6 lessons to complete with Pastor. He has given the first two and is waiting for completed assignments to be returned
- ◇ Dean Thompson has found appliances for the basement and they will be ordered soon. We will apply for Thrivent cards to help with the purchases.
- ◇ Reminder to continue sending cards to the Wernle Home residents
- ◇ The FM transmitter is here and should be in use July 19, 2020
- ◇ We reviewed Covid-19 policy and will be offering communion on August 2. Information will be shared in the newsletter about how preparation was kept safe
- ◇ Annual Meeting was discussed and we may not meet, but vote by mail
- ◇ Copies of pages 8-20 of proposed constitution were given to those who didn't have them. This will be discussed at the next meeting.
- ◇ It was suggested and agreed that we look for a way to light the stained-glass window above the glass doors



Ladies
LUNCHEON

NO LUNCHEON GATHERING IN AUGUST.



AUGUST NEWS

Due to Corona virus, we have been unable to meet for a long time (approximately 6 months). It's hard to believe! Tentatively we will plan to meet September 2, 2020. The church basement has plenty of room for us to social distance. I will provide food for your enjoyment.

As a group, we have missed many activities with our families, church family, and friends. Your prayers have been important.

At this September 2 meeting, we will attempt to plan some future activities, including a Mother/Daughter/Friend Event. Originally, we were planning an Italian Themed evening with Noah Back for entertainment. Let's consider this again.

On September 2 we will initially wear masks and social distance. Bring your own drink and I will safely provide food for you.

Hope to see you September 2 at 6:30 PM. Let's come together, but stay apart. This is so tough for all (children and adults). Peace be with you!

Marge Warner - WELCA President

2019-2020 WELCA OFFICERS

Pres. - Marge Warner
Secretary - PJ Musser
Wernle Rep. - Judy Ulrich
Dinner Chair - Katherine Jump
Baker

Sunshine Cards - Julie Kossler

Giving Tree - Pat Netzley and Pam Oswalt

Devotions—Marge Warner

Vice President—Katherine Jump

Treasurer—Portia Boord

Quilting - Judy Ulrich and Linda Baker

Christmas Party Committee - Portia Boord and Linda

Luncheon Chair - Linda Baker

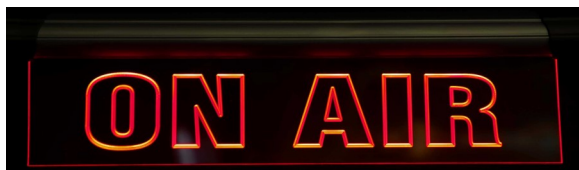
Mother-Daughter-Friend Committee - Vacant



Our July—September Donation Emphasis is the Lutheran World Relief school kits we have supplied in the past.

Our most important needs at this time are notebooks, scissors, crayons, rulers, and pencil sharpeners.

- 1 Sturdy drawstring backpack style cloth bag— approximately 14" X 17", w/ shoulder straps (handmade) [
- 1 Ruler—30 cm on one side (May have inches on the other side.)
- 1 Box of Crayons (16 or 24)
- 5 Unsharpened Pencils w/Erasers
- 1 Pencil Sharpener
- 1 2 1/2" Eraser
- 1 Pair Blunt Scissors
- 5 Blue or Black Ball point Pens (No GEL pens)
- 4 70 Sheet College or Wide ruled Notebooks



Trinity is on the Air at FM 88.3

If you are near the Church on Sunday morning, you can tune in to FM 88.3 at 10:30 AM and hear the sermon from your car.

Many thanks to Andy McKibben for getting this set up.

Word from Our Pastor

²³ For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, ²⁴ and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ²⁵ In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." ²⁶ For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. (1 Cor. 11:23-26)

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from Our Lord and Savior, Jesus The Christ, amen.

I hope and pray you are all staying safe and healthy this hot and humid summer! Now that some of the pandemic restrictions are slowly being lifted, I hope you are exercising caution in the decisions you're making about going about the activities of daily living. Things like wearing face masks when you're out in public and remembering to stay at least 6 feet apart will go a long way toward keeping us all safer and healthier. I wear mine whenever I go out to a store or anyplace that I might encounter someone I don't know because I love my neighbor and I don't want anything I might have to spread to someone else. Another big thing to remember is to wash your hands before and after any encounter with the outside world. These small things will help us all stay healthy!

Enough about Pandemic precautions, I have really exciting news regarding our worship service. Holy Communion is coming back in August! It will be a little different than what we're used to, but I believe we can celebrate the Holy Sacrament with little to no risk of spreading the Covid-19 virus. First, the Communion elements will be prepared by health care professionals who will wear masks and gloves. All surfaces where the bread wafers and the wine come into contact are sanitized before preparation begins. A Communion wafer is placed into a small condiment cup and set to one side. The Communion wine is poured into a second condiment cup and a lid is securely attached. The condiment cup with the wine is placed on top of the cup with the wafer and one individual communion kit is ready to go, well almost. The latest word from our nursing homes and assisted living facilities for families that want to bring special snacks or other food for their loved ones is that they must drop off the food more than 24 hours before the patient or resident may consume it. That's the rule we're using for the Communion elements as well. The individual Communion kits will be prepared more than 24 hours before we use them on Sunday mornings. That way if there is a virus present it will dissipate before we use it. There are a few pictures attached so you can see what they look like and how they were prepared.

Since the finished Communion Kit resembles the K-Cup used in single serve coffee makers, I call this method Communion by K-Cup. As always, the decision to partake of this Holy Sacrament and how often you partake is between you and God. If you do not feel these precautions are sufficient and wish to hold off until there is a vaccine or a cure, that is your choice and I hope you never feel pressure from me or any of your brothers or sisters in Christ to take Communion when you're not ready or prepared with a repentant heart.

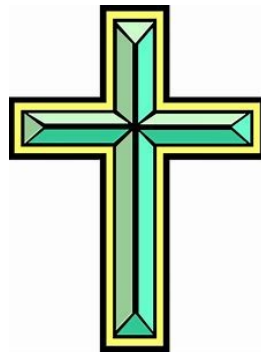
Having said all that, Holy Communion will be offered on the First Sunday each month beginning August 2, 2020. As we did with going back to worshipping together, we're taking this step slowly and cautiously. You all know my feelings about offering Holy Communion often, but we'll be taking this very slowly and only offering Communion once a month until we see what trends are happening with infections and hospitalizations. We certainly don't want to inadvertently cause the spread of the virus to anyone.

I hope this is a bit of good news to you at a time when good news is rare. May God bless our worship time together and may God bless you with continued health and safety. Amen.

Serving God and Neighbor,
Pastor Mel



“Communion by K-Cup”



Safe Distance



Our Trinity family is very close and sometimes we forget that we are not all blood relatives. Because it has been mentioned to me more than once, I know that there are those who are very concerned with a lack of attention to safe distancing. I will remind you that it is most important that we follow the guidelines and keep a safe distance during our outdoor service. Please make sure to keep a distance of 6 feet between you and others who are not in your immediate family. We need to be a good example for anyone who might be watching how we do our service and we need to keep our Trinity family safe. Also, it is possible that people won't come because they are not comfortable being there when we do not keep that safe distance.

Bev Erdmann

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

...News for Pre-K through 6th Grade



With all so up in the air concerning the Covid-19 virus, it was decided not to have Bible School this summer. However, materials were purchased to create BIBLE SCHOOL BAGS for each child (3 years old - 6th grade). The younger children will need some direction from an adult or older sibling. The theme of the bags is Walking with Jesus. SUNDAY, JULY 26, the Bible School Bags will be distributed to the children at the outside service. Also, this service will be geared to include the children through singing and a children's sermon. Children not there will have their bags delivered to them in person. We encourage you to attend, sit with your family in a group, and use the 6 feet social distancing plan. Thanks to Bev Erdmann for helping to pack the bags.

When possible, the Christian Education Team will plan a future fun event for the kids and their families. We are hopeful for a Fall Festival Event as held last year.

Let us know your thoughts and ideas.

Marge Warner, Christian Education Leader 937-623-2544



From Mark Groff

"I want to thank you for your prayers and thoughts on my past medical procedure. I knew thru my faith that God and my families were with me and I was going to be OK. I am doing just fine (no restrictions). So, thank you again!"

From Marge Warner

"Your prayers are so important! They are the glue that hold us together as a church family!"

I so appreciate your recent prayers as I have been going through testing concerning a sport on my lungs and other issues. Thus far, the lung biopsy and Pet Scan came back negative.

More tests in December. Your support has been felt and appreciated. Let all you do be done in love! Thanks."



AUGUST NEWS

Don't forget to send your resident's birthday card and a gift card for August.

8/15/06	Benjamin Justice E.	8/8/02	Tyler M.
8/2/03	Raul D.	8/24/07	Jesse B.

We have 14 new residents at Wernle and some of them have birthdays between now and the end of the year. They have not been chosen for the card shower yet, but birthday cards were sent to those with a July birthday.

- **New arrivals in 2020 with August birthdays:**

Jerica J. 8/1/2003 (girl) John W. 8/4/2005 Dustin C. 8/18/2005 Jesse B. 8/24/2007

- **A long time resident who has not been selected --** Raul D. 8/2/2003

- **New young men and boys with fall and winter birthdays:**

Devon H. 9/25/2004 Nathan T. 10/10/2004 Rylan D. 10/16/2002 Nathan P. 10/16/2001
Corey 10/27/2006 Lucas C. 11/19/2007 Clayton H. 11/20/2001 Landon 12/4/2005
Jayden H. 12/8/2005

- **Thanks to the following members who selected a residents listed below!**

Drake C. 7/31/2006 (Marge Warner) Tyler M. 8/8/2002 (PJ Musser)
Benjamin J. E. 8/15/2006 (Diane Warner) - Anthony B. 11/5/2004 (Erdmanns)
Anthony S. 8/21/2007 & Kaiden 9/13/2004 (Nonnie & Aiden Myers)
Caleb L. 10/11/2003 (Kami Schmitmeyer) - Molly P. 12/5/2006 (Jan Figel)

If you would like to send a B-day, thinking of you or encouragement cards to one of the above residents not yet chosen, please contact Judy Ulrich at 937.692.5054.

JAMA[®]

The Journal of the American Medical Association

A new review published in the Journal of the American Medical Association summarizes current evidence concerning the pathophysiology, transmission, diagnosis and management of COVID19. Researchers conducted a literature search for studies published from Jan. 1, 2002 to June 15, 2020, using the terms coronavirus, severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2, 2019-nCoV, SARS-CoV-2, SARS-CoV, MERS-CoV

and COVID-19. Based on the review, some of the following observations were made:

- SARS-CoV-2 is spread primarily via respiratory droplets during close face-to-face contact;
- Infection can be spread by asymptomatic, presymptomatic and symptomatic carriers;
- The average time from exposure to symptom onset is five days, and 97.5% of people who develop symptoms do so within 11.5 days;
- The most common symptoms are fever, dry cough and shortness of breath;
- Approximately 5% of patients with COVID-19, and 20% of those hospitalized, experience severe symptoms necessitating intensive care;
- More than 75% of patients hospitalized with COVID-19 require supplemental oxygen;
- The case-fatality rate for COVID-19 varies markedly by age, ranging from 0.3 deaths per 1,000 cases among patients aged five to 17 years to 304.9 deaths per 1,000 cases among patients aged 85 years or older in the US.;
- Among patients hospitalized in the intensive care unit, the case fatality is up to 40%; and
- Until an effective vaccine is available, the primary methods to reduce spread are face masks, social distancing and contact tracing.

Researchers conclude, "As of July 1, 2020, more than 10 million people worldwide had been infected with SARS-CoV-2. Many aspects of transmission, infection, and treatment remain unclear.



August Celebrations



Birthdays

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| 1 Christi Jasinski | 11 Colston Warner | 25 Aiden Myers |
| Tony Garwood | 12 Charlotte Payne | Rhyan Cool |
| 2 Melanie Musser | Claire Hein | 26 Dean Thompson |
| 6 Ky Cool | Niki Angles | 27 Michelle Heckman |
| 8 Katelynn Troutwine | 17 Lisa Garwood | 28 Jeremy Netzley |
| 9 Caleena Hesler | 22 Rick Myers | 29 Becky McMullen |
| 10 Cassandra Creech | 23 Holly Wright | Craig Cotner |
| Diane Warner | 24 Eric Rich | 30 Brenda Tauscher |
| Landon Muhlenkamp | Weston Rich | |



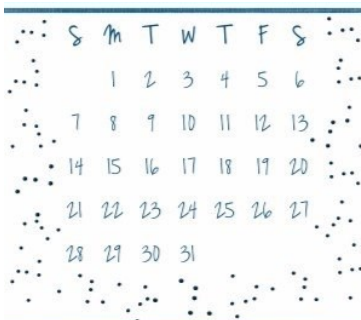
Anniversaries

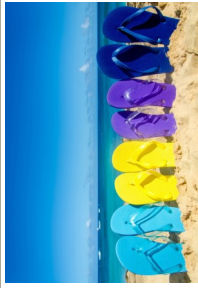
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| 2 Nicholas & Becky Daniels | 6 Dean & Deborah Thompson | 11 Christopher & Brooke Chapman |
| 4 John & Teri Thobe | Jim & Teresa Neitzelt | 29 Mark & Teri Brumbaugh |
| 5 Kenneth & Carla Hesler | 9 Jerry & Becky McMullen | 31 Danny & Pam Myers |
| Andrew & Rebecca Aelker | Josh & Kami Schmitmeyer | |





Baptisms

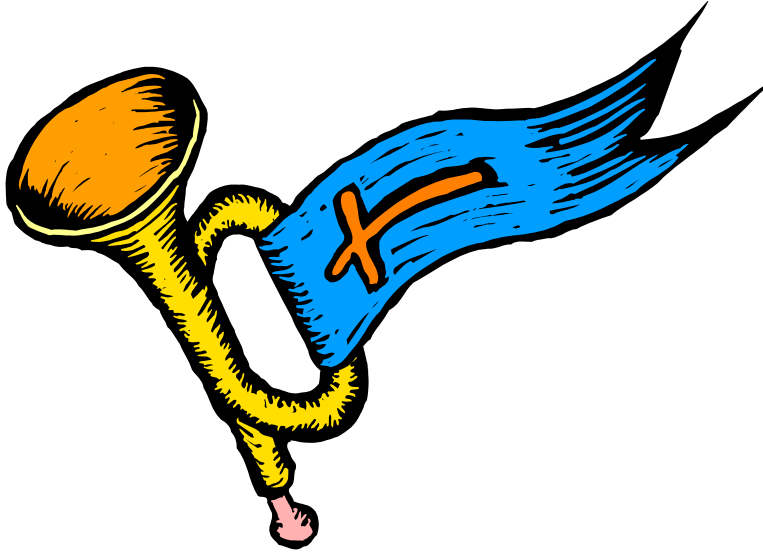
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| 1 Kyle Ressler | 14 Elizabeth Martin | 23 Christi Jasinski |
| 4 Brooke Chapman | 15 Kyle Fledderjohn | 24 Steve Hesler |
| Kimberly Harleman | 16 Morgan Canan | 25 Lance Witters |
| Tess Tauscher | 17 Landon Muhlenkamp | Mackenzie Canan |
| 7 Lucas Witters | 20 Layni Ressler | 27 Hayley Harleman |
| 10 Elainah Nickol | 22 Lori Mattox | 29 Bryanna Diceanu |
| 12 Shane Warner | Peggy Didier | |





SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <p>THE GREAT DARKE COUNTY FAIR August 21—29, 2020</p>						
2 10:30 am Worship w/ Communion	3	4	5	6 7:00 pm Worship Team Meeting (if needed)	7 3:30 pm FISH Choice Food Pantry	8
9 10:30 am Worship	10	11	12 6:30 pm Christian Education Team Meeting	13	14 3:30 pm FISH Choice Food Pantry	15
16 10:30 am Worship	17	18 	19 6:00 pm Finance Team 7:00 pm Trinity Council	20	21 3:30 pm FISH Choice Food Pantry	22 DARKE COUNTY FAIR
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30 10:30 am Worship	31					

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