

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- + **The Sick and Recovering:** Anita Spiegel (Heritage), Barb Wiegmann (Heritage), Barb Selking (daughter of Ralph and Marcia Selking).
- +**The Homebound & Infirm:** Delores Rumpel, Edna Mesing, Irene Bieberich, Faye Keuneke (all at Woodcrest); Malinda Bieberich (Adams Heritage); Marge Merriman (at daughter's home).
- +**Those who rejoice:** 2019 graduates of St. Paul and their families.
- +**Those who mourn:** the family of Bill Bleeke, died May 23.
- +**Birthdays:**

ATTENDANCE June 9

OFFERINGS

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Holy Communion at St. Paul. So that our pastors might exercise appropriate spiritual care toward all those who commune at this Altar, we kindly ask all visitors and members who have not communed in the past year to speak with one of our pastors before communing today.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

<u>Today:</u>	9am	The Feast of the Holy Trinity , D.S. 5
<u>Tuesday:</u>	6:30pm	VBS All-Volunteer Meeting @ Wyneken
<u>Wednesday:</u>	6pm	Large Catechism Bible Class
<u>Thursday:</u>	11am	The Divine Service @ Adams Heritage
<u>Saturday:</u>	3pm	Decorating @ Wyneken
<u>Next Sunday:</u>	9am	The Second Sun. after Pentecost , Matins
	3pm	Kick Off Carnival – VBS

NEWS AND NOTES, June 9, 2019

At St. Paul, Preble

Holy Trinity Sunday. Each year in the Lord's Church, the Sunday after Pentecost is Trinity Sunday. On Trinity Sunday we recall the central Christian teaching concerning God: namely that the God we worship is one God yet three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Throughout the Holy Scriptures, we see the doctrine of the Holy Trinity. Consider the very first words of the Bible: there is the Father ("In the beginning *God* created..."), the Son ("then *God said*, 'Let there be...' [the Son is the eternal Word of God by which all things were made, John 1:1-3]), and the Holy Spirit ("*the Spirit of God* was hovering over the face of the waters..."). Later in Genesis 1, God will speak from the plurality of the Three Persons, saying, "Let *Us* make man in *Our* image, according to *Our* likeness." [Genesis 1:26] God is Triune: three persons, yet one God.

This teaching is reflected in one of the Old Testament's credal statements, the "Great *Shema*" of Dt. 6:4, which every Israelite had to recite morning and evening: "Hear, O Israel, the Lord, our God, the Lord is one!" Here we see again the Trinity in Unity and the Unity in Trinity. The three persons of the Trinity: the Lord, God, the Lord are one God.

When we turn to the New Testament we see the same teaching. The Gospel of Matthew begins and ends with the Trinity. First, in Jesus' Baptism [Mt. 3:13-17] the Son stands in the Jordan, the Father speaks, and the Holy Spirit descends like a dove. At the end of the Gospel, before the Ascension, Jesus gives His disciples and His Church this charge, "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." [Mt. 28:19]

In these passages we see that the Biblical teaching of the Trinity is not some academic question or philosophical problem, but the very heart of our salvation. For the **Father** so loved the world that He sent His **Son** to die for us, and, so that we might believe in the **Son**, the **Father** and the **Son** sent the **Holy Spirit** to call us by the Gospel, that we might be partakers of salvation.

Divine Service Setting Five. Currently at St. Paul, we make use of three Divine Service Settings in our worship—3, 4, and 5. Setting Five is based on Martin Luther's own *Deutsche Messe*, or German Mass, first introduced in 1526. Luther wrote the *Deutsche Messe* so that Germans might hear the Word of God and worship in their native language. Often called the Festival Service, Setting Five employs German hymns composed by Luther to be sung as the Ordinaries of the Divine Service (*Kyrie, Gloria in Excelsis, Creed, Sanctus, Agnus Dei, and the Nunc Dimittis*). For this reason, it is fitting to use Setting Five on Reformation Day as we did this past October. Also, because many of these hymns are Trinitarian in nature, it is also fitting to use Setting Five on Holy Trinity Sunday as we will this morning.

A Note on today's bulletin. This is the first bulletin created with the help of Lutheran Service Builder, an online program that allows the Church to create and print a bulletin with the entire service included, from start to finish. Most Sundays, we will not use this format, but the format we are currently using: an outer page with the Propers of the Day, and an inner page with Prayers, Calendar, and Announcements. Not only does our current format save on paper, but it encourages the congregation to use and be familiar with the Hymnal in the pew. But for special services such as Feasts, Midweek Services, Weddings, Funerals, etc., Lutheran Service Builder will help create a worship folder that is easy to follow. Since we are using D.S. Setting Five today, we printed the whole bulletin with the help of Service Builder.

St. Paul's graduates. Today we recognize and congratulate our 2019 graduates from St. Paul: Natalie Dicke (Valedictorian, IPFW), Sarah Enterline (IU), Isabelle Freidt (Indiana Air National Guard-basic training this summer, then Ball State), Davis Macke (IU), Victoria Miller (St. Francis), Grace Nower (Indiana Tech), Emilie Reinking (IU), Sean Werling (University of Indianapolis), Noah Zimmerman (St. Francis).

St. Paul hosts the service at Adams Heritage Thurs., June 20th at 11AM.

Important VBS Information and Dates

Both students and volunteers, please register as soon as possible at www.vbsmate.com/wyneken. We need more middle school and high school volunteers! Contact Pastor Brock with any questions (260-301-1640). Please also note the following important dates:

June 18, 6:30 p.m. - All-Volunteer Meeting at Wyneken
(required for all volunteers)

June 22, 3 p.m. - Decorating at Wyneken (come and help!)

June 23, 3 p.m. - Kick-Off Carnival for all ages

(inflatables, slip-n-slide kickball, etc.; wear clothes than can get wet and bring a change of clothes for VBS)

June 23-27, 5:15-8 p.m. - Vacation Bible School

(Supper served for whole family every night at 5:15 p.m.)

Lutheran Night at the TinCaps. Monday, July 22nd. Game time 7:05pm.

This is a fundraising event for Lutheran Life Villages—RN scholarship fund. \$1 from each \$10 ticket goes to fund. Ticket includes family night select \$1 menu items and post-game fireworks. Deadline to order tickets from Brian and Kelley Todd is Sunday, July 7th, call 639-7291.

The Large Catechism Study continues to meet 6pm Wednesdays through the summer months (we will skip June 26th because of VBS.) Even if you missed the first session, you are certainly welcome to join us this week. This will be a fruitful and edifying study for all who attend.

At Wyneken

New First Grade Teacher. The Wyneken School Board is pleased to announce that Abigail Springer is joining the school staff as a first grade teacher. Ms. Springer has been a lifelong member of Bethlehem Ossian and is a recent graduate of IPFW. We welcome Ms. Springer!

SGO donor applications are available on a table in the narthex. Donating to Wyneken via the SGO program not only helps students and supports our school, but also alleviates St. Paul's financial obligation toward the School. Donors can also save 50% on their Indian State taxes. Go to lutheransgo.org for more information on this helpful program.

SCRIP reminder! Need a gift for a graduate? SCRIP can help! Whether it's fixing up the home or yard, replacing outgrown or worn out clothing, eating out or catching the latest movie releases, "We have Scrip for that!" Our SCRIP representative is Jennifer Faurote (260-223-1509). A SCRIP order form is also available on the Wyneken website, www.wyneken.org.

Summer Work Days at Wyneken

July 27 - work day/painting day/mulch the playground - 8:00 am start

August 4 - kitchen cleaning day - 2:00 pm start