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4TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JUNE 12, 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
 Summer Sunday School/Bible study ~ 10:30 am
 Softball vs. St. Joseph (A) ~ 6:30 pm

MONDAY ~ **Men's Bible study** ~ 6:00 am
 New member class ~ 7:00 pm

TUESDAY ~ **Choir practice** ~ 6:30 pm
 Safari Adventure Bible study ~ 7:00 pm

THURSDAY ~ **Circuit Pastors meeting at Trinity** ~ 9:30 am
 Chapel at Leisure Living ~ 2:00 pm

COMING EVENTS

Sun., June 19th ~ Worship ~ 9:30 am
 Camp Minneboji begins

Sat., June 25th ~ Lutherans For Life Leadership/Speaker Training Seminar at
 Trinity ~ 9:30 am – 4:00 pm

Sun., July 10th ~ Church Council meeting ~ 8:00 pm

Sun., July 17th ~ Quarterly Voters meeting ~ 8:00 pm

July 18th – 22nd ~ Safari Adventure Vacation Bible School

July 25th - 27th ~ SD District Youth Gathering at Huron

Sept. 16-17th ~ SD Lutherans For Life State Conference at Zion, Sioux Falls

SERVING THIS WEEK: SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 2005

Cleaners: George & Donna Vogt, Lester & Jean Gregersen
Greeters: George & Donna Vogt
Head Usher: Orrin Geide
Acolyte: Jenny Eggebraaten

NEXT WEEK: SUNDAY, JUNE 19, 2005

Cleaners: Joe & Mary Krizan, Lorna Regnier, Judy Larson
Greeters: Mark & Sandra Kirschbaum
Head Usher: Orrin Geide
Acolyte: Holly Kelley

WORSHIP SERVICE, SUNDAY, JUNE 5, 2005

Attendance:	86		
Current offering	\$2,073.00	Loose Offering	221.00
Mission	246.00	Future Church Worker	10.00
Building Fund	630.00	Campus Ministry	9.00
125th Anniversary from Thrivent	800.00		

First Sunday Special Offerings go to Campus Ministry

Third Sunday Special Offerings go to Amy Kashenov

Fourth Sunday After Pentecost – June 12, 2005 A.D.

P: Lord, by Your invitation we come before You in prayer, not for ourselves only but for all Your people and for the whole world. Help us to see clearly how we have been made whole, forgiven, and justified by the blood of Jesus. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Put away from us any and all distractions that we may love You with our whole heart and serve You with our whole lives. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: You have clearly demonstrated Your great love for us; help us to demonstrate as clearly our love for You, by doing the good You desire and avoiding evil. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: We have been given many blessings from You; guide us that we may use these blessings faithfully for the purposes of Your Word and Your Kingdom. Thank you for enabling us to continue our work without financial worry. In prosperous times keep us from relying on our finances rather than you. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: We pray for the ministries of our District, especially do we pray today for your blessings to be upon the congregations of Peace Lutheran in Alcester, Our Savior Lutheran in Hill City and Messiah Lutheran in Redfield. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: We pray for our church family and friends in the midst of joys and struggles, especially Steve Oligmueller, Amy Valdes, DeWane Carls, Bonnie Edgecomb, and Rodger Matthies . . . Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: We would be lost and alone without Your aid in Christ; help us to extend the hand of fellowship You have shown to us by loving others in Your name. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

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COED SOFTBALL

We are playing in the Hartford Area Church Coed Softball League again this year. Our game tonight is at 6:30 p.m. on Diamond A vs. St. Joseph. If you are interested in playing, please speak to John Barber (528-7380). Everyone is welcome to play. Everyone is invited to help cheer on the team!

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



July 18-22, 2005

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

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

We expect a great response, so enroll today!

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.

SD DISTRICT LCMS YOUTH GATHERING

The South Dakota LCMS Youth Gathering will be held Monday, July 25th to Wednesday, July 27th at the Crossroads Hotel & Convention Center in Huron, SD. It is open to all youth entering the 9th grade in the fall of 2005 to those who will have graduated from high school in the spring of 2005. The theme for this year's gathering is "Courageous Faith/Bold Witness," the theme for the upcoming 100th anniversary of the South Dakota District. "Against All Odds," a professional band from Minneapolis, will lead the music throughout the gathering and put on a concert Tuesday evening. Other scheduled activities included servant events, worship, the "junk-food potluck," and games.

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.

June 19, 2005 – "The Promise." In the *This the Life* drama a small boy whose prayer for the recovery of his father doesn't seem to be answered eventually learns the reason why. The featured speaker is Rev. Duane Duley, of Zion Lutheran Church in Rapid City, SD.

Check the website at www.mainstreetliving.com for more information.

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!

PARKING LOT

Now that we have a new parking lot, we ask that in the interest of safety everyone would refrain from parking across the road and in Gary Miles driveway. We appreciate the Miles' allowing us to use their driveway during construction.

LIFE QUOTES" FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

"Only the active protection of unborn children by the rest of the human family can save humanity from extinction." *Dr. Mildred F. Jefferson, M.D., President, Right to Life Crusade, Inc. Lutherans For Life / www.lutheransforlife.org / 888-364-LIFE*

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.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost ~ Matthew 9:35-10:8: Jesus had compassion on the crowds and ministered to their needs. Likewise, we Christian stewards have compassion to those in need and act generously to help meet those needs.

DIAPER DERBY

Our congregation is participating in the SESD Lutherans For Life Annual Diaper Derby. From now through Mother's Day and until Father's Day, we are collecting baby diapers that will be donated to the Alpha Center, or local crisis pregnancy center. Amy Valdes has set up a nice and collection box for your donations.

HISTORICAL FACTS OF SD DISTRICT

The first mission festival in our District was at Yankton in 1884. "The offering was \$55.76 – a sum unheard of in that day."

Divine Service

Hymn of Invocation #44
"Ye Lands, to the Lord Make a Jubilant Noise"
The Order of Morning Service p. 5-6
The Introit.....

P: Serve the Lord with gladness;
C: come before him with joyful songs.
P: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.
C: Serve the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.
P: Know that the Lord is God.
C: It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.
P: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise;
C: give thanks to him and praise his name.
P: For the Lord is good and his love endures forever;
C: his faithfulness continues through all generations.
P: Serve the Lord with gladness;
C: come before him with joyful songs.

Gloria Patri, Kyrie, Gloria in Excelsis..... p. 6-9
The Salutation, Collect p. 9
The Readings Back of bulletin
The Apostles' Creed..... p. 12
The Sermon Hymn #496
"Hark the Voice of Jesus Crying"
The Sermon..... "Justified by Jesus' Blood"
The Offering.....
The Prayers
The Hymn #266
"O God, Our Lord, Thy Holy Word"
The Collect, Benediction..... p. 14
The Closing Hymn #14
"All People that on Earth Do Dwell"

SIMPLY GIVING

The Trinity Stewardship Committee would like to introduce a new program that could help you in your giving of your tithes and offerings. Through *Simply Giving*, 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. Because your gift is given consistently, you won’t need to play “catch-up” at year-end or worry about forgotten checkbooks or missed Sunday offerings. But you’re not the only one that benefits. Our congregation benefits from steady, more predictable revenues throughout the year, and more efficient bookkeeping.

To participate, all you need to do is fill out a simple form that is available 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.

LFL LEADERSHIP/SPEAKER TRAINING SEMINAR

Lutherans For Life Executive Director Rev. Dr. James Lamb and Ed Szeto, LFL director of outreach, will present a one-day seminar designed for those who want to learn how to speak on life issues in their congregations, communities, and schools. The event will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Saturday, June 25th, at Trinity Lutheran Church, Hartford, SD.

The seminar cost is \$50 for a single registration (includes one manual/CD) or \$60 for husband/wife registration (includes one manual/CD). Scholarship money is available through LFL of SD. Class size is limited, so register early. To register, please speak to Pastor Moeller.

OUTREACH THEMES FROM OUR READINGS

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost ~ Romans 5:6-11: The good news in our Epistle reading is that Jesus took on himself the wrath of God that we deserved because of our sins, and now offers to us life that will never end. What a word of hope we have to share with so many who live without hope!

SAFARI ADVENTURE BIBLE STUDY

Beginning June 14th, we will be meeting each Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. to study the Bible stories that will be taught at this year’s Safari Adventure Vacation Bible School. All teachers and helpers will find this to be an excellent preparation for the lessons they will teach. Parents are also encouraged to attend so they will be able to review the stories and reinforce the lessons at home. **Everyone** is invited to take advantage of this opportunity to grow in their faith and knowledge of God’s Word.

NEEDS FOR VBS

- Sturdy cardboard paper tubes (posters, mailing)
- Empty thread spools
- Milk jug lids
- Large empty cereal boxes
- Clear fishing line
- Large brown paper grocery bags
- Black electrical tape
- 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)
- Students (register your children as soon as possible and invite your friends and neighbors)

PRAYER LINK

Do you have email? If you answered yes, we need you as part of Trinity’s *Prayer Link*. Members are linked in for prayer, but more links are needed. All you need to do is read the email sent to you regarding a need for our prayers and then PRAY. You do not need to forward email or contact anyone. Everyone receives the same information at the same time. If you think you can be part of this small service to your congregation, send your email address to Pat Reichert, mmreichert@msn.com and you will be included in the next Prayer Link.

God wants us to come to Him in prayer. He listens to our desires, our thanks and our praise. Please join the Prayer Link and add your prayers.

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who has helped sheet rock last week; Louis Thompson, John & Casey Barber, Daniel, & Patrick Erikson.

Thanks you to Brenda Erikson for making cookies for our new member reception last week.

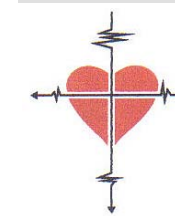
Thank you to Dale Snyder and Tim Totton for leading our worship service today in Pastor Moeller’s absence.

Thank you to the choir for singing at last week’s worship service.

WANTED: TEACHERS FOR SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

We are looking for a number of volunteers who would be willing to lead sessions of Summer Sunday School. Summer Sunday School is an informal group approach for children ages three through the 8th Grade. Students will listen to Bible stories, do craft projects, and watch videos. If we have enough volunteers to take turns, we can arrange a schedule that allows for vacations and the opportunity to be able to participate in the Adult Bible study. If you are able to help, please speak to Pastor Moeller.

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.