

# TRINITY TIDINGS

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## GODSPEED

Dear beloved children of God,

Acts 20:1 *After the uproar ceased, Paul sent for the disciples, and after encouraging them, he said farewell and departed for Macedonia.*

We see here that Paul first sent for his disciples to serve in Ephesus, the place where the uproar took place, he encourages them and then said, "farewell." That's a nice way to say, "I must be going." I also like the word "Godspeed." According to Webster's dictionary this word comes from the middle English god spied, from the phrase 'God spede you,' God prosper you.

This is my prayer for all of you at Trinity. I have been so blessed to serve you as your pastor for over two and one-half years. And although it is a sad occasion for us, we get strength from our Lord, Jesus Christ in knowing that He is not leaving us alone and unguided.

He is with us and he knows what to do for Trinity Lutheran Church, School and Learning Academy as He says in Jeremiah 29:11 *For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.* Trinity's future is laid out before Him and because of that we have a certain future and hope. He knows what He has to do to insure the future of His mission here at Trinity. And He will be with you in every step along the way, your hope is realized. He will give you the pastor you need. He will bless the leadership here and you. And most importantly you will continue to hear the words of our Lord preached to you. The Good News, the Gospel which continues to remind you of God's love, mercy, grace, forgiveness and eternal life.

I encourage you to look forward to the words Jesus gives to your new pastor. Hear them, learn them and inwardly digest them. They are there for your strengthening.

Remember who you are, the forgiven children of God whose citizenship is in heaven with the everlasting, One, true and only God.

Love one another as He has loved you.



Gospel one another, let the words of your mouths echo the love Jesus has for the other and for you. And do not fret about how. His Holy Spirit will help you along the way.

Becky and I wish you Godspeed. That you will prosper in your faith as you continue to grow in it. You will as Jesus Christ Himself nurtures you through His Word, and the means of grace, His sacraments.

We are not gone. It is just that I am needed elsewhere and you, the people of Trinity, are ready to move on

And finally remember one thing, as of this time, Becky and I will still be close by in Pueblo. So, if you miss us, give us a call. We will rejoice at the honor of hearing your voice and possibly spending some more time with you.

We love all of you.

In Christ our risen Lord,

Pr Bob



**PLEASE NOTE:** In the event of an emergency, and you cannot reach the church office, you may call Pastor Bob on his cell phone at 219-510-7288.

**SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDYS:** Pastor Bob, continues the study of *Jesus: A Study of the Words of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John*. All are invited to join him at 10:40am.

**SUNDAY MORNING NAVIGATORS** meet to Study *Philippians* and *Colossians* Chapter 1 & 2 in the Fellowship Hall. Each week a new chapter is studied.

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**WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY** meet each Wednesday evening at 6:30pm. in the Music Room with Jon Bush. To learn all about "*Stuff They Didn't Teach Me in Sunday School!*" All are invited to join us! For more information contact Jon Bush at [ophiclide.tuba@gmail.com](mailto:ophiclide.tuba@gmail.com)

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR WORSHIP**

**Saturday Evening 5:30pm or Sunday Morning 9:00am**

Fellowship Time is after each service in the Fellowship Hall.



**NEWS ABOUT OUR PEOPLE**

♥ Special prayers for the Terry Daberkow family of Mrs. Debby Daberkow, Trinity Lutheran School Art Teacher, was called home to rest in the loving arms of our Savior, Jesus on April 21, 2026. We are saddened by her departure and will miss her, but we are joyful because we know that she knew her Savior, Jesus and she is most certainly with Him in her eternal home. ♥

Debby's Celebration of Eternal Life Service will be May 9, 2026 at Trinity Lutheran Church at 10:00am.

♥ Special prayers for the family of Rose Sears. Rose was called home to rest with Jesus in her eternal home April 30, 2026.

Our prayers have been with the following members and friends who have been ill and/or hospitalized: Patricia Boyer, Dennis Scofield, Aron Klemz (brother of Lisa Vannoy), Pastor Lyle Stuehrenberg, Pastor Dan Kletke, Randy Daberkow, Jennifer Bearss, Joan Quintana, Bertha Allen, Steven Dehen, Pastor Bob, Lorna Romero, Harriet Avis, Shirley Ranus, David & Connie Boden, Norma Larson, Faralyn Koncilia, Shirleen Pape, Amy Coulson, Connie Elson, Cindy Schmidt, Rose Sears, Rick & Anita Lawrenz, Marcie Wright, Victor Voss, Henrietta Voss, Melanie Trujillo, Lucille Cochran, Adella Schmidt, Shirley Ranus, Cindy Schmidt, David & Connie Boden, Alice LaRose, Marcie Wright. May God continue to strengthen and heal them.

♥ OUR PRAYERS CONTINUE for all First Responders, Law Enforcement Officers, and Service Members as

they daily perform their duties to protect, serve and uphold the law.

♥ For families and victims of violence and those impacted by natural disasters and severe weather; especially Texas, Oklahoma, Georgia, and Florida.

♥ Let us lift up in joy and thanksgiving to God our Heavenly Father all the families and children in Trinity Lutheran Church, School, and ELA.



**MAY BIRTHDAYS**

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| 1~Zach Dodson        | 14~Patrick Cleland |
| 2~Brianna Hefty      | 16~Harlee Aggson   |
| 7~Elizabeth Harberts | 23~Jennifer Bearss |
| 9~Glen Weisser       | ~Shirley Ranus     |
| ~Corylyn Gray        | 28~Shirleen Pape   |
| 12~Kelly Schmidt     |                    |

MAY YOUR BIRTHDAY BE FILLED WITH GOD'S BLESSINGS!



May 8 ~Frank & Joyce Michelli 45 years walking together with the Lord!

CONGRATULATIONS AS YOU CONTINUE YOUR LOVING WALK TOGETHER WITH THE LORD



**"Make a Joyful Noise" Psalm 100:1**

**TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL & EARLY LEARNING ACADEMY**

Dear Trinity Families and Church Members,

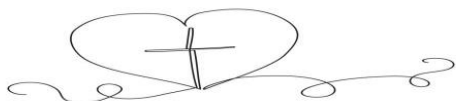
It is hard to believe we are already in the final month of the school year! This is such a special time filled with excitement and celebration for our students.

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Our Student Council has been hard at work raising funds through their Friday sales and has already purchased new playground equipment, including a tetherball that students are especially enjoying at recess. Their efforts will continue for a few more weeks as they work toward even more additions. We also have several wonderful events coming up. The Scholastic Book Fair (May 4–8) will be open to students, families, and the community, and we encourage everyone to stop by. You are warmly invited to join us for our **Fiesta Dinner and Auction** on Friday, May 8 at 5:30 PM. This is a great opportunity for our church and school community to come together for an evening of good food, fellowship, and fun. We would love to see many of our church members there!

As we finish the year strong, we ask for your continued prayers for our students, staff, and families. We also lift up the family of Mrs. Debbie Daberkow during this time. Thank you for your continued support of Trinity School and for being such an important part of our community.

In His Service and With Gratitude,  
*Principal Derion Ibarra*



## **TRINITY SCHOOL/EARLY LEARNING**

### **ACADEMY NEWS**

The upcoming month will be full of all the business that one would expect with the end of our academic year fast approaching and the beginning of the summer right on its heels. We will hold our Pre-Kindergarten Completion Celebration on the 29<sup>th</sup> of the month for those students who are departing for the world of Kindergarten in the “big school.” We are praising God that we expect more than half of our Pre-K kiddos to be staying on to begin Kindergarten here at Trinity. Our Summer Camp Program will begin on June 3<sup>rd</sup> and will find us enjoying the sunshine with lots of exciting warm weather activities planned that include water play, nature walks and some special guests and enrichments that are in the works.



Please note: Trinity will be closed for all programming on Memorial Day, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2026. Have an awesome LOOOOOOOOOONG weekend!


### **WHAT WE’RE DOING IN THE CLASSROOM**

What a bittersweet time it is as we reflect on the last 8 months of learning, laughing, & growing. We are so thankful that Trinity was your choice to begin your child’s educational journey. Our final month theme is Fairy Tales and Dinosaurs where we will use our discrimination skills to help us decide fact from fiction and real from make-believe. Our imaginations will be in overdrive as we explore times long ago, and discover what life was like THEN, compared to NOW.

*MUFFINS for MOMS will be Friday May 8<sup>th</sup>..help yourself to a sweet treat at drop off or pick up time.!*

Don’t forget to purchase your tickets to the annual Fiesta Dinner and Auction on May 8<sup>th</sup>. Purchase tickets can be done on our Facebook link or in the office. Join us for the fun! (\$10)

A HEARTFELT THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU-DO, YOU ARE SUCH A BLESSINGS: MS. LYNDA, MS. KAYLYNN. MS. PENKOFF & MS. VICTORIA!

IT TAKES A BIG HEART  TO HELP SHAPE LITTLE MINDS.

### **EXCITING UPDATES FROM OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY**

**May 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK!!**

**MAY 7<sup>TH</sup> 3:30P CAPTAINS MTG.**

**MAY 8<sup>TH</sup> 5:30P FIESTA DAY DINNER**

**MAY 11<sup>TH</sup> 4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE FIELD TRIP BENT’S FORT**

**MAY 12<sup>TH</sup> PIONEER DAY**

**MAY 15<sup>TH</sup> 2:00P JAPANESE TEA PARTY**

**MAY 19<sup>TH</sup> 5:30P MUSIC /SPECIALS SHOWCASE**

**MAY 22 END OF 4<sup>TH</sup> QUARTER**

**MAY 26<sup>TH</sup> 10:00-12:00P FIELD DAY**

**MAY 27<sup>TH</sup> 8:00-12:00 CLEAN-UP DAY**

**MAY 28<sup>TH</sup> 10:00-12:00P EPIC FUN DAY**

**MAY 29<sup>TH</sup> 9:00A KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION**

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## May 8<sup>th</sup> Fiesta Dinner and Auction

Tickets \$10

### CHURCH UP DATE

The call committee has concluded their interviews with the potential candidates, and we are moving forward in the process of calling a pastor to serve Trinity Lutheran Church. Please keep all parties involved in this process in your prayers." In service to the King of Kings, Trinity Call Committee.

The Call Committee have asked for a Voters Meeting on Monday, May 18, 2026 at 6:00pm to call a pastor for Trinity Lutheran Church.

### ADDITION TO OUR CHURCH FAMILY



We are pleased to announce that Patrick Leland has joined our church family. Patrick was a member of the United States Air Force; where he served originally as a transportation specialist, later as an executive assistant and finally as a Military Training Instructor (aka drill sergeant). He served 15 years before being medically retired. He has a wonderful spouse, Jennifer Cleland and together have raised three children together-Nathaniel, Paul, and Molly. Welcome to our Family and the Family of God.

### THOUGHTFUL THOUGHTS TO PONDER...

The best inheritance a mother can leave her children is a Christian example.

A real friend is one who walks in, when the rest of the world walks out.

*Walter Winchell*

Consider the postage stamp: its usefulness consists in the ability to stick to one thing 'till it gets there.

*Josh Billings*

Remember that when you talk, you only report what you already know; but if you listen, you may learn something.

Let us pray not for lighter burdens, but for stronger backs.

Character is like a tree and reputation is like its shadow. The shadow is what we think of it; the tree is the real thing.

*All Saints Lutheran Church  
Liburn, GA*

We increase our ability, stability, and responsibility when we increase our sense of accountability to God.

If your prayers are not answered, the answer is no.

*Anonymous*

People who walk with God always get to their destination.

Man is great only when he is kneeling.

*Pope Pius XII*

