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Sunrise Bible Study—Parlor ......6:30 a.m.

NA Home Group—Stafford Room ...... 9:00 p.m.

House of Bread Women's Breakfast ......8:00 a.m.

Worship—Chapel ......6:00 p.m.

Worship—Nave ......7:45 a.m. Confirmation Projects—Fellowship Hall......9:00 a.m.

End of Sunday School Party—3rd Floor ......9:00 a.m.

Matu—Chapel ......1:00 p.m.

Isaac Drewes Concert—Nave ......3:00 p.m. NA Home Group—Fellowship Hall ......7:00 p.m.

ESL—3rd Floor ......10:00 a.m.

Community Meal—Fellowship Hall ......5:30 p.m.

Council—Stafford ......7:00 p.m.

ESL Class—3rd Floor Ed Building ......10:00 a.m. Band Practice—Stafford ......8:30 p.m.

CALENDAR - May 25-31

**Friday** 

Saturday

**Trinity** 

Monday

**Tuesday** 

Office Closed

Wednesday

Thursday

Isaiah 6:1-8, Psalm 29

Romans 8:12-17, John 3:1-17

#### **NEWSPAPER TREATMENT**



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#### **Attendance for Worship**

**Sunday School** 56

## More Green Tips!!

is looking and feelings its greenest.

#### The green plate special

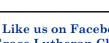
Use reusable dishes rather than plastics or Styrofoam. If you absolutely must use disposables, make sure to

#### Greenie bikini

Look for eco-friendly products like clothing, swimstep in the right direction, and you might just fall in







To view monthly events go to our website

(click on the calendar link at the top of the page)

15 / 31 / 156 = 202 Worship

How to make sure your summer vacation

pick up compostable varieties beforehand to put in the compost bin when you're through.

suits, sandals, towels, and skin care. Each of them is a love with a product or style you never knew existed. .



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**Our Confirmands** & Pastor Verkouw

Pictured from left: Paloma Bolt Naomi Main Danielle Oatman





The children grades 5 and below had a wonderful end of year celebration with games, snacks, and prayers of thanksgiving for their teachers!





## Music at Grace—Lancaster Senior Orchestra—June 3 at 3:00 p.m.



A fun-loving group sponsored by the Lancaster Parks and Recreation Department, these 45 talented musicians perform under the direction of Warren Mansur with the assistance of Trinity's own Theodore Weitzel as orchestra manager. Concerts by the Lancaster Senior Orchestra are performed for retirement groups, homes, communities, churches, civic organizations, school groups, and service clubs throughout Lancaster County.

The Lancaster Senior Orchestra will close our 2017-2018 season (as well as its own 2017-2018 season) with this free, public concert—a program of light classics and pops.

## R3 - reFORM, reNEW, reVISION



Many congregations struggle for a sense of purpose and mission and question how to move forward faithfully. Our synod's R3 initiative - reFORM, reNEW, reVISION - aims to help individuals and congregations explore how God is already at work in our mission fields and grow spiritually to bring the good news of Christ to a world that needs it more than ever.

In year 2019 Grace will participate in the synod-sponsored R3 program emphasizing new growth and outreach in our congregation. Our R3 Team has organized a 12-week Sunday School "preview" of R3 background and study materials. Beginning June 3, we will view video segments of Dr. Dave Daubert's presentations to the 2017 Synod Assembly. Following up, we will study Dr. Daubert's book, "The Invitational Christian." Several dozen copies of this short booklet are presently in circulation within our congregation. If you have not encountered it yet call Robert Durand, 717-341-8682. Those who have already finished the book, please share it with anther member!

#### VBS!

Vacation Bible School - June 17-21 6:00 to 8:00p.m. in the Auditorium! For ages 4 through 5th grade



This year we are using An Illustrated Earth from Illustrated Children's Ministries. The theme of the curriculum is nature and creation. We will focus on creation care.

VBS this year will also feature live farm animals.





#### Church Picnic

#### Fellowship, Food and Fun!

What? Fellowship Picnic
When? June 23, 2018
Time: 12:00 noon—??
Who? Grace Family and friends
Where? Long's Park pavilion #2
Why? Fellowship and fun!

A-J Please bring a salad! K-Z Please bring a dessert!

If you would like to help with this event, please call Joyce Loiseau at 898-3882.



#### **Prayer List**

Please Keep in Your Prayers For healing from illness or surgery this week: Lorraine Steele Grace folks who have asked for our continued prayers: Gloria Ashby, Bonnie Beecher, Mary Bitts, John & Dolores Byers, Rose Fasig, Ruth Galebach, George & Judy Hansalik, Carl Hartman, Nancy Hill, Ellen Hines, Krisi Johnson, Barbara Kline, Joyce Loiseau, Tom Miller, Jeremy Morant, Jim Morant, Jim Neumar, Ron Neumar, Joseph Nolt, Mike Ober, Chris Payonk, Myrna Pierson, Bonnie & George Ries, Jean Schaum, Jane Sheckard, Dave Schober, Corey Smith, Jay Smoker, Mike Snyder, Harvey Stewart, Pat Stewart, Emma Stumpf, Peter & Suzanne Verkouw, Carolyn Wenger, Janet Wood

#### **Class of 2018!**



#### Graduation Season is upon us!

If you have a graduate at any level—please contact the office with your students information for the next Grace News!! 397-2748 *Deadline to be included is Friday June 1st.* 

## **Stewardship Snippets**

#### May 27, 2018 (Trinity Sunday, Year B)

Isaiah 6:8 –



Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

Our lives belong to God, and we reach greatest fulfillment when we are accomplishing God's purposes. We are living right when we can respond to God's calling with an enthusiastic, "Here I am; send me!"

# STEWARDSHIP

#### **Summer Musicians!**

## Our choir "season" will end as of May 27th

For the Sundays from June 3 through September 2 we invite singers and instrumentalists to provide music in worship services.



Sign the list at the balcony stairway or email Murray at

email Murray at murrayforeman@gracelutheranchurch.com

#### Volunteers Needed!

Anyone who would like to help with the church's garden areas is WELCOME!

"Occasional Helpers" are most welcome.





You may call Murray or Vicki in the office at 397-2748 to sign up!