

# Trinity **SONRISE** News



*Trinity Lutheran Church*

*on the Sunrise Side of Michigan*

*2022*

## **Installation of Intentional Interim Minister Steve Schilke**



Pastor Steve Schilke has been called to serve Trinity Lutheran – Oscoda as its Intentional Interim Minister beginning on October 16, 2022. Pastor Schilke will preach at the 8:00 a.m. and the 10:30 a.m. services that day, and he will be installed during a service at 12:30 p.m.

Pastor Fred Cordts, our Circuit Counselor, will install Pastor Schilke. Pastor Cordts serves St. John Lutheran Church in Au Gres. He will be preaching at their 10:00 a.m. service. Therefore, the installation will be around 12:30 p.m. We plan to hold a potluck after the 10:30 a.m. service.

The schedule for the day:

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| 8:00 a.m.  | Pastor Schilke conducts worship service                                   |
| 9:15 a.m.  | Bible Study with Pastor Schilke   |
| 10:30 a.m. | Pastor Schilke conducts worship service                                   |
| 11:30 a.m. | Potluck   |
| 12:30 p.m. | Informal Installation of Pastor Schilke (approximately 15-minute service) |

## **October 16<sup>th</sup> Potluck to Welcome Pastor Schilke**

TLCW is sponsoring a potluck after the 10:30 a.m. service on Sunday October 16<sup>th</sup> to welcome Pastor Steve Schilke. Fried chicken and drinks will be provided. We ask that you sign up so that we know how many people will be attending.



Sign-up sheets will be posted on the tables in the back of the church. If you wish to indicate what dish you will bring, you can do so on the sign-up sheet.

Everyone is encouraged to attend the potluck and the installation service to welcome and to show support for Pastor Steve Schilke. Hope to see you there!



## Meet Pastor Steve Schilke

Rev. Schilke was born in Rochester, Michigan. He graduated from Rochester High School and attended CMU, where he met his wife, Sharon. Rev. Schilke taught Math and Physical Education in the Tri-City area of Michigan for 30 years, most of the time in Birch Run. He also coached football and basketball. His wife worked at Dow Amcron Stamping.

Rev. Schilke left education in 1995 and moved to Ft. Wayne, where he attended the seminary for two years in an alternate route program. He served at a missionary church in Monroe County for three years. In 2000 he accepted a call to Holy Cross, Onaway where he served for eight years before retiring from full-time ministry.

Rev. Schilke began his Intentional Interim Pastor training in 2008. He completed the six-month program by the National Association of Lutheran Interim Pastors (NALIP) called "Basic Education for Intentional Interim Ministry". He has had seven previous intentional interim positions at Redeemer, Saginaw; St. John, Rochester; Trinity, Port Huron; Faith, Port Huron; Grace, Auburn, Hope, Linden; and Zion, Bay City.

Rev. Schilke and Sharon wife have two children, six grandchildren, and two step-grandchildren. They live in southern Bay City.



## Looking for Housing for Pastor Schilke

As you may know, finding a place to stay in Oscoda is difficult, especially in the off season. Pastor Schilke plans to be in Oscoda on Sundays and two additional days per week. We are desperately looking for a place for Pastor Schilke and his wife to stay on Saturday nights and for Pastor Schilke one other night each week. If you have an extra bedroom that you would be willing to let Pastor Schilke use during the interim period, please let a member of the Church Council know.



## Church Worker Appreciation Month

October has traditionally been designated as Pastor Appreciation Month — an opportunity for congregations to express, in various ways, their thankfulness to the shepherds who care for them. Starting this year, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) will be encouraging congregations and school communities to use the month of October to demonstrate appreciation not only for their pastors, but for all workers in the parish and school.

Trinity is truly blessed to have Dave Wagner and Pastor Dennis Neigh helping during our transition period and whenever and wherever they are needed. Take a minute to let Dave and Pastor Neigh know how much they are appreciated here at Trinity.

**Thank you to everyone who volunteers in any capacity for the church!**

# STEWARDSHIP

## Stewards of our God-given Relationships

In the beginning, God created Adam and Eve in His image (Genesis 1:26) to be in relationship with Him and others. Because of their sin, we no longer live in God's perfect image as holy and sinless people, but, as He is relational, we, in spite of our sinful condition, are made to be in relationships. In order for us to be in relationship with our heavenly Father, He sent His only Son, Jesus, to redeem us through His life, death, and resurrection and bridge the gap our sin had created. God chose us in Christ *"before the foundation of the world"* (Ephesians 1:4).

From Jesus, we learn about relationship building. In the early days of His ministry, Jesus gathered to Himself His disciples, the Twelve who would sleep at His side, share their food with Him, hear and try to understand His words, and seek to emulate Him, their Rabbi and Master. The relationship between Jesus and His disciples involved quality time together, the opening of hearts to one another, trust and forgiveness, and interdependence.

Just as He called His disciples into relationship with Himself, so He initiates that closeness with us. He calls us with His Gospel words, *"Come to Me...and I will give you rest"* (Matthew 11:28). He invites us, *"Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men"* (Matthew 4:19). He abides with us (John 15:4); He shares His Heavenly food with us (Matthew 26:26-28); He speaks to us in His Word and through His called servants (Hebrews 1:1-2); He presents us to His Father as holy in His sight (Colossians 1:22).

Secure in our relationship with Jesus, we come to understand both our identity and purpose as His stewards, and, as a result, we are transformed into people who live as faithful stewards. Equipped by His Word and empowered by His transforming love, our stewardship is no longer limited to specific acts occurring here and there, but encompasses our entire lives.

God calls us into a relationship in which He is Lord, and we are willing to do and be anything He chooses. Joyful in our relationship with our Lord, we no longer *"live according to our sinful nature"* (Romans 8:4 NIV). Instead, our hearts and minds are set on doing what the Spirit desires for us. He makes us *"renewed in the spirit of [our] minds"* (Ephesians 4:23), so that, in love, we reach out to all people as brothers and sisters for whom Christ died, building relationships that last into eternity.

-Bill Davis, Stewardship Chair



CONCORDIA  
UNIVERSITY  
Ann Arbor, Michigan

### October Mission of the Month Concordia University – Ann Arbor

Concordia University-Ann Arbor is a private Christian liberal arts university in Ann Arbor affiliated with the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.

Its 187-acre campus sits on the banks of the Huron River, about 10 minutes outside downtown Ann Arbor. Concordia University is an uncommon community of students, faculty, alumni, and staff who are gifted by grace and ever-preparing to live out our purpose to serve Christ in the Church and world. We intentionally cultivate experiences, discussions, and opportunities that will help our students grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ, deepen their understanding of the issues impacting their communities, and engage in solving some of the world's biggest problems. You can use a mission envelope that can be found in your envelope packet to support the "Mission of the Month".

If you already support a mission, please continue to do so by designating that particular mission by name on a Mission envelope.



Wayne Fortney, Tim Hoffmeyer,  
and Sue Pisarski



**Homebound:**

Alice Dettmer – Medilodge

**Military:**

Alex Anderson (Navy)  
Jason Cooper



**Pastoral Care During the Transition**

As you may know, the church office is currently open only on Mondays and Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. If you need pastoral care during our transition time, please call one of the Elders. They may be reached at:

Mitch Davis, Jr. - 989-820-1469

David Golm – 989-724-5679

Roger Tack - 989-293-8050

Ron Weidenfeller - 724-7701



**Sundays  
8:00 a.m.**

**and**

**10:30 a.m.**

**Bible Study  
9:15 a.m.**



- Sunday mornings at 9:15 a.m.
- Tuesday Morning Women’s Bible Study meets in the Sunday School wing. For more information call Ruth Golm at 989-724-5679.
- Tuesday Morning Men’s Bible Study at 8:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the church.
- Thursday Morning Bible Study at 10:00 a.m. – in Sunday School wing.



## T.L.C.W. News

Trinity Lutheran Church Women (TLCW) meet the third Tuesday of each month at 11:00 a.m. All ladies are invited and encouraged to attend. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 18, 2022.

### October 16<sup>th</sup> Potluck

TLCW is sponsoring the welcome potluck for Pastor Schilke on October 16<sup>th</sup>. Fried chicken will be provided by several members of the congregation. Therefore, we would like to have an idea of how much chicken to get. There will be a sign-up sheet on the tables in the narthex. Please sign up and add your favorite potluck dish or dessert you will be bringing.

### Welcome Potluck



### New Seminary Student Zachery Benkert



TLCW is sponsoring a new first year student at Fort Wayne Seminary, Zachery Benkert. Zachery is from St. Paul Lutheran Church in Bay City. Zachery and his wife, Vanessa, have four children. TLCW recognizes and supports its students with a monthly monetary gift, as well as gifts for the couple's anniversary, each family members' birthday and for major holidays.

If you would like to donate to this much-needed mission, place your donation in an envelop marked "Seminary Student" and drop it in the offering box. We appreciate your support!

### Thanksgiving Bake Sale

HEADS UP!! TLCW is planning a pre-Thanksgiving Bake Sale. It will take place the Sunday before the big feast – November 20<sup>th</sup>. The sale will be held between the 8:00 a.m. and the 10:30 a.m. services.



We (and you, if you would like to donate to our sale) will do the baking for those having guests for Thanksgiving but won't have time to bake or don't bake at all. Seasonal homemade goodies will be available to purchase.

The cost of all goodies will be whatever you would like to donate. All funds will be used to support TLCW mission projects.



## Trinity Bells of Glory

Member of Trinity Bells of Glory are very happy to have the opportunity to play for the congregation as much as possible. Learning new music can be difficult and trying for some of the members. However, we have a great time together and support and encourage each other. We are certainly blessed that our director has a LOT of patience along with a GREAT sense of humor. Thank you, Donna David!

### Characteristics of a Good Ringer

- Attitude – a positive, willing attitude.
- Willingness to Learn - regardless of prior music experience.
- Commitment – each ringer is a part of the *instrument*—imagine playing a piano with keys missing and you will understand how difficult it can be to rehearse without every member present.
- Empathy – everyone makes mistakes, and we are supportive of each other.
- Physical Coordination – ringing handbells requires basic eye-hand coordination and a strong sense of the beat.
- Musical Ability – This can be learned if you have all the other characteristics!

## Church Directory



Please be patient as we work on a new church directory with pictures. We are missing lots of photos of our members and friends and would appreciate a photo of you and your family for inclusion in the directory. You can email a photo to:

[churchoffice@trinityoscoda.org](mailto:churchoffice@trinityoscoda.org) or you can bring in a photo for us to scan.

Please check the list of names and phone numbers on the table next to the office door. Let us know if your information is incorrect. Your help is greatly appreciated. Thank you to members that have confirmed their information and submitted pictures.

## Lay Readers Wanted

Volunteers are needed to read the Old Testament and the Epistle during Sunday worship services. Lay readers have been serving at the 8:00 a.m. worship service since April. We need readers for the 10:30 a.m. worship service. If you are willing to serve in this capacity, sign-up sheets can be found on the table in the back of the church. The lessons can be emailed to you ahead of time, so you can become familiar with them.

Our guest ministers have been appreciative of the lay readers!





- 10/5 Jan Schauwecker
- 10/5 Michael Welther
- 10/7 Luke Loyer
- 10/7 Evelina Olmos
- 10/7 Ed Pisarski
- 10/7 Cindy Rourke
- 10/11 Arlene Coles
- 10/11 Linda Hock
- 10/17 Esther Vliet
- 10/19 Melissa Davis
- 10/19 Mary Jo Richter
- 10/20 Mitchell Schimmer
- 10/27 Crystal Schimmer
- 10/29 J.D. Hock
- 10/30 George Wright



- 10/5 Larry & Ardith Akers
- 10/8 Sy and Karen Peck

### *Know the Elders*

The Board of Elders concerns itself with the wellbeing and spiritual life of our congregation and pastor. Pastor Azzam and your Elders are happy and eager to hear from you!

They may be reached at:

- Mitch Davis, Jr. - 989-820-1469
- David Golm – 989-724-5679
- Roger Tack - 989-293-8050
- Ron Weidenfeller - 724-7701



*Church Council Meeting*  
Thursday  
October 13, 2022  
2:00 p.m.



Tuesday  
October 4, 2022  
2:00 p.m.

# QUIZ



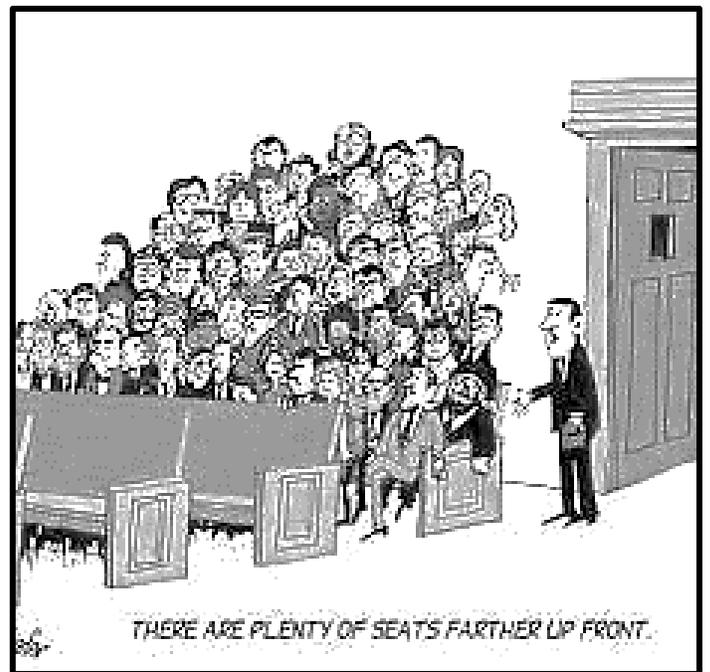
1. When Moses went to get the 10 Commandments, what did Aaron do?
2. What relation was Jacob to Abraham?
3. Noah was a "preacher" of what?

Fall is the best time to plant garlic and bulbs for spring flowers.

Over 50% of the US population buys a pumpkin in October! The October pumpkin industry sells \$708 million pumpkins each year.

The Great Chicago Fire occurred on October 8, 1871 destroying the city and leaving 100,000 people homeless.

## HUMOR



## DEADLINE

The deadline to submit articles for the November Newsletter is October 16, 2022.



- Answers to Quiz**
1. He made a golden calf for the people to worship
  2. Grandson
  3. Righteousness