



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sharing the story of Jesus Christ so all may experience God's Love

We Value ~ Empowerment * Generosity * Identity in Jesus * Relationships * Worship Experience

September 2026

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From Pastor Jon Breimeier

Many, many thanks to all of you at Trinity for the kindness, grace, patience and Christian love you shared with me this summer. You welcomed me and helped me over the weekends. Special thanks to Anna-Lisa Mbise in the church office, for her dedicated work, and for her help to me.

I am grateful to have been with you all, to share worship and ministry, along with lots of laughter. Blessings as you

“go, sharing the story of Jesus Christ so all may experience God's love.”

From Our President

As we move into September, we have much to be thankful for at Trinity Lutheran Church.

First, I would like to express our sincere gratitude to Pastor Jon for his faithful leadership and service as our interim pastor. During this time of transition, Pastor Jon has been a steady and caring presence in our congregation. We are grateful for the time, guidance, and compassion he has shared with us. Please join me in thanking him and wishing him God's blessings in all that lies ahead.

We are also very excited to welcome Pastor Denise back to Trinity! We look forward to having her return to worship, ministry, and fellowship with our church family. It will be wonderful to have her back among us as we begin this next chapter together.

Times of transition remind us that while circumstances may change, God's presence and faithfulness remain constant. Thank you to everyone in our congregation for your patience, support, prayers, and continued commitment to Trinity throughout this time.

As we enter the fall season, may we move forward together with renewed energy, gratitude, and faith, trusting God to guide us in the days ahead.

God's blessings to Pastor Jon, Pastor Denise, and our entire Trinity family.

In Christ's Service,

Jason Woodbury



In Our Thoughts and Prayers and Recently Hospitalized

Paul Sevald.

Altar Flowers for September

September 6	**, ** ,
September 13	Cheryl Parkinson; **
September 20	**, ** ,
September 27	**, ** ,

The bouquets are \$25 each. Please sign up on Signup Genius tinyurl.com/TrinityFlowers or contact the church office. You can also sign up on the board outside the church office. (**) means nobody has signed up. You may pick up your flowers or call to arrange delivery.

Scripture Readings for September 2026

Additional Reading: Jonah – it's a great story with a lot of humor and very human moments; Romans 13-14; Philippians – a beautiful letter. And those missing verses!

September 5 & 6, 2026 - Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost - Family First Worship - Pastor Denise is back

Scripture: Ezekiel 33:7-11; Psalm 119:33-40; Romans 13:8-14; Matthew 18:15-20

September 12 & 13, 2026 - Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost - God's Work Our Hands - Rally Day – Soul Purpose

Scripture: Genesis 50:15-21; Psalm 103:1-13; Romans 14:1-12; Matthew 18: 21-35

September 19 & 20, 2026 - Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Scripture: Jonah 3:10-4:11; Psalm 145:1-8; Philippians 1:21-30; Matthew 20:1-16

September 26 & 27, 2026 - Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Scripture: Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32; Psalm 25:1-9; Philippians 2:1-13; Matthew 21:23-32

October 3 & 4, 2026 - Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost – Family First Worship

Scripture: Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalm 80:7-15; Philippians 3:4b-14; Matthew 21:33-46

Youth and Family News

Submitted by Alyssa Olson

Welcome Back!

Sunday school and confirmation classes are back beginning September 13!

All kids three and up are invited to join us for Sunday school at 8:45 a.m. followed by worship. After worship, we'll have our GIANT cinnamon roll fundraiser and work together on a service project for God's Work Our Hands Sunday.

Confirmation class kicks off September 14 at 6:30 p.m. This year, we'll be using an exciting new curriculum, Lutheran Yes! Families are invited to this first class for an orientation.

All children and teens need updated registration forms on file. Families can fill these out at <https://forms.gle/5tWfjBv7CmMJqy4E9> or get a paper form at church.

Anyone interested in volunteering with education programs can reach out to Ray Bergwin (414-764-1765) or Alyssa Olson (youthtlcsm@gmail.com).

GIANT

Cinnamon Roll Fundraiser



**TRINITY
NARTHEX**

**SEPT 13
10:30 AM**

JUST \$5/ROLL
all proceeds go directly to youth
and education ministries

Enjoy a delicious fresh-baked GIANT cinnamon roll
at church or to go!

Thank you for supporting our ministries!

Prayground Welcome

Coming the middle of September - our prayground is almost ready for you! Families will be invited to use this space at the front of the pews to sit together with access to tools curated for people of all ages and abilities. This space is especially designed to give room for safe movement, flexible seating, and the items that come along with family care (diaper bags, car seats, etc). Using the prayground tools, children can sing, reflect, and participate while learning the rhythms of worship and growing in faith as full members of this congregation. This space will develop over the next few months to more fully meet our needs so be sure to check in regularly and welcome the children using it.



Youth Gathering

Save the dates for the 2027 ELCA National Youth and Young Adult Gatherings!
June 28-July 2, 2027. We will register in October!

The Youth Gathering is a unique faith formation experience. Every three years, thousands of ELCA teens from across the country converge on one city for a week of worship, service, and fellowship unlike any other.

Teens must be in 8th-12th grade in fall 2026 to attend the Youth Gathering.

For those 18-35, the national Young Adult Gathering will happen at the same time. There are also pre-events for disabled youth and youth of color to gather in the community before the large event. Our tentative plan is to take the train, with potential for a fun extra stop along the way!

Learn more at <https://www.elca.org/gathering-2027/about-what-is-the-gathering>.

All 8th-12th graders, their caregivers, and young adults are invited to attend informational meetings on August 30 after worship or September 14 at 5:30 pm.

We'll need adults to help lead, plan, and fundraise. In the coming weeks, please prayerfully consider if you might be feeling called to be part of this once in a lifetime faith experience.

God's Work. Our Hands.

This year our GWOH event will be split into 2 events!

Part 1: Help us "spruce up" our church building between now and the start of a new year beginning in September! Tasks will include cleaning church pews, windows, stairwells, library, school rooms and bathrooms. Cleaning supplies will be provided and tasks will be posted in the narthex. Please choose a task and mark what you've done, placing it in the box marked COMPLETED. If you need access to the building, please contact Sue Zylka who will open the door for you!

Part 2: On God's Work, Our Hands Sunday, September 13 following the service, we will be assembling sandwiches for the Guesthouse. The cost of the food and supplies will be provided by a Thrivent Action Grant.

Join us for a pre-fueling & fellowship before the projects of God's Work, Our Hands day. We will have juice, coffee, muffins & fruit in the Narthex & weather permitting, the courtyard will also be open. Please contact Darcy (414-916-1712) if you are able to bring a baked good or fruit plate.



Outreach for Hope - Ride, Run, Walk

Morning of Saturday, September 26

Join all of your friends at the Outreach for Hope 2026 Family Ride, Run, Walk, and help fundraise \$175K for grants to ministries serving communities experiencing material poverty in the Greater Milwaukee Synod, ELCA.

This is **no registration fee** - but we encourage you to donate and/or fundraise towards our \$175K goal! Every dollar raised supports our Ministry Partners' work of clothing, feeding and caring for our neighbors in need.

Register + learn more at OFHRRW.org

Trinity's Fall Craft and Vendor Fair

Submitted by Patty Rosek-Johnson

Save the date for Trinity's Craft and Vendor Fair! On **Saturday, October 24** from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. new and returning crafters and vendors from around the area will be selling their wares in the classrooms and fellowship hall at Trinity. This is a great opportunity to engage with our neighbors and welcome them through our doors. Looking for a way to help? There are several.

Bake sale –Shoppers love our bake sale! As you complete your last Farmer's Market visits or finish your garden harvests, keep in mind that many baked goods freeze well, including quick breads and pies. Put that overabundance of zucchini to good use and do your baking now if your schedule allows!

Spread the Word –Our vendors need shoppers! Tell your coffee clutch, bingo buddies, pickleball partners and quilting queens about our great event, and share the Facebook updates from Trinity's page from now until the fair.

Volunteers - Do you have an hour of time to give? There are slots for the welcome table (a seated position), bake sale, and food sale, as well as "floaters" to fill in where needed. Not available on October 24? Additional help is needed to cut bars and price bake sale items during the day on Friday, October 23.

Watch for volunteer signups online and in the Narthex in the coming weeks. Thank you so much for your consideration!



Admission is **FREE**, and there's something for everyone to enjoy. The first 50 visitors will receive one **FREE** ticket to our raffle basket drawing!

FALL CRAFT & VENDOR FAIR

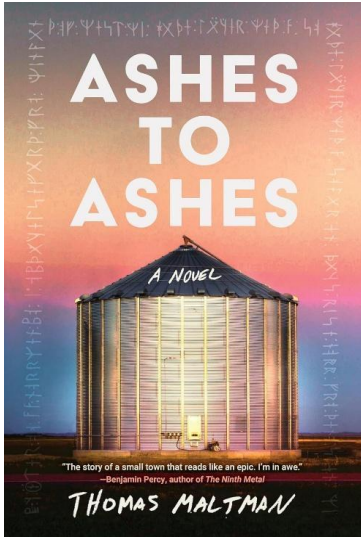
 Sat, Oct 24, 2026
9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

 2507 5th Ave
South Milwaukee, WI

Featuring
Tastefully Simple, Norwex, Trades of Hope, L'Bri Pure N' Natural,
and many talented local crafters
+ Bake Sale - Raffles - Lunch



Late Summer Book Read – September 19, 2026



We decided to try something a little different over the summer. *Ashes to Ashes* is a young adult novel. You can read the description below. We will meet on Saturday, September 19 at 9:30 a.m. at Castillo's restaurant (5656 S Packard Ave #21) in Cudahy for discussion and breakfast.

Small-town Minnesota teenager Basil "The Brute" Thorson—a shy, reluctant wrestling star and "special" tracked into special education classes—vows to make his family whole again in the wake of multiple tragedies, during a year in which his community is roiled by strange religious and mythological events.

Another perceptive and empathetic novel from the author of *Indie Next* and *All Iowa Reads* selection *Little Wolves*, blending myth, history, and religion with a nuanced look at contemporary rural life, perfect for fans of Marilynne Robinson, Richard Russo, and Paul

Harding.

When the ashes from an Ash Wednesday service in the prairie town of Andwhen, Minnesota, refuse to wash off, members of a small congregation are left wondering whether they've been blessed or cursed. For sixteen-year-old Basil—a shy wrestling star reeling from a farming accident and his mother's institutionalization—the ashes become a sign. He embarks on a secret ritual of fasting and prayer, seeking meaning in his unraveling world.

Meanwhile, Basil and his friends come upon what may be the centuries-old remains of a Viking explorer in a local meadow, a find that brings its own complications, as folk history clashes with the agendas of online racists. As Basil's relentless fasting warps his grip on reality, the danger he poses to himself and his family escalates.

Blending the fragments of a Norse saga with a finely observed portrait of rural Midwestern life at the start of the pandemic, Thomas Maltman delivers a novel of narrative daring and profound empathy—his most inventive and compassionate work yet. (From [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com))

Council Highlights-August

Council discussed upcoming God's Work, Our Hands activities scheduled. Currently there are tasks posted on the narthex window for the cleaning project. Sue will contact Alyssa to coordinate help from Youth on GWOH Sunday.

Office Manager/Communications Manager applications are being screened by Jason and Tammy and will be ready for Pastor's review on her return.

Jason will touch base with Alyssa on the status of PrayGround order.

Financial Update for July

Submitted by David Hahn

Financial Update for July: We had another typical summer month with a small negative net income but we again maintained a positive year-to-date balance.

- Net income -\$2,568; Year-to-date +\$1,191.
- We had a memorial gift to our operating budget which helped keep our month's loss minimal.
- Compared to last year at this time, we are ahead in income by \$9,000, but expenses are also ahead by \$1,000.
- We did have \$925 in Raise Right income from the first half of the year. This helped keep us in the positive for year-to-date net income. Thank you to all who are participating in Raise Right and using Raise Right vendors to purchase gas, groceries, restaurant food, clothing, and special items. We could always use more participants to increase our usage of Raise Right merchants.

Thank you Trinity for your gifting to maintain the many fine ministries at Trinity and in our communities.

Project Uplift: Balance of \$24,654: Income \$288, Expense \$1,136 for mop sink repair.

Impact Report:

Memorials

- Two special memorial gifts to the Good Gifts Blue Box campaign and Scholarship Fund.

Endowment Fund Grants:

- \$500 for Breaking the Chains.

Thrivent:

- One Action Team Grant-Church Brewer game tailgate.

Restaurant Meetup Up

We're Kicking off a new Season of the "Restaurant Meet Up". We will be going to Joe's K Ranch located @ 4840 S. Whitnall Ave. in Cudahy WI 53110.

We will meet on Friday September 11th @ 4:00 p.m.

Look for the sign up sheet in Narthex.

If a ride is needed call Cindy Felicki (414) 241-4742.



Trinity Night at the Brewers and Tailgate.



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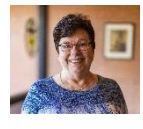


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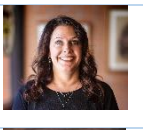
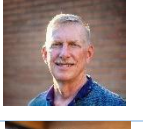
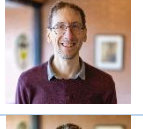
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30 9:30 Worship in person and online with Soul Purpose	31 8:30- 1:30 Office Open	September 1 8:30-1:30 Office Open 9:00 Lutheran World Relief Quilting 7:00 Executive Com- mittee	2	3 12:30 Staff Meeting	4 Pastor's Day Off	5 Pastor Denise is Back Human Concerns Weekend 5:00 Worship in person
6 Human Concerns Weekend 9:30 Family First Wor- ship in person and online	7 Office Closed ((Labor Day) 7:00 Finance Ministry Team	8 8:30-1:30 Office Open 7:00 Council Meeting	9	10 10:30 Adult Bible Study 6:30 Bell Ensemble Rehearsal 7:30 Choir Rehearsal	11 Pastors Day Off	12 Tidings Articles Due 1:00 Saturday Stitchers 5:00 Worship in person
13 8:45 Sunday School for elementary /middle school 9:30 Soul Purpose Worship in person and online	14 8:30- 1:30 Office Open 6:30 Confirmation	15 8:30-1:30 Office Open 9:00 Lutheran World Relief Quilting	16 7:00 Thrivent Mem- ber Group	17 10:30 Adult Bible Study 5:00 Community Meal 6:30 Bell Ensemble Rehearsal 7:30 Choir Rehearsal	18 Pastors Day Off	19 9:30 Fall Book Read 5:00 Worship in person
20 8:45 Sunday School for elementary/middle school 9:30 Worship in person and online	21 8:30- 1:30 Office Open 6:30 Confirmation	22 8:30-1:30 Office Open	23 9:30 Open Conver- sations with Pastor Denise at Hillside Coffee House	24 10:30 Adult Bible Study 6:30 Bell Ensemble Rehearsal 7:30 Choir Rehearsal	25 Pastors Day Off	26 Outreach for Hope Ride, Run, Walk 5:00 Worship in person
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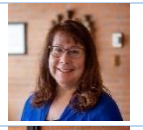
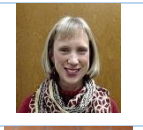
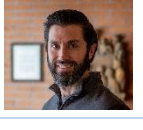
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September 2026 TIDINGS

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In person worship at 5:00 p.m. Saturday
In person and livestream worship at 9:30 a.m. Sunday
Sunday School 3-year-olds – 8th grade at 8:45 a.m.
(Labor Day – Memorial Day)

Summer Office Hours:

Monday & Tuesday 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.



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