

The Trumpet JUNE 2024

Newsletter for Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

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Pastor's Pen By Beth Orling

Last month, ten days before Pentecost, the wider church marked the Ascension: the event that helped the early church understand why Jesus was no longer with them bodily. I told the story to some children in a church with large open windows above the chancel. As I was concluding the story, one little boy raised his hand, looked up at the windows, and declared, "I think I see Jesus."

Since then, here at Holy Trinity, we have celebrated Pentecost (with three women confirming their baptismal faith!) and Jasper Robert Kennedy's Baptism on Holy Trinity Sunday. Now we launch into the "green" growing season of "Sundays after Pentecost."

But I want to talk a bit about those 10 days between Ascension and Pentecost, between Jesus leaving his followers and the coming of the Holy Spirit, between the disciples being terrified of dying like Jesus did and 10 days later finding their voices and becoming preaching apostles. If ever there were a time of TRANSITION, it was those 10 days. We know the men and women were filled with the Holy Spirit on Pentecost, but they didn't know that yet.

During that time of transition, they may have remembered the prayers Jesus said for them the night in which he was betrayed. Jesus prayed that they might be protected, that they might be united, that they might have joy, and lastly that they may be made holy – sanctified – in God's truth. Protected, united, made joyful and made holy.

This remains Jesus' prayer for us to this day. Jesus prays that Holy Trinity Lutheran Church – and all of us, and all faith communities – may be protected, united, made joyful and made holy.

Part of this well-being includes being protected from and guided through anxiety that arises during times of transition. Anxiety says, "Hurry." Anxiety says, "You'd better do this right." Anxiety says, "How long, O Lord,

long?"

Joyful faith says, "Your will be done, Lord." Joyful hope says, "Our new pastor will be here in God's good time." Joyful love says, "As we wait, we trust the Holy Spirit and we care for one another." And the greatest of these is love.

Whether we feel anxious or confident, may we continue to trust that God's will be done in our lives. The church explained the Ascension as necessary so that Jesus could be with all of us in all places all the time, not just in the Holy Land for 33 years. Like the little boy hearing the Ascension story, may we also look up and say, "I think I see Jesus." This past Ascension Day, Pastor Gail closed her email to me with these words, "See you around, Jesus!"

While we journey through this time of transition, we see Jesus in church and in one another. See you around, Jesus!

Grace and peace,

Pastor Beth

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We are always here for your spiritual care when you need it.

Feel free to call the office (and leave a message) or email us, if you know of someone who should be added to the prayer list.

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Holy Trinity Library

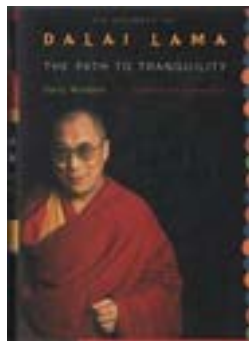


This is our last Library Team meeting until August. Please have a healthy and safe summer. The library will be open any time the church is. Come visit and enjoy the varied books we have and continue to update. June has Dinosaur Day, National Egg Day, World Oceans Day, World Blood Donor Day, Father's Day, King Kamehameha Day, National Flag Day, Juneteenth, Helen Keller's Birthday, Maurice Sendak, Anne Frank, and Pearl Buck's Birthdays.

Library Notes June, 2024

ADULT BOOKS:

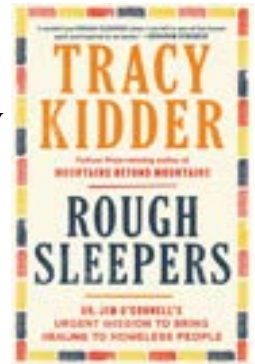
Dalai Lama, The Path to Tranquility, Daily Wisdom (1999) Compiled and Edited by Renuka Singh. This book has an affirmation and quote from the Dalai for each day of the year. Each day clearly discusses an issue of self discovery, direction and explanation. It reads like poetry and is an enlightening book to give our days meaning and focus. Enjoy. I did. Donated by Anita Bonham. Reviewed by Zorba Alexis-Stricker.



Robert F. Kennedy: Ripples of Hope (2018) By Kerry Kennedy. Read this one slowly, savoring each speech, picture and observance. It gives us a deep connection to a time of compassion, courage and dedication. Robert Kennedy's daughter, with the help of known politicians, public figures and family write with honest reverence about a man we could use today. A very inspiring read with hope on every page. Donated by Anita Bonham. Reviewed by Zorba Alexis-Stricker.

Rough Sleepers: Dr. Jim O'Connell and His Quest to Create a Community of Care (2023) By Tracy

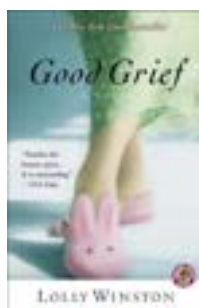
Kidder. Tracy Kidder tell the story of Dr. Jim O'Connell, a gifted man, who organizes a community of care for Boston's homeless population, including those who sleep on the street, the "rough sleepers". As O'Connell serves a particular group of sleepers, we watch their lives unfold within a caring "system of friends". You will be educated and moved by Kidder's hopeful and compelling narrative. Reviewed by Ann Marie Rahfeldt.



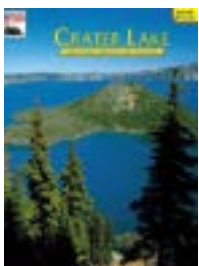
The World I Live In (2003 edition) By Helen Keller. This is a collection of essays, originally written by Ms. Keller in 1908, and is a true revelation. The eloquence, imagery and poetic style of her prose and her extensive vocabulary are astounding. She delights in everything around her, explaining how she came to understand nuances and subtle differences in things which could neither see nor hear in the traditional way. Her appreciation of the world is beyond what most of us, possessing all five senses, will ever achieve. I love every beautiful, optimistic, captivating word and find the book even more incredible for having been created in Braille. Donated and Reviewed by Anita Bonham.



Good Grief (2004) By Lolly Winston. Sophie Stanton, a 36 year old, in a therapy session is wondering how she can be a widow. Her husband died of Hodgkin's Disease. With laugh out loud humor, author, Lolly, takes Sophie through the recovery process from losing her job, house and dealing with a controlling mother-in-law. She gets a fresh start, moving from San Jose to Ashland, Oregon, when invited by a friend, to escape her former life. She progresses to find housing, employment, new relationships, including mentoring a defiant 13 year old from the Boys and Girls Club. This is a heartwarming story with love, loss, grieving and healing. Reviewed by Margaret Ruud.



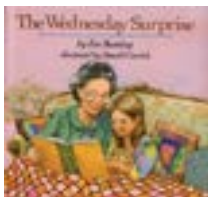
Crater Lake: The Story Behind the Scenery (1991)



By Ronald G. Warfield, Lee Juillerat and Larry Smith. Crater Lake is a National Park in south central Oregon, established in 1902 to preserve "this deep blue lake encircled by multicolored lava walls." Written by a former park professional, a natural resources graduate and a nature journalist. The text pairs nicely with the stunning visuals in this full-color pictorial. More of a travel essay than a guide, it inspires while teaching the unique ecological environment that is the caldera at Crater Lake. Reviewed by Liz Ehr.

BOOKS FOR CHILDREN AND THE YOUTHFUL:

The Wednesday Surprise (1989) By Eve Bunting



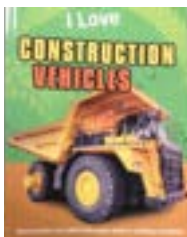
and Illustrated by Donald Carrick. This had me fooled. The reader gets clues about the surprise that Anna and her Grandma are preparing for Dad's birthday. They meet every Wednesday to work on it. I was sure

I knew what the end was going to be...but I was wrong. This is a story of family, relationships and the best kind of secrets. Reviewed by Anita Bonham.

I'm a Little Teapot (1996) Told and Illustrated by Iza Trapani. This familiar sing song tune has expanded verses to take one to China, Mexico, outer space, on a pirate ship or the jungle to share some tea. The illustrations are so inviting. Reviewed by Margaret Ruud.



I Love Construction Vehicles (2016) By Chris Oxlade. Do you have a kiddo in your life who adores



all things construction" If so, this is the book for them. From diggers, loaders and dump trucks to cranes, concrete mixers and tunneling machines, this children's nonfiction title combines

explanatory text with color photographs to bring a work site to life. Includes instruction for building a model construction site at home, as well as a thorough glossary. All the dirty vehicles kids love are here. Reviewed by Liz Her.

Look What I See! Where Can I Be: With My Animal Friends (2002) By Dia L.

Michels, Photographs by Michael J.N. Bowles. "I am going to see my animal friends with my family." So begins a sweet story of a baby girl who wakes up to a different animal after each nap, at which point the reader's job is to guess where the family is now. From farm to zoo to aquarium to animal shelter, the color photographs reveal a family's animal journey that ultimately leads back home. Reviewed by Liz Ehr.



Radio Broadcast

Did you know you can still catch our worship service which is broadcast on the KNOP radio station?



Each Sunday, someone sponsors this, with a donation of \$100. You can, too! Dedicate your donation in memory of someone or an event.

We've still got some dates available! Call or e-mail the church office to sign up!

Thanks for supporting our radio broadcast ministry.



Confirmation



Jasper Robert Kennedy was baptized in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Jasper's aunts served as godmothers and his grandparents, Brenda and Scott, along with his great grandfather, smiled broadly.

We will celebrate the Affirmation of Baptism (Confirmation) of Elise, Mia, and Emily.

These women now take their places among the adult members of this congregation; we pray for them – and for each of you – that they and you will find a specific way of serving God in this place. One of the Affirmation vows reads, “to continue to live among God’s faithful people.” God bless each of you as you discern how the Spirit is calling you to serve.



Wow, 1 year of kids choir was a success! Our Wednesday kids choir is celebrating a great year of with a choir party on June 12th. Thank you for a wonderful time.

Margaret Graebner
Organ Recital Series

Christopher Houlihan at the Pipe Organ



June 13, 7:00 pm
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
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The concert is free and open to the public.
Donations benefit the facilities fund.

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Holy Trinity Preschool

During Jesus time in May, we focused on how God made the world. God made the earth, the heavens, animals, people and so much more. And He saw that it was good.

May was rainbow month where we enjoyed and studied the colors of the rainbow. Rainbow day was our chance to dress in all of the colors of the rainbow and be silly. Bright colors, stripes, polka dots and plaids were the order of the day. Our shape was a crescent and the students discovered that many everyday things are crescent-shaped such as bananas, the moon and even smiles!

Six students graduated from Holy Trinity Lutheran Preschool this year and are ready to move on to kindergarten. Please keep Elise, Grayson, Tristan, Logan, Finley and Soren in your prayers. It will be exciting to see what the future holds for these amazing children! Each of them has special gifts to share with the world!

Thanks to the Holy Trinity congregation for your caring and support! We feel blessed to be a part of the lives of our preschool families and to have the opportunity to teach them and learn from them!

Mrs. Kathy, Mrs. Brenda



Congratulations Class of 2024!

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Holy Trinity Preschool

Over 30 years in PA!

- ♥ Small Class Size
- ♥ Christian Curriculum
- ♥ Kindergarten Readiness
- ♥ Math & Science
- ♥ Music & Creative Arts
- ♥ Social Skills
- ♥ Early Literacy

Be sure to tell neighbors
friends and family members!

Preschool
Registration



Preschool will be starting in September for the 2024-2025 School year. Early Registration is \$25 until June 24th. After June 24th the registration fee will be \$100. Students can be registered full or part-time. Full-time is 8am-12pm Monday thru Friday. Part-time is 8am-12pm Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. To get pricing information and/or a registration form please contact Natalie in the church office at 360-452-2323 or htlc@olyphen.com. Our registration form can also be downloaded from our website go2trinity.org on the preschool page. Class size is limited.

Holy Hikers



On Tuesday, May 21st, the Trinity Trekkers hiked the Spruce Railroad Trail. The steady rain did not dampen their Spirits!

(In the photo are, Ken and Carol Kidder, Chuck and Julie Antonio, Deb and Woody Reed, Kelsey Redlin and Mary Lange.)

The next scheduled hike will be, on Thursday, June 20th. Please meet on the south side of the church at 4:00 pm.

This will be a Strawberry full moon, solstice hike to Hurricane Hill. It is a paved trail, approximately 3.4 miles round trip with a nearly 1000 ft. elevation gain.



After the hike, strawberry short-cake will be served at the picnic area to watch the moon rise.

We had a Zoom meeting April 21 and invited all who have shown interest. We hope the presentation and discussion further sparked interest in traveling to the Ailanga school. The presentation is on our website <https://www.ailanga.com/> under ASP News.

We are now excited to schedule in-person meetings (1 hour), to get more acquainted. There will be one meeting in Seattle and another meeting in Port Angeles. The board has sent emails to determine dates and times for the meetings. The intent is to have these meetings before the end of the school year. We hope to hear what concerns or questions you may have. We also hope to begin planning for monthly meetings starting in the fall.

News from Ailanga Headmaster

(4/27) Receive greetings from Ailanga and Meru Diocese.

Many greetings from Ailanga staff and students community. We thank God, because it is still raining, but we are safe.

Thank you for your greetings and support. It is a great support because the Seminary is aiming to pay back the soft loan from May 15, this year. The way you proposed it is fine. We will figure out the debt of student Sumsri and let you know. The loan which enabled us to buy a car was Tsh.28,000,000.(It is approximately USD 11,000.) Currently the number of students registered is 230, all in boarding.

We wish you peace of God and good health. Convey our best regards to all friends of Ailanga

Ailanga News

Summer 2025 delegation trip in person meeting

The Ailanga School Project board has decided to target a delegation trip to Ailanga in the summer of 2025. We have identified some youth and some adults who are interested and available for a 2025 trip. Youth should have completed their 10th grade year in school before going on the trip.

Donation to Ailanga

In response to the Ailanga request, the board decided to and sent \$6000 to Ailanga, \$4000 to pay back part of the loan for the car, and \$2000 to continue scholarships for selected students.

Death Cleaning

A few years back I read a short, humorous book entitled The Gentle Art of Swedish Death Cleaning by Margareta Magnusson, about clearing out unnecessary belongings before others have to do it for you. Her methods can make the process uplifting and rewarding (must revisit for “booster shot”). Not only rewarding for the purger, putting useful items back to work in a new household reduces unnecessary purchases and is ultimately good for the planet. After all, what good is an unread book or an unworn sweater? If you have accounting principles in your background, you know that dead stock taking up warehouse space costs money. Excess clutter can have an energetic and emotional cost.



Getting down to business...

What's your style? It's often suggested you start with three boxes—toss, donate, and save. Author Ann Patchett in her essay “How to Practice” did her purge from an author's perspective—first you write and then you edit. So everything she purged went into boxes in the basement that were “edited” later. I apply a half hour principle—decisions start out very black and white, but I start to waiver after half an hour.

Tackling emotions. Anne Patchett felt shame over owning seven mixing bowls and wondered if the wine glasses were tired of waiting to be used. She found that much of what she'd acquired was for a future self that never materialized and let it go. We evolve.

Family keepsakes are more problematic. I have an Imari plate my great grandmother gave me when I turned sixteen. It means nothing to my granddaughter and isn't her style. But maybe the tiny turquoise and silver cross Grandma gave me will appeal. Think about the future not the past. Anne's journey was inspired by the passing of her childhood friend's father and the Herculean task of cleaning out his house. Somewhat ironically, amongst the accumulation was this prayer:

*I have everything I need.
All that is not ladder falls away.*

-Jan Wyman, Interfaith Earth Care Coalition



Carpooling is encouraged. Meet at the North parking lot for 4:00pm departure. Activities will begin at Wild Edge Farm at 4:30pm



Do you like the coffee we serve on Sunday mornings? It's available to purchase for your own home! Chocolate Bars, Tea, and Nuts too. Stop by to see these fairly traded which are available to purchase on Sunday or during office hours.



Did you know we have a locking mailbox outside of the church? You can

safely drop off an envelope outside of church hours. Another option is to sign up for automatic donation or you can make direct donations on our website.

Staff & Leadership

Staff

Beth Orling, Lead Interim Pastor, for worship and administration

Gail Wheatley, Interim Pastor for worship and Pastoral Care

Noah Smith, Director for Music Ministry

Natalie Petersen, Office & Financial Administrator

Kyle Lucas, Custodian

Kathy Braun, Preschool Teacher

Brenda Kennedy, Preschool Teacher

Candance Hall, Caretaker

Elijah Sussman, AV Engineer

Enduring Gifts

Karla Strutzel (chair).

Church Council

President: Mary Ann Unger

* Vice President:

* Interim Treasurer/Finance: Carol Jackson

Secretary/Communications: Sharon Reuter

Facilities: Greg Bondy

Worship: Deborah Bopp

Education: Kathy Plocher

Youth: Madeline Irwin

Christian Service: Lucy Nordwell

* Hospitality:

Called by God's *Grace* to

SHARE the good news,

we are the  hands of Christ,

opened by ,

 joined in worship,

extended in ,

 offered in service,

reaching for justice. 



Mariners vs. Rangers Saturday, June 15th at 4:15pm

Contact the church office if you are interested in attending. Ticket prices are reduced for church groups.

We need people to sign up! So far we only have 1 person signed up to go.



• Thank you Chancel Choir and Noah Smith for another beautiful season of music.

• Thank you Deb Reed and the holy weeders for all the hard work in the Memorial Garden. It looks fantastic! What a huge difference it made.

• Thank you Kathy Braun and Brenda Kennedy for another year of lovingly caring for the children and learning to love God in the process.



JUNE 2024



Visit our YouTube channel for Sunday worship, devotional videos and more!

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This is a great way to "introduce" curious friends or neighbors.

| | Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| Pentecost 2 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| | 9:30am Worship 11am Annual Meeting– Fellowship Hall 4pm Memorial Service for Sue Sweeney | | | 4:30pm Holy Bookers 4-4:45pm Youth Choir | | | |
| Pentecost 3 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| | 9:30am Worship – Senior Sunday | 9:30am LWR Quilters | 4-4:45pm Youth Choir Party | 7pm Christopher Houlihan Concert | | Mariners Game | |
| Pentecost 4 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| | 9:30am Worship | 2pm Executive Committee | 1-2:30pm Threads of Love | 4pm Holy Hikers to Hurricane Hill | | | |
| Pentecost 5 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| | 9:30am Worship | Early Preschool registration deadline | 9:30am LWR Quilters 6pm Council Meeting | | | | |
| Pentecost 6 | 30 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| | 9:30am Worship 4:30pm Farm Church | | | | | | |

