

TRINITY TIMES

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Weekly News

September 4, 2022

1755 Delhi St, Dubuque, IA

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!

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 conversation about the upcoming call process!

CALL PROCESS FORUM
September 18th - 9:45-10:45am
Living Faith Center

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

CONFIRMATION & BIBLE EXPLORERS

Staff and the personnel team are collaborating to hire an Interim Confirmation Leader to start Wednesday religious education classes September 14th as originally scheduled.

The objective of this position is to hold classes according to HTLC's established curriculum and to assist an interim in assessing these programs when he or she arrives.

See details of this position on the website.

SEPTEMBER PULPIT SUPPLY

Pastor Mark Oehlert has agreed to serve as pulpit supply this weekend and for the month of September! Please be sure to extend thanks and give a warm welcome for graciously accepting this big task!

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 and select the "Give" tab. Checks can be made payable to Noah's Ark. Thank you!

THE NOAH'S ARK APPAREL STORE IS OPEN!

Click the link on Facebook!

COMING SOON!

Details for these events/programs coming soon

Food Distribution - November

Trunk or Treat – October

FALL KICK-OFF AND OUTDOOR WORSHIP

Join us for a great opportunity to reconnect and recharge with our church community!

September 11th at 8:30 a.m.

One outdoor service in the HTLC playground
(Please note location change)

Brunch Potluck to follow worship

Bring your blanket or chair and a dish to share!

Table service provided

Rain Location – Indoors at HTLC

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!



YOUTH GROUP

The High School Youth Group met last Saturday for a bonfire, games, s'mores, and to plan fall activities. Fall calendar coming soon!

TROOP 51/RAISE THE ROOF PANCAKE BREAKFAST

October 16th 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



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

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!

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?

Now that our kids are back at school, many middle school students depend on our little pantries for after-school snacks and meals. Their favorites are cereal, granola bars, and Pop-Tarts! Consider adding a few to your next donation!



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

HTLC IS HIRING!

HTLC is hiring an Interim Confirmation Leader

The full job description and details are available at www.htlcbdq.com

MEN’S BIBLE STUDY

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

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!

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 19th
- 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, 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, 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

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, or call 582-3228. We're happy to help!

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday
9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.
Friday 9:00 A.M. - Noon
Saturday & Sunday Closed

Kate Stierman, Interim Office Manager: Holytrinluth@gmail.com
Cathy Nolan, Accounts Receivables/Giving: htlchurchfinance@gmail.com
Lisa Borchert, Account Payables: htlcdbqsecretary@gmail.com
Mike Kelly Maintenance maintenance@htlcdbq.com
Church Council council@htlcdbq.com

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 4th 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