

# Trinity Tidings for August, 2022

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## “Do This”

Bruce and I have been working on an extension to our patio. It’s been something we’ve been wanting to do for a long while and now we are finally doing it. You know, sometimes we talk and talk about something and never really quite get to it. But at some point, everything falls into place—time, money, energy, motivation and voila! A patio is born.

I’ve been thinking a lot about getting things done that need doing—you know, “do this,” whatever it is. Oddly—and this may seem like a stretch—but whenever I think to myself, *Julie (or Bruce), you better “do this,”* I think of the Lord’s Supper. No. Really, it’s because Jesus said, “Do this.”

Jesus was talking about his body and blood and how we eat bread and drink wine at the Lord’s Supper—that common everyday occurrence of eating and drinking in which we are invited to partake the first Sunday of every month and on special occasions.

Except if Jesus says to, “do this,” why do we only do it once a month? Good question. And in fact, I have been asked this by more than one person on different occasions. Why don’t we “do this” every week? Jesus says to, “Do this.” Well, there are historical reasons why once a month became a tradition. Back in the day, pastors pastored more than one church and so came around to “your” church only once a month or so and that’s when he (and it was a “he”) would preside over communion. Like so many things, that tradition just never stopped even as we moved over one hundred years into the future.

Many, many Lutheran churches—as well as other denominations—have now moved to communion every week. It’s something we at Worship and Music have been talking about for a long while, but like building patios, things just never came together in order to make it happen. Covid has forced into thinking more closely about worship and those things which are most important to our assembly.

If you recall (and it has been a long time since March 2020) we paired down our “Covid” service to those things which are most central to worship: word, prayer, and sacrament. And we didn’t “do this” at all during those early days of Covid. It was then that it became very clear just how central and profoundly important the Lord’s Supper was to the people of Trinity. People missed it. Person after person expressed to me their sorrow at not being able to partake and how much they needed it—truly needed it—more than ever.

And so, as we emerge from Covid, we have entered into a new and rapidly changing church that is wiser and able to see more clearly what is truly needed: word (which includes our song), prayer, and sacrament. We need to “do this” as often as we eat and drink. (In the early church Holy Communion was an entire meal where the bread and wine were served as the familiar words of consecration were spoken. And they did this every time they ate together.)

Our new organist, Carla Seidel begins September 25<sup>th</sup>. Over the course of the month of October we will slowly transition back into a more liturgical service, but also one that incorporates new music and incorporating the new ways of doing worship that we have been enjoying over the last two years. Most importantly, we will “do this” each and every Sunday. Each week, all who desire to partake in Holy Communion will be invited to do so. Naturally, if someone does not want to partake in the Lord’s Supper on any given Sunday they do not have to. It will simply be offered, and you will be invited. After all, Jesus invites us to participate in his supper as often as we eat and drink.

When we “do this,” communion will be continuous intinction using the divided chalice which holds both wine and grape juice. The bread (wafers/crackers) will always be gluten-free. So, get ready, we’re going to “do this!” Blessings, Pr. Julie

### Trinity Strawberry Festival 2022 Summary

Thank you to everyone who helped make our Festival a success this year. The Strawberry Festival Task Force included:

**Coordinator & Entertainment** – Betty Lou Franzen

**Finances** – Dawn Hickernell

**Games** – Barbara Debiec

**Jewelry/Plants** – Kathy & Izannah Bashore


**Volunteers** – **Tacy Grippon**


**Council liaison** –Tacy Grippon


**Food** – Beth Byler, Tedd Hickernell, Woody Noll,  
Glenn Given


**Publicity & French Fries** - Bob Bashore

**Food —Day of Festival** - Kay Stout & Anne  
Marie Rinehimer

 Festival day Saturday June 11, 2022, we had late morning scattered showers, but the rain cleared for the evening festivities. Attendance was very good. The new hours of 3:30 to 7:30 pm (a half hour later) worked well to accommodate the supper crowd.

 Entertainment was provided by the Conrad Weiser '76ers singing selections from The Secret Garden at 5:00 pm and The Trinity Sunday School Orchestra at 6:00 pm.

 An added treat this year was Tedd Hickernell's delicious Smoked Pulled Barbecued Pork Sandwiches and Nachos. His set up and serving crew did a terrific job.

 Our net profits of \$2,050.00 resulted in that contribution to the Trinity Community Response Fund.

 Next year's festival is scheduled for Saturday June 10, 2023. Mark your calendar!

Submitted by Betty Lou Franzen

### **Please remember in your prayers:**

**Members who are sick or recently hospitalized:** Bonnie Giamotti, Daniel Harman, Karen Houck, and Bob Schappell.

**Members who are homebound or in care facilities:** Joan Kava, Diane Klinger, Carolyn Kurtz, Rosalie Putt, Betty Reber, Pat Sickles, and Kay Weatherholtz.

**The Military:** Rena Butcavage, Natalie Ketner, Justin Klinger and John Kurtz.

**Family and Friends:** Robin Balog, Wanda Barnett, Carolyn Bryant, Fred DeLong, Marge Dietrich, Kevin Hartman, Glenn Helbert, Tara Hills, Betty Kauffman, Shirley Kerchner, Tom Koerner, Hannah Kramer, Michelle Nordstrom, Jake Powers, Tom Reppert, Melissa Shoumlisky, Wendy Wolfe, Jerry Zachousk, and Ann Zimmerman.

**Special Ministries:** Our missionary in Tanzania-Stephen Friberg and his Family.

**Please let us know when our prayers are answered so we can  
keep our prayer list current.**

**New address for John Kurtz:** AN Kurtz, John G.

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# Vacation Bible School for ALL Ages

## “Music: Making God’s Holy Song



Final Session, August 10<sup>th</sup>

**Beginning with dinner at 6:00 p.m. ending at 8:00 p.m.**

Come join us for:

*Singing, Bell playing, Drumming, Boom Whackers, and more . . .*

Third and last session of VBS will be Wednesday, August 10<sup>th</sup>. We will be having Hoagie Sandwiches for dinner. Meal begins at 6 and activities begin around 6:30 and last to 8 PM. There is a sign up sheet in the narthex for the third session. We need that to know how many to plan for especially for the meal and craft supplies.

## **Mission Trip Opportunity** **to Western Kentucky** **October 17-21, 2022**

Assist in rebuilding homes destroyed by the December 10, 2021 tornado.

**We have reserved 20 volunteer spots through Crossroads Missions.**

Volunteers who are both skilled workers (electricians, plumbers, construction, etc.. . . )  
as well as simply eager to learn and help are needed.

**Accommodations are provided by**  
**First Christian Church in Princeton, KY.**

**There is no cost except travel expenses.**

**Travel:** It is an 18 hour drive. Some volunteers may choose to make the drive in one day, others two days. There are tentative plans to leave on October 15<sup>th</sup>.

We will meet closer to the trip to complete travel plans.

**If you are interested and want more detailed information, please contact:**

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### Some pictures from our First Wednesday of VBS



Enjoying our pasta dinner provided by the Shoumlisky Family



Playing colored bells with Deacon Carol



Learning to Play in a drum circle with Carla Seidel



Making a musical craft with Betty Lou Franzen

Congratulations to Ben Scheider who graduated from Conrad Weiser High School. Ben was a member of the National Honor Society, completed at least 100 hours of community service, and won the following awards: Outstanding Senior in Medical Health Professions, Nicholas Moore Memorial Science Scholarship, Olivia Mae Gingrich Memorial Scholarship, Wernersville Alumni Assn. Scholarship, and Wernersville Lions Club Scholarship. He also received an academic award for Science.

We also congratulate Lori Shoumlisky who recently received a BS in nursing. Lori has been an RN with Tower Health for quite a few years and this is another step up the ladder for her.



**Enrolling Now Fall 2022**  
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***New families welcome!***

— Trinity Lutheran Preschool admits students of any religion, race, color, national and ethnic origin.



### **Flower and Bulletin Sponsorship**

The cost of sponsoring the flowers is \$40.00. The cost of sponsoring the bulletins is \$15.00. If you are sponsoring the flowers or bulletins, please note that there are blank envelopes in the narthex below the sign up lists. Please put your check (payable to Trinity) or cash in the envelope (be sure your name is on the envelope) and place in the offering plate. **We need an Altar Flower sponsor for August 14. We need bulletin sponsors for August 14, 21, and 28. Please sign up on the appropriate chart in the narthex.**

**Altar Flower Sponsors for August:** 8/7-Carol Koch in memory of her father, Rev. William H. Marburger, 8/14-available, 8/21-Rick and Kathy Lawry in honor of their wedding anniversary, 8/28-Mary Young in memory of her wedding anniversary.

**Bulletin Sponsors for August:** 8/7-Barbara Debiec in memory of Rich's birthday, 8/14, 8/21 & 8/27-available

### **Helpers for August**

**Altar Guild:** Anne Marie Rinehimer

**Communion Assistant:** Dawn Hickernell

**Fellowship Hosts:** 8/7-available, 8/14-Tony Ludovici, 8/21-picnic, 8/28-Shoumlisky family.

**Acolytes:** 8/7-Kay Stout, 8/14-Barb Debiec, 8/21-Quentin Light, 8/28-Sam Shoumlisky

**Lay Readers:** 8/7-Kay Stout, 8/14-Jerry Jarsocrak, 8/21-Allison Given, 8/28-Elaine Briner

**Pianists-**8/7-Betty Lou Franzen, 8/14-Deacon Carol, 8/21-Betty Lou Franzen, 8/28-Deacon Carol.

**Ushers:** 8/7-Lawrys, 8/14-Bashores, 8/21-Kurtzes, 8/28-Givens

**Sound System:** 8/7-Wendell Byler, 8/14-Scott Franzen, 8/21-Stephanie Kurtz, 8/28-Wendell Byler

**Counters:** 8/7-Rapley/Pirl-Roth, 8/14-Hummel/Jarsocrak, 8/21- Debiec/Rinehimer, 8/28-Franzens

**Bulletin Assemblers:** 8/3-Sharon Black, 8/10-Marilyn Weatherholtz, 8/17-Janice Lamm, 8/24-Amy Strunk, 8/31-Mary Young

**Newsletter Assembly:** Barbara Debiec

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# Happy Birthday

## Birthday Milestones in August

Nancy Moyer will be 80. Happy Birthday Nancy.



## **An Evening of Music with Carla Seidel**

**August 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. in the Library**

This is an opportunity for not only **CHOIR** members—but all who are interested in music (sing, play an instrument, want to learn) to drop by and meet Carla, our new church musician. Together we will make some music!  
See you there!