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Worship Services
9:00 am, Sunday
There are no Wednesday
Services during vacancy
Sunday School (Sept - May)
10:30 am - 11:30 am



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Day of Thanksgiving celebrates missionaries

September 7, 2023 / Reporter / By Sarah Reinsel



John and Erica Tape, former LCMS missionaries to the Dominican Republic, receive a gift from the Rev. James Krikava (left), associate executive director of the LCMS Office of International Mission (OIM), and greet the Rev. Dr. Mark Rabe, OIM director of recruitment, on Aug. 18 in St. Louis. (LCMS/Erik M. Lunsford)

On Friday, Aug. 18, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod's (LCMS) Office of International Mission (OIM) hosted a Day of Thanksgiving to celebrate missionaries who have recently finished their service, recognize alumni missionaries and send first-time missionaries to the mission field.

The day began with a Service of Thanksgiving, held during daily chapel at the LCMS International Center (IC) in St. Louis, followed by a luncheon and fellowship.

After chapel, the following missionaries were honored for coming to the end of their service:

Alyssa (Anders) Knock, who served in Turkey from 2015 to 2016 and Russia from 2016 to 2020;

The Rev. Joel and Deaconess Clarion Fritsche and children Victor, Sergei and Andrei, who served in the Dominican Republic from 2014 to 2023; and

John and Erica Tape and daughter Sophie, who served in the Dominican Republic from 2021 to 2023.

Reflecting on her years as a missionary in Russia, Knock remarked, "It's an encouragement to people ... to know that there are people from a totally different country who are so passionate about the message of Christ crucified that they're willing to travel and move to your country. ... The church is an amazing thing."

The Day of Thanksgiving also marked the end of eight weeks of new missionary orientation for three new missionaries.

The Rev. Bryan and Deaconess Keah Payne, along with their children, Serenity and Dalton, will begin their mission work in Tanzania.

"When we're able to integrate into the new culture and the new society, then we're able to preach Christ crucified so much better because we know the people, and we know their needs, and we even know their language. [Our training] has given us a great foundation to do that," said Rev. Payne.

"The amount of people who are praying for us, and the IC, which is full of people who are here to support, make us able to go and freely speak [the Gospel]," said Deaconess Payne.

Debbie Dyjak, who is currently enrolled in the online deaconess program at Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, will begin mission work in Latvia.

"We had chapel every morning, Vespers every evening. Pastor Daenzer [IC chaplain] came and talked yesterday on suffering, we were reading Scripture together, we prayed before all our meals — we were totally immersed in the Word of God. It was nothing like any other orientation I've had with any other job," said Dyjak.

Dyjak also remarked that longtime friends — including one of her grade school teachers and her youth group leader — were very influential in her becoming a missionary.

Preaching for the Service of Thanksgiving, the Rev. James A. Krikava, OIM associate executive director, advised new missionaries:

"As you hone your gift of tongues, in your new field and language, you will find how your limitations will serve to make you sharper in sharing the wisdom of God, instead of your own. Take advantage of it. Learn your Bible passages in the new language. You've memorized the catechism — memorize it in the new language, and you will become a blessing to the people that you serve.

"In this way," Krikava continued, "you will comfort and raise up fearful consciences with the forgiveness won on the cross by Jesus, now distributed and given through His resurrection from the dead, and continuing with us always, even to the end of the age, with Word and Sacrament."

TRINITY VOLUNTEERS AT LUTHERANS FOR LIFE BOOTH



Thank you to the volunteers who helped out at the Lutherans For Life Booth at the Beltrami County Fair this year!

Pictured are Steve & Mary Krueger, Rod & Bonnie Wentzel and Wayne Tieman.

Other volunteers were Scott & Janet Wilson, Dave & Sue Krueger, Kevin, Heather & Mackenzie Ellis, Greg & Susan Anderson, John Egeland, Colleen Ferdig & Lynette Perrault, Dean Christensen & Gayle Sorensen.

To Learn More About Lutherans For Life Visit:

www.LutheransForLife.org





Ladies Aid

Meets on Thursday, October 5th at 1:30 pm at the Church.

Men of Trinity

Will meet on Monday, October 2nd at 7:00 pm at the Church.

❖ Trinity Afternoon Guild

Meets on Tuesday, October 3rd at 1:30 pm at the Church.

❖ M.O.P.S.

Will Meet on Tuesday, October 10th at 6:30 pm at the Church.

Hannah Circle

Will meet on Thursday, October 12th at 1:30 pm.

❖ Active Christian Fellowship

Will meet on Monday, October 2nd at 5:00 pm at the Church.

Altar Circle

Will Meet on Monday, October 16th at 1:00 pm at the church.

Eunice Circle

Will meet Tuesday, October 17th at 9:30 am at the church with Darlene Lind as hostess. New members are welcomed as we continue our Bible Study with Beverly as leader.

Christian Singles

The Christian Singles will meet at 11:30 am on Sunday, October 29th at the church.

Happy Quilters

The "Happy Quilters" meet on the 3rd & 4th Thursdays at 9:00am at the church.

ANNUAL MEATBALL DINNER & FUNDRAISERS Sunday, October 8th, 11:00-2:00 PM.

The Meatball Dinner is back with all proceeds going to support the Preschool/Childcare program.

Everyone is welcome to attend and enjoy the Annual meatball dinner & Fundraisers from 11am-2pm

There will be sign-up sheets in the Fellowship Hall for requested food donations and volunteers to help with the Meatball Supper.

Thank you and God Bless!

NOTE: If you have NEW ITEM (5) you would like to donate for the auction, please bring your donation to the Preschool/Childcare office.





19th & 20th/MEA

TLC Preschool OCTOBER 2023 4 Growing Tree Learning Center Newsletter

Childcare and Preschool News

FALL FUNDRAISING

SILENT AUCTION/MEATBALL DINNER

Meatball Dinner and Silent Auction is Sunday, October 8, 2023 from 11 am-2 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend and enjoy a wonderful meal and fellowship. All proceeds benefit the preschool!

PRESCHOOL RUMMAGE SALE

We will be having a Rummage Sale on Saturday, October 21, 2023 beginning at 8 am. It's a great time to do a little Fall Cleaning while also supporting a good cause! Donation items may be brought off in the morning on Friday, October 20th. All proceeds benefit the preschool!

EVENT NIGHT

We will be having a Fall Festival on Thursday, October 26, 2023 beginning at 5:30 pm! This is a great event to meet other families. There will be spooky stations and snacks set up in the fellowship hall. Children may come in church appropriate costumes.

TICKET FUNDRAISER

Drawing for the ticket fundraiser items will be on Friday, December 8, 2023. Tickets are available for sale in the office for \$10 each until Thursday, December 7th.

Deaconess Beverly shares the story of creation with the children during our first devotions of the new school year!







Bible Verse of

the Month:

For everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under Heaven.

Ephesians 3:1



February 2023



It was a beautiful day for the Sunday School Fall Kickoff! We enjoyed a picnic lunch and a round of kickball after our Bible lesson.

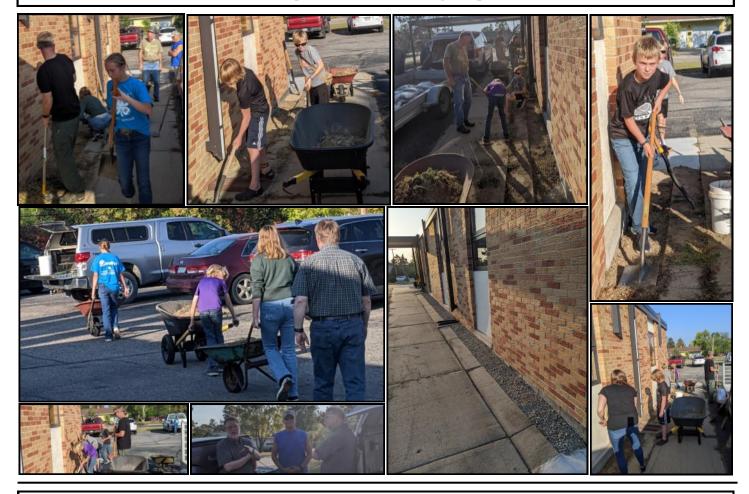
Our studies began in 1 Kings and we have learned these truths; God is faithful, even when we are not, even in difficult times, and God rescues us from danger.



I.C.Y.M.I.

(IN. CASE. YOU. MISSED. IT.)

Youth Service Project - Cleaning Up The Rock Bed



CONFIRMATION PARENT MEETING & ACOLYTE TRAINING







Some of Trinity's groups have stopped their ongoing fundraisers. Please note the following fundraisers that are no longer in effect:

- Lutheran Island Camp is no longer collecting Campbell's Soup Labels.
- The Youth Groups are no longer collecting proof of purchase (bar codes) for the Our Family Brand at Lueken's Village Foods.
- The Afternoon Guild is no longer collecting Pop Tabs for the Ronald McDonald House.
- TLC Preschool is no longer collecting ink cartridges or small electronics for recycling.

Annual Meatball Dinner Sunday, October 8th, 2023 Meatball Supper & Fundraisers from 11 am - 2pm

EVERYONE WELCOME!



The date is set for the fall pick up for Orphan Grain Train!

Monday, October 23rd at 9:00 am. Mark this date on your calendar as there have been so many disasters this year, your donations are needed.

They are asking for good <u>clean</u> used clothing & shoes, bedding, curtains, & small kitchen items. You may bring your donations to the church with you on Sunday October 22nd and bring them into the church <u>after services</u>. Leave them under the coat racks.

We also need help sorting and packing. Any help is appreciated. Many hands make light work. Any questions call Doris Tibbetts 218-755-9068.

Lutheran Island Camp UPCOMING EVENTS



OCTOBER 6-7

Elders Training

The Wadena Pastor's Circuit is holding an elders training at Lutheran Island Camp! This event is for those who are interested in learning about being an elder or those are elders now and would like more training.

NOVEMBER 1-5 Quilt & Crafting Retreat

Quilters and crafters, do you need a place to get away and get some crafting done? Then look no further than our Quilt Retreat! Food, lodging, and evening devotions are provided by the LIC staff.

NOVEMBER 17-18 Confirmation Weekend

Register your Confirmands for a weekend of fun and instruction at LIC! Our first Confirmation Weekend is always a special one because the Confirmands get to experience classic camp activities such as archery, canoeing, and hatchet throwing. The cost is \$90/person which includes food, lodging, and activities. To register, contact Olivia at licprogram@islandcamp.org.

<u>Thrivent Financial® Choice Dollars must be</u> <u>directed every year</u>. Trinity has 2 areas that Choice Dollars can be directed:

1. Trinity Lutheran Church

2. TLC Preschool/Growing Tree Childcare

All Choice Dollars directed to Trinity Lutheran Church go into the General Fund. *Please contact Financial Secretary if you have questions.*



All Choice Dollars directed to TLC Preschool and/or to Growing Tree Childcare go into their Scholarship Fund. *Please contact a member of the School Board if you have questions.*

To direct your Choice Dollars, go online to Thrivent.com and log in (you'll need your Member ID to register), or call 1-800-847-4836 and state "Thrivent Choice" (you'll need your Member ID). Please contact your Thrivent representative with any questions.

Our Church Directory is Online!

View our church directory online or via the FREE mobile app today.

To view the directory online, go to members.InstantChurchDirectory.com and follow the prompts under "Sign In" to "Create a login now." Please remember, you must confirm your email address before you can sign in.

There is also a free mobile app available for download at the Apple® App store in iTunes®, Google Play™ store and the Amazon Fire App Store. Simply search for "Instant Church Directory" to get the download.

You will need to use your email address as listed in our directory to create a log-in the first time you use the directory online and via the mobile app.

Need help or have questions?



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Please contact the church office

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MISSIONARY-

An important part of missions is prayerfully supporting the church. Use this activity to guide your family's prayer time.

What you need:

- Plastic bag (large zippered)
- Permanent marker
- Bandage
- Toy plane
- Heart-shaped drawing or toy
- Spoon
- Coin
- Hot-sauce packet

What you do:

- 1. Label the bag with details about the missionaries you'll be praying for (names, location, specific needs).
- 2. Add small prayer-prompt objects to guide your prayer time (bandage = health, plane = travel, heart = relationships, spoon = cultural connection, coin = finances, hot sauce = boldness).
- 3. Include other objects that will prompt prayer for missionaries' specific needs.
- 4. Place the bag where it will remind your family to pray regularly.

Activity Pag



God used Paul to spread the Gospel to many cities during his first missionary journey. Can you find them all?

Directions: From the fragments, guess each city and locate it on the map. Use the Bible references to help.



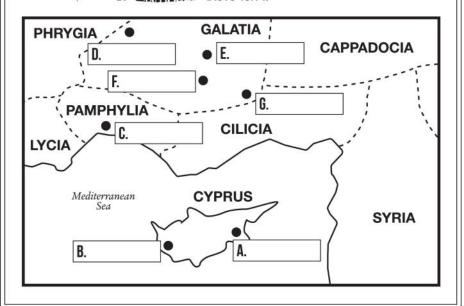
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Answers: Salamis, Paphos, Perga, Antioch, Iconium, Lystra, Derbe



Free Coloring Pages from PrimaryGames.com

LCMS-MN NORTH DISTRICT NEWS





Bible Study: Pastor Jacob Quast "Harvest of Blessings" Galatians 6:9

Guest Speaker: Michelle Diercks Author "PROMISED REST"





She specializes in helping women find peace in teacher and Women's Ministry Retreat Leader. God's promises. Come join us to hear Michelle Michelle is a speaker, Podcast host, Bible speak at 1:00 PM.

St Paul Lutheran Church FALL LWML RALLY

International Falls, MN 56649 1324 9th Street

Thursday, October 12, 2023 Registration & Coffee 9:00 AM Rally Begins 9:30 AM

Theme: "THANKFULNESS"

Ingathering: Servants of Shelter

Items Needed

Shampoo (Large Bottles)

Body Wash (Large Bottles)

Microwavable Food Items Deodorant (Full Size)

Towel Sets

Female Hygiene Products Quilts

Incontinence Products

by Friday, October 6th, 2023 Please RSVP Your Attendance (218) 283-8642

OCTOBER STEWARDSHIP

It's in the Way that You Use It

Consider the humble baseball bat. It is a simple tool designed for a complex task. The batter needs a tool that can consistently deliver force to a small ball which may be thrown at over 100 miles per hour, but which might also come slanting across the plate as a slow curve. For a game like this, the founders of baseball had to redesign the old cricket bat, which is more of a flat paddle. The tool had to fit the job.

But even a specially-designed tool can be used for a different purpose. It turns out that some years ago in England, the home of cricket, baseball bats suddenly started selling like hotcakes. What were folks across the pond doing with all those baseball bats? Using them as clubs in riots!

A tool can be used, and it can be misused. It's all in the way that you use it.

The same is true with the things of God. The Second Commandment states that we should "not misuse the name of the Lord." In the Small Catechism, Luther goes on to tell us exactly what this misuse is, as well as the proper use:

"We should fear and love God so that we do not curse, swear, use satanic arts, lie, or deceive by His name, but call upon it in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks." (SC I)

The Lord has given us His name: He has placed it upon us in Holy Baptism and He has invited us to pray to Him as our Father. In this sense, the Lord's name is something for us to use. We should not misuse it ... and we should not fail to use it. The Pharisees of old were so afraid of misusing the name of God that they decided to simply never say the name of God (YHWH, Jehovah) at all! This non-use is just as bad as misuse. The Lord gives His gifts for our use.

A Christian steward is one who is called to use all of God's gifts for His purposes. This includes things like the Name of God, the Sacraments and the Word, and it also includes things like our family and friends, our talents and skills, our money and resources. Everything that God has given to you, He has given to you so that you may be blessed to use it for His kingdom.

It's all in the way that you use it!

- LCMS Stewardship Ministry: lcms.org/stewar- LCMS Stewardship Ministry: lcms.org/stewardship



Monthly Receipts/Expenses	August 2023		
General Fund Receipts	\$19,132.17		
PS/CC Receipts	\$2,710.00		
Interest Receipts	\$19.56		
Adjustments Adjustments			
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$21,861.73		

TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENSES \$23,077.14

Monthly +/OVERAGE/SHORTAGE (- \$1,215.41)



YOU CAN NOW GIVE YOUR TITHE OR OFFERING ONLINE?!

It's Easy, just follow these steps...

- 1. Visit Trinity's Website at www.trinitybemidji.org.
- 2. Click on "Donate" at the top right of the Home Page.
- 3. Fill out the form on the Donation Page and click "DONATE" when you are finished.
- 4. You will now be directed to our PayPal page. Once there, you can either Log In to your existing PayPal account <u>OR</u> if you don't have an account just click "Continue" under the heading "Don't Have A PayPal Account?
- 5. From here you just complete using your credit or debit card information and submit.

The Benefits Of Online Giving

STEWARDSHIP

You have the option of giving a one time gift, or having your tithe post monthly.

CONVENIENT

You can continue to support Trinity even if you are away on vacation or gone for the winter.

FLEXIBILITY

You can give to the General Fund or choose to give to a specific Ministry of the church.

If you would like help in learning how make your donation or tithe to Trinity online, just stop in to the office, we are happy to help.



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES AT TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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2 Ethan Rogers, Amanda Rosch

3 Linda Claypool Denise Milton

5 James Scott

6 Scott Kurtzweg Travís & Karsha Reierson (16)

7 Bill Cloose, Caitlin Puro John Quaderer

Noanna Blocker

O Diane Dappen

11 Carol Sorensen, Linda Domke Ed & Carolyn Eichstadt (65)

 $12^{\text{Mary Krueger}}$

17 Glenn Kangas

Paige Molitor, Mark Tisler

20 Jenny Haas

21 Hattie Chandler Marge Orgon

23 Sharon Kroeger Darrell & Sue Schoff (52)

24 Pastor Wentzel, Julie Bock, Deanna Kubitz Deb Oelrich

25 Lynette Perrault Wendy Potratz

26 Ron & Betty Nelson (61)

28 Margaret Lohse

31 Sarah Lohse





ALTAR FLOWER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!



Please sign up to tend the Altar Flowers. We still need volunteers for 2023!



ADDRESS/PHONE

If your address and/or phone number changes, please let the church office know, so your information will be correct in the church database. Thank you!





PRINT bulletins are available for those that have difficulty with the regular bulletin. If you would benefit from having one of these bulletins, please ask an usher for a copy.

If you are interested in being a Greeter or an Usher, please speak with one of the Elders.



WHEN YOU LEAVE GOD'S HOUSE, please turn out ALL the lights (except in the office hallway) and please check that ALL the entrance doors are LOCKED, even if you didn't unlock them.

Greeting Cards Available!



Individual Cards are \$1.00 each. Boxed cards are priced on bottom. Checks are preferred. Please make your checks out to Trinity Ladies Aid and put your

payment in the container provided. Thank you.

Check out the "RESOURCE TABLE" in the Fellowship Hall for FREE Books, Periodicals, Devotionals, and More.



Portals of Prayer are in the basket at the back of the sanctuary.



The after Pentecost season begins with Holy Trinity Sunday and continues through the last Sunday of the church year in

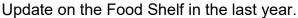
ALTAR CIRCLE November. The paraments are green, the color of life, refreshment and regeneration. Throughout this season, the focus is on the Lord's teaching and how it is applied in the life of the Church.



A "Gluten Free" option is available for communion. If you would like to take advantage of this option, speak with Pastor or Elders.

BEMIDJI AREA FOOD SHELF

Trinity, along with United Methodist Church volunteer the 1st Monday of each month at the Food Shelf. The first shift is from9am-12pm and the second shift is from 12-3:30pm. Both Food Shelf shifts need 6-7 volunteers.



- 1. Persons served up 40%
- 2. Homes served up 30%
- 3. Food costs up 20%.

The Food Shelf would not function without all the volunteers who give of their time. Thank you for all you do to help the Food Shelf run smoothly. ~June Roxstrom



Please check the covered bulletin boards in the Church Entrance Hall for posted Letters, Community Events, Concerts,

Meals, Fundraisers, local activities and news.

READ THROUGH THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - OCTOBER

- 1 Jonah 2:2-9 Jeremiah 32-34
- 2 Psalm 114 Jeremiah 35-37
- 3 Psalm 115 Jeremiah 38-40
- 4 Psalm 116 Jeremiah 41-43
- 5 Psalm 117 Jeremiah 44-47
- 6 Psalm 118 Jeremiah 48-50
- 7 Psalm 119:1-8 Jeremiah 51-52
- 8 Psalm 119:9-16 Lamentations 1-2

- 9 Psalm 119:17-24 Lamentations 3-5
- 10 Psalm 119:25-32 Ezekiel 1-3
- 11 Psalm 119:33-40 Ezekiel 4-6
- 12 Psalm 119:41-48 Ezekiel 7-9
- 13 Psalm 119:49-56 Ezekiel 10-12
- 14 Psalm 119:57-64 Ezekiel 13-15
- 15 Psalm 119:65-72 Ezekiel 16-18
- 16 Psalm 119:73-80 Ezekiel 19-21

- 17 Psalm 119:81-88 Ezekiel 22-24
- 18 Psalm 119:89-96 Ezekiel 25-27
- 19 Psalm 119:97-104 Ezekiel 28-30
- 20 Psalm 119:105-112 Ezekiel 31-33
- 21 Psalm 119:113-120 Ezekiel 34-36
- 22 Psalm 119:121-128 Ezekiel 37-39
- 23 Psalm 119:129-136 Ezekiel 40-42
- 24 Psalm 119:137-144 Ezekiel 43-45

25 Psalm 119:145-152 Ezekiel 46-48

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- 26 Psalm 119:153-160 Daniel 1-3
- 27 Psalm 119:161-168 Daniel 4-6
- 28 Psalm 119:169-176 Daniel 7-9
- 29 Psalm 120 **Daniel 10-12**
- 30 Psalm 121 Hosea 1-4
- 31 Jonah 2:2-9 Hosea 5-7

October 2023

Trinity Lutheran Church - 444-4441

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Junuay						
9:00 AM Worship w/Communion 10:30 AM Bible Study 10:30 AM Sunday School LWML Sunday	5:00 PM Active Christian Fellowship 7:00 PM Men of Trinity	1:30 PM Trinity Afternoon Guild 6:00 PM Bell Choir	4:15 PM 7th Grade Confirmation 4:45 PM 6th Grade Confirmation	1:30 PM Ladies Aid 5:30 PM Board of Elders	6	7
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