

PASTOR'S THOUGHTS



So we began interviews for the new Director of Children and Youth Ministry this past week. We had a sit-down interview with a local candidate; we have another interview over Zoom set up with an out of state candidate Wednesday the 8th. It felt good to be able to set these interviews up, we had not had much luck in getting applications submitted and then within the span of about a week and a half we had two! God's hand is plainly at work here.

The interview team consisted of Emerson Rakes, Jennifer Drake, and me, with Will Wilbanks being present to answer any of the more detailed questions about the current programming. It seems to be the right group of people and the right questions were asked. There was a positive energy around the table that day, and I for one am eager to meet with the other candidate as well.

I bring this up this month because we are moving ever so closer to saying goodbye to Penny. As I write this, she is busy working to set up for the garage sale this weekend. The final Kid's Club of the School Year was May 18, it was a celebration! The kids and many parents spent time sharing what Penny has meant to the faith formation of so many kids in the church and in the area. It was a good event; I hope Penny felt blessed by all the support and love poured her direction that evening; and a special thanks to Krista Hartley and Lisa Rakes who worked so hard to organize that night.

Change is coming. Whoever we find to fill the position will be their own person, have their own style, and will need to define what that ministry is for them and for Trinity. We have been blessed to have Penny for all these years, and we will be blessed by whoever takes the reins as well, of this, I am sure.

What this talk of change brings me to though is, well, more change! This year's budget is, in the area of Director of Children and Youth Ministry salary, \$11,000 more than last year's budget. We discussed and approved the 2022 budget at our budget meeting last November, we spent some time talking about this line item, as did the budget committee who worked to bring the proposed budget to the congregation. Our goal was and is to fairly compensate this new hire with a livable wage. This is something I think we can be proud of; I shared this information at one of our Synod Council meetings, (I am on Synod Council by the way), and they were excited that we had made such a commitment, investing in both the future and the present of the church.

That all said, I believe it is important to remind folks that this change does mean that our expenses are going to be rising. And we are confident that the congregation will rise up and meet these expenses, recognizing how terribly important it is investing in the faith formation of God's children, of all ages.

I want to thank you all for your faithful giving, the ministry that we engage in, all those things that we do, are made possible by the generous donations of you, thank you. Trinity has been making an impact on and in this community since 1905, and we are not done yet! We serve God by serving others. That is the end of our mission statement, but more than that, those words encompass a piece of our own identity as children of God. It is an honor and a privilege to serve with you!

In Christ,
Pastor Dan Forsgren

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CHURCH COUNCIL MEETS ON THE THIRD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH.

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TRINITY TIMES EDITORIAL POLICY
News and information must be received by the 20th of the month preceding the issue date.

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VIDEO / IN-PERSON WORSHIP

We continue to offer livestream of our in-person Sunday morning 9:00 AM worship service online through YouTube. Additionally, you may watch the recorded service at any time on our website, the [Video Worship Archive](#) page.

In-person worship with Holy Communion is available every Sunday at 9:00 AM in our Sanctuary.

In-person worship with Holy Communion is available every Wednesday night at 6:00 pm.

NO WEDNESDAY WORSHIP ON JUNE 15TH, JULY 6TH & 13TH.

FAITH FORMATION

Men's Bible Study ▶
Tuesdays 1:00 PM at TLC Meets weekly for reading and detailed, lively discussions. Our informal study is 1-1½ hours.

Men's Prayer Group and Bible Study ▶
Saturdays 7:30 AM at TLC Meets weekly for one hour, with breakfast on the first Saturday of the month.

Sunday Morning Adult Faith Formation ▶
Join us after worship on Sunday mornings at 10:15am downstairs for Bible study discussion. You are welcome to grab a couple of cookies and a cup of coffee from the atrium if you'd like!

Women's Circle meets on the third Tuesday of each month at noon with a potluck lunch followed by a scripture-based discussion. All women are welcome.

Please check our website for frequent updates, calendar information, faith resources, youth schedules, news and much more:
www.trinitylutherancda.org

COUNCIL CHATTER

At its **May 24th meeting** the church council members received the Agreed-Upon Procedures audit as presented by Magnuson and McHugh. The review was authorized last November. After interviews with key Church personnel the results found that, “while internal controls were verbally communicated throughout the organization, there were no written and documented internal control policies.”

The Audit Committee consisting of Gene Tanzey, Sue Thilo and Scott Tostengard have agreed to take the “finding and recommendations” and create the needed “written and documented internal control policies.” These policies will be created to give continuous guidance to the various ways money is handled within Trinity. They in no way suggest nor reflect negatively on those who currently participate in handling moneys for Trinity. What these policies will do is to create a way to protect volunteers, staff and the congregation from the possibility of exposure to fraud.

A copy of the findings is on the bulletin board outside the office.

Mike Grabenstein
Council President

BITS & PIECES

- **TLC Love Day** meets weekly on Tuesdays at 9:00am for quilting, crafting, fellowship, and coffee.
- **TLC Council** will meet on Tuesday, June 21st at 4:30pm.
- **TLC Singles Luncheon** on Thursday, June 23rd.
- **Penny Weiss’ Last Day at TLC** will be Sunday, June 31st. To show our appreciation of her 22 years at TLC combined as a volunteer leading Kids Club and then on staff as the Director of Youth and Family Ministries, on that Sunday we will have a cake during the coffee hour and a time to say goodbye to her! If you wish to give a card or gift to her, you may drop them off at the church office before that Sunday.
- **Dear Trinity Family, the Wardell Family** is gathering in Coeur D Alene to celebrate the life of Wendell Wardell. All are invited to join us at 1:30 PM August 7th at Trinity Lutheran Church. We will be sharing what this remarkable man meant to each of us. We welcome your stories and things you remember the best.
- Kay Wardell

DID YOU KNOW that your gifts and contributions help pay for the church staff salaries each month? And also allowed us to pay the Avista bill for \$1,186.89 in May?

WOMEN'S CIRCLE

Women's Circle: Our June meeting is on the third Tuesday, the 21st. We'll begin as usual with a noon potluck lunch. Then we begin the three-month Bible study for summer, titled, *Crafted in Christ*. It uses the metaphor of quilting to explore themes of community and sabbath. This first session is *A Summer of Rest and Renewal*. Copies of the Gather Magazine discussion guide are available in the church office. All women are welcome!

DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRY POSITION

As you probably have heard Penny Weiss is retiring In August 2022. The search committee has begun the process to fill the Director of Children and Youth Ministry position. The link to the job posting on our website is: <https://www.trinitylutheraneda.org/employment>. If you know of someone who may be interested, please share the link with them. Word of mouth can work wonders!

TLC Learning Center Employment Opportunities

URGENT: TLC Learning Center Employment – We are sad to share that Holly will be leaving TLC Learning Center Family on May 25th. Holly has worked here at TLC for the past 6.5 years as the Lead Teacher in the Infant Room. We wish her well in her new adventures. TLC Learning Center is seeking a full-time Lead Infant Teacher starting May 25th. This is a M-F position, caring for 4 infants, ages 4 months to 12 months. If this position is not filled by June 1st, TLC LC will have to close the Infant room until a qualified person is hired. Due to staffing shortage, TLC LC will be changing the hours of operations starting June 1st: 7:30 am to 5:30 pm. Nikki Betts, TLC LC Director, has been the Lead Teacher in the Waddler room for 1 year. TLC LC continues to have an open part-time position for Lead Waddler Teacher 2 to 3 days per week. Please help us to get the word out! The full job description is listed at <https://www.trinitylutheraneda.org/lc-staff>. Contact the Learning Center at 208-664-0052 or send resume to directortlclc@gmail.com.



TLC YOUTH

- **It's Snack Time Again!** The youth groups will be active again this summer and will need refueling with fruit snacks, trail mix, cookies, granola bars, dried fruit, peanut butter crackers....Donations of snacks will be used and appreciated!
- **Summer Kids Club** on Wednesday, June 15th at 5:30pm.
- **Middle School Trip to SE Washington** – We will leave on Wednesday, June 22nd and return on Sunday, June 26th.



SUNDAY WORSHIP ASSISTANTS SCHEDULE – JUNE 2022

Thank you for your service!

If you are unable to serve on your scheduled date, kindly trade with someone else on the schedule when you have a conflict. Whenever possible, please contact the church office by Wednesday to inform Andrea of your change: 208-664-5743, or:

office.trinitycda@gmail.com

9:00 AM	June 5 th	June 12 th	June 19 th	June 26 th
Altar Care	Paula Moore	Paula Moore Pam Hunt	Paula Moore	Paula Moore Karen Cook
Assisting Minister	Pam Hunt	Dick Jurvelin	Pam Hunt	Janet Gruber
Reader	Dolores Johnson	Kathy Benson	Sue Thilo	Anne Mackenzie
Ushers	Paul Hunt Tad Johnson	Bob Ray Harold Fuchs	Bob Ray Gary Everson	Bob Ray Tad Johnson
Communion Assistants	Paula Moore Dolores Johnson	Jill Jurvelin HELP NEEDED	Tom & Sue Thilo	Kathy Benson Janet Gruber
Acolytes	Jeremiah Benson	HELP NEEDED	Jeremiah Benson	William Forsgren

Sanctuary Saints for June: Margaret Fedje
(Stocks pew racks, fills oil in candles, etc. weekly for Sunday worship.)



CELEBRATIONS & PRAYERS

JUNE Birthdays

Joan Boyd	06/01
Linda Shirley	06/01
JoAnn Nelson	06/03
Jack MacPhee	06/04
Madge Williams	06/04
John Gibson	06/07
Carol MacPhee	06/09
Marie Bailey	06/13
Susan Kirkpatrick	06/13
Lois Frogness	06/14
Lindsay Moore	06/15
Darla Tostengard	06/17
Karis Forsgren	06/18
Beverly Knutson	06/19
Ray Simmons	06/20
Tom Whiting	06/22
Anne Mackenzie	06/22
Connie McGee	06/25
Ken Bailey	06/26
Shannon Erwin	06/28
Connie Gridley	06/28
Billie Haugen	06/28
Tony Chavez	06/29

*Watch over your children,
O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide
them wherever they may be. Strengthen,
comfort, and raise them up if they fall, and in
their hearts, may your peace, which passes all*



***Please Hold In Your Prayers for Healing, Comfort, Peace
(The † symbol denotes TLC members)***

*Susan Kirkpatrick † Mavis Fuchs † Delores Luttrupp † Sally English †
Marion Keating † Lee Ray † Phyllis Bacon † Carol Price †
Dave Nordby † Ken & Darlene Amundson † Ray Kincheloe †
Carol MacLean † Donna Cedervall † Terry Fairchild †
Justin Graupman † Verna Henkel † Connie Gridley † Teri Venera †
Wes Deitz (brother, Yvonne Deitz)
Micah Sharples (friend – Jill Jurvelin)
Janet Wilbanks (mother -Will Wilbanks)
Jan Johnson (friend – Glenna Knepper)
Jonnie Dempsey (granddaughter – Rose Dempsey)
Tim Brunelle (son – Ron & Rolaine Brunelle)
Elleyna (great granddaughter – Wanda Andrews)
Larry Bellender (brother – Pat Muchow)
Diane Kneller (friend – Kathy Benson)
Barbara Erwin (mother – Paul Erwin)
Lorne & Judy Bjornson (friends – Jay & Connie Gridley)
Kennedy Way (family friends's daughter- Kathy Benson)
Carol Hunter (grandmother – Alexzander Hamilton)
Annette Kish (friend – Kathy Benson)
Becky Baeth (friend – Kathy Benson)
Irwin Hammer (friend – Glenna Knepper)
Family & Friends of Claude Roberts (son-in-law – Harold & Mavis
Fuchs)*

JUNE Anniversaries

Ron & Rolaine Brunelle	06/02/1961
John & Carol MacPhee	06/06/1970
Bob & Marcia Salayi	06/07/1975
Dennis & Dawn Menck	06/08/1968
Cliff & Darlene Lenz	06/11/1955
Bill & Jill Dougherty	06/14/1980
Lee & Andrea Werpy	06/18/1988
Dick & Sandi Dale	06/19/1982
Kay & JoAnn Nelson	06/23/1962
Gordon & JoAnn Longwell	06/28/1974



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Worship Schedule

Wednesdays

Evening Worship 6:00 PM

Sundays

9:00 AM Worship Service

In-Person and

LIVESTREAM ON YOUTUBE

VIDEO WORSHIP ARCHIVE ON

OUR WEBSITE

www.trinitylutherancda.org

FAMILY PROMISE BENEFIT

Family Promise of N. I. Golf Classic, June 25, 2022, at the Links Golf Course, Post Falls Learn more at www.familypromiseni.org. Saturday, June 25th check-in begins at 11:00am with a shotgun start at 1:00pm. Lunch will be provided by Pita Pit and an amazing catered dinner by Ekness Catering at 6:00pm We still need sponsors, golfers, and silent auction items. For more information, please reach out to Jonathan Green, tournament organizer, at 208-651-4612 or by email at apcar78@gmail.com.

