

Tidings

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We care as friends, we love as family, and we serve as Christ

June 2024

Special Points of Interest:

- Bible Baseball - June 2
- Yard Sale - June 8: Volunteers and Items Needed
- Congregation Meeting set for June 9
- VBS Staff Orientation coming up - 2 dates
- Two middle school student recently confirmed
- Several new members recently received



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Message from Our Pastor

The Holy Spirit is alive and well at Holy Trinity! It is an exciting time as we have welcomed new members and had multiple baptisms and celebrated the confirmation of Marc Buzzell and Braden Dahlquist! What a joy to be meeting and welcoming our visitors and new members.

Welcome to our new members and thank you to all who have made our new members feel welcome! It is our hope and prayer that everyone who walks through the doors feels welcome here at Holy Trinity.

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28

We are coming to the end of a wonderful and busy programmatic year at Holy Trinity and to the beginning of summer.

What is it you will do this summer to rest? To rejuvenate? To be refreshed? And to continue to grow as Jesus' disciples in the

world?

What will you do this summer to grow in discipleship – in following Jesus' call to love and serve God and our neighbors? Attend worship? Take time to pray? Take time to read scripture? Take time to serve our neighbors in need? Take time to rest this summer, but also take time to grow in your relationship with God.

So thankful for each one of you! May you have and take time for rest and rejuvenation this summer and continue to grow as disciples of Jesus.

May you be surrounded in God's grace!
God's Peace,

Pastor Kristin Hoyer



Bake Sale Fundraiser! The youth will be hosting a bake sale during the church yard sale on Saturday, June 8! Stop by for some delicious treats and support our youth journey to New Orleans this summer!

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church



Senior Recognition Sunday

Sunday, June 2

Please plan to join us on Sunday, June 2 as we celebrate our 2024 High School Graduates!



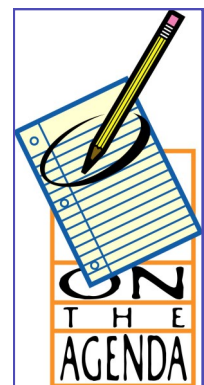
ELCA Youth Gathering Update!

Thank you to everyone who has generously contributed to our journey to New Orleans for the ELCA Youth Gathering July 16-20. We are more than halfway to our goal, but we just have one month left. Please consider giving towards this amazing opportunity for our young people to experience and learn about God's love in New Orleans this summer. Thank you for your support! Alli Murgia, Elena, Zoe & Jen Ward, Pastor Kristin

Mark your Calendars:

Sunday, June 9, 2024, following worship
Semi-Annual Congregation Meeting

We will elect new Council members, a new Nominating Committee, and hear several team reports. If possible, please check the congregation report, available in the recent "On Your Door" emails, prior to the meeting.



Holy Trinity Staff

Kristin Hoyer,
Pastor

Andrea Barron,
Office Administrator

Nancy Fox,
Director of Music
& Family Ministries

Terry Sisk,
Organist/Choir Director

Marcia Merry,
Organist Emerita

Debbie Harned, Interim
Preschool Director

Rita Sims,
Congregation President

From our President

As my term comes to an end, I want to express what an honor it has been to be a part of HTLC for over 26 years, to serve on the council, and to serve as your President for the past year.

I have been incredibly blessed to work with an amazing Executive staff, dedicated council members, and our wonderful Pastor. I also want to extend my heartfelt thanks to my mentor, Kristin Shultz, for her guidance, support, and willingness to listen.

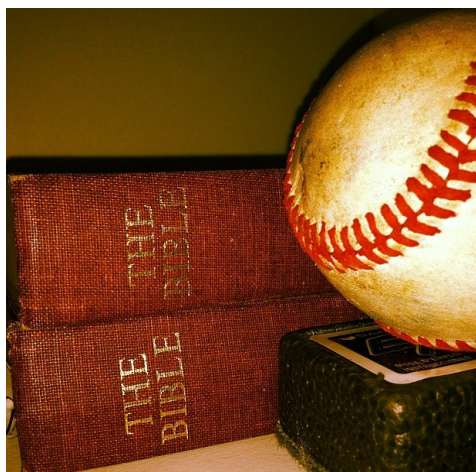
When I began my term, my goals included improving our financial situation and encouraging the committees to become more active. Our finances are now fairly stable, thanks to the collective effort of everyone in this congregation. Many of you have stepped up to revitalize the committees, and for that, I am deeply grateful.

I encourage you to get involved at HTLC. No matter what your passion is, I am confident there is a place for you on one of our committees and our council.

The Holy Spirit is truly present in our church. Our preschool is welcoming many new children next year, and we have gained numerous new members, baptisms, and confirmands. Over the past year, we've experienced many fun and exciting activities that we have not done in the past, all thanks to Pastor Kristin and our incredible staff. They are simply the best.

Once again, I want to express my gratitude to all of you—Pastor, the Executive committee, the council, and the congregation for making my year as President such a rewarding experience.

Rita Sims, President



Bible Baseball

June 2

8:45 –9:45 am

Plan to join us for our annual Bible Baseball game. Our teams have been learning all year long and are ready to face off in this game of Bible learning. Of course no baseball game is complete without some hot dogs and popcorn!

Bring the entire family!!

The game will take place in the **Commons** field.



SUNDAY, JUNE 16, 2024...SUNDAY, JUNE 16, 2024

Summer
SALE

HOLY TRINITY

JUNE *Yard Sale* **8TH 2024**

VOLUNTEERS

We Need Your Help to Launch
- Pricers, Sorters, Movers,
Sellers, Cashiers, Bakers, Barkers -
Short Hours - Fulfilling work
Contact Ian Laschivo or Larry Willeke at Ian.loschiavo@gmail.com or
llw1043@aol.com to sign up *Kittl*



YARD SALE

WHAT DO WE NEED?

KITCHEN ITEMS, GAMES, PUZZLES, OUTDOOR ITEMS, SHOES, BABY ITEMS, BIKES, HOLIDAY DECOR, PLANTS, CAMPING EQUIPMENT, TOOLS, SMALL APPLIANCES, OBJECTS DE ART, CLOCKS, JEWELRY, DISHWARE, TOYS OF ALL SORTS, SPORTS EQUIPMENT, KNIC KNACKS, ELECTRONICS, SMALL FURNITURE, PAINTINGS, VINTAGE DISHES, BOOKS, BACK PACKS, LUGGAGE, EXERCISE EQUIPMENT, DVDS, BEDDING ITEMS, PET ACCESSORIES, KIDS CLOTHING, CDS, TUPPERWARE, MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS, RECORDS, ANTIQUES, CAMERAS, ANTIQUE PICTURE FRAMES, CLOTHING, RUGS, TYPEWRITERS, GARDEN TOOLS, ETC...

WHEN DO WE NEED THEM?

STARTING ON MAY 22, 23, 24, 29, 30, 31ST JUNE 3,4,5,6, AND 7TH. 5PM TO 7PM

**WHERE? OLD FELLOWSHIP HALL
SIDE ENTRANCE**

Vacation Bible School

River of Life!

July 8–12, 2024

9:00 am– Noon

Welcome Aboard! This year we are journeying down the river to learn about God’s gracious gift of water. From the waters of baptism to the waters that sustain gardens and farms, the water of LIFE!

Participants will learn about the importance of water and visit important “ports” along the way where they will hear Bible stories about water and hear about communities that are working to ensure safe water for all!

We can’t wait to welcome you “on board” for this week of fun, faith and learning!

(\$35/week for all campers & Junior Crew. \$45/ week after June 1)

The week includes the following opportunities:

WeeBS—Campers must turn three by September 1, 2024

VBS— Campers must turn 4 by September 30, 2024

Junior Crew—A special program for rising 6th Graders

Volunteers: Rising 7th Graders through Adult

Registration Link For Campers & Junior Crew: <https://forms.gle/6bhUEDi69oEPKneE7>

Registration Link for Volunteers: <https://forms.gle/AEVazLsKkMETnCKL6>



Vacation Bible School

River of Life!



Staff Orientation Dates

(two options)

Monday, June 17 7-8 pm

Sunday, June 30 11:15am -12:15 pm

If you cannot make one of these dates, please contact Nancy Fox to arrange a time to meet! (nanc_fox@yahoo.com or 571-216-3587).



Women ^{of the} **ELCA** 

Nine members gathered for Holy Trinity's Women of the ELCA May 14th meeting. After many months of practice, the making of bag lunches for the homeless shelter was accomplished efficiently!

A continuing discussion from our April meeting regarding the choice of a book for our Fall study was informative but no decision was made. The group is still weighing a few selections and is open to further suggestions.

Our WELCA group has been in contact with Frederick Douglass Elementary's parent liaison to research how we can work together on outreach programs. Pat Bailey shared a list of ideas that were sent to her and the group has chosen to fund a summer project with the school. We will also research further one or two programs for the Fall where congregational support would be welcome, much like our April "buy a chick" project. More on this during the summer months!

Following the meeting, the group gathered at The Branch for a long delayed Christmas lunch! Our last meeting before a summer break will be on Tuesday, June 11th @ 10 a.m. We welcome anyone who can join us!

Pat Bailey, President

Confirmation Sunday - May 19, 2024

I am Marc Reiner Buzzell, an Eighth Grader at Smarts Mill Middle School.



During the past two years of confirmation, I have learned a lot about my faith but also gotten to know other kids in church who I'm now close to. When I'm not at church I'm leading my Boy Scout troop 1910 as SPL (Senior Patrol Leader), I enjoy camping and hiking and just being out in nature. I have also been active in the school musicals for the past three years.

I think the people who have most helped me in my faith have been: Mrs. Harned for always being there and asking about everyone's day and challenging us with questions; Ms. Fox for inviting me to join the youth choir and hand bells; and Pastor Kristin for always pushing and challenging me to dive deeper and learn about how I feel about my faith. She has also helped me share my thoughts and feelings about that with the whole congregation.

Personally, for me one of the most important things I learned in confirmation is maybe not agreeing but accepting the countless other religions other people are a part of. Because of confirmation I have pushed myself to try and figure out what it is these other religions believe in. I've visited a Hindu temple and learned about how they believe in enlightenment. I've seen a beautiful Catholic Church and found how it is they worship and pray to different saints. I was also able to attend a

friend of mine's Bat Mitzvah. I look forward to growing and understanding more about my religion as well as others as I get older.

Psalm 128:1-2—¹Happy is everyone who fears the LORD, who walks in his ways. ²You shall eat the fruit of the labor of your hands; you shall be happy, and it shall go well with you.



My name is Braden Tyler Dahlquist, and I am in Eighth Grade at Eagle Ridge Middle School.

I enjoy playing baseball for the Eagle Ridge team and for the USA Prime 14U team. I also have loved learning to play guitar over the past three years. What I liked most about confirmation was hanging out with my friends while exploring my faith. I learned that I can pick up my Bible anytime. It will bring me peace and point me in the right direction.

I would like to thank Pastor Kristin, Mrs. Debbie Harned, and Mrs. Nancy Fox for always being there for confirmation class and outings. You have helped build the foundation of my faith and I'm eternally grateful. Also, thank you to my parents for bringing me and my brother to Sunday School and church at a very young age. I will continue to attend church as I grow up. I'm looking forward to confirming my baptism and continuing my journey in faith.

Matthew 19:26—²⁶But Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but for God all things are possible."





Marc and Braden together and with Debbie Harned, Pastor Kristin, and Nancy Fox



Marc (left) and Braden (right) in the Children's Choir at Community Lutheran.



Another Classics Excursion

The Classics toured the National Botanical Gardens in Chantilly, Virginia on Friday, May 10th. The weather cooperated so we were able to enjoy viewing sculptures, the lake, different types of gardens and The Hobbit village. A castle is also being built. We had lunch at Fosters in South Riding.

We thought we might have a potluck picnic in September. Would someone like to host this event? If not, we will try to get a pavilion in a local park.

If there something you would like to suggest — winery, etc. — please get the particulars and contact us. We will help you advertise it.

Peggy Everhart



Property

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Find the following words in the puzzle.

Words are hidden → ↓ and ↘ .

TELECOMMUNICATIONS	PLUMBING
CONSTRUCTION	PAINTING
WEATHERSTRIP	TRIMMING
FIRECONTROL	LIGHTING
PESTCONTROL	WINDOWS
ELECTRICAL	ROOFING
LOGISTICS	REPAIR

SAFETY
MOWING
AUDIO
HVAC

Please enjoy a fun word find for common property-related disciplines. Please let Matt Shultz (matthew.shultz@comcast.net) know if you are particularly good or interested in any of these topics. The Property Team strives to ensure good stewardship over the gifts that enable our congregation and visitors to serve our community.

During Sunday school May 19th, the students prepared sandwiches and packed lunches for 60 individuals currently residing at the Loudoun Transitional facility. This project was in conjunction with Social Ministry. Thanks to everyone who helped make our support of the Loudoun County Homeless Shelter a success!



Sunday School Lunches



Thank YOU!

To our amazing,
dedicated Sunday
School Teachers!

Petra Buzzell

Kristin Hoyer

Jana Murgia

Gretchen Fish

Ian Loschiavo

Shadi Willeke

Debbie Harned

Adrian Mattina

Cheryl Williams

Thank you for your hours of preparation and service to all the learners in our congregation! May God bless you with a wonderful, renewing summer!





<i>Month of March 2024</i>		
	Actual	Budget
Income	57,995.00	\$30,266.67

Due to some bank personnel changes, we are a bit behind in our financial reporting; however, our members have been very generous in giving lately. Many thanks for all your help!

We would like to add more worship volunteers to our supply list so that our current members are not overworked. As you can see from the table below, we still have many open slots for the five weeks of June. Training will be provided if you are new to the position or have not filled in recently. A link to the table is available in the weekly On Your Door, or you can call the church office to sign up. Thanks for everyone's help!

Worship Volunteers - June 2024

	Jun 2	Jun 9	Jun 16	Jun 23	Jun 30
Acolyte / Crucifer	TBD	Hope & Joy Mattina	TBD	TBD	TBD
Asst Min / Prayers	Tammy Brende	Karla McGovern	Tammy Brende	Laurie Dieffenbach	Laurie Dieffenbach
Lector	Sam Waters	Tammy Brende	TBD	Lynnette Mergler	TBD
Ushers	TBD TBD	Adrian & Dan Mattina	TBD TBD	TBD TBD	TBD TBD
Coffee Host	Mattina Family	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Altar Care	Debbie Wenk Debbie Harned	Effie DeGroot Sharon Williams	Karen Blodgett Peggy Everhart	Tammy Brende Judy Willeke	TBD
Tellers	Gretchen Luebbe Karla McGovern	Karla McGovern TBD	TBD TBD	Laurie Dieffenbach TBD	Laurie Dieffenbach TBD
Lawn	Duellman Family		Bland - DeMark Family		Scott - Willeke - VanEpps

Please find a substitute if you are not able to serve on an assigned day. Thank you.

Happy June Birthday to . . .

1 Josh Auten	10 Julianne Geysler	16 Zach Johanneck	21 Sophia Serice
Sarah Biggs	11 Debbie Harnard	17 Carol Boehler	23 Derek DeMark
2 Rebekka Prinz	Kristin Williams	Susan Borgrink	24 Maddie Fortin
3 Matthew Gloger	Sembler	Christopher Kerr	Britta Jones
4 Cody Stepp	14 Verena Albertin	Phil Tinney	Karla McGovern
Judy Willeke	Audrey Gerber	18 Alexis Young	25 Paul Albers
6 Brad Burke	15 Elaine Farrar	19 Kierman Byrne	Lory Gustafson
Everett Steeprow	Seth Lord	Ann Keigher	Chuck Whitacre
7 Allison Auten	Sandy Phillips	Korbin Petterson	Matthew Willeke
Isabella DeMark	Fritz Scholz	Stasia Whitacre	27 Morgan Begley
9 Kyle Bollinger	Heather Serice	20 Jim Pratt	Alen Gloger
Brady Morrell			Alec Miller
			28 Jerry Harnard
			29 Jack Bollinger
			Dylan Everhart



JUNE
BIRTHDAYS

June Baptism Anniversaries

1 Christopher Duellman	15 Kelly Frye	Alex Miller
7 Amber Szebalskie	16 Isabella DeMark	25 Daniel Scharpf
12 Ryleigh Dooley	19 Rebekka Prinz	28 Sawyer Eamyck
Alex Seymour	20 Joy Mattina	Kelly Mill
Ron Shepherd	21 Josh Auten	Turner Truiett
13 Zander Kapsiak	Rita Sims	30 Ava Bates
Emily Lord	22 Brian Everhart	Daniel Mattina
	23 Kate DeVault	



Celebrating An Anniversary This Month

6/03/2000 Jennifer & Peter Feeney	6/26/2010 John & Dana Dunn
6/07/2003 Jesse & Monica Morrell	6/27/1998 Paul & Heather Serice
6/08/2002 Brian & Gretchen Fish	6/27/2009 Kyle & Stephanie Bollinger
6/11/1983 Ron & Lynn Shepherd	6/29/2019 David & Berniece Harvey
6/14/1969 Ron & Cathy Root	6/30/1979 Chuck & Stasia Whitacre
6/18/1983 Bonni & David Krytusa	6/30/2007 Mike & Julianne Geysler
6/24/1994 Dan & Liz Miller	6/30/2000 Gary & Stephanie Szebalskie
6/26/2016 Sarah & Landon Biggs	

**HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
(ELCA)**

605 West Market Street
Leesburg, VA 20176-2506

Sunday School: Returns in the Fall

Sunday Worship: 10:00 AM

Coffee Hour: Following worship

Office Hours:

Tuesday - Friday 9:30 AM - 2:00 PM
Emailing or calling ahead is recommended to
make sure someone is available to help you.

Phone: (703) 777-4912

Email: office@HolyTrinityLeesburg.org



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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Thank You!



As our program year comes to a close, it is fitting to pause and take a moment to thank the members of our choirs. These musicians faithfully rehearse and sing and/or ring to enhance our worship! At Holy Trinity we are blessed to have three vocal choirs (children, youth & adult) and two ringing groups (children's chimes and intergenerational youth & adult handbells). That is close to 50 musicians! Thanks for adding beauty to our worship!