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We are a welcoming community of believers in Jesus Christ who witness our faith by serving together, praying together, and living generously together.

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

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JULY 6-12, 2025

Gather, Worship, & Learn

Sunday Worship • 10 a.m. in person & YouTube Live

Worship replay available instantly on Facebook & YouTube

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SUNDAY, JULY 6

Holy Trinity Sanctuary & YouTube Live • 10 a.m.

JESUS & ME

Children's Bible Lesson Takes place during worship

COFFEE TIME

Fellowship Hall • After Worship

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY TUESDAY, JULY 8

Prayer Parlor • 7 p.m.

ORDINATION OF ALYSA GRACE OFFMAN

Saturday, July 19 • 3 p.m. at Holy Trinity Livonia with Reception Celebration to follow Please RSVP to mash@holytrinitylivonia.org or sign up in hallways

DINNER CHURCH WEDNESDAY, JULY 23

with Jubilee Food Truck

Doors at 5:30 p.m.

Worship at 6 p.m.





Panera Bread • 9 a.m. 37800 Six Mile Rd, Livonia, MI 48152

COFFEE TIME SIGN UP!

A new coffee time sign up is available in the hallway. Please prayerfully consider if you would like to contribute to this part of our worshipping life!

Coffee time hosts prepare coffee, tea, drinks, and a small snack for us to share after worship on Sunday mornings and are responsible for clean up as well.



SUNDAY, JULY 6, 2025



FIRST READING

Isaiah 66:10-14

GOSPEL READING

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

SENT WITH THE SEVENTY

Close your eyes and picture Jesus and his followers together. Most likely people either picture Jesus sitting around with the twelve disciples or standing in the midst of thousands preaching and teaching. Yet in today's gospel Jesus has seventy followers close enough that he trusts them to be sent out in pairs to heal the sick and announce that God has come near. Seventy trusted preachers. Thirty-five pairs of preachers telling the good news of God. So telling the story is clearly not to be limited to the twelve disciples. The good news is meant to be shared far and wide by those who trust Jesus and follow him. This is a reminder to all of the followers of Jesus of every time and place. Sharing the good news is not just the responsibility of "professionals" like clergy. Sharing the good news is the calling of everyone who follows Jesus.

Consider the assignment Jesus gives to the ones he sends. First, they are sent to cure the sick. Second, they proclaim that "the kingdom of God has come near." It has been said that "you don't throw a drowning person a sandwich." Jesus sends the seventy out with not only words of comfort but with acts of grace as well. God's people are sent out into the world to serve in the name of Jesus each time they gather for worship. In this gospel text we are again reminded that the gospel message is to be shared in more than just words. We share the message by welcoming others, sharing bread with the hungry, and offering compassion to the afflicted. Yet our baptism also reminds us that God has first come near to us in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ—a relationship that is like a mother comforting a child. The promise that God is near in Christ compels us to live faithfully and compassionately, wherever our journeys take us. — *Sundays and Seasons*

BAPTISM OF XANDER MICHELANGELO TUMEY

Holy Trinity celebrates this Sunday,
July 6, with the Tumey family as
Xander Michelangelo will be baptized
into Christ! Xander is the son of Alaina
and Garret Tumey, and the great
grandson of Barb Bergin! We invite
your prayers for Xander and his family
as they rejoice with him and help him
to know the love and grace of God in
Jesus. Join us this Sunday for this
joyous occasion!



IN LIEU OF FLOWERS

Flowers are pretty at a funeral or memorial service. However, they are temporary and do not advance ministry. An impactful alternative would be for the people who are making arrangements to request: "in lieu of flowers the family requests donations to (the decedent's favorite charity) or to Holy Trinity." Donations to Holy Trinity can be made for immediate use in a specific ministry or to the endowment fund as a perpetual source of funding for ministry.

Endowment questions: (Tom Musselman tmusselm@wowway.com)

OUT OF OFFICE

Throughout July, Pastor Andrew and Pastor Alysa will be out of the office sporadically.

Pastor Andrew will be out of the office from the afternoon of June 29 through July 11. All pastoral care needs from June 29 through July 5 should be directed to Pastor Alysa Offman at 734-464-0211, ext. 204, or 248-707-2074.

Pastor Alysa will be out of the office from the afternoon of July 6 through July 11.

For pastoral care while both Pastor Andrew and Pastor Alysa are out of town, contact Pastor Helen Liesenberg at 313-770-7790. Pastor Helen is a retired ELCA pastor and a member of Holy Trinity.

A reminder that the church office will be closed on Thursday, July 10. Please complete all business for the week by Wednesday, July 9.

THRIVENT GRANT NEEDED!



I am looking for someone with an available Thrivent Action Team grant who is willing to apply for a grant to cover the cost of food for a Dinner Church service.

Pastor Sara Freudenberg has given us an existing grant to cover the cost for Jubilee Food Truck to serve at our June 25 Dinner Church and would simply like us to replace the grant. If you have any questions, please ask!

— Pastor Alysa



The kiddos at VBS participated in a different service project each day of VBS to help them learn what it means to live out the love of Jesus.

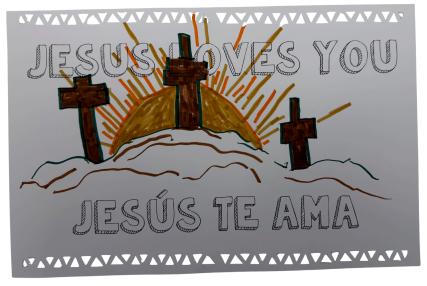
Monday - the focus was Independence Village. The kids learned about what it is like to live at Independence Village. They made small jars of sugar scrub for the workers as they work really hard and are not thanked for their work. We hope they feel God's love for them when they use the sugar scrubs.

Tuesday - the focus was NOAH. The kids talked about what it would be like to be homeless and not have food. Then they decorated and packed 300 lunch bags. They did a great job and had some good questions, such as "what do they eat for dinner?"

Wednesday - the focus was the Jubilee Food Truck and Dinner Church. The kids learned about the work of the food truck. Then they made menus and placemats to be used for Dinner Church.

Thursday - the focus was again on the homeless. We packed 100 hygiene kits that will be distributed from the Jubilee Food Truck. Since the focus of the day was "Pray for One Another," the kids colored prayer cards to put in the bags with the hygiene items. Supplies for the hygiene kits were purchased using Thrivent Action Team card thanks to Pastor Alysa.

It was a great week at VBS and the kids had fun learning to live and love like Jesus.









Top: Sugar scrubs for IVP workers Middle: Kids pack NOAH lunches Bottom: Hygiene kits for people without homes.

Left: Placemats for dinner church.

GIVING COMMITTEE READY FOR REQUESTS

As you heard in the annual meeting, the Endowment Fund is making a distribution for the first time in four years! The Giving Committee will be accepting requests for project funding thru July 13.

There is about \$4,900 to distribute from the Local Missions Outreach Fund. For thought starters, previous donations from this Fund supported Salem in Flint, Samaritas Family Center, Kids Hope, and Blessings in a Backpack.

Another \$4,000 is available from the Gail Copple Bequest Fund. These funds are unrestricted and can support projects at Holy Trinity (or other organizations). In the past, we supported the HVAC upgrade, the projector in the Prayer Parlor, a security camera, and table cloths. Do you see a need that we can support with funding?

Send requests to mash@holytrinitylivonia.org and include the project description, amount you are requesting, and a brief rationale about the need or why you would like to support the specific project.

Thank You,

The Giving Committee: Margaret Ash, Linda Schwelnus, Jeannette Wiljanen

ST. CHRISTINE'S SUMMER NEEDS

Our friends at St. Christine's are asking for kid-friendly cereal, powdered/dry milk, Ensure, canned fruit and vegetables this July.

Place your items in the shopping cart near the church entrance and a volunteer will make sure they get delivered to St. Christine's.





THOSE FOR WHOM WE PRAY

Kim, Dorisann, David, Lois, Jim, Dave, Sandy, Suzanne, Barb, the Robinson family

To submit a prayer request call Sue Corney **OR** email prayers@holytrinitylivonia.org **OR** call the church at 734-464-0211.

You may include a specific prayer need, or just a name. Those for whom we pray are printed here so that you may also offer prayers during the week. The prayer chain is intended to serve the short-term, emergency, and confidential needs of members, friends, and family. Prayer requests remain on the list for four weeks unless otherwise noted.

GIVING INFORMATION

Giving Online

Visit HolyTrinityLivonia.Org/Give

Giving via U.S. Mail

Checks can be mailed to:

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
20 Five Mile Road, Livonia MI 4815

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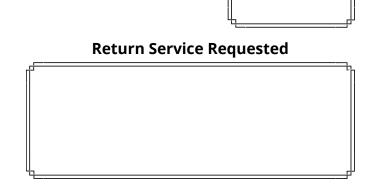
awesome God! Thank you for the many ways you give to God's mission in the church and in the world, especially your support of the ministries at Holy Trinity.

Your gifts are appreciated.

Because of your continued generosity, we are able to reach out with the message of God's love and grace in Jesus. Thank you for your support of God's mission in the world through Holy Trinity Lutheran Church.







Ministers: All Baptized People of Holy Trinity

CHURCH IN AMERICA God's work. Our hands.

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