OUR STORIES

An Impactful Community from Mitch Reaves



An inspiring story from our parish to fill your day with joy.

Generosity Stories

We are delighted to share that our Stewardship Team is working with a program hosted by the Lutheran synod called Stewardship for All Seasons. As a part of this program, our overall goal for our congregation is to build a culture of generosity. We have so many wonderful stories of generosity right here in our own community, and we will be sharing those with you on a more consistent basis. Be on the lookout for "Our Stories" in your email, in our Weekly Announcements, on our website, and on our Facebook page. We are grateful for those who are sharing their stories to help get this important ministry started.

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I moved to the lake eighteen years ago after a divorce and took a five-year break from formal church. Gradually, I started the process of finding a church home. I wanted to find a church that was warm where I could build meaningful relationships and worship.

My initial connection to Trinity was a result of participating in a Sunday School class. I found the people of this class to be very diverse in their backgrounds, in their spiritual journeys and in how they made connections with God. The time we spent together was welcoming, supportive and respectful of each other's faith journeys.

I had knee replacement surgery eight years ago. I lost my second wife to addiction and was single with a small local support base. I was surprised at the outreach from Trinity offering to help in many ways as I recovered. This experience encouraged me to make Trinity a bigger and more impactful part of my life.

I remember attending a small rural Methodist church with my parents and grandparents as a child where they modeled generosity and faith for me. I remember the sense of pride and accomplishment I felt when I got to drop a few coins into the offering plate each week.

I support Trinity with my financial gifts, time, and talents because I see how impactful Trinity is in the SML community and beyond. I have witnessed and experienced the impact of our pastoral team in the care and feeding of our lives.

I am proud of how we are recovering from the pandemic. I can feel the renewed energy in worship and in working on various teams and ministries. My hope is that we will support and expand the work of Trinity with our time, talents, prayers, and financial gifts from God.

-Mitch Reaves