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12TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY, AUGUST 3, 2008

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.

REMEMBER TO CALL

Remember to give your church & pastor a call if you are:

- going to the hospital
- facing challenges
- in need of prayer
- having a baby

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, August 10, 2008:

Old Testament Lesson: Job 38:4-18

Second Lesson: Romans 10:5-17

Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

SUNDAY ~ Worship service ~ 9:30 am

High School & Adult Bible study ~ 10:45 am

The Ordination & Installation of Jeff Kalb ~ 5:00 pm

Men's Bible Study ~ 6:00 am

TLC Chapel ~ 9:30 am

Chapel at Tieszen Home ~ 9:00 am

Lifelight Bible study ~ 9:30 am

The Fire and the Staff study ~ 6:00 pm

Worship service ~ 7:30 pm

TLC Bible study ~ 5:00 pm

Fit for Life class ~ 7:00 pm

COMING EVENTS

Sun., August 10th ~ Private Confession & Absolution ~ 8:30 am

Worship service w/communion ~ 9:30 am

Special Voters meeting ~ 10:45 am

High School & Adult Bible study ~ 10:45 am

TLC Silent Auction & Prime Rib Dinner ~ 6:00 pm

Sun., Oct. 19th ~ Circuit K Convocation at Trinity

SUNDAY, AUGUST 3, 2008

Cleaners: Steve & LeAnna Oligmueller, Jessi Moeller

Greeters: Steve & LeAnna Oligmueller

Head Usher: Philip Oligmueller

Head Elder: Ben Matthias Acolyte: Kylee Thompson

NEXT WEEK: SUNDAY, AUGUST 10, 2008

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Head Elder: Ben Matthias Acolyte: Eric Wolfe

WORSHIP SERVICE: SUNDAY, JULY 27, 2008

Worship Attendance: 70

Current offering: \$2,625.00

Building fund: 1,275.00

Communion:

Loose offering: \$ 117.00

Mission offering: 450.00

First Sunday Special Offerings go to Campus Ministry

WANTED: VOLUNTEERS

The members of Trinity Lutheran Church will be working at the SESD Lutherans For Life booth at the Turner County Fair on August 11th from 4:30 to 9:00 p.m. Pastor Moeller and Louis Thompson will be working there. If you are interested in helping for an hour or two, please speak with Pastor Moeller.

WANTED

Trinity Learning Center is looking for the following items for our summer art program. Before throwing your garbage out, please check this list to see if your trash may be our treasure,

- Styrofoam meat trays
- Paper towel tubes
- Toilet paper tubes
- Wrapping paper tubes
- Egg cartons
- Brown paper grocery bags
- Milk cartons (cardboard and plastic)

THE ORDINATION & INSTALLATION OF JEFFREY KALB

You are invited to the Ordination & Installation of Jeffrey Kalb on August 3, 2008 at Emanuel Lutheran Church, 322 7th Ave. East, Sisseton, SD at 5:00 p.m. Lunch following.

TLC PRIME RIB DINNER & SILENT AUCTION

Trinity Learning Center will be holding their 3rd annual Prime Rib Dinner & Silent Auction on Saturday, August 16th at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are available at the cost of \$20 each. A wide variety of items will be auctioned, including art work, a video tribute package, etc. If you have an item or service to donate or wish to purchase tickets, please see Jessi Moeller. Proceeds will be used for improvements for Trinity Learning Center's daycare and preschool.

SPECIAL VOTERS MEETING

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PRIESTHOOD AND MINISTRY

“So, what’s the deal? You Lutherans say that every Christian is a priest to God, but you have ministers dressed up in fancy robes who speak on behalf of God.”

“That’s true. Our pastors speak in the stead and by the command of Jesus Christ.”

“But doesn’t every Christian do that? I just don’t get it.”

As Lutherans interact with other Christians, they often find themselves struggling to explain their beliefs and practices. The Lutheran Difference Bible study series helps identify how Lutherans differ from other Christians and show from the Bible why Lutherans differ.

Our Sunday morning Bible study is exploring the biblical teaching of the priesthood of all believers and the office of the Holy Ministry. We will look at the distinction between these two wonderful gifts that God has given to the church—the unique, but corresponding roles that He gives to both pastor and people in His plan to bring salvation to the world through the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

All adults and high school students are invited to join us each Sunday at 10:45 a.m. as we explore this important issue.

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.

August 10, 2008 - Main Street Living will be seen only on KEVN, Rapid City and satellite. The *Kid’s Crossing* segment will not be available.

The featured speaker is Rev. David Schwan, Executive Secretary of the South Dakota District of the LC-MS. The sermon theme is “Keep Your Eyes on Jesus.”

CHRISTIAN OUTREACH

12th Sunday after Pentecost ~ Matthew 14:13-21: With the feeding of the 5,000 Jesus clearly demonstrated that He is not only interested in the spiritual welfare of people, but also concerned about their physical welfare. What joy to know that we have a Savior who cares about all our needs and takes care of them. What Jesus means to us is the best witness that we can share with others.

SUMMER SERMON SERIES ON THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

We are currently having a sermon series on The Ten Commandments, “Accent the Positive.” Each week this summer, we will examine one of the Ten Commandments from a Law/Gospel point of view.

Join us each week (Sundays at 9:30 a.m. or Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.) as we study the Ten Commandments and “Accent the Positive.”

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

12th Sunday after Pentecost ~ Romans 9:1-13: St. Paul was saddened by the unbelief of the Jews who had every advantage as the chosen people of God. It is very difficult to see people we know and love who do not believe in Christ. That encourages us to use our time and money to support the mission of our church to reach the spiritually lost in our families, our communities and throughout the world.

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY LEARNING CENTER

This week we learned how Jesus came into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. The people were looking for a king, but Jesus didn’t meet their expectations. They were looking for a King who would deliver them from the Romans, but Jesus came to defeat much more dangerous enemies: sin, death, and the devil. Though He didn’t look like much of a king with His crown of thorns and cross for a throne, He fulfilled the people’s wish when they shouted “Hosanna!” (Save us now!) Through His death and resurrections He saves us from our sins, bringing us forgiveness and eternal life.

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

LIFELIGHT BIBLE STUDY OF 1 & 2 THESSALONIANS

God gave Paul a vision. In it, a man from Macedonia pleaded with Paul saying, “Come over to Macedonia and help us” (Acts 16:9). Following the Lord’s call, Paul and his entourage eventually reached Thessalonica. In his two letters addressed to the Thessalonian Christians, Paul expresses his deep care as a founding pastor concerned about his fledgling congregation. In addition to Christian persecution, the Lord’s second coming, the Antichrist, and Christian discipline, in this Bible study you will learn

- the power of the Word of God;
- the importance of living a God-pleasing life;
- the reason why we are faithful to the Bible’s teachings.

Please join the Lifelight Bible study each Wednesday at 9:30 a.m., as we study 1 & 2 Thessalonians.

DIVINE SERVICE

Hymn of Invocation #398

“Renew Me, O Eternal Life”

The Order of Morning Service p. 5-6

The Introit

P: Surely God is my help;

C: **the Lord is the one who sustains me.**

P: Praise the Lord. Praise, O servants of the Lord.

C: **praise the name of the Lord.**

P: Let the name of the Lord be praised,

C: **both now and forever more.**

P: From the rising of the sun to the place where it sets

C: **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

P: He raises the poor from the dust

C: **and lifts the needy from the ash heap;**

P: He seats them with princes,

C: **with the princes of their people.**

P: Surely God is my help;

C: **the Lord is the one who sustains me.**

Gloria Patri, Kyrie, Gloria in Excelsis..... p. 6-9

The Salutation, Collectp. 9

The ReadingsBack page

The Apostles’ Creed..... p. 12

The Sermon Hymn #620

“Lord, Who at Cana’s Wedding Feast”

The Sermon.....

The Offering.....

The Prayers

Hymn #624

“O Blessed Home Where Man and Wife”

The Collect, Benediction..... p. 14

The Closing Hymn #228

“Lord, Help Us Ever to Retain”

The Closing Hymn

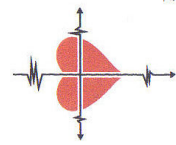
HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER OF TRINITY LUTHERAN

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.” It is a course for those who are interested in membership in our church, or who want to know more about our Savior. If you are interested in participating, please speak with Pastor Moeller.

LIFE QUOTES FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

“This Church, under the Gospel and for the sake of the Gospel, has the duty to spare, to the best of its abilities, the lives of all people . . . To the extent, then, that the Church wittingly falls prey to policies that support the “black genocide [abortion],” we act contrary to nature of the communion into which we have been drawn and we bar—albeit unwittingly—from the means of grace those whom God would save. Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy upon us, poor sinners!” *Rev. Everette E. Greene, pastor at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Cincinnati, Ohio.*

www.lutheransforlife.org / 888-364-LIFE

THE FIRE AND THE STAFF

“Why do we sing all those same old hymns from the hymnal instead of the new songs they’re singing in many other churches?”

“Why does our church still insist on the practice of ‘closed communion’?”

“Why shouldn’t we make a few changes so our worship service would be more “dynamic” and “exciting.”

These are common questions that are asked today all across the country and even in our congregation. In his book, *The Fire and the Staff: Lutheran Theology in Practice*, Klemet I. Preus explores the impact of the American Evangelical and Church Growth Movements on the modern Lutheran Church. We invite everyone to join us in reading, studying, and discussing this important book. It deals with many challenges and controversies facing our synod and congregation today and to discover from Scripture and the Lutheran Confessions how we can best walk together as God’s people gathered around His Word and Sacraments, sharing the Good News of salvation in Jesus Christ with our neighbors and the world. Each Wednesday night, we will meet at the church from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. to discussion a chapter of this book. A light supper will be provided. Our regular Wednesday worship service will follow at 7:30 p.m.

MEN’S BIBLE STUDY ON JUDGES

As “salvation history,” the book of Judges is summed up in the book’s last verse: “In those days Israel had no king; everyone did as he saw fit” (21:25). Despite Israel’s disobedience and apostasy, God was faithful to Israel. God preserved His people from being absorbed by pagan cultures through the ministry of savior-judges. God’s gracious work through these men and women foreshadows His greater work of deliverance through the true and perfect Savior—Judge, Jesus Christ.

All men of the congregation are invited to join us in the fellowship hall each Monday at 6:00 a.m. for breakfast and Bible study.

ISSUES, ETC.

Looking for a Christian radio program free from pop-psychology, goofy fads, self-help, or Oprah-fied religiosity that is passed off as Biblical Christianity? Try out the new Issues, Etc., Christ-centered, cross-focused talk radio for the thinking Christian!

Issues, Etc. broadcasts live each weekday from 3:05 to 5:00 pm Central. To fit your busy schedule, it is also available on-demand to play on your computer or mp3 player at www.issuesetc.org. If you are interested in listening to this program, but don’t have internet access, please speak to Pastor Moeller, and he will get you a copy on CD.

THANK YOU

Thank you to Ben Matthies, Susan Kelley, Colin Kelley, Jessi Moeller, and Ray Matthies for painting the bathrooms in the fellowship hall.

Thank you to the Kleba’s for the portable basketball hoop and backboard for the daycare children.

Thank you to Bob & Ruth Moore for purchasing a refrigerator for the daycare.

To the ladies of Trinity LWML: Thank you so much for the care package you sent. I really appreciate your thoughtfulness. We love getting mail for home. Our time here is getting shorter, it will be great to get back home to South Dakota. Thanks again. Msgt. Jerrad K. Snyder

REV. ROBERT E. UTECHT’S 80TH BIRTHDAY

It will be Rev. Robert E. Utecht’s 80th birthday on 08-08-08! We thought it would be nice if all the churches in South Dakota were informed and possibly have a card shower for him. His address is:

21386 Snowshoe Road
Lead, SD 57754

BIKE FOR LIFE

On Saturday, September 13th at 7:00 a.m. Pastor Nour along with other riders will begin the 1th Bike-For-Life to raise funds to stop and end abortion in South Dakota.

Any person who is willing and desires to ride with Pastor Nour and friends, please contact him information below. Also, we would love to have your prayers and financial support. You can sponsor rider by the mile or a one time gift. Please make your check out and send it to:

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