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12TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST AUGUST 7, 2005

WELCOME

A special welcome to our guests worshiping with us this morning. We are glad you are here; we thank God for you! We pray that Jesus will touch your heart in some special way for being here. Please sign the guest book and 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.

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.

PRAYER UPON ENTERING

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!

ACTIVITY BAGS

Activity bags provided by the LWML are available for all the young children who join in our worship services at Trinity. You can pick up a bag from those that are hanging in the coatroom. The children are welcome to keep their artwork by please return the bag and its other contents to the hooks where you find them.

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

SUNDAY ~ Worship ~ 9:30 am
Softball vs. Zion Lutheran ~ 6:30 pm
MONDAY ~ Men's Bible study ~ 6:00 am
New member class ~ 7:00 pm

COMING EVENTS

Sun., Aug. 14th ~ Worship w/communion ~ 9:30 am
Adult Bible study & Summer Sunday School ~ 10:30 am
Aug. 15th – 19th ~ Safari Adventure Vacation Bible School ~ 9_00 am to 2:00 pm
Wed., Aug. 17th ~ Youth Night at Thunder Road ~ 10:00 p.m. to midnight
Sept. 16-17th ~ SD Lutherans For Life State Conference at Zion, Sioux Falls
Sun., Oct. 9th ~ Circuit Convocation at St. Paul, Freeman ~ 11:00 am

SERVING THIS WEEK: SUNDAY, AUGUST 7, 2005

Cleaners: Adel & Amy Valdes, Orrin Geide, Earle & Connie Geide
Greeters: Earle & Connie Geide
Head Usher: Bryan Kelley
Acolyte: Emily Krizan

NEXT WEEK: SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 2005

Cleaners: Talis & Laura Johnson, Tim & Kathy Totton
Greeters: Tim & Kathy Totton
Head Usher: Bryan Kelley
Acolyte: Holly Kelley

WORSHIP SERVICE, SUNDAY, JULY 31, 2005

Attendance:	54
Current offering	\$ 1,100.00
Loose offering	8.40
Mission	85.00
Building Fund	390.00

First Sunday Special Offerings go to Campus Ministry
Third Sunday Special Offerings go to Amy Kashenov

Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost – August 7, 2005 A.D.

P: Almighty God, because You have committed to Your people to trust you, hear us as we pray for one another.

C: May the petitions we bring be answered by Your caring response.

P: We pray for the world: Lord of all, we pray for Your whole creation. Enable us, as Your people to trust you that justice would prevail. Encourage us to feed and clothe people in need and to be faithful caretakers of the earth, so that all may enjoy the good world, which You have made. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear us, good Lord.

P: We pray for the church: Heavenly Father, be with Your Church around the world. Grant all ministers of the Word Your grace and truth that Your people might grow in faith and trust, and that Christ may be honored by all. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear us, good Lord.

P: We pray for the special concerns of our church family and friends in the midst of our joys and struggles, that we would trust you always . . . Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear us, good Lord.

P: We pray for family and friends: O God our Father, bless those we love, and help us to love all people so that, as You love us, we may grow in love for each other. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear us, good Lord.

P: We pray for the congregations of Trinity Lutheran, White Lake and Trinity Lutheran in Blunt. May they always place their trust in you. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear us, good Lord.

P: Almighty God, You have given us the grace to make our prayers known to You and have promised always to listen. Fulfill our requests as may be best and grant us knowledge of Your truth in this world and in the life to come. Through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

C: Amen.

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South Dakota District LCMS

Circuit "K" Mission Festival

October 9, 2005

St. Paul Lutheran Church

615 E. 7th Freeman, SD

Worship Service: 11:00 a.m.

Guest Speaker: The Rev. Dr. Ronald R. Feuerhahn, associate professor of historical theology at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis

Noon meal at Pioneer Hall in Freeman

Presentation by Dr. Feuerhahn at 1:30 p.m. —

"What does it mean to be an LCMS Lutheran in today's world?"

Tickets for the catered noon meal of grilled pork chop, mashed potatoes & gravy, corn, salad, and ice cream may be purchased for \$7.50 each. Those from within Circuit K should see their pastors. Others may contact Rev. Robert E. Moeller, Jr. (605) 526-3572 before September 30th.

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.

LFL OF SD ANNUAL CONFERENCE

“Yet, O Lord, You are our Father. We are the clay, You are the potter; we are the work of Your hand (Isaiah 64:8). This is the basis for the theme of the 2005 SD Life Conference theme, “Work of His Hands.”

Lutherans For Life of South Dakota invites everyone to attend this annual conference to be held September 16 and 17, 2005 at Zion Lutheran Church of Sioux Falls, SD. Dr. James Lamb, will be the main conference speaker. Mark your calendars and plan to attend.

MAIN STREET LIVING

Main Street Living has become the “at home” television church service for the homebound. The program continues to be available on KDLT-NBC at 10:00 a.m. and on PAX at 11:00 a.m.

August 14, 2005. “Mural Lady.” Gangs are a long standing problem. In this drama a retired missionary fights a gang member for Chinatown turf. The feature speaker is Mr. Joey Rodriguez, summer vicar from Faith Lutheran Church in Sioux Falls, SD.

WEST MINNEHAHA COUNTY CHAPTER OF THRIVENT YOUTH NIGHT

Who: youth from 6th-12th grades

What: an evening of food, fun, and games

Where: Thunder Road, 8th & Kiwanis, Sioux Falls

When: August 17th, 10:00 p.m. – midnight

Cost: \$5.00 – includes admission, all games, go-carts, pop, and pizza



Bring a friend and come for a night of fun! Please speak to Pastor Moeller, Michelle or Louis Thompson, Bryan Kelley, or Archie Wolfe if you are interested in attending. We need to provide one chaperone for every 5-6 kids.

SERMON AUDIO TAPES

The Trinity Lutheran Church Evangelism Committee has audiotapes of each Sunday sermon available. These are great for use by the homebound, shut-in, nursing home residents, or to give to your unchurched neighbor or family member. If you or someone you know would like to receive these tapes on a weekly basis, please contact Brenda Erikson (363-3444) or Connie Geide (526-3840).

PREPARING FOR DEATH

Over 400 years ago, a relatively unknown Lutheran pastor in Germany, Rev. Martin Möller, wrote a small book, *Heilige Sterbekunst*, which dealt with “the holy art of dying.” Although a book of this kind can never outgrow its usefulness, it was not available in English until Pastor Arthur E. Schulz translated it in 1974. We are examining this small book, *Preparing for Death* in our Sunday morning (10:30 a.m.) adult Bible study. We encourage all adults of the congregation to attend. Those who do, will find a very helpful companion and resource to use for many years in the future, as they face the death of their loved ones and their own inevitable death. *Preparing for Death* gets the message straight and gets the message of God’s love out. Please join us!

LIFE QUOTES" FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

“This line from Scriptures kept coming into my head: ‘For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world and lose his own soul?’” *Tasha Danvers Smith*, a British athlete who gave up the chance to try for Olympic gold in 2004 after she discovered she was pregnant. She had briefly considered having an abortion. **A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life / www.lutheransforlife.org / 888-364-LIFE**

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost ~ Romans 9:1-5: St. Paul experienced great sorrow over the fact that the Jews had every advantage and yet refused to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Savior of the world. By the power of God’s Holy Spirit we have the advantage of knowing Jesus as our Savior and the power and presence of the Holy Spirit to live each day as good Christian stewards of God’s bountiful blessings.

OUTREACH THEMES FROM OUR READINGS

Matthew 14:22-33: What good news it is to know that the Maker of the universe, the Controller of the winds and waves, has come to us and encouraged us to doubt our doubts and trust our faith. We can be of good courage because Christ is on our side throughout the storms of life. Can you think of someone caught up in the storms of life who needs to hear some good news from Jesus? Let’s share it!

Divine Service

Hymn of Invocation..... #648
“Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me”
The Order of Morning Service p. 5-6
The Introit.....

P: You open your hand
C: and satisfy the desires of every living thing.
P: I will extol the Lord at all times;
C: his praise will always be on my lips.
P: I sought the Lord, and he answered me;
C: he delivered me from all my fears.
P: Those who look to him are radiant;
C: their faces are never covered with shame.
P: This poor man called, and the Lord heard him;
C: he saved him out of all his troubles.
P: The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him,
C: and he delivers them.
P: Taste and see that the Lord is good;
C: blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him.
P: You open your hand
C: and satisfy the desires of every living thing.

Gloria Patri, Kyrie, Gloria in Excelsis..... p. 6-9
The Salutation, Collectp. 9
The Readings Back of bulletin
The Apostles’ Creed..... p. 12
The Sermon Hymn #383
“Seek Where Ye May to Find a Way”
The Sermon..... “A Hiding and Seeking God”
The Offering.....
The Prayers
The Hymn #267
“If God Had Not Been on Our Side”
The Collect, Benediction..... p. 14
The Closing Hymn #428
“I Am Trusting Thee Lord Jesus”

NEEDS FOR VBS

- Sturdy cardboard paper tubes (posters, mailing)
- Milk jug lids
- Large empty cereal boxes
- Stuffed animals to be used for decorations (lions, elephants, rhinoceroses, giraffes, and zebras)
- Large coolers to use for holding lunches during the week of VBS (electric would be awesome)
- Volunteers (teachers, assistants, snacks, drivers)
- Prayers (that God would bring many eager students and provide skilled teachers)

ARE YOU TRAINING?

Training? Training for what? The “Bike for Life” that’s what! Join Pastor Nabil Nour and friends (including Pastor Moeller, Adel & Amy Valdes), who are thankful for the gift of life, as they bike from Armour, SD to the Alpha Center in Sioux Falls, SD on Saturday, September 24, 2005, to help raise funds for the ongoing ultrasound ministry at this crisis pregnancy center.

Participating in the ride is only one way you can help. You can pray for the project, help raise funds, donate funds, donate food for the riders, drive in the caravan, or be there to cheer the riders on. You can also ride in your own area. Just get involved somehow and support God’s precious gift of LIFE.

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 what it really means to have a relationship with Jesus Christ. We are beginning a new class soon. If you are interested in participating, please speak with Pastor Moeller, about a time that would work well for you and/or your friends.

SIMPLY GIVING

The Trinity Stewardship Committee would like to introduce *Simply Giving*, a program in which your tithes and offering are made through a pre-authorized withdrawal from your bank account. You determine the frequency of your automatic gifts—weekly, semi-monthly, or monthly—the option is yours. Your gift is deposited into the church’s bank account on the same day it is withdrawn from your account. To participate, all you need to do is fill out a simple form that is available at the greeter stand or from the members of the Trinity Stewardship Committee (John Barber, Tim Totton, Mary Krizan, Aimee Moeller, or Amy Valdes). If you have any other questions they are willing to help you.

HISTORICAL FACTS OF SD DISTRICT

Candidate Frederich Pfothenauer was installed to serve Grant county in South Dakota which included the towns of Milbank, Wilmot and Corona in addition to Lac-Que-Parle County in Minnesota.

SHUT-INS

Please remember in your daily prayers the following shut-in members or those in nursing homes: Bud Plagman, Vivian Dansman, Bonnie Edgecomb, and Martha Westphal.

**Children ages 3-13 are invited to our
Vacation Bible School program**



August 15-19, 2005

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

There will be Bible stories, fun learning activities, music, crafts, snacks, and much, much more!

LLL CONVENTION AND WITNESSING/OUTREACH CONFERENCE

The 59th South Dakota District LLL Convention and Witnessing/Outreach Conference will be held at Faith Lutheran Church, 601 N. Cliff Ave., in Sioux Falls, on Friday and Saturday, September 9th and 10th.

The program schedule includes:

Friday, September 9 –

Registration – 5:00 p.m. to 9:00

Don Wharton Concert, Trinity/Hope Fundraiser @ Memorial – 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 10 –

Essential business – 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Break out sessions on Witnessing/Outreach theme during the afternoon

Program/Banquet – Tara Molder, LHM – 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

THANK YOU

Thank you to elders, Joe Krizan and Dale Snyder for leading last week’s worship service in Pastor Moeller’s absence.

TUCK POINT AND PAINTING

In preparation for our 125th anniversary, we will be doing some necessary maintenance of the church building. Heineman Restoration, Inc. of Dell Rapids, SD will be tuck pointing and painting the entire tower and south side of the church as well as sealing the windows and doors to make certain the entire building is sealed against the weather. We will also have Guarantee Roofing and Sheet Metal of Sioux Falls places metal caps on the gable ends of the church and on the twelve coping areas on top of the tower and the four corners of the building.

The voters instructed the trustees to raise funds for this project for one month and then to borrow the rest from the Church Extension Fund. The cost for the entire project is \$28,850.00. If you are able to give a lump sum before the project begins, that would be great. If you need some time that is all right. We do not have to pay the tuck pointer until the work is finished, but the more gifts we receive beforehand, the less we will have to borrow.

Thank you for your assistance in restoring our beautiful church. Once again we can continue to be proud of our house of worship, not only for ourselves, but also as we celebrates our 125th anniversary we can be proud to show it to our former pastors and members and friends, as a sign of the thankfulness we have for the Lord’s provision of this beautiful house of worship.