

# Trinity Trumpet

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#### Service Schedule:

#### Sunday

Bible Study & 9 AM Sunday School Divine Service 10:15 AM

#### Wednesday

Catechesis 6:30 PM Service 7:00 PM

## Monday-Friday

Children's Matins10:00 AM

### **Private Confession &** Absolution

10:30-11:00 AM Wednesday 8:00-8:30 PM Saturday or by appointment



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# Reformation **Teaching**

The topic for this year's **Eldona Summer Camp** from July 24-28 was the history of the Reformation. This topic seemed to be an obvious choice with the 500th anniversary of the posting of the 95 theses occurring in 2017. As we set up the presentations, we intentionally included more than just the usual well-worn Reformation highlights. We included not only a study from 1517 to the death of Martin Luther in 1546 and a study from 1546 to the publication of the Book of Concord in 1580, but we also included a study on the Golden Age of Orthodoxy from 1580 to 1648, the Silver Age of

Orthodox from 1648 to 1713, and a study on "The Dark Ages of the Lutheran Church," including Pietism and Rationalism. In contrast to this, the typical Reformation study goes something like this: In 1517 Luther posts the ninety-five theses on the church door in Wittenberg. In 1521-1522, Luther translates the New Testament while at Wartburg Castle. In 1530, the Lutheran princes and their theologians read the **Augsburg Confession** before the Emperor. And then, if you are fortunate, you learn that in 1580 the **Book of Concord was** 

completed. Whether it is one of the various Luther movies or a Bible Study on the Reformation, there is not usually a great deal of

depth or breadth of study. Is the presentation of a superficial study all that we can handle due to the ignorance of our own religious history? Or maybe it is that superficial studies have caused us to be ignorant. Either way, we do not know or appreciate how we came to believe the shining light of the Gospel message. We don't know the history of the church, which proclaims the Gospel. In the end, we take for granted the great treasures which have been showered upon us. The unintended result of this superficiality is that we have a triumphal view of the Reformation. Martin Luther boldly

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# The Learning Center

By Keely Gelso ECLC Director

We are deep in summer fun here at Trinity! The School-Age is so busy, the kids go to the park at least once a week, library, swim 2 times a week and then a big field trip on Friday's! And on top of that not many places where a Pastor teachers you German, the Apostles Creed and the Life of Jesus. I love going to Chapel and here the kids singing the ABC'S in German and counting to 20 with Pastor. It's really quite interesting. On a personal note, on the way home from school the other day Mace was singing a song I didn't know and I was like what are you singing and he said the alphabet in German. He said Mamma you have to come over when we do it.....it's amazing. Pre-K 2 (Children that will be going into Kindergarten this school year) will stop napping the week of July 3<sup>rd</sup>. This will help with the

transition into
Kindergarten. Mrs.
Laura will have some
fun projects for them do
and also some fun
events. It will be tough
on the children for a
while, but trust me in
the long run it will be
better than trying to
adjust the first day of
kindergarten.

We often get asked about transition for the Pre-K 2 room? When will my child move up? Well, we will move up children when they are going into kindergarten the following school year. So, when our Pre-K 2 kiddo's move onto the "BIG SCHOOL" as some call it we will move the others over to the "BIG ROOM" with Mrs. Laura.

Also, we have been participating in the Teacher of the Month, please make sure you write a note about that teacher and put it on the bulletin board. It really makes the teachers day! They are located right next to the bulletin board across from my office. This month (June) they are butterflies. Please like us on

butterflies.
Please like us on
Facebook! I often put
some cute pics up of the
children. They are
really loving it when I
take pics, they will say
let me look at that pic!



Just some gentle reminders....
Please make sure your child has an extra change of clothes
Sunscreen and a face stick
Water bottle
Sign your child in/out daily
If your child will not be in attendance for the day, please call.

## WELCOME

Hezekiah Griesbach Joseph Popit Ryler Frassato Emmaline Battaglia

Please don't hesitate to see me if you have questions, or email at ecledirector@trinityh.or g. Often families have question about billing. I am the only one who handles that information, your child's teacher will not be able to help you. If you need a receipt I am also able to email those to you as well.

## **CLOSED**

Monday, Sept. 4, 2017

# **BIRTHDAY'S**

- 7.2 Emi Richard
- 7.7 Talula Chamness
- 7.7 Ryler Frassato
- 7.10 Grace Gerst
- 7.25 Rue Dorton
- 7.26 Mace Gelso
- 7.30 Jacob Reckinger
- 7.31 Phillip Daugherty
- 8.6 Brantley

## Thompson

- 8.14 Johannah Wood
- 8.19 Dylan Dunaway
- 8.27 Giovanni Phillips
- Mrs. G





# Reformation Teaching (continued)

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theses against the sale of indulgences. Hooray! The Lutheran princes stand up at the Diet of Augsburg and are allowed to bear witness to their faith by reading the Augsburg Confession. Yeah! With the publication of the Book of Concord, all of the false teachings of the Reformed and Roman church were refuted. That's good! Now don't misunderstand me, all of those events are, in fact, milestones in which—all thanks be to God—the true doctrine of the Holy Scriptures was upheld. Nevertheless, there were many other dates in which things went horribly wrong and one might rightly have concluded that the truth of God's Word would disappear.

Most know that Luther was excommunicated by 1521, for teaching that man is saved by faith alone and not by good works. In addition, Luther was declared a public outlaw and a criminal so that he might be killed by anyone who found him. At that time, it was illegal to possess Luther's books. In 1548, Charles V, Pope Paul III, and the Lutheran

Maurice of Saxony had overtaken Germany. They captured and imprisoned the rulers of Philip of Hesse and John Frederick of Saxony. On May 23, 1547 Charles V stood victoriously over Luther's grave in Wittenberg. "A prominent theologian reported that by 1566 matters had come to such a pass in Germany that the old Lutheran doctrine was publicly proclaimed only in relatively few places" (Bente's Historical Introduction). During the Thirty Years War, 10 million people were killed out of a population of fourteen million. Over those years, those who held to the truth were imprisoned, persecuted, removed from the pastoral office, and even killed.

Our study of the Reformation led us to realize that our gracious God works not only when things are going well, but also when we think that all hope is lost. The Lutheran reformers were not religious superstars who were trying to make a name for themselves. They came to an understanding of the great knowledge of the Gospel message. That Gospel message gave them the confident hope of eternal life. Man is saved not by good works, but through faith in Jesus Christ. Out of thankfulness for their



salvation, these valiant reformers risked life, home, and goods. We know that the Triune God will preserve His church against the gates of hell unto the end. Nevertheless, God's ways are not our ways. Our Lord defeated death by dying on a cross. He created faith in men's hearts through the preaching of the Word, not by coming down from the cross (as the priests suggested). Our Lord does not work by a theology of glory, but by a theology of the cross. Our Lord has atoned for our sins. Do not despair, but believe in the Lord and His kingdom come. His will is always best and will be done forever.

When the Emmaus disciples had given up hope saying, "We had hoped that He was the One who was going to deliver Israel," the resurrected Lord points the Emmaus disciples back to the Scriptures and their

fulfillment in His own death and resurrection.
Strengthened by the Word, they return to Jerusalem.
Like the reformers, we, too, are to be faithful in boldly confessing the truth of God's Word.
Through repentance and faith in Jesus Christ, we remain in Christ's church.
Though our congregations remain small, we have the

Though our congregations remain small, we have the truth of God's Word.
Though steeples are falling, we remain safe.
The Lord will take care of His Church. Our Lord told us, "Be faithful unto death and I will give you the crown of life."
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Google Play,
Blubrry

## MONDAY - THURSDAY Children's Matins 10 AM - 10:30 AM

# August 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
ElderVictor Turner (521-7451); Altar GuildMarsha Turner, Church CleaningAug 6/13 The Learning Center, Aug 20/27 Stretch		1	2 10:30 AM PCA 6:30 PM Learn-By-Heart 7:00 PM Catechesis Service	3  Last Day of Pastor's School Age Class	4	5 8:00 PM Private Confession & Absolution
Trinity 8  9:00 AM Sunday School /Adult Bible Class  10:15 AM Divin e Service	7 6:00 PM Board of Education	8	9 10:30 AM PCA 6:30 PM Learn-By-Heart 7:00 PM Catechesis Service	Saint Laurence, Martyr	11	12 Memphis Mission
13  Trinity 9  9:00 AM Sunday School /Adult Bible Class  10:15 AM Divin e Service	14	Saint Mary, Mother of Our Lord	16	17	18	8:00 PM Private Confession & Absolution
Bishop Heiser Visitation Trinity 10  9:00 AM Sunday School /Adult Bible Class 10:15 AM Divin e Service	21 Solar Eclipse (Deere Farm)	22	23 10:30 AM PCA 6:30 PM Learn-By-Heart 7:00 PM Catechesis Service	Saint Bartholomew, Apostle  10:30 AM Divine Service	25	8:00 PM Private Confession & Absolution
27 Trinity 11 9:00 AM Sunday School /Adult Bible Class 10:15 AM Divin e Service	28	29	30  10:30 AM PCA 6:30 PM Learn-By-Heart 7:00 PM Catechesis Service	31	Acolytes: Sun(6) Sadie Henson, Sun(13) Tom Weber, Sun(20) Luke Phillips, Sun(27) Dylan Dunaway	

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# September 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
ElderTony Stretch(995-1379); Altar GuildPatty Kenner; Church CleaningSep 3/10 Smith, Sep 17/24 Schroeders	Sun	olytes: Sun(3) Sai (10) Sadie Henso n Weber, Sun(24) lips	on, Sun(17)		1	2 8:00 PM Private Confession & Absolution
Trinity 12  9:00 AM Sunday School /Adult Bible Class  10:15 AM Divin e Service	4 Labor Day  ECLC Closed	5	10:30 AM PCA 6:30 PM Learn-By-Heart 7:00 PM Catechesis Service	7	8	9 8:00 PM Private Confession & Absolution
Trinity 13 Sunday School Kickoff 9:00 AM Sunday School /Adult Bible Class 10:15 AM Divin e Service	11	6:00 PM Board of Education	13 10:30 AM PCA 6:30 PM Learn-By-Heart 7:00 PM Catechesis Service	Holy Cross Day  10:30 AM Divine Service	5:00 PM -7:00 PM ECLC Picnic	8:00 PM Private Confession & Absolution
17  Trinity 14  9:00 AM Sun day School /Adult Bible Class  10:15 AM Div ne Service  Learn-by-Heart Recitation of Ten Commandments  Acolyte Meeting after Service	18 7:00 PM Elders' Meeting	19	Ember Wednesday 7:00 AM Matins 10:30 AM PCA 6:30 PM Learn-By-Heart 7:00 PM Catechesis Service	21 Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist  10:30 AM Div ne Service  7:00 PM Ladies Missionary Society	Ember Friday 7:00 AM Matins	Ember Saturday 7:00 AM Matins 8:00 PM Private Confession & Absolution
24  Trinity 15  9:00 AM Sunday School /Adult Bible Class  10:15 AM Divin e Service  Learn-by Heart Certificate for Ten Commandments  3:00 PM Hike with Pastor Mike	25	26	10:30 AM PCA 6:30 PM Learn-By-Heart 7:00 PM Catechesis Service	28	Saint Michael and All Angels  10:30 AM Divine Service	8:00 PM Private Confession & Absolution

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# October 2017

MONDAY - FRIDAY Children's Matins 10 AM - 10:30 AM

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Trinity 16  9:00 AM Sunday School /Adult Bible Class  10:15 AM Divin e Service  4:00 PM ELDoNA Phone Conference for Pastors	2	3	4 10:30 AM PCA 6:30 PM Learn-By-Heart 7:00 PM Catechesis Service	5	6	8:00 PM Private Confession & Absolution
8 Trinity 17 9:00 AM Sunday School /Adult Bible Class Chili Dinner Fundraiser (following service) 10:15 AM Divin e Service	9 Columbus Day (Observed)	10	11 10:30 AM PCA 6:30 PM Learn-By-Heart 7:00 PM Catechesis Service	12	13	8:00 PM Private Confession & Absolution
Trinity 18  9:00 AM Sunday School /Adult Bible Class  10:15 AM Div in e Service  Council Meeting #4 After Service	7:00 PM Elders' Meeting	17 6:00 PM Board of Education	Saint Luke, Evangelist  10:30 AM Divine Service 6:30 PM Learn-By-Heart 7:00 PM Catechesis Service	7:00 PM Ladies Missionary Society	20	8:00 PM Private Confession & Absolution
22 Trinity 19 9:00 AM Sunday School /Adult Bible Class 10:15 AM Divine Service	23	24	25 10:30 AM PCA 6:30 PM Learn-By-Heart 7:00 PM Catechesis Service	26	27 5:00 PM Deere Farm Cookout	28 Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles 7:00 PM Ves pers 8:00 PM Private Confession & Absolution
29 Trinity 20 9:00 AM Sunday School /Adult Bible Class 10:15 AM Divin e Service Learn-by-Heart Recitation of Apostles' Creed	30	Reformation Day 7:00 PM Divine Service	ElderKeith Zimmerman (983-8458); Altar Guild Patty Kenner; Church CleaningOct 1/8 Prochaska, Oct 15/22 Phillips, Oct 29/Nov 5 Miller  Acolytes: Sun(1) Dylan Dunaway, Sun(8) Tom W Sun(15) Luke Phillips, Sun(22) Tom Weber, Sun Sarah Miller, Tue(31) Crucifer-Sadie Henson, Acolyte-Sarah Miller			(8) Tom Weber, Phillips, Veber, Sun(29) ue(31) Henson,

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