



## Serving A Funeral Lunch

When we have a funeral service at our church we also offer the family the option of a luncheon time. We are blessed with a great kitchen and fellowship hall for this ministry of our congregation and use these tools to support people who are experiencing grief and loss at the death of a loved one.

**Trinity Lutheran Church is one of the few remaining churches that not only offers a luncheon after the funeral service but also cooks and prepares all the food**—most churches have gone to catering funeral meals. This is an important ministry of our congregation and we want to keep it going strong here at Trinity.

In order to hold a funeral luncheon it takes volunteers to make the food, serve the meal and clean up after. Here are all the helpers needed to support a funeral luncheon:

- To serve 50 people: 6 Kitchen helpers
- To serve 75 people: 7 Kitchen helpers
- To serve 100 people: 8 Kitchen helpers

In addition, volunteers from the congregation are needed to provide salads and desserts that they make at home and drop off at church. The

amount of salads and desserts ranges from 10-20 depending on the number of people being served!

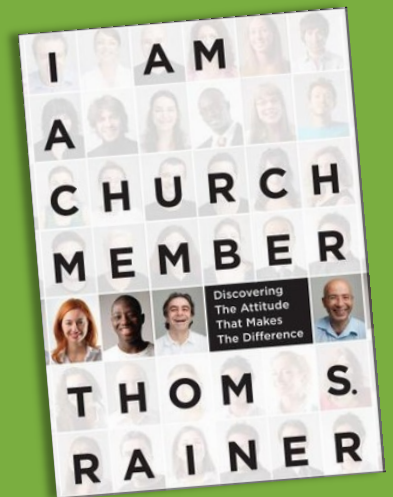
**So, you can see it takes many helpers to be able to offer caring support through this special mealtime.**

To help supply the food for the luncheon a volunteer phone caller asks people from the congregation if they would be able to drop off a salad or a dessert. This has been proving to be rather challenging lately because the phone callers are finding it hard to reach willing & able members of the congregation. Sometimes this is due to delays in hearing a response of “yes” or “no” while other times the volunteer caller does not hear back at all.

**We are working to update our calling lists and this is where we need your help.** First, if you are willing to be called to make a salad or a dessert for a funeral lunch please let us know. Second, we will be reaching out to ask if you would be willing to be added to our calling list. Please let us know either way when contacted. Your response either way will be most helpful in this process.

*Pastor Tim Vadis*

## UPCOMING



To support the current sermon series you are invited to read the book: *“I am a Church Member,”* by Thom Rainer. This short book, only 79 pages, gives insight into the meaning of church membership and helps readers dig deeper into its purpose for their lives of faith. A study of the book will happen through our small groups and also facilitated by the Pastors. You can order the book through Amazon, check out an electronic copy through the public library or purchase one through Trinity. **COST is \$5 for the book.**



# A Special Celebration Sunday Recap

A festive Sunday to celebrate how we are a blessed people, blessing others.



Pastor Kari dazzled us with her Magic Show!



Fellowship Hall was packed with people who enjoyed a group game and a First--of-the-year picnic lunch complete with brats and hotdogs.



We honored all of our members who are 90 years or older! *(top row Left to Right)* Dolores Voss, Marilyn Bradley, Joyce Counter, Helen Sigurdson, *(bottom row Left to Right)* Lois Sabatke, Virginia Randolph, Ray Griesbach, Ruby Bruso



The High School youth going on the summer Flathead Lake Lutheran Camp trip to Montana were our food servers.



The winning table rep claimed the prizes!



Asking the questions, "Someone who. . ." as table groups.



# College Student Care Packages Have Been Sent!

## THANK YOU!

Thank you Trinity members for your generous donations to

provide eight of Trinity's college students with gift cards and goodies. We were able to

provide each student with a \$25 gift card to the store of their choice, and a small box full of treats. Pastor Kari and Pastor Tim also included a personal message in each box. These

boxes were shipped to various locations throughout Wisconsin,

and even as far as Missouri and California. What a fantastic way to show these young

people that they are still connected to their Trinity family in Rhinelander.

*Deb Johnson and Marina Benoy*



## Synod-Wide Hike Event

The Northern Great Lakes Synod and U.P. Wild Church are excited to host a Synod-Wide Family Hike on Saturday, May 13. The hike will showcase the beauty of God's creation and include an outdoor prayer service.

The Headwaters Conference Hike will start at 2:00 p.m. at Star Lake Hiking

Trail (7999 State House Rd, Star Lake, WI). This is a family friendly event and all ages and abilities are welcome. Participants are asked to bring their own water bottle. Boots and bug spray might also come in handy, depending on our spring weather! Questions can be directed to Pastor Catie Ford ([pastorcatieford@gmail.com](mailto:pastorcatieford@gmail.com))

## PENTECOST SUNDAY



On May 28, the altar guild will decorate the worship space with red Geraniums. Each plant is \$4.50 and order forms will be available at church. If you have any questions, please contact Sue Underberg.

## STEWARDSHIP SPOTLIGHT

Our giving is done first, as a joyful and faithful response to God's gift of grace in Christ.

Our gifts are joyfully given so that the ministries of ones congregation can grow and be vibrant in the proclamation of Christ and God's grace.

### Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Year-to-Date Through March 31, 2023

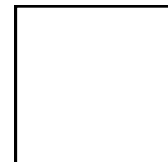
	Year-To-Date	March
INCOME:	\$205,481	\$31,005
EXPENSE:	\$207,743	\$28,684

## Gift and Memorials

Carrie Tallier in memory of Lisa Baker and Delores Counter designated for Miles for Montana.

Joan Schluter, Al & Sharon Hofstetter, Gary & Jane Prod, Keith & Josie McCaffery, Dan & Ruth Ann Wilson, Ray & Karen Scholtes, Virginia Randolph, Pam Karoliussen, Terry & Dawn Berndt, Laurel Chapman, Michael Wacker & Brenda Peltier, Carolyn & Monty Parker, Douglas & Lani Haag, Michael & Sue Richie, Mary McCarren, Sherry & Thomas Pfeffer, James and Pastor Margaret Johnson, John and Betty Schwanz in memory of Ernie Schluter designated to the Quilters.

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