



the Trinity Trumpet

June 2024

The Parish Newsletter of Trinity Lutheran Church; Danville, Illinois

Father's Day is a wonderful day for many, even most, people. But not for everyone. In a perfect world every child would gladly honor their father, love and cherish him, as the catechism teaches.

But how do you celebrate Father's Day if your father was never there to do for you what fathers are supposed to do for their children? How do you celebrate Father's Day if your father was present in the household, but instead of providing for you, neglected you; instead of protecting you, harmed you? How do you celebrate Father's Day when every memory of your father only fans into flame the pain and bitterness that you work so hard to extinguish in your heart?

Those questions deserve honest answers. Because of sin, some fathers have betrayed their calling from God. There are fathers who have not only failed to bring their children up in the fear and instruction of the Lord, but fathers who have not even provided for their children's most basic bodily needs.

Harkening back to Jesus' words in Matthew 7, there are fathers who have given their child a stone instead of bread and a serpent instead of a fish. There are evil fathers who have NOT given good things to their children.

We must acknowledge that fathers who do not provide for or protect their children, who instead neglect and harm them, are guilty of sin. They are opposing God, doing the opposite of what He wills for them to do.

But your earthly father, who he is and what he has done or failed to do, does not determine who your heavenly Father is and what He has done and is doing for you.

Every Christian has a heavenly Father who gives good things to those who ask Him.

Every Christian has a heavenly Father who, either through or in spite of our earthly fathers, richly and daily provides us with all that we need for this body and life; a heavenly Father who, out of divine goodness and mercy, defends us against all danger and guards and protects us from all evil.

And, if we're going to talk honestly about the sins committed by some fathers, then we must also talk honestly about the forgiveness of sins accomplished by our heavenly Father.

"God shows His love for us in this, that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us." That "us" and that "we" includes all of us—fathers and children. Jesus died for you while you were yet a sinner. Jesus died for your father while he was yet a sinner.

And while that will not take away the memory of what your father may have done or failed to do; it is the first and necessary step in dealing with it. Hearing the Gospel, gazing at a crucifix, you not only remember that your sins against others went to the cross with Jesus; you also remember that the sins of others against you, including the sins of a bad father, went to the cross with Jesus too.

All those sins, your sins, your father's sins, the sins of the world, were on Jesus. And as Luther says, "If your sins are on Jesus, then they can't be on you." Just as the guilt and shame of your sins against others no longer rests on you and burdens your heart, so the pain and bitterness of others' sins against you no longer needs to rest on you and burden your heart either.

The Gospel swings open the door to repentance and forgiveness, healing and reconciliation. By the grace of your heavenly Father, one day you may be able to honor your father, maybe even love and cherish him.

A VOICE FROM THE PAST

June 25 marks the anniversary of the Presentation of the Augsburg Confession. Lutheran princes in Augsburg, Germany stood before Emperor Charles V boldly confessing their faith and refusing to deny what the Scriptures taught about Jesus and His gift of salvation. Here is but one little nugget from the Augsburg Confession that we, as Lutherans, still confess:

Our churches teach that the one holy Church is to remain forever. The Church is the congregation of saints in which the Gospel is purely taught and the Sacraments are correctly administered.

IN THE WORD: BIBLE STUDY AT TRINITY

<i>Class</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Date/Time</i>	<i>Topic</i>
-Cafeteria Class	Cafeteria	Sunday, 8:30 a.m.	Gospel of Mark
-Thursday Morning Class	Cafeteria	Thursday, 9:30 a.m.	Book of Romans

OFFICIAL ACTS FOR MAY

Baptisms:

Taylor Lynn Childs-Higgins, 5/12
Miley Dawn Isernhagen, 5/12

Jackson Ray Isernhagen, 5/12

Junior Confirmations (5/5):

Adam Aleksander Smigielski

Dawson Matthew Stack

Funerals:

Terrence Allan Mitchell
Robert Dwight Carlson, (died 5/16, no funeral service at Trinity)

Calls: 30 (4 HC)

BULLETS FROM BOPE (Board of Parish Education)

- Offerings for unbudgeted mission projects in May totaled \$100.00. We were able to assist a household from our congregation with a gift from The Benevolent Fund which is supported by your unbudgeted mission offerings. Thank you.
- Parents, don't forget! School is out, but Sunday school is NOT out. We offer Sunday school throughout the summer. Bring your children to Jesus by bringing them to Sunday school where they learn about Him and His saving work.

SCHOOL MUSINGS

-Thank you to the members of our congregation who attended or assisted with the Art Show and Spring Concert on Tuesday, May 7; the Closing Chapel and Awards

Ceremony on Thursday, May 23; and the Graduation Ceremony on Friday, May 24. We love it when the congregation and school are together.

-Congratulations to this year's graduates from Trinity Lutheran School--Dawson Stack, Wyatt VanEtta, and Karsyn Montelongo. Please pray that the Lord Jesus will keep these young men connected to Him like living and fruitful branches to the vine.

-There is room for more students in our school. Please invite your neighbors and friends with school-aged children to explore our school, direct them to our website, or put information in their hands.

LUTHERAN CEMETERY

Thank you to all who helped spruce up Lutheran Cemetery for Memorial Day, for those who gave to the door offering to help maintain the cemetery, and for those who attended the Memorial Day Service to remember our fallen soldiers, our departed loved ones, and the hope of the resurrection and the life everlasting that is ours in Jesus.

ELECTION RESULTS

Officers, board chairmen, and board members were elected at the voters meeting on Sunday, May 19. Elected were:

Doug Hubner	Congregational Chairman
Diana Gernand	Recording Secretary
Paul Muehl	Financial Secretary
Dave Tobeck	Vice Chairman (appointed)

The office of treasurer remains vacant at this time.

TLS Board of Education

Janet Myers	Carol Mitchell	Lanette Cannady
Shane Boyer (appointed)		

Board of Elders

Brian Parke	Terry Mourer	John Thompson
Mike Wright	Jerry Jochim	Warren Jones

Board of Trustees

Susan Muehl	Dave Burmeister	Mike Million
Paul Gritton	Brian Parke	

Board of Fellowship

Board of Evangelism

Board of Stewardship

Board of Parish Education

Maghen Wells (chairman)

Laura Berry (chairman)

Dan Yagow (chairman)

Chris Schroder (chairman)

Remarkably, we have a full slate of trustees and every board has an elected chairman. Many thanks to Mike Westfall, assisted by Bob Hubner, for filling so many vacant offices and increasing the number of hands to do the Lord's work here at Trinity.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

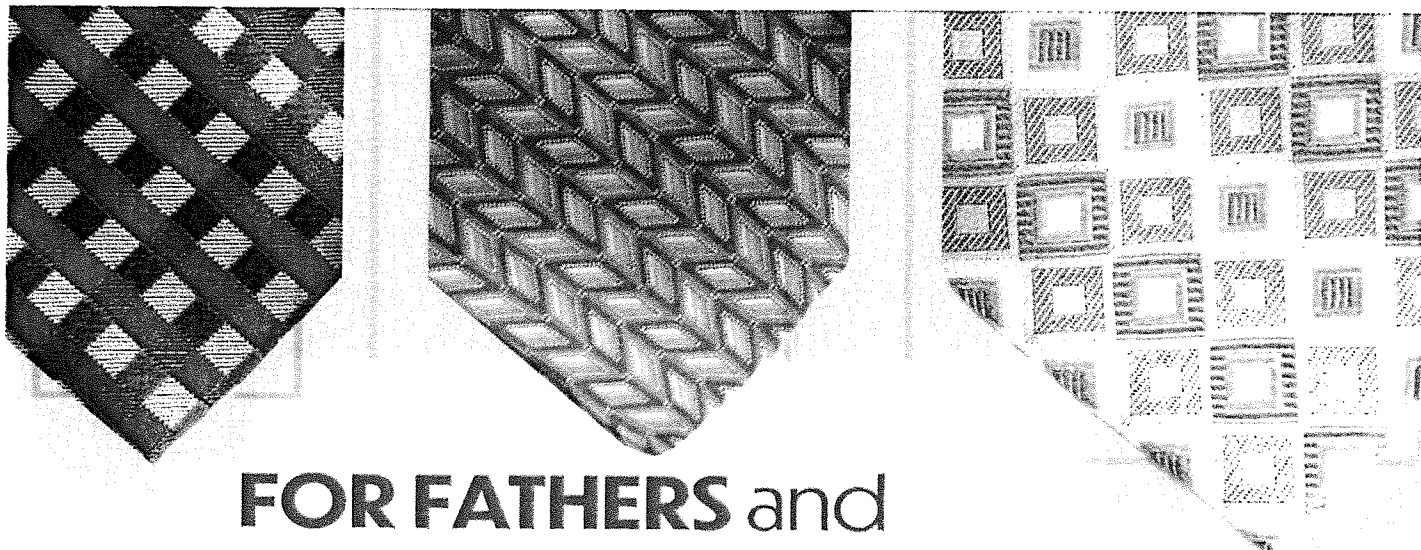
The newly elected or reelected officers, board members, and board chairmen named above will be installed on Sunday, June 9, in the Divine Service.

MIDWEEK DIVINE SERVICE

Midweek Divine Services are scheduled for Wednesdays, June 5 and 19, at 6:30 p.m. in the chapel area.

FATHER'S DAY

"Honor your father..." Be sure and say "thank you" to your father on Father's Day. In spite of his imperfections, or outright sins, he is the one through whom your heavenly Father has given you life and has provided you with all that you need for this body and life. A "thank you" to your father is a "thank you" to your heavenly Father who gives good things to those who ask Him.



**FOR FATHERS and
OTHER GOOD & FAITHFUL MEN**

in our lives,

we give you thanks!

TRINITY'S MISSION STATEMENT: The purpose of Trinity Lutheran Church is to proclaim Jesus Christ to our members, our community, our world, and to the next generation.

THE VALUES OF TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH ARE: Strong Biblical preaching and teaching; our Lutheran heritage; fellowship in faith and love toward one another; bringing Christ's mercy in Word and deed to the community; and our Lutheran day school.

TUNE INTO THE RADIO BROADCAST EVERY SUNDAY on WITY, 980 AM or 99.5 FM and listen to The Lutheran Hour at 10:00 a.m. and Trinity's church service at 10:30 a.m. You may also listen to Trinity's service again at 10:30 p.m. on Sunday evening.

WORSHIP ANEW celebrates the new life all believers have in Jesus with a 30-minute broadcast service. Christ's love is shared through weekly Scripture readings, favorite hymns, prayers, and a pastor's message that reveals God's grace and truth. View every program at www.WorshipAnew.org or tune in Sunday mornings on channel 49 WCIX Springfield at 7:30 a.m., channel 50 CW at 8:00 a.m., or channel 2 WTWO Terre Haute at 8:00 a.m. Eastern time.

PRAY FOR THESE TRINITY MEMBERS: John & Katie Pollert & daughters, Peyton, Sawyer, & Paislee; Shyann Poulson; Natalie Powell; Margaret Powell; Terri Powell; Chuck & Susan Prather; Amy Pratt & sons, Quenton, Carter, Kolten & Keaton; Chris Pratt; Steve & Ruth Pratt; Mindy Priest & children, Jackson & Madison; Mary Pruitt; Delores Richards; Christine Rigdon; Cynthia Robbins; Peggy Rogers; Amanda Russian; Bill & Debbie Ryan & daughters, Isabella & Emily; Gregg & Judy Sacotnik; Richard Salrin; Joey & Marcia Sanchez & son, Fabian; Jose & Socorro Sanchez; Judy Sanders; Tim & Sally Sanders; David Sanders; Sam Sanders; Deborah Satterfield & daughter, Shannon; Corey Scarlett; George Scarlett; Ryan Scarlett; Tim Scarlett

SERVING IN THE LORD'S HOUSE IN APRIL:

Altar Guild: Judy Henk and Sharyn Klepp

Sound Schedule:

June 2 - Laura Hutchison
June 9 - Dave Tobeck
June 16 - Teresa Parish
June 23 - Chris Kienast
June 30 - Bob Hubner

Usher Captains:

June 2 - Cliff Peak/Terry Mourer
June 9 - Brian Parke (Mike Klepp)
June 16 - Alex Muehl/Adam Muehl
June 23 - Eric Westfall
June 30 - Jerry Jochim

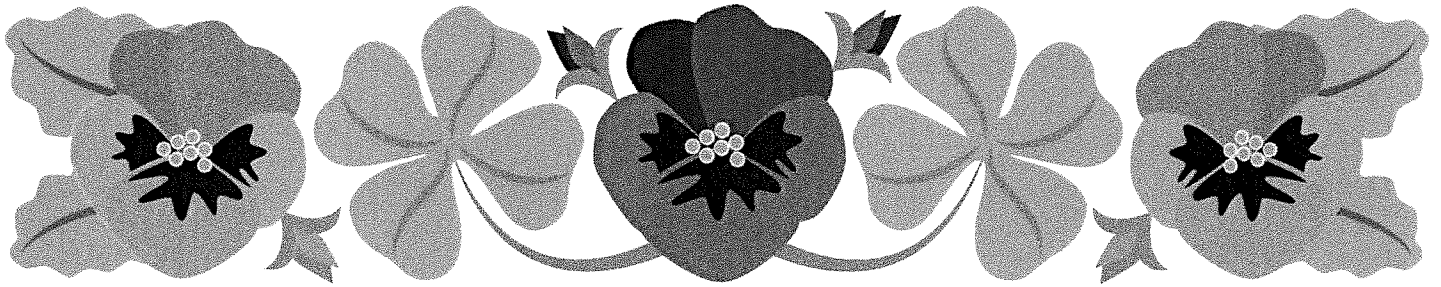
Communion Assistants

June 2 - Terry Mourer & Brad Pollert
June 9 - Cliff Peak & Sam Sanders
June 16 - John Thompson & David Sanders
June 23 - Mark Hamm & Mike Westfall
June 30 - Phil Muehl & Brian Parke

THE DEADLINE for submissions for the June newsletter is Friday, June 21, 3:30 p.m.



SUMMER HOURS have begun for the church and school offices. The church office will be open from 8:00 am to 12:00 p.m. Monday - Friday. The school office will be open 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Monday - Thursday. If you are coming to the church or school after 12:00 p.m. you will need to call and see if someone is in the office.

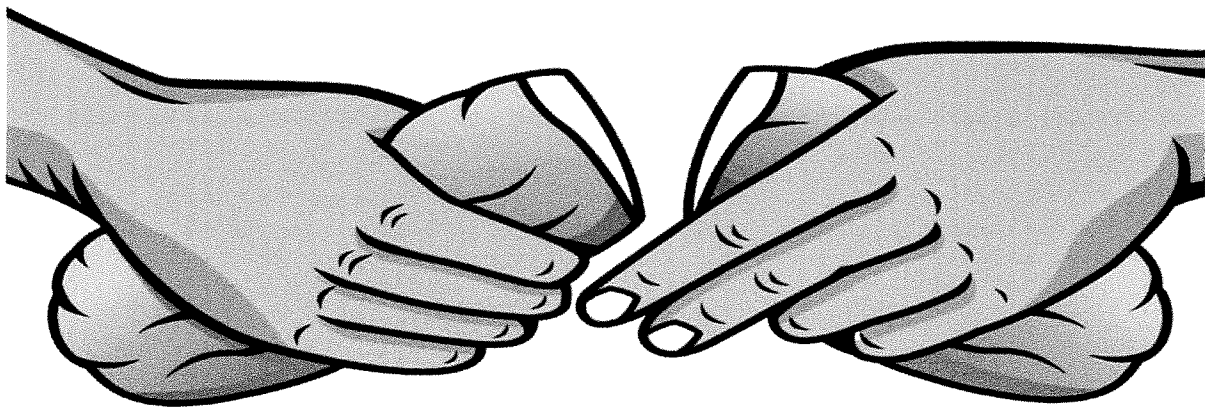


LWML-EUNICE NEWS (information for ALL women in the congregation)

Eunice invites all ladies of the congregation to the dessert meeting on Thursday, June 13, at 12:30 p.m. Please join us for lunch and Christian fellowship.

Mites -

The May Prayer Calendar is included in this mailing. Mites are collected the first Sunday of each month at either entrance, then sent to LWML-Central Illinois District for distribution to the various mission grants, both for our District as well as for National. For more information, view these websites – www.lwml-cid.org or www.lwml.org



**“FOOD THAT
ENDURES TO**

eternal life.”

JOHN 6:27, ESV

JUNE

This is a monthly prayer guide for your daily use. Each day as you pray, please feed your Mite Box in support of district and LWML Mission Grants. As you lift up the countries and mission grants listed, pray that the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ would be heard by those who live there or are served by our mite offerings.

Each country listed has been a recipient of a mission grant from Lutheran Women in Mission at some time since 1942. What a joy it is to bring these prayers to our Father's listening ears!



1. For all the blessings in your life.
2. For LWML Mission Grant #13.
3. For Japan, one of the 83 countries where LWML has supported a grant.
4. For the LWML Chesapeake District.
5. For graduates as they look for work and start new jobs.
6. For opportunities to help or pray for people today.
7. For the country of Jordan.
8. For farmers and the wonderful food they produce.
9. Gratitude for our earthly fathers and especially for our heavenly Father.
10. For our Lutheran in Mission Vice President of Special Focus Ministries.
11. For LWML Mission Grant #14.
12. For the LWML Carolinas District.
13. For the ability to go outside and praise God for the little and big things we see.
14. For our USA flag and our country that it represents. Wear red, white, and blue today.
15. For the country of Kazakhstan.
16. For the ability to rest in the Lord today.
17. For God's Word and being able to hide it in our hearts.
18. For the LWML Atlantic District.
19. For the country of Kenya.
20. For the safety of people traveling.
21. For the country of Germany.
22. For summer and friends.
23. For the country of Kyrgyzstan.
24. For all church workers.
25. For LWML Mission Grant #15.
26. For the ability to enjoy ice cream or other treats with a friend and pray for them.
27. For the country of Laos.
28. For our senses. Enjoy your senses of smell, taste, touch, and hearing.
29. For those workers who work overnight.
30. For the LWML New England District.

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LCMS Stewardship Ministry – lcms.org/stewardship

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The Gift of Contentment

As children grow up, they often feel cramped by their parents' restrictions. Dad says to be home by 11. But why can't I say out 'til midnight? Mom says to clean your room on Saturday morning. But I want to sleep in late, then roll out of bed, hop in the car and go to my friend's house without delay. I want to do what I decide is best.

The older we get, and especially when we have kids of our own, we begin to see the truth. Mom and Dad were not cramping our style or trying to crush our personal freedom — they were looking out for us, providing for us and teaching us a better way of life.

If that's how it is with fallible human parents, how much more so with our Heavenly Father! We sinners often feel cramped by the Law of God. Our sinful flesh wants to go its own way, do its own thing and be in charge. But in our heart of hearts, we know how foolish this is. We know that God loves us, and therefore all of His commands are for our benefit. Each one of His commandments is meant to bless us. Consider the last two commandments:

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

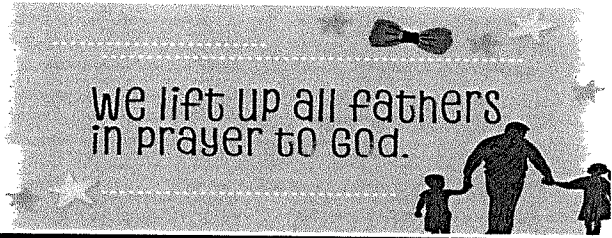
What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not scheme to get our neighbor's inheritance or house, or get it in a way which only appears right, but help and be of service to him in keeping it. (SC II)

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.


What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not entice or force away our neighbor's wife, workers, or animals, or turn them against him, but urge them to stay and do their duty. (SC II)

The commandments against coveting are warning us against losing one of the greatest gifts we can possess: contentment. Being content and thankful with what God has provided for us is a necessary building block of living a happy life. Unthankful coveting of what we have not been given will only make us miserable, so God warns us against it.

God has proven His love for us in sending His only begotten Son to shed His blood for us, cleanse us of our sins and brings us back into His family. If He loves us this much, then when percentage of His commandments do you think are meant to harm us? Probably no more than one or two percent, right? Of course that's absurd. God means to bless us with everything He says to us. The Law of God simply describes what a truly happy life, lived in thankfulness to Christ, looks like: It's a generous, merciful, contented life that uses all of the resources God has given us for His purposes.



June 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 2:00 Hale/Wells Wedding
2 <i>Pentecost 2</i> 8:30 Bible Class/SS 9:30 DIVINE SERVICE 11:30 Dan Yagow Retirement Dinner	3	4 9:00 Knitting & Crocheting 6:15 Adult Instruction	5 6:30 DIVINE SERVICE	6 9:30 Bible Class 5:15 Yoga	7	8
9 <i>Pentecost 3</i> 8:30 Bible Class/SS 9:30 DIVINE SERVICE 11:00 Comfort Dog meeting	10	11 9:00 Knitting & Crocheting 6:15 Adult Instruction	12 5:00 Futures meeting	13 9:30 Bible Class 12:30 Eunice 5:15 Yoga 6:00 Elders	14 	15
16 <i>Father's Day/Pentecost 5</i> 8:30 Bible Class/SS 9:30 DIVINE SERVICE	17	18 9:00 Knitting & Crocheting 6:15 Adult Instruction	19 6:30 DIVINE SERVICE	20 9:30 Bible Class 5:00 TLS Board 5:15 Yoga	21	22
23 <i>Pentecost 5</i> 8:30 Bible Class/SS 9:30 DIVINE SERVICE Anders Reunion	24	25 9:00 Knitting & Crocheting 6:15 Adult Instruction	26 10:30 Word at the Villas 6:00 Council	27 9:30 Bible Class 5:15 Yoga	28	29
30 <i>Pentecost 6</i> 8:30 Bible Class/SS 9:30 MATINS				