



# The Trinity Times

## Weekly Announcements



### AUGUST STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

#### **Dog Days of Faith**

Nabeel Qureshi, a devout Muslim, was struggling with his faith. He and his Christian friend had been in friendly debates over Christianity and Islam for several years. When the evidence for the God of the Bible was too overwhelming, he cried out to God for a sign, a clear indication that He was God.

What followed was a vision of glowing crosses in the empty room where he was standing. Nabeel was stunned ... and then said, "God, that doesn't count."

Even when the evidence is overwhelming, faith in God, whether a new follower of Christ or a lifelong follower, can face challenges.

In the book of John, we read about followers of Jesus leaving Him when he was teaching difficult doctrine, including *eating the flesh and drinking the blood* of Jesus. Looking at the Twelve, Jesus asks, "You do not want to leave too, do you?" To which Peter replies, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We believe and know that you are the Holy One of God" (John 6:67-69).

Even the most stalwart of Christian Fathers throughout history have shared how they struggled with their faith in difficult times. We are humans with finite understanding, trying to understand an infinite God.

Nabeel Qureshi was baptized by his Christian friend and faced a difficult time when he told his loving mother and father of his conversion. But he persevered and, upon graduation from medical school, he decided not to practice medicine but to minister to Muslims. Qureshi was faithful to the Gospel of Jesus to the end of his short life, succumbing to aggressive cancer at the age of 33, leaving a wife and child.

Making sense of the events of this world – injustices, natural disasters, illnesses, and death- is beyond our comprehension. We can grow bitter and angry, or we can conclude as Peter did, if not You, Lord, then who?

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### Stewardship Corner

**Luke 12:15 – "And he said to them, 'Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.' "** Coveting is the opposite of being content with what God has given us. And the cure for coveting is twofold: thankfulness to God and generosity toward God's purposes. So be on guard against all covetousness. Acknowledge that your Father has given you all you need, and therefore be free and confident in directing the mammon of this world toward godly purposes.



**NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY NEEDS YOUR UPDATED CONTACT INFORMATION**

**Please review all your family's information.**

**Write OK next to your family's info if everything is correct.**

**If anything is out-of-date, make all necessary corrections on the sheets  
provided on the table.**

If we receive no corrections to what we currently have on file for your family,  
we will print this information in the new photo directory.

**Verify your name is spelled correctly & verify current mailing address:**

Please review the spelling of your name(s) in the directory,  
that we have included all members of your immediate household,  
and verify your mailing address is correct.

**Verify your current phone numbers:** only 3 will be printed

You may provide up to 3 phone numbers: 1 landline and 2 cell phone numbers.

Please specify first name next to each cell number.

If you do not want certain phone numbers published, please specify those phone numbers.

**Verify your current email address:** only 2 will be printed

You may give us multiple email addresses. However, only two email addresses  
can be printed in the directory, so please note which two you want published  
and specify the first name or if it's your household email address.

Please call or email the church office with any questions.

*Thank you for your assistance!*

**Photos Wanted:** Help us collect photos from St. Trinity events for use  
in our upcoming directory or other sharing within the church. Simply click the link  
below or scan the QR code to upload your photos—no login needed!

<http://bit.ly/454TZc2>

Please upload full-size images.





### Wint's Healing Hearts Grief Support Group

All ages are welcome,  
always free of charge.  
No pre-registration needed. The  
next meeting will take place

on **Tuesday, August 12th at 7pm.** The session  
topic for August is **"Coping with Depression in  
Mourning."** All meetings are led by a Bereavement  
Counselor for Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home,  
Clarkston. **Meetings held at the Carriage House  
in Clintonwood Park at 6000 Clarkston Road,  
Clarkston.** If you'd like to be included on the  
monthly e-mail list or have further questions, please  
contact Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home directly  
at (248) 625-5231 or [wintfuneralhome@gmail.com](mailto:wintfuneralhome@gmail.com),  
Online Grief Portal, can be found at: [https://  
www.wintfuneralhome.com/griefwords](https://www.wintfuneralhome.com/griefwords).



We cannot locate the Shark WandVac  
(handheld vacuum) or its charging cradle  
from the nursery/cry room.

Both items are black with  
a "Shark" manufacture label, & look  
similar to the one pictured here.

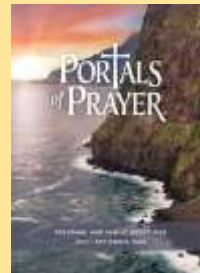
If you know where it was put or have  
borrowed it, please contact or bring  
them to the church office.

We are in need of them.



### Summer Bible Study Opportunities

- ♦ **Adult Information Class (New Member)** with Pastor Paul at 10:45 am in the L-Room. This is an 8-week class (June 1st—August 10th).
- ♦ **Men's Bible Study** 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month at 9:30 am.
- ♦ A list of weekday **Bible Study opportunities at sister LCMS churches** is available at the Information Center. Churches include: Good Shepherd in Lake Orion, Journey in Oxford, and Crown of Life, Rochester.



### Portals of Prayer Devotionals

**July - September 2025**  
**Now available in the Narthex  
& on the table between  
the Entrance Doors**

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AVAILABLE BY REQUEST**

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### The Board of Human Care

We are collecting **Peanut Butter and Jelly**  
throughout the summer months to distribute to  
Lighthouse & St. Paul's food pantry. **ALL JARS  
MUST BE PLASTIC. (NO GLASS)**  
Additionally, please remember  
we're always accepting **travel  
size personal care items** to  
donate to Veterans Hospital  
in Detroit.



**Thank you for your continuing  
support of all our projects.**



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### Sunday Ministry Assistants

#### Audio Schedule

**Aug 3** J. Yaeger  
**Aug 10** F. Irish  
**Aug 17** J. Yaeger  
**Aug 24** F. Irish

#### Video Schedule

**Aug 3** J. Schorsch  
**Aug 10** J. Ashley  
**Aug 17** R. Karstensen  
**Aug 24** J. Schorsch

#### Greeters

**August 3**  
 Fred & Connie Irish  
**August 10**  
 Annette Ashley

#### Coffee Schedule

**August** Elaine Schultz  
**September** M./C. Swartz

#### Donuts / Bagels

**August** Lynnette Cardinal  
**September** - T. B. D. -

#### Lay Readers

**Aug 3** Rich Trudelle  
**Aug 10** Margaret Miller  
**Aug 17** Noah Ehlke  
**Aug 24** Steve Pflieger

#### Counters

**August 3**  
 Elaine Schultz  
 Rich/Carol Trudelle  
**August 10**  
 DeMonaco  
 Gordy Cloutier

#### Altar Circle

**August**  
 Shawn Hahn  
 Ruth Stockwell  
**September**  
 M./R. Karstensen

#### Elder on Duty

**Aug 3** Rich Trudelle  
**Aug 6** Dan Cardinal  
**Aug 10** Dan Cardinal  
**Aug 13** Mark Drennan  
**Aug 17** Bob Altman  
**Aug 20** Aaron Meyer

#### Mowing Schedule

**Aug 3** Art Saunders / Dave Hahn / Fred Irish  
**Aug 10** Kirk Costello / Jeff Feldmeyer / Lisa Thomas  
**Aug 17** Lee Barrie / Bob Altman / Chuck Claus  
**Aug 24** Fred Hohnstadt / Kurt Schroeder / Mark Drennan  
**Aug 31** Art Saunders / Dave Hahn / Fred Irish

#### Road Sign

**August**  
 Fred Irish  
**September**  
 Gordie Cloutier



#### Usher Schedule

##### August 3

Stella Shepherd, Capt.  
 Amy Costello  
 Kirk Costello  
 Jeff Feldmeyer

##### August 10

Rich Karstensen, Capt.  
 Paul Orler  
 Joseph Ashley  
 Kurt Schroeder

##### August 17

Fred Hohnstadt, Capt.  
 John Ehlke  
 Richard Meyer  
 Bob Schroer

**The Kroger Community Rewards Program** makes it super easy to donate to St. Trinity based on the shopping you do everyday. Once you link your Kroger shoppers card via your digital account, all you have to do is shop at Kroger and swipe your Shopper's Card! To participate in Community Rewards, create a digital account by installing the app on your phone & create an account. If you already have a digital account, you'll need to verify you have your current Plus Card &/or Alternate ID linked to your digital account. After creating your account in the app, You must then select the organization you wish to donate to. Click on the 3-horizontal lines in the upper left corner, a dropdown list will display. Select Rewards from the list, then select Community Rewards & search for "St. Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church & Preschool" & select us as your organization. It's that simple!

