



TRINITY BELLS

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“after the comma”

His World

I opened the door of our vehicle after I parked at the spot in the driveway. An hour plus trip winding through highways, construction and several back-road turns. We had arrived. Another birthday party to enjoy and the setting couldn't be better. A relative's lake cottage nestled under majestic trees and a slow sloping hill toward the water. A bit brisk for a Saturday in late August with a light breeze, but I was okay with that after weeks of heat and humidity. No swimsuit today!

As I raised my sunglasses to the top of my head, I heard someone say, “they're here, they're here” and then from around the corner came my grandsons. Elliot and Foster were busy with outdoor activities including playing with cousins and with a quick wave they got back to doing just that...being together.

Then I heard another greeting... “he's here, he's here” and then Llewyn just beyond the cottage in all of his 2-year-old vocabulary said “Gampa!”. As I spotted him, he made his way towards me quickly walking up toward me. As I greeted him, he gently took my hand, made sure I was looking at him and proceeded to walk me into his world.

We walked past a tree swing and his words were excited, but in a language I was not fully trained in. He continued to lead me past all of the sights he wanted me to be aware of. Yes, the tree swing, the hammock, the lake, the freshly cut lake seaweed that his Grandpa John and cousin Ruby had been piling on the shore for later pick-up. He slowly guided me to the dock and gingerly stepped before me making sure that I didn't go too fast. He looked up with wide eyes to see if I saw what he saw. A big lake with boats on the water, airplanes buzzing overhead, and blown-up inner tubes tacked along the shore. We then went back up the hill as he pointed out with his toddler hand the pile of sticks waiting for an early evening match to set it a glow. Each new spot had him turning his head and eyes toward me to see my reaction to this splendor of God's creation.

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September 2023



TRINITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Office Hours

Tuesday & Friday: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Sunday Worship

Worship: 10:00 am

Fellowship Hour: Follows service

Holy Communion: First Sunday of the Month
(unless noted otherwise)

Sunday School

Contact Kathy Haass (KatydidHaass@gmail.com)
with questions or for more information.

Open to the Community

Worship, Sunday 10:00 am
Monday Quilters: 9/11, 9/18 – 8:30a-4:00p
Troop 21: 9/6, 9/18 – 6:30p-9:00p

Staff & Lay Leaders

Pastor: Rev. Daniel Krueger

Council President: Mark Burbey

Director of Music: Mike Hetzel

Administrative Assistant: Mikey Hetzel

Cleaning Custodian: Jodie Gerard

Maintenance Custodian: Eric Dahm

Ministers of the Church:

All Members of Trinity United Church of Christ

Newsletter Deadline

The 15th of each month.

Happy Birthday!!



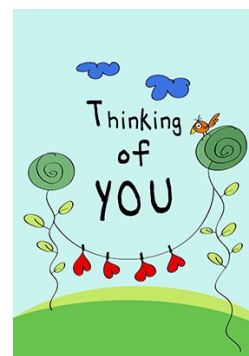
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Michaela Faulk9/7
Joe Halvorson9/8
Bob Stanley.....9/10
Andrew Goblirsh.....9/11
Sherry Nuszbaum9/14
Cooper Brown9/21
Paula Matthews9/21
Robin Komassa9/23



Connie & Matthew Koch 9/02/2015
John & Norine Schroeder 9/09
Jan & Lou Frank..... 9/29/1984

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

Nancy Korslin
Jerry Krainer
Sherry Nuszbaum
Joann Shue
Fred Theilacker
Marion Wandsneider
Patricia Wendlandt



Worship Services September 2023

Sunday, September 3rd
Worship Service – 10:00 AM
No Communion

Sunday, September 10th
Worship Service – 10:00 AM
Communion

Sunday, September 17th - Rally Day!
Worship Service – 10:00 AM
Council Meeting - 11:15 AM

Sunday, September 24th
Worship Service – 10:00 AM



RALLY DAY - CORN AND BRAT ROAST

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2023, after our morning worship service
Join in with the congregation as we celebrate the beginning of the Sunday School year and our fall activities. Take time to share what you have been up to this summer.

COME ONE.....COME ALL.....AS WE
CELEBRATE FALL

Food will be served in the dining hall.
Worship and Arts Committee



Saturday, October 28, 2023
1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Christian Nurture & Fellowship is
hosting
our annual Trunk or Treat Event
and you are invited to participate.
More information to come.



New Members

Trinity UCC welcomed Tom Zeller, Teri Zeller and Kate Kim into the Trinity Faith family on August 20th.

Please welcome them and congratulate them on becoming members of Trinity UCC.



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This was his world and he wanted me to see it, experience it as he did. Even at 2 years old he wanted me to be within the magical space around him, that he knew more about this than I did. I could feel a little lump in my throat thinking of why did he allow me to be his companion through this introduction to a place he wanted to share? It's a wonderful thing, this youth tour.

It seems sometimes in the busyness of our lives, we move past the majesty of what God has provided. Even in the messiness of a yard begging for a few things to be picked up, my grandson didn't worry about the eventual clean-up, but he wanted me to be in the moment. To be present.

He couldn't have said it better! (Even though I could only follow a couple of short word strings...he made me understand). He led me by his actions and his intentional lesson.

God gives us a language of experiences. We may not always have the words to say, but we can hear what is being said to us through our allowing for others to give us back the wonder of what they see and encounter. Sometimes their lives are not perfect to what we expect or want...there is pain, loneliness, struggles and in these times, we have the same opportunity. It is not about being there to "fix things" or put back into our need for order, but to be in the moment and experience, embrace and be with them.

Jesus tells us many times to not wait. To be in the moment that is here and not worry about the future and know that what has happened in the past is just that...in the past. Learn from this yes, but don't allow it to take our focus from what we are asked to be now. Love now. Take some deep breaths and let your shoulders down. Close your eyes and hear the waves, the breeze through the trees and the birds as they too are in the moment. Love now.

All Amazement, Praise and Glory to God!

Llewyn taught me a quick life lesson and as my two-year old teacher led me back to where he wanted to go next (to find his brothers), I couldn't help but realize his world was truly God's world. Lived through the eyes of someone alive in each moment anew and he wanted me to be there too.

Gee "Gampa"... do you have a lot to learn!

Dear Wondrous One...keep my attention on you, on abundant love and how it can reopen my eyes to see what you have created. Being in all your glorious creation and creatures, we are thankful to be a part of all of this. Please take our hand. Amen

Pastor Dan



Trinity's Annual Clothing Drive



It's that time again.

The clothing drive will accept donations during the months of **September** and **October**. Please bring clothes in plastic bags or in boxes.

Do not bring clothes on hangers.

There will be bins at the entrances to the church where you can place your donated items.

All clothing collected will be delivered to St. Vincent de Paul.



Locked Sanctuary Policy

The Trinity Property Committee, along with the backing of the Council, have adopted a policy that requires the doors be locked to the sanctuary at times when it is not in use. The room shall be locked immediately after service or other uses such as decorating the room, cleaning the space, music rehearsals, etc. This policy will begin following the worship service on Sunday September 10, 2023.

The main double-doors at the back of the sanctuary have a slide bolt system that must be locked from the inside. The single door in the rear will be locked with a key from the outside of the room. The single door at the northwest corner shall also be locked with a key from the outside, in the exit hall.

Near both single doors will be a key lockbox. Those lockboxes will allow entry for all necessary persons. The Property Committee will provide a combination code for those needing access.

The sanctuary has valuable electronic and music equipment. The building often has events happening that do not require access to the sanctuary. The Property Committee feels that the room should be locked during those times.

Trinity Property Committee



Classes will begin on Sunday, September 17th. We will be meeting every other Sunday. We will have two classes, 1st & 2nd Grade and 5th Grade thru 7th Grade. All children will attend the first part of the worship service, after the Children's Time they will then go to their classrooms. Class time will run to 11:15 a.m. We are looking forward to another great year with the children. If you have any questions, or would like additional information contact Kathy Haass at KatydidHaass@gmail.com.

Stock Box 2023

On August 9th 16 volunteers from Trinity went to Hunger Task Force to assemble stock boxes for distribution to seniors in southeastern Wisconsin. Each box contained cereal, rice, fruit, vegetables, chicken, beef, peanut butter, milk, juice and more.



In total 520 stock boxes were filled.



Thanks to all who participated in this event.



Hi kids, This month's story is still about Moses. God had a special message for Moses to give to others, this is part one of what that is.

The Story of Moses and the 10 Commandments

by Sharla Guenther

The Israelites had been traveling in the desert for about 3 months (which is a little longer than regular summer holidays) when they came to Mount Sinai. They were going to stay there for a while plus they had excellent shelter from the mountain.

Moses got unpacked and decided to walk up the mountain to talk to God. Remember that this wasn't very easy for Moses, he was already over 80 years old.

God knew that Moses was coming so He spoke to Moses and told him to tell the Israelites to get ready. Moses came down to tell the people to have a bath and to clean all their clothes.

By doing this the people were getting prepared to hear important words from God. That is why we sometimes dress up or make sure we have clean clothes on when we go to church. It makes us hopefully behave a little nicer and shows respect to God.

On the third morning after Moses had talked to God, the Israelites were busy making their breakfast when all of a sudden there was a large rumble and a flash of light over the mountain. Anyone who was still sleeping were startled and woke up suddenly.





Everyone went out to look and just over the mountain there was lightning and thunder, and a very thick cloud hung over the mountain so you couldn't see the top. Even the mountain shook and the sound of trumpets could be heard getting louder and louder.

So Moses went up the mountain to hear from God once again. This time God told Moses, "Go down to the people and tell them not to follow you up the mountain, the mountain is a special place because I am here." So Moses warned the people not to touch or go too close to the mountain.

After that Moses went back up the mountain. But this time he stayed there for a long time (40 days and 40 nights), God sure had a lot to tell him. God wanted to instruct the people on how to live. By following His rules they would have less sadness in their lives. God just wanted to protect them.

It's just like when our parents give us rules to protect us: to look both ways before we cross the street, to not hit our brother or sister... They give us rules because they love us and know what's best for us.



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**TRINITY UCC
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
Worship 10:00 am	4	Office Open 9:00 a - 12:00 p	Cup of Life Annual Retreat Mission Meeting 1:00 pm, DH Troop 21 6:30 - 9:00 pm, DH	7	Office Open 9:00 a - 12:00 p	9
3	11	5	6	14	8	16
Worship 10:00 am	Communion	Office Open 9:00 a - 12:00 p	13	W&A Meeting 1:00 pm, DH Property Meeting 3:00 pm, DH	Office Open 9:00 a - 12:00 p	15
10	11	12	20	21	22	23
Worship 10:00 am	Monday Quilters 8:30 am - 4:00 pm, DH	Office Open 9:00 a - 12:00 p	Confirmation Orientation 5:00 pm - 6:15 pm	Office Open 9:00 a - 12:00 p	Office Open 9:00 a - 12:00 p	Office Open 9:00 a - 12:00 p
17	18	19	27	28	29	30
Worship 10:00 am	Monday Quilters 8:30 am - 4:00 pm, DH	Office Open 9:00 a - 12:00 p	27	28	Office Open 9:00 a - 12:00 p	30
Council 11:15 am	Troop 21 6:30 - 9:00 pm, DH	Office Open 9:00 a - 12:00 p				
RALLY DAY						
24	25	26				
Worship 10:00 am		Office Open 9:00 a - 12:00 p				
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