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13TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 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 14th Sunday after Pentecost, Sunday, September 6, 2009:

First Lesson: Isaiah 35:4-7a

Second Lesson: James 2:1-10, 14-18

Gospel: Mark 7:24-37

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

SUNDAY ~	Worship ~ 9:30 am Adult Bible Study ~ 10:45 am
MONDAY ~	Men's Bible study ~ 6:00 am TLC Chapel ~ 9:30 am
TUESDAY ~	Chapel at Tieszen Home ~ 9:00 am 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., Sept. 6 th ~	Worship ~ 9:30 am Adult Bible Study ~ 10:45 am
Wed., Sept. 9 th ~	Confirmation meeting with parents ~ 6:30 pm
Thurs., Sept. 17 th ~	Circuit Pastors meeting at Trinity, Hartford ~ 9:30 am
Fri., Sept. 18 th ~	Circuit K Forum at St. Paul, Freeman ~ 7:30 pm
Mon., Oct. 12 th ~	Church Council meeting
Sun., Oct. 25 th ~	Quarterly Voters meeting ~ 1:00 pm

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

NEXT WEEK: SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2009

Cleaners: Bob & Ruth Moore, Louis & Michelle Thompson, Nate & Katie Pickard

Greeters: Nate & Katie Pickard

Head Usher: Austin & Eric Wolfe

Head Elder: Archie Wolfe

Acolyte: Abby Totton

WORSHIP SERVICE: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2009

Worship Attendance: 9

WORSHIP SERVICE: SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 2009

Worship Attendance: 72

Communion: 60

Adult Bible study: 15

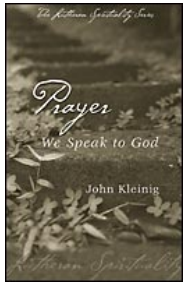
Current offering: \$ 1,200.00

Loose offering: \$ 157.12

Building fund: 335.00

Missions: 100.00

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.

September 6th ~ *Kid's Crossing* asks the question, “Who is this Jesus?”

The featured speaker is Rev. Thomas Christopher from St. Martin Lutheran Church in Alexandria, SD and Trinity Lutheran Church in Spencer, SD. The sermon theme is “Who Is the Good Samaritan?”

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 #279
“Today, Thy Mercy Calls Us”
 The Order of Morning Service p. 5-6
 The Introit

P: Turn to me and be gracious to me,
C: as is your way with those who love your name.
 P: Your testimonies are wonderful;
C: therefore my soul keeps them.
 P: The unfolding of your words gives light;
C: it imparts understanding to the simple.
 P: I open my mouth and pant,
C: because I long for your commandments.
 P: Turn to me and be gracious to me,
C: as is your way with those who love your name.
 P: Keep steady my steps according to your promise,
C: and let no iniquity get dominion over me.
 P: Redeem me from man’s oppression,
C: that I may keep your precepts.
 P: Make your face shine upon your servant,
C: and teach me your statutes.
 P: My eyes shed streams of tears,
C: because people do not keep your law.
 P: Turn to me and be gracious to me,
C: as is your way with those who love your name.

Gloria Patri, Kyrie, Gloria in Excelsis..... p.6-9
 The Readings Back of bulletin
 The Apostles Creed..... p. 12
 The Sermon Hymn #444
“Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You”
 Sermon.....
 The Offertory p.12
 The Offering.....
 Prayers
 The Hymn #416
“Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways”
 The Collect, Benediction..... p.14
 The Closing Hymn #451
“Stand Up!—Stand Up for Jesus”

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!” We live in this message. We strive to help fellow Christians connect this message to the life issues. This message compels us to address these issues in our society. Only this message can ultimately turn people away from the god of death and restore value and dignity to life.” *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 made sure that Timothy was taught the Scriptures by his grandmother Lois, and his mother Eunice. We talked about what a blessing it is to have mothers and grandmothers, who feed us, take care of us, spoil us, and most importantly, teach us about Jesus Christ and His love and forgiveness.

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

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost ~ Ephesians 6:10-20: Stewards are like warriors who equip themselves for action. Because the devil is so active in our world we can find it challenging to live as God’s faithful stewards. Prayer helps to keep us in close contact with our God who will strengthen us to live productive lives as His stewards.

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

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost ~ Mark 7:14-23: So many of the Pharisees and teachers of the law in Jesus’ day were preoccupied with rituals and ceremonies rather than worshipping the only true God from the heart. That’s true of many people today as well. Let’s share the good news of salvation by grace through faith in Jesus with people who are still living in spiritual darkness.

CIRCUIT K FORUM

The Circuit K Forum will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, September 18th at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Freeman. The primary topic of discussion will be the election of circuit delegates to the synodical convention. Everyone is invited to attend. If you are interested in attending, please speak to Pastor Moeller. He will have room for 5-6 passengers.

CONFIRMATION MEETING

There will be a meeting to plan for this year’s confirmation classes on Wednesday, September 9th at 6:30 p.m. All students in the 5th through 8th grade and their parents are encouraged to attend. Confirmation classes will begin Wednesday, September 16th.