

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost



We are:

- A Community of Faith
- Sent by God
- To Pursue God's hopes and dreams
- For DC and the World

"And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church." Upon Peter's confession Jesus promises to build up the church. This week think of the "rocks" of your faith. Who are the people in your life who have helped you come to know Jesus as your Lord and Savior. How would you fill in this blank. "[Name], and upon this rock my faith has been built." This week let us remember those who helped nurture our faith and thank God for them.



First Trinity & St. Matthew's Lutheran Church Weekly Mission and Ministry Opportunities August 24, 2014

To Our Visitors and Guests

Welcome! Please fill out one of the visitor cards found in the pews and add a prayer request if you wish so that we can pray with you this week. If you are looking for a church home, we hope you will consider First Trinity and St. Matthew's. Any of the pastors would be happy to discuss this with you further. Please join us after the service in the parlor, adjoining the sanctuary, for snacks and refreshments.

Kent Forde Shares Experience from Mexico-American Border

Since October 2013, approximately 60,000 children from Central America have crossed borders to arrive in the United States. This mass migration of children has garnered international media attention, and with it, a lot of contradictory information. So what is actually happening with this crisis at the border? Recently, Kent Forde spent three weeks at the Arizona-Mexico border with the Department of Health and Human Services. Come hear about his experience TODAY after the service in the Sanctuary.

Young Adults: Theology on Tap

The Inaugural First Trinity Theology on Tap will be on September 3 at 6:30 p.m. at the Capitol City Brewing Company (1100 New York Ave. NW, Washington, DC). Please RSVP to Megan Kirkpatrick at mekirkpat@gmail.com by Aug. 27 (so she can make an accurate reservation). This first gathering will offer a chance for the group to shape this on-going spiritual series for FT's Young Adults...over a cold brew, of course.

"God's Work. Our Hands." Sunday

On Sunday, September 7 we will again be participating in the "God's Work. Our Hands." day of service with thousands of other ELCA congregations. There will be a shortened worship service and then we will be dividing into teams to do several projects. The projects will include bagging for the food pantry, quilting, extracting honey from the our hive, cleaning a city park, and making greeting cards for military service men and women. Please plan to join us!

Wise Women Retreat

September 12-13

This fall we will have an all FT-St M's Women's Retreat at Bon Secours Retreat and Conference Center on Friday, Sept 12-Saturday Sept 13. Our theme for the retreat is *Gratitude* and we will be discussing the book *One Thousand Gifts: A Dare to Live Fully Right Where You Are* by Ann Voskamp. Overnight accommodations include a private room with bath, Friday dinner (for arrivals before 6:30), Saturday breakfast, lunch and meeting space for a cost of \$151.00. Saturday only registration is \$46.00. Limited scholarship is available. Registration will close TODAY. Make checks payable to Wise Women of First Trinity Lutheran Church and give to Pastor Wendy or Bonnie Priebe.

Next Sunday, August 31: Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Readings: Jeremiah 15:15-21; Psalm 26:1-8; Romans 12:9-21; Matthew 16:21-28