

# TRINITY TIMES

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Weekly News

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September 11, 2022

1755 Delhi St, Dubuque, IA

## **WELCOME NICHOLE D'ONOFRIO!**

Please join us in welcoming Nichole as Confirmation Leader!

Nichole D'Onofrio is in her final year at Wartburg Theological Seminary. She loves to express herself through fun colors in her hair, clothing, and jewelry. She moved with her family to Dubuque in January of 2020 for her to be a residential student at Wartburg. They came from Southern California and live on campus with her husband Chris and her daughter Kaylee they have a grown a son Heath who is back living in California. Nichole graduated from California Lutheran University with a bachelor's degree in History and has held many jobs over the years including Camp Staff, Barista, and Office Administrator. More recent years have been spent in Youth Ministry working in two different congregations. While working in youth ministry she began to discern a call to Word and Sacrament Ministry where she could help connect youth and young adults to the life of the church.

## **WELCOME DR. LUKE TYLER!**

Please join us in welcoming our new contemporary music leader!

Dr. Luke Tyler has been a pianist and church musician for over 30 years, including leadership positions in PC(USA), Disciples of Christ, Roman Catholic, and ELCA congregations. He has cantored at Wartburg Theological Seminary and participated in services at many churches in Dubuque.

Luke has lived in Dubuque since 2015 when he began teaching at Loras College. He is currently the Executive Director of Northeast Iowa School of Music (NISOM) and Music Director/Organist at Westminster Presbyterian Church.

In his spare time, Luke loves spending time with his wife, Lizz, two daughters, Theia and Elowyn, and gardening.

## TRINITY KIDS

Trinity Kids: It's coming!

Trinity Kids welcomes the whole family to an intergenerational biblical storytelling series we're calling, "God's Word, Our Story." Starting on September 25th, each Sunday from 9:45-10:15 we will gather in the Library to spread the storytelling blanket, open the Bible, sing, and enter the story of God's creative love and mending mercy.

Then, we'll join our hands in a project (art, activity, or act of service) that responds to the story and involves all participants in the life of the church. All ages are warmly welcomed! More information for parents will follow.



Adults, would you like to share your faith and love of Scripture with our children? We are seeking adults to tell one Bible story by heart. This is a one-time commitment. If interested, please reach out to Mary Emily Duba (maryemily.duba@gmail.com) or Tami Ernster (djernster@mchsi.com) to learn more and get on our schedule!



### CONFIRMATION & BIBLE EXPLORERS

GRADES 7/8 and 5/6

Who: Confirmation &  
Bible Explorer Families

What: An informational meeting about the  
upcoming year

Where: HTLC Living Faith Center

When: September 14 - 6:30 pm

### CROP WALK--OCTOBER 1ST

Mark your calendars for the 2022 CROP Walk on Saturday, October 1st.

The walk begins with registration at 9:30 a.m. at St. Elias the Prophet Orthodox Church, 419 N. Grandview.

The walk will be from the church to the park at the corner of Grandview and Rockdale Road and back again (approximately 2 miles) Sign up to be a walker on the form in the church entry. You can also help sponsor a walker.



Donations help many worldwide with food insecurity. Twenty-five percent of the money raised benefits The Dubuque Food Pantry, the Dubuque Rescue Mission, and People in Need. Help fight hunger

## TRANSITION UPDATES

*Look for this section each week in the Trinity Times for current information about the interim and call process.*

### IMPORTANT MEETING DATES

Want to get involved in shaping the future of our church?  
Please join us for a conversation about the upcoming call process!

**CALL PROCESS FORUM**  
September 18<sup>th</sup> - 9:45-10:45am  
Living Faith Center

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**  
Meeting to close Associate Call  
September 25 - 12:15pm

### CURRENT STATUS OF INTERIM PASTOR

The synod office hopes to have an interim pastor at HTLC starting sometime in October. The transition team is working to schedule pastors for worship (pulpit supply) through September and program/worship planning through the end of the calendar year. This will keep us moving forward in the event an interim is not available in October but could also make for an easy transition should one arrive.

The following Transition Team has agreed to keep HTLC running between pastors:

Joann Kopp – Retired Office Manager  
Mary Emily Duba – Worship Team  
Chuck Barland – Worship/Music Staff  
Amanda Matson – Council President/Pulpit Supply  
Kate Stierman – Interim Office Manager/Communications

### A NOTE FROM NOAH'S ARK

The largest ministry of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Noah's Ark is thriving in no small part due to the support of folks like you! For the 2022-2023 School Year we are serving 42 children for full time childcare and another ten who join us for preschool. Our wait list exceeds our enrollment, and we are confident we are providing one of the best early childhood learning communities in Dubuque. THANK YOU to everyone who holds us in your thoughts, prayers, and giving.



We have two families attending Noah's Ark this year who are seeking a need-based tuition reduction. We ask that you prayerfully consider giving to Noah's Ark Scholarship Funds to help us support two very deserving children to continue in our care... Donations can be made through the church office or at [www.htlcdbq.com](http://www.htlcdbq.com) and select the "Give" tab. Checks can be made payable to Noah's Ark. Thank you!

## LADIES' NIGHT OUT

Join us for the Second Annual Ladies' Night Out!

Dodge Street – Los Aztecas

September 12 – 7:00pm

Have a meal, chips and salsa, or even just a quick beverage!

All ages are welcome, we can't wait to see you!

## THRIVENT MEMBERS

Have you applied to do a community project this year?

Thrivent members get 1-2 \$250 community action project grants per year depending on the type of financial services. These are a great way to make an impact and the process is simple! Projects such as hunger outreach and LWR kids are great options.

Contact the church office if you'd like to learn more!

We would be happy to help with ideas!

## PANCAKE BREAKFAST

TROOP 51 & RAISE THE LFC ROOF FUNDRAISER

These gentlemen would love to serve you breakfast!

October 16<sup>th</sup> 7:30am-12:30pm

Living Faith Center

Come and enjoy pancakes served by our very own

Boy Scout Troop!

Proceeds will be split 50/50 between the Raise the

Roof LFC Fund and

support for Troop 51 activities.

Suggested donation \$8/person or \$20/family



## RAISE THE ROOF ON THE LIVING FAITH CENTER!

After years of leaks in the LFC, we've learned that parts of the roof were never built to the blueprints or code. Consider helping protect our building with a contribution to a new roof. Grab an envelope in the entry to include with your offering or click "Give" online. Thank you for your generosity and for keeping us dry!

Help Us  
"RATSC" the Roof  
on our  
LIVING Faith  
Center

## LITTLE PANTRIES

*“Take what you need, Give what you can”*

Important Note: We are working with St. Stephen’s Food Bank regarding the possibility of buying food directly from them. To do this, we need all food to be placed inside on the shelves or in the refrigerators rather than in the outdoor cabinet. This maintains temperature control. Please place only non-food items in the outdoor food cabinet. Thank you for your cooperation!



The little pantries in the entryway and out-front serve many of our food-insecure neighbors every day. Most of those visiting our shelves are elderly or have children with them. The following items are most needed: peanut butter, ready-to-eat meals (such as ravioli), canned meats, cereal, granola bars, fresh produce, and personal hygiene products. Items can be placed on the shelves, the mini fridge in the entry, or in the donation boxes near the church entry. These donations are a blessing to the community! Questions? Contact Glenn Lichti or Gretchen Kueter

### DID YOU KNOW?

Those who visit the pantries love fresh produce? Last week we went through 51.1 pounds of bananas and over 40 pounds of fresh tomatoes from members’ gardens.

Have extra end-of-the-season produce? Our visitors would love some!

### LET’S MAKE MUSIC!

If you can’t sing, maybe you can ring?!

Our choirs would love to see you!

Questions? Contact Director Chuck Barland

[CBarland@dbq.edu](mailto:CBarland@dbq.edu)



### CHOIR

Wednesdays

6:45 in the Choir Room

### BELL CHOIR

Thursdays

6:00 in the Choir Room

### MEN’S BIBLE STUDY

Bright and early each Friday at 6:00 a.m. in the Living Faith Center!

## **COMING SOON!**

*Details for these events/programs coming soon*

**Food Distribution - November**

**Trunk or Treat – October**

## **PRAYERS**

Please join our community of faith in praying for the Church, the World, and all who are in need of God's healing.

### **WE PRAY FOR**

- Rose Tolzmann
- Amy Pasker
- Mark Ryan
- Joel and Amanda Martyn
- Bennett Lewis
- Deb Massey
- Harlan & Marge Baack
- Katie Bjerning
- Don Freiburger
- Robert Schaeffer Jr. &  
Family  
(Cousin of Liz Engbrecht)
- Susan Dralle
- The family and friends of  
Martha Wlochall who passed  
away August 1, 2022
- Samantha Weiland and Ryan  
Keel who were married  
August 19<sup>th</sup>
- For D.D. Bowman on the  
death of her sister G.G. Oliver

### **FOR THOSE WHO SERVE IN THE MILITARY**

Army:

Kyle Salmon, Christina Fink, Col. Karl Anderson,  
Kyle Osborne,  
PFC Courtney Stoutes.

National Guard:

Eric Bowman

Air Force:

Chris Barajas, Michael Osborne,  
Logan Knobbe

Marines:

Staff Sgt. Rossetti

Please pray for our church during this time of transition.

The peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. -Philippians 4:7

## **HTLC PRAYER CIRCLE**

We have a group of faithful people who pray for our community.

Can we pray for you? Submit your prayers online or call the church office at 563-582-3228

## **SEPTEMBER SPECIAL APPEAL**

### **Luther Manor Retirement Community**

**“Enriching lives through a continuum of quality services guided by Christian love and compassion.”**

What are the options for people who find that there are barriers to living safely in their home, like basement steps and shoveling snow, among other things, which may be hazardous to their health and well-being?

Luther Manor offers several options, depending on your needs. Do you need nursing care, three prepared meals a day, laundry and cleaning services, someone to make the bed and tidy up, or an in-house opportunity to socialize and worship? How about skilled nursing or therapy after a stay in the hospital? Luther Manor has a staff of professional nurses and certified nursing assistants\utility aides, full dietary staff, and people who will provide you with a clean and comfortable environment for your long-term care.

Luther Manor apartments offer maintenance-free living space with as much independent lifestyle as you wish. More information is available on their website, [luthermanor.com](http://luthermanor.com), especially about the new options available at the growing west campus in Asbury. New units provide rehab housing and memory care. Care at home service provides valuable assistance to many who need this service to continue to live independently in their own residence.

The pandemic that we have been living with for more than two years has caused Luther Manor to restrict contact with residents. Much extra effort has been asked of all staff as they try to keep residents in touch with family while doing all the necessary procedures to keep the residents safe and healthy. Since visiting rules can change quickly, it is best to call ahead to confirm the current procedures.

Our monetary gifts continue to be important to Luther Manor and its residents. Many of the life enrichment services cannot be met within the normal budget. Our gifts now can help provide electronic contact means that can replace some of the in-person visits that have always been vital to the residents.

You can donate online at [luthermanor.com](http://luthermanor.com), using the September gold stripe envelope or directly by mail to 3131 Hillcrest Road, Dubuque IA 52001.

Paul Dettmann for the Stewardship Committee

## **FROM THE INTERIM OFFICE MANAGER**

Greetings from the office! In addition to normal daily tasks such as bulletins, I am currently focusing on keeping information moving amongst our leaders and congregation, reviewing policies/procedures, updating job descriptions, helping with planning for the fall, and cleaning up our office spaces. I have enjoyed my first month in this role and want to extend sincere appreciation to our office staff, especially Cathy and Lisa, who go above and beyond to serve our church! If there is anything I can do to help, please let me know. I hope you'll all stop in and say hi!

- Kate Stierman

## **SCHEDULE CHANGE - LWR QUILTERS**

The LWR Quilters will not meet on 20 September due to many of us having personal activities to attend to that day. We will resume in October on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month. Thank you!

## **COFFEE HOUR**

Sundays 9:45 A.M. – 10:45 A.M.

Stick around or come a little early for a cup of coffee and snacks with church friends!

Want to help? Coffee hour sign-ups are available on the website. A member of our fellowship team would be happy to show you how!

Questions? Amanda Kelly at [a.kelly2902@hotmail.com](mailto:a.kelly2902@hotmail.com)

## **WELCOME TO THE TRINITY TIMES!**

Have an update? We'd love to share! The Sunday Times/Announcements is now the "Trinity Times". In an effort to promote communication, all news and announcements will appear here in the weekly news. The Trinity Times will be available on the website, a link will be emailed Fridays, and printed copies will be available at worship and near the office.

Help us make The Times a success by submitting news, updates, and event information to the office. The deadline for the following week is Wednesday morning at 8:00 a.m. Submit the form online, email at [holytrinluth@gmail.com](mailto:holytrinluth@gmail.com), or call 582-3228. We're happy to help!

## **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Thursday

9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Friday 9:30 A.M. - Noon

Saturday & Sunday Closed

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SUBJ: September Happenings

Dear Siblings in Christ,

Sundays in September are full of exciting events; please mark your calendars.

September 4. Dr. Luke Tyler will join us as our new Contemporary Music Director at 11:00. Please welcome him when you see him. He'll be the one by the piano. He's working with Pr. Oehlert, Chuck, and Kate to have a seamless transition.

Midweek: Interview for Confirmation Leader. Bell Choir practice on Thursday (not too late to sign up!)

September 11. Fall Kick Off Sunday. Single service at 8:30 followed by a potluck brunch.

Midweek: Sept 14. Confirmation & Bible Explorer family gathering. I heard a rumor there will be food.

September 18. Congregational Forum to discuss the call process starting at 9:45. Childcare will be provided for those 4<sup>th</sup> grade and younger.

Midweek: Sept 21. Confirmation & Bible Explorer begins.

September 25. Congregational meeting at 12:30 to formally transition from actively calling an associate pastor to actively calling a lead pastor.

Midweek: Sept 28. Confirmation & Bible Explorer continues.

May the love and peace of Christ go with you.

Sincerely,

Amanda Matson

HTLC Council President