

# Grace Notes

**May 31, 2026**

Trinity Lutheran Church

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**Sunday – 05/31/2026 ~ The Holy Trinity**

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Mission Collection ~ Pastor & Heidi Paul in Peru**

8:30a Sunday School and Adult Bible study

10:00a Divine Service

**Duty Elders ~ Scott Broberg / Ron VanVoast**

**Audio/Video/Music ~ Denise Rutledge**

**Monday – 06/01/2026**

*Nothing scheduled*

**Tuesday – 06/02/2026**

*Nothing scheduled*

**Wednesday – 06/03/2026**

9:30a Ladies Bible study

6:30p Mid-Week Worship

**Thursday – 06/04/2026**

8:30a Men's Bible study

**6:30p Wee Disciples Year-end Chapel & Graduation**

**Friday – 06/05/2026 ~ Last Day of school**

**Wee Disciples Year-End Family Picnic**

*Church Office Closed*

**Saturday – 06/06/2026**

*Nothing scheduled*

**Sunday – 06/07/2026 ~ Second Sunday after Pentecost**

8:30a Sunday School and Adult Bible study

10:00a Divine Service

**Duty Elders ~ Len Koelbel / Bill Sybrant**

**Audio/Video/Music ~ Isaac Schultz**

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*Don't forget....*

## **Check your Narthex mailboxes, please.**

**Offering Counters are needed** to assist the Treasurer and Bookkeeper in counting and recording the offerings following each Sunday service. No experience is needed; training will be provided. Please call the Ron VanVoast (307-631-5949), church office (406-452-2121) or sign up on the bulletin board outside the church office if you are willing to assist with this necessary mission.

**Fellowship Time Help Needed!!** We are looking for individuals or couples who would be willing to help set up the coffee and cookies for Sunday mornings. This would be one or two Saturdays a month (the more people who volunteer the less often you would be asked to help). If you are interested, please talk to Pastor (406-402-2081) or Cheryl (406-452-2121).

**We are looking for individuals, couples, families or groups** who would be willing to help with the tear down and clean-up follow Fellowship time each Sunday. If you are interested, please talk to Pastor (406-402-2081) or the church office (406-452-2121).

**Trinity Scholarships** ~ Did you know that Trinity has scholarships available for families of Trinity who have, or would like to have, their children attending Wee Disciples Preschool and Day Care? The application is available on our website ([www.trinity-mt.org](http://www.trinity-mt.org)) or in the church office.

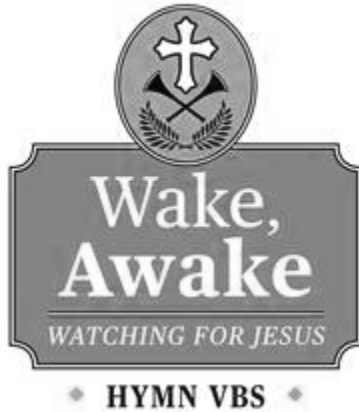
**NOTE ~ The congregation is encouraged to contribute to the scholarship fund just as we do the roof repair or any other special fund. There are special envelopes in the back of the Sanctuary to place your donations in.**

**Roof Repair Fund** ~ There are special envelopes in the back of the Sanctuary to place your donations in.

**Coffee and Chat** ~ Want to learn sign language? New to American Sign language? Not sure where to start? Join us for Coffee and Chat! Learn more signs and practice what you know in a calm environment. **Every third Saturday of the month 11:00am-12:30pm** at the **Double Barrel Coffee House**, 1500 9th Ave S. Sponsored by Peace Lutheran Church and Christ Lutheran Church for the Deaf, 3340 11<sup>th</sup> Ave S. Great Falls MT 59405.

**Wee Disciples Job Opening** ~ Wee Disciples is currently hiring for the summer and fall. We are looking for full and part-time Early Childhood staff members. We are open Monday-Friday from 7:00am to 6:00pm with flexible scheduling. If you enjoy working with children and spreading the message and love of God, this is the opportunity for you! Please contact Director Debbie Lee at (406) 799-5881 or Trinity Lutheran Church at (406) 452-2121 for more information.

**Board of Education Chairperson** ~ The Church Council is looking for someone to take the position of “Chairperson for the Board of Education”. This person works with Pastor and oversees the Sunday School, VBS, and Bible study groups for all ages. If you are interested in helping with this important part for Trinity’s ministry, please contact Pastor (406-402-2081) or James Neumann (406-868-2570).



**Vacation Bible School June 15<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>  
9:00am to 1:15pm.**

Monday ~ *“Awake, Jerusalem, Arise!” (Matthew 21:9)*

Tuesday ~ *“The Bridegroom Comes, Awake!” (1 John 1:9)*

Wednesday ~ *“Your Lamps with Gladness Take!” (Matthew 25:13)*

Thursday ~ *“She Wakes, She Rises from Her Gloom” (Mark 5:41)*

Friday ~ *“Sing Hymns of Praise and Joy to Thee!” (Revelation 7:12)*

Each day *Wake, Awake* begins with **Opening Worship**, where children, leaders, and helpers sing, hear God’s Word, and pray together. Children then head off to a **Bible Lesson**, where they learn a Bible narrative that relates to themes of the hymn; a **Catechism Lesson** that shares a teaching from Luther’s Small Catechism; and a **Hymn Lesson**, where they explore the biblical themes of the hymn text and sing together. Children also enjoy **Snacks, Games**, and a **Crafts** before coming together again for **Closing Worship**.

**Lunch will be provided.**

**Contribution and Attendance Numbers**  
**for the week of May 18<sup>th</sup> through May 24<sup>th</sup>**

Mid-Week Service	16
Adult Bible study ( <i>Women's Men's, Sunday</i> )	29
Sunday school	8
Divine Service	79
Offerings	\$2,156
Vanco	\$95

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**The Lutheran Hour ~ June 7<sup>th</sup>**  
**"Peter's Restoration—and Ours"**

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Chad Lakies

Jesus forgives and restores us and He sends us out to offer this restoration to others, in His name. (*John 21:1-19*)

**FM 106.9** is transmitting *The Lutheran Hour* on Sunday mornings at 8:00am. The weekly broadcast of *The Lutheran Hour* is also available at **www.lutheranhour.org**, on the **Connected by LHM** mobile app, on **Sirius XM Family Talk Channel**, and platforms like **Spotify, iHeartRadio**, dialing in on your phone, and more.

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**Lutherans for Life** ~ **May 31<sup>st</sup>** ~ “If we want to save more Trinitarian-valued lives, then we need to knock a Humpty Dumpty way of thinking about words off the wall. We need to speak of the reality behind the word ‘abortion’ and use such a time as this to speak of the reality behind the Word made flesh to dwell among us and in us and for us. You have been called for such a time as this.”  
*Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, former Executive Director of Lutherans For Life ~ A Life Quote from Lutherans for Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)*

## ***The week of May 31<sup>st</sup> through June 7<sup>th</sup>***

### ***Celebrating their Wedding Anniversaries this week***

<i>June 3<sup>rd</sup></i>	<i>Scott ♥ Deanna Backus (26)</i>
<i>June 4<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Shawn ♥ Jenny Shaw (38)</i>
<i>June 7<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Wes ♥ Tristan Bauer (8)</i>
	<i>Scott ♥ Elisa Broberg (14)</i>
	<i>Sean ♥ Rayn Ginnaty (30)</i>

### ***Celebrating their Birthday this week***

<i>May 31<sup>st</sup></i>	<i>Judy Boyce</i>
	<i>Cory Phillips</i>
	<i>Rob Voegel</i>
<i>June 1<sup>st</sup></i>	<i>Molly Church</i>
	<i>Kairi Legg</i>
<i>June 3<sup>rd</sup></i>	<b><i>Len Koelbel (80+)</i></b>
<i>June 5<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Ellen Carpenter</i>
<i>June 6<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Scott Broberg</i>
	<i>Clay Isakson</i>
	<i>Crue Isakson</i>
<i>June 7<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>OD Jones</i>
	<i>Sammy Williams</i>

### ***Celebrating their Baptismal Anniversaries this week***

<i>May 30<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Carter Bicsak</i>
<i>June 1<sup>st</sup></i>	<i>Linda Bergan</i>
	<i>Brydger Ginnaty</i>
	<i>Morgan Shaw</i>
<i>June 4<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Alice Schuman</i>

*June 5<sup>th</sup>*

*Ellen Carpenter  
Kristen Mansch  
Ryan Neumann  
Shelley Rossberg*

*June 6<sup>th</sup>*

*Joyce Stanger  
Carl Andersen*

*June 7<sup>th</sup>*

*Alec Jones  
Rose Shelden*

***Celebrating their Confirmation anniversaries this week***

*May 31<sup>st</sup>*

*Cody Stene*

*June 4<sup>th</sup>*

*Ashley Hill*

*June 5<sup>th</sup>*

*Sam Birkett*

*Sandra Heinert*

*Joyce Stanger*

*Emily Stene*

*June 6<sup>th</sup>*

*Linda Craven*

*Kathie Gessaman*

*Rochelle Kimmerle*

*Myrna Philipp*

*Lauretta Stanfield*

*June 7<sup>th</sup>*

*Carl Andersen*

## ***PRAYER REQUESTS***

*For prayer requests, please call the church office (406-452-2121)  
or email us at [trinity@trinity-mt.org](mailto:trinity@trinity-mt.org)*

### ***We pray for our members***

Joyce Bush	Ellen Carpenter
Lucy Ann Hall	Neil Hamm
Larry Homen	Lidia Neumann
Kirk Norris	David O'Meara
Joy Suek	

### ***We pray for friends and family of our members***

Martie Curl (VanVoast's friend)  
Gary Headington  
Fran Holt (Michael Garver's mother)  
Janet Hussli (Pam Grosenick's sister-in-law)  
Dawn Krueger (Pam Grosenick's sister)  
Laura (Denise Wegner's friend)  
Roger & Marlene Lienau (Cheryl Bauer's parents)  
Mike Madison (Lively's friend)  
Debby Phillips (LaVelle VanVoast's friend)  
Rebecca (Debbie Lee's sister)  
Jim Smith (VanVoast's friend)  
Rick Sotak (Matt Clark's grandfather)  
Betty Stene (Brett Stene's mother)  
Tiana (Lively's friend)  
Tom & Nancy Wheeler (Seth & Clint Wheeler's parents)  
Fred and Beverly Wibert (Sam Birkett's grandparents)  
Kathy Zagel (wife of former pastor Bruce Zagel)  
Merle Ziegleman (VanVoast's friend)

**We pray for our shut-ins**

Mildred Birkholz (The Lodge)                      Ellen Carpenter (Eagle's Manor)  
Anita Erickson (at home)    Ed Hickel (at home)  
Arleen Nelson (Rosetta Assisted Living)                      Barbara Zafft (The Lodge)  
Bob Blomstrom (Helena)    Darlene Murray (in Kansas)

**We pray for the pastors of the Montana District with health concerns**

Pastor John Valle (former member of Trinity)  
Pastor Ray Wiegert (former pastor at Messiah-Missoula)

**We pray for our members battling health issues and their caregivers**

Roy & Carolyn Arves    Jim & Barb Going (Washington)  
Chuck & Judy Lively    Jerry & Colleen Mans  
Henry & Alice Schuman    Lindy & Lauretta Stanfield

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

Sam Birkett, Cascade County Sheriff's Detective  
Matt Clark, Great Falls Emergency Services

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Scott Backus, MANG  
Scott Broberg, USAF  
Ricardo Dominguez, USAF  
Caleb Eberly, USA  
Jacob Eberly, USA  
Matthew Erickson, USAF (Anita Erickson's grandson)  
Landon Grosenick, MANG (Pam Grosenick's grandson)  
Chaplain Jonathan Schultz, USAF Reserves  
Mychal Taylor, MANG  
Mattie Young, ANG

## CONCERNING THE LORD’S SUPPER

The Lord’s Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord’s body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an usher.

For further study, see Matthew 5:23ff; 10:32ff; 18:15–35; 26:26–29; 1 Corinthians 1:28; 11:17–34.

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### Other Helpful Links

Trinity Lutheran Church	<a href="http://www.trinity-mt.org">www.trinity-mt.org</a>
Also visit & “like” our Facebook page	
Concordia Publishing House	<a href="http://www.cph.org">www.cph.org</a>
Higher Things	<a href="http://www.higherthings.org">www.higherthings.org</a>
Issues, Etc.	<a href="http://www.issuesetc.org">www.issuesetc.org</a>
The Word of the Lord Endures Forever	<a href="http://thewordendures.org">thewordendures.org</a>
LCMS	<a href="http://www.lcms.org">www.lcms.org</a>
Lutherans for Life	<a href="http://lutheransforlife.org">lutheransforlife.org</a>
LWML	<a href="http://www.lwml.org">www.lwml.org</a>
Montana District LCMS	<a href="http://www.mtdistlcms.org">www.mtdistlcms.org</a>
The Lutheran Witness	<a href="http://ww.lcms.org/witness">ww.lcms.org/witness</a>
LCMS Radio on the web	<a href="http://www.kfuam.org">www.kfuam.org</a>
The Reporter	<a href="http://www.lcms.org/reporter">www.lcms.org/reporter</a>

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