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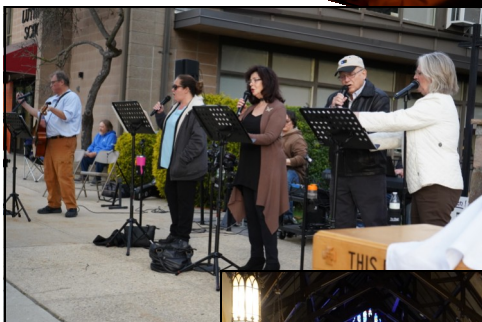
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The Good News

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER AT TRINITY IN PICTURES



He
is
risen
indeed!
Alleluia!



From Our Pastor

Dear Blessed of the Lord,

Christ is risen!! Alleluia!!

What a great season of faith affirmation through our Lent, Holy Week and Easter journey!! Thanking the Lord for your presence, support and our journey together.

May starts out with the National Day of Prayer on May 1! What a great heritage to set aside to pray for our nation and the nations during these times of geo-political chaos. For us, as believers, one thing never changes. God is in control. Let us spend some time in prayer. Come by the church on Thursday, May 1 at 7:00pm for a time of prayer. Let us go to God in prayer.

May 2 is our annual "WINGO," our school fundraiser!! Come for a time of fun, laughter, prizes and support our school.

"May the Fourth" be with you!

As I write this newsletter article, six teenagers, Carmela, Henry, Isabella, Laura, Nina and Paige, from our Trinity family, are preparing to make their confirmation! This is a milestone in their faith journey. They are becoming our newly minted confirmed and communicant members. They are our Trinity's future!! Pray for them and send your best wishes to them

May 11 – Mother's Day – Wishing all the mothers, mothers-to-be, and all mother-like individuals among us a happy Mother's Day! It is a great opportunity to come together for worship as a family and celebrate.

May 17 is the annual High Tea fundraiser sponsored by the Lutheran Women Missionary League at 11:00am. Come and be a part of the fellowship.

May 26, let us remember all those who served our country, who put themselves in the line of duty for the sake of our common walk as a country. Memorial Day is a solemn reminder, our nation's democracy is priceless.

May 29 is the Feast of the Ascension, the 40th day of the resurrection our Lord; when He ascended to heaven. We will celebrate it during worship on the Sunday after Ascension Day.

May this month be filled with God's grace, peace, and joy.

Your Pastor

Johnson Rethinasamy



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40 W. Nicholai Street, Hicksville, NY 11801



Deacon's Bench

REMEMBERING



Because Jesus has died and risen again, we trust that God will also raise those who have died with faith in Christ.

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18



Each May we celebrate Memorial Day, a day to take time to remember the American soldiers who gave their lives for our freedom. Their sacrifice follows Jesus who laid down His life for us for our freedom from sin. There are different versions of how Memorial Day started. One is that three women began the custom of decorating Civil War soldier's graves with flowers in 1864, in Boalsburg, Virginia. They wanted to remember the villagers who had been killed and put flowers on their graves.

We remember those who died in our lives on All Saints Day, their birthdays, holidays and sometimes every day of our lives. We know they are in heaven and we have peace and thank God that we will spend eternity with Him because of His gift of Jesus' death and resurrection.

Please stop in the YSR and see the updated Tree of Life, honoring the memory of Pastor Hopkins, Deacon Peggy Ruhs and Deacon Anthony Cavaliere.

Deacon Lynn Waldeck



Your Deacons

Betsy Lazarek
Donna Haines
Lynn Waldeck

Confirmation 2025



Sunday, May 4 is Confirmation Sunday at Trinity!
The following young people will be confirmed into the Lutheran faith at the 9:00am service:

LAURA DANISON **CARMELA DI MARTINO**
PAIGE HORN **NINA MILANI**
SONIA ISABELLA MONTANEZ
HENRY TERJESEN

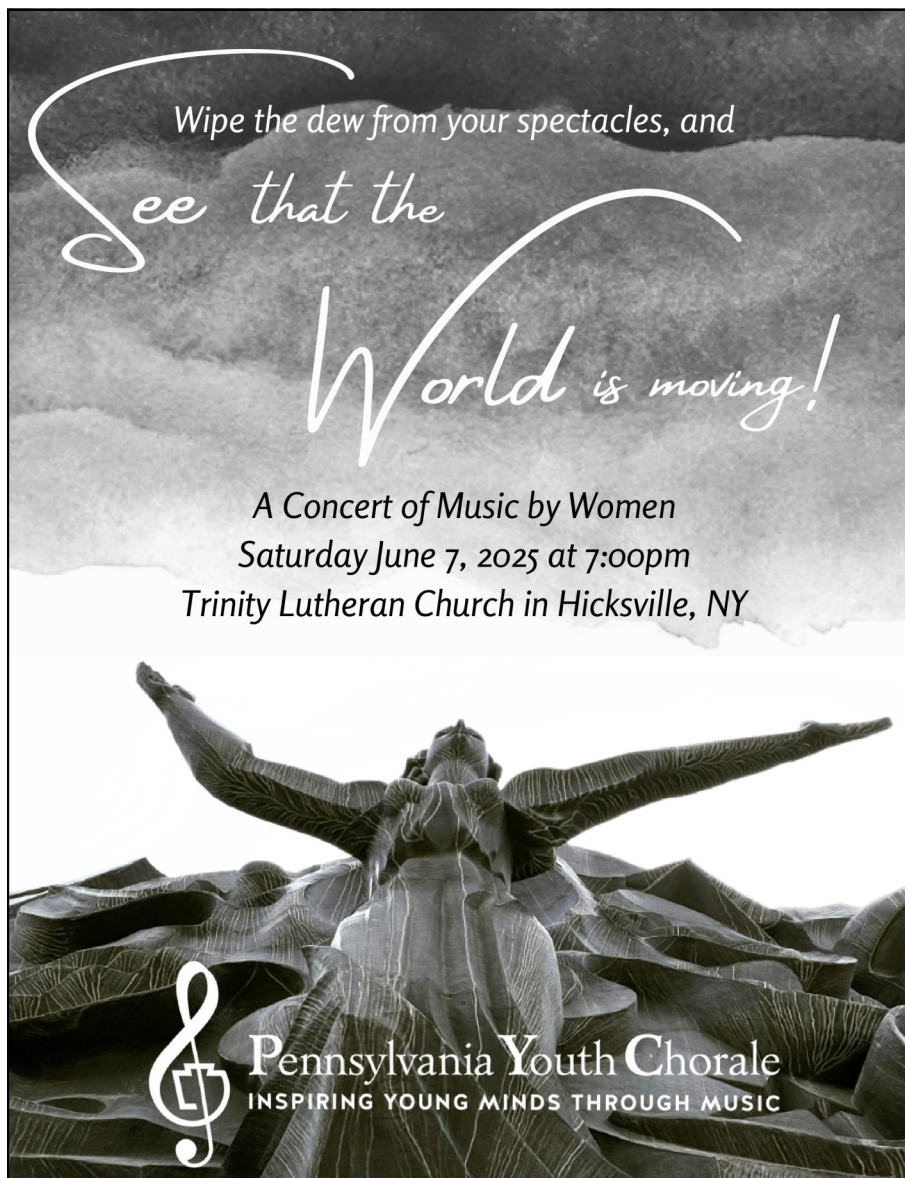
Keep them in your prayers as we celebrate with these young people and their families.

PENNSYLVANIA YOUTH CHORAL CONCERT

Our friends from the Pennsylvania Youth Chorale will once again be visiting to share their musical talents with us. The choir is made up of about 20 children, ages 10-14. They will be presenting a concert here at Trinity on Saturday evening, June 7 at 7:00pm. If you have never been to one of their concerts, they are wonderful and not to be missed! The concerts are generally made up of a large variety of musical styles, always something for everyone. This year their concert is entitled “See that the World is Moving” and will focus on music composed by women composers. Please save the date, the concert is free for all.

The choir will also be participating in the 9:00am worship service here at Trinity on June 8, which is good, because their music is different each day, and you will want to hear them at least twice! Each year the choir comes to us asking for nothing more than a meal on Saturday, and a place to sing, and bring the gift of music to people. Let us come and support them.

Henry DeVries,
Minister of Music



Early Childhood Center Update

EXCITING THINGS AHEAD IN ECC THIS MAY!

As the flowers bloom and the days grow longer, ECC is buzzing with excitement for the month of May! We have a calendar full of special events and joyful moments that we're thrilled to share with our families.

We're kicking off the month with **Special Person's Day**, a heartwarming celebration where each child will welcome a special someone into their classroom. Together, they'll create a memorable art project and cap off the visit with a delightful ice cream party. It's one of our favorite traditions and a wonderful way for our students to share a little piece of ECC with someone they love.


We are also gearing up for one of our most anticipated events of the year — our **Annual End-of-the-Year Picnic** at Theodore Roosevelt Park in Oyster Bay, on May 30! It's always a day filled with sunshine, laughter, and community fun. We look forward to seeing all our families there for a fantastic day of fun together.

Looking ahead, we're also beginning preparations for our **Moving Up Ceremonies** in early June. It's an exciting time as we start to reflect on all the growth and milestones our children have achieved this year. We can't wait to celebrate each one of them and the amazing journey they've had with us.

Blessings,

Mrs. Seleena Seemangal,
Director, Early Childhood Center

TRINITY ECC 2025 UPCOMING EVENTS



Special Person's Day

ONE special guest is invited to join us.

- ECC4 - Monday, May 5th at 9:30am - 11:00am
- ECC3 - Tuesday, May 6th at 9:30am - 11:00am
- ECC5 - Wednesday, May 7 at 9:30am - 11:00am
- ECC1 - Thursday, May 8th at 10:30am - 12:00pm
- ECC2 - Friday, May 9th at 9:30am - 11:00am

Moving Up Ceremony

Up to 6 guests are invited to join us.

- ECC1: Mrs. von Barga & Mrs. Natarajan
Monday, June 9th at 9:00am - 11:00am
- ECC5: Ms. Todisco & Mrs. Maldonado
Tuesday, June 10th at 9:00am - 11:00am
- ECC2: Mrs. Seemangal & Ms. Kelly
Tuesday, June 10th at 10:30am - 12:00pm
- ECC4: Ms. Pepitone & Ms. Pasciuta
Wednesday, June 11th at 9:00am - 10:30am
- ECC3: Mrs. Agosta & Ms. Madden
Wednesday, June 11th at 10:30am - 12:00pm

ECC LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

FRIDAY, JUNE 13th

Trinity Lutheran School News

Dear Trinity Families,

Thank you to everyone who made donations to our annual Wingo fundraiser, which is scheduled for Friday, May 2. All of your help is greatly appreciated. If you have not already done so, please reserve a table and join us for a night of raffles and fellowship.



I would also like to take this opportunity to invite you to our Spring Concert, which will take place on Tuesday, May 13 at 7:00 PM. Our K to grade 5 students will be performing the musical, "Go and Tell" by John Horman. Students in our Elementary Band and Middle School Band will be playing a number of pieces highlighting all that they have learned this year in our instrumental music program. It will be a wonderful night for all. Please come out and support our students.

In His Service,

Jennifer Forte
Principal

CELEBRATE SUMMER 2025





CELEBRATING
175 Years of Ministry
70 Years of Education

Trinity Lutheran's Celebrate Summer offers an affordable program for children in a caring Christian environment.

Six Week Sessions are available for Children age 2 through those entering 3rd grade.

PROGRAM HOURS: 8 AM - 1 PM
*9AM-12PM FOR 2 YEAR PROGRAM



PROGRAM FEE
\$300
PER WEEK

ACTIVITIES:

- ORGANIZED SPORTS
- OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES
- LIVE ANIMAL PROGRAMS
- ARTS AND CRAFTS
- SCIENCE EXPERIMENTS
- WATER PLAY
- ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT
- MUSIC AND MOVEMENT



10% OFF

WHEN REGISTERED
BEFORE APRIL 15TH

For More information:

trinityli.org/celebrate-summer

*A \$100 Non-Refundable Deposit is due upon registration



PLEASE JOIN US FOR
TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL'S
ANNUAL

FUN FOR
THE WHOLE
FAMILY

W I N G O
FUNDRAISER

BINGO GAMES *RAFFLES* *SNACKS AND DRINKS FOR SALE*

FRIDAY
MAY 2

Brand New 50/50 Raffle!

GUARANTEED \$1,000.00

CASH Prize to the family that sells the MOST tickets & the Winning Ticket!

\$20 per ticket or \$100 for 6 tickets

Contact: Laurel.omara@gmail.com to purchase tickets

BUY YOUR TICKETS NOW!

INDIVIDUAL—\$10

TABLE (8) - \$60

**Every ticket gets 2 BINGO
Cards/Marker**

6pm-8pm

BINGO STARTS AT 6:30PM

RAFFLES CLOSE AT 7:30PM

2025 Trinity Lutheran School WINGO Ticket Order:

NAME: _____ STUDENT: _____

of TICKETS: _____ @ \$10.00 Per Person

of TABLES: _____ 8 Tickets @ \$60.00

TOTAL ATTENDING: _____

CASH OR CHECK ONLY

* CHECKS PAYABLE TO : Trinity Lutheran PTFA
(\$10 minimum check amount) *

* PLEASE EMAIL: LAUREL.OMARA@GMAIL.COM WITH ANY QUESTIONS*



Our LWML members voted on charities for distribution of our fundraising monies on April 6. There were nine charities submitted by members and Pastor. A total of 21 ballots were collected and the LWML officers will be processing the data. The amounts donated to these charities will be announced at our last meeting (June 1) for the fiscal year 2024-2025. Thank you to all who participated.

The May 17 High Tea is our final event for the year before we take a summer break. The theme is "Serve the Lord with Gladness." This will be the first time since Covid where we will have this event in person. The cost is \$15 per person. Please check the bulletin for details and signup. Delicious food, raffles, worship, music and great fellowship are on the agenda. We are also having an in-gathering of items for our local Morgan Center in Hicksville. This is the center dedicated to providing help for preschool age children who are undergoing treatment for cancer and have a compromised immune system. They are supported by donations and fundraising with no cost to the families. A partial list of items they are looking for are: large Crayola crayons, Lysol wipes, washable markers (Crayola), glue sticks (large), individually wrapped healthy snacks, hand sanitizer etc. The complete list is on the High Tea insert flyer in the bulletin. We hope to see you there!

The Nassau Zone LWML is having a Baby Shower honoring the Lutheran Social Services Infant and Layette Programs to be held on May 10 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Williston Park. Please see the flyer on our bulletin board for details. They are collecting baby items.

On a final note, we are welcoming Trinity ladies to learn about the LWML! We're inviting you to join us at our final meeting June 1 in the YSR after the 9:00am service to meet our group, know our charitable activities, and how to support those in need. We genuinely hope you will consider joining our monthly meetings starting September.

Blessings,
Faye



Comfort Dog Ministry



Comfort Dogs

May Visit Schedule



05/05/2025 - Central Island
05/05/2025 - Arbors Islandia
05/05/2025 - Arbors - Jericho
05/07/2025 - Island Trees Library
05/08/2025 - LIAD
05/08/2025 - Somerset Gardens
05/13/2025 - Bristol - Westbury
05/14/2025 - Plainedge Library
5/14/2025 - Bristol Garden City
5/15/2025 - Mill Neck School
05/17/2025 - LWML Tea
05/18/2025 - Bristol Massapequa
05/19/2025 - Arbors - Jericho
05/20/2025 - Central Island
05/21/2025 - Day Break
05/22/2025 - LIAD
5/26/2025 - Memorial Day Parade
05/27/2025 - Bristol Westbury





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Jr. Youth

**6TH THROUGH
8TH GRADE**



May - June 2025

Quick Calendar

FUEL Olympics
Friday
May 16th
7-9pm
Youth Room

**END OF YEAR
FUEL**
Friday
June 13th
7-9pm
Youth Room

For questions
regarding FUEL
please email
youth@trinityli.org

Upcoming Events

FUEL OLYMPICS

FUEL Olympics will have a series of Minute-To-Win it style events and activities. We hope you'll join us for this great event!

Cost is \$2

END OF YEAR FUEL

This FUEL will celebrate the upcoming end of School and the coming of summer.

Cost is \$2

FUEL is open to all Trinity Lutheran Church and School Members. Pick up and drop off is at the Youth Room door, located next to the ECC or East Entrance in the Trinity Parking Lot.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

Come Home to Trinity
175₇₀

MAY 2
WINGO
FUNDRAISER FOR TLS

JULY 13
MINISTRY FAIR
TIME & TALENTS FOR TLC

SEPTEMBER 20
PARSONAGE
POTLUCK BLOCK
PARTY

NOV 2
ART TOUR &
HYMNFEST

APRIL 20
EASTER FESTIVAL
CELEBRATION

JUNE 1
CELEBRATION OF
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

AUGUST 23
BLESSING OF THE
BACKPACKS AND BRIEFCASES
HOMECOMING BBQ

OCTOBER 3-5
ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
ALUMNI EVENT, DINNER, WORSHIP

DECEMBER 13
THE JOY OF CHRISTMAS



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Save the Date!

TRUE NORTH
Trusting Jesus in a Wild World

QR Code

This summer, get ready to hit the trails
for the ultimate Alaskan adventure!

What: Trinity Lutheran Church VBS

When: July 28 - August 1, 2025

Time: 9:00AM - 12:00PM

Where: 40 West Nicholai St., Hicksville, NY 11801

Register at: <https://vbspro.events/p/tlcvbs2025>

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Volunteers Needed!

For info, email: vbs@trinityhicksville.org

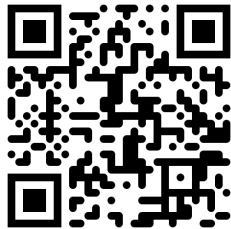
Good to Know Info!

LIVE STREAM and MULTI-CASTED WORSHIP SERVICES

Our live streamed worship services are simultaneously streamed to both YouTube as well as Facebook. Therefore, you can choose to watch the Live Stream on either site. Trinity's channel on YouTube is @TRINITYHICKSVILLE The Direct link to the live stream on Facebook is [FBLive.TrinityHicksville.Org](https://www.facebook.com/FBLive.TrinityHicksville.Org) The Direct link to the live stream on YouTube is [YTLive.TrinityHicksville.Org](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YTLive.TrinityHicksville.Org) We hope this additional platform will accommodate the many assorted devices in use. "Like & Subscribe!"

TRINITY QR CODES QR codes (or Quick Response codes) are two-dimensional codes that you can scan with your smart phone. The code contains information, usually a site address, and once you scan it, the code connects you with a resource on the web. Below are Trinity's two codes, one is for a direct link to our church website and the other code will take you to Trinity's PushPay screen for making your offering or giving a monetary gift. Give them a try!

[Trinity Website:](#)



[Trinity Giving:](#)



SERVICE OF PRAYER AND HEALING Trinity's Service of Prayer and Healing held on the first and third Thursdays of the month has resumed. The next service will be held on Thursday, May 15, beginning at 7:00pm.

BOOTH HELP NEEDED FOR TRINITY'S LIVE STREAMED SERVICES Are you looking for a way to serve at Trinity behind the scenes? Do you enjoy working with technology? This might be right up your alley! We are in need of additional both techs to make sure the live streamed worship services run smoothly. You will be trained, so don't be afraid to get involved. If you are interested and/or have questions, please contact Donna Haines at dhaines@trinityhicksville.org or at ext. 229.

**NewsLetter
DEADLine**

Newsletter submissions and articles for the June 2025 edition of *The Good News* are due to the church office by noon on **Friday, May 23, 2025.**

Thank you!

Worship Schedule

Sundays 9:00am Traditional

Live Streamed on
Facebook and YouTube
In Person

Sundays 11:00am Contemporary

Live Streamed on
Facebook and YouTube
In Person

Sunday School 9:00am

4th Sunday of the Month
South Asian Fellowship

LIFE AT TRINITY IN PICTURES, CONTINUED...



Career Day
2025 @
Trinity

