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Trinity Lutheran Church

"a growing, caring Church with a heart for Christ and the World Community"

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COMING UP

June 3, 10, 17, 24

9:30 am Worship
10:45 Fellowship
11 am Christian Ed.

June 5
9 Holy Comforters

June 19
1-4 pm Linton Food Pantry

June 20
6:00 pm WELCA Salad
6:30 pm Bible Study

June 21
6:30 SON Ministries, Inc.

June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 (Fridays)
11:45 am Summer Food Program at the Park

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TRINITY'S FIRST PASTOR CELEBRATES 50 YEARS OF ORDINATION



Genny Schroeder, Pastor Doris, Pr. Schmeling and Janet McNab at the celebration May 20, 2018

Bishop William Gafkjen, Indiana-Kentucky Synod, Rev. Dr. John Schmeling and Bishop S John Roth, South Central Illinois Synod pose for pictures after worship.



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etc.)

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emergency I will
try to leave a note
but you want to
call first to save a
trip.

From I-K Synod Weekly News (6/7/18):

Our Saviour Lutheran Church, Princeton, Indiana hosted in conjunction with Zion (Mt. Carmel, IL) a celebration in honor of the 50th Anniversary of Pastor John P. Schmeling's ordination. There was a special worship service, meal and program on Pentecost Sunday in the company of Bishop Bill Gafkjen and Bishop John Roth of the Central Southern Illinois Synod. Pastor John currently serves as Interim at both Our Saviour and at Zion Lutheran in Mt. Carmel, IL. He is rostered in Illinois, but because he lives in Vincennes, Indiana he has served churches in both Illinois and Indiana throughout his ministry years including his first call in Linton, IN. Not only were we blessed by having two Synod Bishops participate in worship, but many guests including members from his first call church in Linton, close friends and family members from North Dakota, Tennessee, Florida, and local Vincennes; Pastor's from Evansville Conference and Mt. Carmel area pastors, and others gathered with us to give thanks and glory to God for calling John into the ministry.

A Letter from Our Pastor...

What were you doing fourteen years ago in June of 2004? I can tell you that I had just graduated from Trinity Seminary in Columbus, Ohio and was preparing for my ordination to be held on June 27 of that year. Terry's parents were moving from Graysville, IN into Sullivan for less mowing and work than 25 acres had been giving them. We were planning our move to Chelsea, Michigan for my first call and Terry was job hunting in Michigan.

There is an old joke that "if you want to hear God laugh, tell him your plans." What a topsy-turvy summer! Terry's father died five weeks after I was ordained. (Communion at his bedside with the family was the first time I gave communion after being ordained.) Terry never found a job in Michigan because the automakers had dumped about 45,000 IT people when they cut back. (younger, cuter, no back surgeries and cheaper too!) In the 10 days from the time my furniture arrived in Chelsea and my first actual day on the job, my father-in-law died and we had his funeral in Sullivan, IN, the 2004 Summer Olympics began and the son of the president of Zion in Chelsea was electrocuted and suffered a lack of oxygen brain injury because his heart had stopped several times. He was around 18.

I'm glad God doesn't let us see into the future. In all this time I have been party to so many sacred moments, big ones and small ones, happy ones and moments filled with anguish. We cannot count on anything day to day but the promise, "**And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.**" (Matthew 28:20) Whether the days are filled with joy or grief we have that constant. THANKS BE TO GOD!

Serving Christ together,

Pastor Doris



**PURPOSE
STATEMENT**

As a community of women created in the image of God, called to discipleship in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action, and promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society, and the world.



Did you know SON Ministries, Inc. won one of only 5 awards given out for the Summer Food Program in Indiana last year?!!!

Women of the ELCA Bible Study. June 20 6 pm

Bible Study Summer 2018: Prayer

June Session one: the paradoxes of prayer (1 Samuel 12:16-23)
Called to pray, but for what purpose? Can we persuade God with prayer? Do we actually encounter God in prayer? Is the practice of prayer intended for the sake of the one praying or for the One to whom we pray? The Bible references all of these scenarios; however, each comes with biblical, theological and practical questions. In this first session on prayer, we'll investigate the paradoxical truths of this spiritual practice.

Download: <http://www.gathermagazine.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/June2018BibleStudy.pdf>

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Holy Comforters

Holy Comforters will meet June 5 and July 3. Please come to talk, tie and share God's love by helping to make a warm quilt.

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FULL LIFE DEVELOPMENT FUND RAISER

FLD provides meals for the Rotary in Bloomfield on Tuesdays. We are helping them by providing desserts to feed 30 people on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. Donations will be needed for Full Life Development – desserts to feed 30 people on the first and third Tuesdays of each month (June 19, July 3, July 17, August 7, August 21, and September 4) – desserts can be brought to church on the preceding Sunday -- contact person is Marilyn Saum – let her know if you are donating, as well as when and where a dessert needs to be picked up

These donations allow FLD to raise about \$400/month!



FRIDAYS!

Fridays are the days Trinity helps with the Summer Food Program in Linton. Stop in

at 11:45 and help serve, have lunch and help clean up and put tables away. We should be on our way back home by 1:30 pm. Please come and help make sure the children in Linton have lunch and God's love!



CELEBRATION!!!
October 21, 2018

Plan on joining us that day!
Bring friends, family,
neighbors, EVERYONE!!!

We are fifty years young and asking God to

"Set Our Hearts on



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**SUNDAY
SCHEDULE**

Worship
9:30AM
Coffee Hour
10:30AM

**Linton Food
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