

September 2022

Dear Friends,

I don't know if you've ever noticed, but our baptismal font is shaped like an octagon. This is on purpose. In fact, most of the furnishings in the sanctuary are built the way they are on purpose. But back to the baptismal font.

The points of the octagon represent all of the main directions of the compass: N, NE, E, SE, S, SW, W, and NW. This is to remind us that the people redeemed in baptism's water come from all directions, all cultures, all races, and all nations.

The eight sides of the octagonal baptismal font represents the 7 days of the week (creation) plus the 8th day, which corresponds to the 1st day, which means that baptismal candidates are new creations in Christ Jesus and made a member of the body of Christ along with us.

We have all entered the octagon, where our sinful nature was drowned and put to death, and our body and spirit were raised with Christ. We all came from many and various places to the font where we were engaged in the fight of our lives. We lost. But God gave us the spirit of Christ who raised him from death and we were given victory!

The struggle is real! We daily fight the battle as Baptism indicates that through daily contrition and repentance the Old Adam is drowned and dies with all sins and evil desires, and a new creature emerges and rises to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.

Praise the Lord for His wonderful gift of Baptism!

In Christ,
Pastor Hoag

LAST SUNDAY OF THE SUMMER SCHEDULE: SEPTEMBER 4TH, 2022

SEPTEMBER 2022 NEWSLETTER

An update from Church Council President, Gary Purnell:

President's Message:

Where did the summer go? I'm sure you are asking yourself that same question. Summer seems to fly by faster and faster every year. Soon we will be starting up our regularly scheduled activities here at Trinity. Watch the bulletins closely for those important start-up dates.

Along with the Property Committee, I am especially excited to see the parking lot resurfacing project completed. Please note a cement pad was added to support the truck emptying the trash dumpster. Like most projects, we had a few unanticipated expenses. Donations to help cover the costs are always appreciated. We did receive a very generous \$10,000 donation from an anonymous donor which was instrumental in moving forward with the project. A special thank you to the donor and also to Rex Toepke for managing the project.

I want to thank Kim Burbank for hosting a presentation on college scholarships a few weeks ago. With the cost of upper education skyrocketing, those of us with children and grandchildren heading that way need all the advice we can get. Thank you, Kim, for your suggestions. Kim is a Thrivent Representative and one of our own here at Trinity. If you are in need of financial advice or insurance, Kim is a great resource.

Our next Church Council meeting will be on September 11, 2022. Any member who wishes to sit in on the meetings is certainly welcome to do so. The meetings usually take place on the second Sunday of each month at 7:00 PM.

Gary

Member News!!!



2022 Baptisms:

- Gabriel Wojnarowski Bendoraitis 01/09/22
- Matthew Robert Longmire 02/20/22
- Russell Roy Goebig 04/03/22
- Mary Elizabeth Niemann 05/07/22
- Kanerick Matthew Dobrez 07/02/22
- Alita Sue Hicks 07/03/22
- Landon Paul Ondera 07/10/22
- Everly Jo Youngberg Sunday 08/14/22
- Alessi Anastasios Zarvos Sunday 08/21/22
- Persephone Mae Sheffer Sunday 08/21/22



2022 Weddings:

- Camden R. Meade & Francesca T. Prospero 06/11/22

MorningStar Mission Box City of Hope Event: It is a 14-hour special awareness and fundraising event for the whole family on Friday, **September 9-10, 2022**, at 1350 S. Briggs St. in Joliet. It is our hope that this event will bring awareness to the homeless, hungry, and hurting people in our community. During this event, guests will be invited to spend the night in a box or tent to show their support and to experience what it is like not having a home of their own. This will provide great insight into the struggles these men, women, and children have on a daily basis. The night will include fun games, a family-friendly movie, a live worship band, and the opportunity to hear from speakers about their first-hand experiences of how they overcame homelessness. I have attached the flyer with the details of the event and links below for more information.

Registration Link:

<https://give.morningstarmission.org/Donate/regS1Form.asp?FormId=B826F6A4-528F-4E1B-BCCA-A25C8B59A82F>

Facebook Link: <https://fb.me/e/2yjmuAyhB>

Video Link: <https://vimeo.com/734808627?fbclid=IwAR129esm-CiUAkjkatmSrltPcn21aWmbf3sxRBdiQdOil5C8hwxvs1dpcb0>

OLD CAMPGROUND FLEA MARKET & GRANDPA'S ATTIC:

The United Methodist Church of New Lenox invites you to their 43rd annual Old Campground Antiques, Collectibles, Flea Market, Crafts & Grandpa's Attic from 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. on **Saturday, September 17**. Those participating will occupy a 15 ft. x 20 ft. space and must furnish their own tables for display. There are no electrical outlets and food and used clothing may not be sold. A \$40.00 fee will be charged for each space. **Not for Profit Groups, \$15.00.**

Anyone wishing to register for the flea market or obtain further information, call 815-485-8271, Ext. 53, or send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to ANTIQUES, COLLECTIBLES & FLEA MARKET, United Methodist Church of New Lenox, P.O. Box 1289, New Lenox, IL 60451. Online registration: umcnl.com. Rain date will be on Sunday, September 18 from 1:00 to 5:00 P.M.



Blood Drive – Will be held on **September 20th** in our church parking lot, between the hours of 3 pm until 7 pm.



Calling all High School Youth for a Night of Fun, Games, and Laughter ... On **Saturday, September 24th at 7:00pm** we will be hosting game night at church. There are some board games at church, but feel free to bring your favorites. Bring your friends too! Snacks will be provided.

Craft and Vendor Fair 2022:

The annual craft and vendor fair to benefit our youth will be held **Saturday, October 22 from 9 to 3**. We are currently looking for crafters and vendors. Spaces which are approximately 8X6 feet, table included, will be \$25 with an extra space for \$10. Interested persons may email trinitycraftshow@gmail.com for information and the application or questions. Please feel free to pass this information on to people who may be interested in participating.



Trinity Pre-School

Registration for 2022-2023 Is Still Open

Please Tell Your Friends and Neighbors

There is a non-refundable registration fee of \$65.00 per student. School year beginning September 2022. The tuition per month will be:

-2 Day, 3-Year-Old, Tuesday & Thursday: \$120.00

-3 Day, 3-Year-Old, Monday, Wednesday & Friday: \$150.00

-3 Day, 4-Year-Old, Monday, Wednesday & Friday: \$150.00

-4 Day, 4-Year-Old, Monday, Wednesday & Friday, with your choice of Tuesday or Thursday: \$195.00

Children must be 3 or 4 by September 1, 2022. For additional information, please call Trinity Lutheran Church at 815.485.6973.

First Day of Pre-School is:



Sunday School News:

See You Again Sunday, September 11th @ **9:00am**

First Day of Sunday School = Rally Day!!! After Sunday School, we are doing a little craft in between services at 10. We will be serving juice and snacks until 10:30am.

Sunday School is Looking for Volunteers: Teachers and Helpers – High School Age to 101. Please contact Michelle Buell @ mbuell3769@gmail.com or Beth Parker @ elizabemarie@sbcglobal.net if interested. Thanks!!!



Chancel Guild News!

Attention Ladies of Trinity. We will have meetings this year on the first Saturday of the months of March, April, May, September, November & December. Our one evening meeting will be the night before our Salad Luncheon. Saturday meeting times will be at 9:00 am. We are hoping that this change will encourage more of our ladies to consider joining our Chancel Guild. For more information, please speak to any of our members.

Chancel Schedule for September:

September 4 – Jan Schlak / Sharon MacFarlane
September 11 - Sharon MacFarlane / Debbie Crawford
September 18 - Debbie Crawford / Allene Bachmann
September 25 – Allene Bachmann / Janice Prospero

ALTAR FLOWERS: Fresh flowers are used to adorn the altar as a symbol of life and joy. They are part of the beauty of the creation. Chancel Guild very much appreciates the congregation's support in keeping fresh flowers on the altar. You can help by sponsoring an available Sunday. A 2022 Altar Flower Calendar has been posted in the glass case hanging on the wall across from the general office. **Chancel Guild has several open Sundays for the fall on the 2022 calendar they would like to get filled.** If you would like to reserve a Sunday for 2022 in memory of a loved one, to commemorate a birthday, wedding anniversary, or in celebration of God's Blessings, please fill out a sponsor order sheet and put it in the Chancel Guild mailbox. The sheets are located on a hook attached to the glass case housing the calendar. If you have any questions, please contact Kay Purnell at purnellk51@hotmail.com or (815) 485-9017.

Flowers left in the refrigerator will be disposed of after 1 week.

September Altar Flower Sponsors:

- Sept. 4 Kim & Brian Burbank
In Celebration of Amelia & Liliana's Birthdays
- Sept. 11 Janice & Al Prospero
In Celebration of their 63rd Wedding Anniversary and
in Thanksgiving for the many blessings they have
received throughout their lives.
- Sept. 18 Jackie & Richard Rohner
In Honor of their 72nd Wedding Anniversary and
In Thanksgiving for their many blessings
- Sept. 25 Sandy & Chuck Peters
In Celebration of their Wedding Anniversary



Bible Study News:

Bible Study Class Will Resume on:

-Wednesday 09/07/22 at 8:30 a.m.

-Thursday 09/08/22 at 7:00 p.m.



RaiseRight Fundraiser (Formerly ShopwithScrip) - This is a gift card fundraiser. They are the same gift cards you can purchase from retailers, including over 300 brand-name grocery stores, department stores, restaurants, gas stations, hotels, home improvement stores, etc. We order the gift cards at a discount, and you pay face value for the gift cards. (For example, you pay \$25 for a \$25 Speedway gift card - the youth group obtains the card at a discount and keeps the difference.) You can purchase gift cards by filling out an order form (located on the table outside Pastor's office) or by placing your order online at www.raiseright.com. If interested in placing orders online, it is simple to do with our church's enrollment code. Contact Angie Minett for the code or with any questions you might have at minett411@yahoo.com or 815-228-4902.

The next order deadline will be: Sunday, September 4th. Cards will be ready for pick up the following Sunday.

Thank you to everyone who has been supporting our efforts! Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Social Ministry Announcements:

Funeral Baked Goods Donations and Hosting:

On the table outside pastor's office there is a volunteer list for congregants willing to help donate baked goods and to also help serve at wakes and funerals here at Trinity. In the past we have provided coffee, water, and baked goods per the request of families who are holding funeral services at Trinity. This simple gesture provides comfort to bereaved families and is a wonderful opportunity to serve the Lord. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Kojro-Badziak at (815) 485-6973 (temporarily).

The next Food and Fellowship will be held Tuesday, September 13. It will be hosted by Social Ministry. At that time plans will be made for future gatherings. Mark your calendar!

Summer Coffee Hour Schedule:

September 18 Sandy Peters
October 2 Christina Kipper and Liz Bendict
October 16 Rita Larson
October 30 Kay Purnell
November 6 Sharon MacFarlane
November 20 Kay Purnell
December 4 Rita Larson
December 18 Sandy Peters

Ushers: If you are interested in becoming an usher, please contact Ed Tatro or Diane Sewing.

1st Sunday

9:00 AM

-Tom Kaun 815 485 9604 kauntd@gmail.com

-Biff Aiken 815 954 0682 biffdebaiken@gmail.com

10:30 AM

-Brett Carr 815 370 6651 brettdcarr@gmail.com

-Paul Krol 815 575 1315 p.krol@sbcglobal.net

2nd Sunday

9:00 AM

-Edward A. Tatro 815 485 5760 etatro4@aol.com

-Tim King 815 463 0415 tim.king1@comcast.net

10:30 AM

-Tom Buell 815 485 3769 tombuell@sbcglobal.net

-Bob Blecke 815 353 7561 robert.blecke@yahoo.com

3rd Sunday

9:00 AM

-Mike Gardner 815 485 9623 mgardner1453@gmail.com

-Gary Purnell 815 485 9017 gpurnell3@hotmail.com

10:30 AM

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-Dana Knodel 708 822 2902 danacowboy1@yahoo.com

4th Sunday

9:00 AM

-Steve Tomany 815 485 3163 tomany@sbcglobal.net

-Randy Varju 815-685-1363 randy.varju@aah.org

10:30 AM

-John Buell 815 726 3601 jan.buell@yahoo.com

-Phil McFarlane 815 806 1219 philmacp40@comcast.net

5th Sunday

9:00AM

-Rex Toepke 815 485 2638 rtoepke@usa.net

-Jeff Lorenz 815 463 0833

10:30AM

-Paul Krol 815 575 1315 p.krol@sbcglobal.net

-Diane Sewing 815-592-3911 dianesewing@hotmail.com

A minimum of two ushers needed each service. **Please call a fellow usher to take your place if you are not able to serve on your Sunday, also call your counterpart to make them aware.**

Please plan to arrive 30 minutes before service and follow the procedures noted in the usher's loose-leaf notebook in the narthex. Thanks in advance!

Alternates: Zack Horn 630 664 9224
 Robert Stark 708 307 4069
 Bob Jackman 815 933-3864

*Communion Services (1st and 3rd Sundays at Late Service, 2nd and 4th Sundays at Early Service)

**Co-Chairs Worship and Spiritual Life



Contribution statements for income tax purposes are available for members using the offering envelopes. If you have not received a statement in previous years and would like to request one, please contact the church secretary or Tammy Doerrer. If you received a statement in the past, you are on the list to automatically receive one each year.

REVISED Vanco eGiving Page:

You can preview your NEW eGiving page here, by logging into your [new myVanco site](#).

How do I log into new myVanco?

- Your account is already enabled with myVanco.
- [Log into myVanco](#) with your new username and password. Your email address will be your username for New myVanco. If this is your first time logging into myVanco, you will need to reset your password.
- After you've reset your password and accessed NEW MyVanco, you can add any additional administrative users to your new eGiving page by navigating to Settings > MyVanco users > Add a user. Once this process is complete, those users will get an email to reset their passwords.

If you should need any additional information, to help you navigate through this revision, please call Jennifer Kojro-Badziak 815.485.6973 or email tlcsecretary508@gmail.com

Church Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm