

# FAQs...or maybe some helpful info!

**With two TLC Kids Connect times, can we mix it up and come either day or do we need to register for either Sunday or Wednesday?**

We ask that families please register for either the Sunday or Wednesday program. It is very helpful that families designate which program they will be signing up for so our volunteers can better prepare and get to know their classes. If changes need to happen, talk to Laura and we can work it out!

**I would be interested in volunteering with the CYFM programs - how do I get involved?**

It takes many, wonderful volunteers who love to invest in children and youth to make these programs happen! If you are interested in getting plugged in, we would love to find a spot for you! There are a variety of ways to get involved depending on your gifts and interests. *Some needed areas...*

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|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Kids Connect Team Teacher (Sun & Wed) | Elementary Special Events      |
| Confirmation Small Group Guide        | 6th Grade Wednesdays           |
| Wednesday Elementary Group            | Sunday Night High School Group |
| High School Breakfasts                | Help provide food and snacks   |
| Middle School Events                  | Behind the Scenes Help         |

**Please fill out the volunteer form on our website or contact either Suzie or Laura to continue the conversation!**



# TLC Kids TLC Youth

2023-2024

## Hello Families!

We want to welcome you and invite you to be a part of the children, youth and family ministry programs at Trinity this year! Whether this might be your first time getting involved or you are very seasoned - we want you to know you are welcome here. Our goal is that our kids and youth know they are loved and beloved Children of God. That they know who they are and whose they are. We look forward to meeting them wherever they may be at, getting to know who they are uniquely created to be and to teach them about a God who loves them no matter what and is always with them every moment. We invite you and your family to be a part of this faith-filled community because we are better together.

~Laura & Suzie



## Register for CYFM Programs

Please complete the on-line form to register your family. Find the button for the form on the main page of our website. *You just need to complete this online form once for all ages in your family.*

[www.trinitylutherandl.org](http://www.trinitylutherandl.org)

PLEASE REGISTER BY SEPTEMBER 1st

## Stay Connected

Trinity Lutheran Church ~ 1401 Madison Avenue Detroit Lakes, MN 56501 ~ 218-847-7211



Every Tuesday during the school year, families will receive an email containing all the details on the week ahead along with other Trinity and CYFM programs and offerings!



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## AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM CLASSES

Promises are made at baptism to bring up our children faithfully. Our 'AOB' classes help fulfill these promises. Each age level is invited to attend a class with a parent or caring adult to learn about a certain aspect of faith together. Families are welcome to sign up and come to either the Sunday or Wednesday class. *If youth would like to attend a class they have missed they are more than welcome just let Laura know!*

AGE	FAITH TOPIC	SUNDAY	WEDNESDAY
		10:00am-10:45am	5:30pm-6:10pm
PreK (4 & 5 yrs)	Church Seasons	October 15th	October 11th
Kindergarten	Baptism	January 7th	January 10th
1st Grade	Prayer	February 4th	February 7th
2nd Grade	Apostles Creed	February 25th	February 28th
3rd Grade	Bible	September 24th	September 27th
4th Grade	Ten Commandments	April 10th	April 14th
5th Grade	Holy Communion	Class: Sunday, March 17th ~ 4:00-5:30pm <i>If this is your 5th Graders First Communion, families may then pick which worship to attend: March 20th or March 24th</i>	
6th Grade	Values		April 17th
7/8/9th Grade	Stewardship		February 7th
10th Grade	Confirmation	October 8th	



## TLC Kids Connect

## 3yrs (by Sept 1st)-5th Grade

We hope kids will join us for this fun time of connecting with God, others, themselves and stories of faith! TLC Kids Connect is our 'Sunday School' program and will be offered to families on Sundays AND Wednesdays! On Sundays, kids will continue their learning about the story by leaving worship after the children's sermon and will return before Communion. During the Wednesday program, kids will begin in worship with their families which will begin with Holy Communion and then move into the reading and learning. Kids will leave after the reading to learn more about the story on their level.

Households have two options to choose from:

**Sundays, 9:00am**

Begins: September 10th

**Wednesdays, 6:10-7:00pm**

Begins: September 13th

## First Communion Classes - NEW

Traditionally at Trinity, children have received their First Communion in 5th Grade, however this fall, we are offering another option. All are welcome at our communion table and we want to live that out with our kids. What this change, we want to let parents and their children decide when it is best for them to receive their First Communion. We trust our families and our parents to know their children and when the right time is to take this next step at the table. For some it might be 1st Grade...for some it might be 5th Grade... either is wonderful. We plan to offer a couple First Communion classes throughout the year for children and their families that are interested. We will meet with children and their parents to teach them about communion. Within our worship services we will continue to have a time of blessing and celebration with our kids as they receive their first communion. Our 5th Grade AOB (Affirmation of Baptism) class is about communion and much of that will remain the same as they continue learning about the sacrament. They will still all experience a Seder meal, learn more about the sacrament and bake bread for communion. If families decide to wait until 5th grade to receive First Communion, those kids will receive instruction during that class and we will celebrate with them within worship!

**Sundays, October 15th, January 14th @ 4:00-5:00pm (5th Grade - March 17th)**

Families may then pick which worship, Sunday or Wednesday to attend for the First Communion celebration within the service

\*Sign up forms will be on Trinity's website or families can contact Laura

## Baptismal Classes - NEW

Are you hoping to have your child or upcoming baby baptized at Trinity? New this year, Pastor Megan is inviting families who are looking to have their child baptized in the future sign up for one of the classes below! Come learn about baptism, the promises you will be making and meet other families who will be raising their children at Trinity alongside you! After the class, families are still encouraged to schedule their baptisms individually through the office at Trinity. Please note: if you are hoping to have a child baptized and cannot make it to a class, no worries, we still want to walk with your family through baptism!

**Sundays, October 15th, January 14th or May 19th @ 3:00-3:45pm**

\*To sign up for one of these classes, please contact the office at 218-847-7211 or email Pastor Megan at [megan@trinitylutherandl.org](mailto:megan@trinitylutherandl.org)

## TLC Kids Special Events

We love to invite our kids to gather together for a variety of activities throughout the year! Faith-filled friendships can last a lifetime and we hope to create a wonderful community with our kids! Keep your eye out for the special events being offered...

Movie Nights  
Service Projects

Advent Store  
Early Outs

Elem Extravaganza  
...and more!



## SUNDAYS at TRINITY

9:00am Worship  
TLC Kids Connect

10:00am Fellowship Time  
Adult Education  
AOB Classes\*

\*Designated Sundays

## WEDNESDAYS at TRINITY

5:00-6:00pm Wednesday Meal  
Free Will Offering - let us  
make your family dinner!

5:30-6:10pm 6th Grade  
AOB Classes\*  
\*Designated Wednesdays

6:10-7:00pm Wednesday Worship  
TLC Kids Connect  
\*Kids will begin in worship  
then leave for connect  
time after the reading

7:00-8:00pm Confirmation  
Adult Education

## FUNDRAISERS

Participating in fundraisers are a great way to off-set the cost of attending Trinity trips & retreats, and ELCA camps. When you work a fundraiser, funds are held in a YFM Family Account for your family. For some fundraisers, students must be 6th grade or older to work a fundraiser; parents can also participate.

**Wreath Sales**

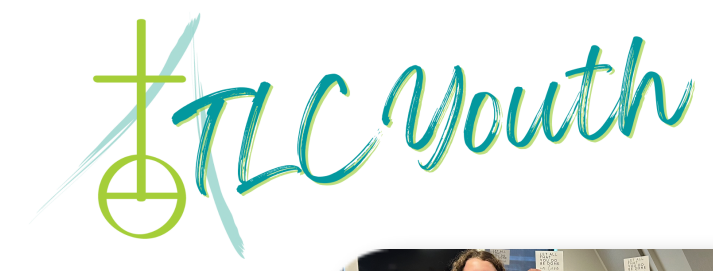
Oct-Nov

**Pie Auction**

Sun, Nov 19

**Meatball Dinner & Silent Auction**

Sun, Feb 25



## 6th Grade

Join us for this weekly program that explores what it means to live your faith right now as a middle schooler.

**Wednesdays, 5:30-6:05pm**

Students meet weekly at Trinity

Begins: September 13th



## Confirmation

Confirmation is a time to explore your faith! These gatherings provide a time to connect your everyday life with your faith and develop meaningful relationships along the way. Students going into 7th Grade can begin Year A this fall. Students wishing to celebrate their Confirmation can do so after completion of this 3-year program.

**YEAR A/B**

**Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00PM**

Students meet weekly at Trinity

Orientation: September 13, 7:00PM

**YEAR C**

**Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00PM**

Students meet 2 times/month at Trinity.

Orientation: September 27, 7:00PM



## TLC Youth Special Events

Throughout the year, we offer opportunities for youth to connect, grow in their faith, and have some adventures along the way.

**Ski/Board Trip**

**Synod Gatherings**

**Game Nights**

**Serving in the Community**

**Serve & Play Days**

**Movie Marathons**

**Retreats**

...and more!

## High School 9th-12th Grade

We have monthly opportunities for you to connect with community & explore your faith.

**Breakfast Club**

**Wednesday, 7:15-8:00AM MONTHLY**

Stop by for a hot breakfast and a short devo moment to start your day. Friends welcome!

Begins: September 10th

**Sunday Night Youth Group**

**Sundays, 6:00-7:30PM MONTHLY**

Adventures, food and faith conversations.

Begins: September 17th

