

# Worship Helpers

You can sign up to help in worship on the sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall or online at: [trinityhammond.org](http://trinityhammond.org)

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## Sunday, August 10

Greeter: Julie Boumeester  
 Ushers: Sharon Johnson, Jean Peterson  
 Lector: Judy Larson  
 Acolyte:  
 Slide show:  
 Sound/Video: Ron Pratt

## Sunday, August 17

Greeter: Arnie & Bev Jacobson  
 Ushers: Roger & June Lindquist  
 Lector (Reader): Bev Jacobson  
 Acolyte:  
 Communion:  
 Slide show:  
 Sound/Video: Ron Pratt

## This Week at Trinity

<b>Sunday, August 10</b>	9:00 a.m.	Worship, Fellowship
	12:00 p.m.	Meet in lot for parade unit
<b>Tuesday, August 12</b>	9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	Office staffed
<b>Wednesday, August 13</b>	9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	Office staffed
<b>Saturday, August 16</b>	8:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m.	Synod Women's event here
<b>Sunday, August 17</b>	9:00 a.m.	Worship, Fellowship
	6:00 p.m.	Girl Scouts meet here

# Giving

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

8/3/25 - Attendance: 35 Online: 6

## June Financial Report

Account Balances as of 6/30/2025

General Fund:	\$ 4,650.16
Youth Org:	\$ 4,810.56
Memorial Fund:	\$ 13,404.50
WELCA:	\$ 2,722.28

June Numbers

Income:	\$ 17,670.05
Less Expenses	<u>\$ 13,675.80</u>
Income Less Exp:	\$ 3,994.24
Outstanding Checks:	<u>\$ 3,219.21</u>
	\$ 750.04
Less July 1 Bills	<u>\$ 3,218.75</u>
July 2 Balance -	\$ 2,443.71

Year-to-date Numbers

Income:	\$ 85,542.82
Expenses:	<u>\$ 83,637.40</u>
Income Less Expenses:	\$ 1,905.42
Less Outstanding Checks and July 1 Bills	<u>\$ 6,437.96</u>
-	\$ 4,532.54



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WELCA

Trinity Lutheran Church

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## Join Us Today For The Hammond Heartland Days Parade!

Calling all Trinity Family: Let's show Hammond how much Trinity loves our community! We are going to have a unit in the parade for Heartland Days. Let's meet at Trinity at 12(noon) on Sunday, August 10th in the parking lot. Wear your Trinity shirt if you have one! We will be handing out goodies along the parade route. Let's show Hammond we are "In Hammond, for Hammond!" If you would like to join the fun or have any questions, please call or text Sarah Pommerening at 715-441-3752. Thank you!

## New Bishop elected for the ELCA

Yehiel Curry was elected July 30th to serve as fifth presiding bishop of the ELCA, our national church body. Curry is a former pastor, teacher, social worker, bishop of the Metropolitan Chicago Synod and chair of the Conference of Bishops. Bishop Curry will be installed Oct. 4th at Central Lutheran Church in Minneapolis. With a heart for mission development, he states that his priorities include recognizing the changing structures of congregations and developing lay ministry and inclusivity.

## Trinity Hosts WELCA Summer Retreat this Saturday

The St. Croix Valley Conference of the Women of the ELCA will hold their annual summer retreat on Saturday morning, August 16, 2025 at Trinity. All women are welcome and no pre-registration is needed. The featured speaker is Pati Kachel, author of *The Parable Fund* and *Hanging on to Hope*. Pati will offer a collection of humorous and heartwarming stories, scriptures, and songs to encourage people, stating that "Hope is a gift from Heaven to help us here on earth." The cost of \$15 includes the program and lunch. Registration and coffee are from 8:30am -9:15am. The main program starts at 9:15am and goes to 11:30am, with lunch to follow. There is a sign-up if you can help with serving coffee and the catered meal. Contact Becky Fowler.

### **Trinity Tacos at Middle School Open House**

Please note the date of the Open House is Tuesday, August 26. We will have a sign-up sheet out soon for supplies and a few helpers to cook burger and serve Trinity Tacos in the late afternoon at the school.

### **Drawn-to-the-Word Worship this Wednesday**

Cross Lutheran invites all for a Drawn-to-the-Word worship and artistic experience! A Bible story will unfold artistically, musically, narratively, and scripturally, with renowned artist and pastor Paul Oman. Oman brings the Word to life while painting right before your eyes. Music will be shared by several performers (see poster in narthex). A free-will donation will benefit the Center for Addiction & Faith. The event will be held on Wednesday, August 13th at 7:00 p.m. at Cross Lutheran Church in Roberts. Learn more about Oman's ministry at Drawn-to-the-Word.com

### **Summer Food and Fun this Wednesday**

As you know, summer can be an especially difficult time for families struggling to meet their children's food needs, with the loss of the school breakfast and lunch program. Summer Food and Fun is sponsored by a coalition and is held this year every-other Wednesday at Gethsemane in Baldwin. A free warm meal is served, and groceries and food vouchers sent home with each family. The last session will be on Wednesday, August 13th, from 5:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m. Please spread the word.

### **Ministry Candidates Graduate from Wartburg**

The 2025 class of ministry graduates from Wartburg Seminary in Dubuque, Iowa are posted on the bulletin board, along with the administrative and professors at the top of the page. Wartburg is one of seven ELCA seminaries. Please note there are 31 Master of Divinity (MDIV) graduates – those who intend to become congregational pastors, ordained for Word and Sacrament Ministry; 6 Master of Diaconal Ministry (MADM) graduates, ordained for Word and Service Ministry; 6 Theological Education for Emerging Ministries (TEEM) graduates – lay people choosing an alternate pathway to serve; and 6 Master of Arts (MA) graduates who study one year for further graduate studies, or enhancing work in a ministry setting or integrating theological reflection with other professions. Thanks be to God for the preparation of leaders for the future church!

### **Children and Youth Ministries begin in September**

Please mark the date for the beginning of the children's Sunday morning ministry – BOLT –**B**uilding **O**ur **L**ives **T**ogether - Sunday, September 14th. Please mark the date for Confirmation Orientation on Wednesday, September 17th.

### **Report from Blood Drive**

The American Red Cross sent Trinity a Thank-you note for hosting the recent Blood Drive and reported good results:

“Thank you again for hosting the July 16th blood drive and helping ensure patients continue to receive lifesaving blood resources during critical need summer months! We saw **22 total donors** and **collected 24 units of blood: 10 of which are critical-need blood types** through Power Red donations, which is huge! When divided into 3 separate blood products, we have the **potential to help up to 72 patients** in need in the coming weeks. How do you feel the day went and is there anything we can do better/differently next time? Let us know.” - Kirby Loahr, WI Region



#### **Prayer Requests:**

Leo Bork (Sue's brother)

Prayers for the homebound and those in Care Centers:  
Jerry and Sharon Afdahl, Lenore Moll, Beth Monson

**Prayer Point:** The next bishop of the ELCA, Yehiel Curry, needs our prayerful support and encouragement. Trusting that God has called him to serve, we pray for his discernment and humble leadership in these times of opportunity for expanding the church vision.

**Spiritual Practice:** Centering Prayer is a contemplative prayer that involves sitting in silence and using a sacred word or phrase to help focus and return attention to God when distracted. 1) Choose a sacred word/phrase that defines your intention to be open to God's presence; 2) Find a quiet place, sit comfortably, and settle your mind and body; 3) Silently introduce your chosen word/phrase to gently open yourself to God's presence; 4) When you become aware of thoughts or feelings, gently return to your sacred word, letting go of the distractions and returning to the present moment; 5) The goal is not to empty your mind but to rest in God's presence, allowing thoughts to come and go without engaging them; 5) Cultivate a regular practice, as often as daily, to deepen your relationship with God and foster inner transformation.

**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](mailto:tlchwelca@gmail.com), or call the church office and leave a message at 715-796-2788.