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Rev Matt Gehrke



The Trinity Trumpet

Connecting people to Jesus

*In all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.
~ Romans 8:37*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

When you think of the word conqueror, what do you think of? Do you think of violence and destruction? Do you think of some of history's great conquerors like Alexander the Great or Atilla the Hun? Do you think of the children's game, King of the Mountain, where the victor is the one who conquered the mountain of snow and knocked everyone else off the mountain?

Usually, when we hear the word conqueror it is a bloody, violent image that we get. After all, conquerors in this world have to take things by force. Often times, conquerors want things that belong to someone else. So they have to take it, steal it, fight over it, and the like. It can become quite the messy situation very quickly.

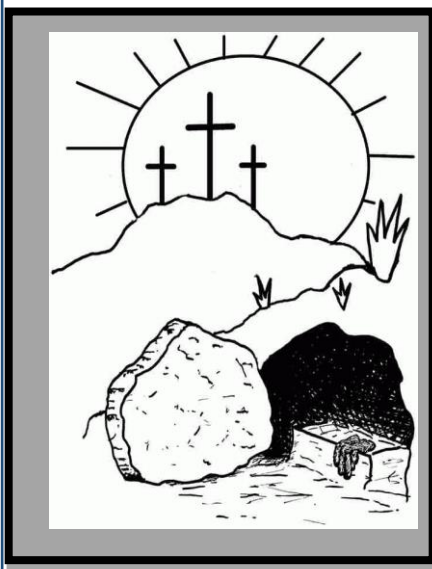
But our Bible verse of the month tells us that we are more than conquerors. We are supposed to be above all this messy stuff. We are more than conquerors because conquerors want to reign over this world, but we want to reign with Jesus into eternity. We are more than conquerors because the world thought it could conquer its maker. Even when it got messy, even when He became bloodied, even when it became a sticky situation on the cross, Jesus conquered the world. Through your faith in Him, He makes you more than conquerors.

I don't know if there is any greater message as we hope to be on the back side of a pandemic. This world was brought to a halt by a virus you can't see with the naked eye! It seemingly conquered the world. But with everything that conquers this world, it is short lived. Even for those that have been overcome by this disease, they are still more than conquerors through Jesus. For us who have lived through this interesting and distressing time, it is a reminder that we are more than conquerors because of Jesus. For those who wonder what their future will hold, we know that our future is with Jesus. For those who question what is next, we know that whatever this world throws at us, whatever conqueror tries to run our life next, that ultimately, in the long run, it won't matter. For Jesus has conquered it all. He graciously says to you, "Be more than what this world offers you. Be more than conquerors and reign with me forever."

In Christ,
Pastor Gehrke

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Prayers

We Pray this month...

This is a guide to help all members of Trinity to study God's Word and be in prayer each week. The Scripture readings are based upon the upcoming Sunday's Scripture readings so that each member can have a better understanding and grasp of what worship will be centered upon. Also it contains prayer requests that members can pray for in their daily devotions and members of Trinity can be united together in their prayers throughout the week.

Beginning the week of...

July 5 We read: Amos 7, Ephesians 1, and Mark 6:14-29

We Pray: For our homebound members.
 For healthcare workers.
 For LCMS Ministry to the Armed Forces.

July 12 We read: Jeremiah 23, Ephesians 2:11-22, and Mark 4:30-44

We Pray: For Trinity Lutheran School.
 For the homeless in our community.
 For LCMS Youth Ministry.

July 19 We read: Genesis 9, Ephesians 3, and Mark 6:45-56

We Pray: For volunteers to be officers and board members.
 For our mayor, local elected officials, and city workers.
 For Black Ministry of the LCMS.

July 26 We read: Exodus 16, Ephesians 4:1-16, and John 6:1-35

We Pray: For our VBS.
 For local businesses.
 For Hispanic Ministries of the LCMS.

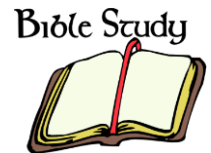


Book of Concord Quote of the Month:

“However, it is clear that the promise was given to us and that Christ was offered to us precisely because we cannot keep the law. Therefore, we must first be reconciled by the promise before we keep the law. But the promise is received only by faith. Therefore, it is necessary for the contrite to grasp the promise of the forgiveness of sins given on account of Christ by faith and to realize that on account of Christ they freely have a gracious Father.”

Apology of the Augsburg Confession, Article XII, 80 as found in Kolb/Wengert edition of the Book of Concord published in 2000 by Fortress Press.

Sunday morning Bible Study is taking a break! We will resume meeting in September when we start a new study, Lutheranism 101. You won't want to miss this exciting study of the basics of our Lutheran faith.



Wednesday afternoon Bible Study is starting to study the book of Isaiah. We will be using another Life Light Bible Study to guide us through Isaiah. We will meet at 1:00pm outside the Trinity Fellowship Room.

Online Bible Study continues to study the book of Ephesians, Thursday evenings around 7pm. Join our online Bible Study at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/295348361009451/> called Trinity Lutheran Church Online Bible Study.

AROUND THE CHURCH

Trinity Lutheran Church now accepts credit and debit cards! Tired of writing out checks? Do you give the same amount each week? If you can't worship for a time with us, do you want to have your offerings automatically given? You can donate to the church any time at our website or bring in your card to the office!

The 12th annual golf outing will be Sunday, August 8 at Cold Water Canyon at Chula Vista Resort. Mark your calendars.

VBS will be held July 26-30! The theme is God's Wonder Lab where Jesus does the impossible. If you are willing to volunteer, please contact Laurie Jonas. Preregistration will be helpful. You can sign up online at www.myvbs.org/TrinityWDVBS Watch for donation requests! There will be a special Friday night family night again this year!

Trinity Savings Cards are available in the office, from pastor, or from our new head of PTL Laurie Jonas. They are \$20 and are good through May 2022.

There are plenty of yard signs that you can put in your yard. Some are waiting ready for you in the narthex. A \$14 donation to offset the costs would be appreciated. Please help spread the word that our school is open and accepting applications.

July 4th Outdoor worship with meal afterwards! The Board of Evangelism and the Board of Elders are planning an outdoor worship service on Sunday, July 4! Celebrate all of God's blessings with us especially as we continue to move forward as a congregation from the pandemic. We will have fun, food, and games after the service. We will worship in our back yard. Please feel free to bring a side dish or dessert to share. You also might want to consider bringing a yard chair.

The Altar Guild is looking for new members to join its group. The altar guild helps to prepare the altar for worship services and especially Communion services, prepares the baptismal font, keeps track of the pew racks, helps keep the church clean, oversees the children's bags, and many other important tasks. If interested in joining this group, please contact Ruth Schueler.

The Board of Evangelism will make more crosses out of wood to be placed in your yard to help show your neighbors your faith. Watch the narthex for more free crosses that you can display in your front yard.

July Voter's Meeting we will be electing officers and board members, if interested in serving as Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Congregational Secretary, or on the board of Elders, Trustees, Christian Education, Stewards, or Evangelism, please contact pastor or a member of that board. Please pray about joining us in this important work at Trinity Lutheran Church and School. We will meet on Sunday, July 25 at 11am. Our Church Council will meet on Tuesday, July 20 at 6pm.

Team Trinity will meet Sunday, July 18 at 3pm.

The next Youth Gathering will be July 9-13, 2022 in Houston, Texas. We will begin planning for our youth to go starting in August or September. Watch the newsletter and bulletin for more details.

New Coloring Sheets are available in the tray by the Fellowship Room for anyone who likes to color. Please help yourself!

Lake Delton Citgo continues to donate 3 cents from every gallon to the school. Fill up your vehicle and turn in your receipts to the office or place in the rack outside the Fellowship Room.

Summer office hours continue to be Tuesday through Thursday 8am-Noon. Thanks Lori for all your work in the office.

Serving Schedule

July 4

Elder: Jeff Degner/Larry Kelly
Musician: Ken Howes

July 7

Elder: Doug Jonas
Musician: Cheryl Harder

July 11

Elder: Jeff Degner/Larry Kelly
Musician: Ken Howes

July 14

Elder: Doug Jonas
Musician: Ken Howes

July 18

Elder: Jeff Degner/Larry Kelly
Musician: Return of the King

July 21

Elder: Doug Jonas
Musician: Cheryl Harder

July 25

Elder: Jeff Degner/Larry Kelly
Musician: Ken Howes

July 28

Elder: Doug Jonas
Musician: Cheryl Harder

Vacation Bible School

July 26-30, 2021

Our Theme is: God's Wonder Lab

Wanted:

Students ages 4 through 6th grade are invited to our evening Vacation Bible School this summer. We will be meeting from 6-8pm every night. You will experience songs, Bible stories, snack, crafts and science experiments.

Lab Technicians grades 7 – Adult to be our helpers for this exciting week.

Please register at www.myvbs.org/TrinityWDVBS or call the church office at 608-253-3241 or Laurie Jonas at 608-697-3293 for more information.



Do not neglect
to **do good** and to
share what you have,
for such **sacrifices**
are **pleasing** to God.

HEBREWS 13:16, NRSV

You are the most important voice in sharing our school with families in our community. We are proud of the work our school does for our children. Invite your neighbor or your family member in town to check out our school. The school is part of our mission to our community. The last few months have given you many talking points about the benefits of Trinity Lutheran School. Whether is it school closings, referendums, or health issues. You have many things to be proud of to share others about Trinity Lutheran School! We are now offering full day 4k!

We can still use your help!

- We still need 2 members of the Board of Stewards
- The Altar Guild is always looking for new members
- You can shop on Amazon Smile and choose Trinity
- We still collect aluminum cans. They can be left by the shed.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU

JULY BIRTHDAYS!!

1 David Kotajarvi, Jr.

2 Barry Farnam

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5 Ryan Sobojinski
Bruce Venne

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7 Roy Peyton
Tim Schulenburg
Jordan Schultz

8 Nicholas Gneiser
Chele Hammerly
Linda Phillips
Cameron Schulenburg
Carol Treptow

9 Ralph Armson
Michael Julson, Jr.

10 Michael Nickel
David Shanks

11 Ken Howes

12 Brantley Goetz
Patty Hoel

13

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15 Richard Anderson

16 Beverly Grieger
Ashlee Platt
Jeffrey Zufall

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18 Benjamin Schultz

19 Robert DeLong
Carolyn Hitchcock

20 Brant Bailey
Joel Koepke

21 Nancy Holzem
Sebastian Schulenburg
Ayden Volkey

22 Donna Grant

23 Greg Rhyner

24 Emily Gilbertson
Angela Gneiser
Nancy Stecky

25 Elaine Richardson
Ty Rockweiler

26 Kaylee Fitzgerald
David Reifsteck
Melissa Sklena

27 Patrick Clark
Josiah Gehrke
Dustin Rastocan
Stephanie Schulenburg
Curtis Warren

28

29 Jason Stoltz

30 Kelley Hoffman

31 Marlene Vogt

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Trinity Lutheran Church & School

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 Summer Office Hours Tues-Thurs 8-Noon				1 7pm Online Bible Study	2	3 10am Set up for worship
4 Outdoor Worship w/H.C. 9:45am Lunch & Celebration following Worship 	5 Office Closed	6 Board of Christian Education 6pm	7 Adult Bible Class 1pm Worship 7pm	8 Quilting 1pm 7pm Online Bible Study	9	10
11 Worship 9:45am	12 Board of Trustees 5:30pm	13	14 Adult Bible Class 1pm Worship w/H.C. 7pm	15 7pm Online Bible Study	16	17
18 Contemporary Worship w/H.C. 9:45am Team Trinity 3pm	19 Board of Stewards 5:30pm	20 Church Council 6pm	21 Adult Bible Class 1pm Worship 7pm	22 Quilting 1pm 7pm Online Bible Study	23	24
25 Worship 9:45am Voters Meeting 11am	26 VBS 6-8pm	27 VBS 6-8pm	28 Adult Bible Class 1pm VBS 6-8pm Worship w/H.C. 7pm	29 VBS 6-8pm	30 VBS Family Fun Night 6-8pm	31