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THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2006

WELCOME

A special welcome to our guests worshiping 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.

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

SUNDAY ~ Worship service w/communion ~ 9:30 am
Sunday School and Adult Bible study ~ 10:30 am
Men's Club Rent-A-Bum meal and auction ~ 12:00 noon

MONDAY ~ Men's Bible Study ~ 6:00 am
Dartball vs. Hardwick ~ 7:30 pm

TUESDAY ~ Bible study ~ 7:00 pm

WEDNESDAY ~ Lifelight Bible study ~ 9:30 am
Confirmation ~ 5:30 pm
Lenten Supper ~ 6:00 pm
Ash Wednesday Lenten service w/communion ~ 7:30 pm
"The Passion of the Christ" ~ 8:30 pm

SATURDAY ~ Stewardship Committee meeting ~ 9:00 am

COMING EVENTS

Sun., Mar. 5th ~ Worship service ~ 9:30 am
Sunday School and Adult Bible study ~ 10:30 am
Elders meeting ~ 12:00 noon
Men's Club meeting ~ 7:30 pm

Sun. May 7th ~ Rite of Confirmation

June 5th – 9th ~ Vacation Bible School ~ 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

June 18th – 21st ~ SD District Convention

July 17th – 19th ~ SD District Youth Gathering

SERVING THIS WEEK: SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2006

Cleaners: Rodney & Joy Hohn, Monte & Shary Muchow
Greeters: Monte & Shary Muchow **Head Elder:** Joe Krizan
Head Usher: Melvin Matthies **Acolyte:** Jennifer Muchow

ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 2006

Greeters: Rodney & Joy Hohn
Head Usher: DeWane Carls **Acolyte:** Holly Kelley

NEXT WEEK: SUNDAY, MARCH 5, 2006

Cleaners: Steve & LeAnna Oligmueller, Josh & Heidi Nyreen
Greeters: Steve & LeAnna Oligmueller **Head Elder:** Tim Totton
Head Usher: Keith Rueter **Acolyte:** Philip Oligmueller

MID-WEEK LENT: MARCH 8, 2006

Greeters: Josh & Heidi Nyreen
Head Usher: DeWane Carls **Acolyte:** Eric Krizan

WORSHIP SERVICE: SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2006

Worship Attendance:	63	Adult Bible study:	17
Current offering:	\$1,297.00	Mission offering:	116.00
Building fund:	140.00	Future Church Worker:	10.00
Pastor's Office:	10.00	Amy Kashenov	28.00
Light fixtures	450.00	Tuckpointing	25.00

First Sunday Special Offerings go to Campus Ministry

Third Sunday Special Offerings go to Amy Kashenov

Transfiguration Of Our Lord – February 26, 2006 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 Church, that God would keep her doctrine pure, her shepherds and flocks steadfast and unmovable, and her witness strong and clear until our Lord returns in glory with all His angels. Let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For all children, especially Hadley, who was baptized in today's service, that God would guard them in body and spirit so that they may grow to the full stature of Christ, having faith that will produce the fruits of the Spirit. Bless the educational ministry that is done in this place, our Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, Midweek and Adult Bible classes, that the truth of the Gospel may be taught and learned for the building up of Your people. We pray that as we investigate the possibilities of a preschool and daycare you might open the doors you would have us go through and close those which would not be beneficial for our ministry. Let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the people of our congregation and community in the midst of life's struggles and joys . . . For those who have chosen not to participate faithfully in the life of this congregation, that they may be renewed by the power of Your Holy Spirit, brought to faithfulness in You, and that we might joyfully include them in the activities and work that You have given us to do here. We remember before you on this Day of Transfiguration, the congregations of Messiah Lutheran, Murdo and Rosebud Indian Lutheran, Rosebud. Assure them that You are on their side upon the plain with Your good gifts and Spirit, that You will never leave them nor forsake them, and that one day they too will see Your unveiled glory. Let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: We too remember before You all who have died in the faith, whose hope and trust were in You, whose faith has now been changed to sight and prayer to praise. O Lord God Almighty, grant us so to follow their example and keep us steadfast in faith that we too may come to that city not made by hands and behold Your unveiled glory where time and world shall end. Let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Into Your hands we commend ourselves, 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.

OUTREACH THEMES FROM OUR READINGS

2 Peter 1:16-19: Like the saints who heard Peter's words for the first time we are reminded that God has entrusted the good news of salvation through Jesus Christ to us to believe and share with others. Good stewards gladly hear and share this good news of Jesus.

"RENT-A-BUM"



The Men's Club will be sponsoring our annual "Rent-a-Bum" dinner and auction on Sunday, February 27th. The dinner will start at 12:00 noon and the auction will follow at approximately 1:00 p.m. We have a number of talented men who have agreed to work for 8 hours at a time agreed upon with the highest bidder who has purchased them. This work can be done anytime that is agreeable between the two parties as long as it is completed and paid for by the end of October, so you might consider any projects that you have planned for the next few months.

All the proceeds from the dinner and auction will be used for the Future Church Worker fund to support the education expenses of Jeff Kalb at the seminary. At this date, we have met just a little over half of \$2,000 that the seminary asks each home congregation to provide for support.

Jeff and his family are planning on attending, and he will be preaching for our worship service that morning. Anyone who wishes to donate 8 hours of labor as a "bum" should contact Pastor Moeller. We ask that everyone else would consider the odd jobs you might need to have done around your home and bid for one of our talented "bums."

TEN FOR TEN: YOUR FINANCIAL COMMITMENT

Thanks for your commitment! Thanks for taking a leap of faith! If you have not completed a commitment form for the **Ten for Ten** program, please take time now. Your timely response will save our having to mail out reminders. The commitment forms are available at the greeter's stand. You may place the completed form in the offering plate or return it to the church office. Thanks for your participation and commitment to the mission and ministry of our church.

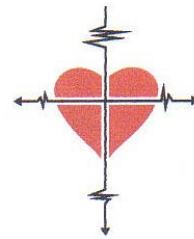


DAILY PRAYER—THE LUTHERAN DIFFERENCE

As Lutherans interact with other Christians, they often find themselves struggling to explain their beliefs and practices. Although many Lutherans have learned the "what" of the doctrines of the church, they do not always have a full scriptural foundation to share the "why." Because of insecurities about explaining particular doctrines or practices, some Lutherans may avoid opportunities to share what they have learned from Christ and His Word, including our understanding of prayer.

Our Lifelight Bible study group meets on Wednesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. in people's homes. Our study—Daily Prayer: The Lutheran Difference—will identify how Lutherans differ from other Christians and demonstrate from the Bible why Lutherans differ. These studies will help you grow in your prayer life and prepare you to share your faith with others. Please join us!

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 that will meet on Mondays at 2:00 p.m. Others will begin soon. If you are interested in participating, please speak with Pastor Moeller, letting him know a time that would work well for you and/or your friends.

Divine Service

Hymn of Invocation#4
"God Himself Is Present"
The Order of Morning Service p. 5-6
The Introit.....

P: Exalt the Lord our God and worship at his holy mountain,
C: for the Lord our God is holy.
P: The Lord reigns,
C: let the nations tremble;
P: he sits enthroned between the cherubim,
C: let the earth shake.
P: Great is the Lord in Zion;
C: he is exalted over all the nations.
P: Let them praise your great and awesome name-
C: he is holy.
P: The King is mighty, he loves justice-
C: you have established equity;
P: in Jacob you have done
C: what is just and right.
P: Exalt the Lord our God and worship at his footstool;
C: he is holy.
P: Glory be to the Father and to the Son
C: and to the Holy Spirit;
P: as it was in the beginning,
C: is now, and will be forever. Amen
P: Exalt the Lord our God and worship at his holy mountain,
C: for the Lord our God is holy.

The Salutation, Collectp. 9
The Readings Back of bulletin
The Apostles' Creed..... p. 12
The Sermon Hymn#135
"Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here"
The Sermon..... "Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here"
The Offering.....
The Prayers
The Hymn #359
"Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies"
The Collect, Benediction..... p. 14
The Closing Hymn#657
"Beautiful Savior"

LUTHERAN MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

The next Lutheran Marriage Encounter weekend in South Dakota will be March 4-6, 2005, in Sioux Falls. The main emphasis of the weekend is to improve communication between you and your spouse. Plan to attend.

For more information or for a registration form, contact Pastor Bob and Aimee Moeller, (605) 526-3572, seelsorge8@aol.com; Milton and Donna Kaufman, (605) 651-3231, miltkauf@tnics.com; or Vern and Karen Harrington, (712) 546-7381. giblem@frontiernet.net

PARKING DURING CONSTRUCTION

During construction, parking places will near the church will be at a premium. Please leave the two handicapped parking spaces for those with state handicapped permits. Everyone who parks in front of the church is asked to park diagonally, headed toward the **west**. Gary Miles has given permission to park in his driveway, directly south of the church. We suggest parallel parking on the west side of the driveway and turning around by the house.

Please do not park near the road on the south side. The edge of the road is very narrow and with the all the traffic that goes by, it can be very dangerous for pedestrians crossing the road, coming between cars. Thank you for your patience and consideration of others!

A GROWING RELATIONSHIP

God continuously invites us into a close relationship with Him. To show Him our gratitude and to affirm that relationship, we give cheerfully, regularly, and proportionately of our firstfruits. As a benchmark for our giving, we use the tithe, which is ten percent of our earnings. Tithing symbolizes the importance that we place on our relationship with Him. It is our prayer that you have taken a leap of faith during the **Ten for Ten** program through increased giving and that you are experiencing an even closer relationship with Jesus.



"LIFE QUOTES" FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

"The fetuses are alive at the time of the final delivery . . . Very, very frequently, we notice that [the heart] is [beating]." *LeRoy Carhart, an abortionist attempting to defend partial-birth abortion in a federal court by claiming that "nearly all" abortions after the first trimester are essentially partial-birth.*

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

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A MILE OF PENNIES

The High School Youth Group is sponsoring "A Mile of Pennies" Fundraiser. Members are invited to donate their pennies and other spare change into the jar on the table by the entrance to the church nave. Other monetary donations will be accepted as well (\$1.00 = 100 pennies). The proceeds will be used to purchase a big screen television set for the new building addition. We've just gone over half way to our goal of accumulating 84,480 pennies (\$844.80), which placed side by side would stretch 1 mile. Thank you!

KEEPSAKE COOKBOOK

We need your favorite recipes! The 125th anniversary committee is printing a keepsake cookbook as part of our celebration of proclaiming the Word of God in this place for those many years. There are forms available at the back of the church. Please return at least 5 recipes (more if you like) as soon as you can so we can categorize them. You may also submit recipes in memory of a friend or loved one.

Please indicate **how many** you would like to buy so we can get some idea of the quantity we will need to print. Please return the completed forms to the box on the table near the greeting stand.

THANK YOU

Thank you to the Wenzlaff family and Gary and Grace Lukes who donated over 3,500 pennies for "a Mile of Pennies" in memory of Teresa Shaver.

REVELATION FOR LENT

Seven churches of the ancient world received messages from Jesus Christ through the revelation to the apostle John. What do these letter have to say to the modern church? How does this section of Holy Scripture relate to the Lenten season?

Beginning on Ash Wednesday, we will focus each week on one ancient city from Revelation 2:1-3:22 and its unique challenges, Christ's call to "hold on to what you have," and how this message still applies today. With special emphasis on why we need Jesus Christ to do what we are unable to do, these messages will help us focus on the Savior's sacrifice for our salvation and the faith and hope that He alone gives.

In addition to this special sermon series, we will have special music, dramas, and a Bible study each Tuesday night at 7:00 p.m. during Lent, in which we will look at the text from Revelation for the upcoming midweek service. There is also a family devotional book that follows the same theme. Please be sure to pick up yours!

Midweek Lenten services will begin on **Ash Wednesday, February 9th at 7:30 p.m.** For your convenience the 125th Anniversary Committee and YES group will be serving supper each evening from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. The proceeds will be used for expenses for the upcoming 125th anniversary celebration.

SIMPLY GIVING

The Trinity Stewardship Committee would like to be 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.

Simply Giving is a reliable, safe way to move your stewardship plan into action. It allows you to share your gifts through planned giving and activates your generosity into ongoing stewardship. 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 can be obtained from one of 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.