

# SUMMER STORIES

LESSONS YOU  
LEARNED AS A KID



## Martha and Mary: Beyond the Stereotypes

Saturday, July 27, 2024

Sunday, July 28, 2024



# Trinity Lutheran Church

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## TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*Installation of Pastor Beverly Butler, Pastor of Spiritual Care*

July 27, 2024

5:00 p.m.

July 28, 2024

10:30 a.m.

Livestream Worship Service/KCMR 97.9

### SUMMER STORIES

#### LESSONS YOU LEARNED AS A KID

*Even if we don't remember it, most of us recognize that we saw the world and people differently when we were young. We learned lessons that continue to shape us as adults. This eight-week series looks at familiar Sunday School stories and the truths that persist – or have changed – as we've grown older.*

#### Martha and Mary : Beyond the Stereotypes

*Thank God for all of you Marthas who jump into action to provide food for a hungry crowd, mow the lawn, serve at the Community Kitchen, or muck out flood drenched homes. Jesus seems to be praising Mary's choice over Martha's actions. Let's take a look behind the scenes and beyond the stereotypes.*

**Welcome to Trinity!** We are glad you're here. If you are new to Trinity Lutheran, please complete an informational card which can be found in the pews.

**We love having small children in worship!** Those needing a space to change or feed little ones are welcome to use the **Child Care Room** located next to the nursery. An **unstaffed nursery** is also available, located on the 2nd floor just outside the north sanctuary door (door under the stained glass window door).

**Handicapped Seating** is reserved in the pew located in front of the Technical booth.

**Large print bulletins and listening devices** are available from the ushers.

**Activity Bags** are available for children during worship. They are located in the narthex and at the front of the church. Please return them at the end of services.

**Our Mission** *We are called to share God's healing love through Christ's forgiveness and our personal servanthood.*

#### Serving in Worship This Weekend

**Pastor** Rev. Dan Gerrietts

Rev. Daniel Hanson

Rev. Beverly Butler

**Guest** Rev. Steve Brackett

Northeastern Iowa Synod

**Organist** Kim Reisinger

**Cantor** Alli Day

**Greeters** Gary and Vicki Wattnem

**Coffee Fellowship**

Kathy Pitcher, Craig Remmen

Ronda Smith

**Scripture Reader**

Rev. Steve Brackett

**Technical Support**

10:30 a.m. Anni Shallberg, Henry Hansen

Carter Rockwell

**Ushers**

5:00 p.m. John Barron, Stu Vold

10:30 a.m. Dave Guetzko, Jake Rockman

**Building Host**

Jim Reisinger

# GATHERING

## Prelude

## Welcome

## Confession and Forgiveness

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
the God of manna,  
the God of miracles,  
the God of mercy.

**C Amen.**

P Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance,  
let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P God, our provider,

**C help us.**

**It is hard to believe there is enough to share.**

**We question your ways when they differ from the ways  
of the world in which we live.**

**We turn to our own understanding  
rather than trusting in you.**

**We take offense at your teachings and your ways.**

**Turn us again to you.**

**Where else can we turn?**

**Share with us the words of eternal life**

**and feed us for life in the world.**

**Amen.**

P Beloved people of God:  
in Jesus, the manna from heaven,  
you are fed and nourished.  
By Jesus, the worker of miracles,  
there is always more than enough.  
Through Jesus, † the bread of life,  
you are shown God's mercy:  
you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

**C Amen.**

**\*Gathering Hymn**

***The Lord's My Shepherd***

ELW 778

*String Quartet –Sophia Fitzgerald, Dan Gerriets, Pat Guetzko, Melissa Shallberg*

**\*Greeting**

P From our God who loves us with an everlasting love,  
who brings forth a new creation in Christ,  
who leads us by the Spirit in the wilderness:  
Grace and abundant mercy be with you all.

**C And also with you.**

**\*Prayer of the Day**

P Gracious God,  
you have placed within the hearts of all your children  
a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth.  
Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven  
and share this bread with all the world,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C Amen.**

**Reading: Jeremiah 29:11-14a**

L <sup>11</sup> For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. <sup>12</sup> Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you. <sup>13</sup> When you search for me, you will find me; if you seek me with all your heart, <sup>14</sup> I will let you find me, says the Lord...

L The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**\*Gospel Acclamation**

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The musical notation consists of two staves in G major. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the acclamation: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,". The second staff contains the melody for the second line: "al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia." The notes are simple, with some slurs and ties to indicate phrasing.

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke the tenth chapter.

**C Glory to You, O Lord.**

## **\*Gospel: Luke 10:38-42**

P <sup>38</sup> Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village where a woman named Martha welcomed him. <sup>39</sup> She had a sister named Mary, who sat at Jesus's feet and listened to what he was saying. <sup>40</sup> But Martha was distracted by her many tasks, so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her, then, to help me." <sup>41</sup> But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things, <sup>42</sup> but few things are needed—indeed only one. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon - *Beyond the Stereotypes***

**Pastor Beverly Butler**

**Hymn of the Day**

***Blest Are They***

ELW 728

## **INTALLATION OF PASTOR BEVERLY BUTLER**

P Dear people of God, the Northeastern Iowa Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America has authorized Beverly Catherine Butler, our co-worker in the gospel, for extended service in the ministry of word and sacrament in Trinity Lutheran Church. Ordained as a pastor in the United Methodist Church, her church has endorsed this ministry of extended service. Bishop Kevin Jones, in accordance with the policies established by this church, has affirmed this invitation.

L After prayerful deliberation, we, of Trinity Lutheran Church, welcome this invitation to Pastor Beverly Butler to serve as minister of word and sacrament in this congregation. This letter attests to our willingness.

*The representative gives the presiding minister the letter attesting to the welcome.*

## **Address and Questions**

P A reading from John: Jesus said, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you. Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."  
*John 20:21-23*

A reading from Matthew: Jesus said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

*Matthew 28:18-20*

A reading from First Timothy: “Set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. Attend to the public reading of scripture, to exhorting, to teaching. Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you through prophecy with the laying on of hands by the council of elders. Put these things into practice, devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress. Pay close attention to yourself and to your teaching; continue in these things, for in doing this you will save both yourself and your hearers.”

*1 Timothy 4:12-16*

P Pastor Butler, in the presence of this assembly will you commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility, in the confidence that it comes from God through the call of the church?

B *I will, and I ask God to help me.*

P Will you preach and teach in accordance with the holy scriptures and in a manner consistent with the Confession of Faith of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America? Will you carry out this ministry in a manner consistent with the constitutions of this church body?

B *I will, and I ask God to help me.*

P Will you be diligent in your study of the holy scriptures and in your use of the means of grace? Will you love, serve, and pray for God’s people, nourish them with the word and sacraments, and lead them by your own example in faithful service and holy living?

B *I will, and I ask God to help me.*

P Will you give faithful witness in the world, that God’s love may be known in all that you do?

B *I will, and I ask God to help me.*

P Almighty God, who has given you the will to do these things, graciously give you the strength and compassion to perform them.

**C Amen.**

*The congregation stands*

P People of God, will you receive Pastor Beverly Butler as a messenger of Jesus Christ sent to serve all people with the gospel of hope and salvation? Will you regard her as a servant of Christ and a steward of the mysteries of God?

**C We will, and we ask God to help us.**

P Will you pray for her, help and honor her for her work's sake, and in all things strive to live together in the peace and unity of Christ?

**C We will, and we ask God to help us.**

P I now invite you to take up the ministry of word and sacrament in this place.

**B After prayer and careful consideration, I willingly accept this invitation to serve as minister of word and sacrament in this place and among these people. I ask God's help, this synod's encouragement, and the prayers of all the people of this congregation.**

*The presiding minister addresses the assembly.*

P I announce to you that this ministry is authorized in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

### **Blessing**

P The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of eternal covenant, make you complete in everything good so that you may do God's will, working in you that which is pleasing in God's sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever.

**C Amen.**

L You have been called to be among us to baptize, to teach, and to forgive sins.

L You have been called to be among us to proclaim the good news.

L You have been called to be among us to preside at the Lord's supper.

P People of God, I present to you Pastor Beverly Butler, your Pastor of Spiritual Care. Let us welcome her in the name of Christ.

*Acclamation with Applause*

### **\*Prayers of Intercession**

P In your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

**\*Peace**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

**THANKSGIVING**

**Announcements**

**Offering**

Text to Give is available at Trinity!  
Simply text the amount you wish to give to 833-412-0093.  
Or scan the QR code with your smartphone.  
Please note where your gifts should be directed towards.



**Offering Music**

***Amazing Grace***

arr. By Fabrizio Ferrari

*String Quartet –Sophia Fitzgerald, Dan Gerriets, Pat Guetzko, Melissa Shallberg*

**\*Offertory**

***Praise and Thanksgiving***

ELW 689

***Praise and thanksgiving, God we would offer  
for all things living, you have made good;  
harvest of sown field, fruits of the orchard,  
hay from the mown fields, blossom and wood***

**\*Offering Prayer**

P God of abundance:  
you have blessed us in so many ways.  
As we live in your goodness,  
strengthen us to labor in your field,  
and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all,  
in the name of Jesus.

C **Amen.**



**\*Lord's Prayer**

**C** Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power,  
and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.

**SENDING**

**\* Blessing**

**P** The blessing of God,  
who provides for us, feeds us,  
and journeys with us,  
✠ be upon you now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**\*Sending Hymn**

***Be Thou My Vision***

ELW 793

*String Quartet –Sophia Fitzgerald, Dan Gerriets, Pat Guetzko, Melissa Shallberg*

**\*Sending**

**P** Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

**C** Thanks be to God!

**Postlude**

***Ave Verum Corpus***

by W.A. Mozart

*String Quartet –Sophia Fitzgerald, Dan Gerriets, Pat Guetzko, Melissa Shallberg*

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Altar Flowers** are in *given in honor of Paul and Mary Charlson's 59th Wedding Anniversary.*

The bulletin cover art is given in **honor of Jake and Nancy Rockman's 39th Wedding Anniversary.**

## PASTOR BEVERLY BUTLER INSTALLATION AND RECEPTION

***Pastor Beverly Butler,***  
***Trinity's Pastor of Spiritual Care,***  
will be installed July 27-28 at all worship services.  
Rev. Steve Brackett, Northeastern Iowa Synod,  
Assistant to the Bishop will preside.

A reception honoring Pastor Butler will be held in the  
Gathering Space following the  
9:00 AM Sunday service.

Hope you will join us as we  
welcome Pastor Beverly to Trinity!

## **New Summer Sermon Series**

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| Aug. 3-4        | Baby Moses<br><i>Faith Takes Courage</i>                             |
| Aug. 10-11      | Rahab and Joshua<br><i>Everyone is Valuable to God</i>               |
| Aug. 17-18      | Moses and Pharaoh<br><i>A Sacred Showdown</i>                        |
| Aug. 24-25      | Samson and Delilah<br><i>True Strength is Found in God</i>           |
| Aug. 31-Sept. 1 | Daniel and the Lion's Den<br><i>Living Faith, No Matter the Cost</i> |

**Please call the church office if you or your family are hospitalized.** If you or a family member would like to be visited please be sure to contact the church office. Thank you.

## **Pop Tab Collection**

As your drinking your cold beverage this summer—remember we are collecting pop tabs in support of purchasing children's' wheelchairs through Shriners Hospital. The tabs are picked up weekly and your support is greatly appreciated.

## **Nathan Elsbernd Organ Recital**

**Wednesday, July 31 at 6:00 p.m.**

Trinity Sanctuary

*Music selections will include works by Franck, Bach and much more! There will be a reception following Nathan's recital in the Gathering Space. Come and celebrate one of Trinity's very own!*

## **SENIOR SUMMER LUNCHEON**

**Thursday, August 8, 2024 at 12:00 PM** in the Fellowship Hall

***Lunch and Worship with Holy Communion***

***Pastor Beverly Butler will be sharing a Meditation***

Are you coming with a family member or friend? They are welcome to accompany you and join us for lunch. Need Transportation? Please call the Church office; we will gladly arrange transportation with a volunteer. You are an important part of our church congregation! We look forward to being together for this time of food, fellowship, and worship. If you cannot attend, please know that we are thinking of you and we miss you. **Please RSVP to the church office (423-0536) by August 2, 2024**

**Visio divina Tuesday, July 30 | 10:00 AM / MacNider Museum**

Visio Divina or “sacred seeing” is an ancient form of Christian prayer in which we allow our hearts and imaginations to enter into an image, in silence, to see what God might have to say to us. Come and encounter the Divine through visual art. This is a great opportunity to check out the new exhibit Portraits of Dementia by artist Joe Wallace.

**Celebrate the Harvest Potluck**

**Wednesday, August 7 / 6:00 PM**

Elsbernd Farm

Together we gather to celebrate God’s blessings of fresh produce, friends and fun! Please bring a lawn chair and a dish to pass from your garden harvest or purchased local produce. Table setting, lemonade, and water provided. Farm tour, Kubb (Viking chess) and Cornhole will be available. Rain location is the Trinity Fellowship Hall.

**Cool as a Cucumber -Cooking Class**

**Monday, August 12 / 1:00 PM / Kitchen**

Come and learn about the versatile cucumber in Trinity’s kitchen on August 12! This workshop offers hands-on participation with every step of the process—washing, preparing, and eating. Space is limited so see the sign up sheet located by the church offices. **Supply free is \$5.00.**

**T150 Matching Gift Challenge**

Thanks to another Matching Gift Challenge by two generous Trinity families, we can now double all new gifts made to the T150 Capital Appeal through the end of September 2024! **That’s right - if we receive \$50,000 in new cash gifts before Sept. 30, 2024 - that amount will be matched dollar for dollar!** If you haven’t yet donated or if you are considering an additional gift, now is the perfect time to double your contribution and help us pay down the remaining \$300,000 on the T150 loan. Every gift helps! To make a gift, go to [trinity-mc.org/T150-Matching-Gift-Challenge](http://trinity-mc.org/T150-Matching-Gift-Challenge) or simply write **"T150 Matching Gift"** on your check or envelope.

**United Way of North Central Iowa is collecting donations for their 2024 Kids Shoe Drive.**

Donations of new/gently used kids athletic shoes of all sizes are greatly appreciated. You can drop shoes off in the collection box located by the offices.

You can also donate by using the QR Code—100% of your gift will be used to purchase new shoes for kids in time for school. The deadline for donating is Aug. 8th.



**WEEKLY CALENDAR**

**Monday, July 29**

9:00 a.m. Quilt Workshop (*Fellowship Hall*)

**Tuesday, July 30**

10:00 a.m. Visio Divina (*MacNider Art Museum*)

Noon Staff Meeting

**Wednesday, July 31**

7:00 a.m. Men’s Bible Study (*Fellowship Hall*)

8:30 a.m. Women’s Bible Study (*Library*)

6:00 p.m. Nathan Elsbernd Organ Recital & Reception (*Sanctuary and Gathering Space*)

**Thursday, August 1**

9:30 a.m. Funeral Serving Group Mtg. (*Fellowship Hall*)

**Saturday, August 3**

*Holy Communion Celebrated*

**5:00 p.m. Worship Service**

**Sunday, August 4**

*Holy Communion Celebrated*

**9:00 a.m. Outdoor Worship Service** (*Courtyard*)

**10:30 a.m. Indoor Worship Service**

5:30 p.m. Potluck Supper (*Fellowship Hall*)

7:00 p.m. Matthew West Concert

## **Matthew West Concert | Potluck At Mason City Arena | **Sunday, August 4****

All Trinity members, including families with school age children, are encouraged to attend a concert for Matthew West (with Megan Danielle) on Sunday, August 4. We will meet at Trinity for a potluck meal at 5:30 PM, and walk to the arena together at 7:00 PM. Please order your general admission tickets by calling Mason City Arena, or by visiting the link: <https://mcarena.na.ticketsearch.com/sales/salesevent/16759> Any questions, please contact Carol Dettmer at [carol.dettmer@trinity-mc.org](mailto:carol.dettmer@trinity-mc.org).

## **Global Church Festival**

Fellowship Hall | **Saturday, August 24** | 9am to 4:30pm

Experience and discover God's work in the world during the Northeastern Iowa Synod's Global Church Together Festival.

*Discover God's Global Church*

Sponsored by the synod's Global Church Together Network. The **Keynote**

**Speaker: Pastor Themba Mkhabela** — Pastor Mkhabela is a Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary graduate, Pastor Mkhabela previously served in the U.S.

Virgin Islands and as regional representative for Madagascar, West and Central Africa. In his current role, he oversees ELCA missionaries and ministry partnerships across Southern Africa. There will also be a presentation from Pastor Kathy Graves "Hungary—Meaningful Connections and Opportunities." The event will also feature—seven workshops, a "world of 100" global simulation activity, global music sing-along, and lunch featuring global flavors. It is set for 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM, with registration beginning at 8:30 AM.

**The cost to attend is \$10 per person.** Please sign up on the board outside the church office. Call the church office with questions: 641-423-0536.



## **Global Health Ministries**

The gift of a GHM Newborn Kit is a blessing for the woman who receives it, providing basic items to help her clothe and care for her child, and celebrate new life! Regular-size bath towel, lightweight, approx. 50' x 26" and washcloth (no microfiber)

### **TLC OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE**

- **Care Ministry** – Volunteers are needed to make in-person visits, call people on the phone, and send postcards. Contact Becky Elsbernd.
- **Usher** – Distribute bulletins, welcome, collect offering, usher people for communion.
- **Readers** – Read the lessons for weekend services. Lessons provided a week prior to reading.
- **Communion Servers**– Assist Pastors with Communion distribution during worship services. Training available. Volunteer position. Contact the office.
- **Worship Transportation** – Assist Region 2 Transit driver in picking up those needing a ride to Sunday worship.
- **Community Kitchen Volunteers**—Trinity provides volunteers to help prepare and serve meals at the Community Kitchen, *either the 1st Monday of each month from 9-1:00 and the 4th Wednesday of each month from 4-6:30 p.m.* See the bulletin boards by the church office.
- **Help at Affordables**—Trinity provides volunteers to help sort donated clothing at Affordables on the *2nd Wednesday of each month from 9-11:00 a.m.*

*For more worship serving opportunities, contact the church office or go to [trinity-mc.org/worship-volunteers](http://trinity-mc.org/worship-volunteers).*