

Trinity Steeple Notes

August 2021 News and Notes



Live Streaming Now Available for Worship

We are pleased to announce that Trinity's Sunday morning worship will now be live streamed via Facebook and You Tube. You may log on to either platform on Sunday mornings at 10:00 AM and worship at the same time as the in-person congregation. We hope this provides a greater sense of unity and participation in the worship of God's people. Of course, content will remain available after the live stream for those whose schedules do not allow them to join us live.

Courtyard Café Blesses Our Neighbors

What a blessing it was to be working together again, after almost two years, to provide a meal and Christian hospitality to our neighbors.

People who live, work and visit our neighborhood were treated to a to-go bag with a Wawa sandwich, fruit, homemade cookie, chips, and cold water as our way of saying that we care and that God is with us. God's work. Our hands.



Blessings for Young Adult Students on Sunday, August 15

We will be honoring and praying for our 2021 high school graduates, Mark Hofmann, Owen Redmond, and Joey Speece at our 10:00 worship service. Come join us as we bless them before their new adventures.

Parish News



Blessing of the Backpacks, Students and Educators

Sunday, August 29

Excited? Nervous? Anxious? Ready or not, the new school year will begin. We welcome all kids and students and educators to bring their backpacks/laptops/tote bags or whatever represents the new school year for you. During the Teaching Time, we will invite children to come forward and receive a special tag and blessing. (Adults will receive one, too – but we don't want to crowd the area in front of the chancel!!!)

Save the Date: We Love...

Saturday, November 6 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Reading (with virtual options.) Building safer and more inclusive congregations for LGBTQIA+ youth and families. A day of worship, learning, and support with keynote speaker Rev. Dr. Noah Hepler (featured on Queer Eye Season 5 episode 1).



We are looking for people to help with this NEPA Synod sponsored event. (Hospitality, food, media, etc.) Please speak to Deaconess Deborah for more details.

Save the date: September 12 is God's Work Our Hands Sunday!

After worship we will join in a service project assembling hygiene kits for SAFE BERKS and have a picnic in our courtyard (with safety precautions). Our worship will be "picnic style" in the nave including songs for the whole family of God!

Parish News

Guest Musicians

We are grateful for several guest musicians who will share their time and talent with us this summer for our live worship services.

August 1 will feature **Katherine Aregood Crusi**. Kathy has been with us numerous times and we look forward to her sharing two Welsh selections with us.

Elise Eggleston, a junior music education and vocal performance dual major at the Tell School of Music at Millersville University, will join us on August 8. She will sing Handel's *Oh! had I Jubal's lyre* and Dvorak's *God Is My Shepherd*.

David Lutz, our favorite pianist from Vienna, will delight us with music on August 15.

Oboist Noah Breneman, who was recently featured as one of the Music From Trinity performers, will be with us on August 29.

August Sunday Scriptures

Aug. 1: Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15; Psalm 78:23-29; Ephesians 4:1-16; and John 6:24-35

Aug. 8: 1 Kings 19:4-8; Psalm 34:1-8; Ephesians 4:25--5:2; and John 6:35, 41-51

Aug. 15—Mary, Mother of Our Lord: Isaiah 61:7-11; Psalm 34:1-9; Galatians 4:4-7;
and Luke 1:46-55

Aug. 22: Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18; Psalm 34:15-22; Ephesians 6:10-20; and John 6:56-69

Aug. 29: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9; Psalm 15; James 1:17-27; and Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23



Broadcast Schedule

All of our programs listed below can be watched on Comcast Channel 190 (in the Reading Hospital, Channel 80) or online at any time at www.trinityreading.org or on our YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/trinitylutheranchurch. Worship videos are available online as of 7:00 AM on Sundays.



Sundays

6:00 PM - First Friday

6:30 PM - Music from Trinity:

Erik Potteiger

7:00 PM: Trinity Worship Service

Wednesdays

4:00 PM: Trinity Worship

5:00 PM: Music from Trinity

Erik Potteiger

5:30 PM: First Friday



Affirmation of Welcome: Trinity Lutheran Church is recognized by Reconciling Works as a "Reconciling in Christ" Congregation which welcomes all LGBTQ persons into all facets of congregational life.

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