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8TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JULY 10, 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**
 Adult Bible study & Summer Sunday School ~ 10:30 am
 Elders meeting ~ 6:30 pm
 Church Council meeting ~ 8:00 pm

MONDAY ~ **Men's Bible study ~ 6:00 am**

TUESDAY ~ **Safari Adventure Bible study ~ 7:00 pm**

COMING EVENTS

Sun., July 17th ~ **Worship ~ 9:30 am**
 Adult Bible study & Summer Sunday School ~ 10:30 am
 Softball vs. Christ Lutheran ~ 6:30 pm
 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, SUNDAY, JULY 10, 2005

Cleaners: Richard & Donna Bowden, Loren & Marsha Letsche

Greeters: Richard & Donna Bowden

Head Usher: John Barber

Acolyte: Ashley Matthies

NEXT WEEK: SUNDAY, JULY 17, 2005

Cleaners: John & Carlene Barber, Carmen Barber, Casey Barber

Greeters: Clarice Wixon, Stacy VanWesten

Head Usher: John Barber

Acolyte: Colin Kelley

WORSHIP SERVICE, SUNDAY, JULY 3, 2005

Attendance: 53

Current offering	\$ 741.00
Loose Offering	50.00
Mission	170.00
Future Church Worker	10.00
Building Fund	365.00

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

Eighth Sunday After Pentecost – July 10, 2005 A.D.

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs. For the Word of God to take root in our hearts and bear abundant fruit, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the earth, that God would send rain and sunshine in proper measure, that daily bread may be provided to all people, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the fields white unto harvest around the world, the mission fields at home and abroad, that those who labor may see the joy of the harvest, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For those who are in danger of having the seed of the Word choked out by the cares of this world, or through the neglect of the means of grace are in danger of having the Word in them be unfruitful, that they may be called to faithfulness once again, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the mission field of our own congregation, where the Word of God has been planted, that we may be about our Father's business and produce abundant fruits of faith, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: We pray for our congregation and friends in the midst of joys and struggles . . . Let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: We pray, O Lord your blessing upon the congregations of Immanuel Lutheran in Dimock and Our Savior Lutheran in Aberdeen. May Your Word be a blessing to them and to others, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

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 17, 2005. "Painful Relations." The message of God's deep love and forgiveness is conveyed in this moving story of child abuse. The need for forgiveness on the part of parents that physically and mentally abuse their children. The featured speaker is Vicar Rayan Fouts of Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Rapid City, SD. The sermon theme is "Wheat and Weeds."

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

"O most glorious God . . . Direct my thoughts, word and work, wash away my sins in the immaculate blood of the Lamb, and purge my heart by the Holy Spirit . . . Daily frame me more and more into the likeness of thy Son, Jesus Christ . . . Thou gavest thy Son to die for me, and has given me assurance of salvation . . ." *George Washington A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life / www.lutheransforlife.org / 888-364-LIFE*

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost ~ Romans 8:18-25: St. Paul would agree that Christian stewards are in the world, but not of the world. It's a challenge to live as Christian stewards in the context of selfish and secular surroundings, but we who have the "firstfruits of the Spirit" are equipped to live godly lives and use our blessings to honor God and help others.

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.

OUTREACH THEMES FROM OUR READINGS

8th Sunday after Pentecost ~ Matthew 13:1-9: Our Gospel reading is an encouragement to "plant seeds," that is, share the good news of Jesus with others, especially those who have not heard or believed it. Our privilege is to share this good news and then let it up to the Holy Spirit to work the miracle of conversion. If he can save me, he can save anyone!

Divine Service

Hymn of Invocation.....#429
"Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart"
The Order of Holy Communion.....p. 15-16
The Introit.....

P: Taste and see that the Lord is good;*
C: blessed is the man who takes refuge in him.
P: The Lord has chosen Zion,
C: he has desired it for his dwelling:
P: "This is my resting place for ever and ever;
C: here I will sit enthroned, for I have desired it—
P: I will bless her with abundant provisions;
C: her poor will I satisfy with food.
P: I will clothe her priests with salvation,
C: and her saints will ever sing for joy."
P: Taste and see that the Lord is good;*
C: blessed is the man who takes refuge in him.

The Gloria Patri, Kyrie, Gloria in Excelsis.....
The Readings Back of bulletin
The Nicene Creed p. 22
The Sermon Hymn#261
"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Thy Word"
The Litany Prayers (insert)
The Offering.....
The Service of Communionp. 24-30
The Distribution Hymns.....
#315 "I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table"
#292 "Lord Jesus Christ with Us Abide"
The Collect, Benediction..... p. 31
The Closing Hymn #49
"Almighty God, Thy Word Is Cast"

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)

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.

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.

HISTORICAL FACTS OF SD DISTRICT

Pastor F. W. Leyhe of Wolsey also served Onida – 90 miles from Wolsey; Blunt – 70 miles from Wolsey; Highmore – 50 miles from Wolsey; Yale, Cavour, Iroquois, Bledel and Huron. He traveled 6,430 miles the first year by team and buggy provided by the Mission Board.

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.

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. Dr. James Lamb, will be the main conference speaker. Mark your calendars and plan to attend.

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.

Ladies of Trinity...
You are invited to

An LWML Tea

Saturday, July 30, 2:30 p.m.

Trinity Fellowship Hall

Refreshments, Friendship, Fun with
Lutheran Women in Mission, your sisters
in Christ at Trinity.

CHURCH COUNCIL & VOTERS MEETINGS

The Church Council will meet Sunday, July 10th at 8:00 p.m. to prepare for the quarterly voters' meeting, which will be held on Sunday, July 17th at 8:00 p.m. Please plan on attending these important meetings!

**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!