



# Trinity Tidings

Trinity Lutheran Church

35110 Division Rd Richmond MI 48062

September 2021

## A Call for Unity

It is wonderful when we can gather with our siblings in Christ. Trinity is fortunate to have two churches in Richmond whom we have a communion partnership, First United Methodist Church and First United Church of Christ. Over the past decades, Good Old Days has given us the opportunity to celebrate our unity and worship together. Trinity will once again be hosting the Good Old Days Community Service on September 12. It is a time to share in fellowship and worship our Lord as one community.

I recently received a letter from Pastor Tom Waller (Richmond UMC) with prayers to extend such a unity throughout the entire community. As he points out, unity is what brought the early church together and people repented and came to the waters of baptism. We will hear from Pastor Tom as he has been invited to preach at the Good Old Days Community Service. I am sure it will be a wonderful message of what it means to live into a life of unity.

In the meantime, he has invited us to pray for our own relationship with Christ. To pray for God to work within us as we come to know God more deeply. The second invitation is to pray for our community in Richmond and all its churches as we witness the Holy Spirit at work guiding us in caring and loving one another. This an excellent message anytime, but especially as we start to anticipate a post-COVID church. We may not be fully out of the woods yet. However, it is still possible to dream and see a vision of the church in the time to come.

Join us on Good Old Days for worship with our siblings in Christ. Join us this fall as we continue to hear what the Holy Spirit has in store for Trinity. Join me in praying not only for a personal relationship with God, but for a greater unity in the community.

*Peace,  
Pastor Alex*



### Outdoor Worship and Dinner Church

On Monday, September 13 at 6:00 pm come and join us outdoors for a meal and a short worship service. This is a wonderful opportunity for anyone who is gone on the weekends during the summer. The October worship will be on October 18.

**THANK  
YOU!**

### Thank You

- Vern and Theresa Kulman who has been invaluable during worship and have assisted covering for Pastor Alex's vacations.
- Becky Stuart for her efforts in single-handedly running the Bike Ministry this summer.
- The excellent group who has been keeping the outdoor property looking fresh, including the Ken Kulman, Richard Kuechenmeister, Vern and Theresa Kulman, and the Plonkas.
- Mark Zink for all the little things he has been doing around the church and having the back corner bricks repaired.
- The TLCW and especially Sue Olson and Sharon Macumber for supporting the Open Book Theatre Play.
- All who gave to the new computer fund for the church office.
- The entire congregation and friends who have continued to financially support Trinity over the summer.

### Church Council

Council did not formally meet in August. The next meeting will be September 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.



### Card Ministry

The Trinity Card Ministry is meeting on Fridays from 9:30am - 12:00pm. If you have any questions, please contact Sharon Macumber.



### Good Old Days

Trinity Lutheran will once again be hosting the Good Old Days Community Service. Join us on September 12 at 10:00 am.



### Celebrate!

Stay tuned as we unroll plans for Celebrate for the 2021-22 School year. The year will start a little later in the fall. We will continue to keep you updated through our weekly emails. If you have an interest in teaching, please reach out to Pastor Alex, Becky Kulman, or Jordan Stuart.



### Thriving Beyond Covid

Let God, Trust God, Rise Up! We will have a Four-Week Bible Study following worship on September 19, October 3, 10, 17. The study is intended to get us in the right frame of mind to successfully navigate our Post-COVID challenges and come out stronger and more vital than before. As we can witness, we are no one in the clear yet, but this study will get the conversation started.



### Little Free Pantry

Trinity had a wonderful time hosting Gleaners for nine months. When the program ended, it got us thinking. At the beginning of the pandemic there were four free food pantries placed around town and they have since been converted to Free Libraries. However, the need for food is still present and St. Augustine's Food Pantry is not open 24 hours. Thanks to a Thrivent Action Card, we will be placing a Little Free Pantry outside by the front of the church. It will be for non-perishable food only. Our goal is to have it up by the end of September.



September 5 .... 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 35:4-7a

Psalms 146

James 2:1-10 [11-13] 14-17

Mark 7:24-37

September 12 .... 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 50:4-9a

Psalms 116:1-9

James 3:1-12

Mark 8:27-38

September 19 .... 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 11:18-20

Psalms 54

James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a

Mark 9:30-37

September 26 .... 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

Psalms 19

James 5:13-20

Mark 9:38-50



September 3 – Adam Walsh

September 4 – Marilyn Frank

September 4 – Howard Stuart

September 8 – Leslie Peterson

September 11 – Guy Walsh

September 12 – Dylan Hartman

September 14 – Caden Churchill

September 15 – Stephanie Graham

September 16 – Gracie Walsh

September 20 – Lois Dimick

September 20 – Liz Gross

September 20 – Don Plonka

September 21 – Sandy Opalewski

September 23 – Don Small

September 24 – Elaine Neiman

September 25 – Brody Carkuff

**Trinity Lutheran Church**  
**Application for Grant**  
**Trinity Lutheran Church Endowment Fund**  
**September 2021**

The Trinity Lutheran Church Endowment Fund is set up to provide grants of up to 5% of the total amount in the endowment account.

This year, we will be distributing \$1300

Instructions: Submit your application on or before Sunday, November 1, 2020 for consideration in the grant distribution. Our endowment fund is set up to support programs in the following areas.

- Mission and Outreach
- Education
- Youth Ministries
- Capital Improvements

If you have questions concerning the application, please contact Pastor Alex Steward or the endowment fund Committee chair Becky Stuart. Remember to submit your completed application to the church office **no later than Sunday, October 10, 2021**

**GRANT APPLICATION**

Contact person: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

1. Amount of money requested from the Trinity Lutheran Church Endowment Fund:
2. Explain the purpose of the grant. Please include the outcomes the grant is designed to achieve:
3. Who will benefit from this grant?
4. Date the grant money is needed?
5. Attach letter of explanation if needed.

Please submit this form along with a letter further explaining the application on or before October 10, 2021