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6TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JUNE 26, 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 w/communion ~ 9:30 am
Bioethics 101 ~ 10:30 am
125th Anniversary Committee
Softball vs. Central Valley (C) ~ 7:45 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 ~ Trustees meeting ~ 7:00 pm

SATURDAY ~ Stewardship Committee meeting ~ 9:00 am

COMING EVENTS

Sun., July 3rd ~ Worship ~ 9:30 am
Fri., July 8th ~ SESD Lutherans For Life meeting at Parker ~ 7:00 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
Sun., Oct. 9th ~ Circuit Convocation at St. Paul, Freeman ~ 11:00 am

SERVING THIS WEEK: SUNDAY, JUNE 26, 2005

Cleaners: Bob & Ruth Moore, Louis & Michelle Thompson
Greeters: Arnold & Ruth Arends
Head Usher: Orrin Geide
Acolyte: Thad Johnson

NEXT WEEK: SUNDAY, JULY 3, 2005

Cleaners: DeWane & Joyce Carls, Ben & Michelle Matthies
Greeters: Ben & Michelle Matthies
Head Usher: John Barber
Acolyte: Megan Eggebraaten

WORSHIP SERVICE, SUNDAY, JUNE 19, 2005

Attendance:	61		
Current offering	\$1,218.00	Loose Offering	2.50
Mission	105.00	Future Church Worker	10.00
Building Fund	230.00	VBS Expense	50.00
Amy Kashenov	13.00		

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

Sixth Sunday After Pentecost – June 26, 2005 A.D.

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God, and for all people according to their needs. By Your great mercy You have called us to be Your children, O Lord. We praise You for the power of Your Holy Spirit, which You have given us through water and the Word of Holy Baptism. Help us to grow day by day in our understanding, that we might truly walk in newness of life and glorify Your name. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: You have called us to faithfully bear the crosses that may come to us for the sake of the Gospel. Strengthen us each day that we do not grow weary, but are able to endure unto the end. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: We pray that each day we may be called to contrition and repentance by the power of our baptism, that we may not give place to sin, but live our lives to You. Make us bold to share the Gospel of salvation in Jesus Christ with all who are still dead in their trespasses and sin that by Your power they also may come to faith in Jesus Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Lord Jesus, we are bold to pray for peace among the peoples and nations of the earth. While holding fast to the truth of the Gospel, help us deal with one another with mercy and forgiveness, just as You have dealt with us. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: O God, You invite us to show our love for You in our service to one another. Open our hearts to those who are hungry or homeless, those that are suffering in mind or body, those who mourn and are lonely. Use us as channels of Your love and providence. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: O God, especially do we pray your blessing upon the congregations of Trinity Lutheran, Mansfield and Concordia Lutheran, Cresbard and Corcordia Lutheran, Wessington. Bless them as they proclaim your living Word in the midst of their congregations and communities. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: We pray for our church family and friends in the midst of joys and struggles . . . Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

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

C: Amen.

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THE CONFESSION DECLARED AT COMMUNION

The New Testament Church *continued steadfastly in the Apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread (Communion) and in the prayers (Acts 2:42)*. The Sacrament of the Altar is a confession of oneness in doctrine – that those attending believe, teach and confess what Trinity Lutheran Church believes, teaches and confesses. Those attending the Lord's Supper are baptized Christians who have been instructed in the Chief Parts of Christian Doctrine: The Ten Commandments, The Apostles' Creed, The Lord's Prayer, The Sacrament of Holy Baptism, The Office of the Keys and Confession, and The Sacrament of the Altar.

Those attending the Lord's Supper have been formally admitted to the fellowship of the Altar and continue in that fellowship as a member of Trinity Lutheran Church or sister congregation of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod committed to rightly teaching the Word of God and administering the Sacraments according to Christ's institution. (Even children of Trinity congregation only come to the Sacrament after they have confirmed the confession of faith.)

While we acknowledge and appreciate the oneness of the Church which crosses denominational lines, we practice a confessional communion because attendance at the Altar is a declaration of oneness in doctrine. We would not want you to make that declaration without an opportunity of explaining what we believe, teach and confess. Therefore we ask that if you are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation that you would refrain from receiving the Sacrament before first speaking with Pastor.

QUESTIONS FOR YOUR COMMUNION PREPARATION

Q: Do you believe you are a sinner?

A: Yes, I believe it; I have failed God and others in my life. I am a sinner.

Q: Are you sorry for your sins?

A: Yes, I am sorry that I have sinned against God.

Q: Do you need God's forgiveness?

A: Yes, I need the gift of life He gives through Jesus Christ.

Q: What has Christ done for you?

A: He died for me and shed His blood for me on the cross for the forgiveness of my sins.

Q: How do you know this?

A: From the holy Gospel and the words of the Sacrament, and by His body and blood given me as a pledge in the Sacrament.

Q: Do you believe that in communion you receive the true body and blood of Christ with the bread and the wine?

A: Yes, I believe it because of His Word and promises.

Approach the altar with joy and thanksgiving as you receive Christ for your forgiveness and strength.

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.

July 3, 2005. This week the "This is the Life" drama deals with the presence of a conscience. A drowning man, suspended in time, must come face to face with his selfish life. The featured speaker is Rev. Bill Paepke of Bethlehem 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!

"LIFE QUOTES" FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

“Every human life is a life purchased by the blood of Jesus. Qualities may diminish but the value God gives to life never does. The grandma in the nursing home who must wear a diaper and no longer remembers her family is just as valuable to God as the grandma who works in her garden and is president of the Ladies Aid. We limit the power of God when we think He can work in and through the second grandma but not the first. We challenge the will of God when we take charge of when it is time for someone to die. Because of what He has done in Christ, we can be assured of His presence even in the darkest of times.” *Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, Executive Director, Lutherans For Life A Life Quote from 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

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost ~ Matthew 10:34-42: In our Gospel for today Jesus states that anyone who gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is my disciple, will certainly not lose his reward. God has promised to bless our faithful stewardship.

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, 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.

Divine Service

Hymn of Invocation.....	#301
<i>“He that Believes and Is Baptized”</i>	
Introduction.....	
The Order of Holy Communion.....	p. 15-16
The Introit.....	

P:	Hear my voice when I call, O Lord;
C:	be merciful to me and answer me.
P:	The Lord is my light and my salvation-
C:	whom shall I fear?
P:	The Lord is the stronghold of my life-
C:	of whom shall I be afraid?
P:	Do not hide your face from me, do not
	turn your servant away in anger;
C:	you have been my helper.
P:	Do not reject me or forsake me,
C:	O God my Savior.
P:	Hear my voice when I call, O Lord;
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The Gloria Patri, Kyrie, Gloria in Excelsis.....	
The Readings.....	Back of bulletin
The Nicene Creed.....	p. 22
The Sermon Hymn.....	#421
<i>“Come, Follow Me, the Savior Spake”</i>	
The Litany Prayers.....	(insert)
The Offering.....	
The Service of Communion.....	p. 24-30
The Distribution Hymns.....	
#306 <i>“Lord Jesus Christ, Thou Hast Prepared”</i>	
#315 <i>“I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table”</i>	
The Collect, Benediction.....	p. 31
The Closing Hymn.....	#409
<i>“Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus”</i>	

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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
- 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)

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.

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who donated diapers for the diaper derby. They will be taken to the Alpha Center.

Thank you to the Trinity LWML for serving lunch to the circuit pastors last week.

Thank you to Aimee and Katie Moeller for helping change paraments during last week's service.

OUTREACH THEMES FROM OUR READINGS

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost ~ Romans 6:1-11: In our baptisms we have been connected with the death and resurrection of Jesus so that just like he was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life and share the good news of salvation in Christ with a world corrupted by sin.

BIOTECHNOLOGY

Ed Szeto, Director of Outreach from Lutherans For Life will leading a special Bible study and presentation today following our service. Mr. Szeto will be teaching "Biotechnology 101: A Primer," a basic introduction to four biotechnologies that touch our lives: in vitro fertilization, stem cell research, cloning, and genetic engineering. This is a good discussion starter for the age old question, "Just because we can do something, does that mean we should?" Please plan to stay for this informative session.

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 see how God will bless you and your efforts to support God's precious gift of LIFE.

HISTORICAL FACTS OF SD DISTRICT

On the second Sunday of Advent, 1885, Wolfs' Creek Congregation in Hutchinson County dedicated its church.

PICTURES

Howard Koosman is working on the SD District Centennial History book. He is looking for a picture or pictures that would represent our congregation to be included in the book. If you have one you would like to share, please contact Pastor Moeller.

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 verse that serves as the basis for the 2005 South Dakota 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, and hosted by the newly reactivated Sioux Empire LFL Chapter. Dr. James Lamb, National Director of Lutherans For Life, will be the main conference speaker. Mark your calendars and plan to attend.

COED SOFTBALL

We are playing in the Hartford Area Church Coed Softball League. Our game tonight is at 7:45 p.m. on Diamond C vs. Central Valley. 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.**

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