

Worship Helpers

If you are unable to serve as scheduled, please find a replacement & inform the office.

	August 3/4	August 10/11
Altar Guild	Susan DePlato Laura Zimberg	Susan DePlato Laura Zimberg
Saturday, 5:30 p.m.		
Greeter	Evelyn Schleidt	Martha Miller
Ushers	Tony D'Amico Randy Wert	Tony D'Amico Steve Puscheck
Reader	Martha Miller	VBS
Prayers	Karen Wert	Bob Strassburg
Communion	Susan DePlato	
Projection	Bill Wood	Charlie Ellis
Sunday, 8:45 a.m.		
Acolyte	Peter Cross	Noah Schiferle
Greeter	Fern Innes	Darlene Halming
Ushers	Ray Voit Daniel McKeenan Erhard Moosmann Dave Shotwell	Joe Carr Sue Lichtenthal Garrick Wright Gretchen Wright
Reader	Cindy Allsop	VBS
Prayers	Nancy Stuckwisch	Dorothy Rothrock
Communion	Bob Kopec Linda Kopec Carl Fretthold Wendy Binkley Sue Steege	
Projection	Bill Wood	Marlene Carr
Sunday, 11:15 a.m.		
Worship Assistant	Sue Steege	Pat Canfield
Acolyte	Jennifer Pritchard	Luke Fabian
Ushers	Dick McKie Frank Kraemer Rachel Bissell Paris Adams	Derek Pulver Zelda Pulver Adam Kaczmarowski One Fabian :)
Reader	Joanne Wood	VBS
Prayers	Anne DiCenso Brian Bunny	Marsha Phillips Marsha Peth
Communion	Jim Passage Marty Doster Pat Canfield Kim Kwietniewski Sue Steege	
Projection	Jennifer Pritchard	David Phillips

The Lutheran Hour
Sundays 9:30 a.m.
WXRL 1300AM LutheranHour.org

Announcements Deadline - Thursday at 9 a.m.
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Worship Times
Saturday 5:30 p.m. Sunday 8:45 & 11:15 a.m.



**Until September 1
10-11 a.m.**

Come all weeks, one week, or several!

Proverbs

Led by Rev. Dr. Charles Whited - Library

See what a God-shaped life looks like when it gets lived out. Using memorable images and poetic turns of phrase, Proverbs describes what our everyday lives look like when we've put our spiritual lives in order. Find help for every decision, and apply life-giving insights to the broad range of challenges you experience in your life—family, friendships, injustice, desire, goodness, conflict, and more.

Intergenerational Sunday School

Led by Sue Steege - Lower Level

This class is intended for people of all ages who like to learn together. It's especially great for families to do together. The learning is experiential and fun.

From the Ministry Council

At our June 12 meeting, the Ministry Council appointed a Nominating Committee for the fall election of council members as follows: **Marty Doster, Chairperson, Ron Opferbeck, Wendy Morris and Mary Ann Milak-Young.** Positions to be filled this fall are President, Vice President and one At-Large member of Council. To serve as President or Vice-President, an individual must have previously served at least one term on the Ministry Council.

Please contact a member of the Nominating Committee, if you are interested in serving on the Ministry Council or in recommending someone for a council position. Job descriptions are available upon request. Elections will take place at the September Voter's Meeting.

Jennifer Tresch, Ministry Council President
Marty Doster (mdoster@lippes.com)

Friday Summer Office Hours
8:30 a.m.—3 p.m.



Altar Flowers

Presented to the Glory of God

In Loving Memory of Ginny Opferbeck
By Ron Opferbeck



FIRST TRINITY
LUTHERAN CHURCH

Welcome!

If you are a guest with us today, we are so glad you are here! We invite you to fill out a yellow card from the pew rack and put it in the offering plate during worship.

You will find all of the words in the worship service projected at the front of the church. If you require a printed copy, they are available from the ushers in the back of the church.

If you have something you would like us to pray about this week, you can write it on the back of the yellow card. Our staff and prayer team will pray for the requests during the week. If you so choose, we will post your request online at our online prayer wall as well.

First Trinity is a Bible-based church. We believe God's Word is the sole authority for this life. We are imperfect people loving imperfect people.

Our prayer for you today is that you would connect to God and grow closer and closer to Him each day.

Lifetree Café Comes to an End

It is with some sadness that we announce that Lifetree Café has had its last episode at First Trinity. We loved having this ministry where people gathered to share good conversation in a setting that was designed to communicate God's welcoming presence to everyone. A huge thank you to the volunteers who made that possible, as well as to our guests!

Questions or concerns?
Contact **Carl Fretthold**
(cfretthold@firsttrinity.com)
or **Sue Steege** (ssteege@firsttrinity.com).

Sermon Topic

**August 3/4
2019**

God's New Creation

2 Corinthians 5:16-6:2, John 5:19-29

Keeping your house clean is a lot of work—especially with kids in the house. It seems like the list of daily chores grows and grows just to keep up with everything. In fact, some things move from daily to twice daily or else you're drowning in work.

In our house, there are multiple levels of clean. Clean for us is a little different than clean for a visiting family member which is different still from guests for dinner or seeing the house for the first time. In addition to the regular things, you add lots of other tasks to make the place look perfect.

Jesus came to earth to pay the price for our sins and give us everlasting life. When we die, we get to move in with Him and live together forever! Jesus talked about this with His disciples in John 14:

"Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. John 14:1-3

Jesus is preparing a room for you in His Father's mansion right now. Not only that, He has a room for everyone who believes in Him. When we eventually die, we will move in to the new digs and boy will it be amazing. Because here's the thing: The world we live in is plagued with terrible stuff because of sin. God's Good Creation doesn't seem so good sometimes.

But that's coming to an end one day soon. Jesus will return and when He does, He will take us to be with Him for all eternity. He is already making us into a new creation, but it will be completed when we die and rise to new life. He is also recreating His good creation, making it truly good again. The earth will be restored to its original beauty and majesty—and death itself will be defeated and no more. Praise God!

Vicar Jason Christ, Director of Attract and Middle School Ministry

First Trinity's FREE Carnival

Thursday, August 15 5:30 - 8 p.m.
For kids ages 12 and under. Bring your friends and neighbors!
* Bounce House * Games * Prizes * Hot Dogs * Crafts *
Come for dinner, games, snacks and fun!!!

Donations Needed:

Please stop by the donation board (across from the mailboxes) and check out the colorful slips. If you have an item on hand or can purchase it, your help is greatly appreciated. Attach the slip to the item and place it inside the bottom cabinet (under the donation board) or in the refrigerator/freezer in the kitchen by the gym. **Items due August 11.**
Volunteers are needed to run games and serve food.
Please arrive at the gym by 5 p.m.

Contact **Michelle Ciminelli** to help! (716-691-4259 or mcimi6@gmail.com)



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Calendar for August 4-11, 2019

For calendar details, visit our website: FirstTrinity.com/calendar

Sunday 8/4 8:45 a.m. Traditional Worship 10 a.m. Summer Education Hour 11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship	Thursday 8/8 8:45 a.m. Traditional Worship 10 a.m. Summer Education Hour 11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship
Monday 8/5 12:30 p.m. Staff Prayer Time 6:30 p.m. Tuesday Night Prayer Time 7 p.m. Band Rehearsal	Friday 8/9 3 p.m. Office Closes
Tuesday 8/6 12:30 p.m. Staff Prayer Time 6:30 p.m. Tuesday Night Prayer Time 7 p.m. Band Rehearsal	Saturday 8/10 8 a.m. Youth BBall Clinic 9 a.m. Men's Basketball Noon-5 p.m. High School Park Day 5:30 p.m. Traditional Worship
Wednesday 8/7 9:30 a.m. Women's AA 12 p.m. Lunch With the Staff 6 p.m. Mandarin Bible Study 7:30 p.m. Volleyball	Sunday 8/11 8:45 a.m. Traditional Worship 10 a.m. Summer Education Hour 11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship 12:30 p.m. Haiti Trip 2020 Meeting

Upcoming Sermons

Aug 10/11 VBS Reunion VBS Bible Points/Verses
Aug 17/18 Jeremiah 23:16-29, Heb. 11:17-31 (32-40); 12:1-3, Luke 12:49-53 (54-56)
Aug 24/25 China Sharing Event Isaiah 65:1-7, Romans 10:9-17, Matthew 13:3-8; 18-23
Aug 31/Sept 1 Proverbs 25:2-10, Hebrews 13:1-17, Luke 14:1-14
Sept 7/8 Deuteronomy 30:15-20, Philemon 1-21, Luke 14:25-35

Listen to past sermons at FirstTrinity.com/Listen

GriefShare Support Groups Start in August

GriefShare is a special weekly seminar (13 weeks) and support group designed to help you rebuild your life after losing a loved one. Led by caring people who have experienced loss and grief to help you with the difficult days ahead.

Tuesday Mornings 10-11:30 a.m. August 13 - November 5
 Wednesday Evenings 7-8:30 p.m. August 14 - November 6

To Register: *Ron Opferbeck (716-812-1695) or Mary Ann Milak-Young (716-639-1169)*

Showing Here at First Trinity!

Sunday, August 25 at 6:30 p.m.

FREE Movie You Won't Want to Miss
BREAKTHROUGH is based on the true story of a mother's unflinching love in the face of impossible odds when her son falls through an icy lake and is lifeless for nearly an hour. It is a captivating reminder that faith and love can create a mountain of hope, and sometimes even a miracle.

Landscape Maintenance Team

I am looking for a group of interested folks to perform routine landscape maintenance to keep our campus warm and welcoming. This would involve:

- Weeding the flowers and other beds
- Trimming bushes, shrubs and trees
- Other routine gardener type work



Contact **Tim Hartnett (716-835-2220 x132)**

Preschool Custodian Needed Starting August 26

We are now accepting applications for a part-time custodial position for cleaning the Preschool Rooms 8-12 hours per week. When school is in session, it is a 2-2.5 hour a day job with flexibility to do the work in the afternoons or evenings.

Compensation is commensurate with prevailing rates and experience. Benefits are not provided. Complete job description, application and specific task requirements are available from:

Tim Hartnett (thartnett@FirstTrinity.com, 716-835-2220)

Give Thanks to God For Loved Ones All Saints Service in November 2019

If you have a loved one who has passed away since January 2018 and you would like them remembered at our next *All Saints Service* on November 2/3, please email a photo (or give us one to scan) with name and date of death to:

Kathy Figini (kfigini@FirstTrinity.com)

Mandarin Chinese Bible Study Wednesdays 6-8:30 p.m.

Do you wish you could reach out to your Chinese friends or co-workers? First Trinity is hosting a Chinese language Bible study and worship meeting on Wednesday nights. Consider inviting a Chinese friend to come.

Janine Chapman (barthandjanine@gmail.com, 716-817-3651)

SCRIP Gift Cards Sold in Main Office

SCRIP gift cards are sold between worship services each Sunday. Each gift card you purchase helps support Youth and Young Adult Mission Trips. *Thank you for your continued support!*



High School Park Day! Grades 9-12

Ellicott Creek Park, Shelter #3

Saturday, August 10

Noon - 5p.m.

Come join us for a High School Park Day! We will enjoy lawn games, water balloons, and FOOD! Bring a beach towel and your favorite snack (if you'd like). RSVP to: **Jen Florio (Call/text 716-531-0883 or email jen0298@hotmail.com)**

Haiti 2020 Mission Trip Meeting

Sunday, August 11, 12:30 p.m.

If you are interested in our January 2020 Haiti Mission Trip, please join us for an informational meeting or contact **Renee Gietz (716-773-2847)** if you cannot attend.

OPUS Picnic (Older People Up to Something)
Wednesday, August 21 At Noon
Mayor's Park
 987 Sweeney St, N Tonawanda 14120

Hosted by the Kinsella Life Group!
 Food & drinks provided.
 Bring a dish to pass (optional).
 Sign-up sheet in Lobby!

Our Next New Member Class

Tuesday, August 27 at 6-8:30 p.m.

If you would like to learn more about our church, or if you think you might be interested in becoming a member, we invite you to consider attending our next **New Member Class**.

Participation in the class does not commit you to church membership, but it is an opportunity for you to find out more about the life and ministry of our church and to give prayerful consideration to entering into membership. We start with a light supper at 6 p.m.

Please register by **August 25 at FirstTrinity.com**, click on **Current Sign-Ups**, or call the office (716-835-2220), so that we know how much food and supplies to buy.

Haitian Creole Boot Camp

Saturday, October 19, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

We will be hosting a *Haitian Creole Boot Camp*. Cost is \$125 per person. Everyone is welcome to attend! We are offering a Beginner-Intermediate level class in Creole. We will also learn about the Haitian culture. If you are interested in attending, please contact **Patti Plotner (716-479-1880)**.

