



## Holy Trinity Sunday

This Sunday, May 30th, is the day the Church celebrates “Holy Trinity Sunday.” It’s a day carved out to help us remember that we worship a triune God- Father, Son, & Holy Spirit.

Sundays & Seasons, the ELCA’s liturgical publishing support, offers this explanation: “When we say God is the triune God, we are saying something about who God is beyond, before, and after the universe: that there is community within God. Our experience of this is reflected in [Paul’s words from Romans 8:14-17: *For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.*]

When we pray to God as Jesus prayed to his Abba (an everyday, intimate parental address), the Spirit prays within us, creating between us and God the same relationship Jesus has with the one who sent him.”

The Holy Trinity can be a confusing thing to feel as though we understand. I don’t think it’s our call to fully understand it. The way the triune relationship of our God works is not intended to be an equation to solve, but rather, a God to know and experience. It is a God whose swirling relationship leaves a space at the table for us to, and invites us into that Holy Work. Once again I find the words of Meta Herrick Carlson from her resource, *Speak It Plain: Words for Worship and Life Together*, to be a beautiful reflection on our upcoming celebration:

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Let’s forget for today  
the urge to sort God out  
with formula or creed.

Let this be a field trip  
to dance in the throne room,  
to squeeze in among angels  
and sing with wonder  
that does not need proving.

Let those holies resound  
in that shining hall, and we’ll smile  
because there is enough,  
and mystery does not need solving,  
only adoration and company  
with the One  
who was and is and will be  
even still.  
(p. 73)

May the mystery of our Triune God surround you with awe and gratitude, and may you feel the ways which this God envelops you into such divine work. Amen.

Blessings,  
Pastor Annie Ladnier

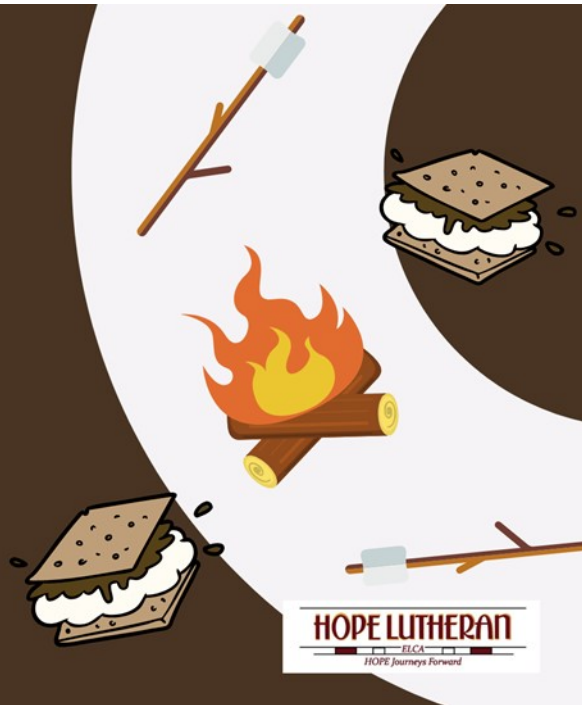
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# Faith Adventures Family CAMPFIRE NIGHT!

**THIS WEEK!**  
5.26.21 @ 5:30-6:30PM

Sack dinners & S'mores  
Time to talk about FA hopes for the  
summer & fall!



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***An Invitation from Diane & Nathan Clark***

Please be our guests as we celebrate the graduation of **Nathan Clark** from River Falls High School.

Outdoor party -  
June 6th from 3:30 - 6:30 at  
Winds of the Spirit -  
HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Fun food, Fun activities and a few Fun surprises!

**PASTOR ANNIE ON VACATION JUNE 7-14th**

Pastor Annie will be out of town June 7-14th. While she is gone Rev. Carolyn Staats from Mt. Zion, Hudson will provide pastoral care coverage. You can reach her at: 715-396-1465. Her best email is [pastor.mtzionhudson@gmail.com](mailto:pastor.mtzionhudson@gmail.com)

Rev. Erin Koster will be preaching and presiding on Sunday, June 13!

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**The 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month  
at HOPE LUTHERAN is  
River Falls Food Pantry Sunday!**

Every \$1 donation equals \$5 of food purchase power!  
IT'S MAGIC!

The need for food and basic household items continues to be great in our community. You may be wondering what happened to Jim Pratt's MAGIC BOX? COVID-19 social distancing has temporarily sidelined the box. But the magic is still there by donating the following ways:

**Items to Donate:**

- Meal kits that include all the ingredients
- Pancake or muffin mix that only requires water
- Canned soups, pasta, and meat
- Baking supplies (flour, sugar, oil, shortening, baking soda/powder, vanilla extract)
- Seasonings of all kinds (garlic, pepper, salt, chili powder)
- Rice and beans
- Cereal
- Feminine hygiene products
- Baby diapers and wipes
- Paper products (toilet paper, paper towel, facial tissue)

**To donate cash online via HOPE:** <http://www.hopelutheranrf.com/giveonline/> and select River Falls Food Pantry or mail/drop off a check with "Food Pantry" in the memo line to Hope.

**Curbside Pickup and Drop Off Hours at River Falls Food Pantry (weather permitting)**

- Monday: 10 -12 noon & 6- 7:30
- Wednesday: 1-5 pm
- Thursday: 6-7:30 pm
- Friday: 10-12 noon

**RFC FOOD PANTRY CONTACT INFORMATION:** PHONE: 715-425-6880,  
EMAIL: [INFO@RFCFP.ORG](mailto:INFO@RFCFP.ORG), PHYSICAL LOCATION: 705 ST. CROIX ST., RIVER FALLS, 54022,  
MAILING ADDRESS: PO BOX 341, RIVER FALLS, WI 54022

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## REMINDER: WELCOME BACK TO IN-PERSON WORSHIP!

We are excited to be gathered together again for in-person outdoor worship. A wonderful and committed team of volunteers has developed guidelines and procedures for keeping us safe as we make this transition!. **Here are a 2 important reminders:**

1. Wearing masks is still required BOTH INDOORS AND OUTDOORS for all attendees over 5 years old regardless of vaccination status. This is so those who are vaccinated can now sing (whoop whoop!) Masks should completely cover the nose and mouth and fit snugly against the sides of the face without gaps. Please be mindful that there are still others who have not been or cannot yet be vaccinated (especially our children and youth who we would like to model safety for). Please be guided by our call to love our neighbor as we reunite in person.

Please remember to still practice physical distancing of 6 feet between family units.

**To aid us in keeping everyone safe and to help us to prepare for worship, we ask that you please pre-register if you plan to join us for worship.** You can do so at this link:

[May 30th Sunday Worship Registration](#)

[June 6th Sunday Worship Registration](#)

Please note: there are spots for worship volunteers! If you have already signed up to help, or if you are interested in helping in this way, please make sure to register under that slot. There is no need to sign up for both a worship volunteer position AND as a worshipper.

We understand many of you may not feel comfortable returning yet, and that is okay! We also celebrate a number of people who join us for worship from various locations! We will continue to livestream our worship service on the [HOPE YouTube Channel](#) each Sunday at 9:30. **Please bear with us in these first few weeks as we make the shift to worshipping and broadcasting from outside!**

Thank you for your patience, understanding, and flexibility during this time!

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Please let us know if you would like to sign up to join for this Summer's Habitat for Humanity project in New Richmond. We are looking for five more people in June and July, and seven more in August (see dates below). You can sign up for one, two, or all three Saturdays.

**Construction experience not necessary!** From their site, "Don't worry, construction experience is NOT necessary. We have a great team who will help you learn!" **Age, 18+. Volunteers 16 & 17 years old are welcomed with an adult guardian.**

When:

Saturday June 26 (4 spots left)

Saturday July 24 (5 spots left)

Saturday August 21 (7 spots left)

You can sign up on this Google Doc (or email [dalebohnert@gmail.com](mailto:dalebohnert@gmail.com))

<https://docs.google.com/.../1-yLcF9dnruR3URj66sn9p0v.../edit>

Let me know if you have any questions! In addition to "construction" workers (might be painting) we will also have additional ways for you to serve, e.g., serving meals, donations. Stay tuned!

Blessings!

**Dale Bohnert**

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**WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS!**

Check out [THIS GOOGLE DOC](#) to sign-up to help!

If you are interested in helping to make our Sunday LIVESTREAM worship possible, we'd love to incorporate your gifts! Pastor Annie is still looking for

1. readers/prayer leaders for upcoming weeks
2. additional ushers for resuming in-person worship
3. Those willing to learn the A/V technology!

**Coffee & Faithful Conversation**

Join Pastor Annie and others every Tuesday morning at 11AM for "Coffee & Faithful Conversation." This time has proved to be incredibly fruitful as many of us remain socially distanced from others. We spend time each week checking in on one another and engaging a series of faith-based questions/topics as we grow in faith together!

So brew your own cup and join us via Zoom meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/424556345?pwd=TIIRQTIKY1dDdkkvK3RHdnI6a0Jjdz09>

Meeting ID: 884 1915 5061

Passcode:593674

**NO COFFEE & FAITHFUL CONVERSATION ON JUNE 8!**

Due to Pastor Annie's vacation, we will NOT meet on June 8. We'll be back in

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***Please lift up the following people in prayer***

Doug Thompson  
Don Bohnert (Dale Bohnert's father)  
Julian Grev (Friend of Betty Lou Oppgard)  
MaryKay Mahler (Friend of Olive Olson)  
Bill Smith (Friend of Bill & Olive Olson)  
Rev. Sarah Mayer-Flatt (Friend of Pastor Annie)  
Dave Hallquist (Friend of Bill Montgomery)  
Kris Miner (Friend of Faye Perkins)  
Roger Hammer's Family (Friend of Bill Montgomery)  
Candy Simpson (Cameron Shea's aunt)  
Barb Grubba (friend of Naomi & Jerry Brandt)  
Lee Hill (friend of Naomi & Jerry Brandt)  
Duane Hall (friend of the Brohaughs)  
Judy Karshbaum  
Susan Traynor (Friend of Kathy Scott)  
Carol Moenke  
Gary Siebold  
Oak Reile (Nancy Sailer's Cousin)  
David Hendrickson  
Jim and Ila June Pratt  
Jerry Brandt  
James Glaubitz  
Jon Boyce  
Jay and Jeri Jorgenson (friends of the Bohnerts)  
Marilyn & Fred Schmidt (Relatives of the Boocks)  
Steve & Beth Pugh (friends of Karen & Jeff Rodewald)  
Rod Cina (son of Mary Solum)

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## **May Birthdays**

Melissa Kolb	2-May
Lillian Brill	12-May
Stacia Johnson	13-May
Hunter Rodewald	14-May
Cecelia Bernard	15-May
Tanner Heinselman	15-May
Camden Roquette	15-May
David Hendrickson	19-May
Shane Bondhus	20-May
Brady Sailer	22-May
Spencer Ziebarth	23-May
James Malaney	23-May
Kay Montgomery	25-May

## **May Baptisms**



John Peter Eaton  
Lee Getschel  
Grant Klacan  
Melissa Kolb  
Jean Loudon  
Bill Montgomery  
Rosemary Nelson  
Faye Perkins  
Eric Rydland  
Mason Shea  
Zoe Tokheim  
Carly Wunrow



<b>May Anniversaries</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Years to Celebrate</b>
Leonard & Connie Juairé	23-May	34
Michael & Michelle Hansen	28-May	
Bill Warner & Linda Jacobson	30-May	28