

FLAG
DAY



EV'RY HEART
BEATS TRUE

'Neath the Red, White & Blue

JUNE
14

PENTECOST



JUNE 8, 2025

June 15

Blessings
on
Father's
day

NUMBERS 6:24



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hello,

Summer

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Pastoral Letter for June

Dear People of First Trinity Lutheran Church,

This will be my last pastoral letter for TELCO, my final epistle for a church newsletter before my retirement. My first thought was to reminisce about the places I have served and the people I have known over the course of my ministry. But I have been doing that in my own mind for months now and a journey like that down “Memory Lane” would probably be boring for everyone except me. A better use of the paper and toner, and screen and pixels, would be to state succinctly what I have been trying to preach and teach these past 36 years. (It is a little longer than my usual letter – so much to say, so little time). I believe:

- The Holy Scriptures, both the Old and New Testaments, are the Word of God: inspired, authoritative, and inerrant, and are our rule and norm for all doctrine.
- Our God is The Holy Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (Ghost).
- God created all there is out of nothing by His Word.
- Sin, both Original Sin and our transgressions of God’s law, separate us from God, the earth, and one another, and condemn us to eternal death.
- Jesus Christ’s atoning death on the cross reconciles us to God by The Son of God taking the guilt and penalty of our sin upon himself on the cross and dying in our place so that we might be saved and have eternal life.
- We are justified by grace through faith and not works of the law.
- Jesus Christ is both wholly God and wholly man.
- Jesus was born of the Virgin Mary, really died and was buried, physically rose from the dead, bodily ascended into heaven, and will come again on the Last Day as Judge and Savior.
- Holy Baptism, for the children of Christian parents and adults who come to faith, makes us members of the body of Christ and gives us the gift of the Holy Spirit.
- Holy Communion is the true body and true blood of Christ given and shed for us for the forgiveness of our sins.

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- The church is the community of believers that gather around the Word and the sacraments.
- Regular hearing of the Word and reception of the Lord's Supper is essential for faithful Christian living.
- The Creeds and Lutheran Confessions are faithful and accurate distillations and expositions of the Holy Scripture and doctrines derived from them.
- The traditional Western Rite, with allowances for appropriate local customs, is time-tested and the best vehicle for the promulgation of the Gospel.
- While no church, denomination, or sect is perfect, the beliefs, teaching, and practices of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod come closest to the expression of Christian fellowship as found in the New Testament.
- The Good News of Jesus Christ is for people of all races, languages, and social statuses. God loves everyone and wills that all people be saved.
- We should strive to be good citizens and obey God-given authority, but when God's law and man's law conflict, we must follow God, not man.

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Praise and thanks be to God.

Pastor Ash



Genesis 28:15 I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go, and I will bring you back to this land. I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you."

Pentecost Word Search

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JERUSALEM

HOLY-SPIRIT

FIRE

WIND

TOGETHER

BELIEVERS

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BAPTISED

LANGUAGE

GOSPEL



Our Graduates



Alan J. Shortz, Jr. (A.J.) graduated from Houghton University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Bible and Theology. A.J. is hoping to pursue an advanced degree in Theology. Congratulations A.J. !

Loralai M. Crawford graduated from the University of Rochester with a Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Engineering with a concentration in Mechanical Engineering and Pre-medicine. She also earned an advanced certificate in "Preaching Christianity" through the University's Take Five Program, graduating with Distinction. Congratulations Loralai!



Aaron K. Jacob graduated from Houghton University's Greatbatch School of Music with a Bachelor of Music degree. Aaron is currently serving as our Music Director and is hoping to find employment in the education field.

Congratulations Aaron!



Elders Note

“A Call to Persevere”

“Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another- and all the more as you see the day approaching.”

-Hebrews 10:25

“May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus, so that with one heart and mouth you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

-Romans 15:5-6

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Back Row: Melanie Ash, Pastor Ash, Paul Vossler, Pastor Tom Lutz, Stephen Vossler, Peter Carlin
Front Row: Jacob, Carole Aldrich, Deb Vossler, Bonnie Collins, Katrina Savitcheff, Alice Stevens, Kristin Ives

THANK YOU ALL AND GOD BLESS!

To all church members all that signed a “Get Well” card and mailed it to me, I thank you all very much, it really means a lot. I can't wait to get back, I am itching to get back at it. I miss the church and everyone. Thank you all again.

God Bless,
Mrs. Tracy
XOXOXO

CELEBRATIONS

June

Birthdays

- 1 Violet Vossler
- 4 Kristin Fahs
- 5 Mary Monroe
- 6 Melanie Ash
- 10 Dave Pinney
- 18 Lauren Lynch
- 19 Tim Hand
- 26 June Helmer
- 28 Andrea Vossler
- 29 Haleigh Golish
- 29 Paul Mariotti

Anniversaries

- 5 Donald and Christie Baker
- 6 Debbie and Larry Gerdes
- 12 Don and Ruth Richmond
- 13 Scott and Kelly Vossler
- 18 Barry and Linda Gridley
- 23 Andy and Kristen Crawford
- 27 Albert and Virginia Vossler
- 29 Pete and Cathy Farwell

Happy

Flag

Day!

Flag Day is observed on June 14th each year. It was established in 1916 by President Woodrow Wilson.

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A Brief History of Flag Day

Flag Day commemorates the adoption of the flag of the United States which occurred on June 14, 1777, by the Flag Resolution adopted by the Second Continental Congress. The Resolution read "the flag of the United States be made of thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new Constellation."

More than 130 years later, President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed June 14, 1916, as Flag Day. As did President Calvin Coolidge in 1927. It was officially declared a national holiday in 1949 when it was passed by Congress and signed into law by President Harry Truman. Although it is not a federal holiday, Flag Day is celebrated annually across the country.

It also marks the birthday of the U.S. Army which Congress authorized as "the American Continental Army" on June 14, 1775.

The Meaning Behind the Flag

The stripes represent the original 13 Colonies and the stars represent the 50 states of the Union. The colors of the flag are symbolic as well.



Red symbolizes
hardiness and valor.
Old Glory Red | PANTONE 193 C



White symbolizes purity
and innocence.
White | PANTONE White

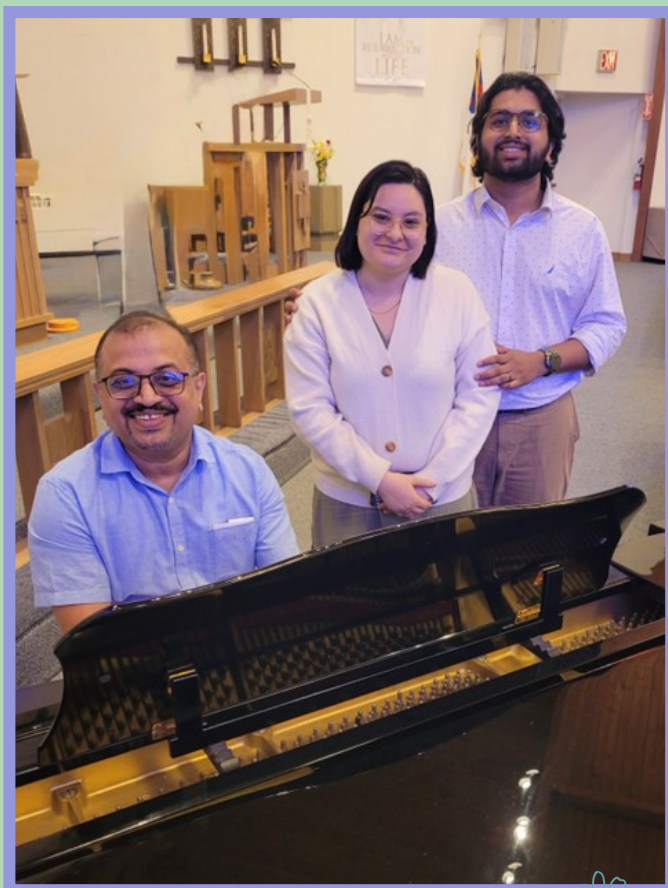


Blue symbolizes vigilance,
perseverance, and
justice.
Old Glory Blue | PANTONE 282 C



It was sure
nice to
see you!

Our Church Family's Ice Cream Social
celebrating the coming birth of Matt and
Mary Bluhm's son, due July 3!



Aaron Jacob, his wife Jasmine,
and his father Jacob, who is
visiting from India joined us
for church on Sunday, May 11.

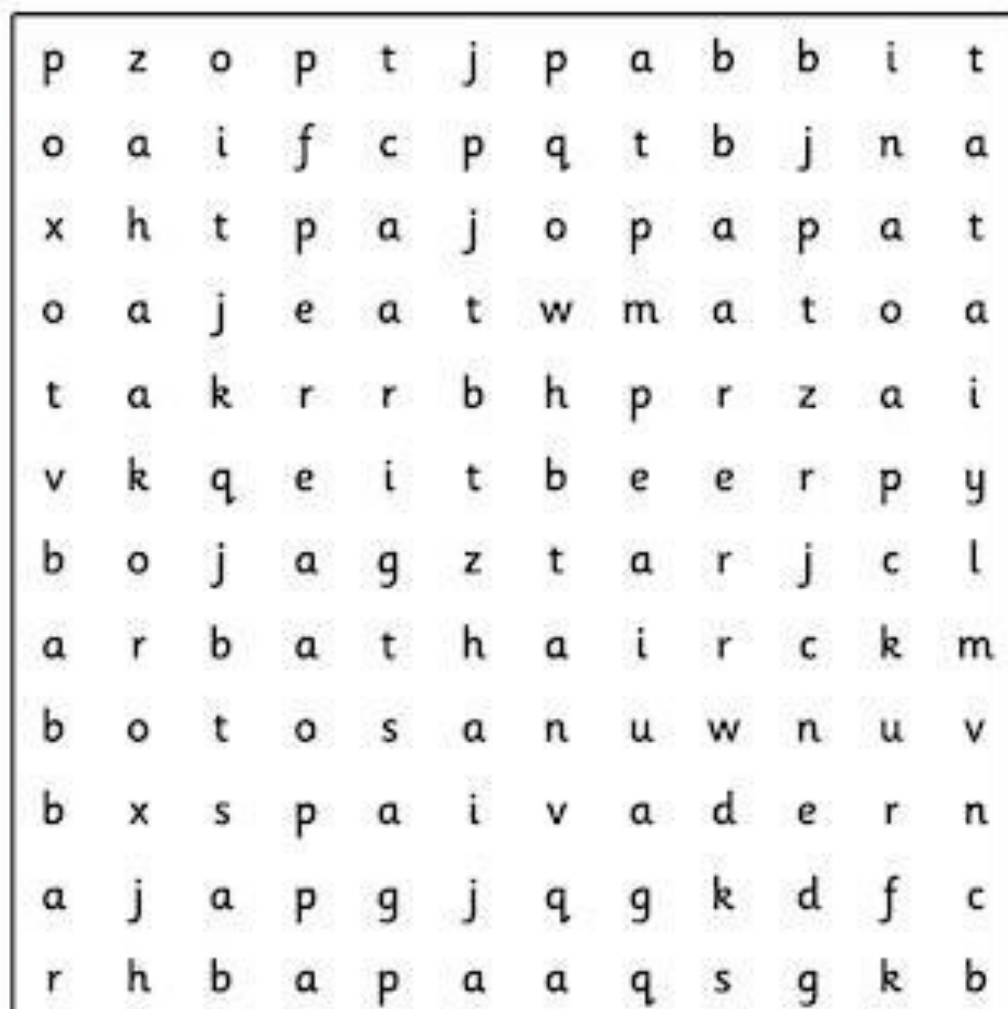
Thank you
for
visiting!



Father's Day Wordsearch



Can you find the word for Father in all these different languages?



Abba (Hebrew)

Athair (Irish)

Babba (Arabic)

Bapa (Malay)

Father (English)

Haakoro (Maori)

Otosan (Japanese)

Pabbi (Icelandic)

Pai (Portuguese)

Papa (Russian)

Pater (Latin)

Pere (French)

Tata (Polish)

Tatay (Filipino)

Vader (Dutch)



Congratulations on your retirement. May God bless you with a life filled with boundless love and happiness. You've inspired each one of us. Now enjoy your well-deserved period of complete relaxation.

we will miss you

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