

TRINITY CARILLON

May 2009

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New Worship Schedule

Starting May 24th

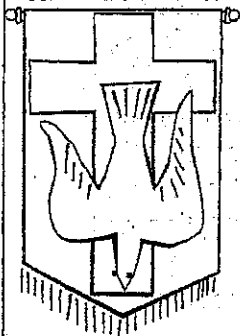
Sunday
8:30 & 10:00AM
Wednesday
7:00 PM



National Day of Prayer

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER is May 7th! Do you have a few extra moments to share in prayer through the day?? Don't forget to give that time over to God through prayer on May 7th! Watch for opportunities to pray together that day in the Church bulletin.

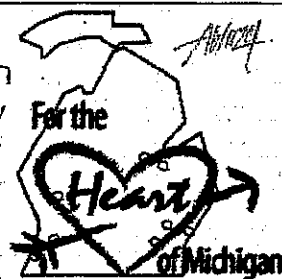
Confirmation Class



JUNIOR CONFIRMATION is almost here! Questioning is coming up next Thursday, April 30th, 7:00 p.m. Confirmation is the following Sunday, May 3rd, 11:00 a.m. First Communion was celebrated with these young men and women Maundy Thursday, April 9th. Please join us as we welcome Rebecca Agnew, Blake Goulding, Benjamin Kruse, Devonte Riase, Caity Sanderson, Riley Thompson, Dock Walker, MacKenzie Wille, Devin Willing, and Jordan Zuehlke into the confirmed membership of Trinity.

DO YOU HAVE JUNE 25TH ON YOUR CALENDAR? I am sure you do ... but is the rally at Trinity that evening listed there? Be sure to join us as the Michigan District brings Rev. Bill Yonkers to Port Huron to speak at an evangelism rally welcoming the arrival of a "For the Heart of Michigan" torch runner into town. (<http://www.michigandistrict.org/ablaze.html>)

We have a committee planning events for the evening. Trinity Church and School, together with Faith Lutheran, the Light of Christ Lutheran Mission, and



(hopefully at least) Immanuel, St. Clair will celebrate our ministries together and share them with the community. Join us for the occasion as we wrap up our Vacation Bible School experience at the rally with God's Word, music, crafts, fun and games! Watch your bulletins and June newsletter for more information.

(Ablaze! is the LCMS initiative to ignite 100 million hearts with the gospel.)

Trinity Family,

When I was in high school I wrestled in the 155 pound weight class . . . that was a few more pounds than years ago! We used to work-out occasionally in the swimming pool. I don't remember whether it was in one of those work-outs or a swimming class, but I do remember a test on under-water swimming abilities in which I managed to go the length of our Olympic sized pool and back under water. I had a hard time holding enough breath to extinguish the 54 candles on my birthday cake this year . . . I couldn't come near that accomplishment now . . . but I still remember the silence there alone under the water. Silence is a powerful force. Silence is especially powerful when crowds are gathered to make noise!

In the King James Version of the Bible, Psalm 66:1 reads, "Make a joyful noise unto the Lord!" That's what much of worship is . . . at least when I am singing! If you've any doubts you can ask Lori, my wife, she will confirm it without hesitation. It is certainly joyful . . . and it is certainly noise to anyone who can hear! That noise accents the silent pauses in our worship.

Have you ever wondered why we pause for silence? What do you do with those moments? A pastor once encouraged me to, "Count to ten." That would give enough time for everyone else to spend just a brief moment in silent reflection . . . I appreciated his advice. I tried it once or twice. Then it occurred to me, if I was waiting for everyone else to take a moment to carry on a brief silent moment of meditative conversation with God . . . wouldn't it make sense for me to do the same? I don't count any more. I take that time to stand in the midst of God's people and *TALK TO HIM ALONE!* I have a special promise from Jesus . . . so do you . . . "Wherever two or three are gathered in MY Name, there Am I in the midst of them!" (Matthew 18:20) I know God is always with me . . . Jesus is always around me . . . but Jesus has promised a special presence where HIS people are gathered in worship . . . so it's a great time for us to take just a moment to speak to HIM . . . or perhaps to just feel HIS presence in the silence.

Someone recently asked that we reinstitute the silence at the beginning of the service. We discussed it at the Board of Elders. We agreed that the silent meditation at the beginning of worship was a helpful aid to the worship of God's people. We wanted to address that need . . . but we didn't want to give up the friendly, welcome atmosphere of the opening greeting of our neighbors. Some congregations choose to resolve that dilemma by sharing the greetings later in the service . . . but that generally seems to break up the service in an artificial manner and disrupt its flow. Perhaps you have noticed how we have begun to address the need. We have added a meditative pause following the opening hymn to allow us to refocus as we begin our worship. You may have also noticed that, whenever there is time before a service, I will stand near the Christ Candle and face the altar for a moment of prayer as the organ prelude is played. You are encouraged to join me during these times, and in the moments of your first arrival in the church for brief meditation and prayer. Several of our members arrive as much as a half hour prior to the service to spend time in prayer before the nave of the church is filled with members of our worshiping family . . . that provides some real "quality time" alone with God!

I understand that some are uncomfortable with the greetings at the beginning of the worship service. It may help to share with you the concept behind it. We live in an age in which many are hurting and hungering for warm, friendly relationships. To greet your neighbor in worship, especially one you do not know, is to offer that gift of warm fellowship with God through His people . . . a gift he or she may experience nowhere else in their lives. As we greet one-another it is not a time to "catch up on things" or to look up old friends from around the church . . . the real goal is to reach out to those who worship God near you . . . to give and receive a warm welcome from a fellow child of God . . . a fellow traveler through life who may need just the warm embrace of God's love the grip of your hand offers on any given Sunday morning.

Please, take the time to meditate and pray. Please honor the need of another of God's children whose head is bowed in prayer near you. Please share God's love and a warm welcome as well . . . I am confident you will find the silence means even more when its meditation is carried out in the midst of a family who has shared their greetings with one another and is about to join together in "making a joyful noise unto the Lord!"

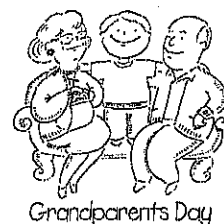
God's blessings!

Pastor Carrier

School News

Grandparents/Grandfriends Day April 29th 8AM – 12PM

We will begin with donuts and coffee. Then we'll have chapel. Next there will be activities in the classrooms and throughout the Church and School. The morning will conclude with a dress rehearsal of our Spring Musical "Elijah!"



All Students working hard on Musical

The students of Trinity Lutheran School will be performing the musical "Elijah! God's Faithful Prophet," on Friday, May 1st. The musical tells the story of Elijah from his confrontation with Ahab and Jezebel through his journey in the desert. Elijah shows his faith in God who continually provides for him. You won't want to miss it. Also, that night the band will be performing and the preschool will be singing. The 1st group will go on stage at 6:30PM. We hope to see you at the Musical/Spaghetti Dinner/Auction.



Achievement Tests Scores

The achievement tests have been scored and we have received the results. The teachers have been reviewing the results. Scores and brief explanations may be obtained from your child's teacher.

Midterm

Friday, April 24th was Midterm. The teachers will be sending home a midterm report on Monday, April 27th. Be sure to ask your student for their report.

Marwood Visit – Pet Day

All 3rd – 6th grade students will be going to Marwood Nursing and Rehab the 3rd Wednesday in May (20th). This is pet day and our last visit of the year.



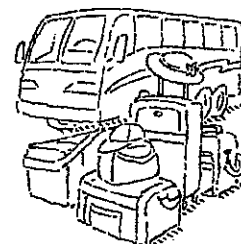
PTL Restaurant Fundraiser Day

PTL has scheduled the next restaurant fundraiser day for Wednesday, April 29th at Bob Evans Restaurant. This is also VIP Day; have lunch at Bob Evans and earn money for our school!



Thank You

Mrs. Myers' classroom received a makeover with the help Don Purdy, Andy and Bridget Habedank, Ron and Mary Hunger, Christy Randle-Ellis, Laura VanHouteghen, Tom and Rebecca Langolf and Jody Bresee. Ron Hunger made the new cubies.



Outdoor Education

Loon Lake Lutheran Retreat will host our 5th and 6th graders May 13th – 15th

Chicago Trip

Our 7th and 8th graders will be seeing the sights in Chicago – May 20th – 22nd.

Confirmation & Baccalaureate

Our 8th graders will be confirmed in faith on May 3rd in the 11AM Service. Their Baccalaureate will be May 31st at the 10AM service.

Scholastic Half-off Book Fair

May 4th – 8th (Mon – Thurs. 7:45am to 3:15pm & Friday – morning only). See Jane Boyd or Heather Mehnert to volunteer.

Church News/Events

Nestle Pure Life Water Labels

Thank you to everyone for saving the Nestle Water Labels. We saved a total of 3,881!!! We will be able to purchase sports equipment.



Thank You, Thank You, Thank You
Thank you so much to the PTL Board

and all of the parents who helped give my classroom a makeover during Easter Break. I appreciate all of your time, hard work and creativity. Paula Myers

Campbell Soup Label Update

Well it is almost the end of the year and the labels have been counted. Here are the results:

- Preschool - 1,326
- Kindergarten - 596
- 1st Grade - 722
- 2nd Grade 1,295
- 3rd & 4th Grades - 755
- 5th & 6th Grades - 1,255
- 7th & 8th Grades - 609



Three classes exceeded their goal of 1,000 labels. Plus many, many more from the Fellowship Hall, but we do not have a total count yet. Please keep collecting to get free stuff for our school. Thanks

Ongoing and new collections We still collect Tyson A+ strips from chicken, Box-Tops for Education and Sunbeam Bread School Spirit UPC symbols. **NEW** We now collect CapriSun and Kool Aid foil pouches. PTL is hoping to use this extra income to off-set the classroom renovations. Collection bins are in the Fellowship Hall. Every snip helps.



May 1st
5:30 - 8PM



Adults and children \$5 - Seniors \$3
Children 2 and under free

Music starts at 6:30

Church Council thought it would be beneficial to include financial information in each newsletter.

Trinity Lutheran Church 2009 Financial Status

	March Actual	March Budget	Year to Date Actual	Year to Date Budget	Annual Budget
Income (excluding bequests)	\$ 62,230	\$ 63,541	\$ 178,764	\$ 190,624	\$ 762,496
Expenses	\$ 60,414	\$ 69,027	\$ 202,074	\$ 207,082	\$ 828,328
Sub totals	\$ 1,816	\$ (5,486)	\$ (23,310)	\$ (16,458)	\$ (65,832)
Bequests	\$ -	\$ 417	\$ 85,948	\$ 1,250	\$ 5,000
Income Above (Below) Expenses	\$ 1,816	\$ (5,069)	\$ 62,638	\$ (15,208)	\$ (60,832)

In our Prayers

Martha Ware

Afghanistan
Bobbi Smith
Richard Morgan

PRAY FOR OUR



MILITARY

And Remember
May 25th

Matt Herpel

Iraq
Jim Wolkenberg
Dale Gaarenstroom
John Thompson -



Ongoing Health Concerns



Randy Nunez
Ian Edgerton
Jack McKenzie
Roxanne Olie

Marge Godecker
Will McGregor
Betty Schlicht

Juanita Souigny
Doris Grimshaw
Bob Koppel, Jr

Mike Vincent
Colleen Reuter
Ray Wolfe
Gene Schommer



Prayer Concerns



Sue Higgins
Rick Higgins
Sue Pobanz
Edith Moser

Ernie Schmaltz
Robert Butts
Betty Jo Hall
Libby Peacock
Reggie Yager

Sheila McLain
Ernie Angove
Barb Whitiker
Paul Thompson

Dorothy Rupp
Bill Hering
Jane Hering
Julie Buckbee
Shannon Rhodes

Dick Grimshaw
Lois Butler
Patsy Mangold
Olga Celleti

Answered Prayers

Bill Atkinson - Cancer-free results



In May please join our staff in praying for these students, schools and staff:

- 1 **Madison Moore**
- 4 **Bridget Habedank**
- 5 **Good Shepherd - Lake Orion**
- 6 **St. John - New Boston**
- 7 **Elizabeth Shaaf**
- 8 **Seth-Zeller**
- 11 **Luther High- Westland**
- 12 **John Decator**
- 13 **St. John - Rogers City**
- 14 **St. Michaels - Richville**

- 15 **Alexandra Clark**
- 18 **Jenna Allen**
- 19 **Bethlehem - Saginaw**
- 20 **Emily Bresee**
- 21 **Immanuel - Alpena**
- 26 **Ty VanHouteghen**
- 27 **Praewa Montross**
- 28 **Christ the King - Sebewaing**
- 29 **Immanuel - Bridgman**
- 30

Birthdays & Anniversaries

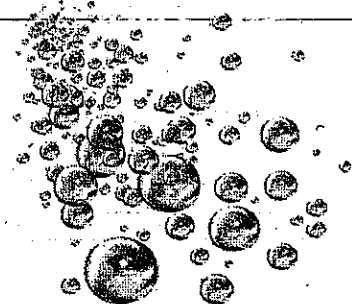
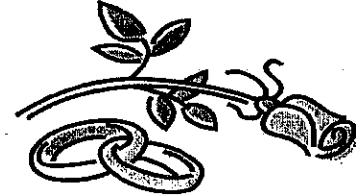
MAY

1-May Jonathan Glenn
1-May Daniel Schudlich
1-May Patricia Thomas
2-May Megan Drewek
2-May Thomas Gates
2-May Cash Millard
3-May Timothy Krestik
3-May Henry Mertz
3-May Lisa Stone
4-May Victoria Burkett
4-May Patrick* Crottle, II
5-May Greg Chapdelaine
6-May Sophie Gonder
6-May Doris Lewis
6-May Otto Pfothenauer
7-May Michelle Bodeis
7-May Kaleb Rosenau
8-May Meghan Curtiss
8-May Ruth Pionke
9-May Brian Crorey
9-May Cassandra Foerster
9-May Justin Jackson
10-May Tanya Stubbs
10-May Alyssa Walsh
11-May Lori Blake
11-May Ashley Brimm
12-May Gabriel Gibson
12-May Thomas Huard
12-May Trace Ribble
12-May Carrie Rosenau
12-May Scott Snediker II
13-May Todd Dmytryshyn
13-May Daniel Frizzle
13-May John McKenzie
13-May Jaime Wetzel
14-May Lindsay Howe
14-May Alan Whitesell
15-May Samantha Bresee
15-May Kelsey Messenger
15-May Ashley Walsh
16-May Gregg Jr. Masters
17-May Ernest Haller II
18-May Brandon Birtles
18-May Ryan McDonald
19-May Nicholas Brown
19-May Robert S. Burkett
19-May Adrienne Jamros
19-May Jacquelyn Jamros
19-May Richard Landschoot

19-May Marilyn Mertz
19-May Tyler Piotter
20-May Courtney Higgins
20-May James Justice, Jr.
20-May Brian Thompson
21-May Kimberly Deshon
21-May Linea Lewis
21-May Andrew Rosso
21-May Mary Summers
22-May Arica Apsey
22-May Kristen Lorenzo
22-May Nathan Morris
22-May Ruth Pickett
22-May Averyn VanHouteghen
22-May William Williams
23-May Sawyer Stone
24-May Brandon Hernandez
24-May Andrew Higgins Jr.
25-May Nicole Baker
26-May Bryan Mertz
26-May Joseph Vansach
27-May Darlene Davis
27-May Shane Galbraith
27-May Judy McBride
28-May Michael Beam II
28-May Andrew Habedank
28-May Betty Scott
28-May Clifford Smith
29-May Marcella Bodeis
29-May Karla Burkett
29-May Susan Langolf
29-May Jody Provost
30-May Dennis Clark
30-May Kimberly Thompson
31-May Cassandra Bailey
31-May Teresa Bodeis

2-May Renee & Matthew* Eagen
2-May Eugene & Wendy Rosso
4-May Clinton & Stacy Bowerson
4-May Kellie & Russell* McCaskey
6-May Nick & Heather Atkins
6-May David & Kimberly* Schultz
10-May Michael & Judith Raymond
12-May Kirk & Lynne Sampier
15-May Otto & Barbara Pfothenauer
18-May Butch & Becky Agnew
18-May Daniel & Denise Caughill
18-May Daniel & Rebecca Dornfeld
19-May William & Dorothy Alexander
19-May David V. & Tamara* Anter
20-May John & Darlene Loxton
20-May Kristopher* & Erin Sox
21-May Dennis & Gayle Trombley
23-May Diane & David* Edgerton
24-May Marcie & Kurt Walker
25-May Ruth & Albert* Pionke
26-May Christopher & Wendy Martin
26-May Dean & April* Velez
27-May Rudy & Sharon Vernon
28-May Mark & Susan Arnett
28-May William & Alice Becker
29-May Richard & Heather Neumeyer
31-May Karen & Devan* Berry
31-May Donald & Carole Jackson

**Sorry if we missed your special day.
Please call the church office at 984-2993
to correct our records!**





ALL ARE WELCOME
JUNE 25TH

**TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
& SCHOOL**
1517 10TH STREET
PORT HURON, MICHIGAN

5:00pm to 9:00pm
Rally 7:00pm-8:00pm

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO AN
EVENING OF FUN AND FELLOWSHIP**

ALL EVENTS ARE FREE!!!

VBS activities — Carnival Games
Hot Dogs/Sloppy Joes/Nachos/Dessert/Drinks

GUEST SPEAKER & MUSIC

MARATHON RUNNER ARRIVING WITH TORCH

FUN FOR YOUNG AND OLD
BRING YOUR OWN LAWN CHAIRS

This event is being sponsored by Michigan District.
Hosting Churches for this event are from the Lutheran
Church Missouri Synod: Trinity, Port Huron; Faith, Port
Huron, Immanuel, St. Clair; Light of Christ, Marysville.

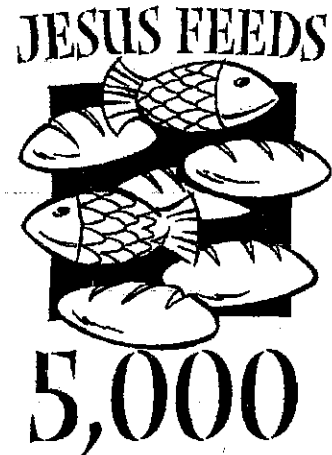


“YOU GIVE THEM SOMETHING TO EAT”

This quote is taken from Matthew 14:16 where Jesus told the disciples to feed the five thousand people who had come to here Him. The disciples told Jesus that they only had five loaves of bread and two fish. Obviously that wasn't going to be enough food to feed five thousand people - until Jesus performed a miracle!

Today we have many hungry people in our community and sometimes we wonder how we can make a difference. After all, many of us are hurting too and can't spare a lot of money to purchase enough food to feed even a few hungry people.

But maybe we can make a difference! Did you know that for every \$1 donated, \$14 dollars of food can be purchased through the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan. And what if each member (or family) at Trinity donated just \$1 each day for 50 days. Do you think that might make a difference to the hungry people in our community? The Social Concerns Committee certainly thinks it will.



On Easter Sunday, April 12th, we will kick off a drive “TO GIVE THEM SOMETHING TO EAT.” Someone will be at each door after the three services to hand out envelopes to everyone who is willing to participate. We would encourage you to contribute \$1 each day and put it in the envelope. Maybe you are willing to do more or maybe you can only afford fifty cents a day. Whatever you can give will certainly make a difference.

Fifty days later, on Pentecost Sunday, May 31st, we will wrap up the drive by collecting the funds donated in the envelopes. By writing your name and envelope number on the envelope you will also receive credit for your donations.

What will happen with the funds collected? A portion of it will be used to support a food truck that will be in our church parking lot on July 22nd. The balance will go to the Food Depot, just down the street from us. Either way, each \$1 donated will purchase \$14 worth of food.

Please consider helping our neighbors and our community by donating whatever you can. And if you are able, mark July 22nd on your calendar and plan to help distribute food from the food truck that afternoon. Watch your newsletters and bulletins for more information.

Any questions? Talk to a Social Concerns committee member (Chuck and Clara Cuthbertson, Sue Atkinson, Gayle Trombley, Stephanie McKenzie or Debbie Rosenau). We'd love to have you join our committee and help us help others!