

**September 3, 2023**



**9:30 AM WORSHIP SERVICE SUNDAY. IN PERSON and ONLINE. LIVE-STREAMED on Facebook:** Bulletin & Facebook Link on our website: <http://www.trinityevanston.org/>  
In addition to our livestream, services are archived and available to access any time on our website: [www.trinityevanston.org/](http://www.trinityevanston.org/)

Our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/TrinityEvanston/>  
**10:30 AM COFFEE HOUR — Join us for refreshments and conversation.**

**NEWS YOU CAN USE . . .**

**A WORD FROM PASTOR BRIAN**—Over the next few months as your interim Pastor, I look forward to getting to know you, to look back and look ahead in this time of transition, and to keep the momentum going as a community of faith with a critical witness in the neighborhood and the wider world. Please feel free to reach out: stop by the church, set up an appointment for coffee or a walk, and introduce yourself after church in an upcoming Sunday. You may also call the church office (847-673-8564) or email me (brian.johnson@trinityevanston.org).

**THANK YOU for your faithful financial support of the ministry we share.** You can share your offerings by mailing them to the church office, or by using your bank's bill-pay system. Go to our website to donate online: <http://www.trinityevanston.org/> using the Vanco online giving platform, scan the QR Code, or paste this link into your browser: [bit.ly/TLCgives22](http://bit.ly/TLCgives22) This QR code will take you to our Vanco online giving platform, where you can direct your giving to General Fund, Mission Possible, or Other.



**OUR MISSION POSSIBLE for September is ELCA World Hunger** — To support this ministry, share your offerings by mailing them to the church office, or by using your bank's bill-pay system. Go to our website to donate online: <http://www.trinityevanston.org/> using Vanco online giving platform where you can direct your giving to Mission Possible. The QR code above will take you to our Vanco online giving platform.

**PLEASE JOIN US!**

**A MUSIC MINISTRY KICKOFF EVENT**

**Friday evening, Sep. 8, 6:45 pm  
in the Trinity Gathering Space.**

Anyone interested in participating in music ministry at Trinity (and their families) is invited to join us for an Open House from 6pm to 8pm. Come learn about Trinity's music ministry and join in fellowship with other musicians--with a Potluck Dinner at 6:45pm--please bring a dish to share (but please join us even if you're unable to bring something)! Spirit Ensemble rehearsal to follow at 8pm.

Sanctuary Choir and Handbell Choirs begin rehearsing on Thursday, Sep. 14 (Handbells at 7pm; Choir at 8pm).

Contact Philip McPeck, Director of Worship & Music: [Philip.mcpeek@trinityevanston.org](mailto:Philip.mcpeek@trinityevanston.org)



*it's happening*  
**September 10th**

We'll celebrate our coming back together after a season of folks coming and going & a potluck

***We'll gather for worship at 9:30am***

***We'll bless our children & Sunday School teachers***

***We'll potluck at 11:00am!***

***Please consider bringing a dish to share for a meal together.***

***You may RSVP for the potluck on our website:***  
[www.trinityevanston.org](http://www.trinityevanston.org)

***We will provide Hot Dogs & Condiments!***

***All are welcome!***

***(Join us even if you're not able to bring something)***

Contact Lauren Busey, Director of Faith Formation: [lauren.busey@trinityevanston.org](mailto:lauren.busey@trinityevanston.org)

## OPPORTUNITIES TO BE A BLESSING . . .

**FOOD DONATIONS for THE LITTLE FREE PANTRY welcome**—located outside Trinity’s front entrance. No glass or perishables. Suggestions: individually wrapped protein bars, peanut butter, mac & cheese, chili, soups, canned tuna, chicken, canned fruit, cereal boxes or instant oatmeal cups (not envelopes), toiletries Always open for anonymous pick-up and drop-off. We hope to be a blessing to those in need who need a little help. **Thanks!** Contact Lauren or the office if you have questions. **If you shop online, orders can be delivered to Trinity** —our office is open Monday—Thursday. Check out this list on Amazon if you’re looking for suggestions: <https://a.co/aZHkhr>

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR LEARNING AND FELLOWSHIP . . .

**COUNCIL MINUTES & TREASURER’S REPORTS** — Printed copies are also available on the See Sign Serve Table in the Gathering Space. Questions or comments, contact the office: [office@trinityevanston.org](mailto:office@trinityevanston.org) / 847-673-8564 or Dick Lee, treasurer.

**2023 STATEMENTS OF CONTRIBUTION for 2nd quarter giving have been sent.** If you did not receive a statement and feel you should have, contact us. [financial.secretary@trinityevanston.org](mailto:financial.secretary@trinityevanston.org) Thank you for your partnership in our ministry. If you need assistance, contact Financial Secretary: [financial.secretary@trinityevanston.org](mailto:financial.secretary@trinityevanston.org)  
Note: Statements are sent via emailed to all who have an email address on file with us. All others are sent by US mail.

**TRINITY WORSHIP ASSISTANTS NEEDED:** Sign up to serve as ASSISTING MINISTER, GREETER, USHER, LECTOR (READER), DEACON (SERVE COMMUNION), or PREPARER (PREPARE COMMUNION) **Go to our signup page and select a date and position that works for you** — Scan this QR code or click this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094EA5AE2AA75-worship1> Questions, contact Sandie Schlauch: [sas1946@comcast.net](mailto:sas1946@comcast.net) Thank you!



### WOMEN’S BOOK CHAT —

You’re invited to join us at 7 pm at Trinity Lutheran Church for our discussion of the following:

**Wednesday, September 20 — POWER AND THE GLORY by Graham Greene (classic)**

For more information, contact Rebecca Mestelle or Thea Halvorson.

To confirm the location of our meeting, contact the Trinity office: [office@trinityevanston.org](mailto:office@trinityevanston.org)

All are welcome!

### HABITAT FOR HUMANITY in LAKE COUNTY

Frank Ziegler, coordinator of Habitat for St. Joan of Arc/SJN, invites friends from Trinity and St. John’s Lutheran to join a work crew to help with construction projects in Waukegan.

A note from Frank:

**Our final work day for 2023 is Saturday, Sept. 16.**

We are limited to ten volunteers per crew. Our SJA/SJN team hopes to be joined again by friends from Trinity Lutheran and St. John’s Lutheran. Our Habitat crews have collectively contributed thousands of hours there in the last 10+ years to help create homes for needy families. Painting, siding, dry wall, insulating, landscaping, footings, framing, etc. We never know what work we will be doing until we arrive on site. I can assure you that it will be a worthwhile experience, and you will help a deserving family become homeowners. If you think a day of your time working on a Habitat project won’t make a difference, think again. There are thousands of families living in Habitat homes thanks to volunteers like you. Let me know asap if one of these dates works for you. —Frank Ziegler (Contact [office@trinityevanston.org](mailto:office@trinityevanston.org) for email

WE ARE  
**HIRING**  
NURSERY ATTENDANT

**WE ARE HIRING—We are in search of a new NURSERY staff person.** This person must be at least 16 years old, and ideally 18. The position is during the Sunday morning worship service 9:15-10:45 each Sunday, with opportunity for additional hours occasionally. Our best candidates have been folks that YOU have referred. If you have someone in mind who could be a great asset to our nursery - please let me know or ask them to contact me directly. For more information, please go to our website: <https://www.trinityevanston.org/news/we-are-hiring>  
If you have questions, contact Lauren Busey: [lauren.busey@trinityevanston.org](mailto:lauren.busey@trinityevanston.org) / 847-673-8564

### LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE A THRIVENT POLICY HOLDER—

**IF YOU ARE A THRIVENT POLICY HOLDER, you may qualify for one or more Thrivent Action Grants — up to \$250 each.** Make a difference at Trinity or in your community! Simply gather a team of friends, family or neighbors to put on a fundraiser, educational event or service activity. We’ll provide the resources you need to get started – including up to \$250 in seed money. Then you and your team can get busy bringing your project to life. <https://www.thrivent.com/about-us/membership/thrivent-action-teams>

IDEAS include support for a soup kitchen, Dinner Church, other Trinity fellowship or outreach events. Talk to Lauren or Paula for ideas.

## TRINITY OFFICE & STAFF INFORMATION

**Trinity office is open Monday—Thursday.**  
**Closed Friday (open by appointment only)**  
**Contact us to confirm the staff member you wish to meet is in the office.**  
**For a quick response, email is best:** Church office: 847-673-8564

Brian Johnson, Interim Pastor                    [brian.johnson@trinityevanston.org](mailto:brian.johnson@trinityevanston.org)  
Philip McPeek, Director of Worship & Music:   [philip.mcpeek@trinityevanston.org](mailto:philip.mcpeek@trinityevanston.org)  
Lauren Busey, Faith Formation:                [Lauren.Busey@trinityevanston.org](mailto:Lauren.Busey@trinityevanston.org)  
Paula Selvig, Office Administrator:           [office@trinityevanston.org](mailto:office@trinityevanston.org)

If you have a **pastoral emergency, text Pastor Brian at 507-469-9961**

To arrange a visit with a member of our staff, contact the office before your visit. Thank you!

**ALTAR FLOWERS** — Contact the office if you’ like to sponsor altar flowers, or sign up for a date on the flower chart in the Narthex. The cost of flowers is \$40 per Sunday. Your dedication will be printed in the bulletin. Flowers may be picked up after the service. Contact the office at 847-673-8564 / paula.selvig@trinityevanston.org Thank you.

### TRINITY PRAYER LIST:

Contact the office if you desire to add someone to our prayer list.  
Please contact the office and let us know if changes should be made. [office@trinityevanston.org](mailto:office@trinityevanston.org)

<p><b>MEMBERS:</b>  Joan Borgeson  Marilyn Crow  Robert Gertenrich  Geof Hiltwein  Signe Kilen  Judi McKiernan  Bill Olson (rehab at home)  Hortense Plummer  Bill Sachse  Donna Schroeder  Charlie Swartzfager  Arlene Sigle  Gail Slamar  LaVerne Stamer  Lorna Van Houten (in need of healing prior to surgery)  Chris Viau  Dave Yandell</p> <p><b>FAMILY &amp; FRIENDS:</b>  Whitman Brisky (Valerie Braun’s dad, multiple myeloma; will need a bone marrow transplant this summer)  Peter Burke (brother of Peg Lee)  Rick Corona (brother of Joe Corona, recovery from fall)  Eleanor Ehresman (friend of Carol Wilson, battling leukemia)</p>	<p>Katie Grassmann (colleague of Charlie Slamar) injuries from riding accident.  Sanah Khan (friend of Cathi White, recovery from reconstruction surgery)  Robert Lins (friend of Laurel Lovestrom, cancer surgery)  Raoul Maniquis (neighbor of Cathi White, hospitalized —motorcycle crash)  Keaton McCormick (Arlene Sigle’s sister’s grandson, complicated medical issues)  Mindy (request of Peg Lee, brain tumor)  Vickie Nowakowski (Carole Rivera’s sister-in-law, recovering)  Ryan (Lorna Van Houten’s son, healing)  Sherri (friend of Gina Musielski, healing from medical challenges)  Dave Skvarla (friend of Sandie Schlauch, recovering from open heart surgery)  Debbie Stahr (sister-in-law of Julie McWilliams)  Tim Stahr (brother of Julie McWilliams, bad motorcycle accident)  Ruth Straseske (friend of Carol Wilson, continued recovery from ovarian cancer)  Steve and Dawn Taskay  Linda T (friend of Sandie Schlauch, recovering from a fall)  Tito Urian (friend of Phos Rivera, recovering ALS)  Jennifer McWilliams (niece of Gary McWilliams, treatment for breast cancer)  Tim McWilliams (nephew of Gary McWilliams, recovering from a stroke)  Theresa Wilson (cousin of Carol Wilson, facing lupus and cancer diagnosis)  Sharon Yandell (mother of Dave Yandell)</p> <p><b>SYMPATHY:</b>  Joyce Oakes and her family on the death of her father, Phillip Oakes.</p>
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## CHURCH COUNCIL & OFFICERS 2023

<b>Executive Board:</b>	<b>Council Members:</b>	
Charlie Slamar, President	Valerie Braun	Gina Musielski
Steve Meyer, Vice President	Abigail Holcomb	Rob Payne
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## A MESSAGE FROM FAITH IN ACTION

September 2023 marks the Tenth Anniversary of the ELCA's service ministry called GOD'S WORK OUR HANDS.

There will be several opportunities for Trinity members to be of service to others and to our own community to mark this anniversary in the coming weeks.

- ◆ VOLUNTEER for the Soup Kitchen on September 17 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church at 12 noon (Contact lauren.busey@trinityevanston.org)
- ◆ OCTOBER Mission Possible will be supporting Connections for the Homeless: we will be collecting clothing donations for their unhoused clientele - and we will have more details of what donations will be most helpful prior to October.
- ◆ CLEANING teams for the Church and Parsonage. We are working with the Property Committee to identify the key priorities for how we can be helpful in doing some targeted maintenance and sprucing up above and beyond the normal cleaning service. Again, more details and opportunities to help will be forthcoming.
- ◆ INVITING friends to join us for a service at Trinity!

**STAY TUNED FOR MORE WAYS THAT YOU CAN BE OF SERVICE!**

**Ingrid Stafford**

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**God's work.  
Our hands.**



*Free program that may benefit people with hearing loss:*



**North Shore Senior Center and**

**Hearing Loss Association of America present:**

**BEYOND HEARING AIDS: ADVICE TO MAKE YOUR EARS SMILE!**

**Monday, September 11, 2023**

**10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

**All are welcome as audiologist, Dr.**

**Juliette Sterkens, a national speaker and award-winning audiologist, will explain the difficulty of understanding speech even while using hearing aids. Become an informed consumer and learn about best practices, what's new in hearing technology, how it can help users hear their best and how to find hearing loops using Google Maps.**

**Join us in the Cohn Auditorium, which has a hearing loop. Live captions will be provided.**

**This free program is presented by the North Shore Senior**

**Center and the Chicago North Shore Chapter of the Hearing Loss Association of America (HLAA).**

**Register for this hybrid program on nssc.org or**

**Email LifeLongLearning@nssc.org or call 847.784.6030**

**For Zoom link or more information, email**

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