



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH PARISH LIFE

May and June 2023

FROM THE



Pastor

“Let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.” Hebrews 10:24–25

Dear saints of Trinity,

The snow has melted, the temperatures have broken seventy degrees, and bits of green can be seen all around Farmington. Your Southern pastor is certainly thankful for all of these blessings. After a long, hard winter, all of these signs remind us that summer is around the corner.

Summer means a bunch of things for our lives together as a church. Sunday school, bible class, confirmation instruction, and various other activities are set to take a hiatus until Labor Day. Families will leave town on vacation. And if trends that can be noticed in congregations all around the country are any indication, attendance at Sunday services could dip.

Yet summer isn't a time when our Lord Jesus would have us avoid gathering at church. As the letter to the Hebrews reminds us, meeting together is a critical part of what it means to be a Christian. Because it's in the assembly of the congregation that your Lord Jesus speaks to you in the preaching of his Word, encounters you in his sacraments, and encourages you through the gathering of your brothers and sisters in Christ.

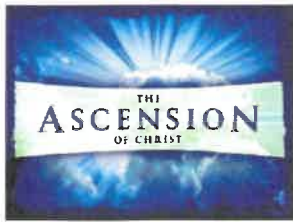
Indeed, we need that encouragement from our brothers and sisters in Christ during the summer as much as ever. Because living as a Christian doesn't stop being countercultural or difficult during the summer. It's just as hard in July as it is in January, and we need our

brothers and sisters in Christ to encourage and support us in every time of year.

So as Memorial Day approaches, I would encourage you to ensure that you and your family are in church every Sunday between Memorial Day and Labor Day, just as I'd encourage you to do so during the school year. Of course, some of you are likely to travel for vacation—my family and I will, too—but that doesn't require you to miss church. The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod has faithful Lutheran congregations all across our country and sister churches around the world. If you're away from here on a Sunday, go meet your brothers and sisters at one of those other congregations, and if you're having a hard time finding one, let me know. We need God's Word even on vacation, and I'd be happy to help you find a place to hear it.

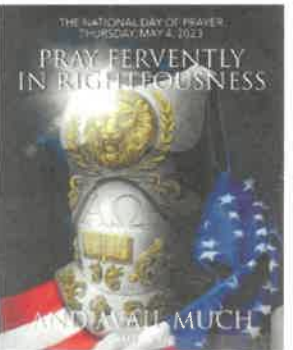
Moreover, I would encourage you to use the summer as an opportunity to get to know your fellow parishioners better one-on-one. If you don't have bible class and Sunday school to go to, why not use that time to get together with a friend from church you haven't seen for a while? If your kids aren't in school, why not get together with another family from church you don't see as often for a play date? No matter how you enjoy your summer, I pray that it would be a time when you and our congregation would be strengthened in God's Word.

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Einertson



ASCENSION DIVINE SERVICE

This year, Trinity will be co-hosting a Divine Service to celebrate the Ascension of our Lord at **St. John's Lutheran Church in Rich Valley (14385 Blaine Ave E, Rosemount)** on Thursday, May 18, at 7:00 p.m. Please join the saints of Trinity and St. John's as we observe one of the central holidays of the Christian year!



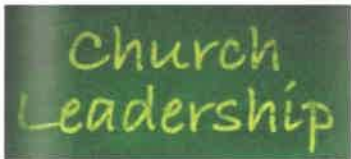
NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

Emanuel Lutheran Church will be hosting the National Day of Prayer on Thursday, May 4, 2023 at 7 p.m. Come join together with other brothers and sisters in

Christ as we pray with the rest of the nation on this day. Joining together in the Sanctuary for prayer and music, we look forward to seeing you. (**Emanuel Lutheran Church, 2075 70th Street, East, Inver Grove Heights,**).

TRUSTEES

- Thanks for the support that was shown for the spring cleanup. Due to weather conditions, there is some cleanup left including some boulevard work on the grass.
- Some areas will be cleaned up and reorganized. Will be removing left over items from past construction.
- The Quilters' rooms have been locked. Key will be available at the office.
- Will be reviewing the Fire Procedure escape plan. Will be scheduling a fire drill in the near future.



MONTHLY MEETINGS

Please note the new dates for the monthly meetings. The May meetings will be held Monday, May 1. After May until further notice the monthly meetings will be held the second MONDAY of each month at their regular times.

BOARD OF ED REMINDERS

Last day of Sunday School May 22! All church potluck picnic May 22 after education hour at Evergreen Knoll Park (626 Heritage Way, Farmington).



Other Board of Ed Announcements

- Preschool will sing Sunday 5/14 Mother's Day
- Time to turn in your Bible Bucks for prizes!
- Thank you to our dedicated SS teachers this year:
Colleen Duffy & Ashley Anderson-preschool
Tod Duffy & Laura Reinke-K-4th
Wes Deiss & Simon Schaefer 5th-8th

NOTES FROM THE BALCONY

Thank you to the choir for their work preparing the congregation to sing the Introit and Gradual during the services. Also, thank you to the choir for their time and dedication during Holy Week. We will continue having choir practice on Wednesday at 6:30 pm through May 31. New people are welcome to join any time!



Thank you,
Rebecca Hahn

OUR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Sam Auwarter

Sam is graduating from Farmington High School on June 9th, and has plans to attend MSU Mankato to study aviation in the fall, and eventually become a commercial pilot.



BROOK DUBBELS

Brook will graduate from Randolph High School June 3rd, future plans are undecided

JOEY LITTLE

Joey plans to attend Gustavus Adolphus College in the fall and study Business entrepreneurship or management.



SAM SCHAEFER

Sam joined the Iowa National Guard on February 23, 2023. He will attend Iowa State University majoring in engineering. Please join the Schaefer family to celebrate Saturday June 3, 4pm-7pm, at our home, 324 Hillcrest Lane, Burnsville, MN.



WOMEN'S MINISTRY

The Women's Ministry plant sale was a success; thank you for your orders. Plants will arrive at the Lee home on Tuesday, May 16 (6145 235th St W, Farmington). Pickup time is 6:00 p.m.. Thank you!!

The next regularly scheduled Women's Ministry Meeting will be May 4 at 4:00 p.m.



QUILTING GROUP

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The Quilting Group is taking a break for the summer. A notice will be in the bulletin when they decide to start meeting again.

REFLECTORS OF CHRIST PUPPET TEAM

Who is ready for some fun and an opportunity to share the Gospel?



A sign-up sheet is posted on the table near the church office. Deadline for signing up is May 7th. We need new puppeteers and propateers so that we can do a Veteran's Day program in Apple Valley on November 11th.

There are a few books about puppetry at the table. Look them over. If you have questions about this ministry, please talk to Jan Luxa or Marcy Ohmann.

Believe it or not, we have several programs ready to use with just a little updating. Songs and skits are used to thank God and our Veterans.

Please sign up if you are interested in puppets. We will keep you informed on plans!

Blessings in Christ,

Jan Luxa and Marcy Ohmann

LIBRARY

We have lots of great reading and watching materials on our shelves. Sign out sheets are posted on the clipboard on the far left shelf.



A few books on prayer are on the white covered table in the library.

Here's a partial list:

- Luther's Small Catechism with explanations
- The Privilege of Prayer (CPH)
- Prayer – Christian Life Today (CPH)
- The Lord's Prayer – Foundations of Faith (CPH)
- Daily Prayer – The Lutheran Difference (CPH)
- Reading the Psalms with Luther (CPH)

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

We have been busy getting supplies to put into 2023's boxes for children around the world. Things like cross necklaces, wooden cross decorations, Christian bookmarks and so much more!



There are workshops set up for May and June. We are planning Thursdays and Fridays May 4th and 5th and June 8th and 9th. All 4 dates will be from 10 a.m. to noon. Two days in a row gives more opportunity to get projects finished. Come to one or all 4!

Take-home projects are being prepared. They will be on the red covered table near the church office. Please sign out in the binder, also on the table. When you bring your bag back, please put it under the table.

All supplies are furnished as well as a sample. Directions for each project will be included, too. Some of the projects that will be available at different times thru the summer will be:

- Making sticker packs.
- Putting caps on toothbrushes.
- Making cross necklaces.
- Assembling Barbie doll kits.
- Filling small bottles with nails or screws.
- Making construction paper pks.
- Clothespin crafts.
- Washcloth teddy bears.

These are only a few projects! Just stop by the table and pick something to do. Thank you!

If you are interested in donating toys, water bottles, band aids, or more, please see the samples at the table. We found sizes that fit well in our boxes. The goal this year is 150 boxes. That does NOT mean you must buy all 150 jump ropes! Just buy what you can. It is appreciated!

Here is a hint: Wait until August to buy any school supplies! Back-to-school sales are wonderful!

Other ways to help:

- If you crochet and have very easy directions with pictures, please share with Jan Luxa.
- Ask your dentist for dental floss donations. They'll be in our health care packets.
- Save the plastic lids from small butter tubs or cream cheese containers. We'll be making ribbon rings with jingle bells.

Please praise God for this opportunity to show His love to boys and girls world-wide. Feel free to call Jan Luxa or Donna Born with ideas or questions.

Hope to see you on May 4 and 5. We will have something for YOU to help with!

God's Blessings!

Please call either of one us for more information. Thank you!

Jan Luxa – (651) 442-5726
Donna Born (651) 295-1587

CLASSICAL CONVERSATIONS

In early March of 2023 Megan Sundvall, Licensed Director of Classical Conversations (CC) Farmington, contacted Pastor Einertson to inquire about the possibility of the group meeting at Trinity Lutheran Church. That set in motion a series of meetings involving CC representatives, Pastor Einertson, Lee Huebner, Trinity Lutheran Chairman, and twice by the Trinity Church Council. The Council gave approval for the CC Farmington group to use our facilities on a one-year probationary status beginning this Fall. Pastor Einertson also gave a synopsis of the CC program to the Voters' assembly on April 16.

CC History and Model: Classical Conversations is a proven Christian homeschool program created by parents for parents. This is done through a Christ-centered and family-friendly approach to homeschooling that makes everything biblical and hospitable, focused on three simple key areas: *Classical, Christian, and Community*. The CC model is called "Classical Christian" and is the model used prior to the Modern Education model which became popular in the early 1900s.

CC operates with a *Statement of Faith and a Code of Conduct* to which parents agree before their child(ren) are enrolled. Parents must remain on-site with their child(ren) so are with them throughout the day. The CC community also wishes to assist Trinity with service projects, cleaning of the areas used on a regular basis, as well as purchasing supplies for the church as needed.

Classical Conversations' mission statement – **"To Know God and To Make Him Known"**. Subjects taught include math, timeline, history, geography, Latin, English, science, fine arts, including drawing and music, and weekly presentations on a suggested topic.

The CC group will use much of our church building on Thursdays from 8 A.M. through 3 P.M. The parking lot will be blocked off during those hours for students to use as a playground. All parking by Trinity members and by the CC instructors & staff will be on the street on Thursdays. CC will provide instruction for 12 weeks in late summer/fall and 12 weeks in winter/spring.

There will be orientation meetings for the CC leadership team with the Trinity Women's Ministry leaders as well as with the Trinity Board of Trustees. Trinity members are encouraged to learn more about this program and are invited to read the information provided to us by CC. Please contact Mary or Pastor at the church office or Lee Huebner at 320-582-0143 (or lb2huebner@yahoo.com) with questions or comments.



WALK FOR LIFE

Amnion Pregnancy Center Walk for Life
Please consider volunteering to be Trinity Lutheran's organizer for the Walk for Life. Trinity was represented by the Deiss and the Schaefer Families last year. We would like a bigger group this year. If you have any questions, contact Shana Schaefer <https://helpofferhope.org/events/walk/>



FAMILY FUN NIGHT

See flyer insert for information on the **FREE** event!



Family Fun Night

Trinity Lutheran Church

(600 Walnut Street, Farmington, MN)

Presents

Comedian Calvin Jackson

for a night of family friendly comedy

Friday, May 12

6:30 PM

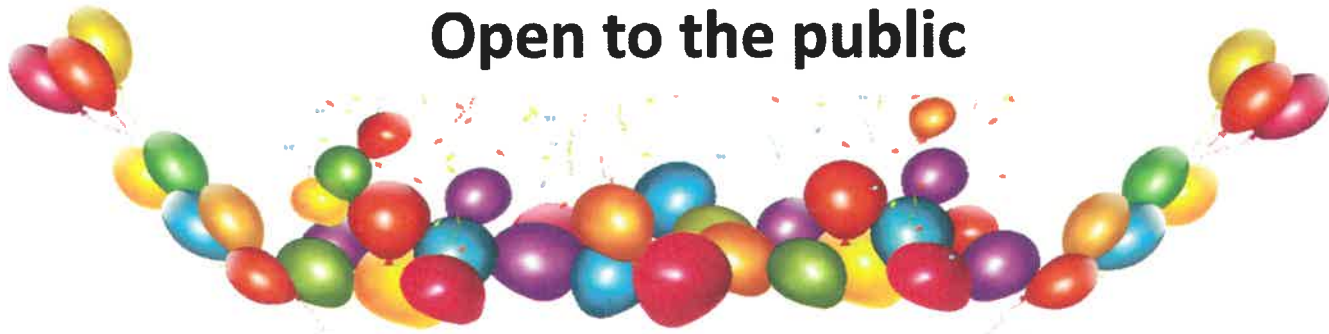
Followed by an ice cream social



All are welcome!

*This event is **Free** but please call (651-463-7225) or
email (secretary@trinityfarmington.org)
the church to reserve your spot.*

Open to the public



MAY BIRTHDAYS

- 5/2 David Hahn
- 5/3 Don Holz
- 5/4 Gavin Reinke
Ryan Reinke
- 5/8 Rebecca Hahn
- 5/11 Kristin Halverson
- 5/13 Steve Markworth
- 5/14 Stan Debough
Barry Strombeck
- 5/15 Tim Dau
- 5/16 Thea Figueroa
Joe Little II
- 5/19 Kevin Reiersen
- 5/20 Karen Maxey
Betty Wicklund
- 5/25 Julie Lee
- 5/27 Stuart Emich
- 5/31 Judy (Steve) Heintz
Remy Heintz



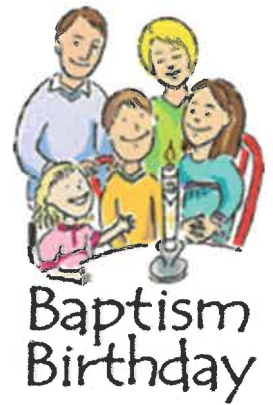
MAY ANNIVERSARIES

	Day	Years
Tom & Ruth Lehmann	5/1	41
Luddy & Marcy Ohmann	5/18	55
Wes & Sharon Deiss	5/22	13
Mike & Kathy Heggen	5/29	52
Nick & Hannah Wagenknecht	5/29	2
Lucas & Becca Woodford	5/30	25



MAY BAPTISMS

- 5/1 Charlie Cook
Carl Wicklund
- 5/4 Jacquelyn Delo
- 5/6 Marnie Figueroa
- 5/11 Kristin Halverson
Maddie Jacobson
Skylar Ohmann
Dave Truax
- 5/12 Mandie Beyl
- 5/13 Steve Markworth
- 5/14 Don Holz
Sue Prueser
- 5/15 Tim Dau
- 5/17 Simon Schaefer
- 5/22 Gene Peterson
- 5/30 Ryan Reinke
- 5/31 Jude Porter



Church Attendance March 22 through April 23	
March 26	102
April 2 Palm Sunday	103
April 6 Maundy Thursday	71
April 7 Good Friday	85
April 9 Easter Sunday	130
April 16	65
April 23	98

CONGRATULATIONS to

our brother, Nick Wagenknecht, who has been called to serve as Associate Pastor of St. John Lutheran Church in Stewartville, Minnesota. Please remember Nick and Hannah in your prayers as



they transition from Missouri to Minnesota in the coming months.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

6/2 Reid Anderson
Bailee Beyl
6/4 Clara Dubbles
Jim Meyer
6/5 Theodore Einertson
6/7 Sue Markworth
6/8 Sam Schaefer
6/11 Christopher Hahn
Aletheia Woodford
6/15 Wil Franzmeier
6/17 Ashton Joens
6/18 Charlotte Wieben
6/19 Seth Halverson
6/20 Kaitlyn Heffner
6/22 Elsie Peterson
Heidi Porter
Dylan Walde
6/24 Hazel Truax
6/25 Izzy Auwarter
6/26 Jorgie Figueroa
6/27 Brandon Beyl
Charlie Cook
Chad Heintz
6/30 Braelyn Stadler



JUNE BAPTISMS

6/1 Stan Debough
Julie Lee
Gavin Reinke
6/4 Sandra Thelen
6/11 Karen Maxey
6/12 Shirley Oldenburg
6/17 Stuart Emich
6/20 Theodore Einertson
Sam Schaefer
6/21 Kason Flor
Aletheia Woodford
6/23 Reid Anderson
Remy Heintz
6/26 Jim Meyer



JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

	Day	Years
Joe & Mary Hart	6/7	15
Jim & Sue Markworth	6/8	49
Bob & Betina Prueser	6/12	2
Dennis & Kathy DeNeui	6/13	53
Dave & Doris Dahl	6/14	70
Luke & Heidi Porter	6/14	20
Reid & Ashley Anderson	6/15	10
Justin & Leah Walde	6/16	11
David & Rebecca Hahn	6/17	28
Ross & Melanie Heintz	6/18	7
Lance & Bobbi Stewart	6/19	30
Jim & Jan Luxa	6/20	53
Ray & Lorinda Harstad	6/23	16
Jerry & Lina Schultz	6/25	57
Stan & Verna Debough	6/26	47
Mike & Heather Wostrel	6/26	15

The
Church
Office



Will Be
Closed:

OFFICE CLOSED

The office will be closed on Monday, May 29 in observance of Memorial Day.



PARISH LIFE

Parish Life articles for the JULY/AUGUST issue will be due on JUNE 19.



*Anniversaries
this
Month*

MAY 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 6:30 pm Elders Mtng 7:15 pm Brds/Comm 8:00 pm Church Cncl	2	3 6:30 pm Confirmation 6:30 pm Choir Practice	4 10:00 am Operation Christmas Child Workshop 4:00 pm Women's Ministry Meeting 7:00 pm Worship at Emanuel Lutheran	5 10:00 am Operation Christmas Child Workshop	6
7 9:00 am Worship 10:30 am Education Hour <i>Mother's Day</i>	8	9 PASTOR OUT OF OFFICE	10 6:30 pm Confirmation 6:30 pm Choir Practice	11	12 6:30 pm Calvin Comedy Show Ice cream social to follow	13
14 9:00 am Worship 10:30 am Education Hour	15	16 6 pm Flower Pick up at Lee Home 6145 235th St W Farmington	17 6:30 pm Confirmation 6:30 pm Choir Practice	18 Ascension Day 7:00 pm Worship at St. John's Rich Valley 	19	20
21 9:00 am Worship 10:30 am Education Hour 11:30 am End of SS Year Picnic/Potluck at LAST DAY OF SS	22	23	24 6:30 pm Choir Practice	25	26	27
28 Pentecost 9:00 am Worship 	29	30	31 6:30 pm Choir Practice	Church email - secretary@trinityfarmington.org Pastor email - pastor@trinityfarmington.org Church Phone: 651-463-72253 Pastor after hours - (770) 283-9197		
PASTOR OUT OF OFFICE						

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4 Trinity Sunday 9:00 am Worship	5	6	7 10:00 am Operation Christmas Child Workshop	8 10:00 am Operation Christmas Child Workshop	9	10
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11 9:00 am Worship	12 6:30 pm Elders Mtg 7:15 pm Brds/Comm 8:00 pm Church Cncl	13	14	15	16	17
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18 9:00 am Worship	19 Parish Life Deadline for July/Aug issue	20	21	22	23	24
25 9:00 am Worship	26	27	28	29	30	

WORSHIP SERVANTS FOR May and June 2023

Date	Acolyte/Crucifer	Tellers	Altar Guild
05/07/23	Eli Halverson	Steve and Judy Heintz	Laura Reinke
05/14/23	Daniel Little	Donna Born and Sophia Wratkowski	Sue Markworth
05/21/23	Zach Schaefer	Ray Sell and Peter Wratkowski	Mary Tyson
05/28/23	Izzy Auwarter	Donna Born and Sophia Wratkowski	Mary Christensen
06/04/23	Jude Porter	Steve and Judy Heintz	Julie Lee
06/11/23	Eli Halverson	Donna Born and Sophia Wratkowski	Sue Markworth
06/18/23	Daniel Little	Ray Sell and Peter Wratkowski	Laura Reinke
06/25/23	Zach Schaefer	Ray Sell and Peter Wratkowski	Hazel Truax