



Trinity News

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FUN FOR PARENTS & KIDS! **YOU'RE INVITED!**

FAMILY LITERACY NIGHT

presents

"God Can Hear Me"

READ BY A VERY SPECIAL GUEST

JAMARIO PORCHIA

★ THE AUTHOR ★

THURSDAY, JULY 16, 2026
5:30 - 7:30 P.M.
AT TRINITY DAY CARE

AGES 3-10 YEARS

1 FREE BOOK PER CHILD!

FREE DINNER! Enjoy a delicious meal together!

STORY TIME! Engaging stories that inspire and uplift!

FUN ACTIVITIES TO TAKE HOME! Creative, faith-filled activities for kids!

1 FREE BOOK PER CHILD! Take home a book to treasure!

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED AS SPACE IS LIMITED. Please sign-up at Trinity Day Care by calling **815-986-5437**

PARENT MUST BE PRESENT THE ENTIRE EVENING.

♥ **LET'S READ. LEARN. LAUGH. GROW TOGETHER!** ★



The Prime Timers (anyone 50 years young and older) will be going to Conover Square in Oregon IL on Wednesday, July 15th. We will meet at Conover Square at 10:00 a.m. or, if you need a ride, we will meet at Trinity at 9:00 a.m.

We'll spend a couple of hours browsing and then lunch at Jay's Drive-In, a 50's style diner in Oregon. Please call the church office at (815) 963-4446 to RSVP so we know how many to plan for and if anyone needs a ride.

The Prime Timers are heading to the Garden of the Gods, the Royal Gorge, Colorado Springs and much more this Fall!

September 12 - 20, 2026



Cost: \$1,255 per person (double occupancy)

Flyers with complete details are available in the church office.

Open to all members 50 years young and older.

Did You Know?

- **Check out our website** by visiting 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 or call the Church office at 815-963-4446.
- **Upcoming deadlines for the Trinity News** are:

July 10th for the July 24th issue July 24th for the August 7th issue

NOTE: Please make submissions before the deadline.

Cornucopia is collecting ramen noodles during the month of July.



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

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“On a Mission”

A part of our calling in this world is to have a good word about the people of God. We must know that we have people in the world and in the church who look at a glass half-full and will see it half-empty. They will look at a doughnut and see the hole. Their eyes gravitate to the deficiency, to that which is lacking.

Remember the twelve people in the Old Testament who went to scout out the Promised Land? Ten came back shaking in their sandals. There were giants there! Two of the twelve said that, yes, there were giants, but with faith and preparation, the people of God could take the Promised Land. I do not remember the names of the ten. May we be like Caleb and Joshua, pressing on with diligence and faithfulness toward the high calling of God in Jesus Christ for this church!

Every one of us is to be on a mission in our own personal life. Try it. Take a piece of paper and in the quiet of your own home, write down these words: “What I have done this past year for those less fortunate than I... one, two, three, four....”

I recall for you a verse on which we have all been raised, “For God so loved the world...” Remember...the world, not the church, not the believers? Surely God loves us, but the message of salvation and redemption is aimed at the whole world: the messy, roaring, half-crazed, violent, ignorant, stubborn, confused, irritating, feuding, angry, guilty, hungry world.

We have more than enough problems for every man, woman and child to have several. Our mission, if you choose to accept it, is to seek out and to reconcile in the name, the power, the spirit of Jesus Christ. We are to be on a mission telling the story, affirming the Church, and serving the world in God’s name.

Pastor Jay

Church Calendar July 11 - July 25

Saturday, July 11th – Isaiah 52: 1-6

Sunday, July 12th – Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23

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

Monday, July 13th – Psalm 92

Tuesday, July 14th – Ephesians 4: 17 and 5: 2
7:30 a.m. Tuesday Worship (Anderson Gardens)
5:30 p.m. Building and Grounds Team (CR)

Wednesday, July 15th – Proverbs 11: 23-30

10:00 a.m. Prime Timers Day Trip (Oregon, IL)

Thursday, July 16th – Psalm 86: 11-17

5:30 p.m. TDC Literacy Night (TDC)

Friday, July 17th – Hebrews 6: 13-20

Saturday, July 18th – Isaiah 44: 18-20

Sunday, July 19th – Matthew 13: 30, 36-43

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

Monday, July 20th – Psalm 75

Tuesday, July 21st – Zephaniah 3: 1-13

7:30 a.m. Tuesday Worship (Anderson Gardens)
5:30 p.m. Trinity House Board (CF)

Wednesday, July 22nd – John 20: 1-2, 11-18

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

Thursday, July 23rd – Psalm 119: 129-136

Friday, July 24th – Acts 7: 44-53

Saturday, July 25th – Mark 10: 35-45

The plot thickens... Plans for a monthly Trinity Book Club are underway. Call the church office for more information.



Congregational Brunch

Join us Sunday, August 9th for our next brunch!

Worship 9:30 a.m.
Brunch 10:45 a.m.



R.S.V.P. by calling the church office.

July Birthdays
Jean Holmes 90 7/9



Please Pray For: Dea, Draven, Brian, Mark, Sharon, Joyce, Russ, Regena, Donovan, Patty, Diane, Caroline, William, James, Larry, Alissa, Lisa, Russell, Brandon, Kristin, Michael, Chuck, Kenny, Joshua, DeAnn, Ron, Anthony, Char, Maci, Betty, Alan, Brad, Matthew, Kris, Danny, Curt, Danielle, Rosie, Debbie, Kevyn, Ann, Steve, Kim, Deb, Sue, Greg, Peggy, Dick, Elsie, Bob, Kathy, Angela, Priscilla, Jessie, Barb, Karen, Mary Kay, Julie, Bill, and Lynn