



TRINITY BELLS

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“after the comma”

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“Patience does not mean to passively endure. It means to be farsighted enough to trust the end result of a process. What does patience mean? It means to look at the thorn and see the rose, to look at the night and see the dawn. Impatience means to be so shortsighted as to not be able to see the outcome. The lovers of God never run out of patience, for they know that time is needed for the crescent moon to become full.”
— Elif Shafak,

I’ve had my bouts with impatience. Being the middle child in my family, I looked to my older sister and brother trying to figure out how I could do the things that they could. For me it was always about being able to accomplish and be seen in what I believed would be acceptance of my stature in the family hierarchy. As I grew older, it was always those things in life that pushed the agenda, pushed the calendar. I needed to be 16 to drive (this couldn’t come fast enough for my liking), I needed to be 18 (or 21) to actually be my own decision maker which included something as trivial as being able to order a beer at any local establishment.

I can look back through decades of my life and see where I was impatient, or at least wanted something “now” rather than allow life to unfold in it’s good time around me. I do believe it is an inherent part of our beings that we want to stretch and grow with each opportunity, many times wanting to accelerate the time needed for an outcome. Think about baking a cake (or a pizza!) and giving in to the urge to sneak a peek before the timer has gone off to check to see if it might be done quicker.



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TRINITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

4435 North Calhoun Road
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Email: contact@trinitybrookfield.org

Web Site: www.trinitybrookfield.org

Office Hours

Tuesday & Thursday: 9:00 am - 12:00 am

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

On Hold: Game Nights

Troop 21: 9/4, 9/18, 6:00 – 8:30 pm

Monday Quilters: 9/12, 9/19, 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

Staff & Lay Leaders

Pastor: Rev. Daniel Krueger

Council President: Kathy Immekus

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!!



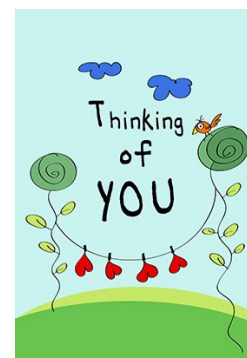
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Michaela Faulk.....9/7
Joe Halvorson.....9/8
Bob Stanley.....9/10
Andrew Goblirsch.....9/11
Sherry Nuszbaum.....9/14
Cooper Brown.....9/21
Paula Matthews9/21
Robin Komassa9/23



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

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

Beverly Littmann
Marion Wandsneider
Fred Theilacker
Joann Shue
Nancy Korslin





Worship Services September 2022

Sunday, September 4th – Worship Service – 10:00 AM

Sunday, September 11th – Worship Service – 10:00 AM

Sunday, September 18th – Worship Service – Rally Day – 10:00 AM

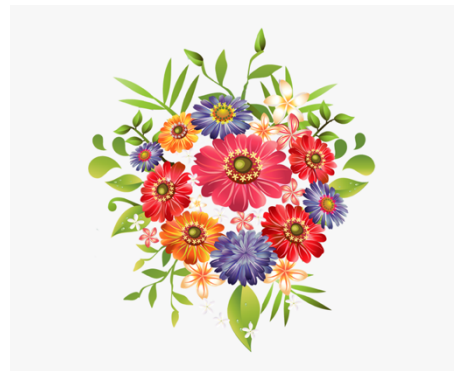
Sunday, September 25th – Worship Service – 10:00 AM



Sept 4. Kathy Immekus
Sept 11. Jim Cleary
Sept 18. Robin Komassa
Sept 25. Mark Burbey

If you're unable to do your scheduled date,
please contact Kathy Immekus.

FOR SALE - Cemetery Plot for two at
Wisconsin Memorial Park.
Contact Marlene at 262-246-3258





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Another example would be our looking at children in our lives and looking for the “growing” of their lives. In witnessing my children and grandchildren’s lives, I am reminded how often I’ve watched them do some amazing things, but at the same time wanting them to be able to do more. This seems so selfish of me. The fact that they are able to smile, wishes for me to hear them talk. Their ability to roll over on their own, sparks visions of them walking. Their skill of finally using a fork and I’m thinking of the cook-outs of the future. So much life and love to come and I can’t wait for it to happen!

But wait a minute (pun intended). These are all things that are life and love right in front of me. Does my impatience blind me to really taking time to be amazed and thankful for what is actually happening? Jesus taught us much about living in the moment. ³⁴ “Give your entire attention to what God is doing right now, and don’t get worked up about what may or may not happen tomorrow. God will help you deal with whatever hard things come up when the time comes.” Matt 6:34 (MSG)

When Mary Magdalene anointed Jesus with perfume, her act of kindness was done fully in the moment, not worrying about her or the future. Her scandalous action sparked others to comment how this could have helped others in the future, but she believed in the power of kindness and love in the moment for the one who needed it. Jesus, even in the prayer he taught us points out that all we can ask for is our daily bread and in that same time frame forgive those around us as we would hope they would forgive us. What a legacy of being in the moment.

Because our God loves us in the moment, it beckons us to do love NOW! We are given more and more love with each moment! Our attention to what matters most says we love and serve others each minute and know that the hours after our not ours to be worried about. Imagine if all of us could do this.... what a wonderful, patient, grace filled world this could be!

We are asked to be here, right now, not perfect but aware. There is no better time than right now to proclaim that all are loved, cherished and embraced with our and God’s love. The history of our actions for all of creation will be for others to figure out, let’s make it good!

Dear Patient and enduring God, we look to learn from your Son, our Guide, Jesus Christ who showed us what is needed is here and now. This love and service is not to be delayed. Grace filled Love has no expiration but is best served warm in the moment without need for acknowledgement or repayment, just as you love us! This we pray in great patience...Amen!

Pastor Dan



ANNUAL CLOTHING DRIVE

Beginning Sunday, September 4, the annual clothing drive will begin and will end on Sunday,, September 25. Especially needed this year is gently used mens clothing and mens casual shoes. Please place your boxed or bagged items by the Mission sign in our Gathering Place, nothing on hangers."

LOCKED DOORS POLICY FOR TRINITY

"This is a friendly reminder to everyone to let you know that all doors going into Trinity are locked at approximately 10:10 A.M. on Sunday mornings by the ushering team. Should you be late and you find the doors locked you can gain entrance by coming to the double doors on the East side of the building (facing Calhoun Road). Please knock, and an usher who is stationed in The Gathering Place will let you in. This also applies to the elevator doors - knock a little louder and longer."

"Should you need to leave the building during worship time, please let an usher know so that person can assist you in returning back into the building. "

Also, the single door entry from the north parking lot is locked at 9:20 a.m. by the custodian each Sunday.

Worship and Arts

5 for 5

What is 5 for 5?

1. Our Church's Wider Mission.
2. One Great Hour of Sharing
3. [Neighbors in Need](#)
4. Strengthen the Church
5. The Christmas Fund

Neighbors in Need

Neighbors in Need (NIN) is a special mission offering of the United Church of Christ that supports ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. One-third of NIN funds support the Council for American Indian Ministry. Two-thirds of this offering is used by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries to support a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects through grants.



Classes will begin on Sunday, September 18th. We will be meeting every other Sunday. We will have two classes, 5K thru 1st Grade and 4th Grade thru 6th 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.



From Pastor Dan...

We pray for all of our teachers, helpers, children and students as they begin school in the next few weeks. What a wonderful gift of knowledge! We can celebrate and know that the more we are involved and attentive to what is being taught and learned is our reflection of a God wanting us to grow closer to knowing Love.

*We see signs of summer's passing in golden leaves,
shortening days, misty mornings, autumn glow.
We sense its passing in rain that dampens,
winds that chill, Harvest's bounty placed on show.
Creator God, who brings forth
both green shoot and hoar frost,
sunrise and sunset,
we bring our thanks
for seeds that have grown,
harvests gathered,
storehouses filled,
mouths fed.
And, as your good earth rests
through winter's cold embrace,
we look forward to its re-awakening
when kissed by Spring's first touch.*

- Author Unknown

We have an upcoming new member orientation after service son Sept. 11th. We will meet after our Worship downstairs in the Education Area and we are so blessed to have you with us. If you would like to join us- please speak with me- Pastor Dan this Sunday (Sept 4) or contact me @ tuccpastordan@gmail.com and we welcome all! (That includes our friends that have been with us from afar...all are welcome!!) Just as a hint- we will be exploring our coming into the Age of Aquarius through the remainder of Pentecost starting in Oct. Let the Sunshine in!

Please don't forget to join and like us on Facebook as the Media Team is adding fun content throughout each week and we love it when you share it with your friends and acquaintances.

Thank you to the Mission Team and additional Volunteers for the gathering of School Supplies, the assistance at the Hunger Task Force and the upcoming Clothing Drive! This is giving as we were taught, and we know there is more to come! Blessings and thanks to all of Trinity for your support of these efforts!

Big thanks to the Property Team for the diligent attention and care to all things enhancing our beautiful building and the land that surrounds it. Take a moment when you see Pat, Mark and Eric to thank them! Know also they are always looking for more helpers. I know they are very thankful for the many hands throughout all the seasons that make their labors easier and joyful!

Lastly we welcome back the Celebration Singers to our Worship time! What a glorious and beautiful gift of song Trinity can share! And of course, thanks for the patient and loving leadership of this group by Mike Hetzel. Your love of song and all of the sounds God gives us is a treasure shared each week., Thank You!



Hi Kids,
Hope you remember last month's story about two brothers, Jacob and Esau, this is the final part of our story.

Jacob and Esau – part 2

Isaac was getting old and he wasn't able to see anymore. He wanted to give his oldest and favorite son Esau his blessing before he died. This blessing was the special promise that God promised to his grandfather Abraham, and then to his father Isaac.

Isaac loved the food that Esau hunted. So he told Esau to go hunt and prepare a special meal for him and then he would give him the blessing.

Rebekah overheard Isaac talking to Esau and rushed to tell her favorite son Jacob. She said to Jacob, "Your father is about to give Esau his blessing and I want you to have it instead. You need to go get two of our goats and bring them to me, I will prepare them just the way Isaac likes it. Then you can take it to him and he will give you the blessing instead."

Jacob replied, "But mom, Esau is a hairy man. What if dad touches me and realizes that I'm tricking him?"

His mother said to him, "Don't worry you can wear Esau's clothes and we'll put the goat hair on your hands and neck so he'll never know."

So they did just that and Jacob went to see his father pretending to be Esau.

"Hello father," Jacob said.

"Hello, and who is this?" His father asked.

"It is me, Esau. I have brought you the food you wanted so that you can give me my blessing." Jacob lied.

"Come closer so I can touch you and know that you are really my oldest son Esau, said his father.

So Jacob went to Isaac and he felt his hands and said, "You sound just like Jacob but your hands are just like Esau. Are you really Esau?"

And Jacob chose to lie again, "I am."

So Isaac ate and when he was finished he asked, "Come and kiss me." When Jacob went to kiss him, Isaac smelled the clothes he was wearing just to make sure it smelled like Esau. Since Jacob was wearing Esau's clothes his father believed that he was with Esau and he gave the blessing to Jacob.



Just as Jacob finished getting the blessing he thought he heard Esau coming so he quickly snuck out the back of the tent. Just as he was walking away Esau entered the tent with the food he had prepared for his father.

His father asked, "Who are you?"

"It's me, your son Esau. I'm here to get my blessing," said Esau confused.

"I just gave you your blessing." And Isaac started to realize he had been tricked just like he thought. Esau started crying and yelling, "Bless me too father!"

"There is no blessing left," said his father sadly.

Esau was very upset with his brother Jacob for what he had done, so Jacob had to run away so he would be safe.

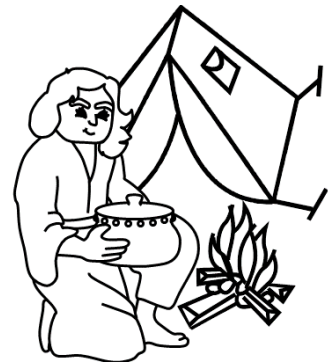
After Jacob ran away he was tricked, just like he tricked his father. He had to wait seven years before he could be with the woman he wanted to marry then he was tricked with the wrong woman!

What a story! Both brothers did things that they shouldn't have, and made bad choices that they couldn't change. Be careful with the choices that you make, you never know how they will change your life later on.

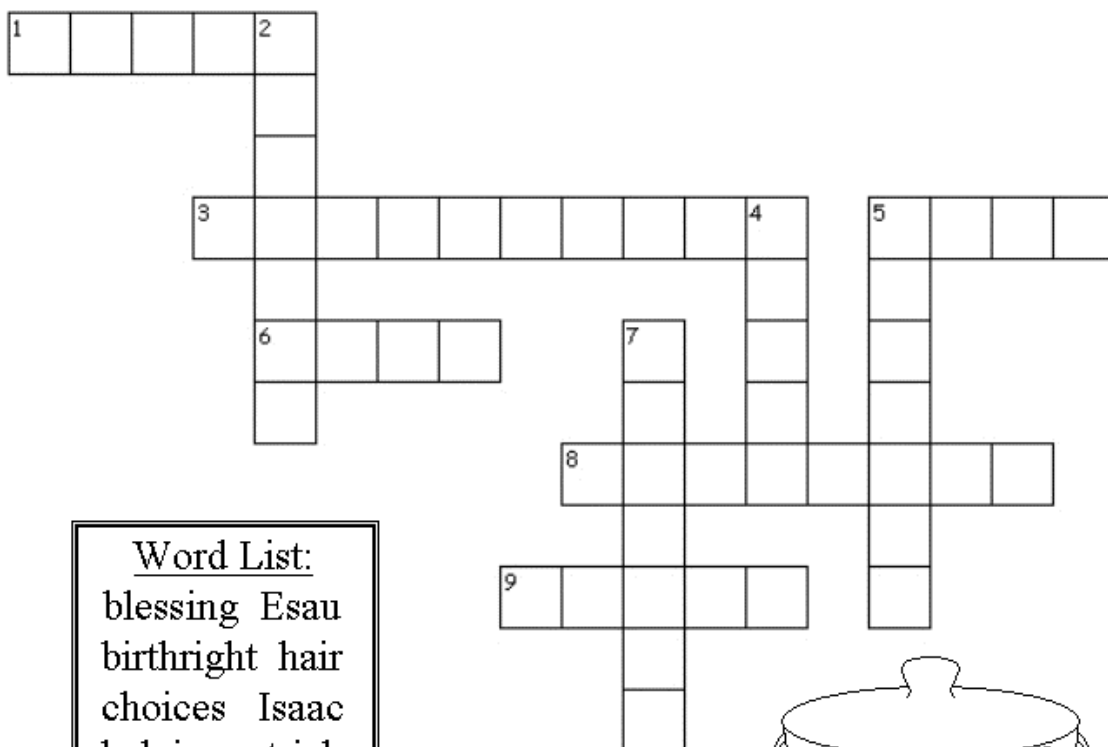
Jacob & Esau Word Search

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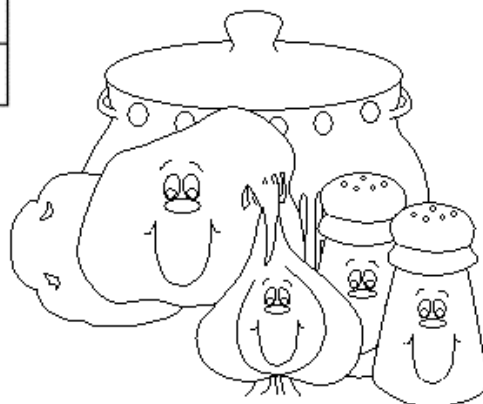
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 RUN
 SERVE
 SOUP
 TRICK
 TWINS
 YOUNGEST**



Jacob and Esau Crossword



Word List:
blessing Esau
birthright hair
choices Isaac
helping trick
hunting twins



Across

1. The name of Jacob and Esau's father.
3. Esau gave up this for a bowl of soup.
5. Jacob tricked his father by putting extra ____ on his body so he'd be more like Esau.
6. He was the first of the twins to be born.
8. Isaac gave this to Jacob instead of to Esau.
9. Rebekah came up with a way to ____ Isaac into giving his blessing to Jacob.

Down

2. This story is about making the right ____.
4. Jacob and Esau were not just brothers but were this as well.
5. Esau was good at ____ and doing things outside.
7. Jacob enjoyed ____ others, (especially his mom).

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**TRINITY UCC
BROOKFIELD**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	31	1 Office Open 9:00 am - 12:00 pm	2	3
4 Worship 10:00 am Communion Troop 21 6:00 - 8:30 pm, DH	5	6 Office Open 9:00 am - 12:00 pm	7 Cup of Life Retreat at Cedar Valley	8 Office Open 9:00 am - 12:00 pm W&A Meeting 1:00 pm, DH Property Meeting 3:00 pm, DH	9	10
11 Worship 10:00 am New Members Meeting	12 Monday Quilters 8:30 am - 4:00 pm, DH	13 Office Open 9:00 am - 12:00 pm	14	15 Office Open 9:00 am - 12:00 pm	16	17
18 Worship 10:00 am Rally Day - Corn/Brat Roast Troop 21 6:00 - 8:30 pm, DH	19 Monday Quilters 8:30 am - 4:00 pm, DH	20 Office Open 9:00 am - 12:00 pm	21	22 Office Open 9:00 am - 12:00 pm	23	24
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