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*The Altar Flowers are given by Jerry & Esther Lauchle in Memory of Departed Loved Ones*



PRAYER LIST

TLC DISCIPLES

Jerry Wion, Carol Bernlohr, Dee Kiel, Linda Leslie, Bonnie Knapp

TLC FRIENDS

Rita Shetler, Lynne, Jessica, Amber, the Ukrainian People, Nancy Dana

TRINITY EVENTS

SATURDAY, MAY 21

10:00 am Zumba

5:00 pm Outdoor Worship

w/Communion & Brief

Congregational Meeting

SUNDAY, MAY 22

8:15 am Worship w/Communion

9:30 am Outdoor Worship

w/Communion

10:45 am Worship w/Communion

Brief Congregational Meeting

following each service

YouTube Worship Service Recorded

TUESDAY, MAY 24

5:00 pm Trinity Wheelmen

5:45 pm Zumba

THURSDAY, MAY 26

5:45 pm Zumba

7:30 pm Memoir Group Zoom

SATURDAY, MAY 28

10:00 am Zumba

5:00 pm Outdoor Worship

w/Communion

SUNDAY, MAY 29

8:15 am Worship w/Communion

9:30 am Outdoor Worship

w/Communion

10:45 am Worship w/Communion

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CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS

Saturday, May 21st & Sunday, May 22nd

After each of the 4 services a short congregational meeting will be held to consider and approve the budget and the new council members. We have 3 returning council members and will be electing 6 new council members. Please plan to attend.

Worship Servers

For various reasons, securing volunteers to assist with the various worship-related duties has been a tremendous challenge. So, for the summer, we will be suspending scheduling of volunteers and will resume again in September.

In the meantime, anyone is welcome to volunteer for worship duties by talking to Pastor Ron prior to, or the day of the service you are attending.

Readings

Acts 16:9-15

Psalms 67

Revelation 21:10,22-22:5

John 14:23-29

TIME FOR  
A CELEBRATION  
TO HONOR  
PASTOR RON'S  
40TH ANNIVERSARY  
OF HIS ORDINATION

Pastor Ron will be celebrating the 40th anniversary of his ordination on June 11th at the 5 pm service followed by a special celebration in Fellowship Hall. Please watch your email for details. All are invited to celebrate this special milestone in Pastor's ministry and to celebrate with food and fun and music afterwards.

In order to plan for food, please RSVP to: [tlcoffice2@comcast.net](mailto:tlcoffice2@comcast.net) with the number of people in your family planning to attend.

**JUNE BIRTHDAYS**



Kay Gasowski	3
William Campbell	5
Kelly Webb	5
Katelyn Peachey	7
Rowan Brownson	9
Chelsea Zembower	9
Mary Krupa	10
Samuel Linden	11
Brian Woodland	11
Donna Weidel	13
Ann Miller	16
David Richards	17
Luke Wenrich	17
Grace Wenrich	17
Sydney Fletcher	19
Sophia Card	24
Grace Cluster	24
Sofia Garritano	28
Vera Johns	28
Stephen Shetler	28
Herbert Motter	29
Michael Hall	30

**TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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JULY 2019 - JUNE 2022

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# *From the Pastor's Desk*

Dear Beloved of God,

Perhaps you recall these words:

To everything (turn, turn, turn)  
There is a season (turn, turn, turn)  
And a time to every purpose, under heaven

A time to be born, a time to die  
A time to plant, a time to reap  
A time to kill, a time to heal  
A time to laugh, a time to weep

To everything (turn, turn, turn)  
There is a season (turn, turn, turn)  
And a time to every purpose, under heaven

The Song, entitled Turn! Turn! Turn!, was sung by The Birds (USA group) and The Byrds (British group), and was written by Pete Seeger. It is based, of course, on Ecclesiastes 3:1-13, and begins: "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens (v 1, NIV). The book is attributed to "The Preacher, son of David, the King in Jerusalem," which is determined to be Solomon. Throughout, the writer reflects on various aspects of life, with an overall tone, as I read it, that's rather melancholic, sad, sometimes even a tone of despair! You may read it differently, but it does reflect upon life in this world and how challenging it can be at time!

These have been trying times of all of us. We still wonder when COVID will be brought under control, and perhaps at times wonder if it will every be controlled. Some suggest it will be a virus we must learn to live with. Some will never return to "life as normal," they have lost a loved one or loved ones to the disease. Some contracted the virus only to have long-term health problems. Some have lost jobs, and some have lost businesses. And yet, "there is a season and a time to every purpose, under heaven." This has been a long season, the purpose of which may take years for us to discover.

That's how God chooses to work, it seems. He doesn't always disclose his plans as he seemed to with the prophets of old or to the saints of the Early Church, e.g., Peter and Paul. And while we may be tempted to romanticize the past (the proverbial "good ole days), if we are honest, each generation has had their struggles, doubts and fears causing people to wonder just what God is up to!

As St. Paul reminds us in 2 Corinthians, "we walk by faith, not by sight (5:7) and "faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ" (Rom. 10:17, NIV). We are not privy to know what God is planning or doing, we are to attend to God's word which provides the necessary faith to trust God. Some days, that easier to do than others.

Still, here at Trinity, we seek to press onward with both wisdom and faith, despite COVID-19, inflation, the war in Ukraine, the current political issues, and the other myriad of struggles life present to us.

In our current liturgy in preparation for Holy Communion with have this line: "Rejoice then, ever in your distress." I love that line which is only possible if we place our faith and trust in God and God's promises. The congregational response is also wonderful: "We shall be counted worthy when Christ appears." To which the people of God say, "Amen and amen!"

As I've noted before, Martin Luther once pointed out, "God is most happy when we hold him to his promises." I can't find a reference for that, but it would be something the good Father would have noted. Regardless, I believe it to be true and find a great deal of comfort, particularly, when the going gets tough has it has been for a while now.

God still gathers us together on Saturdays and Sundays for worship. We will have our Annual Congregational Meeting this weekend. We are hosting Out of the Cold once again. New HVAC equipment has been installed in the newer wing of the building, with a new system slated to begin next month for our worship space. Congregation meals and gatherings has occurred. Despite many reasons to despair, we have much for which to be thankful. While we have lost some folks during the dark days and may never see them again, we have a solid faithful community of saints, who continue to share God's word and bear witness to it in their daily lives!

Thank you so much for your partnership in and support of this ministry! I thank God for each and every one of you! May God bless and keep you and your loved ones throughout every season under heaven until Christ once again appears!

Love, joy and peace,



Pastor Ron