

# Trinity News

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## Consider Giving a Pint!



Trinity is hosting a Mobile Blood Drive due to the ongoing urgent need for blood.

On Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m., the mobile bus will be located in the Cornucopia parking lot. Basic eligibility requirements are that you are in good health, at least 17 years old - there is no upper age limit, and you must weigh at least 110 pounds. Walk-ins are welcome. Donors receive a coupon from Red Robin for a free appetizer, dessert, or shake with purchase of an entrée.

One hour of your time, a slight pinch in your arm, and you can save as many as three lives.

## Collection for

### LWR Personal Care Kits

We are collecting personal care items each week in May

Week 1: May 3 Bars of Soap

Week 2: May 10 **Lightweight Dark** Bath Towels

Week 3: May 17 Toothbrushes

Week 4: May 24 Sturdy Combs

Week 5: May 31 Metal Nail Clippers

However, we will gladly accept any of these items whenever you bring them in!



LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

## Celebrating the Pipe Organ in Rockford Five Organ Programs Nine Exceptional Organists

*Movement in Music - Beyond Imagination!*

**Sunday**  
June 14 at 7:30 pm  
Holy Family Church  
**Buzard Organ**  
**Opening Concert**  
Katelyn Emerson

**Tuesday**  
June 16 at 7:00 pm  
Trinity Lutheran Church  
**Casavant Organ**  
**Hymn Festival**  
David Cherwin

**Thursday**  
June 18 at 7:00 pm  
Holy Family Church  
**Buzard Organ**  
**Closing Concert**  
Rhonda Edgington  
Tyler Canonico

**Monday**  
June 15 at 7:00 pm  
Emmanuel Episcopal Church  
**Austin Organ**  
Matthew Haider  
Andrew Schaeffer  
John Wigal

**Wednesday**  
June 17 at 7:00 pm  
Second/First Church  
**Skinner Organ**  
Shelly Moorman-Stahlman  
Carol Feather-Martin

Admission is FREE  
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These programs are part of the Pipe Organ Encounter Plus 2026 - a week of instructive programs to expand pipe organ knowledge for the adult learner Presented by The Rockford Chapter of American Guild of Organists

## Did You Know?

- **Check out our website** by visiting [www.trinityrockford.org](http://www.trinityrockford.org)
- **Trinity News** can be delivered straight to your inbox via email. If you would like to receive the newsletter through email, please email the office at [office@trinityrockford.org](mailto:office@trinityrockford.org) or call the Church office at 815-963-4446.
- **Upcoming deadlines for the Trinity News** are:

June 12<sup>th</sup> for the June 26<sup>th</sup> issue      June 26<sup>th</sup> for the July 10<sup>th</sup> issue

**NOTE: Please make submissions before the deadline.**

Cornucopia is collecting condiments (ketchup, mustard, relish, mayo, etc.) during the month of June.



Trinity's Office Hours  
Monday - Friday  
8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

# TRINITY NEWS

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## “What Can You Do to Help Trinity Grow”

Writing in Church Growth Strategies that Work, George E. Hunter lists four kinds of growth churches can experience. I'd like to share two of those with you as I invite you to think about what you can do to help Trinity grow in the future. The first is “Internal Growth,” which happens as we grow in the quality and depth of our personal faith and involvement in God’s work. The second kind of growth I want to lift up is “Expansion Growth,” which Trinity experiences as new people are added to the Trinity community and there is a numerical increase.

We, as members and friends of Trinity Lutheran Church, have the responsibility of helping Trinity experience both kinds of growth: Internal and Expansion. As I thought about this responsibility, I came up with eight things we could do to help Trinity Lutheran Church grow (in no particular order):

1. Speak positively about Trinity, avoid negativism and discourage it in others.
2. Introduce yourself to someone you don't know at church. Say “Hello, my name is...”
3. Invite a neighbor, relative or friend to come with you for a special event at Trinity.
4. Pray that God will help Trinity experience growth.
5. Always assume the people you don't know at church are visitors and “your guests”.
6. Be a good steward and a generous financial supporter of Trinity.
7. Pretend you are a visitor at Trinity—then make suggestions for improvements to me or a member of the church council.
8. Help keep the church neat so it looks like Trinity people care about their church (because we do!).

Please talk to me about other ideas or questions you have about how Trinity can grow, Internally and Expansional.

Pastor Jay

## Scholarship Applications



College scholarship applications for the 2026-2027 school year are available for Trinity members in the church office.

Deadline for completed applications is June 30<sup>th</sup>.

## Mark Your Calendars

Vacation Bible School  
June 22-26, 2026



**Please Pray For:** Joyce, Russ, Regina, Mark, Sue, Carol, Brian, John, Donovan, Erik, Michael, Chuck, Kenny, Joshua, DeAnn, Ron, Anthony, Char, Dea, Draven, Brandon, Pat, Steve, Matthew, Dave, Kathy, Angela, Jerry, Darril, Judi, Barbi, Peggy, Wendy, Barb, Caroline, Diane, William, James, Gary, Kevyn, Kris, Danny, Danielle, Rosie, Curt, Josh, and Trinity Guests

## Church Calendar May 30 - June 13

Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup> – Psalm 104: 24-34, 35b

Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup> – Matthew 28: 16-20

8:30 a.m. Worship (S)  
 9:30 a.m. Fellowship (AH)  
 10:00 a.m. Worship (Parking Lot)  
 11:15 a.m. “VIP” Lunch (AH)

Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup> – Genesis 1: 1-2: 4a

Tuesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> – 2 Corinthians 13: 11-13

7:30 a.m. Men’s Breakfast (Spring Garden)

Wednesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> – Philippians 4: 4-9

Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup> – Deuteronomy 6: 4-9

5:30 p.m. Faith and Fellowship Team (FF)  
 6:30 p.m. Global Missions Team (AH)

Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup> – 1 Timothy 4: 6-16

Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup> – Psalm 8

Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup> – Matthew 9: 9-12, 18-26

8:30 a.m. Worship (S)  
 9:30 a.m. Fellowship (AH)  
 10:00 a.m. Worship (Parking Lot)

Monday, June 8<sup>th</sup> – Hosea 5: 15-6: 6

5:00 p.m. Finance Team (CR)  
 5:45 p.m. Admin Team (CR)

Tuesday, June 9<sup>th</sup> – Romans 4: 13-25

5:30 p.m. Building and Grounds Team (CR)

Wednesday, June 10<sup>th</sup> – Deuteronomy 5: 28-33

9:30 a.m. Trinity Quilters (QR)

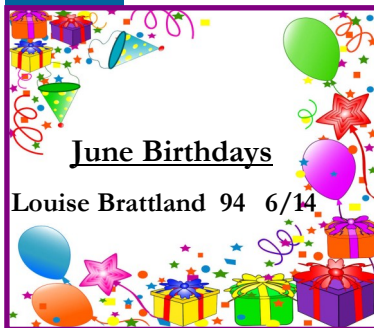
Thursday, June 11<sup>th</sup> – 2 Thessalonians 3: 1-5

Friday, June 12<sup>th</sup> – Ephesians 5: 1-20

*Synod Assembly (Rock Island)*

Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup> – Psalm 50: 7-15

*Synod Assembly (Rock Island)*



## June Birthdays

Louise Brattland 94 6/14