

### **\*\*\*Trinity at a Glance\*\*\***

- **The 2026 calendars have arrived!** Marj Nelson and Kate Reed have copies available in Java Junction after church most Sundays. You can call Marj at 815-973-1286 or Kate at 815-830-2061. You can also pick up a copy at the church office during regular office hours. Last year they sold out, so don't delay! **Profits go to the Growing Project.**
- **The Giving Tree recipient for September will be Trinity Rose Montessori School.** Thank you for your continued Spirit of Giving to help enrich the lives of others.
- In partnership with Open Table on **Saturday, September 27th, Bobby Jo Valentine will be having a concert in the Trinity Sanctuary at 7 pm.** This is a free event. Bobby Jo Valentine is an explorative, hopeful, spiritual, christian, folk musician. He has won multiple awards for his songwriting, given a TedX Talk and is a believer in the soft and steady power of everyday acts of love to heal our world.
- Mark your calendars! **October 5th will be the Pet Blessing.** This will be an outdoor service.
- The next **blood drive is Wednesday, October 8th, Noon - 5 pm.**
- **Trinity is honored to welcome 'Partners in Pride.'** This dedicated organization works to support, uplift, and advocate for LGBTQ+ individuals, their families and allies through education, community outreach, counseling and compassionate connection. Their mission aligns with our congregation's and synod's shared values of love, inclusion, and dignity for all people. We're grateful for the opportunity to host a group committed to joining us in creating a more just and welcoming world. Learn more at [www.mypartnersinpride.com](http://www.mypartnersinpride.com).
- 🍎 **Trunk-or-Treat at Trinity!** 🍬  
Join us for Trunk-or-Treat in the **north parking lot of Trinity Lutheran Church on Saturday, October 18th from 1-3pm!** Dress up, decorate your trunk, and bring some candy to share with our neighborhood kids. Don't worry - extra candy will be provided if you run out! It's a fun and safe way to celebrate the season with our community. All are welcome - invite your friends and neighbors!
- **Recent events have severely impacted people in Africa, Gaza and other places in our world.** Millions are struggling to stay alive from starvation, the loss of available medical treatment, and more. The loss of help through the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) has made things worse. Help is needed now! There are a number of ways that you can help with monetary gifts. You can designate your donation on your offering envelope or through one of these websites:
  - Lutheran Disaster Response [disaster@ELCA.org](mailto:disaster@ELCA.org)
  - Lutheran World Relief [give.lwr.org](http://give.lwr.org)
  - ELCA World Hunger [elca.org/our-work/relief-and-development/elca-world-hunger](http://elca.org/our-work/relief-and-development/elca-world-hunger)Please contact the Mission-Outreach Committee with any questions.
- **CURRENT FINANCIAL REPORT:**
  - August Income = \$17,156.02 (Income YTD = \$160,201.83)
  - August Expense = \$17,706.49 (Expense YTD = \$161,045.53)
  - Income Less Expense = -\$550.47 (Income Less Expense YTD = -\$843.70)
  - Loan Payment = \$2,943.30
  - Principal Payment = \$1,000.00
  - Left On Loan = \$12,099.00

● **THIS WEEK @ TRINITY:**

- **Monday (9/15):**                      *No Staff meeting*  
10a      Drum Fit (Community Room)
- **Tuesday (9/16):**                    10a      Sit Fit (Community Room)  
4:30p    Property Committee (Conference Room)  
6:30p    TRMS Board Meeting (Community Room)
- **Wednesday (9/17)**                    *No Bible Study*  
6:30p    Choir Practice (Choir Room)
- **Thursday (9/18):**                    10a      Sit Fit (Community Room)  
7p        Church Council Meeting (Java Junction)
- **Friday (9/19):**                        7a        Sunrise Rotary
- **Saturday (9/20):**                      *National Pepperoni Pizza Day* 🍕
- **Sunday (9/21)**                        9a        Sunday Session  
9a        Affirmation Class  
10a      Holy Communion  
6p        Book Club (Open Table)

**WORSHIP ASSISTANT SCHEDULE -**

*Please sign up using the binder at the back of the aisle.*

<p><b><u>Sunday, September 14, 2025</u></b>  Crucifer/Acolyte:  Ushers:  Lector: <i>Amy Boyles</i>  Communion Assistants:  Altar Guild: <i>Becky Glaser, Ann Enke</i>  Video Tech:  Music Directors: <i>Matt Makeever &amp; Mary Heider</i>  Altar Flowers: <i>In honor of Harold Salzman from the Mathis Family</i></p>	<p><b><u>Sunday, September 21, 2025</u></b>  Crucifer/Acolyte:  Ushers:  Lector: <i>Justin Reed</i>  Communion Assistants:  Altar Guild: <i>Debbie Guenther, Linda Scott</i>  Video Tech:  Music Directors: <i>Matt Makeever &amp; Mary Heider</i>  Altar Flowers: <i>In honor of Sonja Gromm &amp; Aase Schulz from Brad Gromm</i></p>
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