

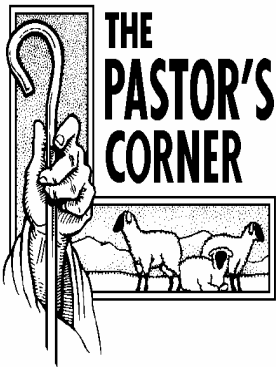
Trinity Tidings

SEPTEMBER 2007: Trinity Lutheran Church, Pre-school, Childcare, Kindergarten 331 W. George St. West Chicago, IL 60185
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Sept. 4 - Sunday School Meeting
Sept. 6 - Joyful Noise Choir Practices begin
Sept. 9 - Sunday School begins
Sept. 10 - Parish Planning Committee Meeting
Sept. 11 - Confirmation Classes begin
Sept. 17 - LWML Meeting
News Articles Due

Sept. 20 - Little Lambs and Hosanna
Choir Practices begin
Sept. 23 - Rally Day
Sept. 30 - Voter's Meeting



Daily Bread

The Fourth Petition of the Lord's Prayer says, "Give us this day our daily bread." Martin Luther explained it this way: What does this mean? "God certainly gives daily bread to everyone without our prayers, even to all evil people, but we pray in this petition that God would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving."

God gives daily bread; bread that supports this life of our each and every day. Needless to say we teach our children to pray, giving thanks before each meal. But did you ever consider that our bodies are also gifts from God.

In my High Things presentation, to about 200 youth this summer, I ask them to consider that their body is a gift from God. Now we usually don't think that way, we usually think of our bodies as getting older, falling apart, but to be a gift from God is another thing.

We need to remember that every breath we take is a gift from God. God created us, through His Son Jesus Christ, we have been redeemed and through the Holy Spirit, God keeps us in this faith. God has a lot of stock in you, you are important to Him. Very often when we think of our bodies, we see the many imperfections, the blemishes. When we look in the mirror our reactions tend to be on the side of yuck instead of WOW!

But when God looks at us through His Son Jesus Christ, He doesn't see the imperfections, but sees Jesus Christ. Through baptism, Jesus Christ has covered our imperfections and blemishes so that God the Father doesn't say, Yuck, but instead the Father says, "WOW!"

St. Paul puts it this way: (Galatians 3:26-27 ESV) for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

This putting on of Christ is the covering of our sins, now God the Father looks at us and says, "WOW!" So the next time you look into a mirror and you see an imperfection, the next time you visit the doctor who tells you that your body is falling apart, remember that through Christ Jesus, God, the Father looks at you and says, "WOW!" Now that is truly a gift!

Pastor Balla

I will sing and make melody to the Lord

Psalm 27:6

Joyful Noise Choir for adults and high schoolers will practice on Thursdays, 7:30 - 9:00pm in the church, beginning September 6th.

Little Lambs Choir for grades K - 2 will practice on Thursdays, 4:30 - 5:00pm in room #6 at the school, beginning September 20th.

Hosanna Choir for grades 3 - 8 will practice on Thursdays, 6:45 - 7:15pm in Fellowship Hall, beginning September 20th.

RALLY DAY
SEPTEMBER 23RD
BRING YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS!

Voter's Meeting

Sunday, September 30th at
10:15 am.

All are Welcome and
Encouraged to Attend!
Breakfast will be served!

SUNDAY

SCHOOL STARTS

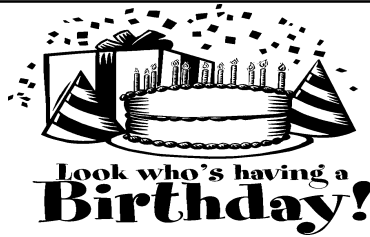
SEPTEMBER 9th



Remember to Recycle!

Those old cell phones and used ink cartridges are worth saving!

Please collect used cell phones and empty inkjet print cartridges, laser toner, copier toner, fax toner and multi-functional printer cartridges from your home, work, co-workers and neighbors. You can leave them in the collection box in the Narthex. There is also a large collection box in the school, across from the library.



**IN
SEPTEMBER**

| | |
|--------------------|----|
| Nicholas Henrici | 4 |
| Dahlas Gregory | 5 |
| Amie Nottingham | 6 |
| Mark Beutke | 6 |
| Wayne Matejka | 7 |
| Daniel Matejka | 7 |
| Ashlee McLeod | 12 |
| Elisabet Dauber | 13 |
| Jill Grobe | 15 |
| Sarah Balla | 15 |
| Eric Latham | 15 |
| Sari-Ann Ballard | 15 |
| Jason Jensen | 17 |
| Audrey Smith | 18 |
| Laura Grobe | 19 |
| CherylPerkis | 23 |
| Kelly Siekmann | 23 |
| Jackson Whitkanack | 24 |
| Amanda Conrad | 27 |
| David Balla | 28 |
| Aaron Rosedale | 30 |

**BAPTISMAL
ANNIVERSARIES
IN SEPTEMBER**

| | |
|---------------------|----|
| Gilbert Wagner | 1 |
| Karla Bruce | 1 |
| Brenda Behrends | 7 |
| Grace Greubel | 10 |
| Lonna Schmidt | 14 |
| Aaron Cracraft | 17 |
| Dolores Mennecke | 18 |
| Carl Mennecke | 20 |
| Julia Behrends | 22 |
| Rebecca Lemon | 24 |
| Sarah Balla | 27 |
| Troy Malay | 28 |
| Courtney Hargreaves | 29 |

ANNIVERSARIES

SEPTEMBER

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|-------------------------|-----------|
| Janet & John Pautler | 9/1/1979 |
| Sandy & Barry Turnquist | 9/1/1984 |
| Rosemarie & Roy Paeth | 9/7/1963 |
| Susan & Wayne Matejka | 9/14/1963 |
| Judy & John Leeseberg | 9/20/1985 |
| Donna & Greg Kuhn | 9/28/1985 |



Have you received your new phone books?
Bring your old ones to the Abitibi Paper Retriever® bins located in the school parking lot.

We need to collect 5 more tons of phone books, newspapers, magazines, catalogs and junk mail to catch up to where we were last year at this time.



Prayers and (e)mail for Katherine Hollen. The recent news notes that the U.S. is sending another Air-Craft Carrier into the Persian Gulf. This carrier is carrying a member of Trinity. So please keep Katherine in your prayers. Also if you wish to send her a card or an email you may do so at the following address: SK3 Hollen, Katherine, Box #55, USS John C. Stennis CVN74, FPO AP 96615-2874 Email: katherine.hollen@cvn74.navy.mil

From the School

Good Tidings to You wherever you are..... Our Summer Camp program has had a wonderful year. We have golfed, been to the zoo (Oh, those apes at Lincoln Park); had a visit from a Mad Scientist (doing tricks with dry ice ~ brrrrrrrrrr, or learning about and making a lens system. We made a periscope.); We had a Stuff and Puff Day.(where we stuffed an animal, decorated a shirt, and completed a birth certificate for our new friend).

Most recently we went to the DuPage Children's Museum where we were able to discover a wind tunnel, a water table and how to do carpentry. Also, we visited Sci-Tech which was kind of like the museum, but with different things to learn and use. The last big trip was to Blackberry Village where we learned about farms and farm life as it was many years ago. WOW !! It is hard to believe the summer is over; it just started!

Hi-Ho, Hi-Ho, its back to school we go!!! and Trinity's After School Program.

This year is going to be very exciting. We will have new teachers and new programs. Our new program is to provide full day childcare for 2 year old, not toilet trained, children. Our Mom's Day Out Program has expanded to allowing for children any day of the week.

Our After School Program looks to grow with more children this year. This is a tribute to our fine staff and our caring for the children. Word spreads and programs grow.

IMPORTANT DATES:

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| Aug 20 – 21 | School Closed for Cleaning and Maintenance |
| Aug 28 | Kindergarten Orientation |
| Aug 29 | Start of After School Program ~ Pick up Children in Dist 33 |
| Sept 4 - | Start of Kindergarten |
| | Start 3, 4, 5 year old Childcare |
| | Start of 2 year old Childcare and Mom's Day Out |
| | Start of 4 year old pre-school and 4+ preschool |
| Sept 5 | Start of 3 year old preschool |

SEPTEMBER 2007

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | | | 1 5:30pm Divine Service |
| 2 9:00 am Divine Service 10:15 am Bible Study | 3 | 4 7:00pm Sunday School Meeting | 5 9:00am Worship | 6 7:30pm Joyful Noise | 7 | 8 5:30pm Divine Service |
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Assistant Schedule for September 2007

| DATE | TIME | WORSHIP ASSISTANTS | USHERS | LAY READERS | ACOLYTES | CHOIRS | COUNT TEAM |
|---------------------------|-----------|--------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|--------------|---|
| September 1 Communion | 5:30 p.m. | Mike Cracraft | Aaron Cracraft David Zarate | Eldra Rakow | | | |
| September 2 Communion | 9:00 a.m. | Ron Benes | Dan Rakow Carl Mennecke | Ron Benes | Sara Jensen Sarah Balla | | Cheryl Perkis Greg & Sharon Garcia |
| September 8 Communion | 5:30 p.m. | Wayne Matejka | Richard Rolseth | Sue Matejka | | | |
| September 9 Communion | 9:00 a.m. | Jim Grobe | Dan Greubel Heather Greubel | Dan Greubel | Jonathan Bartels | | Jeni Siekmann Laura Grobe |
| September 15 Communion | 5:30 p.m. | Mike Cracraft | Aaron Cracraft David Zarate | Eldra Rakow | | | |
| September 16 Communion | 9:00 a.m. | Doug Schmidt | Dan Rakow Jeff Gregory | Doug Schmidt | Amber Matejka | | Doug & Jamie Schmidt Wayne & Kristi Gregory |
| September 22 Communion | 5:30 p.m. | Mike Cracraft | Richard Rolseth | Eldra Rakow | | | |
| September 23 Communion | 9:00 a.m. | Dennis Weaver | Dan Rakow Carl Mennecke | Nancy Planek | Logan & Lindsay Bruce | | Judy Leeseberg Karla Bruce |
| September 29 Communion | 5:30 p.m. | Greg Garcia | Sharon Garcia David Zarate | Eldra Rakow | | | |
| September 30 Communion | 9:00 p.m. | Ron Benes | Jeff Gregory | Lois Kovarik | Sara Jensen Sarah Balla | Joyful Noise | Cheryl Perkis Greg & Sharon Garcia |