

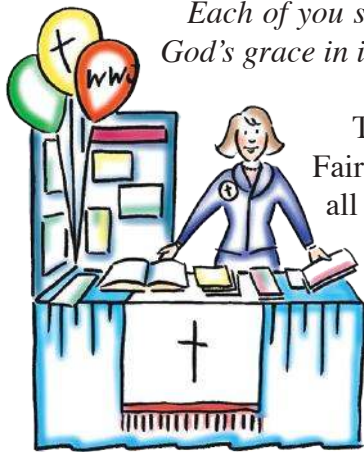


Trinity Today

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Ministry Fair - August 19th



Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. 1 Peter 4:10

The Ministry Fair will be held Sunday, August 19, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The Fair will offer a way for members and guests to learn about, and become involved in all the opportunities we have here at Trinity, perhaps even discover new ones. Each Ministry Group or MAT will have a table with information about their ministry and a way for you to sign up and get involved. Come talk to the Elders, leaders, and volunteers about what they're doing and how you can help. We hope the Ministry Fair will encourage you to find a place where you can participate and find a renewed sense of belonging and commitment to sharing God's grace through friendship, service, and love.

Youth Home Visits

Dear Parents of Trinity Youth!

As Director of Youth Ministries here at Trinity Downtown it is very important to me that I get to know you and your families. One way I plan to do this is by organizing home visits. These home visits will help me not just get to know you but will help me better to know how to serve and walk alongside you as we go through the highs and lows of life. It is a passion of mine to connect students and their families to the redemptive love of Jesus and equip them to live a life of active faith. I would love to set up a time to come to your home for a brief 20-30-minute visit for youth in grades 6th-12th.

If we are unable to set this up face to face at Church, you can contact me personally at 402.909.2386 or email me at mwinckler@trinitydt.org.

I look forward with great joy to learning more about you, your family, and the hopes and dreams you have for youth ministry at Trinity as we walk in faith together!



In Grace,
Michael Winckler
Director of Youth Ministries

Finance Corner - August 1, 2018

[Jesus said,] Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you. Luke 6:38 ESV

Dear Supporter of Trinity's Ministry:

God is doing great and new things here at Trinity Downtown. Our worship attendance continues to trend upward, with average attendance in June of 2018 higher than in June of 2017. In July, we welcomed Pastor Michael and Stacy Hofmann to our team as Michael takes on the role of Pastor of Outreach and Missions. We look forward with great anticipation on what God can do through their ministry and our continued efforts to share the Good News to a lost and hurting world.

During the first half of 2018, **tithes and offerings have been 6% higher than projected.** The monthly lease payments from Upbring are arriving in a timely manner, and we continue making our scheduled operational debt payments. We are also setting aside funds each month to continue rebuilding our emergency fund. That said, expenses so far this year have also been higher than expected due to unanticipated facility repairs and personnel recruiting and relocation costs. Our ministry partner, the Upbring School of Discovery and Leadership, has opened enrollment for their first Kindergarten class that will start in August of this year.

As summer is now in full swing, please don't forget that Trinity's ministries continue to operate and our costs remain unabated. If you're not able to attend regularly this summer, you can continue to give by going online to www.trinitydt.org and selecting the "Give" option on the top of the web page. And, of course, you can mail your check to the church office at:

Trinity Lutheran Church
Attn: Contributions Manager
800 Houston Ave
Houston, TX 77007

Please note that you can track your contributions and/or print contribution letters online by logging into your Trinity Community Builder ("TCB") account. Just go to the "\$" on the left-most panel on the screen. Select it, and you will see your contributions listed in detail. If you then select the "Giving Statements" options on the top right portion of the screen, you can print your contribution statement.

Trinity Downtown strives to be a "city on a hill", and your faithful contributions continue to make a real difference by enabling your church to be "light" and "salt" to our community. Thank you for giving as God has called us to give—generously and with a joyful heart!

Joyfully joining Jesus alongside you,
Ron Lacy, CFO



New Member Class - Save the Date

"Faith Discovery," our 8-week class for those desiring to join Trinity Downtown, will begin September 9 from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. in Room 123.

The Faith Discovery class offers an opportunity to learn more about the Christian faith and how you can become part of the Trinity community as we each live out our faith every day. Class participants will discover how God has uniquely gifted them, and how they, in turn, can use their gifts in service to Him and to our neighbors. Contact Pastor Dorn at mdorn@trinitydt.org for more information.

Journeys in the Holy Land

The route, points of interest, people to visit, places to eat and stay are all things to consider when planning a trip. When the journey is over there are stories to tell and pictures to look at that help us remember where we've been.

Scripture records many journeys that God's people made as they followed His will and purpose. The places they stopped and the events that occurred in these locations we've heard many times. However, we don't often look at these places in the sequence of a trip taken. On the Sundays in August, Pastor Michael Dorn will be leading a Bible study looking at some of these journeys including: Abraham, Joshua, Moses, and Jesus. Their travels offer encouragement to all

of us on our journey of faith. The first session begins on August 5th in Room 123 (Pastor's Office) at 9:30 a.m.



Trinity Music Ministry Gears Up for Fall



Trinity Music Ministries are gearing up for the fall and welcome new participants. If you love to sing, the **Sanctuary Choir** is looking for new singers to join our ranks. Rehearsals for the Sanctuary Choir begin on Wednesday, August 15, and we rehearse in the Sanctuary Loft from 7:15 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Questions? Contact Mary Voigt, mvoigt@trinitydt.org.

We also have opportunities for instrumentalists.

HANDBELLS - Handbells are great fun. If you have experience ringing bells, come join us. If you have no experience, but can read music, you are welcome to join us and we'll teach you how to ring. Handbell rehearsals begin Wednesday, September 5, from 6:15 - 7:15 p.m. in Room 205. Contact Mary Voigt, mvoigt@trinitydt.org for more information.

BRASS - Trinity Brass rehearsals resume on Wednesday, September 5, 5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary Loft. So pull out that trumpet or trombone and join us! Questions? Contact Mary Voigt, mvoigt@trinitydt.org.

WOODWINDS - Trinity Woodwinds will begin their rehearsals on Wednesday, September 19, from 5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. in the Band Room. Contact Dottie Burroughs, dpburroughs@sbcglobal.net if you are interested in joining the ranks of this ensemble.

Getting Ready to Grow

As the new program year prepares to kick off this fall, please take note of two important dates:

- Sunday, August 26th, is "Back to School" Sunday as our children and students move up to the next grade level for Sunday School and Confirmation instruction. We will also be blessing student backpacks at both the 8:15 and 10:50 services. Satellite Service will bless student backpacks on August 25th.
- Sunday, September 9th, will be the start of the new Bible study and discipleship year, including Faith Discovery class for interested new members.



Please be on the look out for details about new and engaging opportunities for growth in both Children's Ministry and Adult Education as we grow together in our faith.

Be in the Word

Adult Bible Classes - Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

“Colossians: For in Christ alone, ‘We have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.’” - Led by Dennis Gray’s Team - Room 209

“Hermeneutics” - Led by Thomas DeVries’ Team - Room 234

The Hermeneutics class, which uses the tools of the liberal arts to understand the lessons of our faith, has a fresh new set of topics we will be weaving through the next several months. They include Martin Luther’s thoughts on how to pray, Intermittent Fasting, Jordan Peterson, Pope John Paul II, Ruth and email crafting for middle managers. The discussions are geared towards individuals in their 20s and 30s who have not yet started a family.

“Journeys in the Holy Land” - Led by Pastor Michael Dorn’s Team - Room 123

See class description on page 3.

“Jeremiah” - Led by Jim Cleary’s Team - Room 205

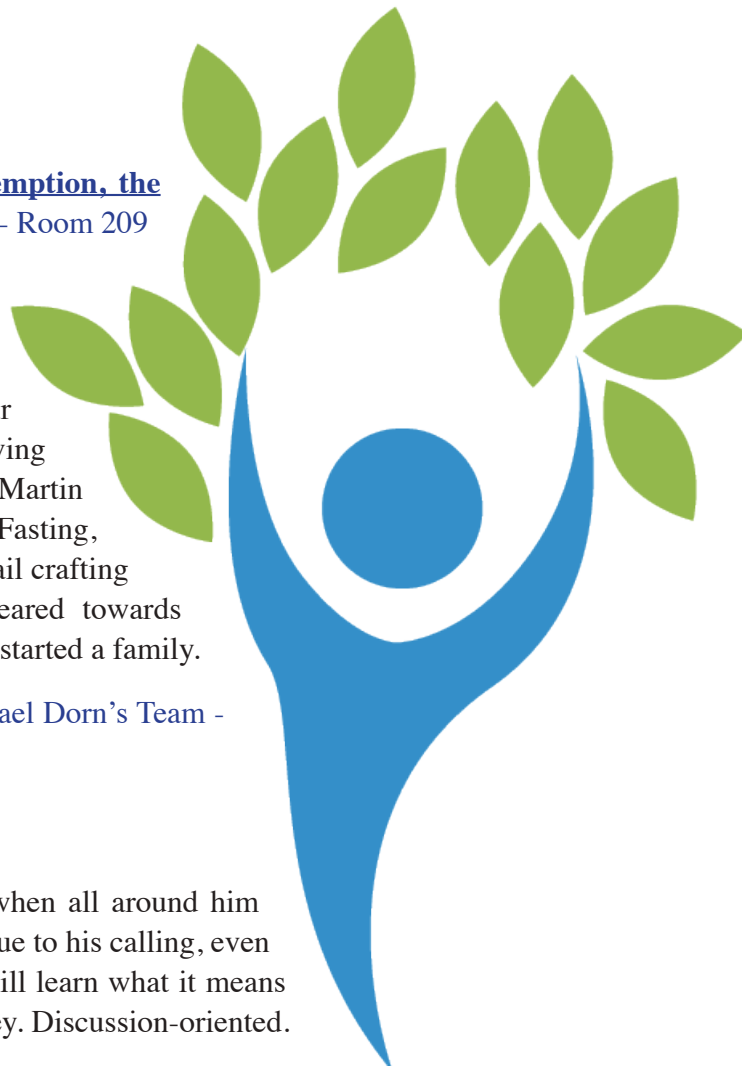
Jeremiah had it tough – being faithful to God when all around him were unfaithful people. Yet Jeremiah remained true to his calling, even when times got tough. Through our study, we will learn what it means to persevere and even to take delight in the journey. Discussion-oriented.

“The Catholic/Universal Faith” - Led by Pastor P. Dorn - Room 233

This four-week class will include a bit of history, take note of heresies, and make application to the here and now in a review of the Athanasian Creed (p. 319 in our Hymnal). Incidentally, we will discover the truth in this saying of St. Augustine: ‘God is greater and truer in our thoughts than in our words; He is greater and truer in reality than in our thoughts.’

“Do Works Work?” - Led by Bill Fischer’s Team - Room 201 (Begins August 12)

Bill Fischer’s class is studying the Book of James in the upstairs Chapel, Room 201. Martin Luther harshly called this short, five chapter book that comes between Hebrews and 1 Peter near the end of the New Testament “an epistle of straw” believing that it had no substance and little value. Luther later, however, tempered his thoughts, so join us as we explore James’ ideas on what our works have to do with our life as a Christian.



Kids Bible Time/Youth Bible Classes - Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

Age 3 through 3rd grade meet in Kids Park (Mary/Martha Hall in basement) for opening

Pre-K (ages 3 and 4) - Basement Nursery Room

6th - 7th Grade - Room 208, 2nd floor

K - 3rd Grade - Basement

8th-12th Grade - Underground Student Center (basement)

4th-5th Grade - Room 207, 2nd floor

Adult Midweek Bible Studies

Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Class

Tuesdays at 10 a.m. - Room 205. Women's Bible Study led by Audrey Black

This group is taking a summer break, but will meet August 21. For more information, please contact Audrey Black at 713.782.6307 or dgb32@att.net.

Wednesday Women's Bible Study - "Family Trees & Olive Branches (Creating a Culture of Grace in Your Family)"

Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. - Gathering Space - Women's Bible Study led by Jan Case

Wednesday Night Women's Bible Study - "Seamless"

Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. - Room 207 - Women's Bible Study led by Mary Oliver

Class is studying an overview of the Bible. They will be discovering how each part of God's Word works together to show God's plan for us and God's revelations about Himself using the book "Seamless." Some of the topics include the Beginning, the Patriarchs, the Prophets, and the Messiah. We have all ages of women who have become an encouraging community. Please join us!

Sonrise Bible Study

Thursdays at 6:30 a.m. - Room 124 - Led by Pastor Black

Class discusses the Scripture readings assigned for the following Sunday. The class is open to men and women. Coffee is available. For more information, contact Pastor Black at 713.229.2917 or dblack@trinitydt.org.

TnT - 20s and 30s Group Bible Study

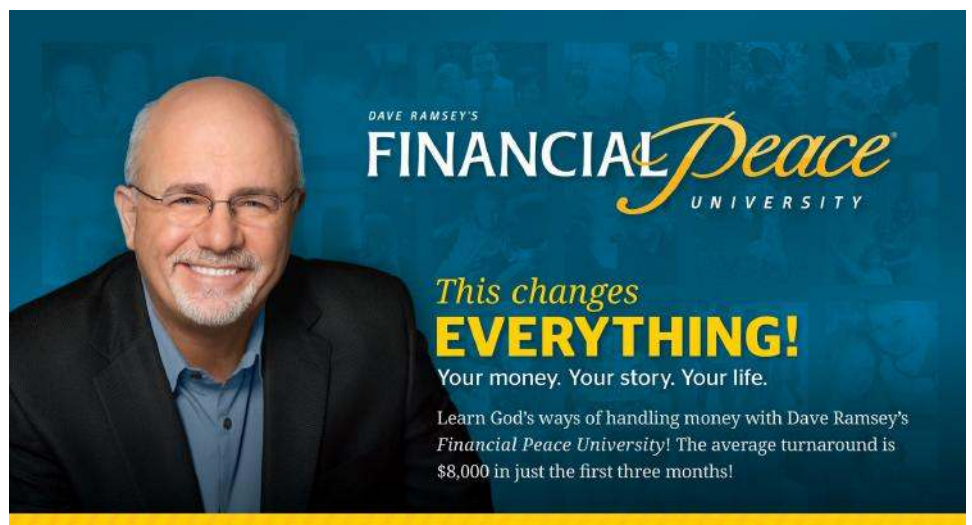
Current Study: "1st John, 2nd John and 3rd John" by Rev. Dr. Matthew Richard - Meets 1st and 3rd Fridays at 7:30 p.m. - off site. Contact Rachel and Dag Calafell at rachel.calafell@gmail.com or 832.389.8998 for more information.

Financial Peace University

Financial Peace University will be offered at Trinity beginning September 9 from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. in Room 214. The class will be led by John Garrett.

Financial Peace University is a nine-lesson, money-management class taught by America's most trusted financial guru, Dave Ramsey. Dave and his teaching team will walk you through the basics of budgeting, dumping debt, planning for the future, and much more.

Please go to <https://fpu.com/1068026> to register for this class. If this is your first time to attend an FPU class you will need to purchase the class materials from this registration site. For more information about the class, contact John Garrett at 346.254.4943 or johnpatrickgarrett@yahoo.com.



Greetings from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis!

The summer is flying by and what a summer it has been so far! The end of the spring semester rolled right into the class which took me to Israel for a couple of weeks. Prior to leaving the country, we had two days of preparatory classroom work. This wasn't just a sight-seeing tour, but we were learning how to help the Word of God come more fully alive to our hearers as we teach and preach the Word going forward. As such, we learned strategies for asking appropriate questions, how to get people into the Scripture and thinking about the events in their original context. We talked about the importance of knowing the events recorded in the Bible. From these stories (and the overall or "big picture" story God gives us), we can extract principles – what we usually call doctrine. And then from these more abstract principles, we can apply the knowledge of the Scriptures to our lives. It's important to consider and utilize all of these three levels of Biblical knowledge, though we often focus on just one. I would encourage you to give this some thought as you go to Bible study and read the Scriptures at home as well.



Chuck Ridley
Seminary Student

The trip to Israel itself was a whirlwind of activity. We had two weeks packed full of driving, hiking, eating, studying, contemplating, photographing, swimming, journaling, praying, and supporting each other up and down the country. The amount of geographical diversity in such a relatively small area is quite incredible. And learning about the trade routes that went through that land in Biblical times (many of which are still used today!) was very helpful in understanding the "why" behind many of the actions in the Biblical stories. As one of the ladies put it in our debriefing session, everything seems to make more sense – the sequence of events recorded (particularly of Jesus' ministry) doesn't seem so random anymore.

We got to see a variety of sights from both the Old and New Testaments. What was particularly cool was when we would stand in one spot and talk about the various things that happened there over hundreds of years. The city of Jericho is well known for the story from Joshua where the Israelites march around the city and the city walls fall down in order to allow the Israelites to take the city (Josh 6). But in the very same place you have Jesus walking through on His way to Jerusalem for His final week of life and He encounters blind Bartimaeus (Mk 10) and Zacchaeus (Lk 19). We also got to look out over the Jezreel valley from various spots and considered all of the bloodshed and destruction that had occurred there (e.g. Judges 4-5, 6-7; 1 Sam. 31; 1 Kings 18; 2 Kings 9). But then we look out from Nazareth and see the village of Nain where Jesus raised the widow's son (Lk 7) and see how Jesus brings life to this place which had been so full of death.

Some other locations I found very memorable because of how much story could be seen from one location. We went to the ruins of the town Beth-Shemesh and looked out over the Sorek valley, where much of Samson's life occurred. It was incredible to look out across the valley and imagine all of the crazy things that Samson did in his life. Not only that, but we considered what it meant that God said He would "begin to save Israel" from the Philistines. How often do we focus on results in our lives when maybe we're only called to start something? We get discouraged and fed up so easily when we don't get the credit we feel we deserve, when really, we are simply called to do the jobs that God has put before us. I had a similar experience at Mizpah, which means "look out place." From this location, we could see a number of cities, both near and far – including Jerusalem. We were told that on a clear day we could see the Mediterranean Sea, but we couldn't quite see that far on that day. This look out place gave us a great view not only of so many events in the OT, but also overlooks the most likely route for the road to Emmaus (Lk 24). I could imagine watching a couple of Jesus' disciples walking along the road from Jerusalem along with the risen Lord and then, later that day, the two disciples running back the other way down the road.

There were also several places that aren't mentioned in the Scripture directly but played a significant role in the history of Israel. Masada is an impressive site and trekking up the mountain early in the morning was quite a workout. This was a major fortification used by King Herod and later by sicarii ("dagger-men"; referred to as terrorists). The Romans sieged the fort in AD 73-74 and the remains of the Roman siege ramp and

their various camps can still be seen. Gamla is a similar site where sicarii lived and it was also destroyed by the Romans as they ended the Galilean rebellion in AD 68. Mount Arbel is another site where sicarii were living in caves in the mountainside. The story goes that a father threw his sons out of their cave to their deaths, one-by-one, and then jumped out himself rather than be subject to the Romans. Mt Arbel is across the Sea of Galilee from Gamla and these two sites of zealot occupancy provide a powerful backdrop to Jesus' words in Matt 5:9. As He sat on the north side of the Sea of Galilee, Jesus taught that it is those who make peace who will be called the sons of God, not those who go around killing people in God's name.

Although I can only begin to scratch the surface in this letter, I would like to note some of the locations which were full of unexpected beauty. En Gedi is a beautiful oasis on the edge of the Judean wilderness as it runs up against the Dead Sea. The waterfalls and wildlife make this a wonderful place to visit. The city of Dan is in the northernmost region of Israel and features lush greenery around a strong spring that you just wouldn't expect to see based on the area around it. And last, but certainly not least of all, is the Temple Mount in Jerusalem. The size of the complex is awe inspiring, despite being only a shadow of its former glory. If you ever get the chance to visit Israel, I highly recommend all of these sites.

Aside from the trip to Israel, I was able to enjoy some time with family and friends back home in Houston. I also moved out of the dorms and into an apartment near campus. While I enjoyed the convenience and community aspects of living on campus, I believe this is a more financially responsible decision and I am still within a five-minute walk of the classrooms. I also started working in the mail room and copy center on campus, which will help cover some of my living expenses. I have been taking Hebrew this summer and I am thoroughly enjoying it. Maybe it's just that I'm not working a full-time job at the same time, but I am finding Hebrew to be much easier than Greek. Lastly, I was able to preach my first sermon on Ephesians 1:3-14 at my RFE congregation this past Sunday (7/15/18). It was very encouraging to "get the first one under my belt" and the people of Mt Calvary were so kind and encouraging both before and after the service. It went well, but I am looking forward to continuously improving so that I can more effectively preach the Word of our Lord to His people. And on that note, I will conclude by reminding you to pray for your pastor!

"Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do His will, working in us that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen." (Hebrews 13:20-21 ESV)

In Christ,
Chuck Ridley

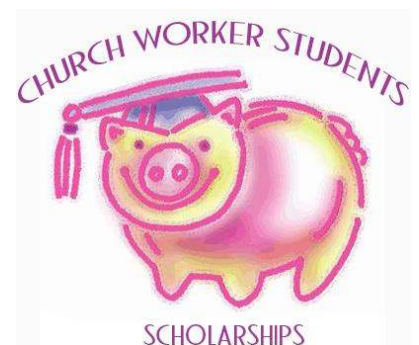


Large waterfall at En Gedi.

Scholarships for Church Worker Students

One of the ministries of the Trinity Lutheran Ladies Circle is to provide financial grants to communicant members of Trinity who are attending a Lutheran college or university with the intention of entering full-time ministry in the church.

Persons desiring more information or wishing to apply for a grant are asked to submit a written request to Trinity Ladies Circle, 800 Houston Ave., Houston, TX 77007.



10 Super Foods . . . For Better Health

In our July issue, six (6) suggestions were offered. In this issue we will take a look at the four (4) remaining suggestions.

1. Garbanzo Beans

All beans are healthy beans. If you did not know they are rich in protein, fiber, copper, folate, iron, magnesium, potassium and zinc. Garbanzos “stand out” because they are so versatile.” I must admit that I was not aware of the contents of garbanzo beans. They provide many of our needed nutrients. Look for no-salt added varieties in cartons. Add a handful to a tossed salad or stir them into your vegetable stews, curries and soups.



2. Watermelon

If you didn’t know, watermelon is a heavy weight in the nutrient department. A standard serving (about 2 cups) has one-third (1/3) of a day’s Vitamins A and C, a nice shot of potassium, and a healthy dose of lycopene for only 90 fat-free, salt free calories. And when they’re in season, watermelons are many times locally grown, which means they may have a smaller carbon footprint than some other fruits.

3. Butternut Squash

Steam a sliced squash or buy peeled, diced, butternut squash that’s ready to go into the oven, a stir-fry or a soup. It’s an easy way to get lots of Vitamin A and C and fiber.

4. Leafy Greens

Don’t miss out on powerhouse greens like kale, collards, spinach, mustard greens and Swiss chard. These stand-out leafy greens are loaded with Vitamins A, C, and K, folate, potassium magnesium, calcium, iron, and fiber. Saute in a bit of olive oil with minced garlic and season with ground black pepper and red wine vinegar.

So, I am looking forward to following up with these suggestions. Which ones surprise you? Let me know in an email. Happy Healthy eating!

SOURCE: “Nutrition Action Health Letter” - 2017

As we enjoy the summer months I pray that everyone has a safe, prosperous, enjoyable experience. I pray that we remember that worship is a most important aspect of our lives and that we take advantage of every opportunity that is offered to us.

“Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker; for He is our God and we are the people of His pasture, the flock under His care.” Psalm 95:6-7

Julie Bertrand, R.N.

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JESUS is the LIFE

In *John 14:6*, “**Jesus said to him, I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.**”

When life deals us a blow; when all around us seems to fall apart; when what we know to be the truth is not what others know; when the storms rain upon us, Jesus tells us, “**I am the way, the truth, and the life.**”

I am the way – Some of you may have lost your way. Maybe you feel off life’s path. The purpose and plan for your life seems to be tossed aside and nothing makes sense. We need to listen. Jesus is calling us. He is telling us that He is the way. You are not lost. Follow Him.

and the truth – I’ve been there too. People say one thing and you know the truth and it isn’t what they are saying. We need to remember that Jesus is the truth and He will help us reveal the truth. His way is the best way. Don’t fret, just put your concerns and worries in His hands to handle.

and the life – Sin is death. Jesus is life. His way makes sense; His way brings peace, comfort, understanding, and goodness. Jesus came that we would have life. It is His promise to us.

No one comes to the Father – this is a very important truth in salvation; Jesus is the way to the Father and we do not get to Heaven **except** through Him.

This is a simple verse and one many of you know by heart. Living it out, however, is not so simple. Think about what Jesus is to you today. Take Him at His word. **He is the way; He is the truth; He is the life.**

Do you sometimes feel like a gerbil, darting left and right, trying to find an escape from your cage? Don’t really have a direction? No purpose in life? Maybe you don’t really know what to do next. You feel lost, lonely, depressed. Can you relate? Maybe you have recently lost your spouse or received a devastating health report from your doctor. You might need someone to talk to. Someone who is compassionate and will listen. You might benefit from a Stephen Minister. Prayerfully consider reaching out to our Stephen Ministry Program and allow them to care for you during your time of need. If you or someone you know would like more information about Trinity’s Stephen Ministry Program, please contact: Pastor Michael Dorn at mdorn@trinitydt.org or Ron Lacy at rlacy@trinitydt.org. Pastor Dorn, Ron, or one of our Stephen Leaders will contact you.

The following is a great hymn that you can pray line-by-line asking God for His guidance in your life, confessing Him as your “strong deliverer” and receiving Him as your “strength and shield.”

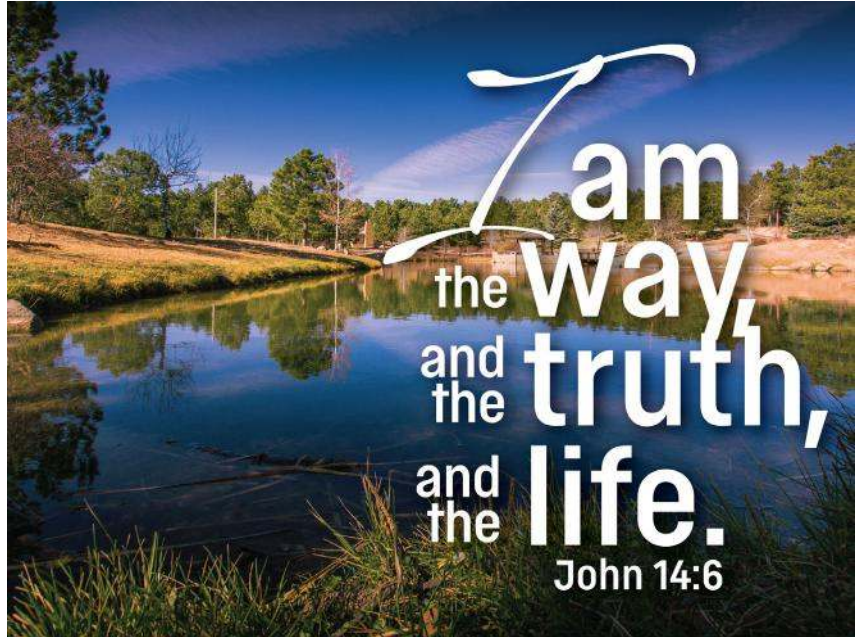
*Guide me, O Thou great Redeemer,
Pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but Thou art mighty;
Hold me with Thy pow’rful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
Feed me till I want no more;
Feed me till I want no more.*

*Open now the crystal fountain
Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fiery, cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through;
Strong deliv’rer, strong deliv’rer,
Be Thou still my strength and shield;
Be Thou still my strength and shield.*

*When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death, and hell’s destruction,
Land me safe on Canaan’s side.
Songs of praises, songs of praises
I will ever give to Thee;
I will ever give to Thee.*

{“Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer” LSB #918; Public Domain}

Linda Gray, Stephen Leader



CHURCH REPORT

June 18 - July 22

REVENUE UPDATE

Year To Date through 07/22/18

Actual Receipts	\$871,597
Budgeted Receipts	\$895,721

ORGAN FUND UPDATE

Year To Date through 07/22/18

Total Contributions	\$492,716
Remaining Balance	\$99,166

SUNDAY SCHOOL TOTALS

	<u>1-8</u>	<u>H.S.</u>	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Total</u>
06/24	13	7	91	111
07/01	13	6	35	54
07/08	11	7	112	130
07/15	22	6	97	125
07/22	12	0	118	130
Total Offering	\$206			

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

	<u>5:00</u>	<u>8:15</u>	<u>10:50</u>	<u>Total</u>
06/23	49			
06/24		174	140	363
06/30	56			
07/01		222	170	448
07/07	49			
07/08		225	145	419
07/14	51			
07/15		192	165	408
07/21	51			
07/22		184	144	379

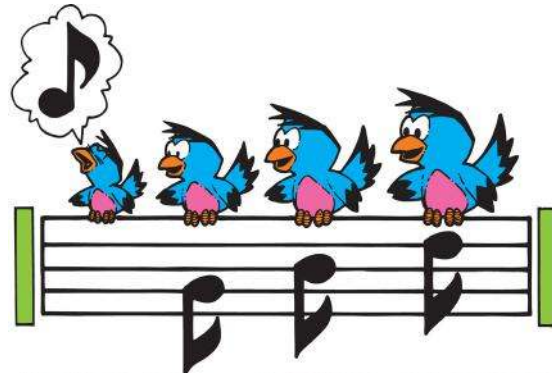
Houston Lutheran Chorale Seeks New and Returning Singers

The Houston Lutheran Chorale is seeking new and returning singers to celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ in music and song. This Christmas we will sing selections from Handel's Messiah as well as many joyous hymns and contemporary Christmas songs. Come join us.

All who love to sing are welcome – no auditions are required. Rehearsals begin August 12 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., two Sunday afternoons each month in Trinity's sanctuary.

Concerts will be held on November 30 at St. Timothy - Houston, December 1 at Memorial - Katy, and December 2 at Trinity - Downtown.

For more information call 832.489.6773 or for a proposed rehearsal schedule visit our web-site at www.hlc-tx.org.



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AUGUST 2018

Trinity Lutheran Church



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
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<p>5</p> <p>8:15 AM Traditional Worship (C)</p> <p>9:30 AM Bible Study Hour</p> <p>10:50 AM Traditional Worship (C)</p> 	<p>6</p> <p>7:00 PM Houston Camerata Rehearsal</p>	<p>7</p> <p>9:00 AM Staff Leadership Team Meeting</p> <p>6:00 PM Stephen Ministry</p> <p>7:00 PM Houston Bronze Ensemble</p>	<p>8</p> <p>9:30 AM Women's Bible Study</p> <p>6:30 PM Women's Bible Study</p>	<p>9</p> <p>6:30 AM Sonrise Bible Study</p>	<p>10</p> 	<p>11</p> <p>5:00 PM Satellite Service (C)</p>	
<p>12</p> <p>8:15 AM Traditional Worship</p> <p>9:30 AM Bible Study Hour</p> <p>10:50 AM Traditional Worship</p> <p>12:00 PM 39 Club</p> <p>2:00 PM HLC Rehearsal</p>	<p>13</p> <p>7:00 PM Houston Camerata Rehearsal</p>	<p>14</p> <p>9:00 AM Staff Leadership Team Meeting</p> <p>7:00 PM Houston Bronze Ensemble</p>	<p>15</p> <p>9:30 AM Women's Bible Study</p> <p>10:30 AM Ladies Circle HPCC</p> <p>6:30 PM Women's Bible Study</p> <p>7:15 PM Sanctuary Choir</p>	<p>16</p> <p>6:30 AM Sonrise Bible Study</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p> <p>5:00 PM Satellite Service</p>	
<p>19</p> <p>8:15 AM Traditional Worship (C)</p> <p>9:30 AM Bible Study Hour</p> <p>10:50 AM Traditional Worship (C)</p>  <p>Ministry Fair</p>	<p>20</p> <p>7:00 PM Houston Camerata Rehearsal</p>	<p>21</p> <p>9:00 AM Staff Leadership Team Meeting</p> <p>10:00 AM Women's Bible Study</p> <p>6:00 PM Stephen Ministry</p> <p>7:00 PM Houston Bronze Ensemble</p>	<p>22</p> <p>9:30 AM Women's Bible Study</p> <p>6:30 PM Women's Bible Study</p> <p>7:15 PM Sanctuary Choir</p>	<p>23</p> <p>6:30 AM Sonrise Bible Study</p> <p>10:00 AM Ladies Circle Executive Board</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p> <p>5:00 PM Satellite Service (C)</p>	
<p>26</p> <p>8:15 AM Traditional Worship</p> <p>9:30 AM Bible Study Hour</p> <p>10:50 AM Traditional Worship</p> <p>2:00 PM HLC Rehearsal</p>  <p>Blessing of the Backpacks</p> <p>Back to School Sunday</p>	<p>27</p> <p>6:00 PM Elders Meeting</p> <p>6:30 PM Governing Board</p> <p>7:00 PM Houston Camerata Rehearsal</p>	<p>28</p> <p>9:00 AM Staff Leadership Team Meeting</p> <p>6:30 PM Sunday School MAT</p> <p>7:00 PM Houston Bronze Ensemble</p>	<p>29</p> <p>9:30 AM Women's Bible Study</p> <p>6:30 PM Women's Bible Study</p> <p>7:15 PM Sanctuary Choir</p>	<p>30</p> <p>6:30 AM Sonrise Bible Study</p>	<p>31</p>		

Ladies Circle Ministries

The monthly gathering of the Ladies Circle will be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, August 2, in Room 205. A time for fellowship and refreshments will begin at 9:30 a.m.

A report on the LWML Texas District Convention held July 5-8 in Waco will be given by our delegates, Ethelene Marshall and Linda Banes.

Those wishing to contribute toward the purchase of school supplies for next year's Lutheran World Relief Ingathering may bring monetary donations for that ministry.

For additional information, please call our president, Debbie Leonard, at 319.431.6804, or by e-mail to Debbie.Leonard.TX@gmail.com. All are welcome.



Additional dates to remember:

Wednesdays, August 1 and 15 - 10:30 a.m. - Devotions at Highland Park Care Center at their new location, 8861 Fulton St.

Thursday, August 23 - 10 a.m. - Executive Board meeting in Room 205.

The 39 Club



The 39 Club is invited to meet in the foyer following the 10:50 a.m. service on August 12 and plan to have lunch together at Berryhill Baja Grill, 702 East 11th Street.

In July the group enjoyed food and fellowship at Shanghai River Restaurant. Those who are single, 39 and over, are invited to join us. For more information, contact Jean Minsch at 281.550.4752.

A Life Quote for the Church Year – August 19 - Pentecost XIII

“Even out of Jesus’ mouth the Gospel causes offense (John 6:61, 66). Yet to whom else shall we go? Shall we take refuge in the empty, ever-changing trends of politically-correct popular opinions? Only the Savior speaks life – abundant life, eternal life, life for free, life for all (6:63). If our words do not declare and deliver life, they do not come from the Lord.

Prayer: *O Wisdom from on high, let Your goodness fill our hearts and mouths. Amen.”*

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