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12^H SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 2009

WELCOME

A special welcome to our guests worshipping with us this morning. We are glad you are here and pray that Jesus will touch your heart in some special way for being here. Please fill out a visitor's card that you will find on the pad in your pew and place it in the offering plate during the service or hand it to one of the ushers, so we can thank you for joining us this week. If we can be of service to you, please let us know.

OFFERINGS AND TITHES

Offerings are our special gifts given to the Lord on special days or occasions or whenever we are moved to do so, for any reason. *Tithes* are those monetary gifts we return to the Lord on a regular basis as first fruits because He asks us to do so, and to meet our spiritual need to give back to the One who has first given to us. If you are a visitor today, feel free to give an offering to the Lord, but do not feel you need to do so. The members of Trinity support the work of the Lord here by giving back to the Lord a portion of what He gives us. We pray that the Lord will continue to lead you to give your offerings and tithes to your home congregation.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

In order to be able to prepare for worship, we ask that everyone in the church nave would quietly find his or her seat a few minutes before the service is to begin. You might take this time to reflect on the blessings you will be receiving and pray this short prayer before the service begins.

Heavenly Father, we thank You for coming to us in the person of Your Son Jesus Christ, to save us from our sins. Enable us gracious Father, by the indwelling power of Your Holy Spirit, to keep our focus firmly on Jesus so that He will be the center of our lives and faith always—even unto everlasting life. In the name of Jesus. Amen!

PRAYER REQUESTS

Everyone who has a special prayer request is invited to give those requests to Pastor Moeller. If you don't have a chance to do so before the service, write it down on one of the pads from the front of your pew and hand it to one of the ushers with the offering. Pastor will include those requests in our prayers for the day and/or the prayer chain.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

In order to prepare for next week's worship service you may study the assigned readings for 13th Sunday after Pentecost, Sunday, August 30, 2009:

First Lesson: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

Second Lesson: Ephesians 6:10-20

Gospel: Mark 7:14-23

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

SUNDAY ~ Private Confession & Absolution ~ 8:30 am
Worship w/communion ~ 9:30 am
Summer Sunday School & Adult Bible Study ~ 10:45 am

MONDAY ~ Men's Bible study ~ 6:00 am
TLC Chapel ~ 9:30 am

TUESDAY ~ Lutherans Confessions reading group ~ 7:00 pm

WEDNESDAY ~ Lifelight Bible study ~ 9:30 am
Worship service ~ 7:30 pm

THURSDAY ~ TLC Bible study ~ 1:30 pm

COMING EVENTS

Sun., Aug. 30th ~ Worship ~ 9:30 am
Summer Sunday School & Adult Bible Study ~ 10:45 am

Wed., Sept. 9th ~ Confirmation meeting with parents ~ 6:30 pm

Thurs., Sept. 17th ~ Circuit Pastors meeting at Trinity, Hartford ~ 9:30 am

Fri., Sept. 18th ~ Circuit K Forum at St. Paul, Freeman ~ 7:30 pm

Mon., Oct. 12th ~ Church Council meeting

Sun., Oct. 25th ~ Quarterly Voters meeting ~ 1:00 pm

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 2009

Cleaners: George & Donna Vogt, Jean Gregersen, Amber Connolly, Melvin Matthies

Greeters: Jean Gregersen

Head Usher: Emily & Eric Krizan

Head Elder: Joe Krizan

Acolyte: Tyler Rueter

NEXT WEEK: SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 2009

Cleaners: Joe & Mary Krizan, Candace Nelson, Marilyn Matthies, Harvey & LaRaye Rehfeldt

Greeters: Harvey & LaRaye Rehfeldt

Head Usher: Emily & Eric Krizan

Head Elder: Joe Krizan

Acolyte: Jholayne Halverson

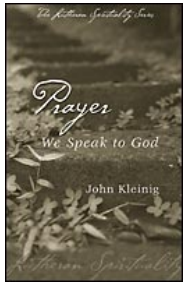
WORSHIP SERVICE: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2009

Worship Attendance: 4 **Communion:** 2

WORSHIP SERVICE: SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2009

Worship Attendance:	74	Adult Bible study:	15
Current offering:	\$ 1,700.94	Loose offering:	\$ 83.00
Building fund:	380.00	Missions:	80.00

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: PRAYER: WE SPEAK TO GOD



Spirituality is a common term today, but what does it mean? To find the right answer, *Lutheran Spirituality* directs adult Bible study participants to God's Word. *Lutheran Spirituality* explores the Bible, Luther's *Small Catechism*, and the Lutheran hymnal as integral resources for living out our faith in a spiritually confused—and sometimes confusing—world. In His Word, the Lord teaches His believers to pray. It is through prayer, and His grace, that we can approach His throne with our praise, confessions, fears...everything!

This study, written by Dr. John Kleinig, encourages participants to rejoice in prayer as a great privilege, to follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit as they pray, to approach God the Father in prayer with faith in Jesus as their Intercessor, to join with the congregation in praying for the world, and so much more.

Sessions include:

- Our Secret Vocation
- The Intercession of Jesus
- The Gift of Prayer
- Praying with Jesus
- Complaining
- Congregational Prayer

All men of the congregation are invited to join us each Monday at 6:00 a.m. for breakfast and studying this fascinating topic.

MAIN STREET LIVING

Main Street Living's mission is to produce a quality Christian program, designed to bring the message of Jesus Christ to the homebound individuals of South Dakota and the adjacent states. Main Street Living is supported entirely by the churches of the area and its viewers. Please continue to remember this mission in your prayers and in your giving.

Main Street Living may be seen Sundays on KDLT-NBC. *Kid's Crossing* airs at 10:00 a.m. and the worship service at 10:30 a.m. You may also watch this program at www.mainstreetliving.com and clicking on the "Watch Online" section.

August 30th ~ *Kid's Crossing* looks at Jesus walking on the water as a lesson on trust.

The featured speaker is Rev. David Knefelkamp from First English Lutheran Church in Aurora, SD and Zion Lutheran Church in White, SD. The sermon theme is "Armor of God."

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY



Life-long commitment. Man and woman. Children. Society. So many opinions. What do *you* believe?

As Lutherans interact with other Christians, they often struggle to explain their beliefs and practices. Although many Lutherans have learned the "what" of Lutheran doctrines, they do not always have a full scriptural foundation to share the "why." When confronted with different doctrines, some cannot clearly state their faith. Based on God's Word, as faithfully reflected in the Lutheran Confessions, this study will help you to state clearly what you believe.

Chapters include:

- Foundation in Creation
- Unique and Distinct
- Biblical Intimacy
- Exercising Faith and Love
- More Than Romance
- Leaving a Legacy

This study includes a glossary of terms, comparison sections showing the beliefs of various denominations and church bodies, a practice quiz for distinguishing Law and Gospel, and an appendix of orthodox Lutheran teaching. In addition, we will be including a timely discussion on "same-sex marriage."

All high school students and adults are invited to join us each Sunday at 10:45 a.m.

GROWING IN WORSHIP CHILDREN'S BULLETINS



Trinity Learning Center is providing a children's bulletin called *Growing in Worship*. Children and their parents will find this to be a wonderful resource for understanding the depth and wonder of God's Word as it is presented in each worship service. Please feel free to take one from the greeter stand.

CONFIRMATION PICTURES

We would like to have pictures of all the confirmands and the pastor who confirmed them during the last 128 years. We will put them in the picture book cabinet and will update it every year. If you have pictures, please bring them to Kathy Totton or Donna Vogt. If you would like them returned, we will make copies and give them back to you.

Divine Service

Hymn of Invocation.....#536
 "Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun"
 The Order of Holy Communion.....p. 15-16
 The Introit.....

P: Oh, that salvation for Israel would come out of Zion!
C: When the Lord restores the fortunes of his people, let Jacob rejoice, let Israel be glad.
 P: The fool says in his heart,
C: "There is no God."
 P: They are corrupt, they do abominable deeds,
C: there is none who does good.
 P: The Lord looks down from heaven on the children of man,
C: to see if there are any who understand, who seek after God.
 P: They have all turned aside; together they have become corrupt;
C: there is none who does good, not even one.
 P: Have they no knowledge,
C: all the evildoers who eat up my people as they eat bread and do not call upon the Lord?
 P: There they are in great terror,
C: for God is with the generation of the righteous.
 P: You would shame the plans of the poor,
C: but the Lord is his refuge.
 P: Oh, that salvation for Israel would come out of Zion!
C: When the Lord restores the fortunes of his people, let Jacob rejoice, let Israel be glad.

Gloria Patri, Kyrie, Gloria in Excelsis..p.16-19
 The Readings Back of bulletin
 The Nicene Creed p.22
 The Sermon Hymn #72
 "Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers"
 Sermon.....
 The Offering.....
 Prayers.....
 The Service of Communionp. 24-30
 Visitors: Please refer to the insert entitled
 "The Confession Declared at Communion"
 The Distribution Hymns.....
 #383 "Seek Where Ye May to Find a Way"
 #288 "Lord, Help Us Ever to Retain"
 The Collect, Benediction..... p. 31
 The Closing Hymn#261
 "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Thy Word"

HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER OF TRINITY LUTHERAN

We extend the Sacrament of Baptism to all who have not been baptized—infants, children, youth, and adults. We invite those adults who are looking for a church home to come to one of our New Member Orientation classes. A new class will begin soon. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Pastor Moeller as soon as possible.

Upon completion of this class you may join Trinity Lutheran Church in one of the following ways:

- The Rite of Confirmation for those who have never been confirmed in the Lutheran Church.
- A Letter of Transfer is gladly accepted if you wish to transfer your membership from another Lutheran congregation.
- Reaffirmation of faith is for those who have been confirmed in a Lutheran church but have not been active in their former church.

FIT FOR LIFE



Why is the world so messed up? Why does God let bad things happen to good people? If we all use the same Bible why are there so many different denominations? Does God still speak to us today? Is His Word reliable?

Is it relevant for today?

If these are questions that you have asked, please plan to attend “Fit For Life in Christ,” an exciting course in Christian growth that presents the Word of God in new and meaningful ways. It is a course for those who are interested in membership in our church, or for anyone who wants to know more about our Savior Jesus Christ.

We are beginning a new class soon. If you are interested in participating, please speak with Pastor Moeller.

LIFE QUOTES FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

“‘Life wins!’ This message speaks powerfully of ‘good and help’ to those experiencing the suffering of devastating disease or severe disability. It points to a God who knows about suffering. It points to a God who gives meaning and purpose to every life in every circumstance and says, ‘I know the plans I have for you’ (Jeremiah 29:11a).” *Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, executive director of Lutherans For Life* **This “Life Quote” is from Lutherans For Life – www.lutheransforlife.org.**

CLEANING LIST UPDATED

Thank you to everyone who has been cleaning the church. If you have not been included and would like to help please contact the church office. If circumstances have changed (such as health or work schedule) and you are not able to help, please contact the church office. When it is your turn to clean, please speak with the other families on to determine who will do what area. You may find the list of cleaning duties on the bulletin boards in the nave and fellowship hall.

Some have expressed an interest in hiring someone to clean when it is their turn. Tammie Eggebraaten is available. You can call her at 528-6628. If anyone else would be interested in cleaning, please contact the church office so we can add your name to the list.

LIFELIGHT BIBLE STUDY ON ACTS

St. Luke, in his introduction to the Book of Acts writes: “In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus **began** to do and to teach until the day that He was taken up to heaven.” This sets the stage for Luke’s second book, Acts, which details how Jesus was with His church as they continued to share His Gospel with the world.

The Book of Acts records the events that testify to the power of the Holy Spirit working in and through the church to gather, equip, and enliven its members so that all people might receive God’s gift of eternal life through Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection.

Please join our Lifelight Bible study each Wednesday morning at 9:30 a.m. as we explore this fascinating book.

NEWSLETTER ON-LINE

Many people are not aware that Trinity’s monthly newsletter is available via email or at our website www.trinitylutheran-hartfordsd.org. One of the advantages of the online edition is colored photos. It is also much easier to forward to friends or neighbors. Another advantage is cost savings—there is no postage.

If you would be interested in receiving your monthly newsletter via email, you may contact Pastor at pastor@trinitylutheran-hartfordsd.org He will forward this information so you can be added to the list.

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY LEARNING CENTER

This week we learned about how God protected Paul’s life from a mob through the intervention of His appointed servants, the Roman world. Because we live in a fallen world, crime and violence will always be a tragic reality. died. But God does not abandon us to our senseless violence, rather He graciously appoints governments to carry maintain peace and order through police and military forces. All this, He does for the sake of His Church, so that we might have the opportunity to continue preaching the Good News of salvation through Jesus Christ and His death on the cross.

Chapel is at 9:30 a.m. each Monday. Everyone is invited to join us.

TLC BIBLE STUDY

Each Thursday afternoon at 1:30 p.m. we meet to study the Bible passages for upcoming Sunday School, preschool, and daycare lessons. Everyone is invited to join us! If you would like to attend, but would prefer a different time or day, please speak with Pastor Moeller.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost ~ Ephesians 5:22-33: In marriage it is crucial to practice loving stewardship of that special relationship. If we are not married we are still encouraged to love and care for others just as Christ does for His body—the church. Maturing stewards seek to do those things that bring honor to God and blessings to others.

TO GIVE AWAY

The upright piano in the church basement is available free to anyone who wishes to take it out of the basement. Members of the congregation will have the church will have the first chance, but please speak to one of the trustees soon. If we don’t hear anything by September 7th, we will advertise it in the newspaper.

GROCERY CART

The LWML’s grocery cart to help local families in need is getting quite empty. If you would be able to donate any canned good, non-perishable food items, or paper products please bring them in. Thank you for your continued generosity.

OUTREACH SENTENCES

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost ~ Mark 7:1-13: Too many people, like the Pharisees, worship God in vain because they follow human rules and regulations. Only those who believe in and worship Jesus as the Son of God and Savior of the world will be saved. How can we who have been saved by the miraculous working of the Holy Spirit keep silent when others are pursuing false, man-made religions?