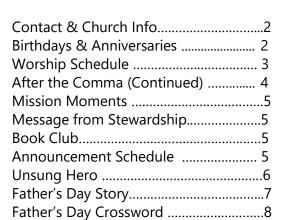




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June 2021

June Calendar9





"after the comma"

Welcome to this World!

This month of June brings a very life altering event to the Krueger family! The hoped-for promise of joy into my life as I will get to meet my third grandson as he enters this world! I pray this world is ready to love and accept him.

A big question for us as parents, grandparents, family and friends anticipating baby "G"'s birth, have we done our best to clean things up a bit? Did we fluff up the pillows of joy, create the spaces that are safe and secure? Have we brought down the fences of separation, re-paved the paths of creativity and wonder and taken care to make sure the lighting of our hearts is flickering for your growth? Have we put aside our hate and turned our eyes to love and embracing of all that God has put in our midst? Have we boxed up the judgement and fear of the other, and planted seeds of peace fertilized with justice that can be raised up alongside this new innocent life?

There are so many things we need to pay attention to. Hope we are ready. Hope you are ready for us...we are a bit distracted.





TRINITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Office Hours

Tuesday & Thursday: 8:00 am - 11:00 am

Sunday Worship

Worship: 10:00 am

Fellowship Hour: Follows service

Holy Communion: First Sunday of the Month

(unless noted otherwise)

Sunday School Via Zoom

Jill Gretenhart and Robin Komassa teach students from Pre-K through 7th Grade. If you are interested in having your children participate or if you have questions, contact Kathy Haass at KatydidHaass@gmail.com or Jill Gretenhart at yippeefun@aol.com. Lessons for the upcoming week are sent via email in addition to the Zoom link. Class begins at 9:15 am for 30 to 45 minutes.

Open to the Community

Worship, Sunday 10:00 am On Hold: Boy Scout Troop 21 On Hold: Game Nights On Hold: Quilters

Staff & Lay Leaders

Pastor: Rev. Daniel Krueger Council President: Terri Allen Director of Music: Mike Hetzel

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Newsletter Deadline

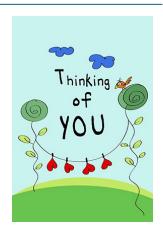
The 15th of each month.



Kathy Leslie Dawn Faulk Pat Matthews Chris Faulk Carol Capes Matt Corley Judy Nelson



Carol & Scott Capes Kathy & Don Immekus Naomi & Edward Stewart Sharon & Bob Thomas Lola & Jerry Krainer



HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

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Worship Services - June 2021

Sunday, June 6th Worship Service - 10:00 A.M.

Sunday, June 13th Worship Service - 10:00 A.M.

Sunday, June 20th Worship Service - 10:00 A.M.

Sunday, June 27th Worship Service - 10:00 A.M.



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Singer/songwriter Chris Rice wrote a wonderful song in 1997 entitled "Welcome to Our World". Its lyrics present a world needing God to be with us and God sends us a baby. It portrays breaking hearts, falling tears of a world lost mourning the hope diminished by violence and suffering. A world without a direction of love...the love that changes everything. The imagery in the song that caught my eye, caught my attention is how we weren't ready. We apologized to that baby in a manger for not being prepared, not knowing the time...but we were asked to receive Jesus anyway. Born frail and fragile as a newborn, we as Christians understand the awesome power and strength this Son of God can be in our lives-if we are willing to know and accept. This child will be/is our guide and Savior giving us hope and new life. The Good News of the Gospel becomes the picture book God wants us to have our parents read to us at our bedtime and then read to our children- all the world's children! The pictures are of Jesus with us!

God knows us. God understands that we will tend to not place love in the first of our thoughts, and for that understanding we must be thankful. God knows we live best in love. These are the truths Jesus through his love of all, his care for all, wanted us to practice, practice and practice.

"Bring Your peace into our violence
Bid our hungry souls be filled
Word now breaking Heaven's silence
Welcome to our world"

Chris Rice - "Welcome to our World" verse 3

So with all that I can hope and pray for, little Baby "G" (and all of us born to this world), may you find us ready for you to be....yes... to **be** who God created you to be....you are Love. Welcome to this world! (Sorry for the mess...we're still working on it...) Amen.

Pastor Dan



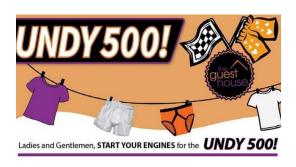


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Mission Moments

"Undy 500 for Guest House - Milwaukee". The month of June there will be containers in the gathering space for your donations of new underwear.

The Undy 500 race ends June 13.



Message from Stewardship

Cup of Life will be meeting on Wednesday, June 2, at 10:00 am, at Fairview Park, weather permitting. If the weather is bad, we will meet at church in the dining hall.

Marlene Helinski will give a presentation about "Search and Rescue Dogs", something she is involved in along with her daughter, Mary.

Please bring a bag lunch along for yourself, and we will have a very nice day!



Book Club

Our next book club will meet on Wednesday, August 25 at 10-12 noon in the church dining hall. The book we chose is called Lilac Girls by Martha Kelly



and is a book club book so a copy is available from me. It is based on the real-life story of a NY socialite who championed a group of concentration camp survivors known as the Rabbits.

All are welcome to join us for our book club and can read as many of the choices we make as you would like. If interested in joining us, please contact Roberta Stanley at 262-781-1172.



Announcements Schedule

| 6/6 | Jan Glasenapp | | | |
|------|---------------|--|--|--|
| 6/13 | Judy Marchant | | | |
| 6/20 | Kathy Immekus | | | |
| 6/27 | Anna Godiali | | | |

Could all Committee Chairs please get your announcements for the following Sunday to the appropriate Council member by Wednesday morning of that week.

Thank You all.

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I would like to introduce one Haass. I have known Kathy for for a variety of activiof Trinity's Unsung Heroes - Kathy 20+ years including joining CNF ties. Kathy is organized, generous,

funny, has great travel stories, dedicated and true to her faith. Please enjoy her short story and the next time you see her in church, give her a smile and a thumbs up.

I have been a "member" of Trinity my entire life or I could say I grew up in the church. I was baptized at Trinity, attended Sunday School, participated in the Youth Group, was Confirmed and was married in the church to Joe Halvorson. After confirmation I began my involvement in the Sunday School and became an assistant Sunday School Teacher through a mentorship of Marlene Helinski and Nancy Wild. When I was old enough I became a teacher. I continued teaching until my promotion to Superintendent, in the early 90's. I served two terms on the Council, was a member of the Mission Committee and now CNF. Prior to our marriage, Joe and I were advisors of Trinity's Youth Group that was combined with Brookfield Congregational and Disciples Church. I was born and raised in Menomonee Falls. During my childhood I was a member of 4-H, was on the swim team in high school and played softball for many years. Swimming and horseback riding were activities that my family did together and often. I graduated from WCTI. I moved to Milwaukee when Joe and I were married in 1991 where we purchased a house. We have been very fortunate to have travelled during our 30 years of marriage, and plan to continue those adventures both to other countries and in the states. Every July my family (brother, sister, nephews & nieces) go to Northern Wisconsin for a week- being able to spend time with family and being on the lake are some of my favorite things. I ended my working career with the City of Milwaukee, in the Treasurer's Office, and retired in September 2020. I enjoy reading, gardening and discovering new and different ethnic cuisines. Now that I'm retired I am going to start golfing. I am a mom to two cats who run our household.

As Sunday School Superintendent, Kathy has assisted Trinity's children with Christian Education since the early 90's.

In September of 2021 we began Sunday School classes via Zoom. Jill Gretenhart and Robin Komassa were our teachers at that time. Chloe & Cooper Brown, Braden Koch, Eden Ruehmer and Hayley Koch were the children participating. In January Robin was unable to continue with teaching so Jill took over. Recently I was able to join in the class and assist Jill teaching Eden & Braden. The curriculum consisted of a story and then activity such as a crossword puzzle, maze, word search, and coloring page for Hayley. Also if available a short video that supported the story. We began the year with the Old Testament, Creation, Adam & Eve, Noah, Joseph and Daniel. We then went to the birth of Jesus and then into Jesus' teachings of parables and miracles. We currently are working on the Lord's Prayer. Each week the lesson materials are emailed to the parents and teacher who make copies for the class. Class usually starts with just some catching up with the kids, what they did during the week, or getting introduced to the newest addition to the family, such as Eden & Braden's new puppy Sadie. Under the circumstances this type of class has worked well with Eden & Braden, there is conversation and they keep interested in the lesson. Class runs from 30 to 45 minutes. Jill is the leader in the tech department, we use her Zoom account and she gets everything set up for our class time, without her I don't think this program would have worked out so well.

You are appreciated - Thank you Kathy!!

Judy Marchant



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Hi Kids,

Hope you enjoyed last month's Mother's Day story and activity. This month also has a special holiday and that is Father's Day. Enjoy the story and good luck with the puzzle.

Do you ever wonder how Father's Day got started? It all started because a lady wanted to thank her Father for all he had done for her and her family.

The first Father's Day in the United States was celebrated in Spokane Washington on June 19, 1910. It was proposed by Mrs. John B. Dodd in 1909. Her father, William Smart raised six children alone after his wife died in childbirth. He was also a civil war veteran.

It wasn't until 1966 that Father's Day was declared a national holiday in the U.S. and it wasn't until 1972 that the special day happened every year.

Fathers are very special, so special that they are mentioned in the Bible. Since the Bible is like an instruction manual for us, it gives us instructions on how to treat our father.

Remember last month when you were asked about the Ten Commandments? They were rules that God gave to Moses for all of us to follow. Each commandment is very important and God gave each commandment for a reason. One of the commandments says: Honor your father and your mother, so that all may go well for you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth.

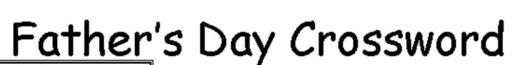
When you show you love your Dad by hugging him and telling him that you love him that's another way to honor him. You can also appreciate your Dad by thanking him when he does things for you (driving you to soccer practice or music lessons, etc.).

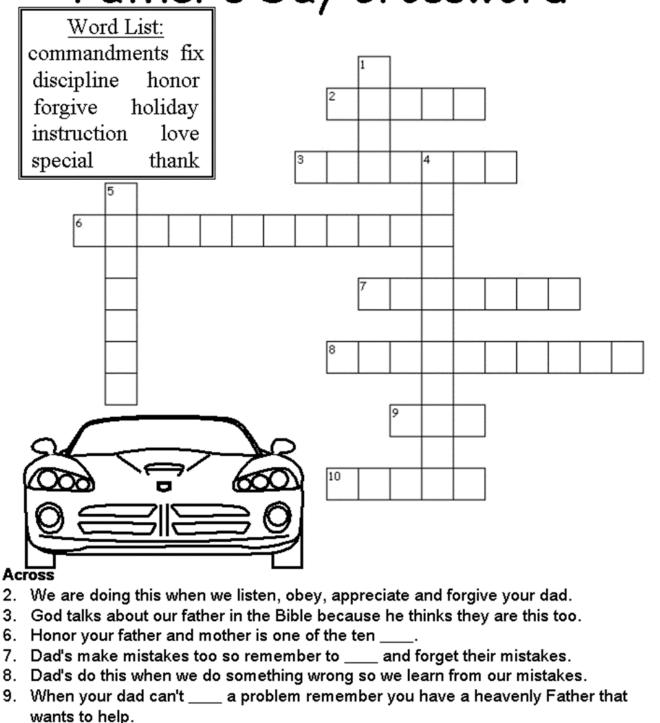
Some other verses in the Bible ask us to listen to our Father's instruction and by doing this you will learn to have discipline and understanding. That means that when your Dad gives you advice or warns you about something it's important to listen. Your dad was a kid once too and knows lots of stuff because he has lived longer than you.

Don't forget that we also have a Heavenly Father that cares and loves us no matter what. So if you don't have a Father around all the time (or even if you do) God is the Father of all Fathers. He is there when your Father can't be.



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10. Remember to ____ your dad for all he does for you and your family.

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- 1. Make sure to show your dad lots of this by hugging and telling him this.
- 4. Listen to your father's ____ and you will learn to have discipline and understanding.
- 5. Father's day is a special ____ to appreciate your dad.

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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | |
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| Worship 10:00 am (In-Person) & Live Stream | 7 | Office Open 8 8:00 - 11:00 am | 9 | Office Open &:00 - 11:00 am Property Meeting 3:00 pm, DH Worship & Arts 6:00 pm, DH | 11 | 12 | |
| Worship 10:00 am (In-Person) & Live Stream | 1 4 Council Meeting 6:00 pm, DH | Office Open 15 8:00 - 11:00 am | 16 | Office Open 7 8:00 - 11:00 am | 18 | 19 | |
| Worship 10:00 am (In-Person) & Live Stream | 21 | Office Open 22 8:00 - 11:00 am | Office Open 23 8:00 - 11:00 am | 24 | 25 | 26 | |
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