



June Beacon

The Lord be with you!

Being good Lutherans, I'm sure that you instinctively responded to my greeting with the words "and also with you!" Did you know our Lutheran greeting is based on Ruth 2:4? It goes "Boaz arrived from Bethlehem and greeted the harvesters, "May the LORD be with you!" They replied, "May the LORD bless you!""

Which brings us to our Bible book of the month: Ruth. This is a great interlude between the time of the judges and the time of the kings which follows. And it's short, but it's not the shortest book of the Bible by any stretch: Ruth is the 17th shortest book in the Bible at 85 verses, so it's a quick read. Don't let its size fool you though, because Ruth has a huge role to play in the story of Israel and Jesus' lineage.

Most of our story takes place in Bethlehem, where Naomi is from. Her family moves to Moab to find relief from a famine that has gripped the land. There, Naomi's sons marry Orpah and Ruth. But Naomi's husband and sons die while they're in Moab. She returns home to Bethlehem. Ruth, now a widow, decides to go to Bethlehem with Naomi, though she would be considered an outsider. Ruth would meet Boaz out in the fields she was working on. Boaz would see beyond Ruth's being a Moabite (Israelites and Moabites were enemies) and would go on to marry Ruth, and in the process preserve Naomi's family line with the birth of their son, Obed, who would go on to be the grandfather of King David. David would go on to be the great-great-great (I'm not sure how many greats) grandfather of Jesus Christ. All thanks to the selfless actions of Ruth, and all thanks to the vision of Boaz who saw beyond labels to act out of love.

Ruth has a great lesson for us today. We too are called to act out of love and see beyond labels. Which can be hard to do in a society that labels others all too easily. But as we learn from Ruth, it's often those with negative labels that can make the biggest difference in the world. Let us see past labels and lift others up as God has lifted us up!

Next time we get into the time of the united kingdom of Israel, which is a time of nation building with Samuel, Saul and David, as we read 1 and 2 Samuel.

Blessings,

-Pastor Rick

Office Hours:

Pastor Rick: Tuesdays 10:00-1:00 p.m. and by appointment

Tracy: Tuesdays: 9:30-2:30, Thursdays: remote. Call, text or email any time.

*****Pastor Rick is away until June 3rd***

Pastor Craig Rodenizer is available for emergencies – 716-799-5548

Please Hold in Prayer

To add someone to the prayer list in the bulletin/beacon, add them to the list in the back of the Sanctuary or contact the church office. If you would like your prayer concern to be shared through our One Call Prayer Chain, please contact Sue Kidder at 716-542-2095.

We pray for healing, strength and patience for those we love going through difficult times:

Laura Pingitore

Jane Firestone

Floyd Kidder

Helmut Bauder

Archie

Dave and Holly Kropelin

Jackie Morgante

Shirley Smith

Harold Gardner

Mary Lou Groff's Dad
Nancy Peters
Mary
Joe Rizzo's dad
Entire Johannes family

*We pray for patience, strength and support for the families and friends of:
James Beaudoin (Jennifer Kleparek's brother-in-law)*



Sunday worship is weekly at 9:30am!

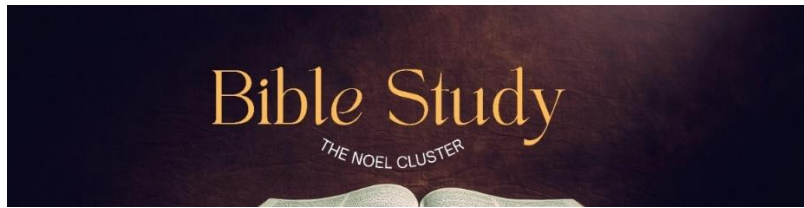
Sunday School – June 7th Field Trip

The trip to Ryan and Lauren Young's farm will be next week, June 7th during the Sunday School hour. We encourage parents to chaperone their kids and drive them over to the farm, following worship. The address is 9673 Simonds Rd, Corfu. Any students not driving with a parent will return to church at approximately noon. Any questions please see Donna!

Choir – see David on any upcoming rehearsals



June 9 @ 7:00



Bible Study Upcoming dates and locations:
(10 am on Thursdays)

- 6/4 - St. Peter – 1355 West Ave, Medina, 14103
6/11 – Trinity Wolcottsville – 6369 Wolcottsville Rd, Akron 14001
6/18 – Zion – 4447 Central Ave, Gasport 14067
6/25 – St. John’s – 10213 Roosevelt Hwy, Lyndonville, 14098
7/2 – Here at Trinity!
7/9- St. Peter – 1355 West Ave, Medina, 14103
7/16 – Trinity Wolcottsville – 6369 Wolcottsville Rd, Akron 14001
7/23 – Zion - 4447 Central Ave, Gasport 14067
7/30 – St. John’s - 10213 Roosevelt Hwy, Lyndonville, 14098

Women’s Social Group

Please join us for fun and girl talk at our next meeting, **June 28th**, at 10:45am following worship



Upcoming events:

June 20th we will be at the **annual sidewalk sale** in Akron with our...*wait for it*...**“Bucks-for-Boxes!”**

We are making a slight change this year and changing the pricing of the boxes to **\$2-\$5**. Even dollar store items have gone up to \$1.25, so this allows us to continue bringing nice items to the community and not lose money.

Please put your items in the adult library. If it's a more expensive item and you are able to label it with what you paid, that is helpful. We are always in need of extra men's items. We are also looking for shoeboxes and the comics section of newspaper, which can be put there as well.

A signup sheet for volunteers is in the narthex. The event runs from 9am-2pm. We will also be organizing a day or two of wrapping the boxes prior to the event. Stay

tuned for more information. Any questions in the meantime, see Donna Kumpf.

On **July 4th**, we will have a **float in the Akron parade**. We've decided to collect donations to help pay for it. Stay tuned for a collection box in the narthex.

Christine Johnson and David Hofmeier are spearheading it – please see them to find out how you can help further.

On **July 12th**, we will have our annual **Worship in the Park at Akron Falls Park at 10:30am** with the picnic following. This year, we will be joined by our brothers and sisters from Zion Gasport.

July 31st is the annual **Pies in the Park**. Stay tuned for a signup sheet for that but mark your calendars in the meantime.

On **August 2nd**, we will go to **Veteran's Park in Gasport** for a second **Worship in the Park at 10:30am** with our brothers and sisters from Zion Gasport. The address is **7992 State St. in Gasport**. Stay tuned for more info on that.



First Monday of the Month: Food Pantry setup @ 8am

First Tuesday of the month: Food Pantry distribution @ 8:30-10:30am

Schedule:

June 1st setup – June 2nd distribution

July 6th setup – July 7th distribution

The Little Free Pantry is open for anyone in need and is supported by donations of items from the community.

WI-FI: Go to 'Trinity Guest' on your device, and then when prompted, enter the password:
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Birthdays

5th- Shirley Smith

6th- Shannon Kern

Kristine Fazio

7th- Troy Kaminski

Pat Gardener

9th - Aviaunna Ferrari

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17th- Margo Henley

19th- Jennifer Eckerson

Evangeline Francis

20th- Kristin Kendziora

Gina Henley

21st - Roger Schultz-Hofmeier

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES:

5th- Ray & Sharon Francis

8th- Chuck & Wendy Yaeger

27th- Erik & Melissa Polkowski

21st - Pastor Adam and Jordan's Stubbendick's wedding anniversary

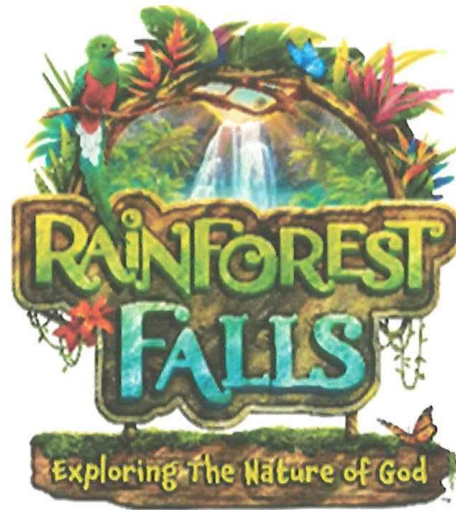
OneCall Sponsors Wanted

We're looking for sponsors to ensure our OneCall system stays active.

We use our OneCall system often: for our prayer chain, to let you know of weather notices, events coming up, and to send Beacon newsletters. It's an important communications tool we have so that we're as transparent as possible with things going on at Trinity. And it's all made possible by the support of generous members.

We're asking for monthly sponsors at \$79 per month! A generous family has already sponsored 6 months...thank you! Would you help us fill the gap for the rest of the year and beyond? Sponsors have the option to dedicate messages in honor or memory of a loved one or a cause dear to you, and that dedication will be heard at

the beginning of each OneCall message. Please reach out to Lisa Kaminsky, our treasurer, if you're interested in sponsoring.



**"Rainforest Falls: Exploring the Nature of God"
Vacation Bible School**

**Sunday, June 28th - Thursday, July 2nd
6:00pm to 8:00pm**

**Hosted by: Town Line and Trinity Lutheran Churches
1159 Town Line Road, Alden
(Light dinner offered at 5:30 if pre-registered)**

Pre-register online using the QR Code Below:

(Pre-k to 6th Grade)

