Worship Helpers

You can sign up to help in worship on the sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall or online at: trinityhammond.org

Sunday, May 11

Greeter: Julie Boumeester

Ushers: Sharon Johnson, Jean Peterson

Lector (Reader):

Acolyte: Slide show:

Sound/Video: Dan Doornink

Sunday, May 18

Greeter: Ushers:

Lector (Reader):

Acolyte:

Slide show: Emmalee Roos

Communion: Dar Sittlow Sound/Video: Ron Pratt

Giving

Thank you for supporting the ministry and mission of Trinity Lutheran Church!

5/4/25 - Attendance: 88 Online: 2

March Financial Report

Account Balances as of 3/31/2024
General Fund: \$ 6,745.04
Youth Org: \$ 4,910.56
Memorial Fund: \$ 22,423.52
WELCA: \$ 1,401.69

March Numbers

Income: \$ 17,263.00 Expenses \$ 17,571.24 Income Less Exp: \$ - 308.24 Outstanding Checks: \$ 6,606.34

Year-to-date Numbers

Income: \$ 37,676.00 Expenses: \$ 38,974.49 Income Less Expenses:\$ -1,298.49

Note: All SCC rent money that was paid in advance last December will be spent by the end of April. This is one month earlier than planned.

This Week at Trinity

Sunday, May 11	9:00 a.m.	Worship, Fellowship
Monday, May 12	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study with Pastor Julie
Tuesday, May 13	9:00 a.m2:00 p.m.	Office staffed
Wednesday, May 14	9:00 a.m2:00 p.m.	Office staffed
Sunday, May 18	9:00 a.m.	Worship, Fellowship with Graduate
		Recognition
	10:15 a.m.	WELCA meeting in Education Rm.
	6:00 p.m.	Girl Scouts meet here



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May 11, 2025 Happy Mothers' Day!

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Reflections on the NW Synod of WI Assembly, April 26

First, I would like to say Thank you to Trinity Lutheran Church for the opportunity to attend the synod meeting. This was my first time and am interested in attending again. The event was lighthearted and productive. And I have never been surrounded by so many pastors in my life!!

The day started with a humorous and sprinkling of water worship service. Engaged and full of laughter. This was the first highlight of the day! The business of the Assembly was voting on resolutions, all which were adopted. Speakers to the Assembly included the Vice President of the ELCA, Imran Siddiqui; the President and CEO of Lutheran Social Services of Wisconsin and Upper Michigan, Hector Colon; and representatives from Lumin Campus Ministries at schools in the synod including, Sarah McCullough of Lutheran Campus Ministry at UW-Stout, Rev. Lori Ruge-Jones of University Lutheran at UW-Eau Claire, and Pastor Ben McWhorter-Rush of Journey House at UW-River Falls.

The meeting instilled in me the need for my own spiritual growth through involvement in the church and community. The Northwest Synod meeting was a valuable opportunity for me and members to come together, reflect on their collective experiences, and plan for the future.

- Submitted by Jodi Hough-Garlie

Report on the NW Synod of WI Assembly, April 26

The business of the assembly included the addressing of five resolutions, all which were adopted. They are the Loving Your Neighbor Capital Campaign with the goal of sustaining the Neighbor to Neighbor Ministry for three years; the Spanish Translation/Interpretation for Synod Materials and Events, a two year project funded by a grant; the 2026 Minimum Standards for Compensation and Benefits for rostered leaders and lay paid positions in the church; the Operating Mission Plan for 2026-2027; and a resolution to ask the ELCA Churchwide Assembly to address the church's role in Indian Boarding Schools through several actions.

I am honored to serve as the Secretary of the Synod. Thanks to Jodi for her reflections on the meeting. There were about 300 voting members from 189 congregations of the NW Synod of WI at the assembly.

- Submitted by Pastor Julie Brenden

Thank you

The organizers of the annual Trinity Mental Health Fundraiser want to thank everyone who helped toward this successful event last week! Many people contributed in various ways: by eating there that evening, making a raffle basket or money donation, passing the word, and with prayers. The final tally of funds raised for the SCC Schools Mental Health Programs will be reported soon.

Monday Bible Study- the book of Isaiah

The next two meetings will be Mondays, May 12 and May 19 at 6:30 p.m. Please let Pastor Julie know of your interest, as materials are produced for these sessions. On May 5th we explored a brief overview of the bible in order to set the context for when Isaiah was written. On May 12th we will study First Isaiah which covers chapters 1-39. Bring your bible, the New Revised Standard Version (NRSV) is preferred but not essential. We will compare some passages using different translations.

Greetings from Augustana University!

The Buntrock Scholars Program benefits a minimum of 30 new students each fall, and as many as 120 students by Fall 2028. The scholarship covers half the net price of tuition at Augustana, up to \$12,000. The inaugural cohort of 34 scholars is nearing the end of their first year at Augustana. It has been a joy to witness God's work in their lives as they grow in faith and learning. To date, we have received nearly 100 scholarship applications from first-year students interested in joining Augustana in the fall of 2025. Owen Wasley of Trinity is a 2024 recipient of the Buntrock Scholarship. See the flyer on the bulletin board.

Worship Helpers

There are many opportunities to sign up for assisting at worship this Sunday and the next six weeks. The sign up is available online (<u>Church Family: Worship Helpers 2024-2025</u>) here and a paper copy will be passed around at worship.

Trinity Women's Meeting

There will be a short WELCA (Women of the ELCA) meeting on Sunday, May 18th, after worship in the Education Room. All Trinity women are invited for fellowship and planning fun activities!

Annual Salad Luncheon

Save the date of June 11 for the annual luncheon. Salads of all kinds and desserts will be served from 11-1 for a free-will offering. A sign-up sheet is in the Fellowship Room if you are able to help.

Summer Youth Gathering for students who've completed grades 8-12

Five other regional synods will join the Northwest Synod of Wisconsin for this gathering which will be held at UW-River Falls on July 8th-11th. This promises all the great feels of a National Youth Gathering but it is more economical. The theme is ENTANGLED, and will create space for youth to encounter God in new and meaningful ways through creative ministry, challenging conversations, inspiriting guest speakers and musicians, service learning projects, and uplifting worship experiences. The \$50 deposit is non-refundable while the total cost is \$325. Please let Pastor Julie know immediately if you are interested. Find more information on the synod's Calendar page at: nwswi.org/home/calendar.

Summer Food Pantry Information

The Baldwin Food Pantry is located in Baldwin at the site of the former Kwik Trip on the corner of Highway 63 and Main Street. People can drive up to receive food bags anytime between 3:00 and 7:00pm on Tuesdays or 8:00am-12:00 noon on Thursdays. It is OK to pull over to sort and return groceries if you want. The plan is to open the building for more wide-range shopping at some point in the near future. All are welcome to stop by for help meeting household food needs.

Graduate Recognition Sunday is May 18th.





Prayer Requests: Leo Bork (Sue's brother)

Jim Rausch (Sue Bork's co-worker)

Prayers for the homebound and those in Care Centers: Dorothy Hage, Lenore Moll, Beth Monson

Prayer Point: This Mother's Day, bless mothers, grandmothers, and all who offer mothering care. Come close to those whose relationships with their families are difficult, and console all who grieve the loss of mother figures or the loss of children.

Spiritual Practice: Learn about a plant: a wildflower, a crop farmers plant, a tree, native species, a garden perennial, vegetable or other. Learn everything you can about this plant and watch it grow. Pray for the plant and creation.

Submit a Prayer Request: Please fill out the blue prayer request sheet found in the sanctuary and place in the offering plate, or email: tlchwelca@gmail.com, or call the church office and leave a message at 715-796-2788.