

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost



September 23, 2018 8:00am
Trinity Lutheran Church

*Trinity is a member of the Prince of Peace Lutheran School Association
and the Good Shepherd Community.*



Those Serving Today

Officiating Today	8:00am	10:30am	Rev. David Hinz
Preacher	8:00am	10:30am	Rev. Bernie Lutz
Organist	8:00am		Daniel Reineke
Musician		10:30am	Ruth Immerfall
Screen Team	8:00am		Jon Fuchs
		10:30am	Eric Hansen
Lector	8:00am		Tim Meemken
		10:30am	Pastor John Bakou
Acolyte	8:00am		Collin Fuchs, Daniel Dusing
		10:30am	Katie Philabaum, Chloe Molitor
Visuals			Daniel Reineke
Altar Guild			Susie Riehm, Donna Esselman, Jo Duea, Lynn Snyder
Information Desk	8:00am	Zone – 3	Sue Kulzer
	10:30am	Zone – 4	Sandy Austin
Greeters	8:00am	Zone – 3	Shirley Skuza, Lori Zipp
	10:30am	Zone – 4	Karen Petron-Broda
Ushers	8:00am	Zone – 3	Wayne Smolnik, Loren Tvrdik, Fred Joesting, John Heintze, Jon Roesch, Mark Thompson
	10:30am	Zone – 4	Marvin Neubert, Karen Petron-Broda, Wayne & Sue Kulzer, Janet Renn, Josh Morey, Russ Hackett
Lay Minister	8:00am		Kyle Dusing
	10:30am		Delano Schultz, Justin Hackett

If you have difficulty standing during the worship service, please feel free to remain seated during those parts of the service.

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Hymn: "O God of Light" LSB 836

Confession and Absolution

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Stand

Service of the Word

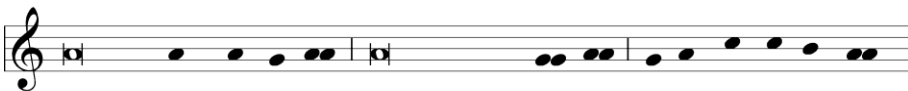
Kyrie



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from a-bove and for our sal-va-tion let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



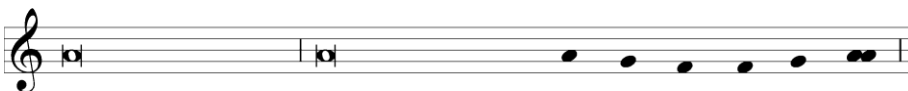
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the uni-ty of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



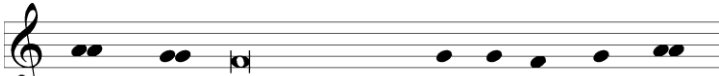
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

Hymn of the Day Gloria In Excelsis



A Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



C Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and



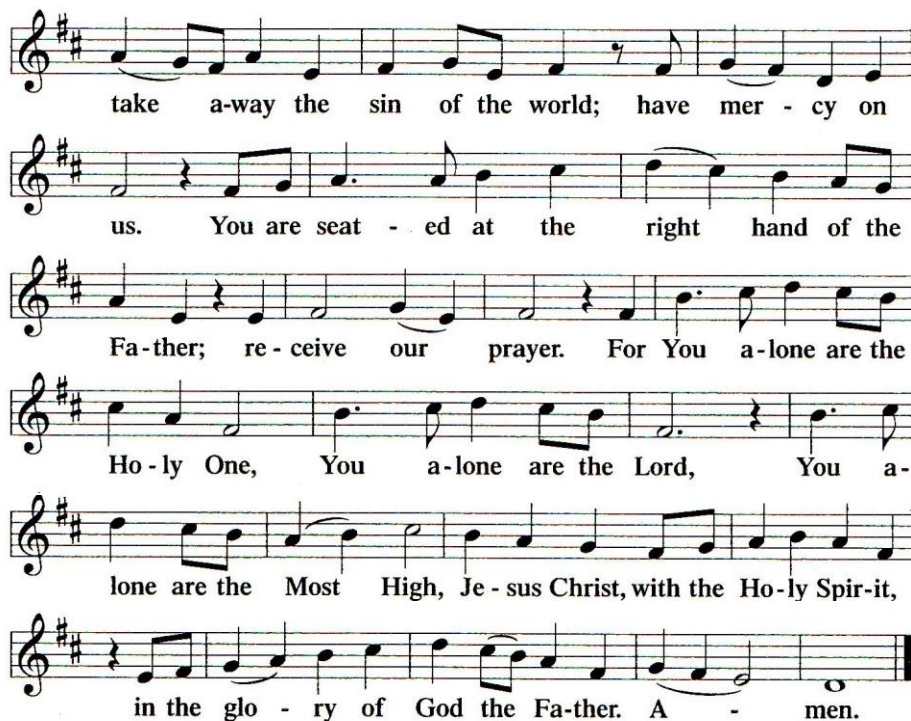
Fa - ther: We wor - ship You, we give You thanks, we



praise You for Your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly



Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God: You



take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on
us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the
Fa-ther; re - ceive our prayer. For You a-lone are the
Ho - ly One, You a-lone are the Lord, You a-
lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,
in the glo - ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

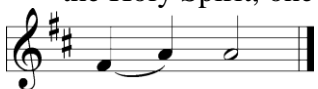


P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray. O God, whose strength is made perfect in weakness, grant us humility and childlike faith that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Old Testament Reading *Jeremiah 11:18–20*

- ¹⁸The LORD made it known to me and I knew;
then you showed me their deeds.
- ¹⁹But I was like a gentle lamb
led to the slaughter.
I did not know it was against me
they devised schemes, saying,
“Let us destroy the tree with its fruit,
let us cut him off from the land of the living,
that his name be remembered no more.”
- ²⁰But, O LORD of hosts, who judges righteously,
who tests the heart and the mind,
let me see your vengeance upon them,
for to you have I committed my cause.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm *Psalm 54 (antiphon: v. 4)*

P Behold, God is my helper;

C **the Lord is the upholder of my life.**

P O God, save me, by your name,

C **and vindicate me by your might.**

P O God, hear my prayer;

C **give ear to the words of my mouth.**

P For strangers have risen against me; ruthless men seek my life;

C **they do not set God before themselves.**

P Behold, God is my helper;

C **the Lord is the upholder of my life.**

P He will return the evil to my enemies;

C **in your faithfulness put an end to them.**

P With a freewill offering I will sacrifice to you;

C **I will give thanks to your name, O Lord, for it is good.**

P For he has delivered me from every trouble,

C **and my eye has looked in triumph on my enemies.**

ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

- P** Behold, God is my helper;
C **the Lord is the upholder of my life.**

Hymn: “Come, Your Hearts and Voices Raising” LSB 375 (vs. 1-4)

Epistle *James 3:13—4:10*

¹³Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom. ¹⁴But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth. ¹⁵This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. ¹⁶For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice. ¹⁷But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. ¹⁸And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

^{4:1}What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? ²You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. ⁴You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. ⁵Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, “He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us”? ⁶But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, “God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.” ⁷Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ⁸Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. ⁹Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. ¹⁰Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Alleluia and Verse



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel *Mark 9:30–37*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

³⁰[The disciples] went on from there and passed through Galilee. And [Jesus] did not want anyone to know, ³¹for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, “The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him. And when he is killed, after three days he will rise.” ³²But they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him.

³³And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you discussing on the way?” ³⁴But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. ³⁵And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, “If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all.” ³⁶And he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷“Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Children's Message

Hymn of the Day: "On Galilee's High Mountain" LSB 835

Sermon: Acts 4:20

"...for we cannot but speak of what we have seen and heard."

Stand

Apostles' Creed

**☩ I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life ☩ everlasting. Amen.**

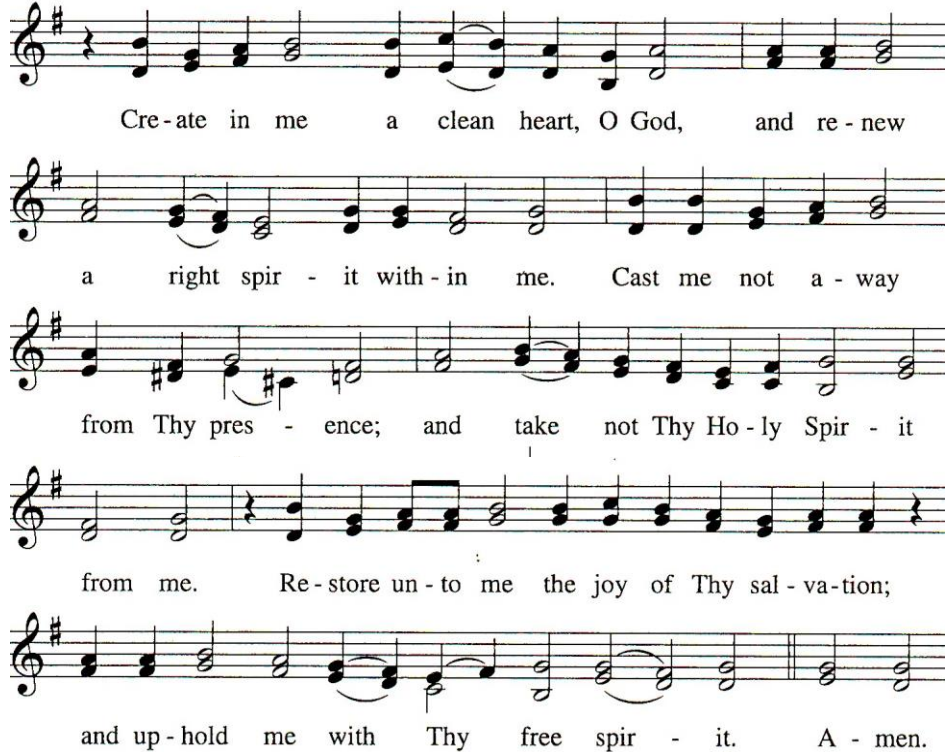
Prayer of the Church

Sit

Offering

Stand

Offertory



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new
a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way
from Thy pres - ence; and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion;
and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

Lord's Prayer

- ☐** Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

Closing Prayer

P Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, on God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benediction



P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you
and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✝ give you peace.



C A - men.

Hymn: “Lift High the Cross” LSB 837 (vs. 1, 5-6)

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Divine Service, Setting Two from Lutheran Service Book

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DCO Craig Cooper Retirement Party: On Sunday, October 21st, we will worship at **one service at 9:30am**. Following the service, there will be a shared dish lunch and program to thank Craig and Jody for their many years of dedication to the ministry. Please bring a dish to share, as indicated, according to the first letter of your last name: **A-J Salad, K-Z Hot dish, dessert will be provided**. Our Anyuak friends will participate with us. Please join us for this special day!

God’s Grub this Wednesday! Menu: Taco in a Bag

GOOD SHEPHERD TOURS A trip is planned for Sept. 26th to an apple orchard near Brainerd. For tour information and registration contact: Janette, Good Shepherd Tours, Sauk Rapids, MN 320-258-9365

Portals of Prayer available for October through December! Pick yours up today.

Calendar for the Week

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8:00am Worship Z3
 9:15am Bible Class, NM Class & SS
 10:30am Worship Z4 (HC)
 11:30am Cong. Meeting
 12:00pm Anyuak Worship
 2:00pm Little Falls Circuit Forum

MONDAY

9:30am Parish Workers
 6:00pm Bev's CC
 POP Dine to Donate at Mongo's Grill

TUESDAY

6:30pm Boy Scouts

WEDNESDAY

7:00am Men's Bible Study at GS
 9:00am Fest. Of Nativities Mtg.
 5:00pm Private Event (Y)
 5:00pm God's Grub
 6:00pm Conf. Classes
 6:00pm Sanctuary Choir

THURSDAY

6:00pm Worship Team Rehearsal
 6:00pm Girl Scouts
 7:30pm Benton Co Jail Bible Study

FRIDAY

9:00am Parish Workers
 5:30pm Wedding Rehearsal
 7:30pm Narc. Anon.

SATURDAY

9:00am Altar Guild
 3:00pm Wedding

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8:00am Worship Z5
 9:15am Bible Class, NM Class & SS
 10:30am Worship Z1
 12:00pm Anyuak Worship

Our Response in Faith

WEEK OF	TIME	ATTENDANCE
9/16/2018	8:00am	126
9/16/2018	10:30am	139
	Total	265
	OFFERINGS	
General Fund Offerings		\$5,190.22
Building Debt Offerings		\$503.00
Total		\$5,693.22
Weekly Need:		\$11,745.05
Missions		\$285.00
Rec'd to-date		\$13,871.37
Annual Funds Promised		\$23,000.00

Readings for next Sunday:

Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29; James 5:1-20
Mark 9:38-50

Let's be in the Word!

Creative Craft with a Mission would like to thank each and every person who contributed to or purchased items for our mission project. Without your generous support we could not continue this loving work and service for the Lord. Thank you all so much!

DID YOU KNOW: God's Grub is self-supporting. Everyone is welcome! Approximately 75% of the cost is generally collected...please give a donation if you are able. There is also a signup sheet on the bulletin by the kitchen if you would like to help.

Today's Radio Broadcast is sponsored by the members of Trinity Lutheran Church. We thank them for their generosity. We have openings in October and November. If you would like to sponsor a broadcast please complete a form and turn it in. The cost of a full broadcast is now \$90. Forms are available in the church office. The service airs on WVAL 800 on the AM dial, at 8:00am, and live on the internet at www.800wval.com.



Sunday Morning Fellowship In September our hosts are Wayne & Sue Kulzer, Russ & Renee Hackett. Members who have last names beginning with the letter "R" are asked to bring treats for our fellowship time. If you can help, please sign up on the bulletin board.

Please remember in your prayers this week: Rick lees (son of Shirley), Betty Winczewski, Judy Heintze, Joe Poepping, Caroline Hoagland, Jessica Raveling, Bonnie Duea, & Pam Hadley undergoing medical care and following surgery. Jim Bump, Janine Lutgen (sister of Mona Hanson) and Sandy Duffy as they continue their cancer treatment and care. The family of Ernest Oltz who passed away this week.

ATTENTION VETERANS: If you or someone you know from the congregation is a veteran you are asked to provide some information detailing your service. Your name, branch of service, rank and how many years you served are what we are collecting. Also, if you have a picture you would like to submit please send this and all of the information to Judy in the office by October 11, 2018. The information you are sending will be utilized for a Veterans Day Celebration at Trinity Lutheran Church. If you have any further questions please call Justin Hackett 320-249-3813 or any member of Lay Ministry.

There will be Congregational Information Meeting today, September 23rd at 11:45am to discuss Endowment Committee Funds to be approved for specific use. Please plan to attend this important meeting.

UNCOVERING THE TRUTH ABOUT CREATION at Lutheran Island Camp – October 26-27. Dr. James Johnson & Dr. Jake Hebert will be speaking on this timely subject. See the kiosk for more information and to find registration forms.

Preschool is looking for Friends in the Faith at Trinity Church that are willing and able to read a story to us on a Friday morning. We can provide the book or you may bring your own! Please call (320) 230-3027 to schedule with Mrs. Petty or Mrs. Bauer. We need Friends for all Fridays in September!

Volunteers needed! We are in need of folks to help assemble the bulletins on Friday mornings and also for people with \$\$ savvy to help count the offerings on Monday morning. Please contact the church office to find out more! 252-3670

A Voter's Assembly Meeting will take place at 11:45 on October 14th for the purpose of presenting a "DRAFT" of the proposed 2019 Budget in the Sanctuary.

Prince of Peace has two main fundraisers each year. Our first is coming up on Oct 6th with our annual walk-a-thon. Funds raised from this event primarily aide with school operating expenses. On Sunday, Sept. 30th, students will be collecting a special door offering for the walk-a-thon. Please consider giving in support of this event. Makes checks payable to Trinity with POP in the memo. Thank you!

Altar Guild will meet on October 2nd at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. If you are interested in participating, please join us!

Lutheran Heritage Foundation Sunday Rev. Dr. Bernhard (Bernie) Lutz, and his wife Elly, are with us **TODAY**. Pastor Lutz will preach at both services. He will also share a PowerPoint presentation during the Bible Class. Pastor Lutz has served as a missionary in East Africa with the Lutheran Heritage Foundation (LHF). LHF translates, publishes, distributes and introduces books that are Bible-based, Christ-centered and Reformation-driven. LHF has published the catechism in more than 70 languages, including most recently the Anyuak Small Catechism and many more translations have been requested. In the past decade, LHF has published and distributed more than 700 titles/editions and 3 million Lutheran books to pastors, seminary students, missionaries and churches – all at no cost to them.

His message will be **“Eagerly Sharing the Gospel – Boldly!”** based on Acts 4:20, *“for we cannot but speak of what we have seen and heard.”*

A door offering will be received after both services to support the important translation work of Lutheran Heritage Foundation. Checks can be made payable to: Trinity Lutheran Church, with **“LHF”** in the memo line.

Women's Bible Study: We will be meeting on October 10th at 6:15 pm and will be starting a new study called Getting to Know Jesus. This is a great study that helps to deepen your relationship with Jesus by learning the six core teachings of the Bible. We will be purchasing books for this study, the cost is \$17. If you are interested please let Jenny Sprengeler know by September 30th so that books can be ordered and here by October 10th. We will continue to meet every second Wednesday of the month after God's Grub.

Prince of Peace Lutheran Preschool is seeking applicants for an aide position at the Trinity campus for our aftercare program. The position is Monday-Friday from 2:30-4:30 pm each day preschool is in session. Compensation is hourly. Applicants must pass a background check. Contact Preschool Director, Kim Essington (princepreschool@gmail.com or 251-8416) for further information or to apply.

Would you like to help with coffee serving on Sunday? Amy and David Petersen are looking for a couple of people to help them in October. Please speak to them if you are interested in helping!

Bouja is Back! On Sunday, October 14th following worship there will be a Bouja dinner, and for those who do not appreciate bouja, we will also be serving a grilled meat option. We are planning on making about sixty gallons and after everyone has eaten we will have ½ gallon containers available for a free will offering. The ingredients for the Bouja are already taken care of, but we will accept donations to cover the cost. We will be cleaning and cutting vegetables Sat. the 13th in the afternoon. Please look for the signup sheet in the Narthex for duties and purchasing bread and/or making bars for dessert. We are making the original Trinity Church recipe that most of the older members remember and love! Mark your calendar and come get your Bouja on! Proceeds will go to the formation and support of a new Youth Ministry.

“Are You My Secret Angel?” A secret angel is anyone from our congregation who volunteers to *secretly* support one of Trinity’s confirmation students as they work through their confirmation classes. The most important duty of a secret angel is to remember the student in their prayers. Only with the “Lord’s Will” will the children hear His words and learn His lessons. To allow the students to know their angel is near, secret angels drop off anonymous forms of encouragement in the church office called ‘angel mail’ at least ONCE a month for the student. Secret angel mail is kept simple: cards, letters, words of wisdom, favorite verses, poems or snacks/treats are just a few ideas. The student has the same secret angel throughout 7th and 8th grade. The ‘secret identity’ of their angel is always a mystery and is not revealed to them until their confirmation day! Trinity’s congregation is blessed to have **12** new 7th grade children enrolled in confirmation class this year! Would you prayerfully consider mentoring one of them? Please contact Kristen Fuchs for more information including the list of class names: kjfuchs14@gmail.com or call me at: 320-282-4432. Remember ‘Shhhhhh!!’ Your identity is a secret until the student’s confirmation day!

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH - VOTERS' INFORMATIONAL MEETING MINUTES

Sunday, September 16, 2018 * 11:45 a.m.

- I. Introduction - Jeff Cziok
 - II. Opening devotion and prayer (from Ephesians 4 - "build the body up in love") - Pastor Hinz
 - III. Discussion of pastoral needs - Jon Copeland
 1. A brief list of pastoral duties was passed out to attendees
 2. Suggestions:
 - a. Volunteers (Russ Hackett)
 - b. Use of retired pastors who are already members of Trinity (Connie Mooney)
 - c. Vicars (Judy Lazer)
 - d. Call a DCO or DCE (Kathy Stueve)
 - e. Reach out to area pastors for assistance (Jon Lentz)
 - f. Reach out to retired pastors to "work" hourly (Amy Schaefer)
 - g. Ask Craig Cooper to assist after retirement (Kathy Stueve)
 - h. Increase hours for Pastor John Bakou in order to integrate the Anyuak members and the other Trinity members (Jeff Cziok)
 - IV. Closing prayer - Jon Copeland
-