



### OCTOBER LAMPLIGHTER DEADLINE

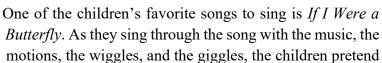
Please have your calendar items and articles into the church office by:

# Monday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>!!



### WEE DISCIPLES

"Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6





to be a butterfly, a wiggly worm, a fuzzy, wuzzy bear, a robin in a tree, a fish in the sea, a kangaroo, an octopus, an elephant, and a crocodile, with each stanza ending with these words—"And I just thank you, Father, for making me Me!" At Wee Disciples we embrace and enjoy the uniqueness and specialness of each of the children entrusted to our care. It is a wonderful experience to work with each child as they learn and grow with us. We are looking forward to another new school year and we welcome our new families and new staff, and we welcome back our returning families and staff members. It is going to be a wonderful year!

Thank you to everyone who attended the *Back-to-School Open House* on August 21<sup>st</sup>. It was nice to have so many stop by! Thank you to our summer staff for helping us with our summer program and thank you to the families who had their children attend here. It was a busy and fun summer!

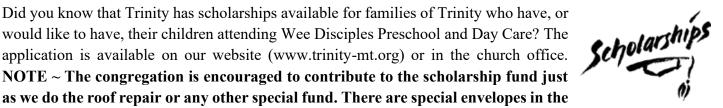
Currently we have 51 children enrolled at Wee Disciples and 15 staff members, some work part-time and some work full-time. We do have a couple preschool openings, so if you know someone who is looking to enroll a child in preschool, have them contact Debbie Lee.

Wee Disciples will be closed on Labor Day, September 1st.

The Board of Early Childhood Education meets on Thursday, September 4th at 6:30pm.

The *Fuddruckers's Burgers for Benefits* fundraiser continues on the third Tuesday of each month again this year. **September 16<sup>th</sup>** will be the next opportunity to participate. Coupons are available on the announcement board upstairs near the door to Miss Debbie's room. We also are continuing with the Smith's Rewards Program. Thank you for your continued support with these fundraising efforts!

would like to have, their children attending Wee Disciples Preschool and Day Care? The application is available on our website (www.trinity-mt.org) or in the church office. NOTE ~ The congregation is encouraged to contribute to the scholarship fund just as we do the roof repair or any other special fund. There are special envelopes in the back of the Sanctuary to place your donations in.





#### **LWML News**

All ladies of the congregation, including our new members and confirmed young women, are invited and encouraged to attend all LWML happenings here at Trinity. Please contact Sylvia Adams or Amy Schultz for more information.

Mark your calendars: Trinity LWML will be hosting our Central Zone Fall Rally on October 4th. The theme will be "Stir Up One Another in Love and Good Works." Our guest speaker will be Lynne Staigmiller, Volunteer Coordinator for the Rescue Mission, and we will

collect donations to aid in their work within the Great Falls community. Ladies from all over the zone will be invited, including Chinook, Havre, Power, Fairfield, Peace/Christ for the Deaf here in Great Falls, Stanford, Lewistown, Denton and Fort Benton. The in-gathering will be non-perishable food items, especially cereal. Keep watch for more details! This is a great opportunity to serve and have fellowship with our sisters in Christ in our area.

"At Such a Time As This" is the theme of our Fall Retreats this year, which will be held September 19th - 21st. The theme and dates are the same at both locations – Mountain Top Retreat near Bozeman & Trinity Lutheran Camp near Bigfork. Retreats are a wonderful opportunity to spend time in study of God's Word and His many blessings for us. They also provide time for fellowship and fun, whether it's crafting, playing games or enjoying God's creation. Registration is open; invite a friend! Please talk to Amy Schultz for more information or see the LWML bulletin board outside the church office.

The Montana District LWML Convention will be on April 24-26, 2026, in Lewistown. What joyful times ahead! Our next Group Gathering will be on Saturday, September 6th at 9:30 am. We will plan out our year, have fellowship time, devotions, and treats – please join us!

#### **Dates to Remember:**

September  $6^{th} \sim 9:30$  am **Group Gathering** September  $19^{th} \sim 21^{st}$ District Retreats at Trinity Camp or Bozeman October  $4^{th} \sim TBA$ Trinity hosting Central Zone Fall Rally October 5th LWML Sunday ~ installation of officers District LWML Convention ~ Lewistown, MT April 24-26, 2026

Wednesday Ladies Bible study ~ Throughout the summer, the Ladies' Bible Study group worked through an interesting study about The Lord's Prayer. The group will now be working through some individual studies. August 27<sup>th</sup> and September 3<sup>rd</sup>, we will be doing a study titled Assured. On September 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, we will be doing a study titled Deep Cleaning, and on September 24th and October 8th, we will be doing a study titled Through Christ: Abundant Life for Women.



The Ladies' Bible Study meets every Wednesday from 9:30am to 11:00am in the Stahlecker Room. Do you have a Bible study you are interested in studying? Join us as we study God's Word together and have fellowship time together each week.

<u>Men's Bible Study</u> meets on Thursday mornings at 8:30 am for an hour of fellowship and study of God's Word. All the men of the congregation are invited and encouraged to attend.

<u>The Friday Ladies Bible study</u> ~ Friday Ladies Bible study continues to be in recess until further notice.

<u>Assisted Living Ministry</u> ~ Assisted Living Ministry will bring hymn singing and a devotion to *Highgate Senior Living*, 3000 11<sup>th</sup> Ave. S., on **Friday, September 26<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm**. The no host lunch will gather earlier that day at **11:45am** at *Rib & Chop*, 221 3<sup>rd</sup> St. N.



### Called Home to Glory

July 2025

Purl George Pence

## Mark Your calendars! Sunday, September 7, 2025

Bring your children, grandchildren and neighbors for Sunday school
8:30 am

age 3 through 6<sup>th</sup> grade in the Sanctuary

Junior High and High school youth downstairs in the Youth Room and

Adult Bible study in the Fellowship Hall downstairs followed by

Divine Service at 10:00 am

Join us after service for an "Ice Cream Social" to celebrate Rally Day!





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#### Joshua Schultz

800 N. Columbia Ave. Seward, NE 68434-1556

## Please, check your Narthex mailbox!

**If you are a semi-regular or regular attendee, due to the rising cost of postage,** you will NOT be receiving the Lamplighter or most other church related items via the U.S. Postal Service. Please check your Narthex mailbox each week.

If you would prefer to receive your Lamplighter via email, please email the church (trinity@trinity-mt.org) and we will switch you to electronic delivery.

Remember that the Lamplighter and Grace Notes are posted on our web site at **www.trinity-mt-org**. You can always access them there anytime.

<u>Just a reminder</u>, if you need to get in touch with the church office, PLEASE call the church (406-452-2121), the church cell phone (406-590-6460) or send an email (trinity@trinity-mt.org). Both the church number and cell phone number reach me 24/7 and I have access to check email regularly. Thank you, Cheryl Bauer

Our video ministry goes out each week on our Facebook page and reaches countless people. The audio/video crew is looking for a few good people. No experience is needed; we will teach you what you will need to know. If you would be interested in helping with this very important ministry, contact Pastor Schultz or Cheryl Bauer (406-590-6460) for more



We have had so many new faces join our family (and a few friends have left us) here at Trinity that the time has come, once again, to update our church directory. Please stop by the table in the Narthex the next two Sundays to verify that we have all the correct, current information on your household and, if you like, we can update your picture.



COLLEGE STUDENTS ~ please consider sharing your "away" address with us so that we can stay in touch with you.



information.

**Quarterly Voter's Meeting** ~ The fall Quarterly Voter's meeting will be held on Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup> following the Divine Service. All Members 18-years-old and up are invited and encouraged to come.

### **COMPARISON OF GIVING REPORT ~ 2025**

For the period July 27th through August 24th

July 27 <sup>th</sup>	\$2,408
August 3 <sup>rd</sup>	\$4,795
August 10 <sup>th</sup>	\$3,315
August 17th	\$3,824
August 24th	\$3,785
Vanco	\$1,850



Actual giving for report period: \$19,977

Roof Repair Fund -through 08/24/2025 \$50,374

If you have any questions, please call me at (406) 781-7605 ~ Logan Stene, Assistant Treasurer

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#### Our shut-ins

Millie Birkholz (The Lodge), Ellen Carpenter (Eagle's Manor), Anita Erickson (at home). Ed Hickel (at home), Arleen Nelson (Rosetta Assisted Living), Lauretta Stanfield (at home); Juanita Winter (Bee Hive Homes-Clover), Barbara Zafft (The Lodge)



Bob Blomstrom (Helena), Darlene Murray (at son's home in Kansas), Vi-Nell (Benefis Grandview)

### Our members who continue to battle health issues and their caregivers

Roy & Carolyn Arves, Chuck & Judy Lively, Jerry & Colleen Mans, Henry & Alice Schuman

#### We pray for those serving in the military and our First Responders

Sam Birkett, Cascade County Sheriff's Deputy; Matt Clark, Great Falls Emergency Services; Joshua Graham, (Blomstrom's grandson-in-law) Helena Police Department

Scott Backus, MANG; Scott Broberg, USAF; Daniel Crème', USAF; Ricardo Dominguez, USAF; Matthew Erickson, USAF (Anita Erickson's grandson); Landon Grosenick, MANG (Pam Grosenick's grandson); Chaplain Jonathan Schultz, USAF Reserves; Julie Timms (Waetzig's granddaughter)

Rev. Dr. David & Jennifer Preus ~ Eurasia (Romania)

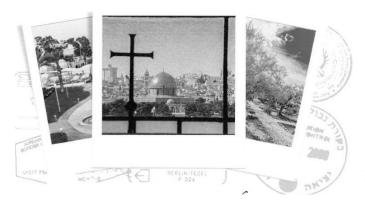
John & Jenn Wolf ~ Kenya

**Rev. Dr. Gerald & Heidi Paul** ~ Cayman Islands

Rev. Eric & Johanna Stinnett ~ Ethiopia

**Giving Online:** You can partner with the LCMS by making an online gift restricted in use to the support of these missionaries at **lcms.org** 

Giving by Check: You can also make a donation to their ministries by check. *Mail your check, made payable to The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and designated in the memo line with the missionaries last name*, to The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, P.O. Box 66861, St. Louis, MO 63166-6861, QUESTIONS? Call 888-930-4438 or send an email to mission.giving@lcms.org.



## Join us as a fellow traveler

# **Our Holy Land Journey**

October 7 ~ 17, 2026

Join us as a fellow traveler on Our Holy Land Tour to Israel. The purpose of our journey to the Holy Land is to equip fellow travelers as saints as expressed in Ephesians 4:11-12. While pictures, videos, and other media may give us a sense of significance of the many places you will see on your journey,

being in the presence of sights central to the life, ministry, miracles, death, and resurrection of Jesus offers a unique potential to deepen your life in faith. This journey will prepare and inspire you for the work Gods calls each one of us that we may be an even greater blessing to others.

#### **LEARN MORE**

- Request an information folder
- Visit purposefuljourneys.org
- Email info@purposefuljourneys.org

#### Administered by:

Purposeful Journeys 3095 Lexington Avenue, Suite 400 Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Pastor and Mrs. Portier invite you to join them and others on this joiurney to the Holy Land.

# Worship Assistants



### Serving this Month

*Altar Guild* ~ Denise Wegner / Sandy Baranko / Candace Tanksley

*Ushers* ~ Alan Wegner / Roy Arves / Elders

September 3, 2025 ~ Mid-week Service

Duty Elder Martin Bauer

September 7, 2025 ~ Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost (green)

Duty Elders Martin Bauer / Shawn Shaw

Audio/Video/Music Cheryl Bauer

September 10, 2025 ~ Mid-week Service

Duty Elder Shawn Shaw

September 14, 2025 ~ Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost (green)

Duty Elders Scott Broberg / Len Koelbel

Audio/Video NOA

Organist Gloria Creek



September 17, 2025 ~ Mid-Week Service

Duty Elder Martin Bauer

September 21, 2025 ~ Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost (green)

Duty Elders Shawn Shaw / Ron VanVoast

Audio/Video/Music Isaac Schultz

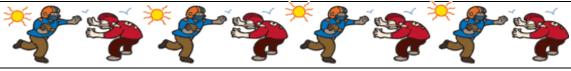
September 24, 2025 ~ Mid-week Service

Duty Elder Shawn Shaw

September 28, 2025 ~ Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost (green)

Duty Elders Scott Broberg / Ron VanVoast

Audio/Video /Music NOA



If unable to serve on your designated Sunday, please contact the church office (406-452-2121) as soon as possible to allow time to find a substitute.

# **Birthdays**

# Wedding, Baptismal and Confirmation Anniversaries

September 1st September 5<sup>th</sup>

September 7<sup>th</sup>

September 10<sup>th</sup>

September 11<sup>th</sup>

Kathie Gessaman

Jacksin Graves, Serenity Miesmer

Carolyn Arves (80+), Denise Wegner

Bryce Backus, Brian Felstet

Pam Grosenick, Pam Nommensen

Ada Burkstrand, Christopher Meehan

September 13th

September 16th

September 18th

September 19th

September 12th

September 22<sup>nd</sup>

Bob Bergan, Brittnie Clark

Zander Martello, Charlotte Morrison

September 24th

September 27th

September 29th

September 30th

Jaymes Crumley, Meredith Tabbert Patty Jones, Al Redenbaugh, Brett Stene

Ericka Taylor

Shawna Burkstrand

Briana Bishop

Jimmy Norris

Janet Headington, Tonya Wandke

Hailey Houle

Michael Bush, Kaleigh Smith





September 3<sup>rd</sup>

September 5th

September 7<sup>th</sup>

Adam ♥ Tina Bink (18)

Daniel ♥ Deborah Farris (14)

Chad ♥ Michele Mans (28)

Jerry ♥ Colleen Mans (64)

Ed ♥ Sherri VanVleet (55)

*Seth* ♥ *Jamey Wheeler* (24)



September 10<sup>th</sup>

September 8th

September 9th

September 20th

September 11<sup>th</sup>

September 13th

September 15<sup>th</sup> September 16<sup>th</sup>

Doug Nelson

Matt Gollahon

Tim Guderjahn Karla Adelmeyer, Cody Stene

Connie Felstet





September 19th

September 20th

September 24th

September 25th September 27<sup>th</sup>

September 30th

Mychal Taylor Tracy Martello Pam Grosenick Cathy Christianson Bryce Backus, David O'Meara Meredith Tabbert, Mason Voegel