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115 N. 4th St.
Stillwater, MN 55082

Have you been wondering who these great people are? **Welcome Trinity's Interns**



John Schomberg



Gary Pettit



Lindsay Stolen



Kevin Stenstrom

We are proud to announce Trinity has started an Internship Ministry. This ministry is in partnership with Youth Encounter, a ministry that sends young adults out all over the country. We are blessed to have four interns – John Schomberg, Gary Pettit, Lindsay Stolen and Kevin Stenstrom. These young adults are committed to doing ministry within a church and working with a variety of different people.

The Intern Program at Trinity is for young adults who want to take some time and do ministry before they start their careers or discover what they may want to do with

their lives. The program gives them the opportunity to use their gifts to try new things in a safe, healthy place.

Trinity will be running this ministry for the next several years. This means that although these internships are unpaid – the interns receive no salary – we will be looking for places to house and feed our interns. Trinity will be the training site for congregational internship programs around the country. This is a great opportunity for us to give of ourselves and also to receive from the gifts of our interns.

John Schomberg will be leading junior and senior high relational youth ministry. Gary Pettit is leading drama ministry and is the director of lenten dramas for adults. Lindsay Stolen is leading the third and fourth grade ministry. Kevin Stenstrom is leading youth worship for confirmation and the high school worship service.

Trinity is blessed to have interns that are committed to the Gospel of Jesus and sharing the message of Jesus with the community around them. Take time to say hello, encourage and pray for our interns.

worship opportunities

February 10 & 11

- Saturday 5 p.m.: Worship, Communion
- Sunday, 9 a.m.: Worship, Communion, Nursery
- Sunday, 10:30 a.m.: The Walk, Communion, Nursery
- Sunday, 6 p.m.: The River (Grades 9-12 youth worship)

February 17 & 18

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remember in your prayers

Please notify the Trinity office at 439-7400 if you or anyone you know has a prayer need, or when you or a loved one is hospitalized (the hospitals do NOT notify us of admissions), has a baby or a death occurs in the family. Please contact Jane Backe at 439-6006 or Jan Most at 436-7264 for prayer team submissions.

Known to have been hospitalized/support in prayer

- Gloria Goble • Julie Hawkinson • Bill Nelsen
- Eileen Okerstrom • Art Pederson

Baptisms

- Brynne Anne Klancher, daughter of Kevin & Rachel Klancher
- Jace Preston Coy, son of Justin & Sandra Coy

Altar Flowers

- Feb. 10-11 – In loving memory of Willard & Billie Jo Swenson, given by wife and mother, Joanne Swenson

Birth Announcements

- Congratulations to Jason & Pam Teply on the birth of their daughter, Addison. Grandparents are Hilmer & Carol Huber.

Deaths

Sympathy is extended to...

- Jim & Michele Hermansen on the death of Jim's mother.
- Paul & Pam Hamre, on the death of Paul's father.

trinity transportation

Sunday van schedule

Trinity's van will be available during the Sunday 9 a.m. worship service. A van ride is available for members or non-members lacking other means of transportation. Please call the Church Office (439-7400) between 9 a.m. Wed. and 4 p.m. Thurs. to reserve your seat each week. Estimated pick-up times at senior residences if you have reserved a seat are:

- 8:15 a.m. – Boutwells Landing
- 8:25 a.m. – Raymie Johnson
- 8:35 a.m. – Croixdale
- 8:40 a.m. – Oakridge
- 8:45 a.m. – Rivertown Commons

worship attendance

Jan. 20 & 21

5 p.m.	158
9 a.m.	328
10:30 a.m.	230

Jan. 27 & 28

5 p.m.	110
9 a.m.	366
10:30 a.m.	246

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prayer corner

O Lord Jesus,

You overcame sin and death, and brought life and immortality to light.
As we gather to remember You in the bread and wine, grant us
forgiveness and cleansing. Heal our souls and make us whole.

Thank you! Amen.

If you have a prayer request, please fill out a prayer card, found in the pew, and place it in the offering plate; call the Church Office or contact Jane Backe at 439-6006 or Jan Most at 436-7264 (coordinators of the prayer chain). Mary Anne Staberg is the coordinator of the Tuesday afternoon prayer group. She can be reached at 439-1509. Prayer requests are kept confidential. All are invited to join the prayer chain or the Tuesday prayer group which meets at 1 p.m. in the Church Office by calling any of the numbers listed above.

Are you curious? Then, you're invited!

Benevolence & Missions forum

Sun., Feb. 4, 10:15 a.m.

Office Conference Room

Do you wonder how benevolence decisions are made at Trinity? Do you have questions about which groups will receive benevolence funding in the 2007 budget? Then come to the Benevolence Mission forum Sun., Feb. 4 at 10:15 a.m. in the Office Conference Room. The Benevolence Mission Team: *Gerrie Granquist, Cheryl Bennett, Wayne Pepin, Lynn Schurrer, Glenda Bjorum, Erik Swenson, Iona Holsten, Carolyn Minor and Kristie Anderson* – will provide a clear picture of their work on behalf of Trinity in 2006. Bring your coffee and join us for conversation!

Altar Guild Ministry needs you

The Altar Guild is an important part of the Worship Team of Trinity. The purpose of the team is to prepare the Worship Center and the Chapel for worship each week. Two or three members of the larger team meet on Saturday morning to change the paraments if necessary, replace the Vigil candles, arrange flowers and “do the pews” – all the things that make Trinity look like we are ready for the worship each Saturday evening and Sunday morning. At this time the team consists of 17 dedicated members. We would love to welcome up to six more. Members can sign-up for the weeks that are convenient to them, or perhaps for a month. Would you like to be a part of this rewarding, purpose-filled ministry? If you are interested, call Miriam Madsen at 439-4401 for further details.

Women's Spring Tea

Sat., April 21 – Garden Room

Plans are under way for this spring's fabulous women's tea. If you would like to be part of the team or just have ideas you want to share, please contact Dellzie at ext. 139 or dhodler@trinitylc.org

Mission disbursements made

The Benevolence Mission Team along with the Lutfisk Dinner Team have decided on the recipients of fundraising from the 2006 dinner. And we'd like to share the good news. Another successful dinner was held in November; some matching Thrivent funds made the grand total to be disbursed at \$9702. It was a wonderful day thanks to everyone who helped. Let's jump on the bandwagon for Lutfisk 2007 to continue the huge giving trend that Lutfisk means to so many groups both near and far. Money was disbursed to the following organizations: Widow's Mite, Mano Amiga, Tubman Family Alliance, ELCA Hunger Appeal, Loaves & Fishes, JESUS Delivers, Valley Outreach, Feed My Starving Children, Global Health Ministry, Two Rivers Community Land Trust, Car Care, and the Mwatasi Partnership.

In addition, final decisions were made about the disbursement of Herberger volunteer funds. Many people volunteered their time working at Herbergers in the past; the funds are highly appreciated by the following Tanzanian-related recipients: Mark Jacobson Hospital, Seminary Scholarships and Mwatasi Technical School Students. A huge thank you to all who volunteered their time and energy to make these funds available.

Katrina HOPE: What an adventure

Twenty three adult Minnesota workers recently traveled to Mississippi freely sharing a multitude of God-given gifts with wonderful people. They met Jean, who needed carpentry, sheetrock and electrical work; who treated them to dinner out. They met John, who needed sheetrock removal, who as the water rose into his stilted home, waited in his bathtub writing his will. They met Jennifer, a young single mom who still needs lots of work on her home, but after some basic electrical work, smiled with the excitement that her young son had because of new light switches and new light bulbs. Charles and Betty Lou had tales of rising water and falling trees, needed a new fence and indoor closets. Miss Jackie, who has been transformed by the help of several teams, has tiled floors and closets that are now fabulous. They also met Marlana, whose harrowing story of swimming in the pitch black night in the rising water contrasts today with her immense joy over her fantastic new fans. Mrs. Frances Gunther and Calvin's homes were also in need of the Minnesota traveler's work. Dana's home was demolished, yet her spirit and drive for a new home for her family transcends all obstacles. God was with these people and with all the Trinity travelers as well.

As their nine days came to a close, many were asking, “When are we going again?” We'll catch our collective breath and do some thinking and planning and get the word out soon. Trinity volunteer workers brought all kinds of terrific skills along with them, including the ability to listen well to our neighbors in Mississippi. Our thanks go out to all who contributed funding and most of all, prayers. For detailed trip information, visit the www.woodburylutheran.org/hope/ to read Jerry Herbst's special account and to view some pictures; click on team blogs and find Trinity Church, Team 21.

One more note: A daughter of Trinity Church, Anna Greenberg, took a contingent of Winona State students on winter break to Mississippi the week previous to ours. The word is out about the FANTASTIC job Anna and her crew did for some of the same people we worked with. The coordinator in Ocean Springs said, “You Minnesota folks blessed our socks off!” A huge thank you to Anna and to all of the other workers who gave their time, talents and hearts away in Mississippi.



The Small Group Worth Changing Their Schedules For

By Kerry Evensen and Kathy Luoma

Just over two years ago we received an invitation to attend small group leadership training with guest consultant, David Stark. We agreed to attend, listen, and perhaps join a group, if someone formed one, that fit our interests and of course our schedules.

As we sat through the second session, we were asked to begin brain storming ideas for the ideal group. In other words, what kind of group would we change our schedules for? We both started wiggling in our seats because we had no intention of leading a group. We did let ourselves brainstorm and arrived at the fact that both of us, like many other women we knew, were busy moms who had a need for a faith-based group. But neither of us had ever been in an actual bible study before, so there was no way we felt qualified to lead such a group.

One important fact that we failed to mention was that there were a handful of people at these sessions who had already attended small group leadership coach training. As fate would have it, Karen Gieseke, who just happened to be sitting at our table, was one of these coaches. Well, within the next hour we not only had a name for a group (WOWs which stands for MOMs upside-down), we had a purpose and we agreed that we would even lead the group with some coaching. We left the meeting on a positive note, and we were both excited to begin our faith group. Our coach suggested our small group create a covenant as

we got started, but we didn't take the time. Our first year went well. We had a number of members, a great book and regular monthly meetings. Unfortunately, like so many busy people, we ignored the details and just hoped everything would smooth itself out. We really felt that because our group members understood the purpose for our group and shared the same faith values as we did, we would be fine without a covenant.

As we were about to get underway with our first meeting of our second year, we received an email from our coach gently reminding us



SMALL GROUP COVENANT FORM

Group Name:	WOWs (which stands for MOMs upside-down)
Group Members: (Use back of form if needed and include emails, phone #, addresses, birthdays, etc.)	
Group Leader:	
Coach:	
Group Purpose:	The purpose of WOWs is to give busy women a social group where they can feel connected with other women who are interested in feeding their spiritual needs. The members of the group serve as a "checkpoint" for each other to ensure that the members are taking care of themselves in order to take care of others (i.e. family). The Group is here to explore thought provoking literature which applies to busy women who are at various points in their own faith journey. This year we are studying the book: A Busy Woman's Guide to Prayer. Each month we read two chapters and engage in a thought provoking group discussion on the reading and how it may apply to each of us and our families.
Desired Results & Plan: (Take some time here and try to include specific, attainable/ assignable, realistic/rewarding, plans that intersect with the present and are informed by the past. Task Teams may want to include measurable/tangible	Through the readings, group discussion and prayer, our desire is to have each member recognize or be reminded of their own self-worth and individual gifts. It is also our hope that each member will learn from the other members within the group and begin to grow meaningful friendships with one another.

Small Group Principles: Belonging & Support

It is in a Christian small group where our sense of belonging assures us of God's love and surrounds us with the support of God's people.

Small groups include and support people by inviting them into an atmosphere in which they can be known and understood as distinct persons.

about the values of a group covenant. This time we decided to give it a try. So, we brought a blank covenant to our first meeting and had all of the members share their input. The result was remarkable! Hearing everyone verbalize and own our group purpose and core values was unifying. Discussing group-desired results and a plan was motivating. Agreeing to share the responsibility of facilitating the discussion and prayer was helpful. Putting it all in writing solidified the agreement, commitment, and promise we had made with one another.

As a result, we have had a powerful faith journey this year. Every one of our members feels safe when sharing prayer concerns within the confidential atmosphere of our group. Our small group has witnessed a strong transformation from its beginning to where it is today. We are very enthusiastic about the continuation of our group and growth of our personal faith journeys and friendships.

Interesting note:

The members of WOWs will be intentionally growing together in their faith journey on Feb. 2 as Karen Gieseke facilitates them in a Living Your Strengths Workshop. If your small group is interested in doing a LYS Workshop, contact Jody Thone at 439-7400, ext. 119 or jthone@trinitylc.org

february 3 - 16 calendar

Saturday, February 3

- 9 a.m. Co-ed 19+ Open Gym: Gym
- 5 p.m. WORSHIP, COMMUNION: Worship Center

Sunday, February 4

- 8:45 a.m. Two-by-Two Toddler Learning: Room 106
- 9 a.m. WORSHIP, COMMUNION, NURSERY
- 9 a.m. Meditation: Room 108B
- 9 a.m. Marriage 102: Five Love Languages: Lib. Conf. Room
- 10:15 a.m. Benevolence Mission Forum: Office Conf. Room
- 10 a.m. Blood Pressure Check : Office
- 10:30 a.m. Meyers Briggs-MBTI: Living Room
- 10:30 a.m. Marriage 103: Seven Principles: Luther Hall
- 10:30 a.m. Marriage 101: Covenant Marriage: Library Conference Room
- 10:30 a.m. WORSHIP, COMMUNION, NURSERY
- 10:30 a.m. Bible 105: Women & the Word: Garden Room
- 11:45 a.m. Sr. High Leadership Team: Youth Center
- 2 p.m. Sr. High Intramural Basketball: Gym
- 4:30 p.m. The River Super Bowl Party: Garden Room, Gym, Youth Center
- 6 p.m. The River Worship (Gr.9-12): Luther Hall

Monday, February 5

- 7:30 a.m. AA Meeting: Living Library
- 6 p.m. R.O.C.K. Basketball: Gym
- 6 p.m. Valley Chamber Chorale Rehearsal: Worship Center
- 6:30 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 115: Room 104
- 6:30 p.m. Cub Scout Meeting : Room 106
- 6:30 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 971: Garden Room
- 6:30 p.m. Martial Arts/Tai Chi: Commons
- 7 p.m. Small Group Leader Coach Training: Living Room
- 7 p.m. Monday Night Bible Study: Living Library
- 8 p.m. Co-ed 19+ Open Gym: Gym

Tuesday, February 6

- 8:30 a.m. Tuesday Morning Bible Study: Living Room
- 9 a.m. Moms Day Off: Room 106, Luther Hall, Nursery
- 1:15 p.m. Prayer Group: Office Conf. Room
- 3:30 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 1025: Room 102, Room 104, Room 106, Room 108A, Room 109
- 6:30 p.m. 8th Gr. Basketball: Gym
- 6:45 p.m. Cub Scout Meeting: Room 106
- 7 p.m. Pack 249 Committee Meeting: Living Library

Wednesday, February 7

- 9 a.m. Level II Mat Pilates: Narthex
- 9:30 a.m. Hearts of the Home Moms: Lower Level
- 10 a.m. Yoga Devotion: Narthex
- 4 p.m. Cherub Choir: Narthex
- 4 p.m. Elementary Bell Choir: Chapel
- 4:30 p.m. Choir School: Worship Center
- 5 p.m. Pizza Night: Garden Room
- 6 p.m. Children's Ministry Workshops: Lower Level
- 6:30 p.m. LYS: Strength Focused Parenting: Garden Room
- 6:30 p.m. Confirmation(Gr.7-8): Lower Level
- 6:30 p.m. Jubilate Bells Rehearsal: Heritage Chapel
- 7 p.m. Temple Choir Rehearsal: Choir Room
- 8 p.m. Sr. High Intramural Basketball: Gym
- 8 p.m. Singles Connection: Living Room

Thursday, February 8

- 9 a.m. Moms Day Off: Room 106, Luther Hall, Nursery
- 10 a.m. Bible Study-Luke & Acts: Living Room
- 11:30 a.m. Men in the Workplace Lunch: Stillwater
- 2 p.m. Trinity Today deadline
- 6 p.m. R.O.C.K. Basketball: Gym
- 6:30 p.m. the WALK Rehearsal: Worship Center
- 6:15 p.m. Cub Scout Meeting: Luther Hall
- 6:20 p.m. Tiger Scout Meeting: Room 106
- 8 p.m. 9th Gr. Basketball: Gym

Friday, February 9

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Living Library
- 6 p.m. Bible Explorers Extravaganza: Garden Room, Gym
- 5:45 p.m. 8th Grade Basketball Practice: Gym

Saturday, February 10

- 9 a.m. Co-ed 19+ Open Gym: Gym
- 10 a.m. R.O.C.K. K-2 Playoff Game: Gym
- 11 a.m. Blue & Gold Scout Banquet: Garden Room
- 5 p.m. WORSHIP, COMMUNION
- 6 p.m. Couples Valentine Celebration: Garden Room

Sunday, February 11

- 9 a.m. WORSHIP, COMMUNION, NURSERY
- 8:45 a.m. Two-by-Two Toddler Learning: Room 106
- 9 a.m. Meditation: Room 108B
- 9 a.m. Bible 101:CRAM: Living Room
- 10:30 a.m. Bible 105: Women and the Word: Garden Room
- 10:30 a.m. WORSHIP, COMMUNION, NURSERY
- 10:30 a.m. Meyers Briggs-MBTI: Living Room
- 2 p.m. Sr. High Intramural Basketball : Gym
- 6 p.m. The River Worship(Gr.9-12): Luther Hall
- 7 p.m. Confirmation(Gr.9): Lower Level

Monday, February 12

- 7:30 a.m. AA Meeting: Living Library
- 6 p.m. Valley Chamber Chorale Rehearsal: Worship Center
- 6 p.m. R.O.C.K. Basketball: Gym
- 6:30 p.m. Martial Arts/Tai Chi: Commons
- 7 p.m. Rebekah Circle Meeting: Dellzie Hodler's home
- 7 p.m. Monday Night Bible Study: Living Library
- 8 p.m. Co-ed 19+ Open Gym: Gym

Tuesday, February 13

- 8:30 a.m. Tuesday Morning Bible Study: Living Room
- 9 a.m. Moms Day Off: Room 106, Luther Hall, Nursery
- 9 a.m. Retired Men's Group: Garden Room
- 9:15 a.m. Leah Circle Meeting-Phyllis Paulson's Home:
- 1:15 p.m. Prayer Group: Office Conf. Room
- 6 p.m. Valley Chamber Chorale Rehearsal: Worship Center
- 6:30 p.m. 8th Gr. Basketball: Gym

Wednesday, February 14

- 9 a.m. Level II Mat Pilates: Narthex
- 4 p.m. Cherub Choir: Narthex
- 4 p.m. Elementary Bell Choir: Chapel
- 4:30 p.m. Choir School: Worship Center
- 5 p.m. Pizza Night: Garden Room
- 6 p.m. Children's Ministry Workshops: Lower Level
- 6:30 p.m. Jubilate Bells Rehearsal: Heritage Chapel
- 7 p.m. Temple Choir Rehearsal: Choir Room
- 8 p.m. Sr. High Intramural Basketball: Gym

Thursday, February 15

- 9 a.m. Moms Day Off: Room 106, Luther Hall, Nursery
- 10 a.m. Bible Study-Luke & Acts: Living Room
- Noon Hilltoppers: Garden Room, Kitchen
- 5:30 p.m. Living Your Strengths Workshop: Living Room
- 6 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal-Winter/Madison: Worship Center
- 6 p.m. R.O.C.K. Basketball: Gym
- 6:30 p.m. Stillwater Daycare Providers: Garden Room
- 6:30 p.m. Daisy Girl Scout Troop 2794: Room 104
- 6:30 p.m. Wolf Scout Meeting : Luther Hall
- 8 p.m. 9th Gr. Basketball: Gym

Friday, February 16

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting : Living Library
- 5:45 p.m. 8th Grade Basketball Practice: Gym
- 6 p.m. Scrapbooking for the Soul: Off-site

Couples Valentine Celebration

Bunko, Blokus, Balderdash, Oh My! Sat., Feb. 10, 6-10 p.m.; \$25/couple

Join other Trinity couples for a night of food, fellowship and fun. Enjoy a Valentine's supper with your sweetheart, catered by Grand Banquet Hall. We'll play cards, dice and board games. This is a child-free event so please find your own sitters! You MUST sign up and pay on or before Sun., Feb. 4 in the Church Office or Commons following services.

Introducing Trinity's first Junto Club

Tue., Feb. 6, 7 p.m. – Liberty Café
Wondering what a Junto club is? The origin of Junto clubs' are not exactly known. Organized in the early 18th-century, the members of Benjamin Franklin's Junto club discussed philosophy, art, social issues of the day, literature, and theatre. Trinity's Junto Club will be similar, with focus on the arts. We'll discuss various artistic mediums, ranging from art to theatre to literature from classical to modern philosophical. Meetings will take place at local coffee shops or in homes. If you have any questions or cannot attend the first meeting, contact Gary Pettit at ext. 125 or email at pettig@cuaa.edu

Hilltoppers

Thu., Feb. 15, Noon – Garden Room
Lunch, fellowship, prayers and inspiration! Our time together will include Pastor Kris Linner and the Barbershop Quartet!

Mindfulness Meditation Day

Sat., March 10, 2007, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Luther Hall; \$20

This is a day to quiet, center and deepen your faith and perspective. Structured to be an exploration and deepening of the practice of meditation, the day will also be a time for personal practice to deepen self-awareness. Five sessions during the day allow you to explore the practice personally in a guided, grounded, group setting. We will sit, stand, and walk as meditation practices. Wear loose, non-restricting clothing and warm socks, and bring something to sit on. Lunch will be on your own.

Lenten Drama team

We are still looking for people of all ages who want to be involved in the series of lenten dramas this year. We need actors, technicians, make-up artist, costume designers, and stage hands. If you are interested, please email Gary at pettig@gmail.com, or leave him a message at ext. 125.

Men in the Workplace

Thu., Feb. 8, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Stone's – Stillwater

Trinity men who work in the Stillwater area are meeting for lunch at Stone's Lounge and Restaurant. Join other Trinity men who work near you for a lunch with Pastor Dan and other men on Trinity's staff. Take some time to reflect on how your work life and faith might connect in the New Year. Space is limited to 10! Email your reservation to Diane Rollie at drollie@trinitylc.org

Girl's Night Out

Friday, Feb. 23, 7 p.m.

Trinity women are invited to a night of faith, friendship, fun and sweets. It's a dessert party at the home of Jill Davis-Kneeskern. Please bring your favorite dessert – it can be chocolate, fruit, cheesecake, dessert wine or other beverage – whatever you can think of (even chips if you prefer salty to sweet). Please contact Jill for directions or with any questions at 351-0792.

Retired Men's Group

Tue., Feb. 13, 9 a.m. – Garden Room

Join us for more discussion on future meetings and schedule. We'll hear a Katrina trip report from Jerry Herbst and Lowell Saterbak. All retired men are invited to attend.

care ministries

With Pastor Kris Linner

I attended the funeral of a friend this week. She was 95 years old and was ready and waiting for God to take her home. She was a faith mentor for me. She taught me about the power of prayer, an attitude of gratitude and a dependency on God's loving grace.

Her funeral was beautiful and it reflected the faith which sustained her all of her days. She had planned her funeral in great detail from picking scripture lessons and hymns to detailed instructions to her nephew who would be preaching the sermon. She had told him many times, "I don't want this to be about me, I want it to be about Jesus' saving grace." She had also written out some thoughts to share with those who attended her funeral-thank yous to her family and friends who were so important to her.

Her funeral was a wonderful worship experience and I have found myself thinking about it all week long. It has invited me to revisit the plans I have made for my funeral. Yes, even at the relatively young age of 48, I have made plans for

my funeral and shared them with my husband and children. They are tucked into my bible. I strongly believe that putting thought into one's funeral plans is a gift one can give to loved ones. It is one less thing they have to think about at a time when it is difficult to think.

Have you thought about your funeral? If not, I would invite you to do so. It would be helpful to your loved ones and it also helps you focus on God's gift of each new day. If you have given some thought to your funeral, make sure your share your thoughts with those close to you.

If you would like to discuss your thoughts and plans with a pastor, feel free to contact Kris Linner at ext. 107 or klinner@trinitylc.org.



family ministries

9th Grade Confirmation Retreat

*Fri., Apr. 27, 6 p.m. to Sun., Apr. 29, noon
Gospel Hill Camp, Shoreview, MN, \$55*

This retreat serves as an important event to wrap up students' Confirmation years and is also a time to talk about following Christ after Confirmation. Gospel Hill Camp is a beautiful new retreat center conveniently located in Shoreview. Please bring outdoor clothes, tennis shoes, pajamas, toiletries, Bible, pen, sheets and blankets or sleeping bag, pillow and towels. Do not bring ipods/MP3 players, cell phones, DVD players, computers, drugs, alcohol, weapons or anything distracting or offensive. Students should eat dinner before we leave on Fri., April 27. Please turn in registration form and \$55 by March 25. Scholarships are available.

Confirmation Camp

Week of July 9-13 or July 13-17

7th & 8th graders

Quadna Resort & Retreat Center

Confirmation students are headed to camp this summer! Trinity is running Confirmation Camp at Quadna Resort and Retreat Center in Hill City, MN. We are offering two camp choices: July 9-13 & July 13-17. The cost is \$275 per student. Camp includes high-energy worship times, group-building activities in the great outdoors and creative learning, all geared toward growing our relationship with Jesus Christ. Camp is an integral part of the Confirmation experience! Sign-up begins Jan. 31. Brochures are available in the Youth Center. Contact Sara Stenstrom at ext. 145 or Cindy Jones at ext. 137 for more details.

Trinity Rec League: Dodgeball starts Feb. 4

Wed., 8-10 p.m. or Sun. 2-5 p.m.

Trinity Gym; 9th grade & up

TRL is a co-ed intramural league open to students in grades nine and up. Games will be played weekly on a designated night of your team's choice. Gather a team together of 6-10 players, fill out a roster and turn into Chris Dahl by Jan. 26. Contact Chris at ext. 138 with any questions.

St. Croix Valley junior high 30-Hour Famine!

Feb. 23-24

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

This is an experience you won't want to miss! Come together with youth from all over the valley for 30 hours of fun events, crazy games, movies, service projects, fellowship, worship, and a huge break-fast meal at the very end! Cost is \$25/student which includes transportation, t-shirt, beverages, and meal. The event starts at 3:30 p.m.

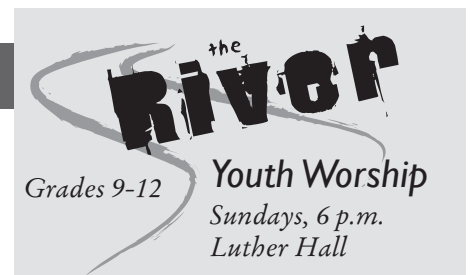
Fri., Feb. 23 and goes until Sat., Feb., 24 at 6:30 p.m. Registration deadline is Feb. 7. Any questions? Contact Chris Dahl at ext. 138 or cdahl@trinitylc.org

Proud parents of a newborn?

Congratulations! Please let us know at Trinity. We have all kinds of gifts and treats to bring your way. Contact Dellzie at ext. 139 or dhodler@trinitylc.org when your bundle of joy arrives.

Looking for Mexico Missionaries!!

Are you in senior high? Do you want to go to Mexico over spring break? There are potential spots opening up on the Mexico Mission trip and one of those spots may have your name on it! The waiting list is based on a first-come, first-served basis. If a spot opens up on the trip, the first name on the waiting list will be added. If you would like to apply, please stop in the Youth Center and pick up a waiting list application! Deposit and application are due Sun., Feb. 4. Contact Sara Stenstrom at ext. 145 or sstenstrom@trinitylc.org with questions.



Bible Explorers extravaganza!

Feb. 9, 6-9 p.m. – Lower Level

Open to all third and fourth graders! Fun will include pizza, group games and relays, a trivia competition, mission project and staying up late!

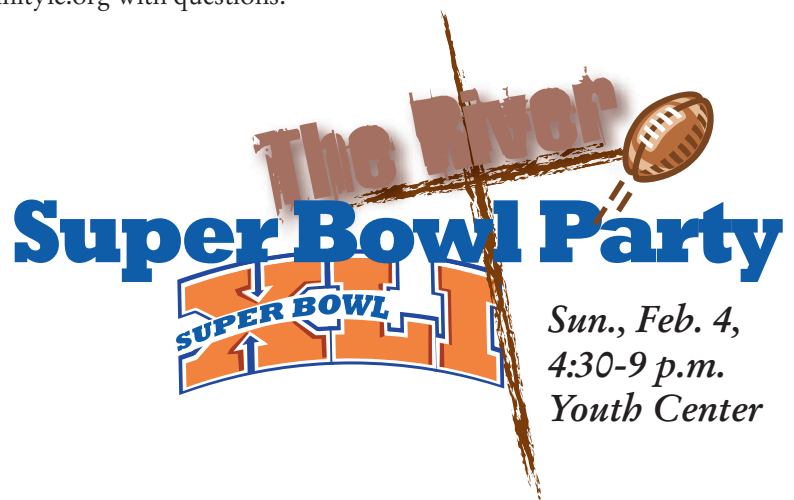
Cost per child is \$5, which includes pizza and the cost of making mission health kits. Parents are encouraged to attend (\$2 pizza fee). No preregistration needed. Contact Lindsay Stolen at ext. 125 or lmstolen@gmail.com with questions.

Valentine's Spa Night

Wed., Feb. 14, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Youth Center

Girls grades 7-12 are invited to Valentine's Spa Night. The focus of this night will be on our inner beauty as a child of God. We will pamper our bodies with all sorts of traditional spa experiences including foot soaks, nail polishing, hand dips and more. We will also be pampering our soul with encouraging music and messages. The cost is \$5 and friends are welcome to attend! We are looking for female adult help also! Contact Cindy at ext. 137 or Sara at ext. 145 with questions.



*Sun., Feb. 4,
4:30-9 p.m.
Youth Center*



Trinity Annual Meeting

Sun., Feb. 18, 11:45 a.m. – Worship Center

Annual Reports will be available beginning Sun., Feb. 4