

## Trinity Lutheran Church

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### *From the Pastor's Pen...June 2025*



Dear Friends,

Jesus' last command before his ascension was to love others as he loves us. Sometimes this feels like the hardest command to carry out, and this is probably why there are at least 35 verses in the Bible that have the words Jesus and love in them (*depending on your translation*). But don't you think there are more good people out there than bad apples? Yes, it's scary out there, but there is so much goodwill too. It's just that most of the news reports and social media posts focus on the terrible stuff.



There's a book by Charlie Mackesy called, 'The Boy, The Mole, The Fox and The Horse', which is a story about a curious boy, a greedy mole, a suspicious fox and a wise horse. Traveling together they share their greatest fears and discoveries about vulnerability, kindness, hope, friendship and love. The last line of the book is this, "*Sometimes all you hear about is the hate, but there is more love in this world than you could possibly imagine.*" I want to believe this is true!

Near the end of this book the boy asked the horse for further advice and the horse replied, "*Don't measure how valuable you are by the way you are treated... Always remember you matter. You're important and you are loved, and you bring to this world things no one else can.*" In the 70's, early 80's, there was a bumper sticker, 'God don't make junk'. You are loved by God. And the God who created the mountains and the stars, the whippoorwills and rainbows, thought the world needed you too. You are loved, share that love. Be compassionate and kind.

One last quote from the book, "*I've realized why we are here,*"

whispered the boy. "*For cake?*" asked the mole. "*To love*", said the boy. "*And to be loved*", said the horse. "*What do we do when our hearts hurt?*" asked the boy. "*We wrap them with friendship, shared tears and time, till they wake hopeful and happy again.*" (said the horse).

Have faith in Jesus who loves you, and act on that love. Be compassionate and kind. Share the tears and help wipe them away.

Your sister in Christ,  
*Pastor Terri*

**PS: I no longer have a land-line. Please contact me outside of church via my cell: #608-475-0748.**



### Interested in membership?

Contact Pastor Terri or Danna in the church office. Forms are available on the table in the Narthex.

### Upcoming In July

7/16 Youth Golf/pizza Outing  
7/19-7/20 Arkdale Rec Days  
7/20 Guest preacher Rev. Shelly Nelson  
7/22 Youth outing at Rome Splash Pad



## Thank You to all of the Worship and Churchwide Assistants!

### MONTHLY VOLUNTEERS

#### Altar Guild

Marge Edwards &  
Nancy Dix

#### Communion Assistants:

Gretchen Wetzel &  
Jeff Chase

#### Food Pantry

Terri Soley

#### Garbage

Steve  
Peterson

	Counters
June 2	Tom Guzman & Debby McClyman
June 9	Debby McClyman & Nancy Dix
June 16	Nancy Dix & John Stormoen
June 23	John Stormoen & Sharon Guzman
June 30	Sharon Guzman & Barb Albrecht

*Thank  
You!*

	Greeter/s	Camera	Bulletin Sponsorship
June 1	Penny Ross	Mike Willis	Cody & Brayden Hendricksen
June 8	John Stormoen	Merrik Moore	JoAnne Bublitz
June 15	Barb Bennett	Davion Hoernke	Penny Ross
June 22	Susan McIntosh	Brayden Hendricksen	Steve & Danna Peterson
June 29	Crystal M. Nawrot	Gary Meunier	Lloyd & Darlene Hovorka

	Acolytes	Lector	Ushers	Liturgist
June 1	Kendel Q. & Avery C.	George Goltz	Steve Peterson & Sue McIntosh	Roxie I.
June 8	Connley M & Archer O	Tara Farrell	Lloyd & Darlene Hovorka	Tom G.
June 15	Amari H. & Mathias H.	Jeff Chase	Tom Guzman & Zach Hobbick	Mike K.
June 22	Ellie C. & Elaynna M.	Lily Bittner	Ed Heideman & Hank Sauer	Mike W.
June 29	Jaxson N. & Ava N.	Rich Grabarski	Crystal M. Nawrot & Garret Gould	Sandy W

	Gardening-Water & Weed		Lawn Mowing
June 1-7	Karen & Gary Meunier	June 5	Patrick Murphy & Bob Goodhue
June 8-14	Deb & Rich Wachholz	June 12	Tim & Mary Jo Meyer
June 15-21	Sharon & Tom Guzman	June 19	Rick & Sari Ostby
June 22-28	Sue McIntosh & Vickie Pedersen	June 26	Mike & Sandy Willis
June 29-July 5	Dana Henriksen		



Sincere thanks are extended to Kurt Mikolite, Jeff Chase, & David Dutschek (from White Oak Lumber) for their Beautiful craftsmanship and generosity in donating time and talent to create the stained glass cases, reinstall the siding. add flashing, and repair and paint the drywall! The updated area is so inviting!

## **Abbreviated Unapproved Council Meeting Minutes for May 5, 2025**

**Present:** Sandy Willis, Mike Willis, Dana Henriksen, Marge Edwards, Garret Gould, Carrie Easterly, Leif Pedersen, Kris Peterson, Meagan Grabarski, Pastor Terri Skildum, Cathy Westover.

**The meeting was called to order** by President Garret Gould at 5:32 pm.

**Agenda:** Agenda was amended to add under Old Business: Cranberry Pricing; under New Business: Kathy Laskowski recognition. Motion to approve amended agenda by Carrie/Mike. Carried.

**Opening Prayer** by Pres. Garret Gould.

**April Council Minutes:** Minutes corrected to list Carrie Easterly as absent, not present. Motion to approve corrected minutes by Mike/Dana. Carried.

**April Treasurer Report:** Report was reviewed and discussed. Also discussed what would be needed for Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting. Motion to approve by Mike/Marge. Carried.

**Pastor's Report:** Visits in last 6 weeks: 11. At Rest: 3 and 1 upcoming; At the Font: 2 upcoming; Other: Youth summer activities scheduled, will be at Synod Assembly May 17; will be gone Sun, July 20 and will get a sub. Next Council meeting will be June 9, 2025, at 5:30 p.m.

### **Old Business:**

- Wi-fi update: WiFi is in and working. The phones are still not fully functional- they have some glitches.
- Solar Panels: Council does fully support. We will need a 3-year billing report for Congregational meeting.
- Doorbell/Ring Service: Ken K. is still researching cameras, etc.
- Bi-Annual Meeting Agenda: reviewed and added under New Business: B. Church Long Range Planning.
- Servant Keeper: this is the data system program for the congregation. Upcoming phone meeting for update.
- Pastor's new computer: the purchase will be made soon.
- Church Long Range Plan: hasn't been done in some time so it will be added to the Semi-Annual Meeting agenda for discussion by the congregation.
- Cranberry Pricing: Leif Pedersen suggested that we lower the price of the Cranberry bags to \$2.00 each to be more competitive with retail sales.

### **New Business:**

- Pastor Terri will be gone on July 20 and will get a sub Pastor.
- Cathy Laskowski recognition: Cathy has been a long time active member and will be moving to Florida. A cake will be ordered as well as recognizing her wonderful service over the years.

### **Committee Reports:**

- Education Ministry: Sunday School has ended. Ice Cream Sunday went well. VBS is still being planned.
- Outreach: Kids Day had volunteers and went well.
- Property Committee: Mowing schedule is done. Need to repair the canopy on parsonage.
- Worship Ministry: Lent and Easter services went well
- TLCW: The Palm Sunday Bake Sale went well.
- Endowment Committee: Members purchased the Clavinova, so committee did not fund the purchase.
- Care & Creation Committee: Grants for the Solar Program have been submitted and we will be notified in June of the status.

**The meeting was adjourned** at 6:55 p.m. closing with the Lord's Prayer.

Submitted in His service, Sandy Willis, Sec.

# June 2025



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1 Graduate Sunday</b> 9:00-Worship (Name tags)	<b>2</b> 3:30-Bible Study	<b>3</b> 8:30 Quilting 1-3:30 Painting Class	<b>4</b> 5:55-Crafting	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> 9:00-Worship	<b>9</b> 9:30-Strong Bodies Exercise Class 3:30-Bible Study 5:30-Council	<b>10</b> 8:30 Quilting 1-3:30 Painting Class	<b>11</b> 9:30-Strong Bodies Exercise Class	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b>  9:00-Worship 10:00-Fellowship*	<b>16</b> NEWSLETTER ITEMS DUE 9:30-Strong Bodies Exercise Class	<b>17</b> 8:30 Quilting 1-3:30 Painting Class	<b>18</b> 9:30-Strong Bodies Exercise Class	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> 9:00-Worship w/ Baptism	<b>23</b> 9:30-Strong Bodies Exercise Class	<b>24</b> 8:30 Quilting 1-3:30 Painting Class	<b>25</b> 9:30-Strong Bodies Exercise Class	<b>26</b>	<b>27 10-2</b> Youth Brat Fry @ A-F County Market	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> 9:00-Worship	<b>30</b> 9:30-Strong Bodies Exercise Class					

## **Monkey Bread** from Kathy Laskowski (Recipes & Memories ATLC Cookbook, p. 97)

3 large can biscuits

1 Tbsp. cinnamon

1 cup sugar

Pecans, chopped

1 stick margarine

1 cup brown sugar

Cut biscuits in 4-6 pieces and shake in cinnamon and sugar mixture. Layer biscuits and pecans in well-greased Bundt pan. Melt margarine and brown sugar. Boil for 1 minute. Pour over biscuits in Bundt pan. Bake at 350° for 30 minutes. Turn onto plate immediately. Pull apart to eat.

**Stewardship Ideas:** Traveling this summer? Don't forget the church back home still needs your continued support & prayers. Financial gifts can be mailed (PO Box 65, Arkdale) or donated online through our website donate tab: [arkdaletlc.org](http://arkdaletlc.org).

**Bible Moment:** Pick the culprit:

1. He led a revolt against Moses: *A. Caleb B. Goliath C. Korah D. Joshua*
2. He wanted to kill David: *A. Saul B. Paul C. Doeg D. Cain*
3. This king of Judah sacrificed his own children to idols:  
*A. David B. Ahaz C. Ahab D. Josiah*
4. His planned massacre was averted: *A. Pashur B. Ahab C. Joab D. Haman*
5. He ordered the beheading of John the Baptist:  
*A. Pilate B. Herod C. Annas D. Caiaphas*
6. He betrayed Jesus:  
*A. Judas Priest B. Judas Iscariot C. Judas Barsabas D. Judas of Nazareth*

**KFC – Kids For Christ:**

- ★ **Youth Brat Fry** @ A-F County Market, Fri, 6/27, serving 10am-2pm.
- ★ **6-12graders:** Golf & Pizza outing, Wed., 7/16, meet at 5pm to carpool.
- ★ **0-6<sup>th</sup> graders:** Rome Splash Pad Outing, Tues., 7/22, 4-6pm.
- ★ **Save the Dates:** Aug. 12 VBS 6-7:30pm  
Aug. 13 Youth night at Rocky Roads, 5:30-7:30pm.

★ **Bible Verse:** Genesis 1:3-4 'And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. And God saw that the light was good.'

★ **Activity: Kaleidoscope.** Need paper towel tube or tp tube or pringles can (clean), items to decorate tube, a variety of colored beads, clear plastic (such takeout lids), hot glue gun, additional cardboard, tinfoil. 1 Decorate tube. Make 3 plastic circles by tracing tube on plastic and cutting out. Hot glue one circle on the bottom end of your tube. Then add beads to tube, enough to almost cover the plastic, without blocking out all light. Then carefully put another clear circle down inside tube down near the beads, using a pencil or marker, but beads should be able to move just a bit. Glue the last plastic circle on the open end of your tube. This will be the end to look through. [Optional Cut a 3 inch wide strip of cardboard just a bit shorter than the tube. To adjust the length place cardboard inside tube and cut just a bit short of the opening. \*This will need to fit pretty snug between the plastic ends. Fold into a triangle shape (1inX1inX1in), Cover both sides with foil and tape to hold in triangle form.; then place inside the tube. This will create the kaleidoscope effect when the kids look inside!] put a bit of blue on both end of triangle piece and center inside of tube; then glue on the 3<sup>rd</sup> circle.

★ **Table Talk:** What is your favorite kind of light? Do you ever think about how God made the sun, the moon and the stars, comets? God is amazing!

★ **Prayer:** Dear Lord Jesus, Light of the World, I come to you tonight. You are my light. I trust you even when it is dark outside. When I am angry, when I am afraid, please protect me and stay by my side. Amen.



[Matt.14:1-11]. 6-B [John 6:70-71].

Bible Moment Answers: 1-C [Numb.16:1]. 2-A [1Sam. 19:10]. 3-B [2Chron.28:1-3]. 4-D [Esther3-7]. 5-B





**CROSSWAYS**  
CAMPING MINISTRIES

## Day Camp at Pine Lake Camp —Entering Grades 1st-6th in Fall 2025

Join us at Pine Lake Camp for Day Camp! Campers will enjoy authentic, faith-filled experiences alongside a variety of camp activities including time at the lake, active games, curious nature exploration, and creative arts and crafts. Integrated in all of our activities are opportunities for campers to practice leading and listening, stretching their comfort zones and setting goals, learning about other people and building relationships. Our programming is rooted in the open and welcoming theology of the ELCA Lutheran Church. Many campers attend from different faith traditions or no tradition at all. All campers are welcome no matter their faith affiliation. Our staff are trained to facilitate open conversation.

- ◆ Monday - Thursday 8:30AM - 5:00PM
- ◆ Breakfast, Lunch & Hearty Snack served daily
- ◆ \$250/Camper
- ◆ 2025 Summer Dates Coming Soon!

Visit [CrosswaysCamps.org/scholarship](https://www.crosswayscamps.org/scholarship) to learn more and apply for the financial assistance that will make it possible for your family to participate.

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## SPROUTS at Pine Lake Camp —Entering 2nd-4th Grades in Fall 2025

3-day, 2-night overnight camp for our youngest youth campers! Our Sprout campers get to experience the best camp has to offer in a time-frame that works for them. Make new friends, learn fun games, swim and play on our waterfronts, cookout over a fire, explore nature, and learn all about how the love of God through Jesus changes everything.

- Week 5A Sun - Tues (7/6-7/8) at Pine Lake Camp
- Week 5B Wed - Fri (7/9 - 7/11) at Pine Lake Camp
- Week 7A Sun - Tues (7/20-7/22) at Pine Lake Camp
- Week 8B Wed - Fri (7/30-8/1) at Pine Lake Camp

**For information on these & more options for seniors, families, & older students, visit: <https://www.crosswayscamps.org/>.**

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## TWIGS & SPRIGS at Pine Lake Camp —Entering 1st-5th Grades in Fall 2025

We've heard you, and we're excited to introduce TWO new programs designed just for young campers who aren't quite ready for an extended overnight stay! **Twigs (July 23rd)** – A one-day camp adventure for campers! Experience all the fun of camp—games, nature exploration, crafts, and faith-filled moments—before heading home in the evening. **Sprigs (July 24-25)** – A one-night camp stay for campers! The perfect way to try an overnight camp experience with campfires, songs, and new friends, all in a short-and-sweet stay.

- Week 7 Wednesday (7/23) at Pine Lake Camp
- Week 7 Thurs - Fri (7/24-7/25) at Pine Lake Camp

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**\*\*Arkdale Trinity Lutheran Church Camperships are also available!  
Contact the church office if you are interested.\*\***

# Strong Bodies Exercise Classes

June – August 2025

Monday & Wednesday 9:30-10:30 am

Trinity Lutheran Church, 1650 Church Street, Arkdale

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This is a *free* strength training program for *adults*. Weights and mats are provided-optional to bring your own.

The program has many benefits:



- ✓ Increased strength
- ✓ Increased energy
- ✓ Increased flexibility
- ✓ Increased balance
- ✓ Improved mood and attitude
- ✓ Better sleep quality

Reach out if you have question/concerns or need any accommodations to attend this event.

Angela DeSmith - 608.339.4237 or [angela.desmith@wisc.edu](mailto:angela.desmith@wisc.edu)



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**HELLO**  
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**Name-Tag-Sundays** will be  
the first Sundays of June,  
July, August, & Rally Day

**Crafting Night will be held Wed., June 4 @ 5:55pm** in the Fellowship Hall. Enjoy a fun evening of crafting, snacking, and socializing. No experience is necessary. To date, we have created ornaments, yarn gnomes, diamond art coasters, wall hangings, a crate box, and stitched cards. A \$10 donation is suggested to cover the cost of craft materials. Contact Danna if you will be attending, so we can ensure there are enough supplies and snacks for everyone attending.

### June Food Pantry Donation Idea

What did the pig say on a hot summer day?

*I'M BACON!*



Grilling season has begun! Let's stock the food pantry cart with ketchup, mustard, pickles, baked beans, and the like! The ATLCW thank you for your continued donations and wish you all a wonderful beginning to summer!