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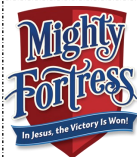
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2017 VBS REGISTRATION FORM - JULY 24 - 28

Child's name _____

Mailing Address _____

Age on September 1, 2017 _____ and/or Grade completed _____

Child's T-shirt size (please circle)

Child's XS (2-4) Child's S (6-8) Child's M (10-12) Child's L (14-16)

Adult S Adult M Adult L Adult XL Adult 2X

Parent's or Guardian's Name _____

Telephone Numbers (H) _____ (O) _____

(Cell) _____

E mail Address _____

Parents or guardians, please check items of interest below:

____ I would like to help with Bible School. (Adults and youth who assist with Bible School must be trained in the Child Protection Policy. Nursery care for children too young to participate in Bible School will be provided for adults who are on the VBS staff.)

____ I can help on these days. _____

____ Attached is my registration fee. (\$15 through June 30, \$20 in July)

____ My child has an ALLERGY or HEALTH CONCERN you should be aware of:

TRINITY TIDINGS

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*For by grace you have been saved through faith,
and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God.
Ephesians 2:8*

Dear Members of the Trinity Family,
During 2017 we are celebrating 500 years of reformation. On October 31, 1517, Martin Luther, an Augustinian monk and pastor, nailed the Ninety-Five Theses, his list of grievances against the Roman Catholic Church, to the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg, Germany. Through this action, Martin Luther sparked the Protestant Reformation, a reformation that continues to reverberate through the church. Today, in 2017, we are still a reforming church. Through the work of the Holy Spirit we are constantly being changed and transformed into the people God intended us to be.

To celebrate the 500th Anniversary of the Protestant Reformation, several special events are being planned for our congregation. Currently, adults in the summer Sunday School class are learning more about Martin Luther, the Reformation, and what it means to be Lutheran. On Saturday, September 23, Lutherans across North and South Carolina will gather in Charlotte for a service to celebrate the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation. Elizabeth Eaton, Presiding Bishop of the ELCA, will be preaching at this service.

Trinity's celebration of the Reformation will officially begin on Sunday, October 1 with a Reformation Festival that will include a Hymn Festival with Holy Communion at 10:00 am in the Sanctuary followed by *Reformation Road: Journey Through Luther's Life*, an interactive, educational experience that will include food, music, crafts, fellowship, and fun for all ages in the Activities Building from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. Throughout the month of October other activities and events to celebrate the Reformation will be held. A calendar of events will be included in the August Tidings. Trinity's Reformation celebration will conclude on Reformation Sunday, October 29 with a Festival Service of Holy Communion in the Sanctuary at 9:00 and 11:15.

This anniversary is a tremendous opportunity for us as Lutherans to celebrate the rich tradition of our faith that is centered in the fact that we are saved, not by our good works, but rather by the grace of God. Thanks be to God!

Peace, love, and joy,

Pastor Susan Crowell

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Registration has begun. Bible School will be July 24 through 28, from 8:45 am to noon, for children who will be aged 3 by September 1, 2017. The theme is *Mighty Fortress: In Jesus the Victory is Won*. Registrations received in July will be \$20.00 each. A registration form is on the back of this newsletter, as well as in the Sunday announcements. Directors are Lura Godfrey and Anne Branham.

Students will spend the week learning about kings in the Bible, and also about the ultimate king, Jesus. In addition, participants will learn about Martin Luther and the Reformation. Parents should park and walk their children in to the Multipurpose Room each morning. Bible School will begin there each morning at 8:45 am with a devotion and worship experience. Parents are welcome to attend devotions with their children. At noon each day, parents should pick up their children in their classrooms. No children will be released to meet rides outside. The week will conclude on Friday with a picnic in the Gym. Families are encouraged to attend. Reservations for the meal can be made during the Bible School week.

As a part of worship, children are invited to bring an offering each day to go along with the theme. On Monday, non-perishable food items will be collected. On Tuesday, school supplies; on Wednesday, first aid items; on Thursday, baby care items; and on Friday, pet food will be collected.

Adults and youth wishing to help should be in contact with Amy Brown through the Church Office. Bible School is a fun week at Trinity. It is also an important week as students and leaders give their time and attention to the calling as children of God. Please remember the leaders and learners in prayer as all seek to grow in faith and love for God and those around us.

HONORING LEONARD HARRISON'S RETIREMENT

After twenty-one years of service to Trinity Lutheran Church, Leonard Harrison has retired from the position of Custodian. On Sunday, July 2 at an extended Coffee and Conversation, the congregation will have an opportunity to honor Leonard's ministry and express thanks for his service.



INTERIM FACILITY MANAGER

In preparation for the retirement of Trinity's custodian, the Executive Committee and staff have been working to make alternate arrangements for the care and management of our facility. Beginning in July, a professional cleaning company will begin providing the services to keep the facility clean and orderly. The Executive Committee is pleased that Roy Cook, longtime, faithful member of Trinity who possesses the necessary gifts, has agreed to serve as the Interim Facility Manager. Roy will be working on a part-time, interim basis to care for and manage the facility while also helping the congregation to discern the actual scope of Trinity's long-term facility management needs. The Trinity family is grateful to Roy Cook for his partnership and leadership and for his willingness to join Trinity's staff during this interim period.

PRAYER GROUP

A prayer group meets at 11:30 am in the Library every Wednesday. The group meets for thirty minutes to share prayer concerns and celebrations and pray for individuals and ministries in the life of Trinity. Prayer requests may be emailed to Merry Mulcahy at marmulcahy@icloud.com. All are invited to attend.



WITHIN THE TRINITY FAMILY . . .

HOSPITAL PATIENTS

George Heer - 315, St. Francis
Shannon Barnett, Charlies Ives, John Park and Lily Weeks have been discharged.

BIRTHS

Everett Thomas, son of Chris and Shannon Barnett, on June 15
Brooklyn Marie, daughter of Christian Zivic and Ashley Wampler, on June 16

DEATHS

Dale Anderson on May 25
Jim Wood on June 5
the father of David Crigler
the father of Bill Renninger

ATTENDANCE FOR JUNE

	<u>6/4</u>	<u>6/11</u>	<u>6/18</u>	<u>6/25</u>
9:00	148	152	158	141
11:15	<u>115</u>	<u>103</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>140</u>
TOTAL	263	255	248	281
SUNDAY SCHOOL	84	87	70	66

OFFERING SUMMARY FOR JUNE

	<u>June</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Needed for Budget	\$ 105,130	\$ 630,783
Given to Budget	<u>62,986</u>	<u>602,081</u>
Difference	- \$42,144	- \$ 28,702
Given to World Hunger	\$1,365	\$10,159
Given to Preserving Our Heritage	\$812	\$ 663,745 (Campaign to date)

NEW MISSIONARIES

Erik and Tauna Roth, the missionaries in Japan supported by Trinity for the last several years, have completed their service. Trinity will join with companion synods in supporting Curtis and Katie Kline, who are currently serving in Colombia, South America. Curtis accompanies the ELC of Colombia in promoting and protecting human rights and building peace. Katie serves with the youth and women's ministries of the church. Visit their blog at 8000FeetandCounting.blogspot.com. For more information, contact Paige Dillon at pdillon2@bellsouth.net.

TRAVEL SIZED TOILETRIES NEEDED

Among so many vital ministries, United Ministry's Place of Hope offers the homeless of Greenville a place to take a shower. There is a desperate need for Travel-Size Soap (and other toiletries) to help cover the 40 showers taken 5 days a week. Unused toiletries from your summer travels or new products (Walmart, Target and grocery stores have convenient travel item sections) can be placed in collection baskets in Trinity's Breezeway or Parlor. Please contact Paige Dillon, pdillon2@bellsouth.net, with any questions.

UNITED MINISTRIES

Trinity continues to receive food for the United Ministries Food Pantry on the first and third Sundays of each month. There is a particular need for beef stew, green beans, canned fruit and ramen noodles. Other items are appreciated as well.



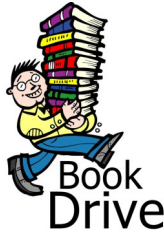
CREATION CARE TEAM

Trinity's Creation Care Team is exploring issues regarding recycling, energy efficiency, and care for the earth. Current projects include washing the china mugs after Coffee and Conversation each Sunday, picking up the recycling (plastic, cans, and paper), and investigating ways to make the campus more green. Persons who are interested are invited to the speak with David Potts, Peggy Schotsch, or Mark or Lura Godfrey.



OUTREACH FOR GREENVILLE LITERACY

The Greenville Literacy Association is sponsoring the *Really Good, Really Big, Really Cheap Book Sale*. Book collection will continue through July 28. Look for the collection boxes in the Breezeway. The sale runs August 11-13. For more information, contact Paige Dillon at pdillon2@bellsouth.net or Lynn Parsons at lynnleckleyp@gmail.com, or go to the GLA website.



COUNSELING SERVICES

Because Trinity Lutheran Church participates in a Membership Assistance Program with Canterbury Counseling Center, members of the congregation pay a fee of \$25 per session for the first four sessions of counseling. To make an appointment, speak with Pastor Crowell or call the Canterbury Counseling Center at 235-7501.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Summer Sunday School will be offered for all ages every Sunday this summer.

PRESCHOOLERS (infants through K4 children who have not completed K5) will gather in the Nursery.

ELEMENTARY aged children (those who have completed K5 through grade 5) will meet in combined classes (K5 through grade 2 and grades 3 through 5) on the first floor of the Pence Education Building.

YOUTH who have completed grades 6 through 12 are invited to meet each Sunday outside Mandi Whitley's office immediately after the 9:00 am worship service to walk as a group to Starbucks for fellowship, devotions and prayer.

ADULTS and college students will meet as one class during the summer, in the Assembly Room beneath the Sanctuary. Following Coffee and Conversation, the class will explore the Reformation using the study *Ever Reforming: Lutherans Looking Back and Ahead*. This study will look at reformation history, people and theology from the past and into the present time.



OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH

The Out to Lunch Bunch is a group that enjoys Sunday lunch together on the fourth Sunday of each month after the 11:15 am worship service. The group is open to any Trinity adults who want to join in the fellowship. The group will meet on July 30 (the fifth Sunday) at *City Range* on Haywood Road at 12:45 pm.



LOVING THREADS

Loving Threads is a ministry that knits and crochets handmade prayer shawls, baby blankets and bandages for those in the community and around the world. Most work is done at home. For more information contact Amy Brown through the Church Office.



BOOK GROUP

The Trinity Book Group meets in the Parlor at 7:00 pm on the third Thursday of even numbered months. Adults of all ages are invited to come and discuss a variety of books. The next meeting is August 17 when the group will discuss *The Gentleman from Moscow* by Amor Towles.

QUILTING GROUP

The Quilting Group meets in the Activities Building at 9:30 am on Mondays, twice a month. The group makes quilts which are distributed by Lutheran World Relief. Participants do not need to know how to sew in order to make quilts. Willing volunteers who can cut fabric, iron, thread a needle or tie knots are welcome. Participants may bring their lunch, and can work as little, or as long, as they would like. There are also at-home sewing opportunities for those who cannot come to the gatherings. Currently the group is on summer break, and work will resume on August 21. For more information, contact Amy Brown at 242-5702.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Trinity Choirs are enjoying a well-deserved summer break until August. For the Sundays of July, a rich variety of vocal and instrumental music will be offered by members and guests of Trinity. Questions about music ministry at Trinity may be directed to Pastor Jim Parham at jcparham@trinitylutheran.ws or (864) 242-5702.

These are the start-up dates for fall rehearsals:

ADULT AND HANDBELL CHOIRS (open to youth and adults) will begin fall rehearsals on August 16.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR (K5 through grade 5) begins fall rehearsals on September 10.

YOUTH CHOIR (Grades 6 through 12) will have its first rehearsal on August 20. The choir will start right away focusing on music for Youth Sunday which is early this year, September 24.

CHILD PROTECTION POLICY TRAINING

All volunteers who interact with children in any capacity need to complete the Child Protection Training Program. This includes, but is not limited to, volunteers who help with the nursery, Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, LCY, children's groups and choirs, athletic teams and GAIHN. A training class for adults who are interested in working with youth and children is being offered on Sunday, July 16 from 1:00 to 3:00 pm in the Assembly Room. Participants must sign up with Kay Cook through the Church Office or by emailing kmcook@trinitylutheran.ws no later than July 9. This will be the last training opportunity before Vacation Bible School.



CONGREGATIONAL BASEBALL OUTING

All Trinity members are invited to attend a Drive game on Friday, July 28 at 7:00 pm. Tickets are \$10.00 each. There are a limited number of tickets available, so sign up through the Church Office to reserve your spot.



LEISURE/ACTION

The Leisure/Action Group for senior adults meets occasionally for lunch, learning and travel.

On Thursday, August 3 the group will board the bus at 10:45 am to travel to Flat Rock, NC. After lunch at the *Flat Rock Wood Room*, the group to go to the *Flatrock Playhouse* to enjoy the musical *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. The bus will return to the Church late afternoon. Cost for the day, which includes lunch and the musical, is \$65.00. Reservations and payment are due in the Church Office by Monday, July 10.

Gameday is a time for Church members to gather for Bridge and other games. The group meets at noon on the fourth Wednesday of the month in the Parlor. This month, the gathering will be on Wednesday, July 26 at noon. Participants are invited to bring their lunch. Dessert and beverages are provided.



*Called by God and
The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America*

*Megan Elizabeth Lineberger
will be ordained to the
Ministry of Word and Sacrament
on Sunday, July 2, 2017, 4:00 p.m.
at Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary
4201 North Main Street
Columbia, South Carolina, 29203*

*Your prayers and presence are requested.
All rostered ministers are invited
to vest and process.
Red is the color of the day.
A light reception will follow the service.*

*Megan has accepted a call
to serve as Associate Pastor at
Lutheran Church of the Redeemer
Charleston, South Carolina*

TLC4TLC

Adults are invited to gather once a month for TLC4TLC (Tender Loving Care for Trinity Lutheran Church) to write notes and cards for members who are ill, grieving, or unable to attend worship, as well as for those who are celebrating joys. The group will meet on Sunday, July 23 at 4:00 pm in the Library. For additional information, please contact Mary Valenti at 322-5450 or Tracey Hoffert at 991-8547.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MISSION DAYS

Families with middle school students should mark their calendars for Monday, July 10 through Wednesday, July 12 for Trinity's annual *Middle School Mission Days*. Youth will gather in the Youth Center from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm each day to work on service projects at Trinity and in the Greenville community. The cost is \$10.00 per youth, per day, which covers the cost of snacks, lunches and supplies. Youth can attend one, two or all three days. Those who have yet to sign up should speak with Mandi Whitley immediately.

LUTHERAN CHURCH YOUTH

Youth who just completed grades six through twelve are invited to meet outside of Mandi Whitley's office door at noon (or whenever dismissed from VBS volunteer position) on Wednesday, July 26 to walk downtown for lunch. Those attending should bring \$10.00 to \$15.00 for lunch. Pick up time is 2:00 pm at the Red Canopy Door.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: LCY's annual Fall Retreat will be Saturday, August 26 through Sunday, August 27 at Lutheridge. This event is for youth who will be in grades six through twelve in the 2017-2018 school year. The group will enjoy fellowship, swimming, games, worship, and begin planning for Youth Sunday, scheduled for September 24. The cost is \$100 per person. Registration information has been emailed to families.



July 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST EMERGENCY FOOD SUNDAY 2 9:00 HOLY COMMUNION 9:50 COFFEE & CONVERSATION / HONORING LEONARD HARRISON'S RETIREMENT 10:10 SUNDAY SCHOOL 11:15 HOLY COMMUNION	9:00 STAFF MEETING 3	OFFICE CLOSED 4	11:30 PRAYER GROUP 5			1 8
FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 9 9:00 HOLY COMMUNION 9:50 COFFEE & CONVERSATION 10:10 SUNDAY SCHOOL 11:15 HOLY COMMUNION	9:00 STAFF MEETING 10 — MIDDLE SCHOOL	11 MISSION DAYS	11:30 PRAYER GROUP 12			15
SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST EMERGENCY FOOD SUNDAY 16 9:00 HOLY COMMUNION 9:50 COFFEE & CONVERSATION 10:10 SUNDAY SCHOOL 11:15 HOLY COMMUNION 1:00 CHILD PROTECTION POLICY TRAINING — CAMPFIRMATION	9:00 STAFF MEETING 17	18	11:30 PRAYER GROUP 19			22
SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 23 9:00 HOLY COMMUNION 9:50 COFFEE & CONVERSATION 10:10 SUNDAY SCHOOL 11:15 HOLY COMMUNION 4:00 TLC4TLC	8:45 VBS 9:00 STAFF MEETING 24 — VACATION	8:45 VBS 25 BIBLE SCHOOL	8:45 VBS 26 11:30 PRAYER GROUP 12:00 LCY LUNCH 12:00 LEISURE/ACTION GAMEDAY	8:45 VBS 27	8:45 VBS 28 12:00 VBS LUNCH 7:00 DRIVE GAME	29
EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 30 9:00 HOLY COMMUNION 9:50 COFFEE & CONVERSATION 10:10 SUNDAY SCHOOL 11:15 HOLY COMMUNION 12:45 OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH	9:00 STAFF MEETING 31					

RESPONSIBILITIES FOR JULY 2017

2nd

9th

16th

23rd

30th

9:00 am Lector
Prayers
Cantor
Acolytes

Greeters

Nursery
Nursery Aide

David Crigler
Stephen Troutman
Mark Allen
James Kirven
Andrew Rose
Mike Parker, Patti Parker
Susan Wilson
Jeff Roth, Margaret Roth
Micaela Peterson

Ken Branham
Hunter Balck
Amanda Cook
Anna Havens Rice
Thomas Rice
Brenda Bridges, Beth Henry
John Henry
Bette Anderson, Helen League
Abigail Smith

Mary Valenti
Angie McCormack
Karinn Delap
Anna Lee Henry
Scott Gifford
Lisa Darby, Debbie Farstad
Missy Wingard
Casey Delap, Jacob Delap
Ryann Roth

Megan Koon
Ryan Macek
Russ Wise
Daniel Fisher
Conyers Wingard
Pattimarie Janssen, Lisa Osborn
Marty Osborn
Helen League, Caroline Massey
Conyers Wingard

Stephen Kirven
Ralph Born
Melanie Helling
Ethan Pratt
Alison Wood
Debbie Farstad, Jan Koerber
Missy Wingard
Ashley Forbes, Scott Forbes
Rowan Brown

Sunday School Nursery

Eric Glass

Joyce Weiner

Karen Craig

Melanie Wessinger

Brenda Bridges

11:15 am Lector
Prayers
Cantor
Acolytes

Dale Hamann
Christine Elizabeth Owens
Mark Allen
Sammy Mosher
Taylor Poole
Alice Smith, Andrew Weiner
Bob Whitley
Stephen Kolb

Chip Bettler
Jack Wilcox
Amanda Cook
Bailey Hoffert
Sidney Hoffert
Gene Bowman, Mary Todd Bowman
Heidi Goodwin
Eric Glass

Chip Bettler
Lisa Panhorst
Ann Coon
Jordan Forbes
Everett Lawrence
Dale Hamann, Sandra Hamann
Marilyn Koerber
Lynne Hunter

Melissa Kolb
Kaitlin Moose
Brandon Moose
Bo Wallace
Mac Wallace
Laurie Horsfall, Rich Horsfall
Scott Panhorst
Heidi Goodwin

Bill Renninger
Mark Allen
Melanie Helling
Corinne Amyette
Jack Wilcox
Beth Renninger, Bill Renninger
Nancy Teachey
Karen Craig

Communion Fill
Communion Clean-up (9:00)
(11:15)

Susan Troutman (Intinction)
Carolyn Wyatt
Jeff Rehm

Randy and Linda Brown
Mike and Maggie Boliek
Betsy League

Geraldine Weyermann
Al and Mary Valenti
John and Lynne Hunter

Caroline Otten
Eric and Dawn Lynch
Eric and Angela Glass

Karen Craig (Intinction)
Barbara Beckford
WW and Mary Frances Martin

Ushers 9:00 Donnie Koon (Captain), Ralph Born, Tim Keaton, David Potts
11:15 Wayne Landreth (Captain), Herb Lembcke, WW Martin, Buzz Sprinkle

Nursery Captains

9:00 Betsy League
SS Joyce Weiner
11:15 Brenda Bridges

Offering Tellers
Team 1 Terry Morgan (Captain)
Mary Brown, Ralph Moyer

Team 2 Philip Wessinger (Captain)
Lisa Black, Melanie Wessinger

Audio Ministry

Richard Delap

Visiting First Time Worshipers

Sarah Weeks

Sanctuary Preparation

Helen League

United Ministry Food Baskets

Bob Whitley