

Trinity News

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A Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Lunch with the Prime Timers (anyone 50 years young and older)



Sam's Ristorante & Pizzeria
6075 E. Riverside Blvd.
Rockford, IL

Wednesday, August 19th at 11:30 a.m.
Please call the church office to RSVP at
(815)963-4446.

School Supplies Needed

The Social Ministries Team is asking for your help this summer as we collect items for school kits to send to Lutheran World Relief. To the children who receive school kits, these supplies mean the difference between getting an education or not. Public school is usually free, but even the few required supplies can be more than many families can afford. Items needed are:

- 1) 70-sheet Notebook
- 2) Crayon Box (16 or 24)
- 3) Pencil Sharpener
- 4) 30-centimeter ruler
- 5) Blunt Scissors
- 6) Ball point Pen (Black or Blue)

Our goal is 100 School Kits. Please bring all donations to Trinity by August 23.



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 24th for the August 7th issue August 7th for the August 21st 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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RELECTION

“God’s Touch”

Once I was visiting a member of the congregation I served in Mayville, ND and we began to talk about worship. This member never missed Sunday morning worship. I asked him, “Why do you come to worship?” He had a great answer, “I go to worship because God always touches me. No matter how my week has been, no matter what I am going through in life, God always gives me a word that I need to hear. I have never been disappointed.”

I marvel at this person’s expectations of worship. What a refreshing way to view this weekly coming together of God’s people! This member anticipates and waits for God’s touch for the day. He expects God to speak. When in the worship service will this member of the body of Christ receive this touch? It is always a surprise. Sometimes it was in the choir anthem, or a scripture lesson, or a hymn, or the liturgy, or the greeting of friends, or Communion, or a prayer, or the sermon, or the crunching of Cheerios, or the wiggling of little ones. Each worship service was different, but God always reached.

The compassion of God is his touch. Our God is the one who initiated the act of reaching out and touching someone. God touches you, me and our fellow worshipers. In compassion and love, God reaches us, and we are healed, forgiven, and restored. God reaches and we are made alive. We are empowered to serve. We are empowered to pray, praise and give thanks.

God’s touch did not stop sometime back in history to be remembered. The touching goes on even today, because God’s Spirit is present among us. God calls, gathers and nurtures.

Are we looking?
Are we listening?
Are we waiting?
Are we expecting?

Pastor Jay

Church Calendar July 25 - August 8

Saturday, July 25th – Mark 10: 35-45

Sunday, July 26th – Matthew 13: 31-33. 44-52

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

Monday, July 27th – Psalm 119: 121-128

Tuesday, July 28th – 1 Kings 4: 29-34

7:30 a.m. Tuesday Worship (Anderson Gardens)

Wednesday, July 29th – Proverbs 1: 1-7, 20-33

Thursday, July 30th – Psalm 145: 8-9, 14-21

Friday, July 31st – Isaiah 51: 17-23

Saturday, August 1st – Isaiah 44: 1-5

Sunday, August 2nd – Matthew 14: 13-21

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

Monday, August 3rd – Psalm 78: 1-8, 17-29

Tuesday, August 4th – Acts 2: 37-47

7:30 a.m. Men’s Breakfast (Spring Garden)
7:30 a.m. Tuesday Worship (Anderson Gardens)
6:00 p.m. Ignite Team (CR)

Wednesday, August 5th – Exodus 16: 2-15, 31-35

Thursday, August 6th – Psalm 85: 8-13

5:30 p.m. Faith and Fellowship Team (FF)

Friday, August 7th – Acts 18: 24-28

Saturday, August 8th – 1 Kings 18: 41-46

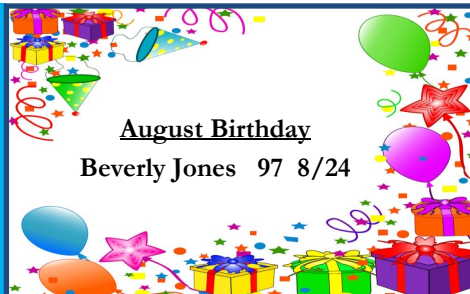
Congregational Brunch

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.



August Birthday
Beverly Jones 97 8/24



PRAYER REQUESTS

Please Pray For: Michael, Chuck, Kenny, Peggy, DeAnn, Ron, Anthony, Char, Joshua, Jean, Donovan, Erik, Barb, Theresa, Julie, Paula, Heather, Summer Travelers, Joyce, Russ, Regina, Brad, Greg, Mark, Sue, Elsie, Lisa, Patty, Diane, Caroline, Karin, Brandon, Kristin, the Mosley Family, Angela, Kathy, Jessie, Priscilla, Danny, Curt, Danielle, Rosie, Kevyn, Kris, Debbie, Larry, Karen, Bob, Ann, Jerry, and Matt.