



Trinity Lutheran Church

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JULY 2026



IN JULY:

Sundays - Bible Study

Sunday School @ 9:00am

Not in July and August

Worship @ 10:00 am

Fellowship @ 11:15 am

Adult Forum @ 11:30 am

Tuesday - Cub scouts – 6:30pm

Wednesday - Scout troop Girls @ 5:30 pm

Boys @ 6:30 pm

No meetings until September

Thursdays - Quilting – 9:00am - None in July and August

TLCC Children's Time

@ 9:30 am

2nd Monday - Elizabeth Circle @ 1:00pm

1st Wednesday - Ruth Circle @ 7:00 pm

No meeting until September

2nd Wednesday - GROW @ 6:00 pm

No meeting in July and August

3rd Thursday - BOCO @ 6:00pm

4th Thursday - Youth game night

@ 6:30pm

1st Friday - Human Rights Task Force

meeting – 4:00 – 5:30

Other Important Dates

4th – Fourth of July celebration

250 years old

14th – 16th -2026 Vacation Bible School – “You are a Super Hero”

18th - Movie Night - TBA

21st – Food Truck

FOOD TRUCK SCHEDULE 2026

10 AM for helpers,

11 AM to receive food

Jul 21, Aug 18, & Oct 1

Mission Statement

PROCLAIM the Gospel boldly through our words and actions.

REACH out, especially to the hurting and alienated

ACT through worship, study and fellowship

INVITE and include all

SERVE our neighbor

EXPLORE, ask questions, celebrate diversity to create community

Who We Are /

Who We Want To Be

Purpose Statement

Trinity Lutheran Church proclaims the Good News of Jesus, striving to serve all by providing a safe place to grow into the people God intended through worship, study and interaction –

Wholeness, not Sameness

Vision Statement

God calls us through our Baptism to use our unique gifts to love God and one another, and to follow the Example of Jesus

Gospel Readings for June:

July 5th - Matthew 11:16-19

¹⁸ "For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; ¹⁹ the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."^[a]

July 12 - Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

¹⁸ "Hear, then, the parable of the sower. ¹⁹ When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. ²⁰ As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, ²¹ yet such a person has no root but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away.^[a] ²² As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of this^[b] age and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. ²³ But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

July 19th - Matthew 13:24-30

³⁶ Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." ³⁷ He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; ³⁸ the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, ³⁹ and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. ⁴⁰ Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. ⁴¹ The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin^[a] and all evildoers, ⁴² and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³ Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears^[b] listen!

July 26th – Matthew 13:31-33

³¹ He put before them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; ³² it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.”

³³ He told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with ^[a] three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.

Pastor's Ponderings:

John 8:36 “So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.”

Happy 4th of July of 250 years. There's an old joke I heard from some British folks that goes: America's 4th of July is Britain's Thanksgiving. Perhaps it's true. But in our liberation we have then been a light to others who needed liberation and freedom that starts as the First Amendment of our Constitution: “*Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.*”

After 250 years we have so much to be grateful for in our country, but we often forget that those words would have no power and that we would not be where we are if it had not been for the sacrifices by those who served but also the help and yes, even the forced labor help of others to become this country we are today. We often want to forget or reinvent the realities of what we all have benefited from to be where we are today. We often forget that we cannot do things alone, but need each other to accomplish both small and great things, some of which has been thru the blood, sweat and tears of past generations. Our own Country's Independence

relied upon other nations who sent help when we needed it. Even in times of emergency, countries and individuals have sent us help.

As children of God and followers of Jesus the Christ, we are called to bring hope, liberation and freedom in whatever way it presents itself to those who do not live in the freedom of the promise of salvation but often in the shackles of pain, guilt and fear. In the Faith Forward Program we are going to use this year we are called to not only live out our faith and be faithful in our lives even as our Lord is faithful forever to us but pass this faith along from generation to generation. We are called to proclaim this freedom that comes from Jesus. Perhaps the words of an old song speak it best: "God's son has set me free from Satan's tyranny, he came to earth his life to give that I thru him may learn to live, God's son has made me free." May we learn to live in that freedom that comes from Jesus, may we live out our baptismal covenant and share this great freedom with all we meet and let us not forget our past in all it's history because it is through our history we learn and if we don't we risk to repeat it. May you be blessed, be safe have a great summer.

And from Faith Forward a July 4th gift: <https://faithforwardnow.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/06/4th-of-July-Sentence-Sparkers.pdf>

Bits and Pieces:

Movie Night at Trinity

There will be a free movie night

Saturday, July 18th at Trintiy.

Time will be announced later.

Troop 114 Car Wash to raise money for Camp Eason



We still need volunteers to help with VBS. Sign up on the sheet in the Narthex or
Call Carole Dinning at 208-610-4885



Spiritsong choir trip to the United Kingdom



Carole Dinning with her brother
and sister-in-law in Yorkshire, England



Concert in London at the Barbican



Cathy Yochheim had trouble singing with
throat issues, but Boy could she dance!!



Donna Kent and Carole Dinning
were in a tight spot in a crypt in
The Ripon Cathedral in
Yorkshire, England that was
made in 660 AD



Dianna Zills learning a new
Craft with chemicals and sunshine
With Sarah Campbell, one of the
hosts, on the Isle Of Lismore



Vicki with our tour guide and Lismore
hosts on a beautiful day in Scotland



Jim Thompson outside the hall waiting
patiently for time to start or time to move on
to another adventure.



Leslie Mason
enjoyed taking
pictures of our
food. Yes, that is
Haggis and Tatties
which we ate a
couple of times!!

The best part of the trip was the people!

They were so Kind, helpful and made you part of their homes and lives

We will miss them!



On Saturday, June 27 about 35 members of the faith community in North Idaho met at First Lutheran and had a day of Worship, Conversations, Engaging Scripture, Prayer and Planning to look to a Future Together united by our relationships and united at the Baptismal Font.

Through a Lily Foundation Grant to the synod, Christians from the ELCA, PCUSA, UCC, UMC, and Episcopal families were all invited to come together on Saturday: lay leaders, pastors, deacons, and denominational leaders. It was an opportunity to hear about each other's issues in our churches and communities and how to expand our relationships beyond our walls and denominations. We had the chance to learn from each other and have a facilitator to help with this. The objectives were to foster relationships across our denominations and build trust and shared understanding from our different traditions as well as create space for meaningful connections across boundaries, deepen our understandings of the context in which we all serve strengthening our grasp of local ministry realities what we have in common and our distinctiveness to better serve our communities and to discern what steps we can take together as the Spirit moves across our region toward collaborating into the future. Much of what was done was through planned exercises, brainstorming, storytelling and working in small groups (this to encourage us getting to know each other) It is hoped to have another opportunity in the future to further these discussions as we see we are all united at the Font and around the Table of the Lord. Representatives from three partner churches in Boundary County attended: Gini Woodward from BF United Methodist, Wayne Syron from St. Mary's Episcopal and Pastor Andy Hinderlie from Trinity Lutheran.

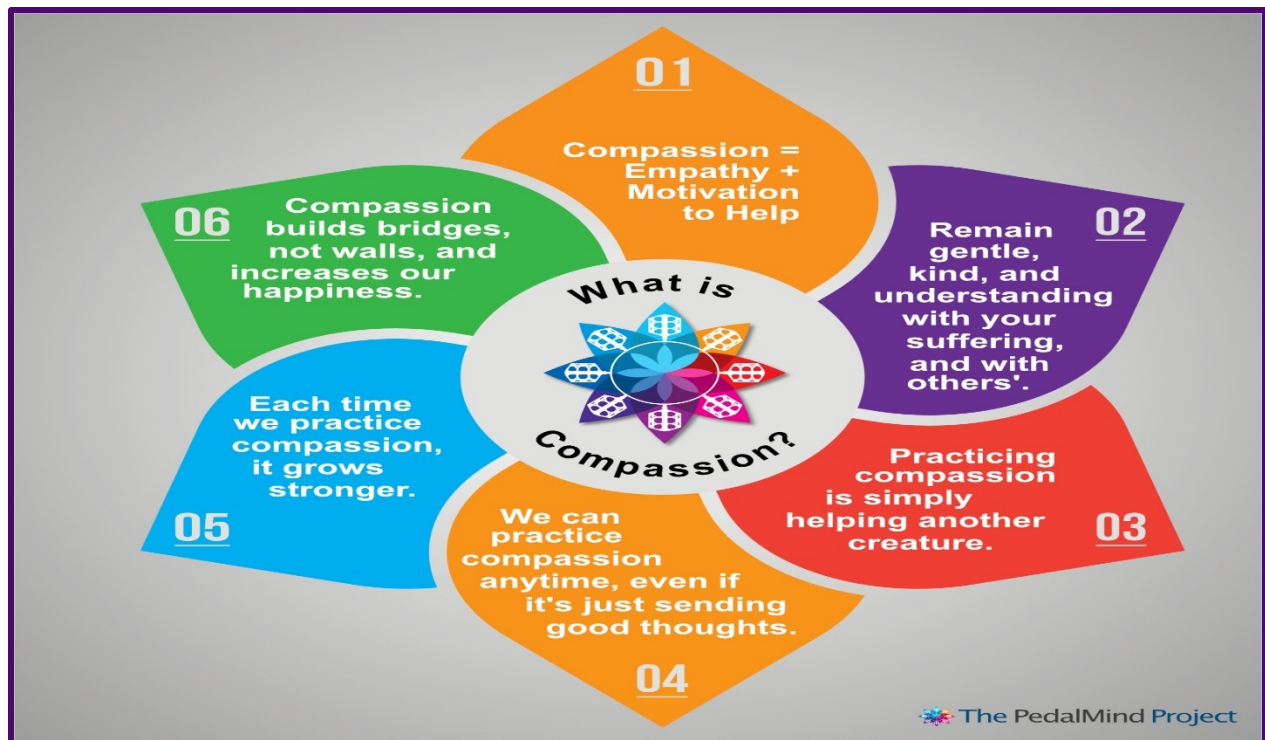
In the Spirit –

Denise Thompson

If you want others to be happy,
practice compassion.
If you want to be happy,
practice compassion.

Dalai Lama

BUDDHISM



Questions about the Pastoral Care Team or interested in joining? Please contact
Andy Hinderlie, Pastor (208-267-2894) or Denise Thompson (208-304-6337).

Gifts of Prayer

For Healing:

For people fighting Ebola and Hantavirus diseases.

Venezuela earthquake victims. Those that are injured and those that are mourning.

For Prayer Concerns:

Ron, Christifer, Ian & Leslie, Ryan, Wayne, Annalise, Lon & Denise, Sheri, Linda, Judy, Shalonda, Eric & Cathy, Tad, Lyndy, Tim, Dick, Lee & Sue, Diane, Eli, Lisa, Jim & Linda, Barbara, Helma, David, Lucy, Billie Jo, Brandon, Richard, Peggy, Jim, Maren, choir members returning home, Trish, David.....

For Our Companion Synod:

Ulanga Kilombaro in
Tanzania. Africa

For the Family's of:

Norm Braatz

For Our Homebound:

Sammy Day & Irene Rice

For Restorium Residents:

Barbara Binnall

Lord in Your
Mercy,
Hear Our Prayer

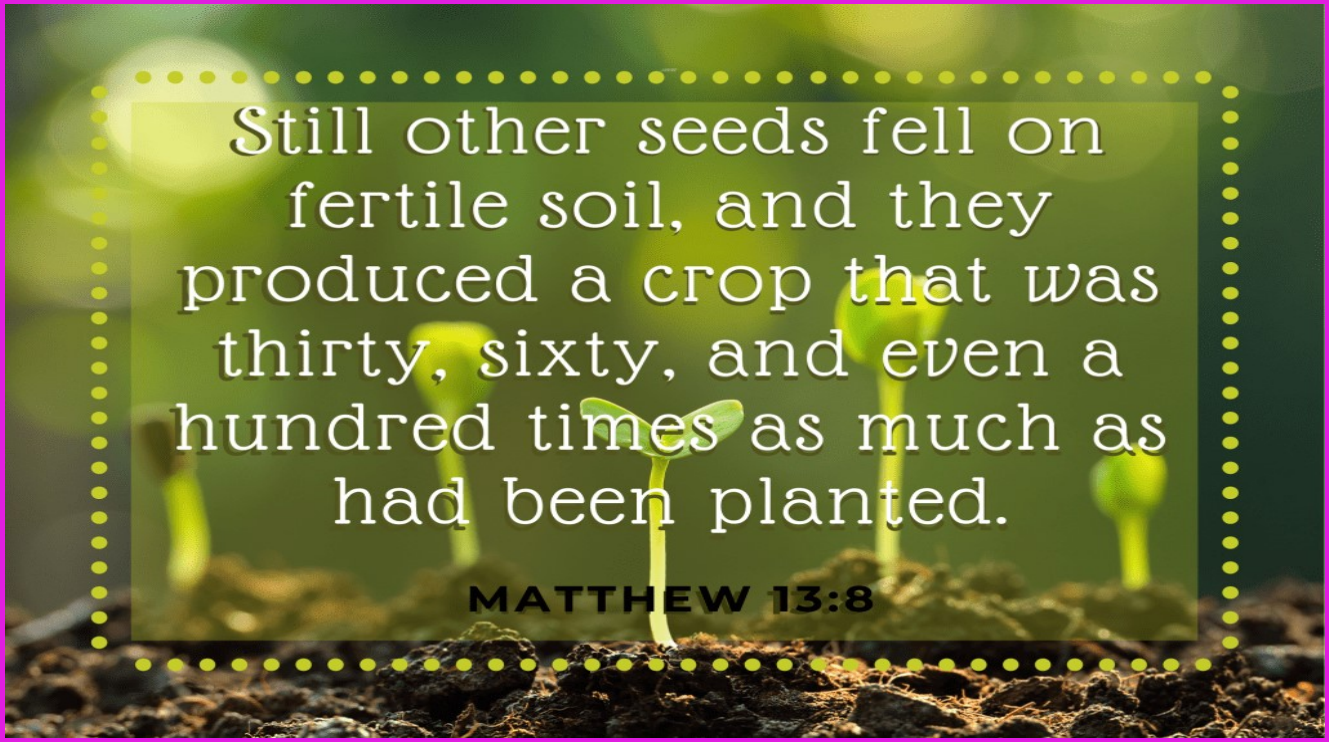
For Peace: in our Country and around the world. For people grieving, homeless, suffering, hungry, losing jobs, dealing with cancer, violence, war, seeking safety, experiencing oppression, persecution and injustice, distributing aid and receiving aid. Heal their hearts, Lord. Help them find the way forward. Show us how we can be your messengers of hope in whatever their circumstance. Change hardened hearts, selfish thoughts, devious actions, and hateful voices so we can be kinder to each other.

Our Journey Through the Church Year

On Pentecost Sunday we celebrated the Church's birthday. The church was born and now what do the disciples do? They studied what Jesus did, said and taught it to everyone they came in contact with. Did they always get it right? Did everyone that heard Understand and follow?

Like Paul, we all struggle with our own selfish desires and look to God for mercy and forgiveness. So, we gather each week, or more often, to be reminded and refreshed with the word, water and the meal to find rest for our souls. We need the **word** for HOPE, the **water** to GROW, the **meal** for GRACE and the promise of eternal life through Jesus' sacrifice for us.

This Time after Pentecost gives us much to think about, digest and grow as Christ's church did. Let these Sunday messages become a part of your everyday life like the disciples did. As Jesus sowed the seed in us, let us sow the seed in others! Tell everyone what Jesus has done for us and for them too!



Still other seeds fell on fertile soil, and they produced a crop that was thirty, sixty, and even a hundred times as much as had been planted.

MATTHEW 13:8

Recognize, Honor and Celebrate

July Calendar

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- **July 1** is **Canada Day**, a Canadian federal holiday that celebrates the creation of the Dominion of Canada in 1867.
- **July 3** brings the start of the hot and sultry **Dog Days of Summer!**
- **July 4** is **Independence Day (U.S.)**. On the fourth of July, we celebrate the adoption of the Declaration of Independence in 1776. Don't forget to raise the flag
- **July 14** is **Bastille Day**, which commemorates the storming of the Bastille and the start of the French Revolution.

"Just for Fun" Days

- **July 11:** International Town Criers Day
- **July 15:** National Hot Dog Day
- **July 22:** Spooner's Day
- **July 23:** National Day of the Cowboy
- **July 27:** Take Your Houseplants for a Walk Day
- **July 30:** National Cheesecake Day

Folklore for the Season

- Ne'er trust a July sky.
- If ant hills are high in July, the coming winter will be hard.
- As July, so next January.
- No tempest, good July,
Lest the corn look ruely.
- Whatever July and August do not boil,
September cannot fry.

July Birth Flowers: Larkspur and Water Lilly





BIRTHDAYS

13th – Lon Woodbury

14th – Melinda Smithson

17th – Loyle B. Peterson

19th – Doug Kidger

23rd – Barb Binnall

Beve Gowan

26th – Katelin Peterson

Irene Vera Mae Ackerman

30th – Paul Smithson

ANNIVERSARIES

2nd = Janis and Jim Tucker

3rd – Eric and Cathy Yochheim

7th – Sue and Bill Branson

9th – Andrew & Katelyn

12th – Trish & Brian Johnson

15th – Tom & Michelle Chaney

25th – Cheryl & Bob Myers

Keeping in touch With Trinity

Besides meeting in person:

You can listen to our worship service on YouTube,
Facebook or Live Streaming

We continue to have recorded devotions and
worship services on CD and DVD for those that
don't have access to the internet and email.

Our website is www.trinitylutheranbf.com

To send in articles for the newsletter or just ask
questions:

caroledinning@gmail.com or call 208-610-4885

A digital illustration of a serene outdoor patio at sunset. The scene is framed by a decorative purple border. In the foreground, a wooden deck holds a wicker chair with a blue cushion, a small round table with two glasses of orange juice and a book, and several glowing lanterns. The background features a large, colorful sunset sky with clouds, birds, and a body of water. The text "Happy July" is written in a large, pink, cursive font at the top.

Happy July

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**Long days. Warm nights.
Slow down and live not just work.
Be present. Wishing you peace,
presence, and plenty of moments that
make you smile.**