

June 2025

## Pastor's Page

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Trinity Tidings  
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Pastor Paul Cannon

### Summer Spirit

Summer is here! I know that when each of you thinks of summer, something different probably comes to mind. For some, summer is getting the boat out on the lake. For others its time at the beach or by the pool. Or maybe it's family vacations and car trips!

In the church though, summer is the time for us to think about the Holy Spirit. Around this time every year, we celebrate a day in the church known as Pentecost. The day remembers when the Holy Spirit came down on Jesus' disciples (after Jesus had ascended into heaven) and rested on them with tongues of fire!

Then, perhaps an even stranger thing happened – the Spirit gave each of the disciples the ability to speak in different languages, so that all the diverse peoples of the world could understand and hear the Gospel. Of all the powers that the Spirit could have bestowed on those disciples (healing, walking on water, casting out demons), God chose something simple and profound – the ability to communicate.

But I don't think we should be surprised, because that's what the Holy Spirit does: the Spirit connects us. It sounds like an ordinary thing, but the power of connection is what gives life meaning. Language is how we shape the world around us; it's how we connect with one another. It's also how we connect with God – through word and prayer.

This summer, I hope you not only find sunshine and cool water, but I also hope you find a deep sense of connection with the people God surrounds you with. Just as critically, I hope the Spirit connects you to God through the Word - whatever beach you find yourself on.

TRINITY TIDINGS

# Trinity Lutheran Church



  
**Summer**  
**WORSHIP**  
**SCHEDULE**

**We will have one  
service at 9:00 a.m.  
through  
Sunday, August 31,  
followed by Coffee  
Hour/Fellowship Time.**

# Children & Youth Ministry News

## "Water World" VBS Family Nights

We are looking forward to seeing families at "Water World" VBS Family Nights this summer! We gather together 3 Wednesday evenings, June 11, 18, and 25, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Trinity. We will share a meal together and learn about God's love for us through fun water themes, including Bible stories, games, art, science, music, and service packing Viking Vittles. Thank you to everyone who donated snacks and supplies! We are grateful for the adult leaders and youth leaders who will be helping with our program this summer. You are a blessing and we're grateful to serve together in community with you all! Families can still sign up with Marie (we just can't guarantee T-shirts.)



## Family Sunday School/Children's Ministry

Family Sunday School wrapped up in May with our end of the year party and blessing of five 5<sup>th</sup> grade students. We are now on break for the summer and we'll be back again in September. We hope to see you this summer at VBS Family Nights! May the love of Jesus shine bright in all your summer fun with family and friends!



## EDGE High School Youth Ministry

Summer in the Son kicks off this June for our middle school and high school youth. We have trips planned for swimming, wildlife exploring, and the movies before coming back to set up, serve, and help with VBS each night. Thank you to all our adult leaders and youth leaders for helping out this year! We are also looking forward to our mission trip to Wisconsin in July! Summer blessings to all our youth and families! Jesus loves you and so do we!



## Class of 2025 Baccalaureate Service

Class of 2025 Baccalaureate Service - Wednesday, June 4, at 7:00 p.m. at the North Branch Area High School Auditorium. Baccalaureate is a time where the community and area churches gather together to honor the graduating class. All senior students, their families, and the public are invited and welcome to this ecumenical service. This year's Baccalaureate will include music, scripture, speaker, prayer, and blessing for the Class of 2025.



## TRINITY WOMEN IN GOD'S SERVICE (TWIGS)

The St. Paul area Synodical women's organization is sponsoring a Salad Supper. 6-8 pm Wednesday, June 19, at St. Mark's Lutheran Church Rees Hall 2499 N. Helen St. North St. Paul \$5 per person

God shows no partiality! The Apostle Paul repeatedly uses this phrase to confront hierarchical tendencies within the early Christian community. As a church that confesses that Christ is Lord of all and that all people are created in God's image, standing against racism and white supremacy is imperative and holds theological significance.

Join the conversation as we explore both the theological foundations for antiracism as discipleship and what it looks like to commit to antiracist ministries and practices as a church.

The presenter, Pastor Tim Maybee, serves the community of Amazing Grace Lutheran Church in Inver Grove Heights and as chair of the St. Paul Area Synod Advocates for Racial Equity. He lives in St. Paul with his wife, Lindsey, child, Charlotte (2) and two old dogs Hand and Ruth.

Register online at <https://saintpaulareasyndicalwomen.regfox.com/antiracism> OR send name, email address, church name and \$5 to Robin Kieffer, 13555 Elkwood Drive, Apple Valley, MN 55124

# COMMUNITY OUTREACH

**Our Little Free Libraries** are in need of books for preschoolers. Donations can be placed in the bin inside Door 12. Thank you!

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**Diaper Collection** We are collecting disposable diapers and wipes for families in need. If you have a partial package of leftover diapers, or would like to purchase diapers, we will create bundles that could be distributed as needed. Please leave donations in the church office. Thank you!

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The past few months, Trinity Outreach has been very busy helping many individuals and organizations in the community as well as helping persons within our congregation. We want to make sure our members know that Outreach can confidentially help anyone in the congregation directly with money and support. Recently we gave money to a family with a serious medical problem, as well as donated money to Chris Capaul, one of our teens seeking his Eagle Scout badge. He is in the process of making major improvements in the North Branch parks to make them more accessible and user friendly.

We also served a thank you brunch to our office staff, gave 12 Easter bags to our homebound members, sent monthly "care about you" cards to our shut ins, gave memory plants to our members one year after a death of a family member, continue to provide diapers and wipes to those in need, gave books in the Little Free Libraries around town, sent money to Jodi and Steve Swanson, MD, our missionaries in Africa who visited us last May, gave DQ gift cards to our High School Graduates, and this summer we plan on providing a meal to our North Branch Fire and Police, in thanks for their service. We regularly meet on the second Tuesday of the month, 9am in the Gensis Room, so come and join us if this is the type of volunteering you would like to do. If you have any questions, contact [Marthaarnold@me.com](mailto:Marthaarnold@me.com).

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Viking Vittles will not be distributed in the parks or at Trinity this summer. We will, however, have bags available for pickup at the Ed Center. They can be picked up Monday – Friday from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. starting June 10<sup>th</sup>. This should make it much more convenient for parents to pick up. We will also be providing Viking Vittles to students at Sunrise during summer school.



Viking Vittles is looking for a few people to help deliver the totes to the schools on a regular or on call basis. You need to be able to lift 30#.

Please call Donna Setter 612-363-5072 if interested or if you have questions.

Thank you to everyone who continues to support Viking Vittles either through prayers or financially. Many families depend on this program to provide weekend food for their children.

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**Trinity's Rummage Sale will take place in our Fellowship Hall from 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Friday, July 25 and 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Saturday, July 26. Donations may be brought to the church beginning July 14. Volunteers are needed to set up and work the sale. See Julie or Wendy Malone if you can help out.**

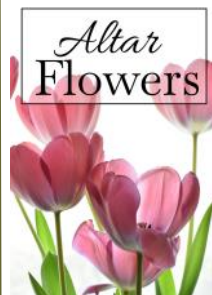




Greeting cards are sent periodically to our homebound members. If you are not receiving cards from Trinity and would like to be added to the mailing list, please call the office at 651-674-7047 and we will add you!



We are in need of a group or a couple of families to bring treats and serve at our June 1, 10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour. Please contact Julie or sign up on the bulletin board if you can help out. Thank you!



**To sponsor altar flowers, please sign up on the calendar near the church office, and bring a plant or an arrangement of fresh flowers prior to 8:45 a.m. that Sunday. See Julie with questions.**

**The Outreach Committee will be meeting the second Tuesday of every month at 9 a.m. in the Genesis Room. Many exciting projects are being planned for the next few months. Come and join us June 10.**

**Martha Arnold, Chair person.**



Our Women's Bible Study meets at 9 a.m. on Thursday mornings in our Genesis Room. Beginners and experienced Bible readers are encouraged to join at any time!



We are looking for volunteers to help out as ushers, greeters and communion assistants at our worship services. Training is available if desired. If you are interested in helping out in this way please sign up in the narthex, or talk with Julie or Dani. Thank you!



To submit a prayer chain prayer request or to be added to the email recipient list, please call the office or email [office@trinitynorthbranch.org](mailto:office@trinitynorthbranch.org)

**Are you receiving the Tidings by e-mail and by regular mail?**

**To reduce our expenses and receive only the email version, contact Julie at [office@trinitynorthbranch.org](mailto:office@trinitynorthbranch.org)**

Trinity's grocery shelf has seen continued use. Non-perishable or personal care items, may be placed on the shelf. We have a freezer available as well. We have multiple requests for gas cards. If you'd like to make a monetary donation, note "Grocery Shelf" or "Gas Cards" on your donation and we will do the shopping for you. Thank you for supporting our community in this way!

**ALTAR GUILD**  
Serving for the month  
of June

Becky Grote & Connie Deminsky



Please email articles for the July Trinity Tidings to [office@trinitynorthbranch.org](mailto:office@trinitynorthbranch.org) by June 16. Thank you!



**Our weekly worship will be available each Sunday live at 9:00 a.m. on our YouTube channel, and about 90 minutes later on our facebook page. Links can be found on our website.**


**Like Trinity Lutheran Church on facebook, and comment on our posts! Worship videos are posted each Sunday!**



**"Christ in Our Home" daily devotionals for July, August, September are in the Narthex.**

**Large and regular print books are available. If you'd like a copy, email [jmorgan@trinitynorthbranch.org](mailto:jmorgan@trinitynorthbranch.org) or leave a message for Julie at 651-674-7047 to pickup.**



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1 Worship Service/ Communion</b> <b>9:00 am</b> 10:00 am Coffee Hour	<b>2</b> 9:00 am Fellowship Team meeting	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 7:00 pm Baccalaureate service at NB High School	<b>5</b> 9:00 am Women's Bible Study	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8 Worship Service/ Communion</b> <b>9:00 am</b> 10:00 am Coffee Hour	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> 9:00 am Outreach meeting	<b>11</b> 12:00 pm Summer in the Son 3:00 pm Fare for All 5:30 pm VBS	<b>12</b> 9:00 am Women's Bible Study 5:00 pm Senior Dinner 5:30 pm Praise team	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15 Worship Service/ Communion</b> <b>9:00 am</b> 10:00 am Coffee Hour	<b>16</b> Tidings articles due	<b>17</b> 7:00 pm Church Council	<b>18</b> 12:00 pm Summer in the Son 5:30 pm VBS	<b>19</b> 9:00 am Women's Bible Study 	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22 Worship Service/ Communion</b> <b>9:00 am</b> 10:00 am Coffee Hour	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 12:00 pm Summer in the Son 5:30 pm VBS	<b>26</b> 9:00 am Women's Bible Study 5:30 pm Praise Team	<b>27</b> 10:00 am Visitation 11:00 am Funeral for Karla Hermann	<b>28</b>
<b>29 Worship Service/ Communion</b> <b>9:00 am</b> 10:00 am Coffee Hour Path Program arrives Confirmation mission trip departs	<b>30</b> Church office is closed this week Path hosting this week					

# Treasurer's Report

## Statement of Income and Expenses

Month Ending April 30, 2025  
Trinity Lutheran Church, North Branch, MN

<u>Income</u>	April Actual	April Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Unified Giving	\$ 34,837	\$ 34,325	\$ 134,742	\$ 137,300
Loose Offering	\$ 438	\$ 667	\$ 2,306	\$ 2,667
Other Income	\$ 8,216	\$ 7,263	\$ 11,724	\$ 9,350
Phoenix Operating Reimbursement	\$ 2,839	\$ 2,000	\$ 13,043	\$ 9,500
Special Bequests	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total Regular Giving</b>	<b>\$ 46,329</b>	<b>\$ 44,254</b>	<b>\$ 161,815</b>	<b>\$ 158,816</b>
<u>Expenses</u>	April Actual	April Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
<u>Mission Support</u>				
Synod Support	\$ 2,429	\$ 2,429	\$ 9,717	\$ 9,717
Missionaries	\$ 188	\$ 188	\$ 750	\$ 750
Iringa Church Tanzania	\$ 92	\$ 92	\$ 367	\$ 367
Sub-total Mission Expenses	\$ 2,708	\$ 2,708	\$ 10,833	\$ 10,833
<u>General Expenses</u>				
Ministry Support	\$ 35,535	\$ 36,062	\$ 138,205	\$ 146,164
Church Property	\$ 9,857	\$ 8,567	\$ 40,459	\$ 37,650
Stewardship	\$ 123	\$ 125	\$ 1,288	\$ 1,265
Learning & Youth	\$ 2,300	\$ 3,523	\$ 3,283	\$ 6,057
Worship	\$ 1,356	\$ 1,617	\$ 1,966	\$ 2,167
Audio Visual	\$ 490	\$ 125	\$ 490	\$ 500
Witness & Service	\$ 491	\$ 404	\$ 491	\$ 1,617
Sub-total General Expenses	\$ 50,151	\$ 50,423	\$ 186,181	\$ 195,418
<b>Total Regular Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 52,859</b>	<b>\$ 53,131</b>	<b>\$ 197,014</b>	<b>\$ 206,252</b>
Total Net Income - April 2025	\$ (6,530)	\$ (8,877)	\$ (35,200)	\$ (47,435)
Unified Support - Phoenix	\$ 7,000	\$ 13,479	\$ 36,100	\$ 53,917
Income Less Expense after Phoenix Support	\$ 470	\$ 4,602		
<b>Total Net Income - Year-To-Date</b>			<b>\$ 900</b>	<b>\$ 6,481</b>

April Income was \$2,075 Over the April Budget  
April Expense was \$272 under the April Budget

Please consider online giving.

Net Income is \$470 for April  
Net Income is \$900 Year to Date

YTD Phoenix Rent Received \$82,733.32

Respectfully Submitted,

*Todd J. Fisk*

Treasurer

**Contributions reminder:** If mailing in your contribution or using online bill pay, please include P.O. Box 447 in the mailing address. Also, please mark your contribution so the monies are directed to the appropriate fund. Thank you!

See our website [www.trinitynorthbranch.org](http://www.trinitynorthbranch.org) to give electronically on a one-time or recurring basis. Select the date and frequency (one time, weekly or monthly) and designate the amount and fund (Unified, Building, Viking Vittles, Memorial or Other.) Changes can easily be made at any time. **Offering can also be mailed** to Trinity Lutheran Church, PO Box 447, North Branch, MN 55056.



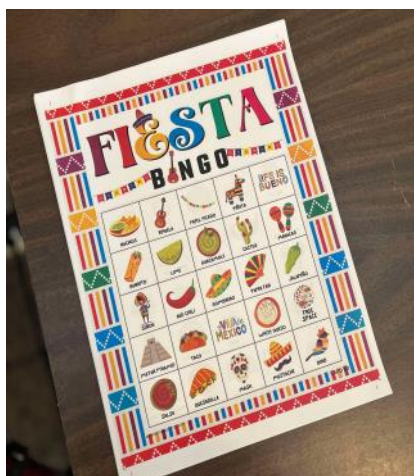
**Senior Social** in memory of Marlen Magnison, Penny Boyce from Darlene Nelson  
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**EDGE Youth Group** in memory of Steven Denny from Mike & Barb Nelson  
**Viking Vittles** in memory of Penny Boyce from Ron & Kathy Aho  
**Viking Vittles** in memory of JoAnn Nyholm from her family  
**Cemetery Fund** in memory of Steven Denny from Dave & Sherri Johnson  
**Breakfast Club** in memory of Steven Denny from Ann & Albert Tanko, Pat Fairbanks, Tim & Linda Born, Darryl & Teri Goebel, Barb & Steve Mork, Gary & Rosanne Johnson, Lance & Julie Morgan, Doug & Vicky Trampe, Jeff & Kris Johnson  
**Easter Memorial Garden** in memory of Delmer Fairbanks from Jean  
**Easter Memorial Garden** in memory of Don Zachrison from Nancy Zachrison  
**Easter Memorial Garden** in memory of All of our loved ones from John & Susan Swenson  
**Easter Memorial Garden** in loving memory of Clayton Humble from Vonna Humble  
**Easter Memorial Garden** in memory of loved ones from Julie & Joel Dresel  
**Easter Memorial Garden** in memory of Penny Boyce from Hardy, Tom & Lynn, Tom & Crissy, Oscar's family and Max's family  
**Easter Memorial Garden** in memory of Hazel, Lucas and Lenora from Brandon, Lisa and Sophie Cardelli  
**Easter Memorial Garden** in memory of Parents Alice & Huck Nelson, Wally Aho, JoAnne Cramer, other loved family and friends from Kathy & Ron Aho  
**Easter Memorial Garden** in memory of Richard & Shirley Anderson, George & Essie Anderson, Allen & Irma Ekstrom, Myril & Marlene Magnison from Dean Anderson  
**Easter Memorial Garden** in memory of loved ones from Tom & Candi Hals  
**Easter Memorial Garden** in memory of Charlene Anderson Nyberg from Dean Anderson, Jane Barnett, Cindy Carlson



## Attendance & Views

Date	In person	Online views
4/20 Easter cemetery	9	
	8a	110
	10a	288
4/28	8a	37
	10a	65
5/4	8a	44
	10a	256
5/11	8a	48
		84

**Senior Socials** are a time for seniors to get together to have fun, visit, eat good food, laugh at Kelly's sketchy jokes, sing along to some toe-tapping music, play games, and get out of the house! They are held 5:00-6:30 pm the second Thursday of each month, through September. There is no charge, just come and have fun! Invite friends, this is open to the community. If you would like to donate towards these meals, mark "Senior Social" on your donation. If you'd like to help serve, please let us know! If you have Thrivent and would like to apply for a grant card for the dinners, please see Julie. The June theme is Take Me out to the Ball Game. **Please call Julie at 651-674-7047 by June 9 to register for the June 12 event.**





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## June 2025

### Partners in Ministry: The People of Trinity

Church Office: 651-674-7047 Church Fax: 651-674-7048  
Church Office Hours: 8:00 am-3:00 pm Monday-Thursday  
Sunday Worship: 8 am & 10 am (9am only beginning 5/18)  
(available on YouTube and facebook)

Church email: [office@trinitynorthbranch.org](mailto:office@trinitynorthbranch.org)

Church website: [www.trinitynorthbranch.org](http://www.trinitynorthbranch.org)

Pastor Paul Cannon ext. 12

Sue Danielzuk, Church Administrator ext. 37

Marie Ray, Director of Youth & Family Ministries ext. 13

Courtney Fairbanks, Sunday School Coordinator ext. 15

Melissa Westmore, Director of Music ext. 14

Julie Morgan, Church Office Manager ext. 10

Danielle Baumann, Volunteer Coordinator

Christopher Dehen, Financial Recorder

Open Audio Visual Manager

Roger Anderson & Jim Juntunen, Custodians  
Jason Vanous & Luke Meyer, Cemetery Staff  
Outreach Committee:

[Outreach@trinitynorthbranch.org](mailto:Outreach@trinitynorthbranch.org)

Todd Fisk, Church Treasurer

Missionaries: Dr. Stephen Swanson family –  
Tanzania

Our Sister Congregation in Tanzania—Pawaga

#### Church Council Members:

Jeremy Edson, Council Chair

Tiffany Byrne, Shari Denny,, Jeff Johnson,  
Rosanne Johnson, Jim Naggatz, Barb Nelson,  
Dan Peterson, John Swenson



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