

****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 or 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.**
 - **Sunday Session began today, September 7th at 9 am.** Please register your child for Sunday Session or Affirmation Class. Ages 4 - 14. Come and grow in faith and share in Christ's love. Volunteer sign up form is located in Java Junction.
 - **Affirmation of Baptism class begins at 9 am on Sunday, September 14th.** Students meet with Pastor Phil in the conference room of the Education Building. The **Affirmation of Baptism service** will take place **on Reformation Sunday** again this year. We look forward to Elle McGrath affirming her baptismal vows that day. Please come to support and celebrate our young friend!
 - 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.
 - **Open Table** will be hosting our next **book club reading** starting **today, Sunday September 7th at 6 pm.** We will be meeting on Sept. 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th. The featured book will be **"Who Stole My Bible?: Reclaiming Scripture as a Handbook for Resisting Tyranny"** by Rev. Jennifer Butler. (Paperback, cost \$16 at Prairie Fox, published 2020 and oh so timely). Rev. Butler is an ordained Presbyterian minister, former CEO of Faith in Public Life and founder and CEO of Faith in Democracy as of 2023. We look forward to seeing you there!
 - **Sunday, September 14th is Quilt Sunday** this year. Quilt Sunday is a beautiful display of the Trinity Stitchers' work laid out on the pews in the Sanctuary. You don't want to miss this!
 - In partnership with Open Table, on **Saturday, September 27th, Bobby Jo Valentine will be having a concert in the Trinity Sanctuary at 7pm.** 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.
 - **Sunday, October 5, 2025** will be the **Pet Blessing and an outdoor service.**
 - **The next blood drive is Wednesday, October 8th, Noon - 5 pm.**
 - **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
 - Lutheran World Relief give.lwr.org
 - ELCA World Hunger 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 (9/8):** 10a Team Meeting
10a Drum Fit (Community Room)
6p Christian Education (Board Room)
- **Tuesday (9/9):** 10a Sit Fit (Community Room)
7p Finance Committee (Board Room)
- **Wednesday (9/10)** 1p Bible Study (Community Room)
6:30p Choir Practice (Choir Room)
- **Thursday (9/11):** 10a Sit Fit (Community Room)
1p Trinity Stitchers (Sewing Room)
- **Friday (9/12):** 7a Sunrise Rotary
- **Saturday (9/13):** *National Peanut Day* 🥜
- **Sunday (9/14):** 9a Affirmation Class (Conference Room)
9a Sunday Session (Education Building)
10a Holy Communion
6p Book Club (Open Table)

WORSHIP ASSISTANT SCHEDULE -

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

Sunday, September 7, 2025

Crucifer/Acolyte:
Ushers:
Lector: *Shannon Matteson*
Communion Assistants: *Shannon Matteson, Mike Matteson, Anne Lauterjung*
Altar Guild: *Annette Bruce, Sally Mathis*
Video Tech: *Anne Lauterjung*
Music Directors: *Matt Makeever & Mary Heider*
Altar Flowers: *In honor of Sonja Gromm & Aase Schulz from Brad Gromm*

Sunday, September 14, 2025

Crucifer/Acolyte:
Ushers:
Lector: *Amy Boyles*
Communion Assistants:
Altar Guild: *Becky Glaser, Ann Enke*
Video Tech:
Music Directors: *Matt Makeever & Mary Heider*
Altar Flowers: *In honor of Harold Salzman from The Mathis Family*