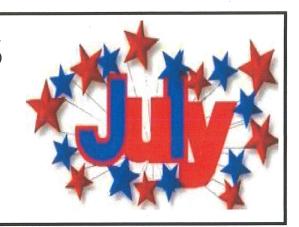
Trinity Tidings

Trinity Lutheran Church and School 3000 35th Avenue Greeley, Colorado 80634

July 2020

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Trinity Lutheran Pickers Paradise Sale

3000 35th Avenue, Greeley, CO



Saturday August 1st, 2020 7 am- 2 pm



Make your Reservation by July 31st! PTL is planning to have food available.



Remembering Our Homebound Members

The following members of our church are currently either living at home or in a care facility and have limited capability of joining their church family at worship. Please remember them with prayers and perhaps by sending them a card.

- *Patsy Aldridge -Meadowview
- *Geraldine Beitz -Home
- *Lois Bliss -Garden Square
- *Melanie Davis Home
- *Rachel Einspahr Home
- *Richard & Mildred Ewald -Home
- *Margaret Anne Hilst -Bonell
- *lack & Caryle Kassahn –Home
- *Herman Kiel Home
- *Charlene Kontz -Bonell
- *Wilbert Lutz -Home
- *Fran Martin -Home

- *Ruth McGhghy Bonell Towers
- *Zona Oft -Someren Glen
- *Redonda Patton Bonell
- *Elfrieda Schlager Garden Square
- *Lanny Schlange Home
- *Bernice Schooler -Home
- *Dave Schonek –Home
- *Joye Shafer Centennial Healthcare
- *Virgil Troester Bonell Towers
- *Rosalie Wacker Life Care
- *Farl Weiss -Grace Point





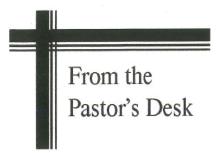


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Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

A number of people have asked me in recent times if I believe we are living in the last days. I will let you be the judge on this based on 2 Timothy 3:

But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days. People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good, treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God— having a form of godliness but denying its power. Have nothing to do with such people.

Biblically, when the end times are addressed, really refers to the era from when Christ came as that little babe in Bethlehem until He returns on the Last Day. What God does emphasize, and what we clearly observe from history, is that the world has been continually on a downward trend from the time Adam and Eve fell into sin. Unlike the premise of evolution that this world began in chaos and is heading towards perfection, God clearly reveals to us that His creation was perfect and, after sin, is headed towards total chaos and destruction. Quite a contrast in teachings! I am going with God and what He has revealed to us.

Throughout history, we have seen evidence of what God reveals to Timothy, and to all who will listen, from the text stated above. Since the fall, mankind has embraced all of these characteristics. Sadly, dare I say for each of us, we have also given in to these rebellious acts against God and one another. Praise God for His love and, through His freely given love, forgiveness. I believe we are currently living in terrible times due to the moral decay of our society. Whether God directed or allowed the CORONA 19 virus to occur, it is my hope that it leads to a revival in the United States leading each of us to evaluate our lives and be humbled to turn fully back to God and trust in Him alone.

In recent times I have really been focused on God's revelations about self-control. This is listed as one of the Spiritual Gifts in Galatians 5 and here, in 2 Timothy, we are informed that the lack of self-control is a sign of the last days. We, as citizens of the USA, have been very blessed to live in a nation that has had its roots in Christianity. Empowered to live lives of self-control we are able to self-govern. Our constitution is really based on the foundation of self-control. When this characteristic fades or is lost it not only threatens our faith but also our democracy. What can only follow is a police-state type of control when the majority of the people are out of control. It seems we are headed in this direction which is really concerning.

At the same time, what an opportune time for the Church to reveal herself with all of her Spiritual Gifts, given by God, in the midst of the culture in which we currently live. God lists the gifts of the Spirit in Galatians 5:



But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.

We, through walking in step with the Spirit, stand out clearly in a very dark and corrupted world. God empowers each of us His precious children to have great influence on those around us by simply living the faith. The hope is that conversation will develop among our friends, neighbors, co-workers, etc., to the point that they are curious about our perspectives on life and the way that we approach it; especially in times like these. This is where our focus needs to be. Only God needs to know the day and the hour when Christ will return. What's

important is that we use every hour of life that He gives us to represent Him in a fallen world.

Are we living in the last days? Absolutely! We have been ever since that little child, Jesus, was born in Bethlehem around 2,000 years ago. Each day is one day closer to Jesus' return. May we use each day that He provides to us to draw the attention of others to Him.

God bless you,

Pastor Greg



Welcome to Rainforest Explorers VBS, where children look into the Bible, God's Holy Word, and discover that Jesus leads the way to the treasure of eternal life with Him!

Through all of the uncertainties happening in our world today, we are blessed to be able to offer a Vacation Bible School program this summer, albeit slightly different than in previous years. We are putting on a Backyard VBS, where family can

pick up all the materials needed to put on the event in their own homes, with plenty of support and easy instructions. Besides the materials provided, families can also use videos we have created ourselves with Trinity family members guiding you, posted online to help explain the true stories, Bible connections, crafts, snacks, and games that go along with our VBS. Families can work through these individually if they would like, or we are also encouraging families to form small groups together for VBS, to enable us to have fellowship. Invite a family from the neighborhood, hang out in the backyard, rotate houses — and have fun!

Vacation Bible School happens for five days. We have put this on the schedule for the five Fridays in July. However, if your family has a schedule that needs this to happen on a different day, that is perfectly ok as well!

Our five lessons are Noah and the flood, Moses and the 10 Commandments, Jesus calls His disciples, Jesus heals the 10 lepers, and Jesus visits His disciples.

Families can pick up material kits on Wednesday, July 1^{st} and Thursday, July 2^{nd} , from 5:00-6:00 p.m. in the church, or at any time previously arranged with Director of Christian Education Angela Erickson.

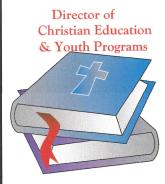
Register your child at https://vbsmate.com/events/TrinityLutheranChurchGreeleyCO/19519

to let us know he or she will be participating. Please also note if you would like us to provide the materials for snacks (optional) in the appropriate spot on the registration form.

Jesus is The Way!



Greetings to our fellow Trinity Lutheran family members!



For some time now, it has been part of the Elders 5-year plan to have a full-time Director of Christian Education and I am ecstatic that they have offered that position to me. I look forward to working here at Trinity to expand our children and family ministries, as well as helping provide more programs like Bible studies and retreats for those of all ages. I would like to bring back a midweek program like WOW (Worship on Wednesdays). I will continue to be an admin for our social media accounts (Facebook and Instagram) and I am excited about the possibilities for using these technologies to help communicate with members and to reach our community.

You might wonder, "What does a DCE do?" This can look different at every LCMS church where the position is held. Here at our church, I help oversee programs for children, youth and families. From discipleship to service projects to fellowship, I want to look at ways for our congregation to grow in faith and grow together, serving here in different ways and also going out and be the hands and feet of God in our community. While day-to-day work may vary depending on the time of year, from assisting our Sunday School superintendent and teachers, to facilitating Vacation Bible School, to planning and leading Confirmation classes and Bible studies, I am grateful to partner with you in our church and grow alongside you.

An important aspect of my position here is not only creating activities and programs, but the intentional and careful planning behind anything we do here at Trinity under the youth, children's, and family umbrellas. What are our purposes? What is our mission and our vision, and how are our plans pursuing those? I thank my professors and the classes at Concordia for the education I received in how to approach church ministry not as a calendar to be filled, but as a means to enable our needs to be met. The administrative part of ministry to families and individuals helps us to evaluate where we are at, and where the Holy Spirit is leading. "Paul planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God has been making it grow," says I Corinthians 3:6.

I am blessed to be able to serve the community that I grew up in. My roots run deep, both at Trinity and in Greeley. Many of you know that I attended Trinity Lutheran School as a youngster. My grandparents Lou & Bernice Eberhard served here on the school staff. After graduating from Concordia in Seward, NE with a double major, obtaining a B.S. in Elementary Education and a B.A. in Youth Ministry, my husband Kyle and I accepted a call to Cross Lutheran in New Braunfels, TX. During our ten years there, I served as a full time DCE, then the Middle School Language Arts lead. Along the way, we became involved with the foster care system. We fostered II children, adopting 4. Many of you know Annalisa, David, Sophia and Lucy, our four blessings from God. In 2013, I left full-time work to stay at home with our kids. Our family relocated to Greeley in 2015, with my husband Kyle taking on the role of Principal of Trinity Lutheran school. I became the part-time Director of Christian Education in 2016, and began teaching at Trinity half-time in 2017. Coming back to church work was a wonderful surprise, especially at a place where my family has such history.

I want to thank you all for your support and encouragement, past, present, and future.

Angela Erickson,
Director of Christian Education

"My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." 2 Corinthians 12:9



Thank you, Trinity!

Your response has been heartwarming! Please keep bringing us your plastic caps and lids. Our goal is to collect enough plastic lids to get a free bench or picnic table for the school.

Please drop off your caps/lids at the school.

ACCEPTABLE CAPS AND LIDS

Medicine bottle caps Flip-top caps Ice cream bucket lids

Milk jug, creamer caps Spray paint caps Cool whip lids

Detergent caps Ointment tube caps Pringle lids

Hair spray caps baby food caps Coffee can lids

Toothpaste caps Shampoo/Conditioner caps Butter lids

Deodorant caps Cottage cheese lids Cream cheese container lids

Applesauce pouch caps Yogurt lids Spice lids

Drink bottle caps Peanut butter lids

For more information about the program visit greentreeplastics.com

The deadline has been extended due to COVID-19.

Note from the Editor: I was thinking about the Israelites this morning as I drove into work. How did they manage the big changes that came when God through Moses told them "pack up all your stuff, we are getting out of (Egypt) here!" Initially, I think they were excited to be freed from their slavery, but this change brought with it a lot of uncertainty. We know that they struggled, but was their struggle with the changes or with trusting God. Perhaps they had grown used to their lives, even finding comfort in their routine, making them resistant to the changes. Like the Israelites, my days are steeped in routine. I get up, get dressed, go to work, come home, eat supper, and go to bed. I lead a pretty structured life. Admittedly, I seem to do better with structure. I do specific things each day of the week from tasks at work to what I watch on TV in the evening. With the arrival of the COVID pandemic, my routine no longer fit. My new routine was uncertain and at times uncomfortable and full of questions. Am I considered essential or non-essential? Should I wear a mask or gloves? It seemed like things were changing almost minute by minute as a sense of panic and disbelief spread across our country. Overnight stores and restaurants closed and grocery store shelves became bare. I never in my wildest dreams thought I would have to be concerned about having enough toilet paper! Amid all these changes, there is only one thing I can do, trust in God. He is in charge and His plan is infallible. He loves me so much that He sent His One and Only Son to die on the cross to pay for my sins, as He did for you. May you find that with trust in God, you can make changes, whether they are comfortable or not. Jesus tells us "... do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?" Matthew 6:25-26

School Happenings

Preschool & K-8

Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

Summer is in full swing. Our Summer Childcare Program is open and has room for more. Our

staff has been working extra hard to comply with all of the rules and regulations to operate. This includes lots of cleaning, attempting to keep 3-5-year-olds socially distanced, checking temperatures, and more cleaning. If you haven't heard it recently, we have an AWESOME staff that is willing to go the extra mile to make things happen.



Speaking of Trinity staff, we are in need of an afternoon teacher assistant for this coming fall. Please contact Gwen Marshall if you know of any possible candidates. We are also in the process of finalizing the details for a new 3-4 grade teacher. Summer seems to be the time for transition. Please keep our existing and new staff members in your prayers as we gear up for a new school year, navigating new regulations while continuing our ministry during the age of COVID-19.

By the grace of God, there are a lot of exciting things happening at Trinity. It was said by another Lutheran School principal, "Don't be the best kept secret." Starting in July, we will have a limited number of flyers available to spread around the community. We will also have school families utilize social media in sharing their experiences and reflections about their experiences at Trinity. We want our community to know that we offer a Christ-centered, personalized education. We are a family-involved, safe environment.

Trinity Lutheran School will be celebrating its 75th Anniversary this upcoming year. We are planning to celebrate the weekend of August 22-23, depending upon Covid-19 related restrictions. Contact the church and school office if you would like to help with the planning. More details to come.

God has and continues to bless our ministries at Trinity Lutheran Church and School. Numerous prayers have been answered over the course of the past month, year. With this in mind, we can't wait to see what He has in store for us next.

Fully in Christ,

Gwen Marshall Director of Early Childhood Education

Kyle Erickson Principal of K through 8th Grade



School Upstairs Building Project:

Update



Give thanks and praise to God for His many blessings! As many of you know, when we started this project, to keep the cost manageable, we agreed to do the texturing of the walls, the paint, and the flooring. God continues His blessings: the contractors went ahead and textured the walls at no charge! Shepherd of the Hills in Denver was selling furnishings from their school and we were able to get 5500 sq. ft. of carpet tiles and COVID-19 funds from District 6 paid for it! A parent of one of our students paints professionally and has volunteered his time to paint the upstairs with the help of Dan Jecminek and Kyle Erickson doing the taping! God is good, all the time!



Upstairs is ready for paint!! They have begun painting in the stairwells. This is the stairway on the east side by the cafeteria.





I-Virginia Reiter

6-Margaret Stanley

7-James Roohr

12 - Courtney Darco

12 - Drew Durdy

13 –Johanna Jackson

14 -Brenda Schmidt

14 - Tanner Schmidt

15 -Bret Schmidt

16 -Luke Anderson

16 - Jason Dietrich

16 -Luke Kunze

17 – Jeff Leschinsky

18-Alvie Rothe

21 - Ken Manweiler

21 - Kristen Meritt

24 - Terry Colegrove

24 – Andrea Cooper

24 – Diana Leschinsky

24 - Katelynn Meritt

24 -Doug Schmidt

25 – Mckenzie Korf

28 - Cathy Kruger

28 – Tamera Mayo

30 - Makenna Whitney



Clint & Angie Serl –23 yrs.

Greg & Lindy Hafeman –25 yrs.

Jeff & Raina Dietrich –26 yrs.

Kenneth & Pamela Clavir –31 yrs.

Les & Kathy Durdy - 36 yrs.

Paul & Beth Jackson –43 yrs.

Carl & Margaret Langley –44 yrs.

(If we missed your special day, please let the office know.)



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"It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brothers, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we will appoint to this duty." Acts 6:2b-3

JOHN WOLF -(retired AF Lt Colonel)

John will oversee all the mission fields in Africa as a logistics person.

E-mail: John.wolf@lcmsintl.org

Keep up with the Wolf Pack thru their Newsletters

-Copy and paste the link below:

https://mailchi.mp/e79b06543330/november-sending-seven-partners-in-faith-3629761?e=00068540f8

Ministry Assistants—July Schedule

July 5

Elders – 8:00 am – Mike Thuener; 10:30 am Steve Cooper

Ushers –Bret Schmidt

Sound –8:00 am Dan Swanson; 10:30 am Dan Swanson **Video** –8:00 am Mary Beitz; 10:30 am Terri Swanson

Scripture -8:00 am Ken Clavir; 10:30 am Larry Brenda Schmidt

Organist -Ken Streeb

Security -8:00 am Brian Anderson; 10:30 am Bret Schmidt

July 12*

Elders -8:00 am Brian Anderson & Ken Clavir; 10:30 am Brian Anderson & Paul Jackson

Ushers -Bob Cowherd

Sound –8:00 am Jeff Junker; 10:30 am Rochelle Wacker **Video** –8:00 am Dan Swanson; 10:30 am Marlo Wacker

Scripture -8:00 am Brian Anderson; 10:30 am Brian Anderson

Organist -Ken Streeb

Security – 8:00 am Luke Kunze; 10:30 am Bret Schmidt

<u>July 19</u>

Elders - 8:00 am Gary Klipp; 10:30 am Steve Cooper

Ushers -Ken Einspahr

Sound – 8:00 am Dan Swanson; 10:30 am Dan Swanson

Video - 8:00 am Terri Swanson; 10:30 am Terri Swanson

Scripture –8:00 am Ken Clavir; 10:30 am Steve Cooper

Organist- Ken Streeb

Security –8:00 am John Kruger; 10:30 am Bret Schmidt

July 26*

Elders -8:00 am Lance Polzin & Dan Jecminek; 10:30 am Ken Clavir & Paul Jackson

Ushers –Virtus Einspahr

Sound -8:00 am Jeff Junker; 10:30 am Rochelle Wacker

Video -8:00 am Marlo Wacker; 10:30 am Marlo Wacker

Scripture – 8:00 am Luke Kunze; 10:30 am Steve Cooper

Organist– Ken Streeb

Security -8:00 am Luke Kunze; 10:30 am Bret Schmidt

*Communion

Ministry assistants are always needed in each of the above areas. If you are interested in serving, please call the following people.

Elders - Gary Klipp, 351-8172 Ushers - Ken Einspahr, 454-1626 Sound/Video - Dan Swanson, 351-8815







ALTAR FLOWER

~Schedule~

Please sign up to bring flowers. The chart is on the wall by door to the old church office or call the church office, 330-2485.

July 5 Available

July 12
Bret & Brenda Schmidt
Family Birthdays

July 19 Available

July 26
Bob & Carolyn Cowherd
In Memory of Bryce



2020 Calendar is waiting for you to pick a date!



Sunday Mornings

8:00 am—Worship Service
10:30 am -Worship Service

Holy Communion 2nd, 4th, & 5th Sundays *******

Due to COVID-19 Services may be canceled.

Go to: tlsgreeley.org and Live-stream the 8 am Traditional Service on Sunday mornings.

Immediately following, join
Pastor Hesse
for a Live-Stream Bible Study.

Missed a Sunday, all the services are archived on tlsgreeley.org

Use the **Give Now** Button for your weekly offerings!

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Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 am Adult Bible Classes Sunday School - 9:20 am

